

# Climate Adaptation in Transmission Planning

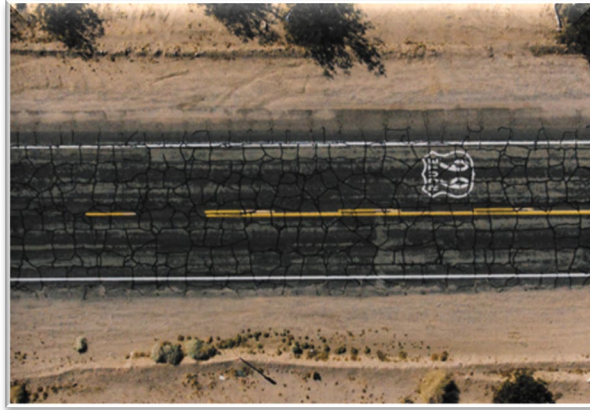
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# Outline

- CAVA Analytical Framework
- Vulnerable and At-Risk Assets due to Climate Hazards
- Potential Adaptations Strategies
- Findings and Next Steps

# Climate Exposure Trends and Potential Impacts on the Electrical System



Extreme Heat



Wildfire



Precipitation

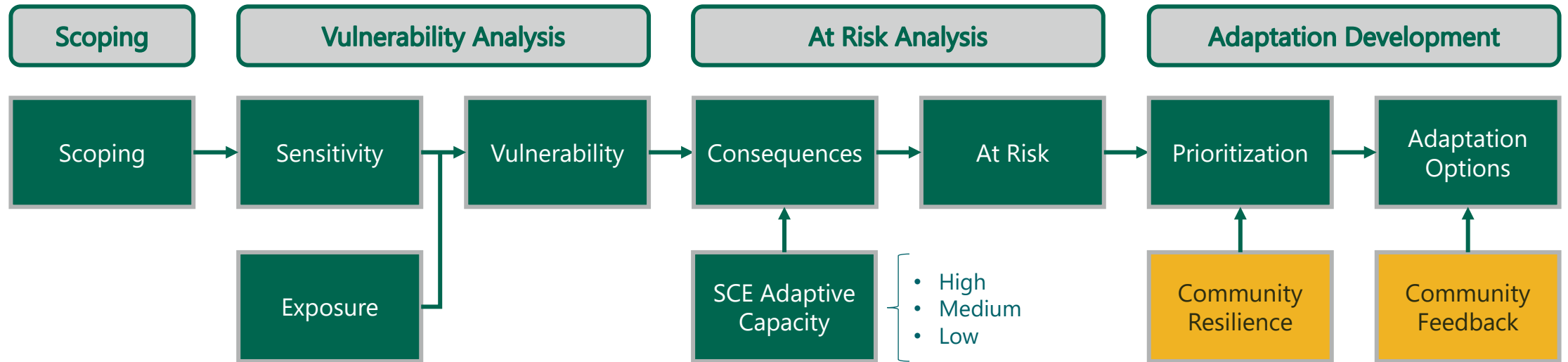


Sea Level Rise



Cascading Events

# Climate Adaptation Vulnerability Assessment (CAVA) Analytical Framework



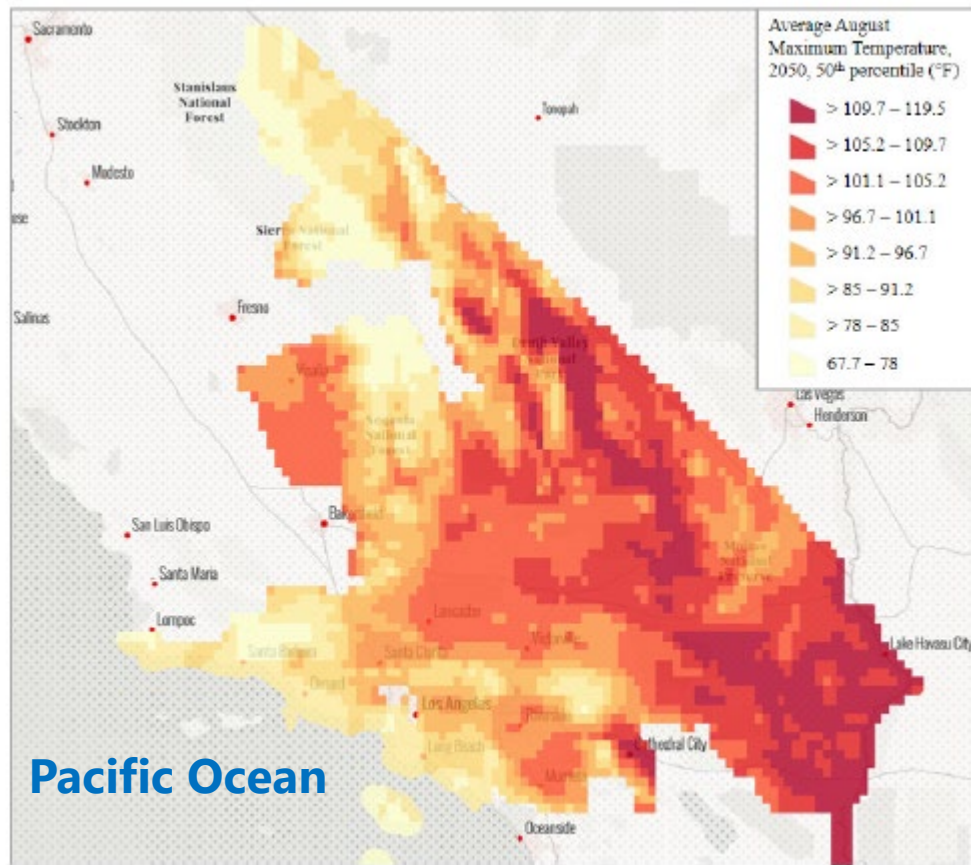
CAVA Analysis



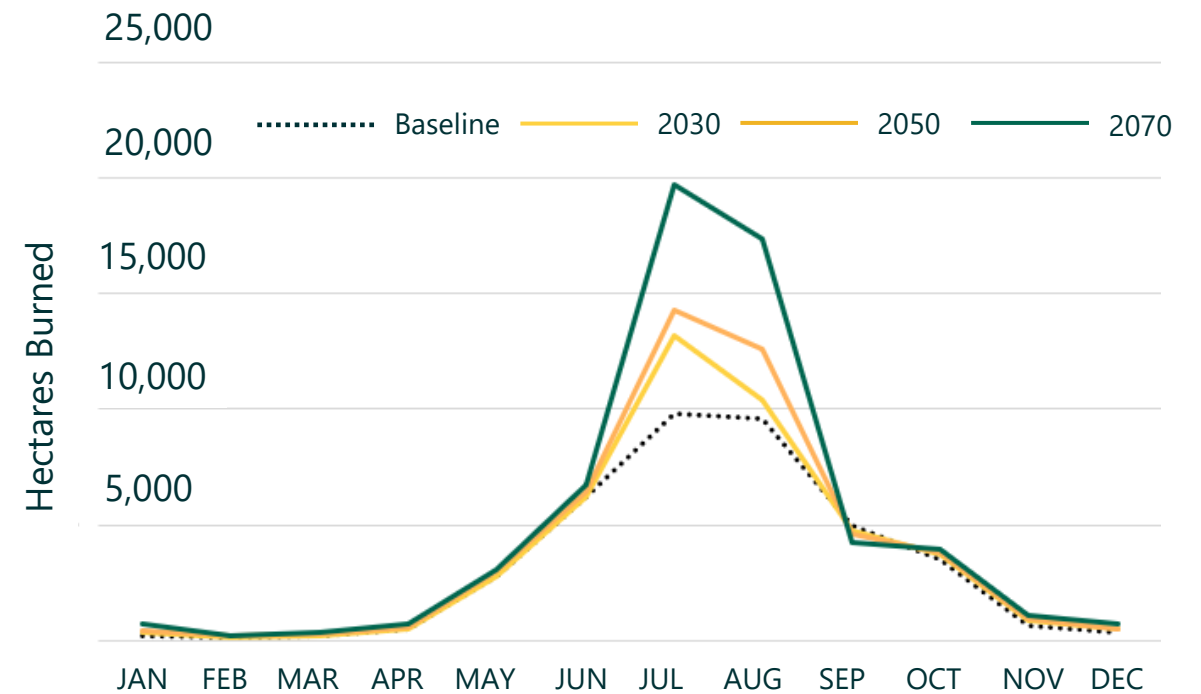
Post-CAVA Integration

# Temperature and Wildfire Projections

## Average August Maximum Temperature 2050, 50<sup>th</sup> Percentile



## Average Hectares Burned by Month, Baseline - 2070



# Vulnerable and At-Risk Assets due to Extreme Temperature and Wildfire

Climate Hazard	Assets	Results
Extreme Temperature	Transmission Overhead Power Lines (500 kV & 220 kV)	64 of 268 (24%) transmission circuits <b>vulnerable</b> to Extreme Temperature by 2050
		19 out of 64 vulnerable transmission circuits <b>at-risk of consequence</b> by 2050
Wildfire	Transmission Overhead Power Lines (500kV & 220 kV)	69 of 268 (26%) transmission circuits <b>vulnerable</b> to Extreme Temperature by 2050
		5 out of 33 transmission corridor outage scenarios <b>at-risk of consequence</b> by 2050

# Vulnerable and At-Risk Assets due to other Climate Hazards

Climate Hazard	Assets	Results
Precipitation & Flooding	Transmission Substations (500 kV & 220 kV)	10 of 89 transmission substations <b>vulnerable</b> of 100-year flood plain
		3 out of 10 vulnerable transmission substations <b>at-risk of consequence</b> due to flooding
Sea Level Rise	Transmission Substations (500 kV & 220 kV)	5 transmission substations <b>vulnerable</b> to sea level rise event with 100-year coastal storm
		0 out of 5 vulnerable transmission substations <b>at-risk of consequence</b> due to sea level rise
Debris Flow	Transmission Substations (500 kV & 220 kV)	9 out of 89 transmission substations <b>vulnerable</b> to debris flow
		2 out of 9 vulnerable transmission substations <b>at-risk of consequence</b> due to debris flow

# Potential Adaptations Strategies

Climate Hazard	Potential Risk	Potential 2025-2028 Adaptation Strategies
Wildfire	Transmission Outages	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Increased inspections, vegetation management, and tower clearing to reduce likelihood of fire damage</li><li>• Expand remote inspection technology (e.g., satellite imagery)</li></ul>
Precipitation/ Flooding	Substation Outages	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Construction of floodwalls to reduce likelihood of flood related outages</li></ul>
All	Climate Science Gaps	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Studies to better understand nature of climate risk in areas of highest impact to SCE AOS</li></ul>



# Key Findings

- SCE's CAVA identifies both near-term and longer-term climate change driven physical risks to its assets, operations, and services.
- The assessment identifies potential near-term adaptation options that could be implemented prior to 2030 to address these near-term climate change risks.
- Regulatory coordination is needed in the load forecast to reflect impacts of both climate change and future electrification beyond 2030 to inform future transmission investments.
- Climate science needs to continue to evolve so it can address electric utilities' risk and planning needs.

## Next Steps

- Future vulnerability assessments will incorporate the latest and best available climate science to provide better insights for SCE to use in planning and refining its climate adaptation strategies.
- Future assessments will incorporate the impact of climate change on current infrastructure planning programs' scope and budgets.
- Continue engagement with vulnerable communities and increase transmission resiliency.

# Questions



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