



Power System Resilience

Supply and Climate Resilience

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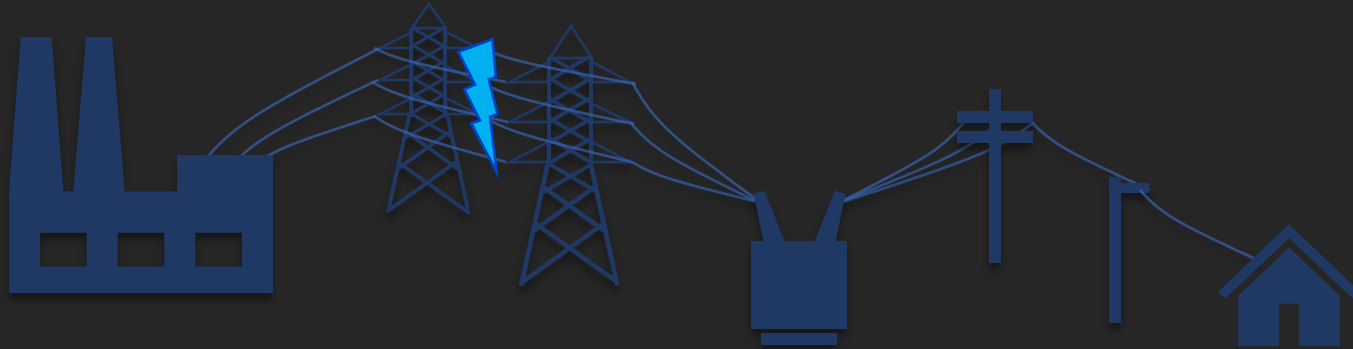
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- Increase awareness of challenges that others are facing and alternate solutions to challenges you might be facing
- Save time and money troubleshooting problems EPRI and its stakeholders have seen before

Portfolio Spans the Entire Electricity Sector

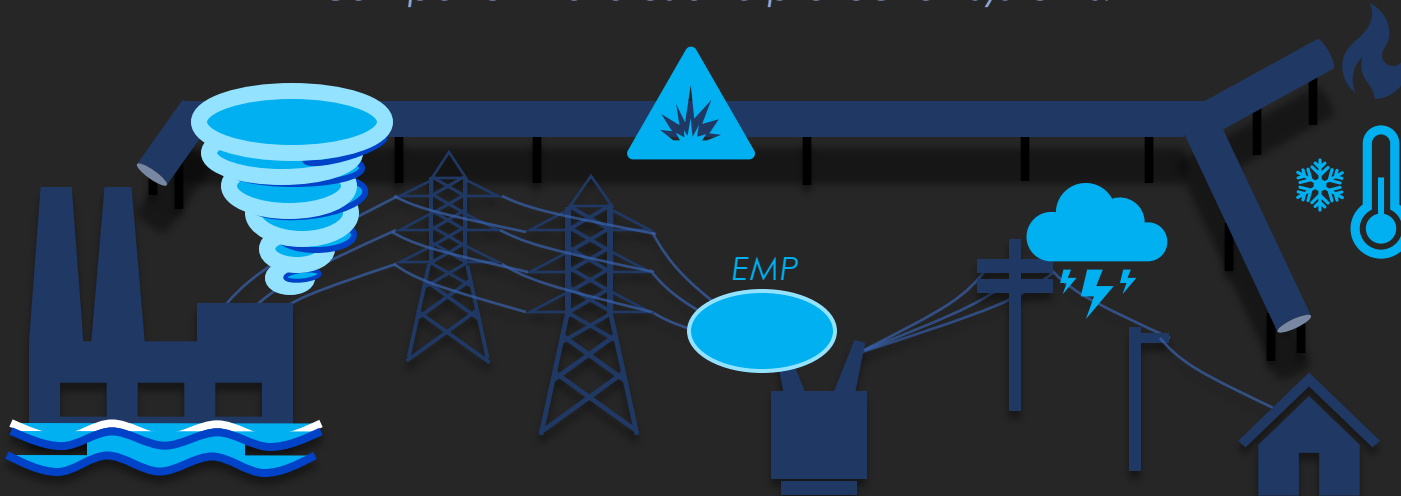
		
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What is Power System Resilience?



Existing criteria based on “**traditional**” failures

Traditional failures based on standard set of events, based on power system component failures and protection systems.



Criteria based on “**externally driven extreme**” events

Externally-driven events are those that are less known and typically events unrelated to the power system (e.g. N-k), but which affect the power system.

Reliability

Limit customer outages

**Restoration/
Recovery**

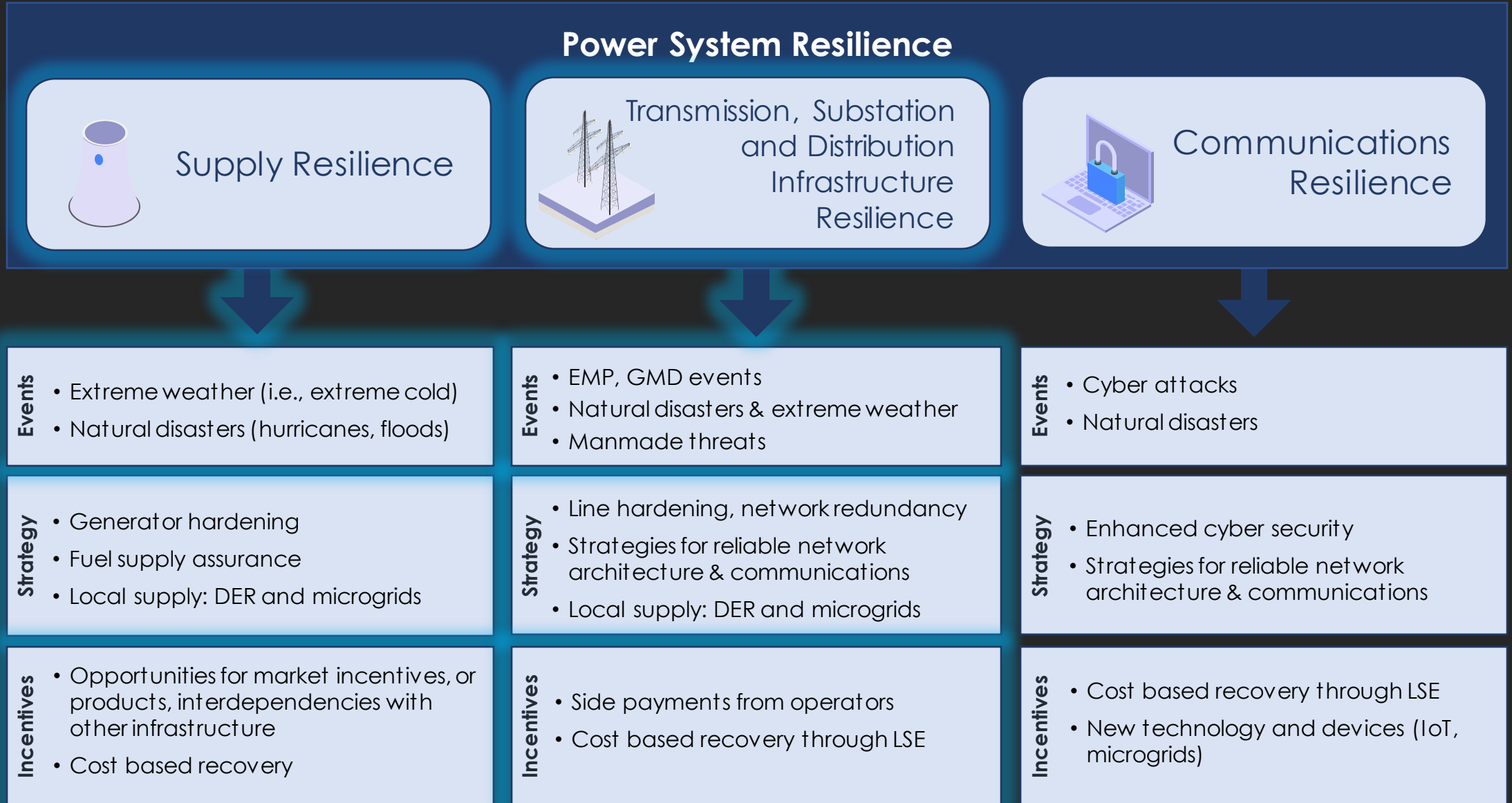
Restoring grid components following customer outage

Definitions, metrics, criteria, solutions
(influence but can be distinct)

Resilience

Anticipate, absorb, adapt to, and/or rapidly recover

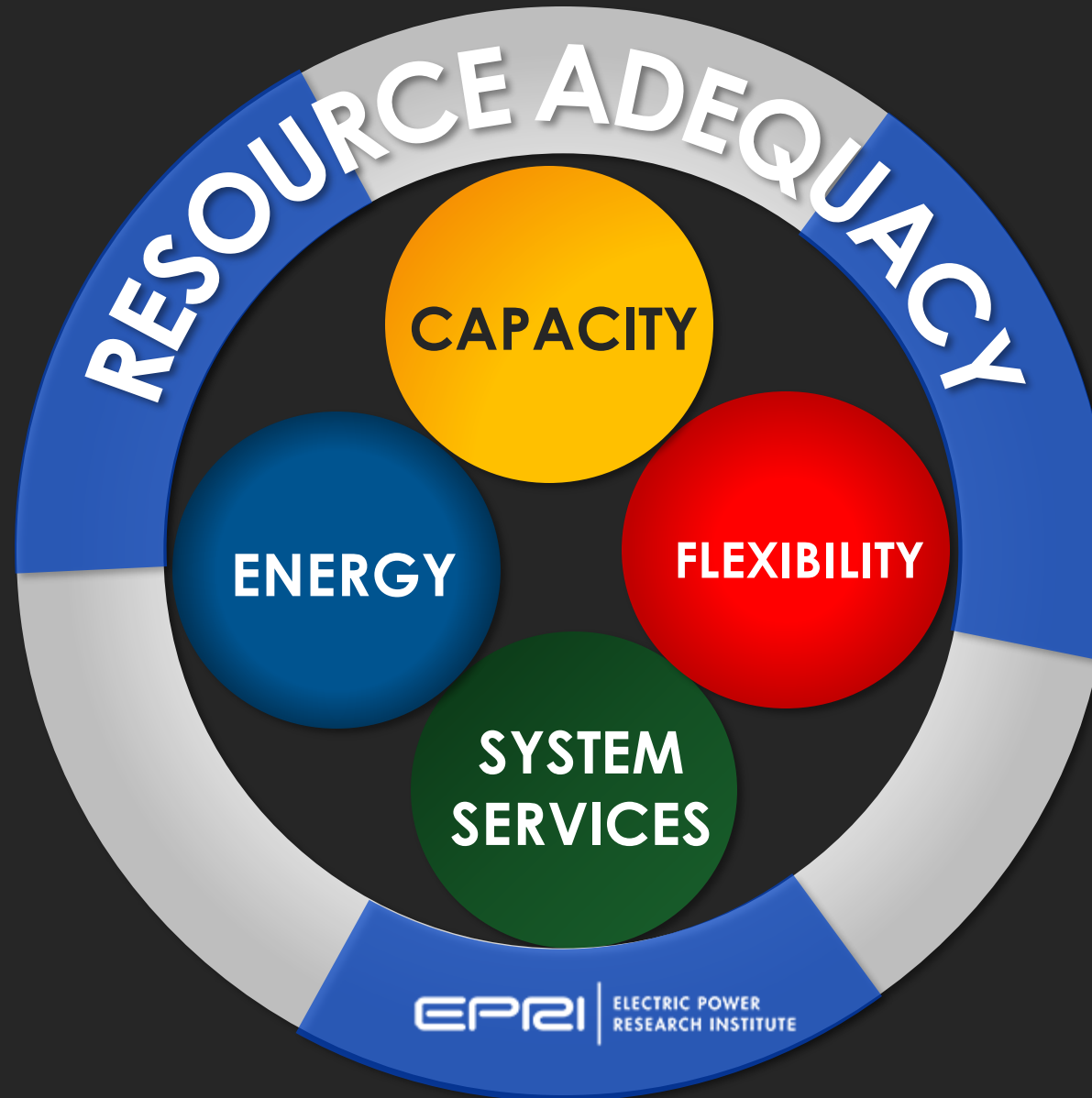
Resilience Across Power Systems



Supply Resilience Driven by Adequacy



An adequate supply fleet is not just the installed MW in the ground. The capacity must have energy to sustain during critical time periods, flexibility to accommodate condition changes, and sufficient reliability services to provide when necessary



Supply Resilience: Common Mode Events

- **Definition:** Events when two or more resources simultaneously become unavailable or are output limited
 - Cases with a single external event (e.g., gas pipeline failure)
 - Cases with a combination of factors (e.g., decline in renewable output due to weather and gas pipeline unavailability)
- **Outages have been assumed to be independent and uncorrelated**
 - Given increases in common mode events, this assumption is no longer valid
 - Planners might need to consider the impact of multiple events



Projecting Event Probabilities

- Climate change is resulting in more frequent extreme weather events
- Historical probabilities do not capture these extremes, making forecasting or projecting future disruptive events difficult

Type of Extreme Weather	Frequency	Intensity	Geographic Extent
Extreme Heat Events	↑	↑	↑
Drought	↑	↑	↑
Wildfires	↑	↑	↑
Extreme Precipitation/ Flooding	↑	↑	↑
Hurricanes/ Tropical Storms	↔	↑	↑
Cold Events	↑	↓	
Heavy Snow Events	↔	↔	
Severe Weather (e.g., tornados, hail)	↔	↔	

Historical probabilities for the frequency, intensity, geographic scope, and duration of weather events need to be adjusted upwards to take recent climate trends into account

Climate Resilience in Transmission Operations & Planning



What needs to be assessed?

Long-term consequences that manifest as sustained impact on the power system as well as acute event that create large impacts that are beyond typical design consideration



How can we consider climate impacts?

Climate data needs to be included in the study process. Needs to be localized to the system under consideration and geographically correlated to the local infrastructure



System adaption and prioritization

Need to establish project value across multiple areas of system impact; operations, planning, recovery and restoration and make investment decisions based on the impacts observed



Identified gaps and areas for improvement

Still an evolving area of research. Requires creating a more integrative planning process that allows a longer-term assessment of the system from both an operations and planning perspective.

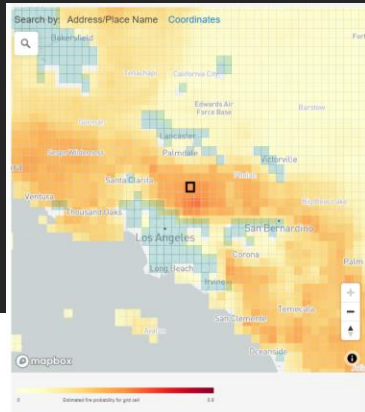
Capturing Future Climate Threats as an Electrical Consequence

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Review & Interpret
Climate Projections for
Location and Variables of Interest

Use global, regional, national, and other existing detailed local climate datasets

Ex: Characterize change in wildfire probability in Los Angeles County



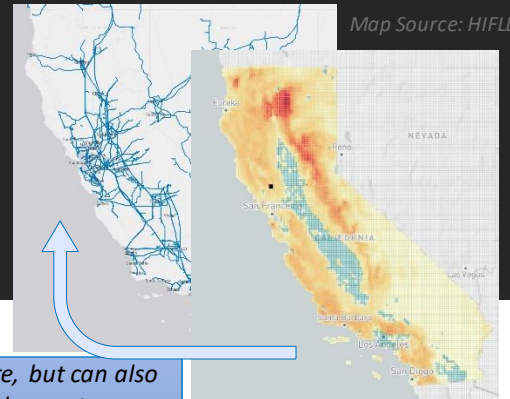
Map Source: Cal-Adapt

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Map Climate Impacts Geographically
to Identify Highly Impacted
Electrical Equipment

Assess locationally-specific
climate vulnerabilities

Capture and
evaluate
projected
changes across
utility service
territory



Map Source: HIFLD

Example shown for wildfire, but can also consider other threats such as extreme heat and sea level rise / storm surge inundation

Map Source: Cal-Adapt

3

Translate Climate Impacts into
Electrical Consequence and
Define Events

Generate extreme contingency
events

Define electrical
consequence
based on
anticipated
climate impacts

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CONTINGENCY `2 STATION  
WILDFIRE OUTAGE'  
DISCONNECT BUS FROM BUS 12345  
DISCONNECT BUS FROM BUS 23456  
END  
CONTINGENCY `3 STATION  
WILDFIRE OUTAGE'  
DISCONNECT BUS FROM BUS 34567  
DISCONNECT BUS FROM BUS 45678  
DISCONNECT BUS FROM BUS 57890  
END  
END
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Climate Data Informs HILF Event Definition for Transmission Resilience Analysis

Example Assessment: 2030 LADWP System

Studied Scenarios

Scenario 1

- Full retirement of the once-through cooling (OTC) generation units in the LA Basin

Scenario 2

- **630 MW** of additional firm generation in-Basin compared to Scenario 1

Scenario 3

- **870 MW** of additional firm generation in-Basin compared to Scenario 1

Weighed multiple possible future configuration of the LADWP system and compared the resilience of the network in response to a set of defined events

- Example shown here is a significant wildfire event impacting transmission, interconnection, and generation
- Sensitivity case examines the failure to complete schedule upgrades on the system by 2030



As less generation is available locally, the system is exposed to more risk of load loss

EPRI Resource Adequacy Initiative

Scope and Deliverables

RA Process



- Recommended Metrics and Criteria
- Future Scenario Database and Tool

Models and Data



- Emerging Resource & Demand Side Models
- Model Data Development Tools

Analysis Tools



- Existing RA Tool Capabilities
- New Algorithms and open-source code

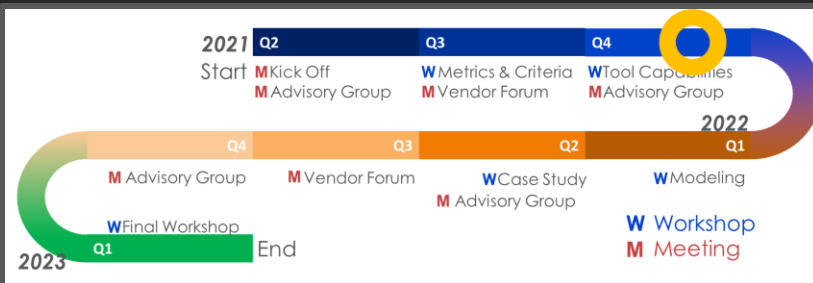
Case Studies

Evaluation of existing and development of new capabilities based on 4-6 regional RA case studies covering differing RA issues and tools.

Tech Transfer

Reports and workshops to be conducted to disseminate results and to promote broad adoption in commercial tools.

Schedule



Collaboration & Partners

27+ Participants



External Advisory: NARUC, RROs, DOE, ESIG, ENTSO-E, EEI, ISO/RTOs, G-PST, et. al.
R&D Partners: Vendors, Nat. Labs, Consultants, Universities



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RESILIENCE AND ADAPTATION INITIATIVE

Workstream 1

Physical Climate Data & Guidance

- Identify climate hazards and data required for different applications
- Evaluate data availability, suitability, and methods for downscaling & localizing climate information
- Address data gaps

Workstream 2

Energy System & Asset Vulnerability Assessment

- Evaluate vulnerability at the component, system, and market levels from planning to operations
- Identify mitigation options from system to customer level
- Enhance criteria for planning and operations to account for event probability and uncertainty

Workstream 3

Resilience / Adaptation Planning & Prioritization

- Assess power system and societal impacts: resilience metrics and value measures
- Create guidance for optimal investment priorities
- Develop cost-benefit analysis, risk mitigation, and adaptation strategies

EPRI Climate Resilience and Adaptation Initiative (**READi**)

- **COMPREHENSIVE:** Develop a *Common Framework* addressing the entirety of the power system, planning through operations
- **CONSISTENT:** Provide an informed approach to climate risk assessment and strategic resilience planning that can be replicated
- **COLLABORATIVE:** Drive stakeholder alignment on adaptation strategies for efficient and effective investment



Deliverables: Common Framework “Guidebooks”

- Climate data assessment and application guidance
- Vulnerability assessment
- Risk mitigation investment
- Recovery planning
- Hardening technologies
- Adaptation strategies
- Research priorities