

# The Wide Area View: Synchrophasors

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# Agenda

## Introduction

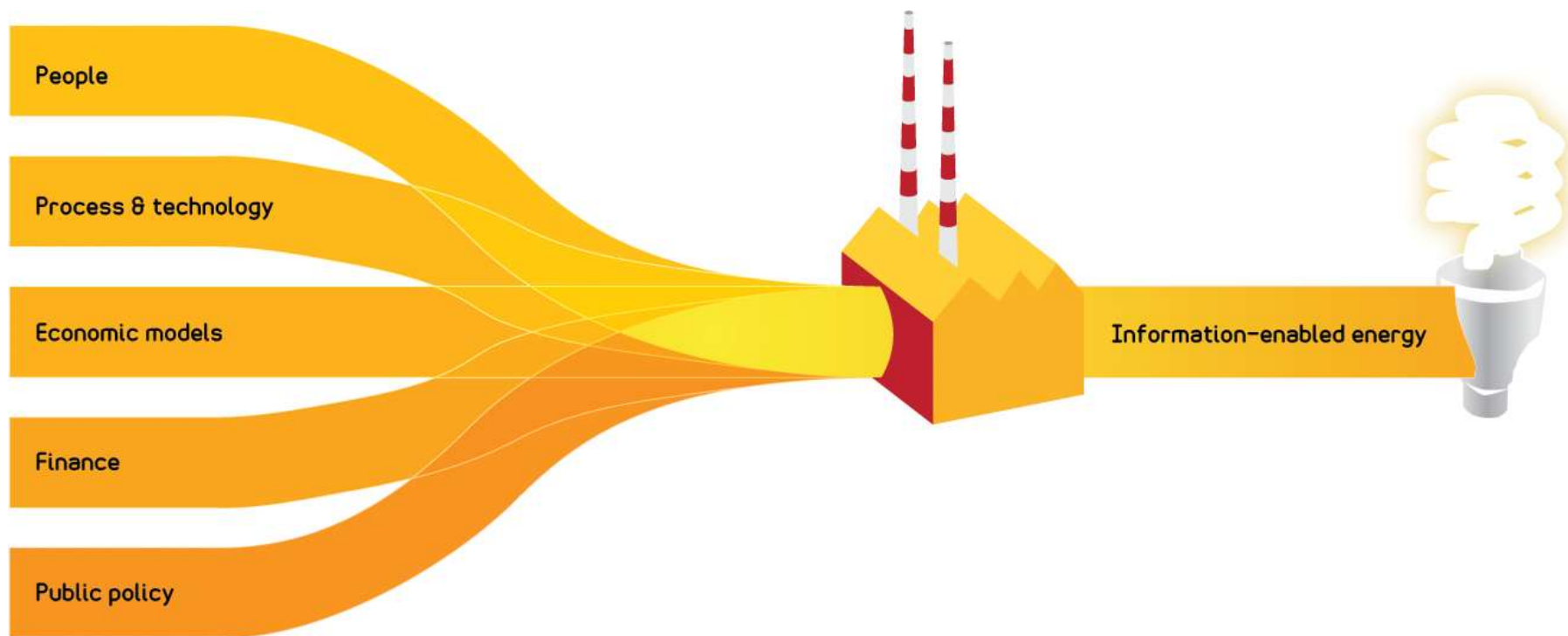
- Our definition of an intelligent utility
- As the grid becomes two-way, so does the conversation

## The discussion

- Tony Johnson, Southern California Edison, explains synchrophasor technology and how it applies to SCE
- Jeff Younger, Salt River Project, discusses situational awareness and wide area measurement and control
- Chantal Hendrzak, PJM Interconnection, talks about how this applies to a multi-utility project

## Q&A

# Introduction: An intelligent utility operation



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# SCE's Wide Area Situational Awareness System

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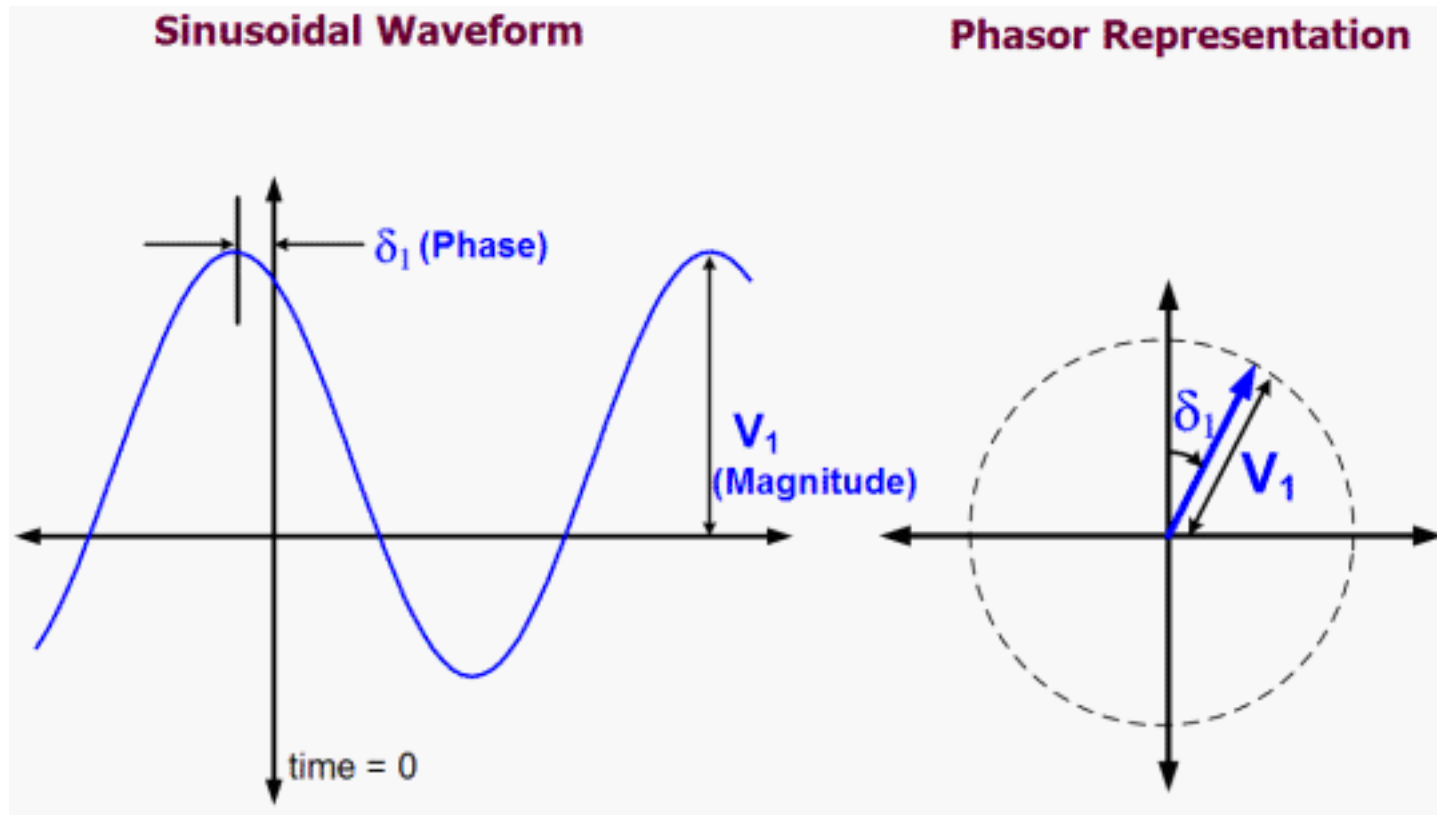
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# Outline

- What is a SynchroPhasor
- WASAS Design Considerations / Requirements
- WASAS System Design Overview

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# What is a SyncroPhasor?





# Keys to the success of SyncroPhasors

- Accurate time stamp
- Voltage, Current, and Frequency
- Magnitude and angle
- 30 Samples per second
- From points all over the grid

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# WASAS Design Considerations / Requirements

- Not a synchrophasor data only system – a wide-area situation awareness system primarily for use by control center operators
  - EMS/SCADA data
  - Non-electrical data (weather, fire, traffic, earthquake, etc.)
  - More will be added in the future!!!
- Not a standalone system – must interface with variety of external systems
  - Other SCE systems, such as EMS/SCADA, engineering database, etc.
  - External data servers for weather, fire, traffic, earthquake data
  - Synchrophasor data from phasor systems of other utilities (e.g. WECC member utilities)
  - May interface with more SCE internal and external systems in the future

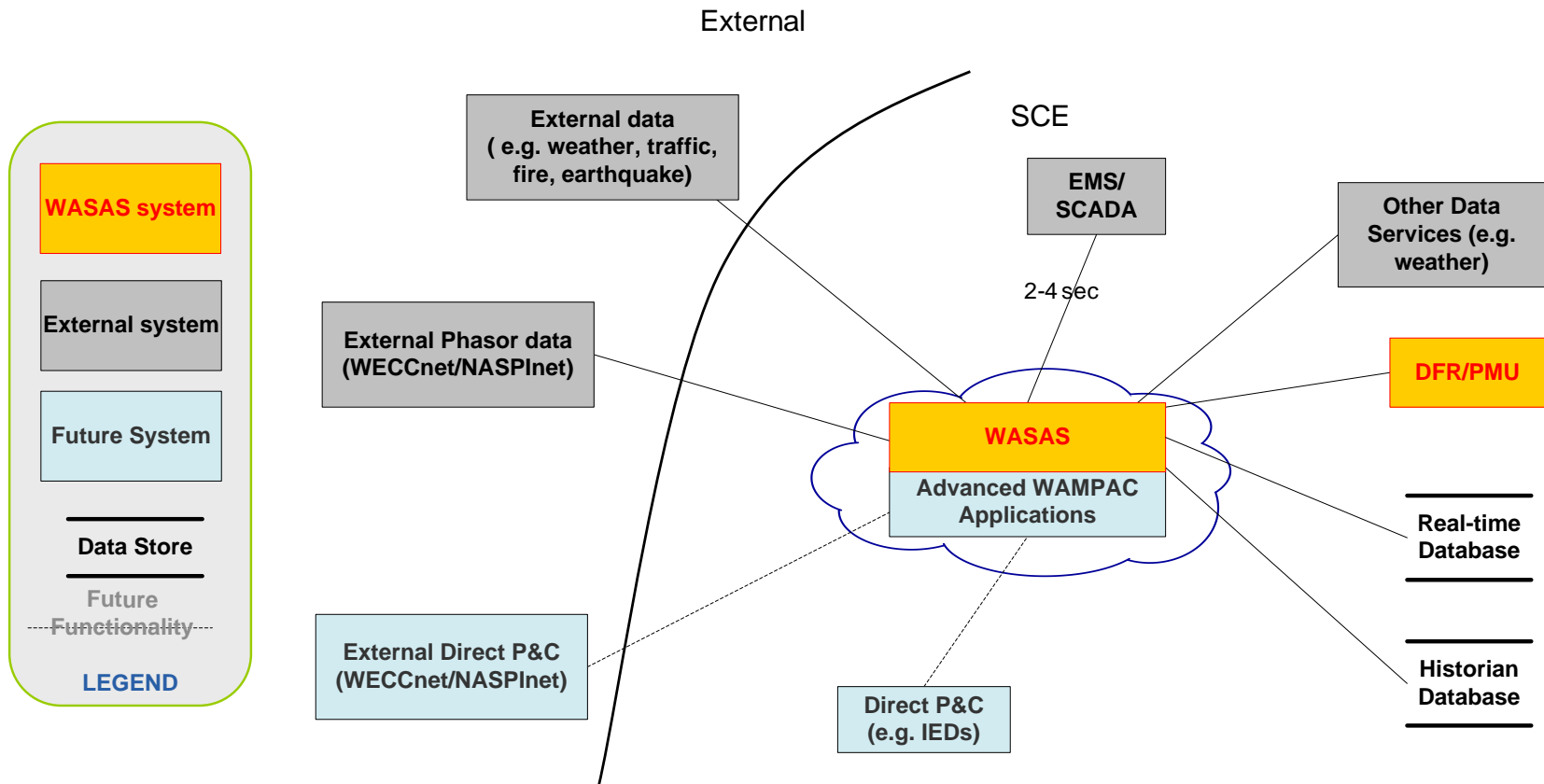
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## WASAS Design Considerations / Requirements (cont.)

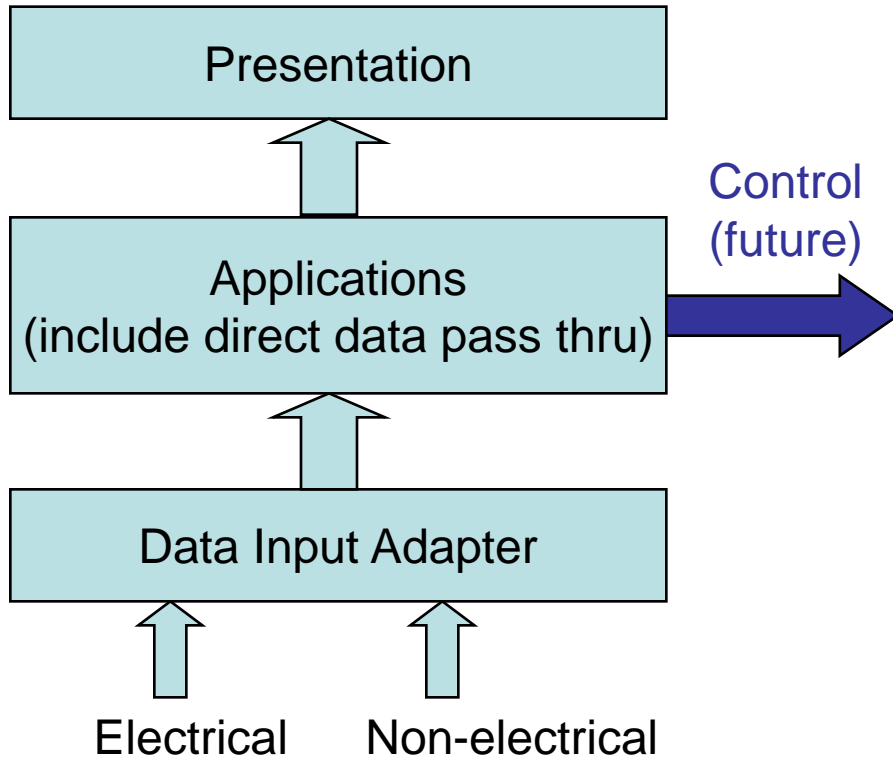
- Will need to evolve to become a wide-area monitoring, protection and control system (WAMPACS) over time
  - Must be able to support all types of wide-area monitoring, protection and control applications
- System expansion anticipated
  - More phasor measurements from SCE and others
  - Other data (e.g. IED data)
- Will be part of SCE's overall Smart Grid deployment
  - Leverage SCE existing IT infrastructure and common services

## WASAS Design Considerations / Requirements (cont.)

- Current WASAS deployment complete by end of 2011 as an approved GRC project including all procurement, engineering, deployment, installation, and testing processes



# SCE's vision about WASAS



- Separate presentation, application, and data interface parts with interfaces between
  - Presentation and application
  - Application and data input adapter
- Work with NASPI to make interfaces to become open standards

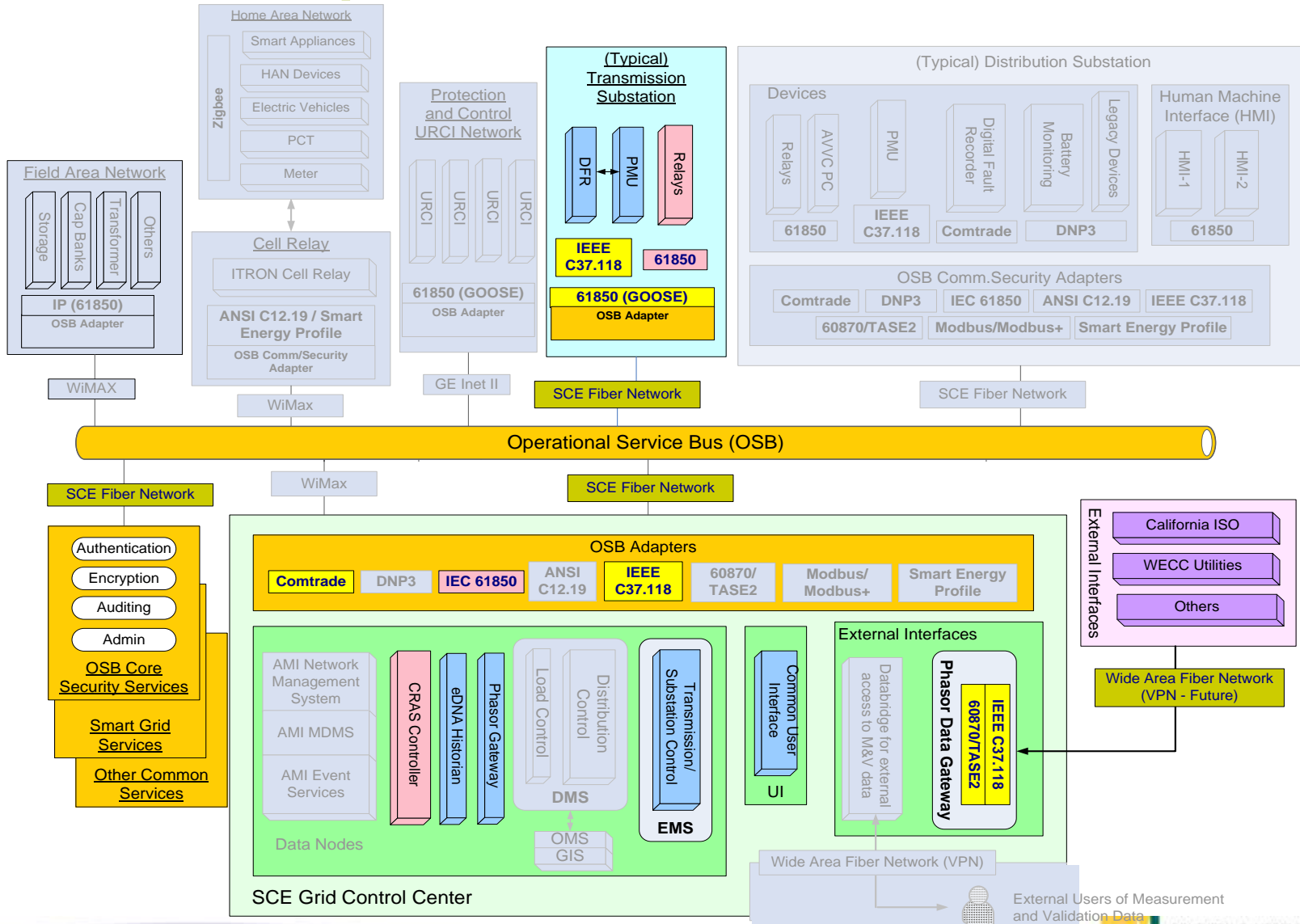
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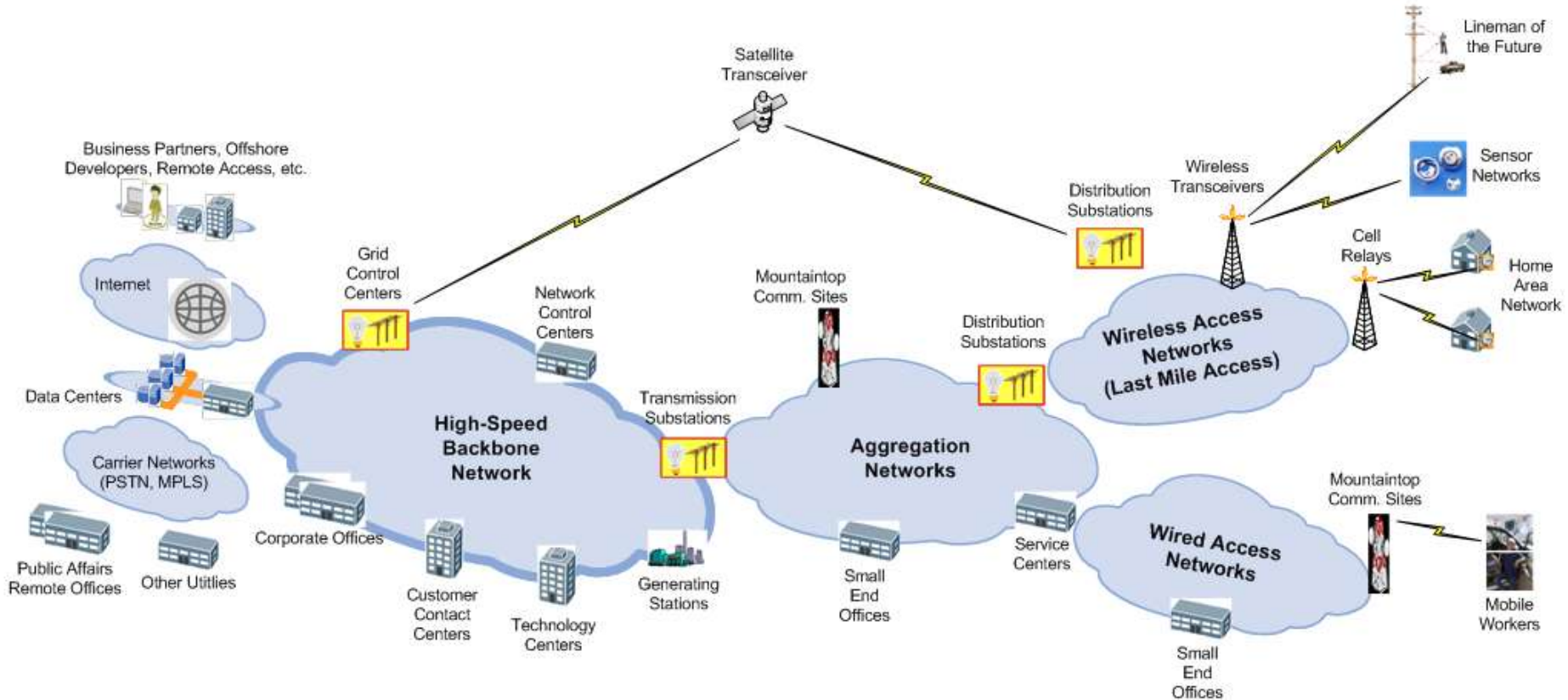
# WASAS as part of SCE Smart Grid Vision





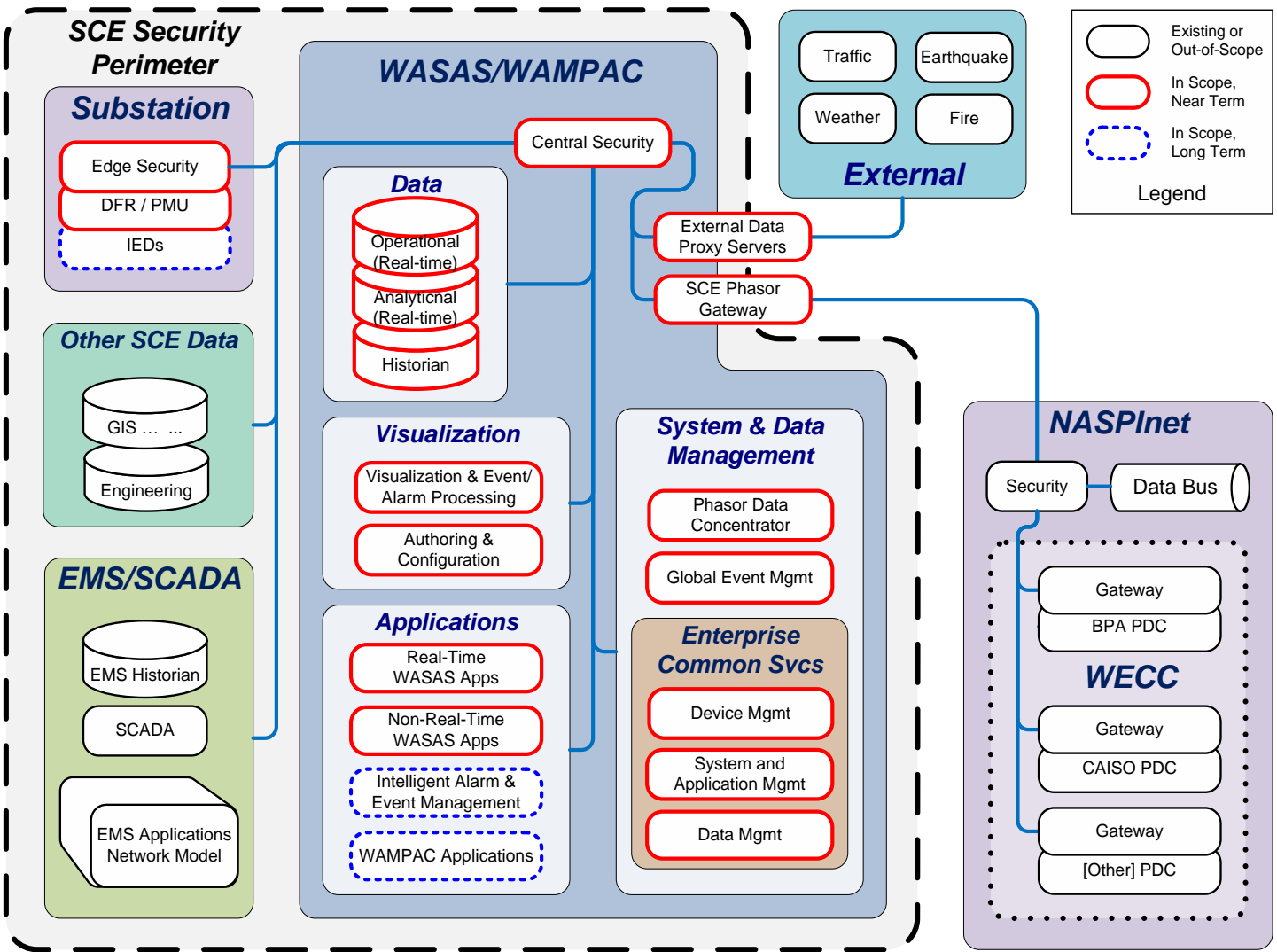
# WASAS System Design Views – Network/Comm

## SCEnet2 Conceptual Architecture



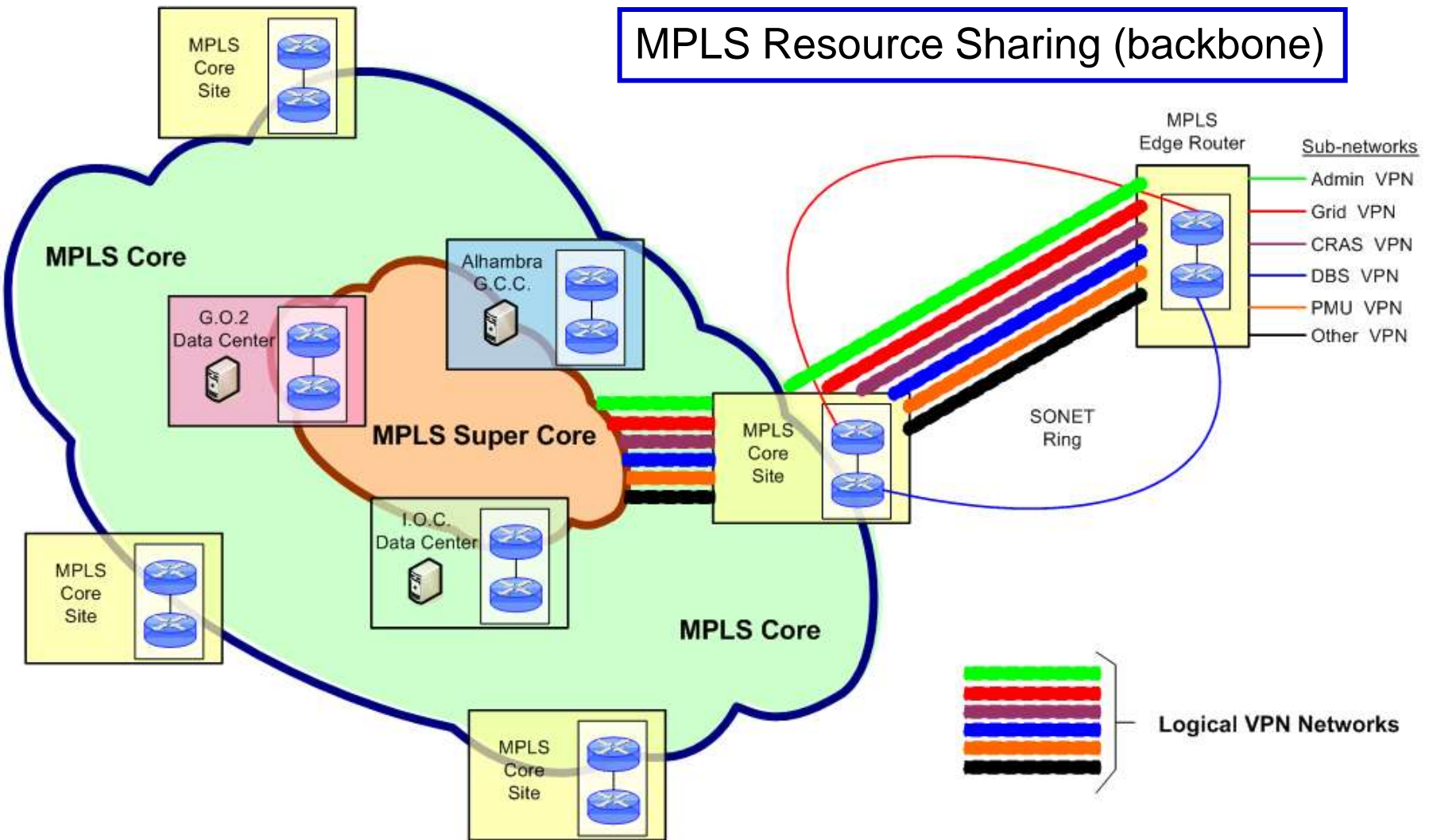
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# WASAS System Design Views – logical

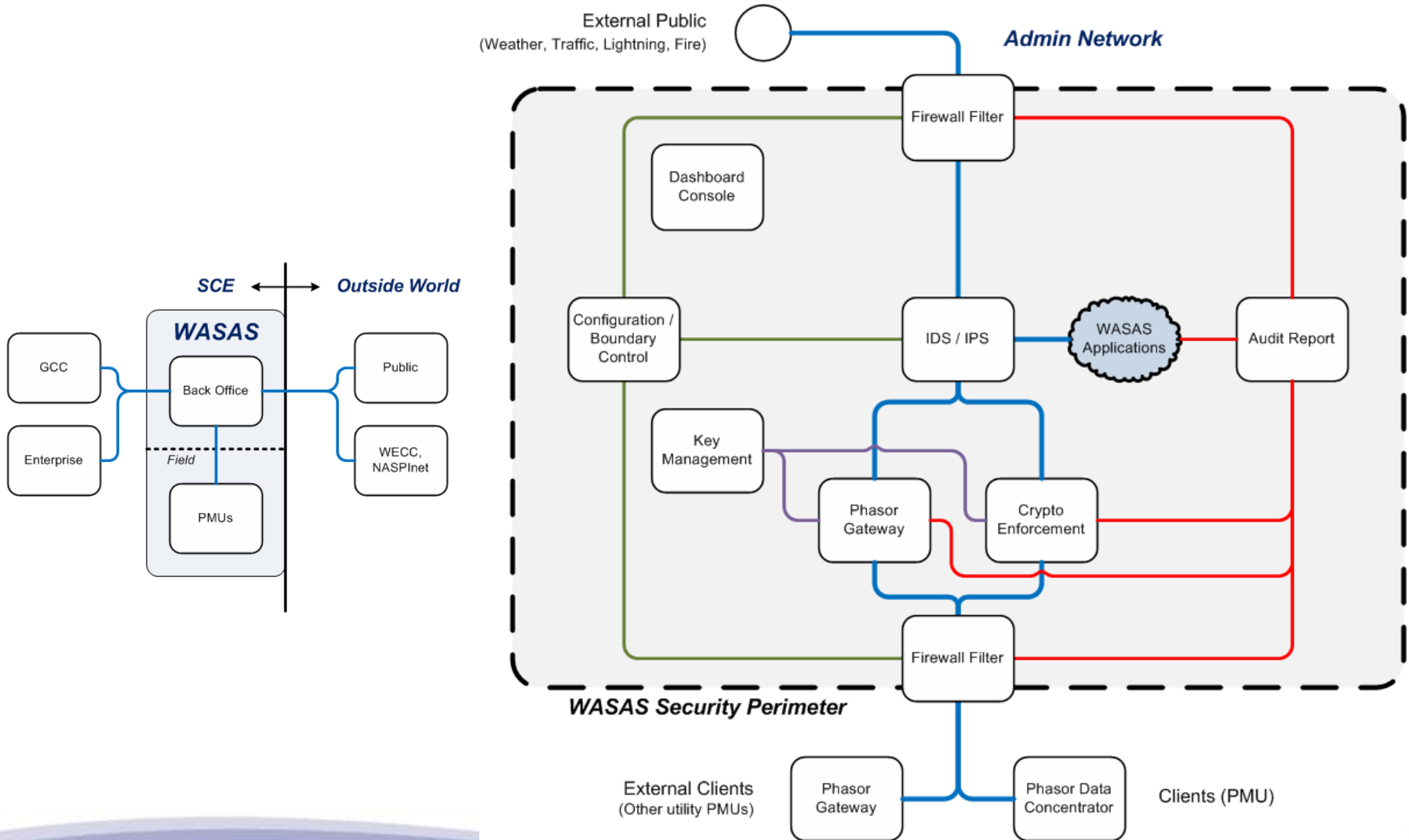




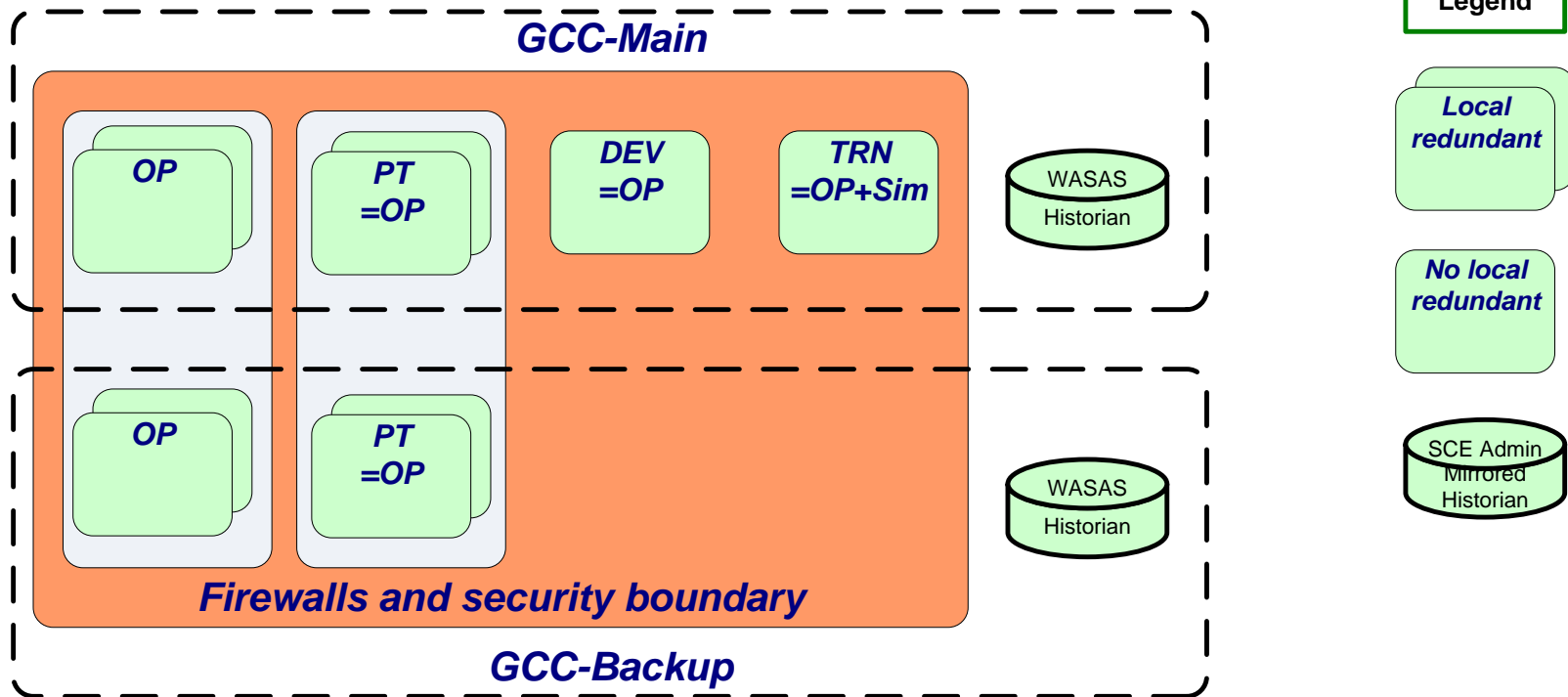
# WASAS System Design Views – Network/Comm (cont.)



# WASAS System Design Views – Security



# WASAS System Design Views – Deployment



- Four environments: Operation (OP), Production Test (PT), Development (DEV), and Training (TR)
  - Full redundancy for OP and PT
  - PT is exactly the same as OP
- External access of WASAS data is through WASAS external historian databases
  - Data are pushed from OP environment to external historian – no direct access from external

# Additional information SCE's Wide Area Situational Awareness System

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# **Synchrophasor Activities**

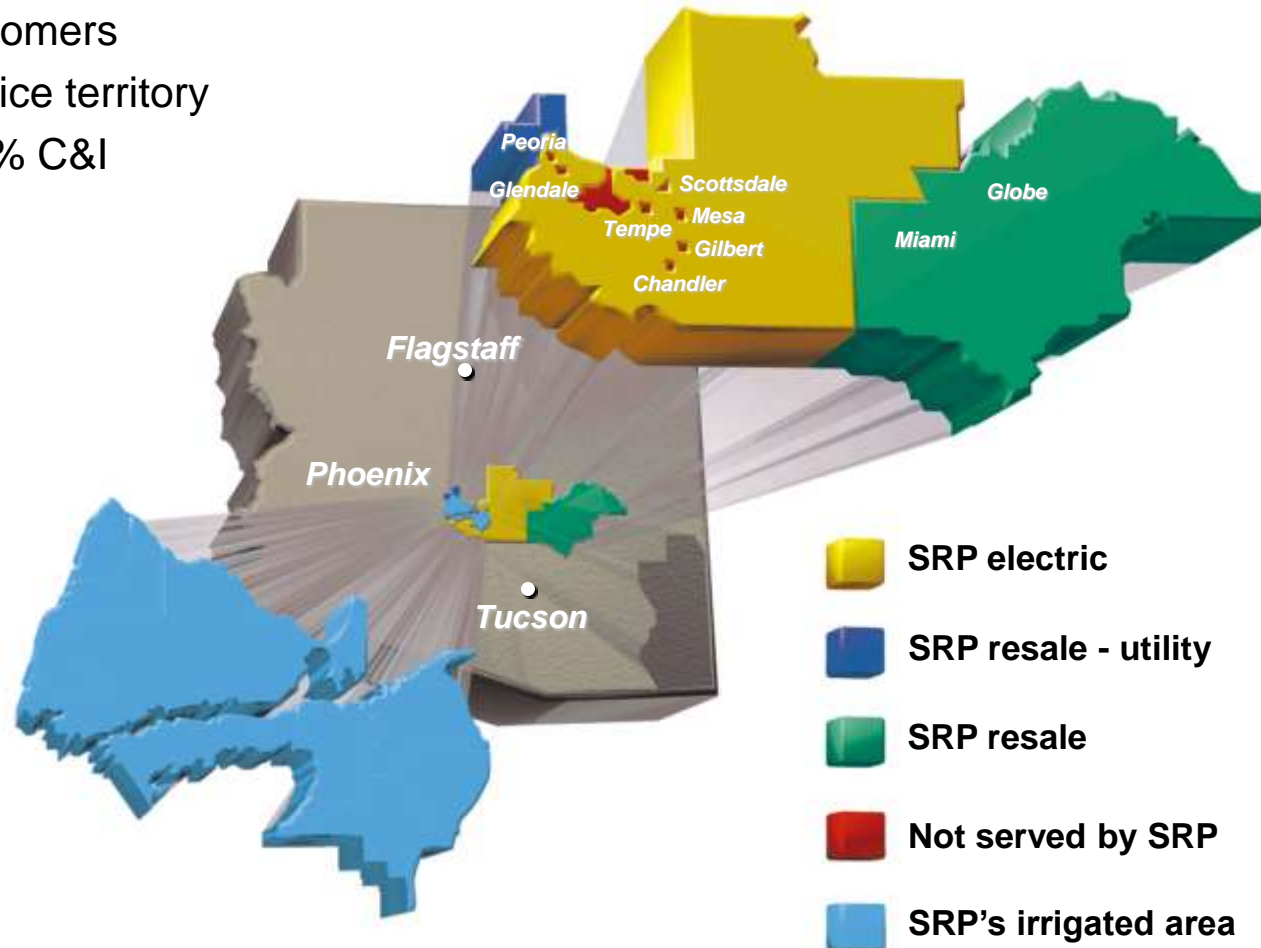
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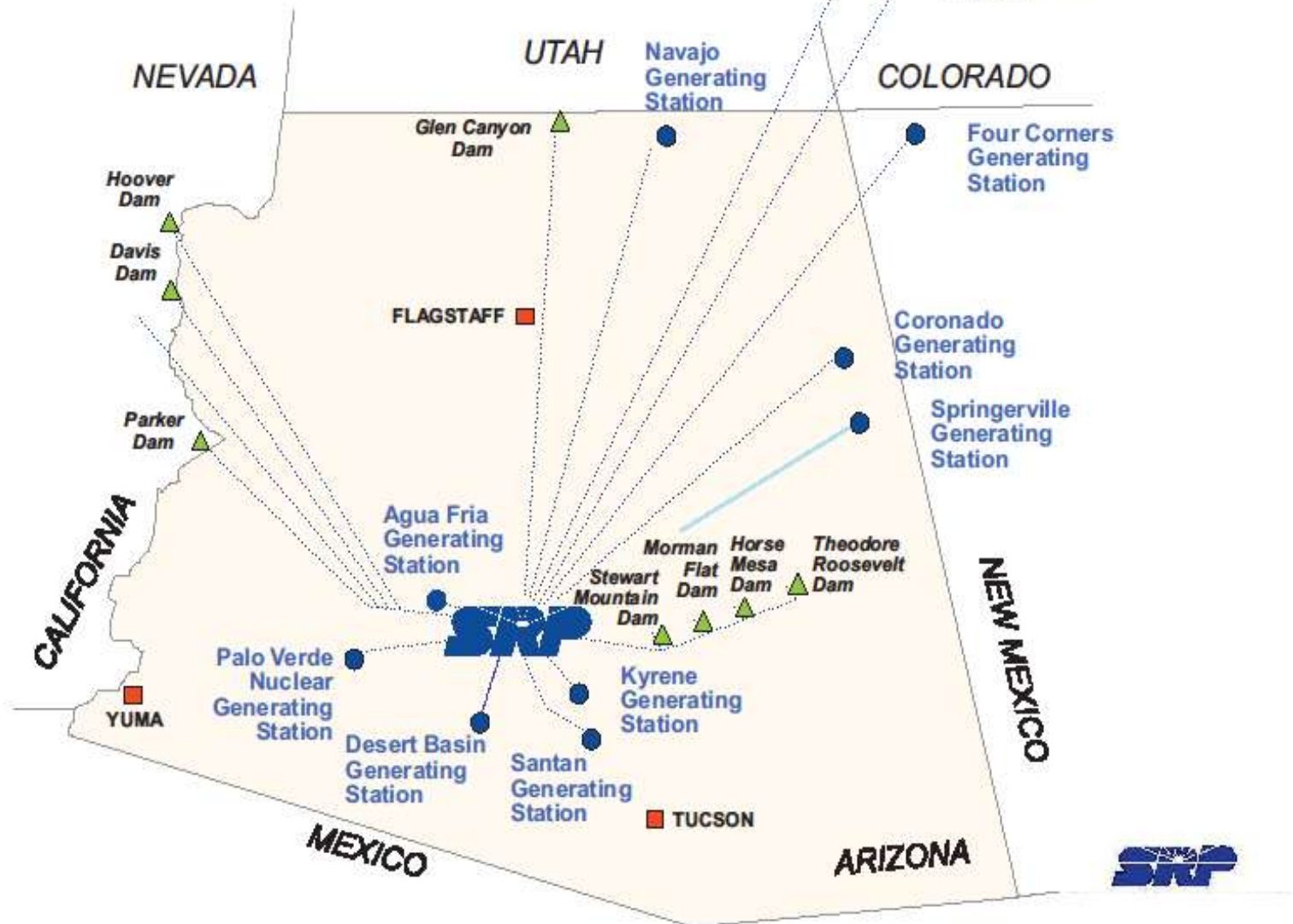


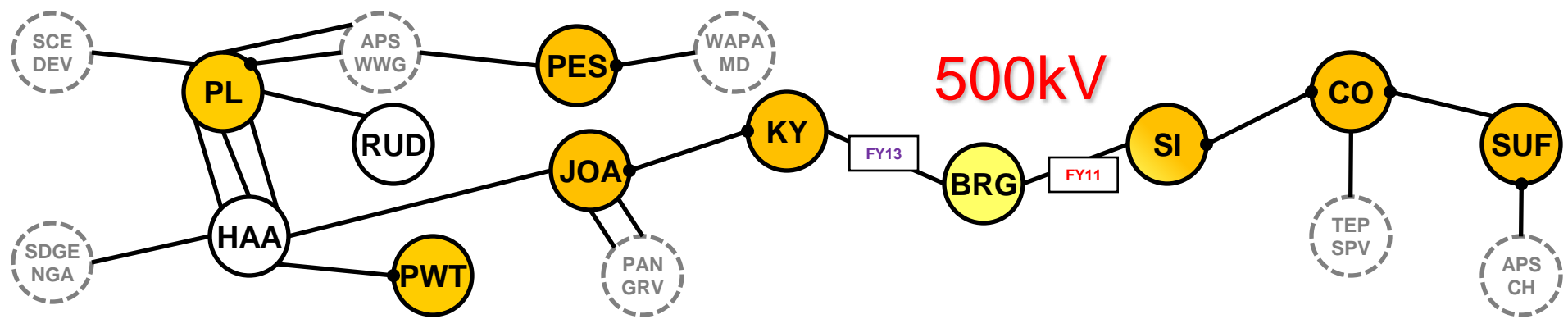
# Salt River Project (SRP)

- 3<sup>rd</sup> largest public power utility
  - ~940,000 electric customers
  - 2,900 sq miles of service territory
  - 90% Residential + 10% C&I

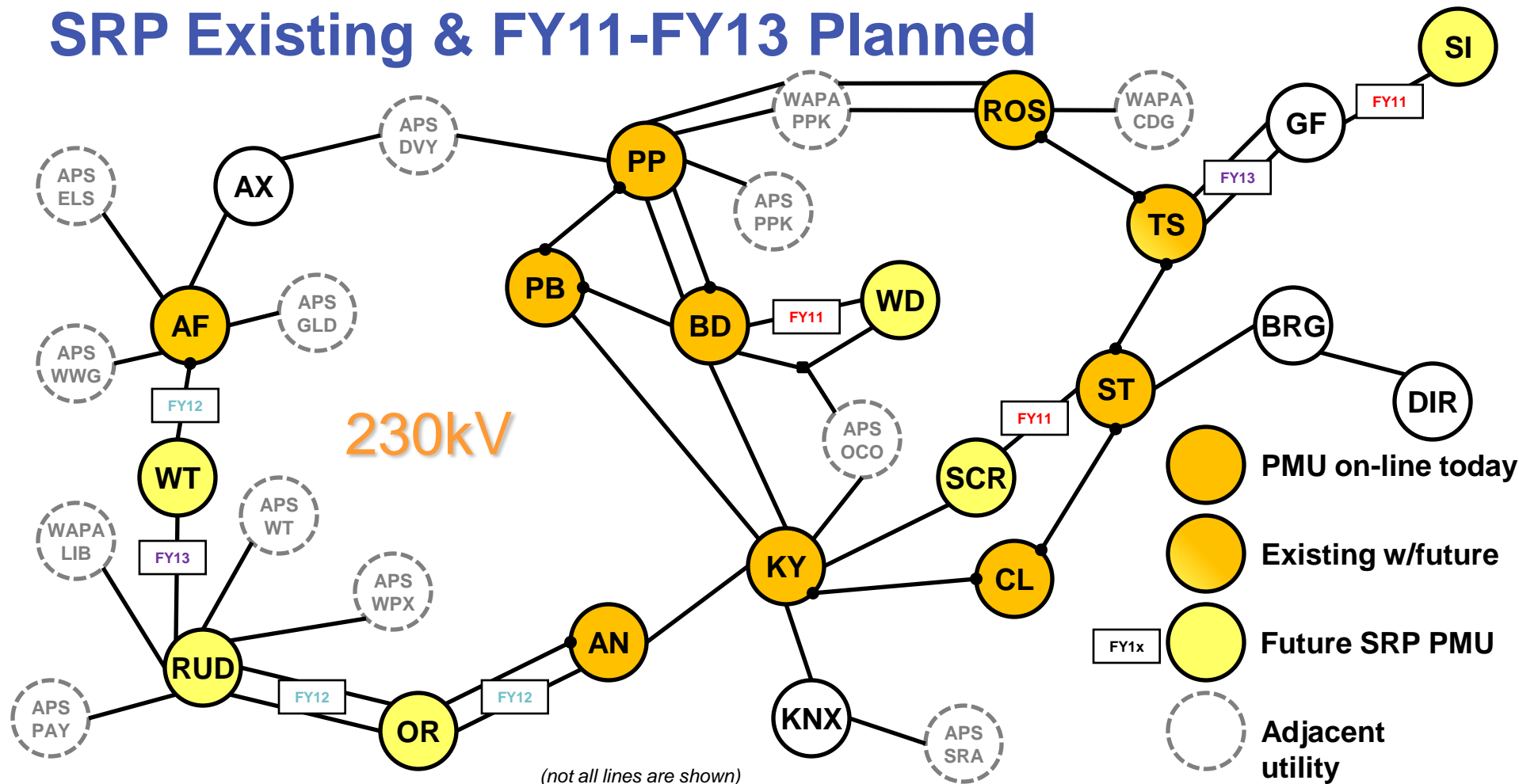


# SRP GENERATING RESOURCES





## SRP Existing & FY11-FY13 Planned



- PMU on-line today
- Existing w/future
- Future SRP PMU
- Adjacent utility

(not all lines are shown)

# Why Synchrophasors

- Instantaneous view of the state of the electric system
- Once you have the data, there are a variety of applications:
  - Enhanced state estimation
  - Operator visualization
  - Black Start visibility
  - Line impedance derivation
  - Post-disturbance analysis
  - Island phase angle studies
  - Power network model validation
  - Oscillatory mode detection & damping

# Synchrophasor Data Flow – Concerns

- IRIG-B failure
- Communication channel failure
- PDC Software lockup
- Inter-vendor operability issues
- Different C37.118 interpretations
- Inter-utility data-sharing issues
- Data archiving concerns
- Security

# Industry Trends

- IEEE C37.118 now widely available
  - Common platform, minimum performance standard
- Ethernet availability
  - Increased bandwidth for wide area control applications
- Software advances
  - Improved operator displays, on-line/real-time analysis
- Government & University R&D
  - Optimal placement of PMUs
  - State Estimation enhancement
- More DFR & relay-embedded PMUs
  - Hathaway, GE, SEL, ABB

# Industry challenges

- Inter-operability
  - Can brand G **really** talk to brand S? Reliably?
- Security
  - Data sharing among utilities can be difficult
  - More hooks into substation, relays
- Operator acceptance
  - Must turn **data** into **information**
  - Efficient visualization is key
- Cohesion among utilities
  - Need for a common forum & standards
- Catch-22 application cycle
  - Developer needs installed PMU base
  - Installing PMUs requires a business need

# Western Interconnection Synchrophasor Program (WISP)





# WISP High-Level Scope

1. Synchrophasor Infrastructure
  - Deployment of 250+ plus PMUs and phasor data concentrators (PDC) throughout the Western Interconnection, data and wide-area network communication infrastructure, IT infrastructure, and the NASPI integration infrastructure
2. Synchrophasor Applications and Tools
  - Real-Time Applications
    - Situational awareness for operators
    - Wide-area controls for automatic safety nets
  - Offline Applications and Tools
    - Power system performance and disturbance evaluation
    - System-wide model validation
3. RC Reliability Improvement Processes

# SRP Synchrophasor Team

- An ongoing, multi-departmental effort
  - Computer Applications – EMS, SE
  - Communications Engineering – network
  - Communications C&M – field installation
  - Transmission Planning – model validation & disturbance analysis
  - System Protection – PMU design, settings
  - System Operations – visualization
  - Control Engineering – EMS, SE integration
  - Relay Shop – field installation, maintenance



# Team Milestones

- Used real-time PMU data during Black Start exercise
- Installed permanent PMUs for Black Start path
- Installed permanent, redundant PDC network
- Initiated EIPP/NASPI & WISP involvement
- Evaluated GE N60 & L90 & Hathaway DFR PMU capabilities
- Published papers at WPRC, Texas A&M, NAPS, ETEP
- Funding research with Arizona State University
  - Optimal placement of PMUs
  - State estimator enhancement
  - Line impedance verification
  - Tools for operator situational awareness
  - Generator dynamic parameter validation

# SRP Future Efforts

- Hardware
  - 230kV & 500kV expansion plan is underway
  - Evaluating Arbiter 1133A PMU device
  - Hathaway DFR upgrades
- Software
  - State Estimator & EMS integration
  - Evaluating visualization packages (RTDMS)
- Industry Involvement
  - Increased WECC WISP & JSIS involvement



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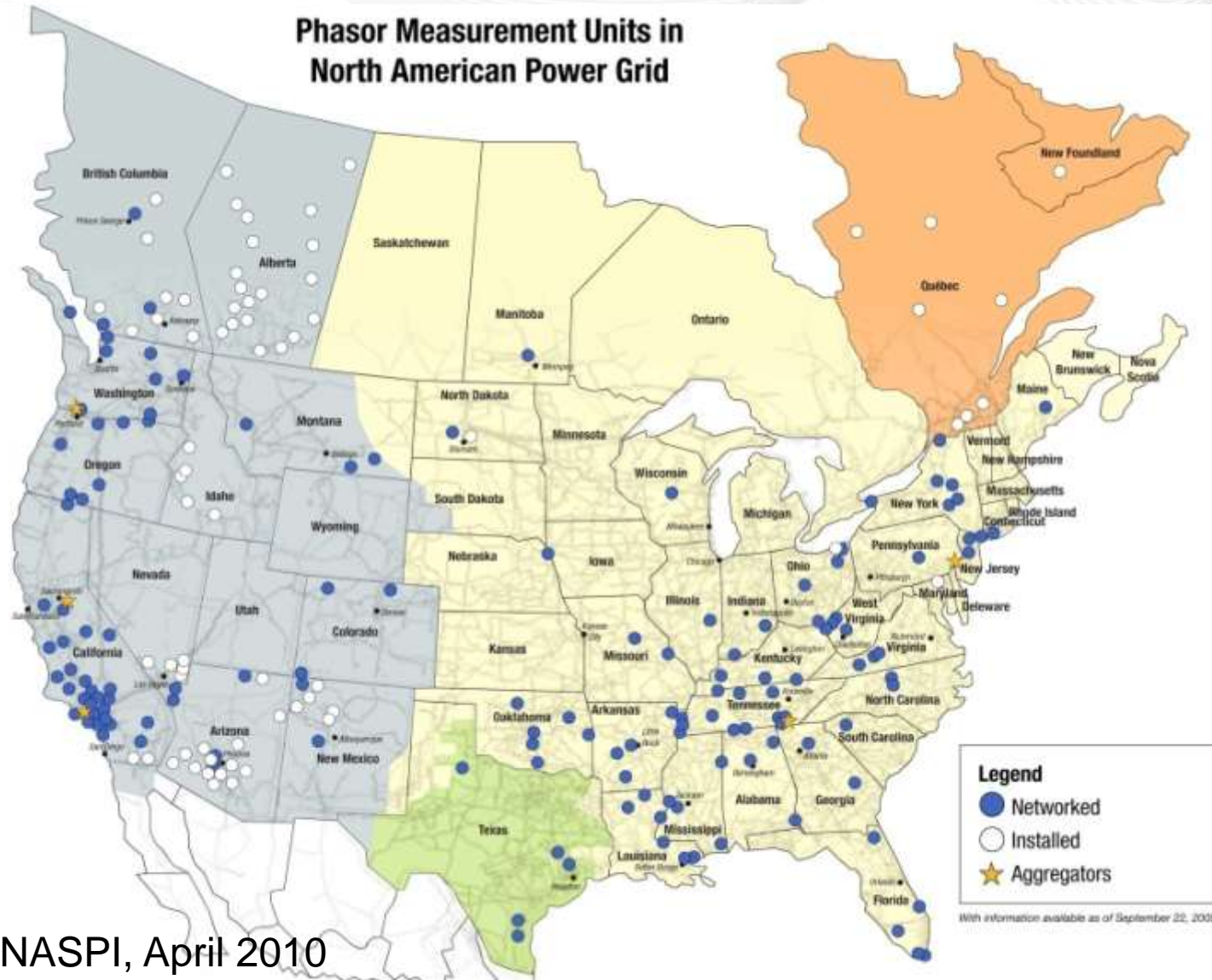
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# PJM SynchroPhasor Technology Deployment

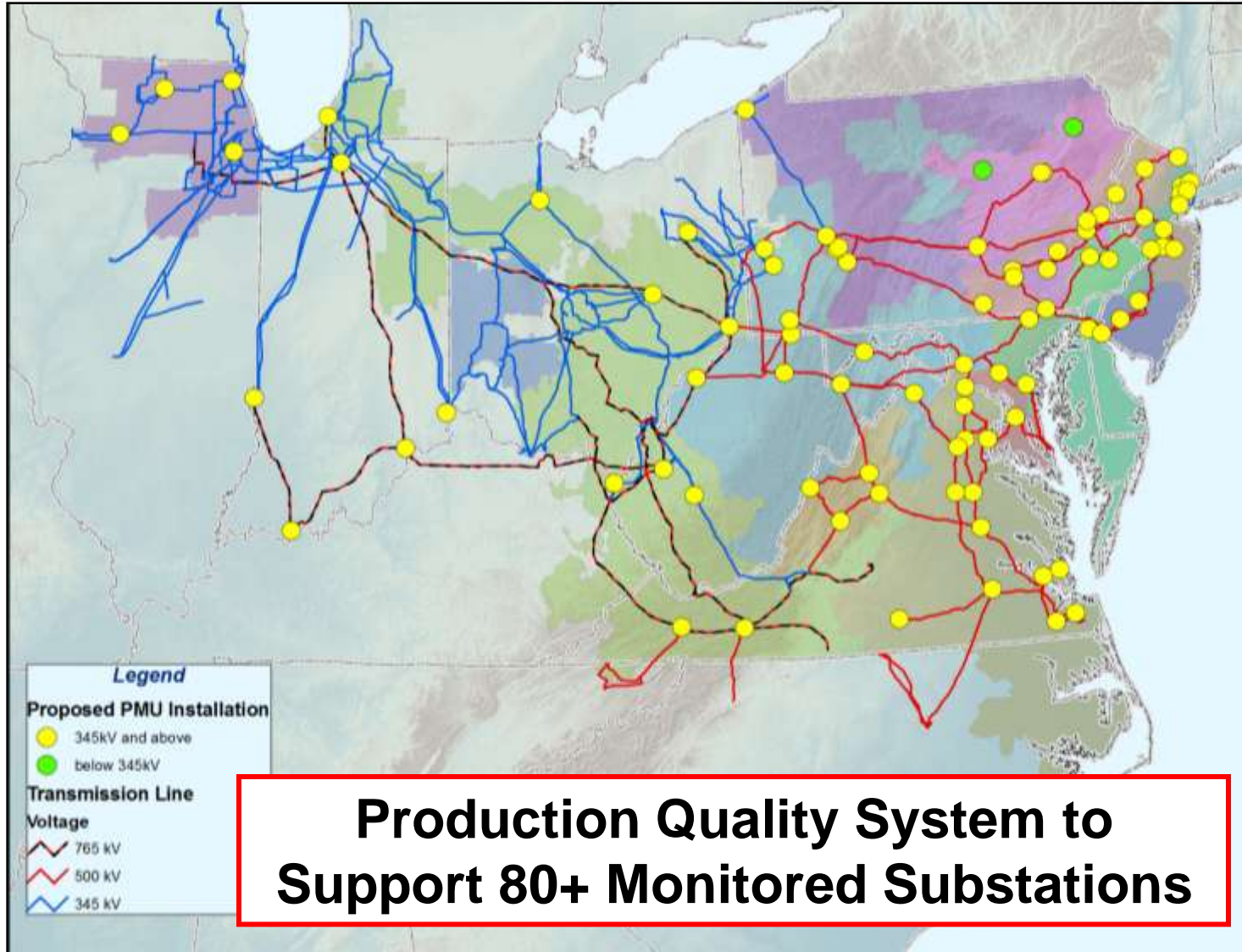
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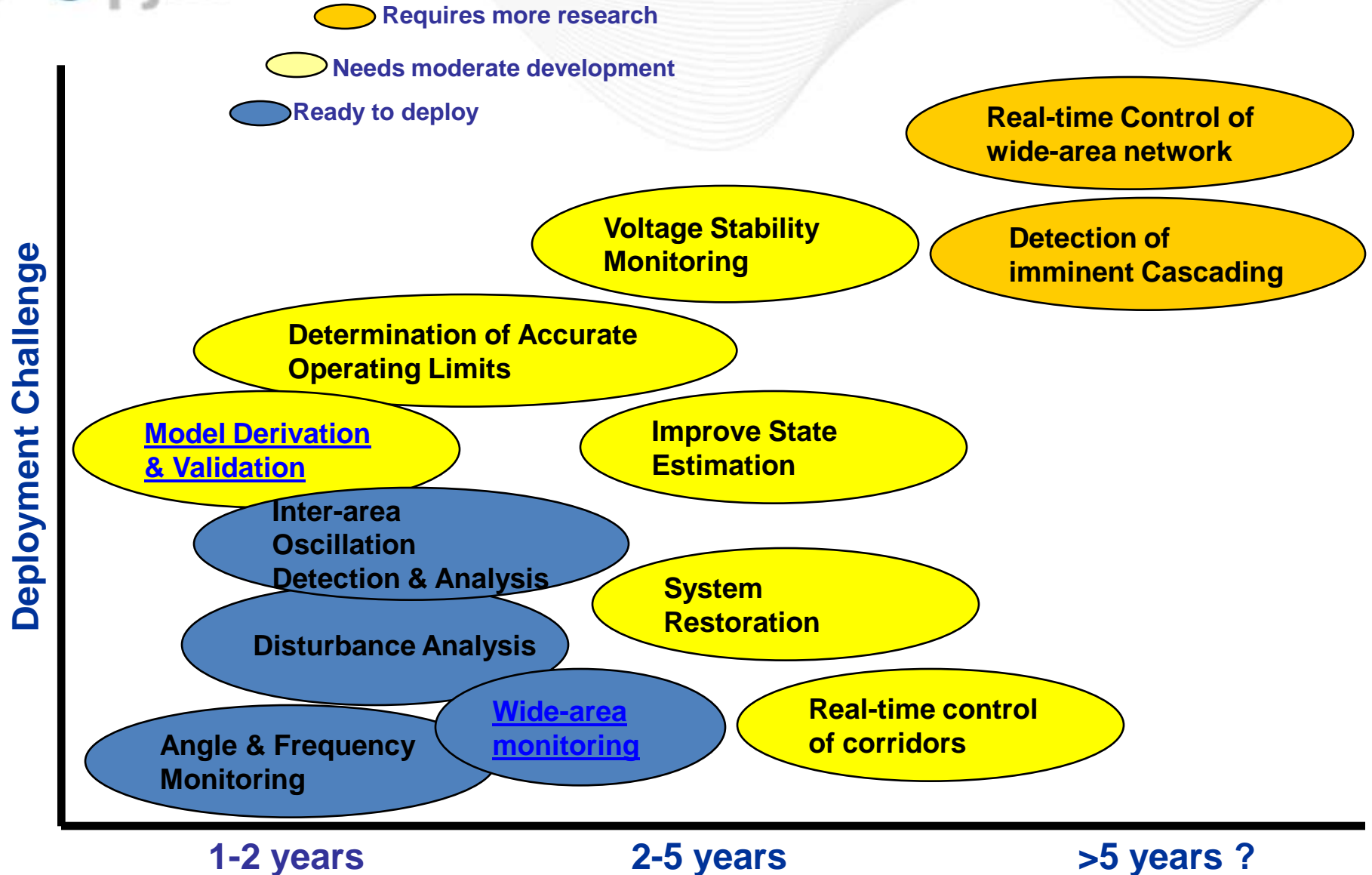
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**Production Quality System to Support 80+ Monitored Substations**



### Situational Awareness Dashboard



**69.86Hz**  
Interconnection Frequency (Hz)

**187.7°/70°**  
Angle Difference w.r.t. Threshold (%)

**821kV/83.7kV**  
Voltage Magnitude

**1055.3kV/2600kV**  
MW, MVAR Flows

**164.2kV/173kV**  
MW, MVAR Flows w.r.t. Threshold (%)

Legend: EI, FRGC, ICTE, BONE, MBD, NBSO, NYBO, ONT, PJM, SOCO, SPP, TYA, WACAB-S, Local



Interconnection Freq. **G** Freq. Stability **Y** Angle Difference **R** Voltage Magnitude **B** MW Flows **G** MVAR Flows **G**

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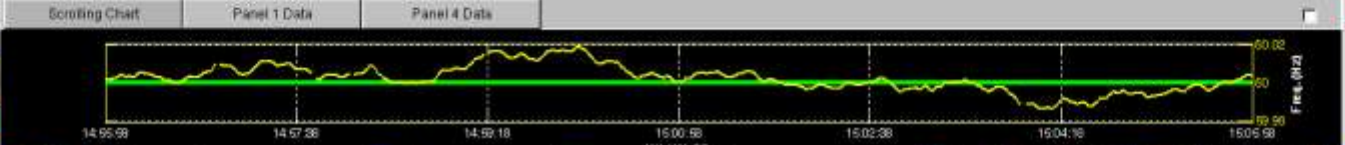
Auto Refresh

Interconnection Frequency

Frequency

Color-coded Refresh Rate: 3 Second

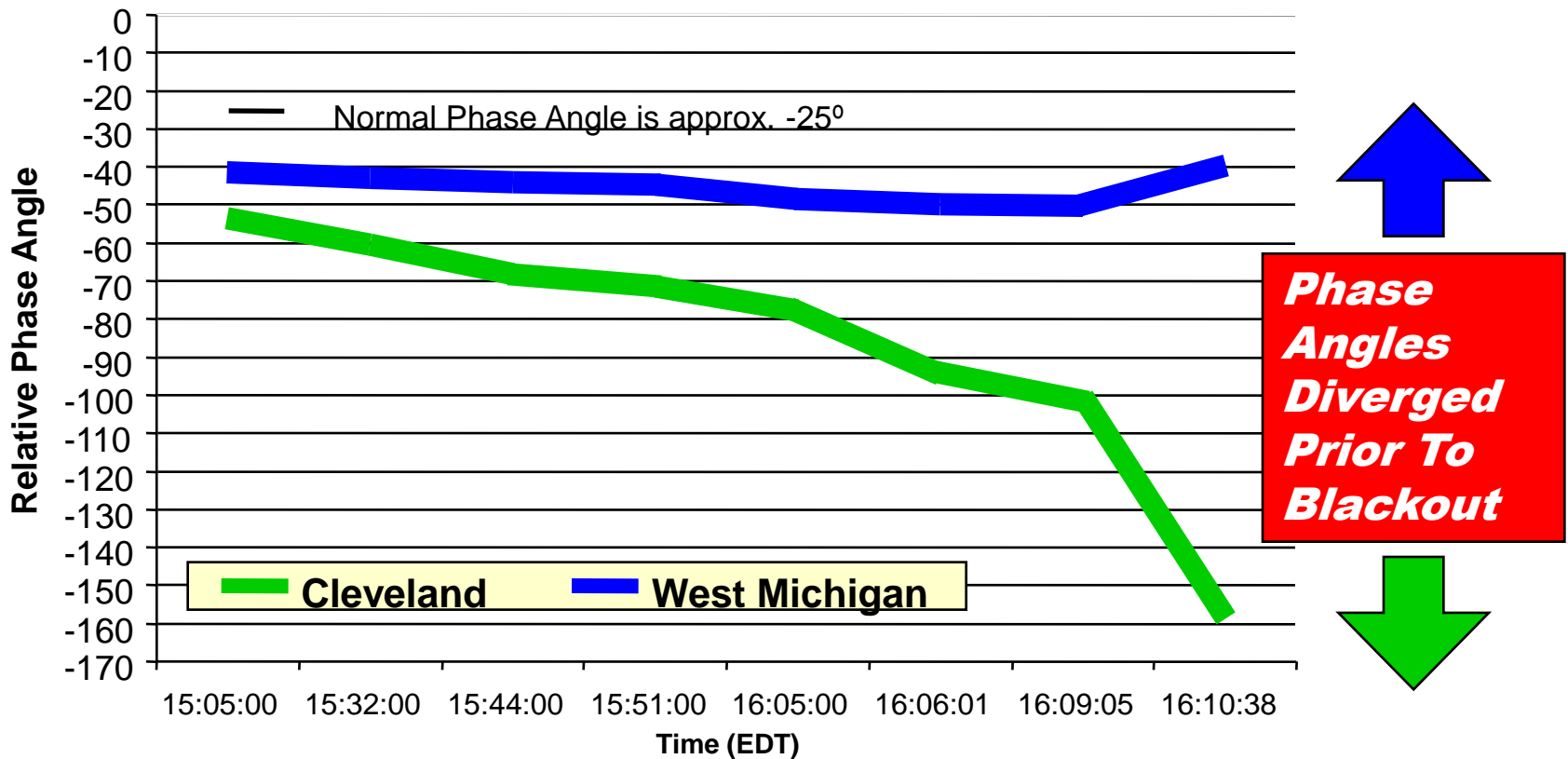
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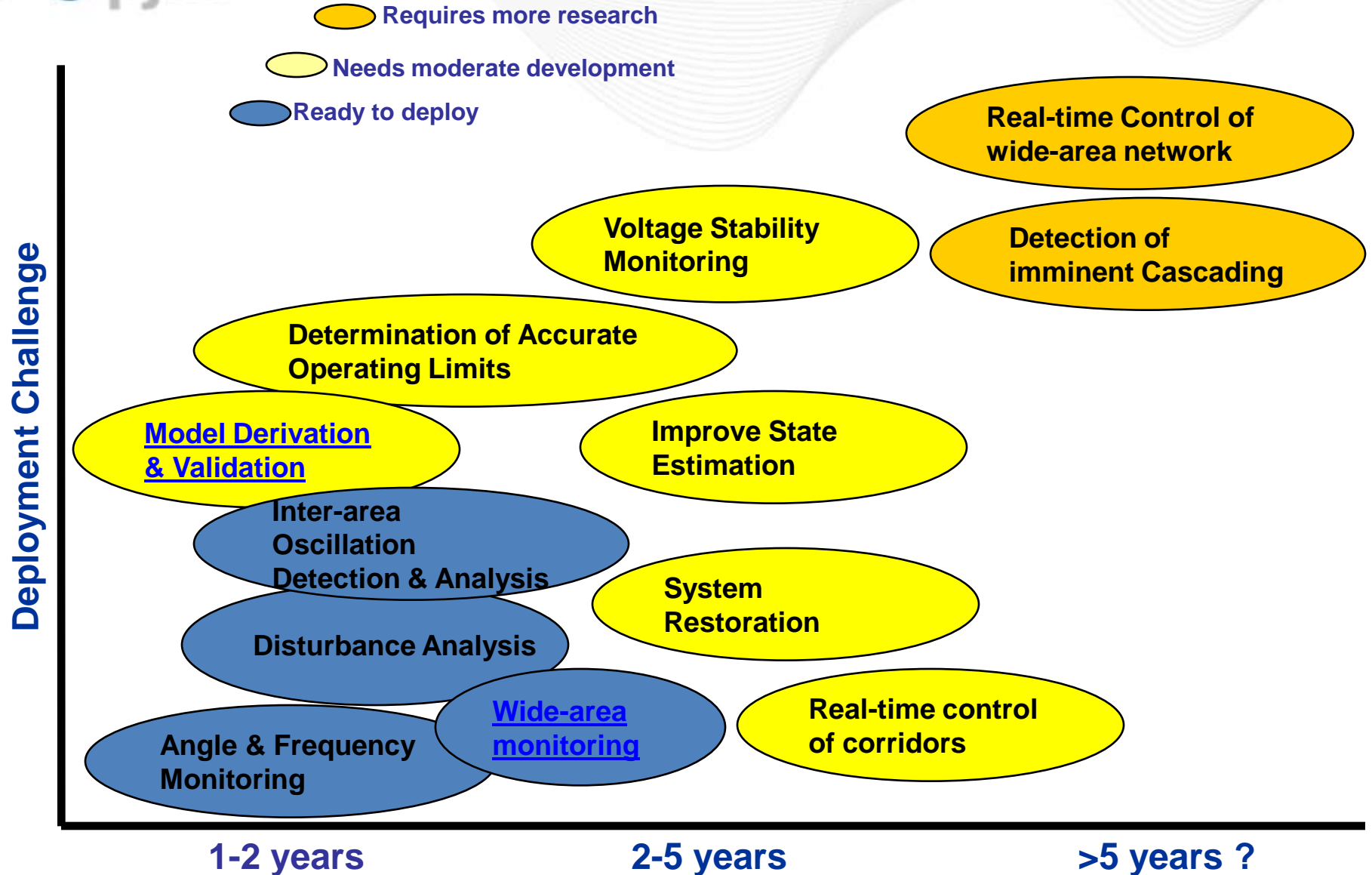


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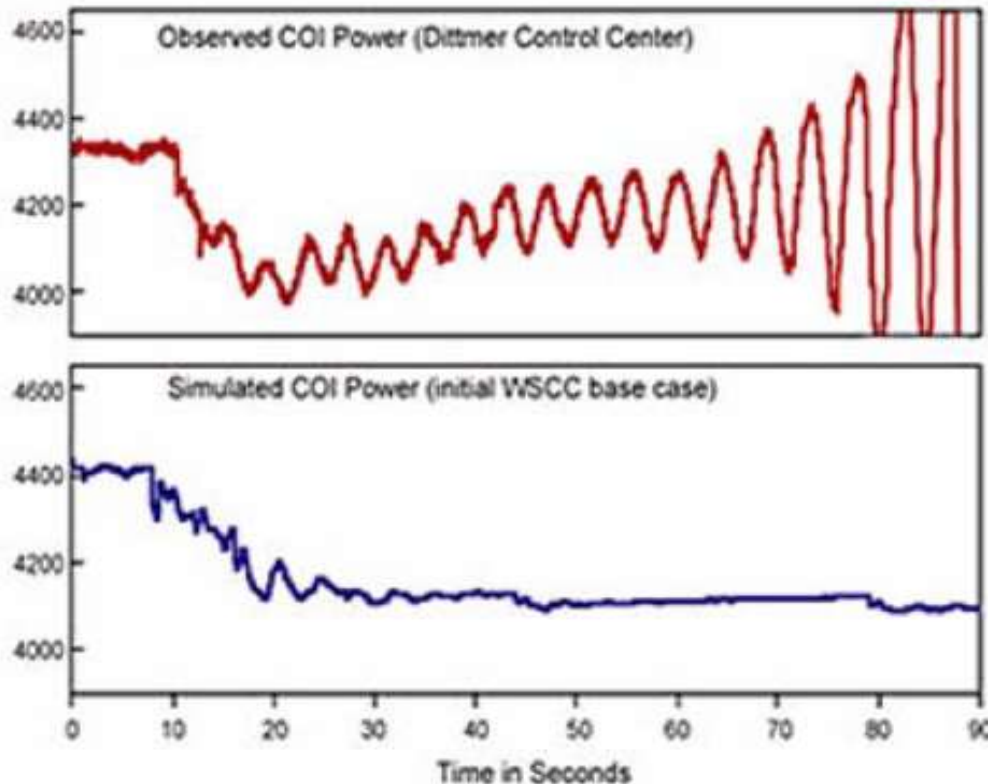
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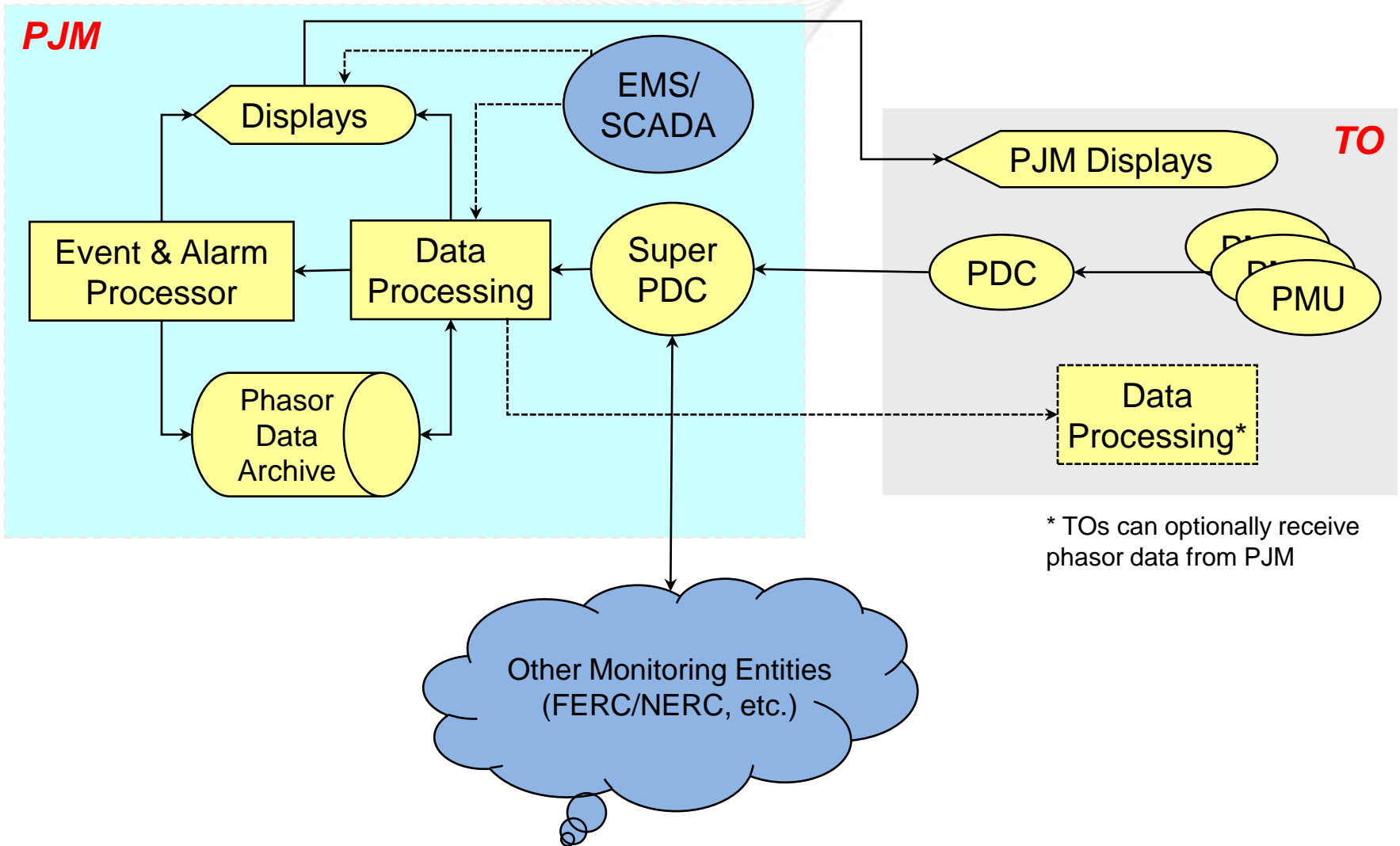


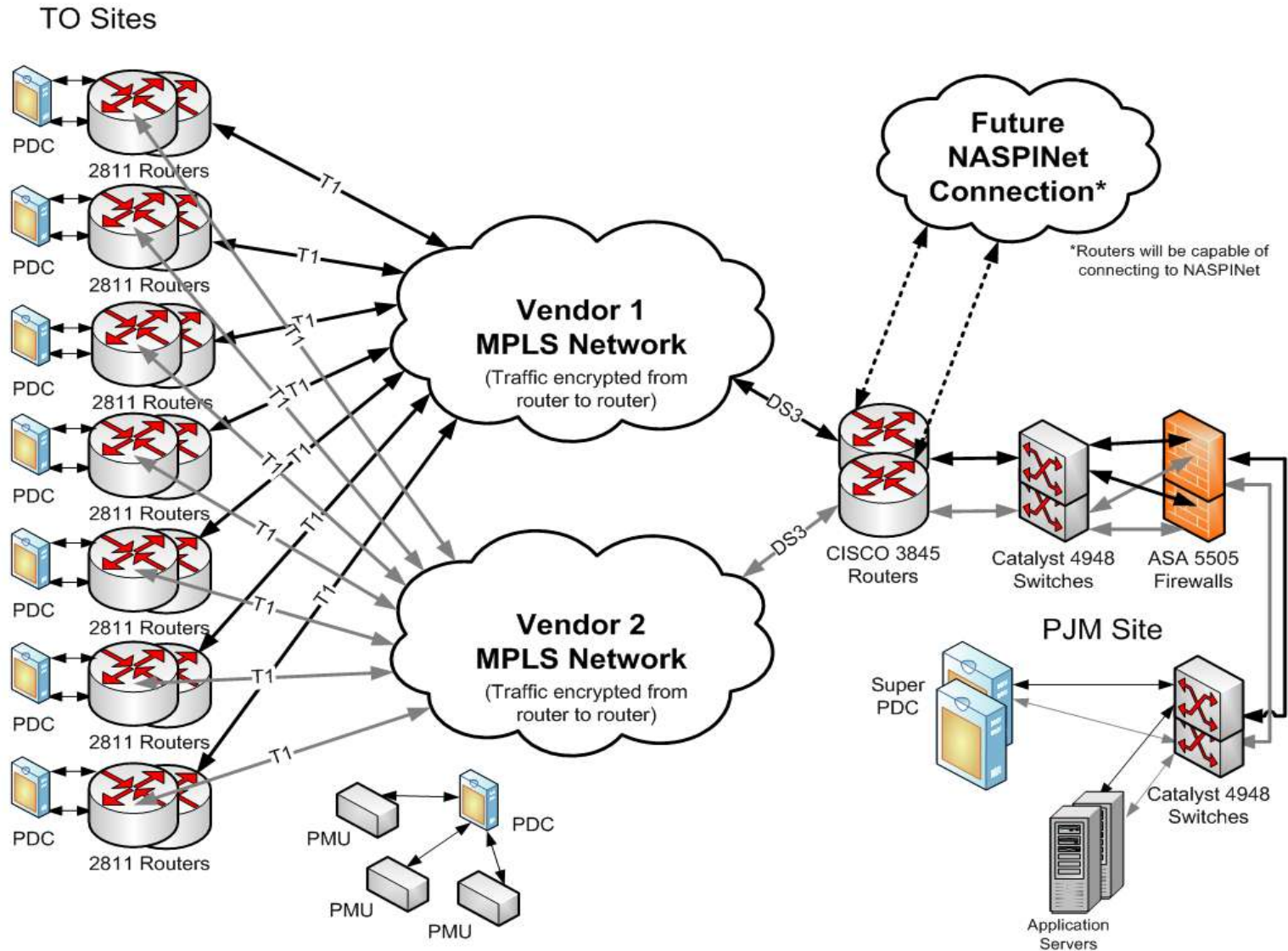


## ***Actual System Performance*** ***- unstable system behavior observed.***



## **Model Simulation** ***- predicted stable system performance.***







**Economic**

- Reduced Congestion Costs
- Infrastructure Investment
- Construction & Electric Infrastructure Assets (80+ PMUs / 17 PDCs)
- Job Creation

- Reduced Congestion Costs
- Optimized Operations

**Reliability**

- Situational Awareness - Visualization & Alerting/Alarming
- Event Capture & Tracking
- Model Validation & Improvements
- Post-Distribution Event Analysis
- Transmission Assets Monitored & MW Flows

- Reduced Wide Area Outages and Faster Restoration
- Improved Voltage Stability Tools
- Inter-Area Oscillation Tools
- Lower equipment failures

**1-3 years**

**3-5 years**



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