

Bonneville Power Administration



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Background

Introduction to BPA

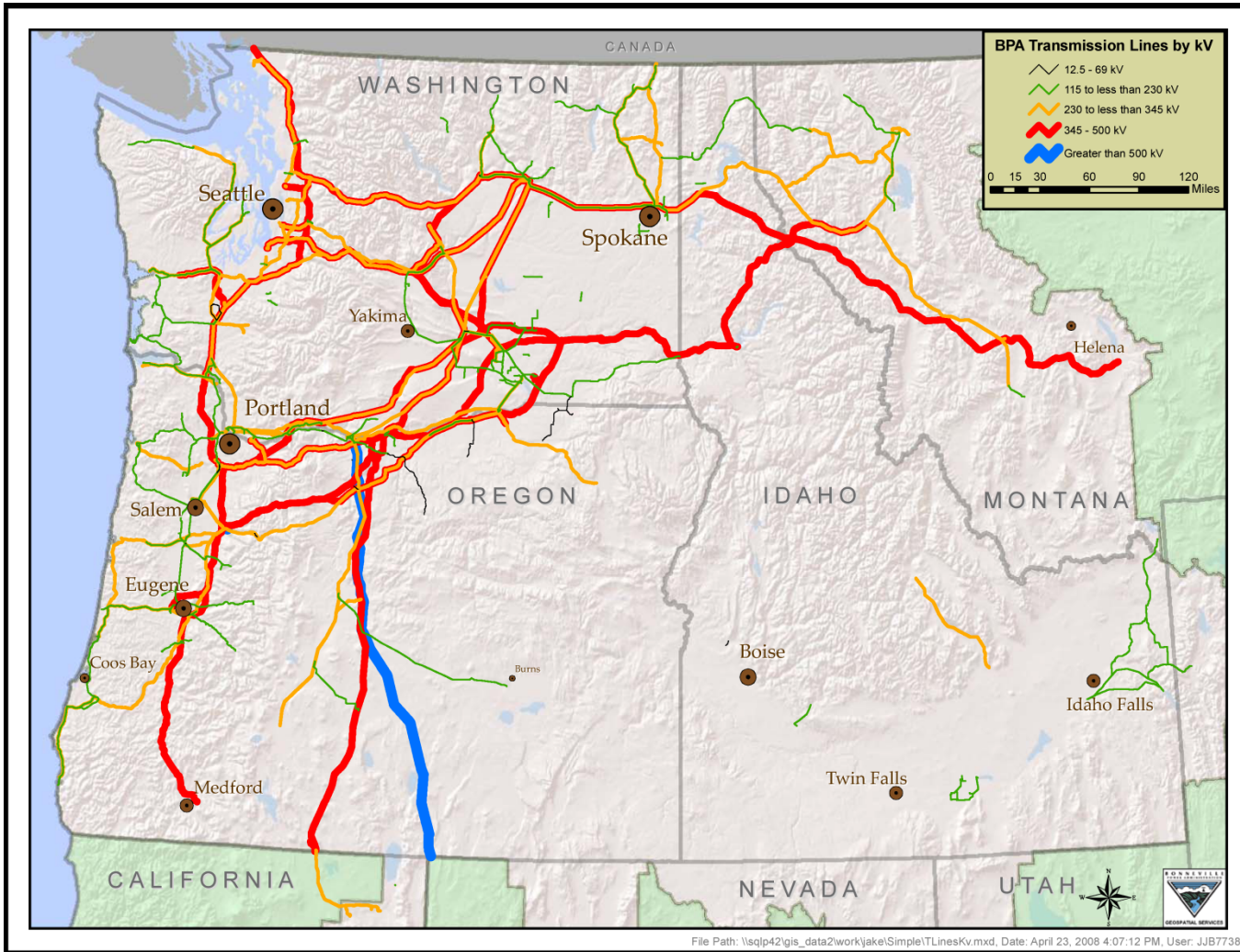
- BPA markets power from 31 Federal dams, the Columbia Generating Station Nuclear Plant, and several small non-Federal power plants
- About 80% of the power BPA sells is hydroelectric.
- BPA accounts for about 30% of the electric power consumed within the region.
- BPA owns and operates 15,000 miles of transmission lines.
- 3,100 Federal FTE employees



BPA's high-voltage transmission system

- BPA owns and operates 75% of the Pacific Northwest's high voltage electrical transmission system.
- BPA's system includes more than 15,000 miles of transmission line and 285 substations.
- The Federal Columbia River Transmission System spans 300,000 square miles in Oregon, Washington, Idaho, Montana and sections of Wyoming, Nevada, Utah and California.
- The system enables a peak loading of about 30,000 megawatts and generates more than \$700 million a year in revenues from transmission services.
- BPA's Transmission Business Line operates as a non-jurisdictional entity with an Open Access Transmission Tariff based on FERC's pro-forma tariff.

BPA's Transmission System

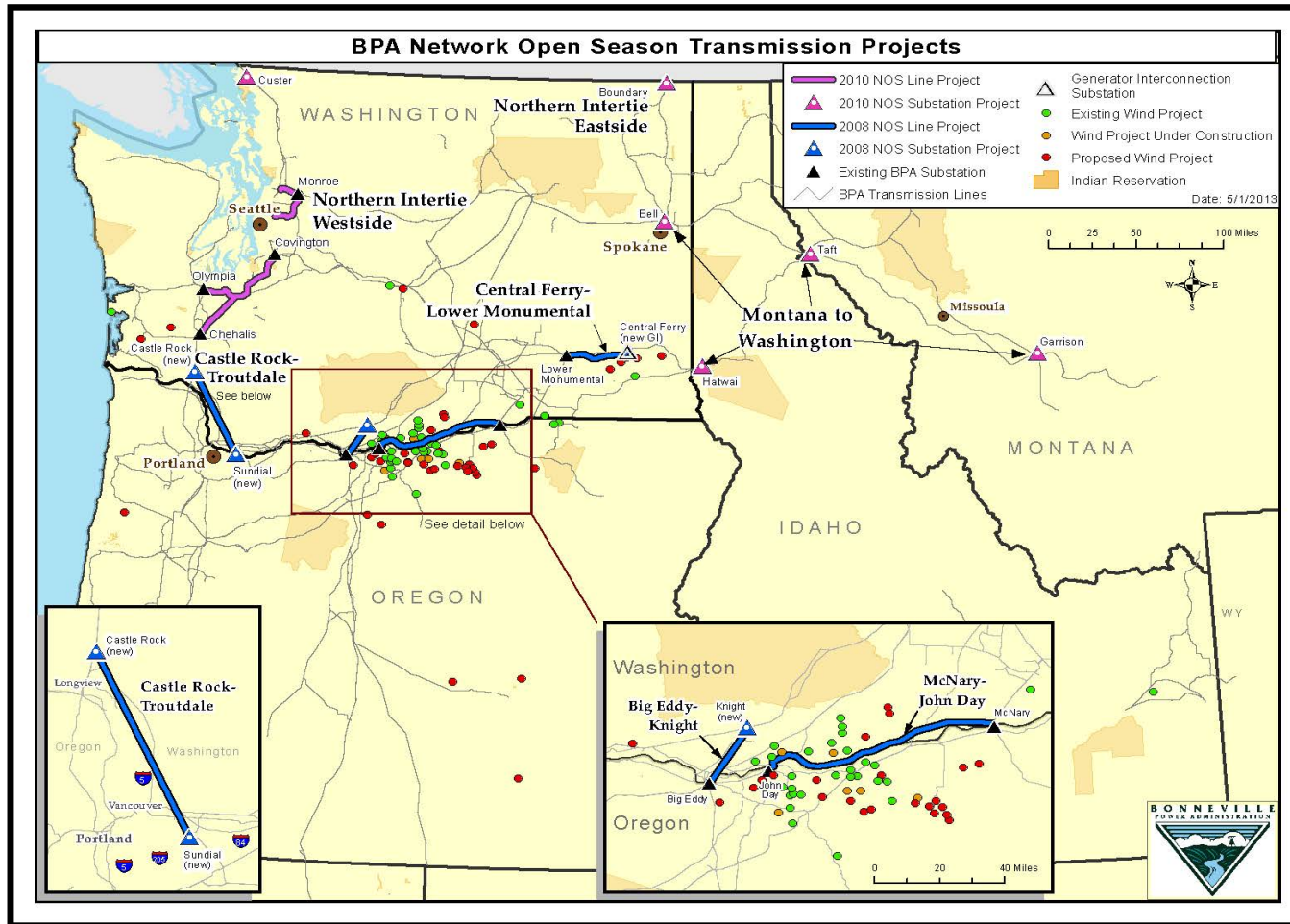


Transmission System

Operating voltage	Circuit miles
1,000 kV	264*
500 kV	4,735
345 kV	570
287 kV	229
230 kV	5,324
161 kV	119
138 kV	50
115 kV	3,556
below 115 kV	368
Total	15,215

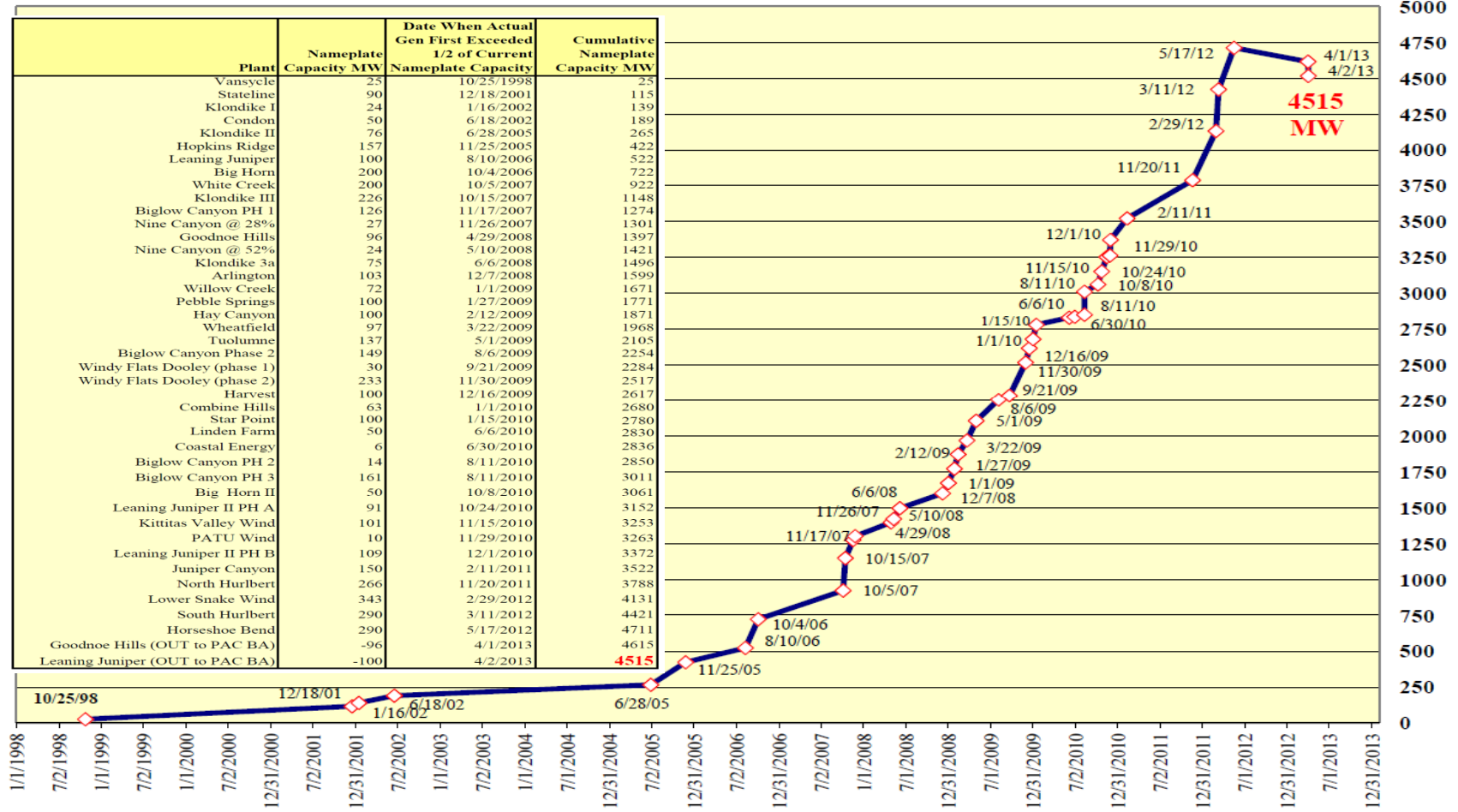
*BPA's portion of the PNW/PSW direct-current intertie. The total length of this line from The Dalles, OR to Los Angeles, CA is 846 miles.

Transmission Infrastructure Projects

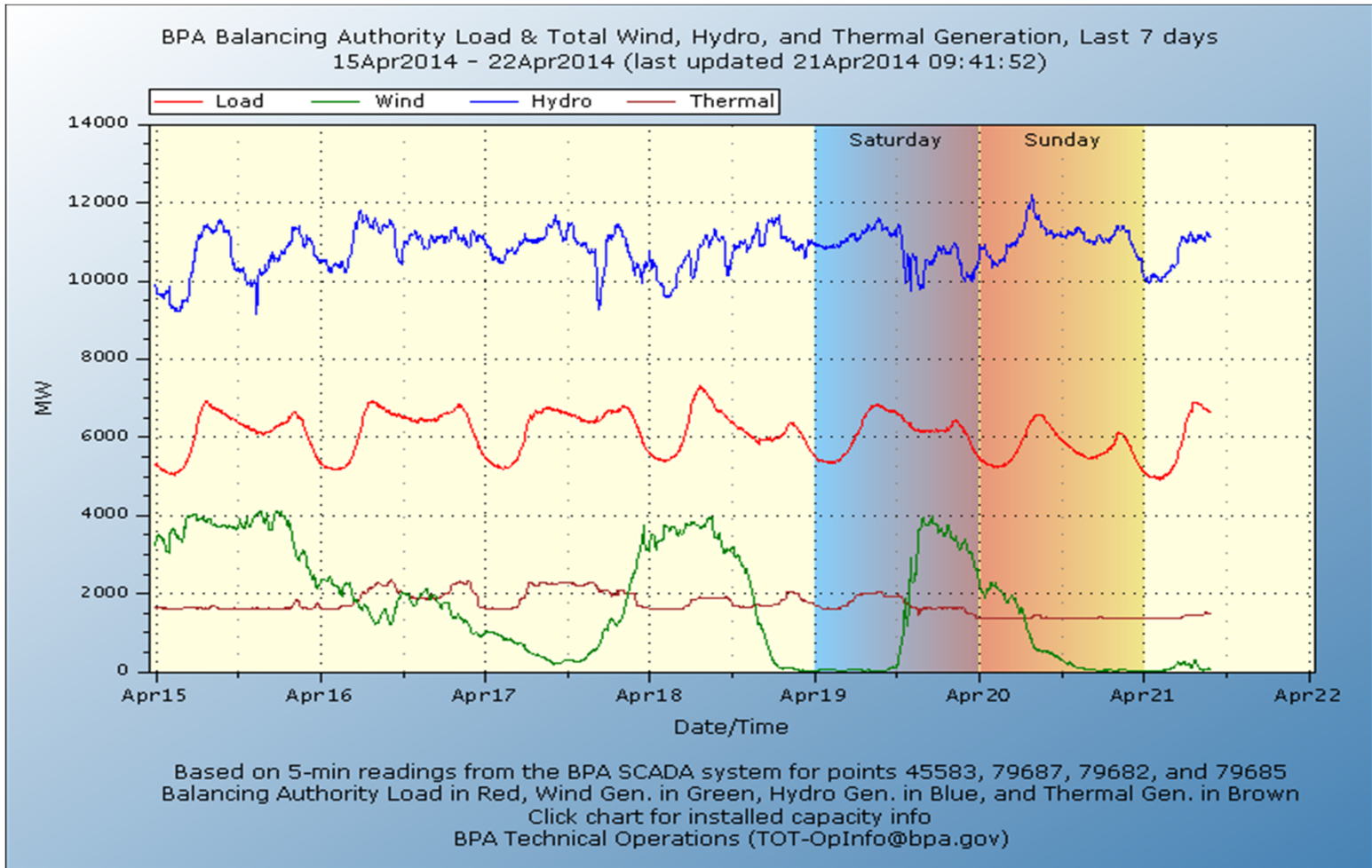


Wind Generation Capacity in the BPA Balancing Authority

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Wind Generation and Load Variability



The 5-year Pacific Northwest Smart Grid Demonstration Project

- Largest Smart Grid Demonstration Project in the United States
- Involves 11 utilities, two universities, and five infrastructure partners
- \$178 million budget (\$89 million private funds/\$89 funded by 2009 American Reinvestment Recovery Act)
- Projects include (but not limited to): Home energy systems, distributed generation, batteries, smart appliances, voltage optimization tools, as well as exploring ways to integrate solar and wind resources

