



# Grid Resilience Exchange: Strengthening Tribal Communities Workshop

Grid Resilience State and Tribal Formula Grant  
State Tribal Assistance Program

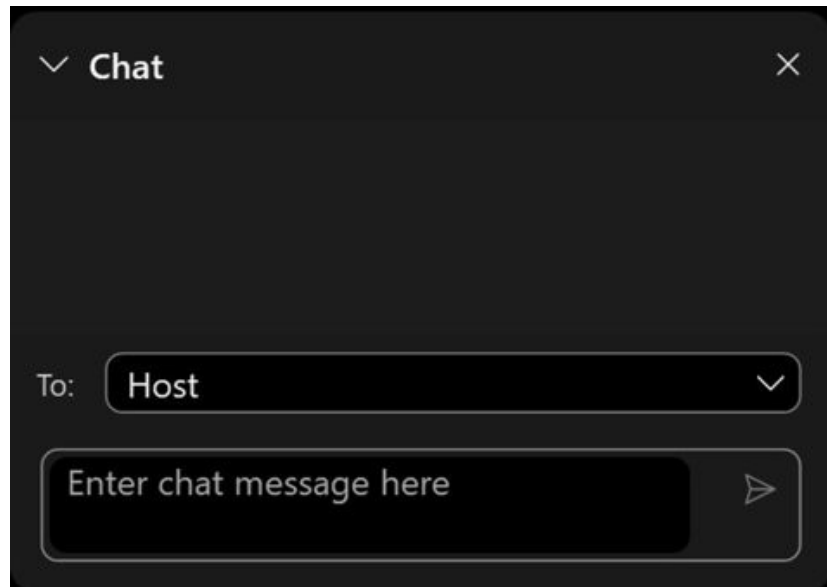
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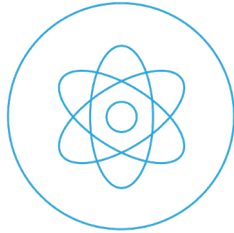
# Grid Deployment Office Mission

## Invest in electric infrastructure by...

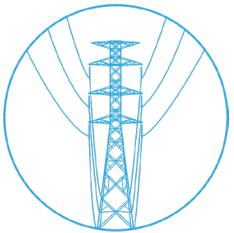
- ▶ Maintaining and investing in critical generation facilities
- ▶ Improving and expanding transmission and distribution system
- ▶ Developing high-capacity electric transmission lines nationwide
- ▶ Providing access to technical assistance and national laboratory expertise, modeling, and analytical capabilities



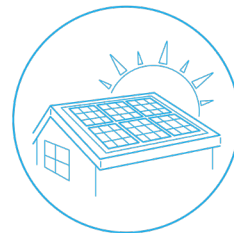
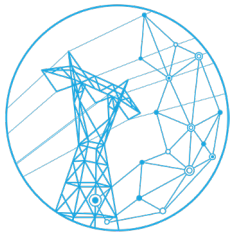
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The **Generation Credits Division** works with existing generation facilities to ensure resilience and reliability and works to improve electricity markets at the wholesale and distribution level.



The **Transmission Division** fully utilizes DOE's unique tools and authorities for coordination, planning, financing, and permitting to drive transmission investment.



The **Grid Modernization Division** oversees activities that prevent outages and enhance the resilience of the electric grid.

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# Objectives

- ▶ Enhance grant applicants/recipients' understanding of grid resilience
- ▶ Share additional technical and other resources available relevant to this program
- ▶ Facilitate discussion among grant applicants/recipients on potential grid resilience projects
- ▶ Gain insight that will drive the development of additional technical and other assistance programs





# Grid Resilience Overview



# What is Grid Resilience?

Section 40101 of the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law **defines a disruption** as “an event in which operations of the electric grid are disrupted, preventively shut off, or cannot operate safely due to extreme weather, wildfire, or a natural disaster.”

Anticipating and  
Preparing for  
Disruption



Mitigating the  
Impacts of  
Disruption



Recovering from  
and Learning  
after Disruption



Resilience Definition from the National Academies of Sciences, Engineering, and Medicine. 2017. Enhancing the Resilience of the Nation's Electricity System. Washington, DC: The National Academies Press. <https://doi.org/10.17226/24836>.

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# Why Does Grid Resilience Matter?

## As society sees:

- Increases in magnitude and frequency of weather-related outage events
- Increases in costs to operate, maintain and upgrade aging electric infrastructure



## There is greater risk of experiencing large outages of long duration, which are:

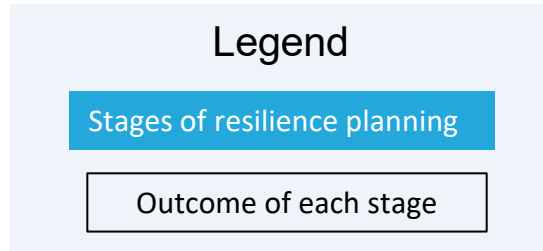
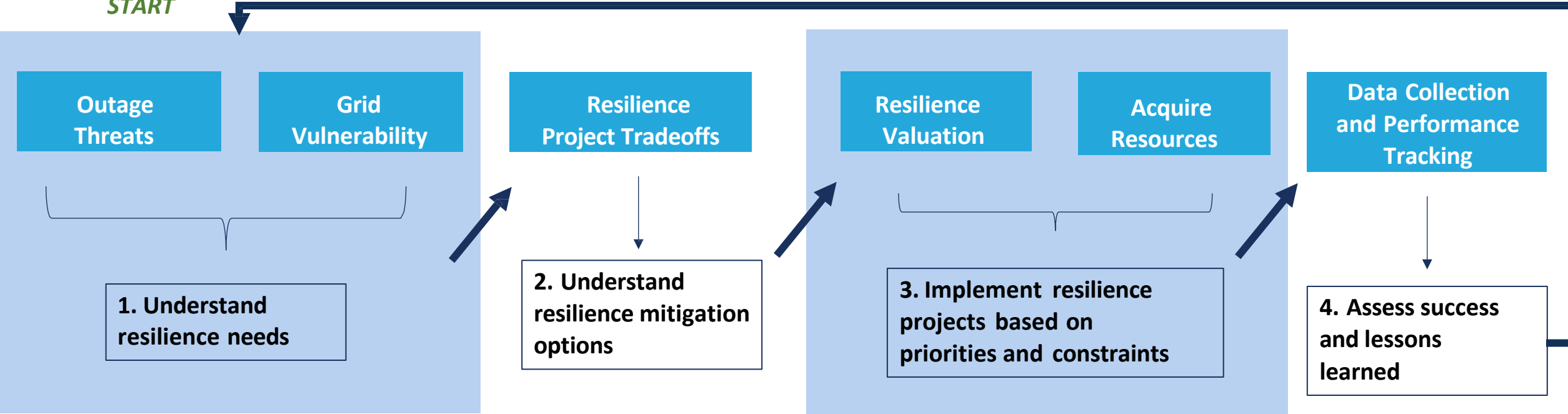
- Detrimental to society – mortality and morbidity of vulnerable populations due to shutdown of critical services (food, water, energy, etc.)
- Costly to recover from
- Difficult to predict



Therefore, investing in grid resilience is important to anticipate, mitigate and withstand the impacts of these outage events.

# An approach to resilience investment planning

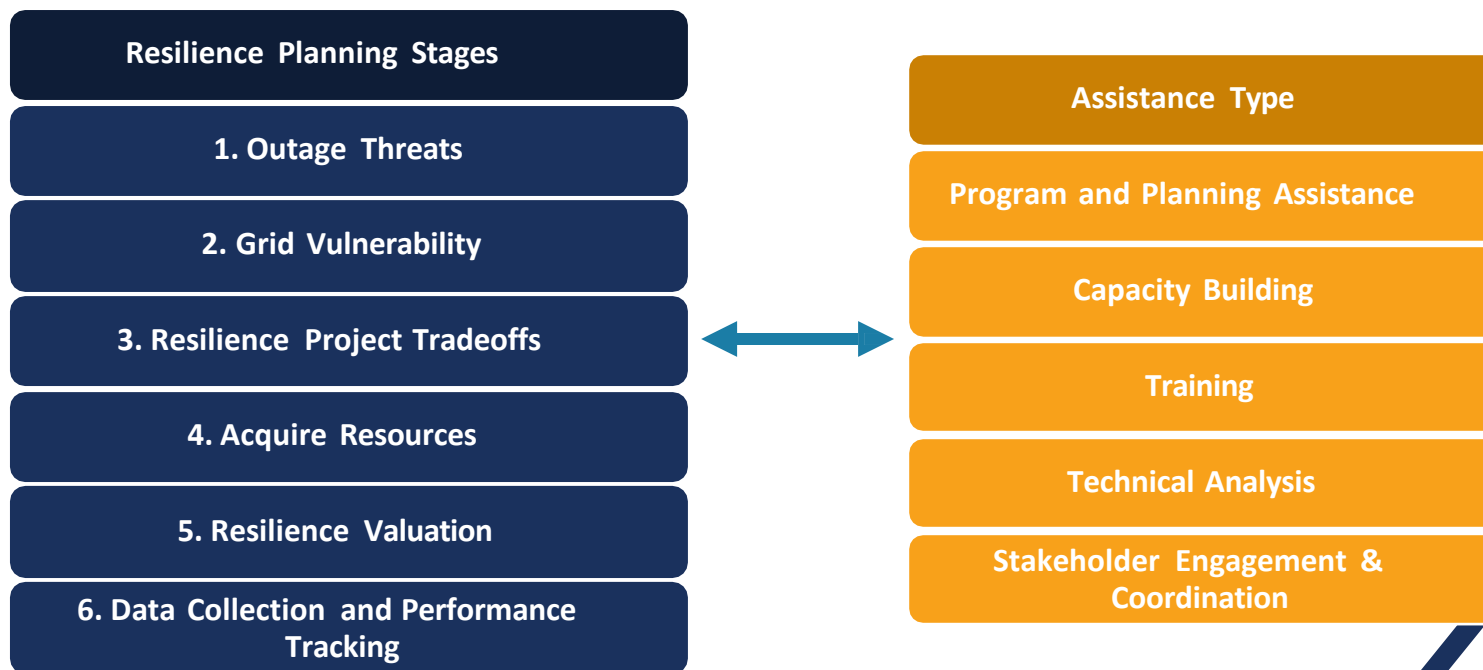
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# Assistance Requests

Requests can be submitted to this link:

[www.energy.gov/gdo/request-grid-resilience-assistance](http://www.energy.gov/gdo/request-grid-resilience-assistance)



**Support Documents Available**

- [Microgrid Overview](#)
- [Low-Cost Grid Resilience Projects](#)



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