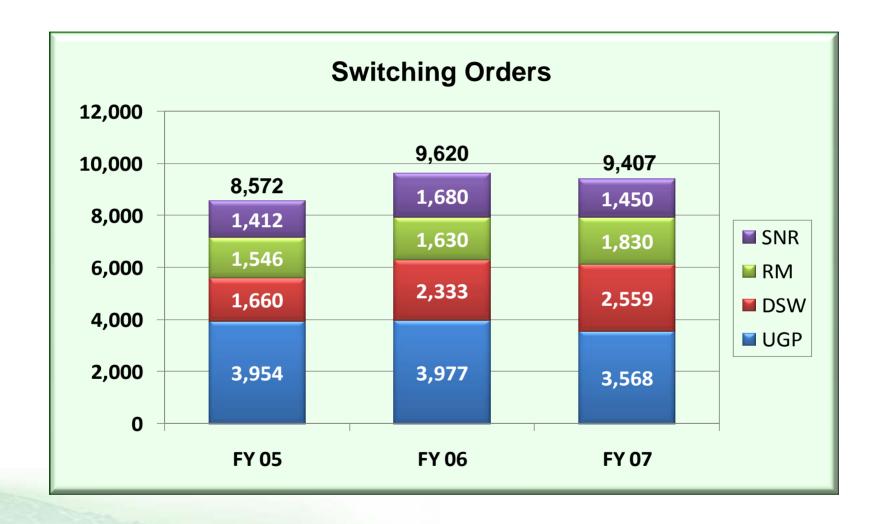
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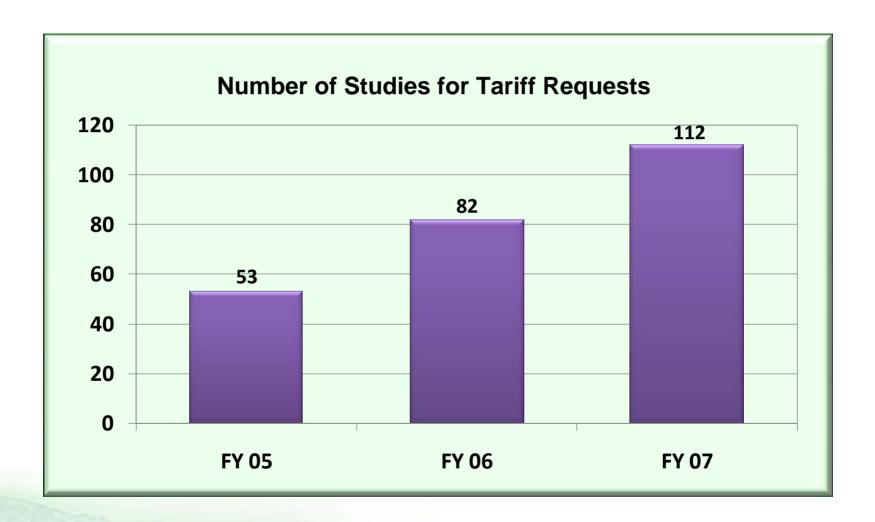
Between 2005 and 2007, the number of switching orders has increased throughout the system by approximately 10%





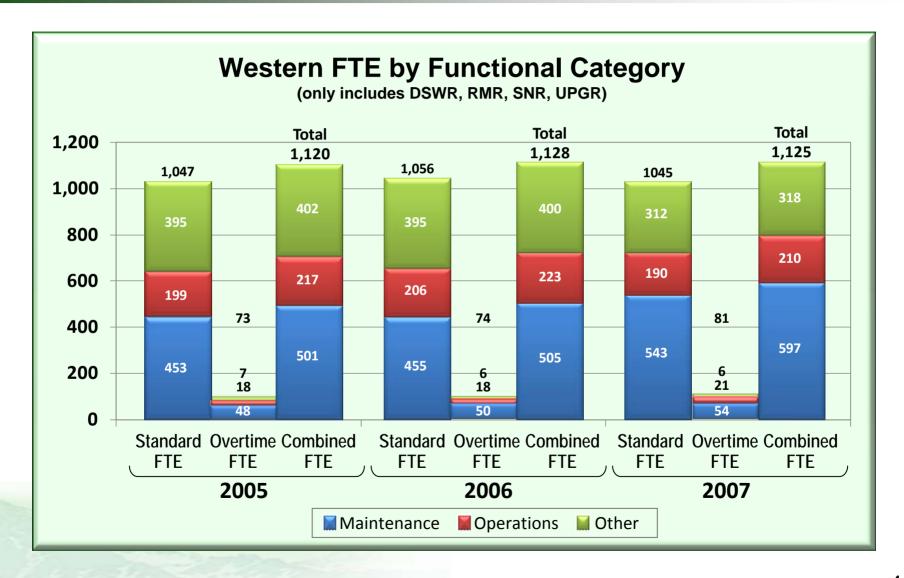
Between 2005 and 2007, the number of studies for tariff requests has increased by approximately 40% to 50% annually





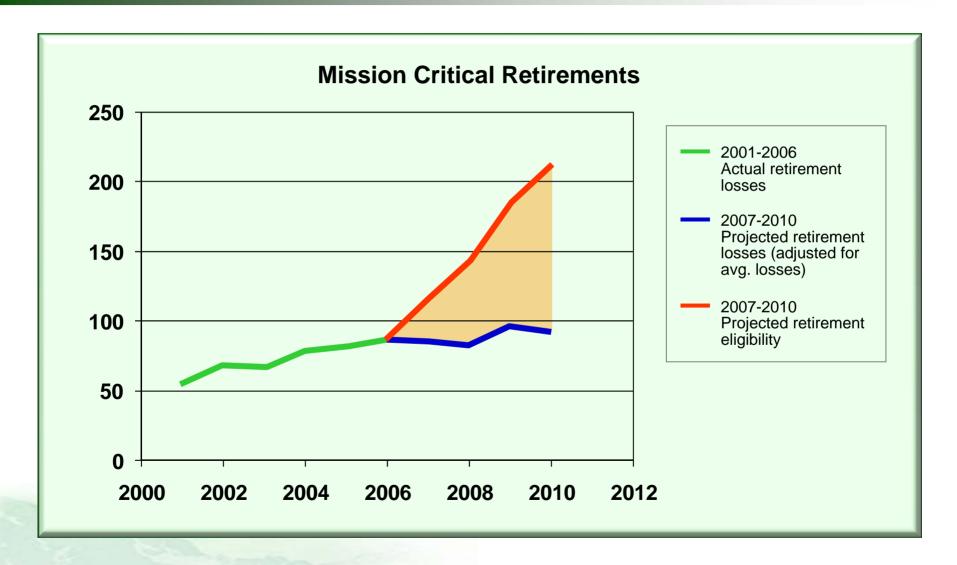
Western's FTE have remained flat with overtime equivalent FTE increasing to accomplish the expanding workload





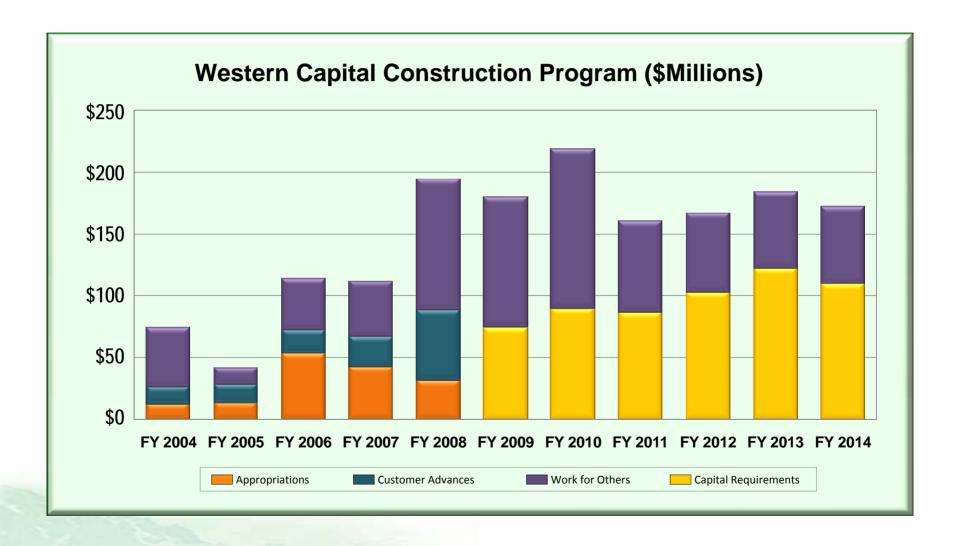
Employee retirements in mission critical functions are continuing to grow at a significant rate





The demands for Western to meet construction needs in the region are projected to continue in the future





Strategies - examples



Work to protect and maximize the value of the Federal resource. Ensure reliability and availability of Western's transmission system.

- Reduce administrative burdens.
- Increase transmission queue capabilities to support renewable projects.
- Operations consolidation streamline management, facilities and operational systems.