

# The Genesys Northwest Model (Generation Evaluation System)

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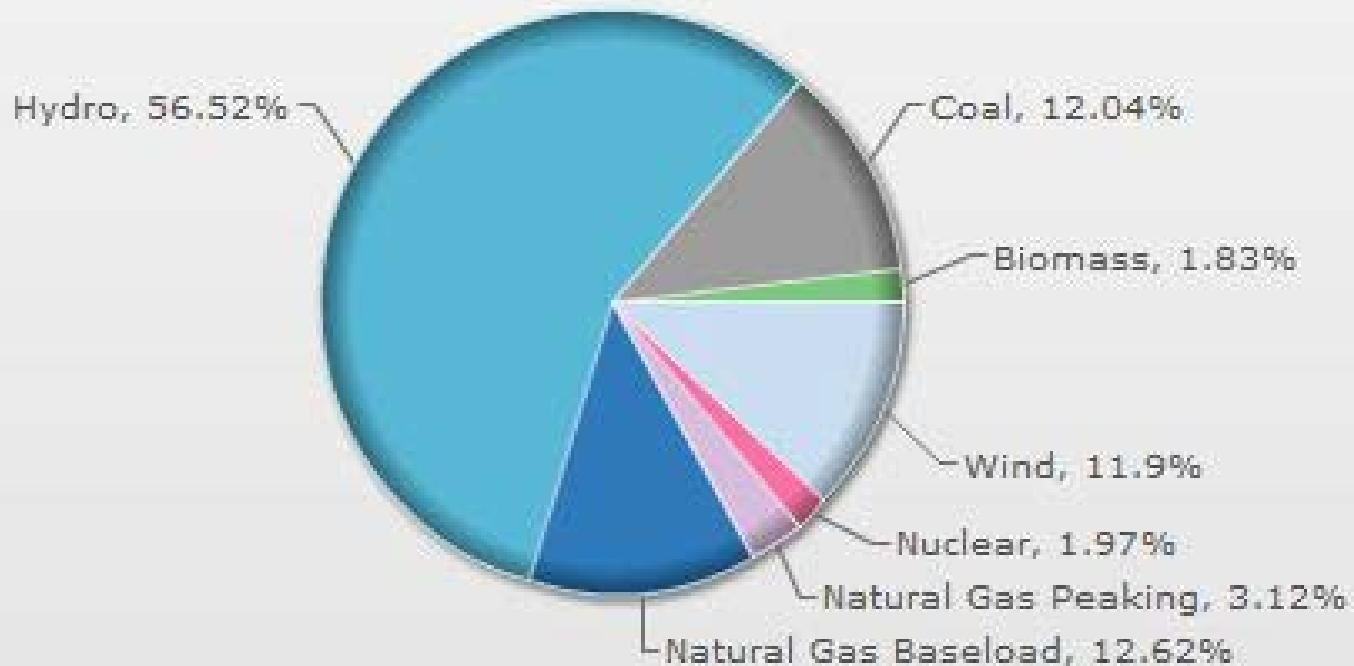


# Outline

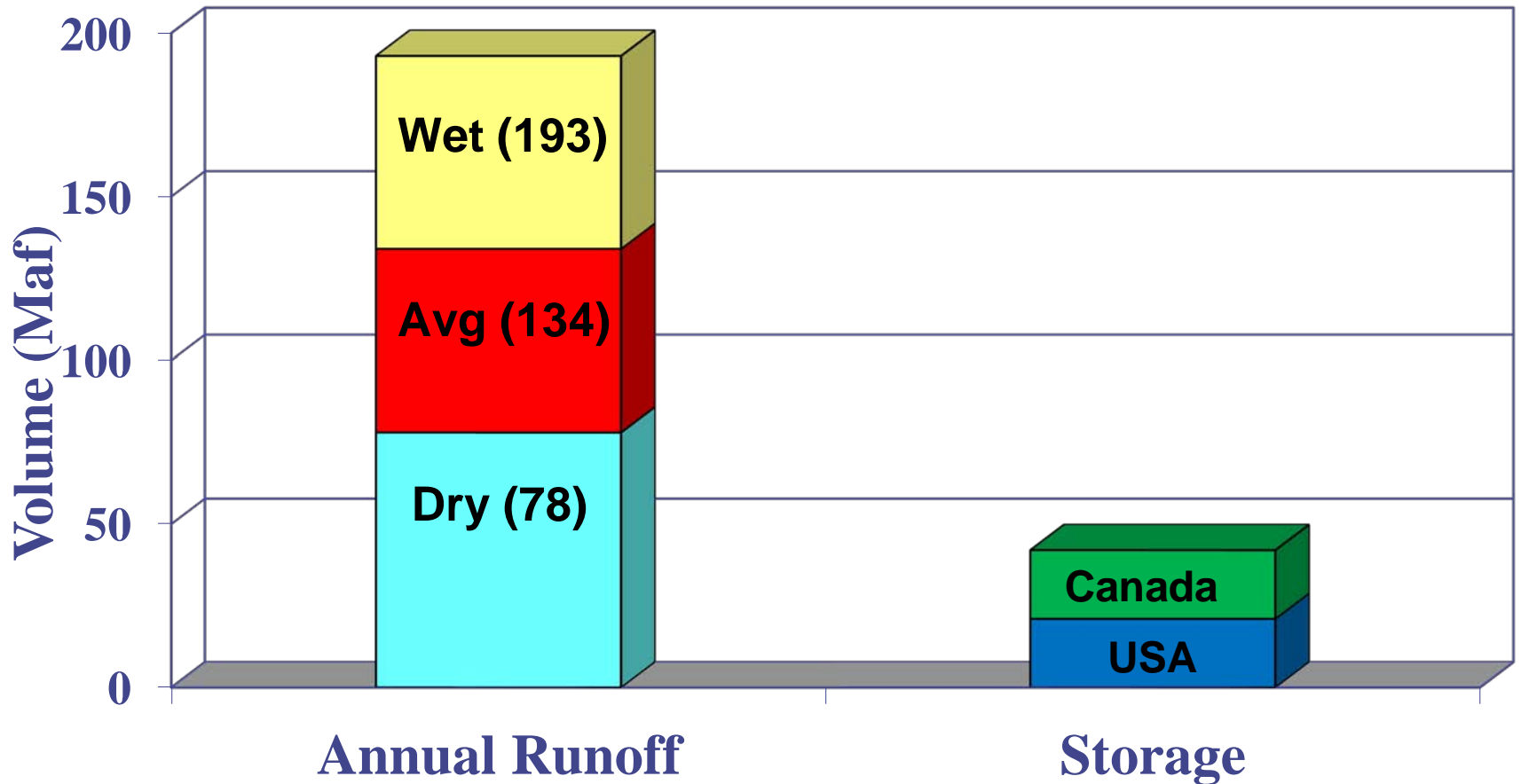
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# Pacific NW Power Supply

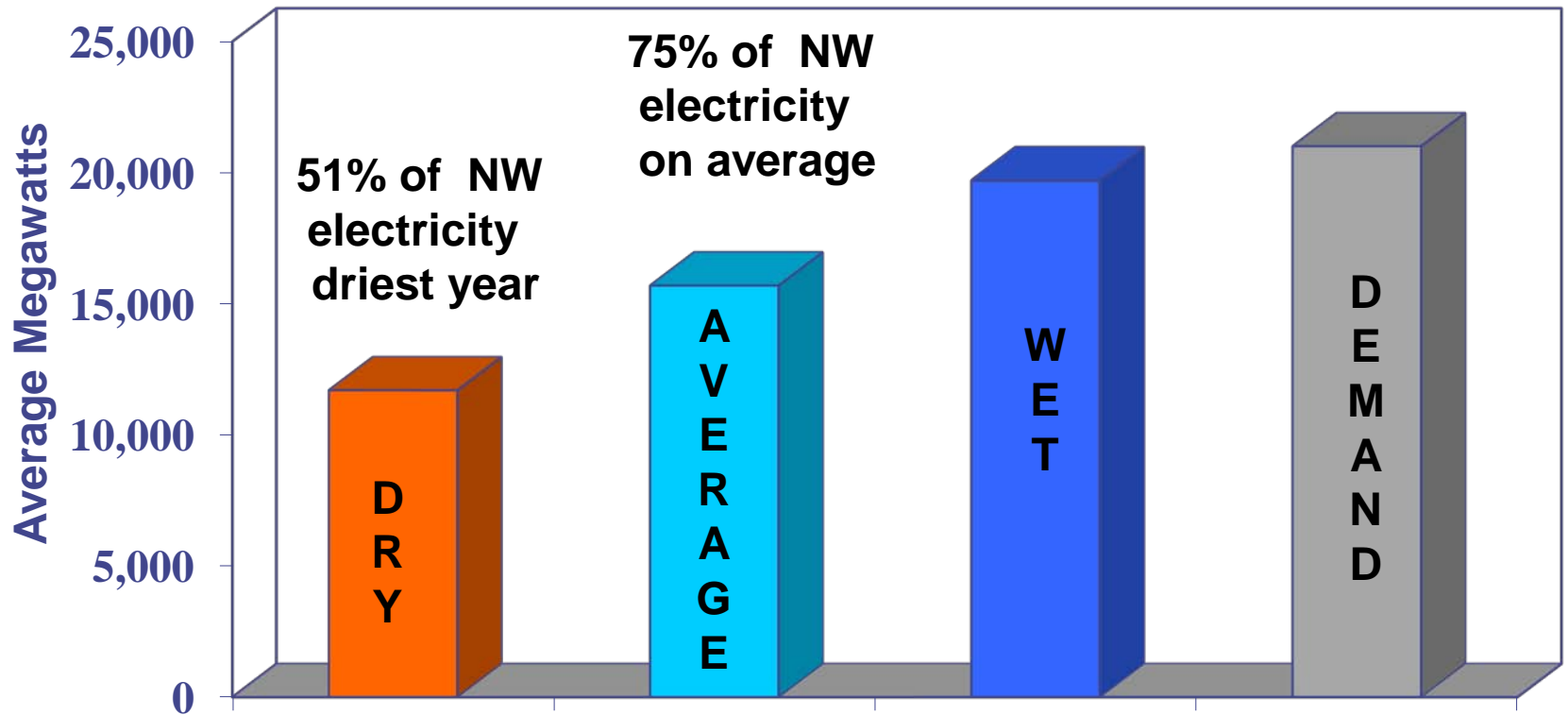
**Pacific Northwest Generating Capacity**  
60,800 MW



# Reservoir Storage & Runoff Volumes



# Variability in Hydroelectric Generation





# GENESYS Northwest

Monte Carlo Simulation of the NW Power Supply

Project-level Monthly Hydro Simulation

Hourly Economic Dispatch (including hydro)

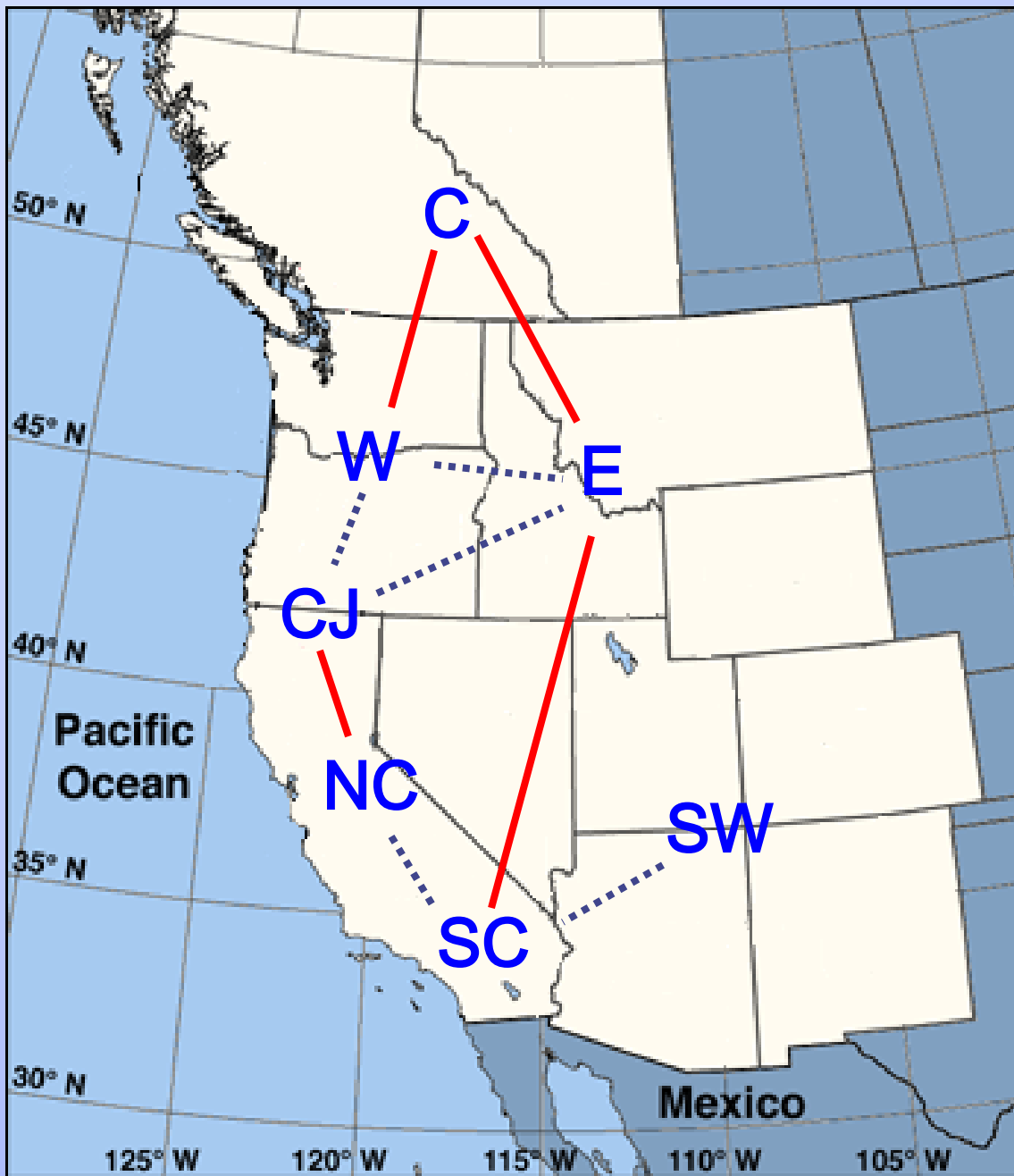
Inter-regional Transmission Capacity (but not forced outages)

Random Variables:

- Water Conditions
- Temperature/Loads
- Thermal Resource Forced Outage
- Wind



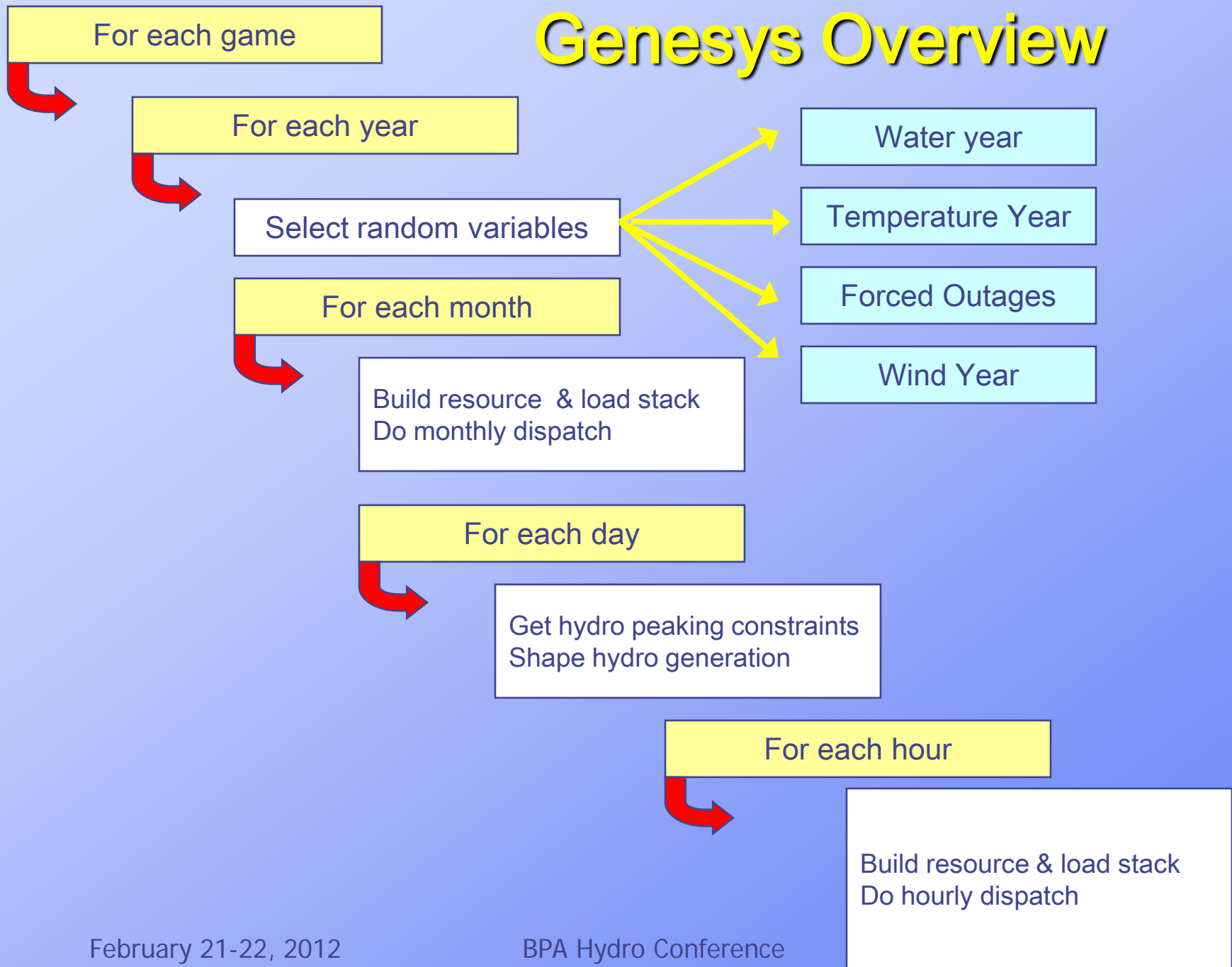
# Transmission Modeled in GENESYS



NW region includes:  
East (E)  
West (W)  
Captain Jack (CJ)

Solid lines indicate transmission into and out of the region

# Genesis Overview

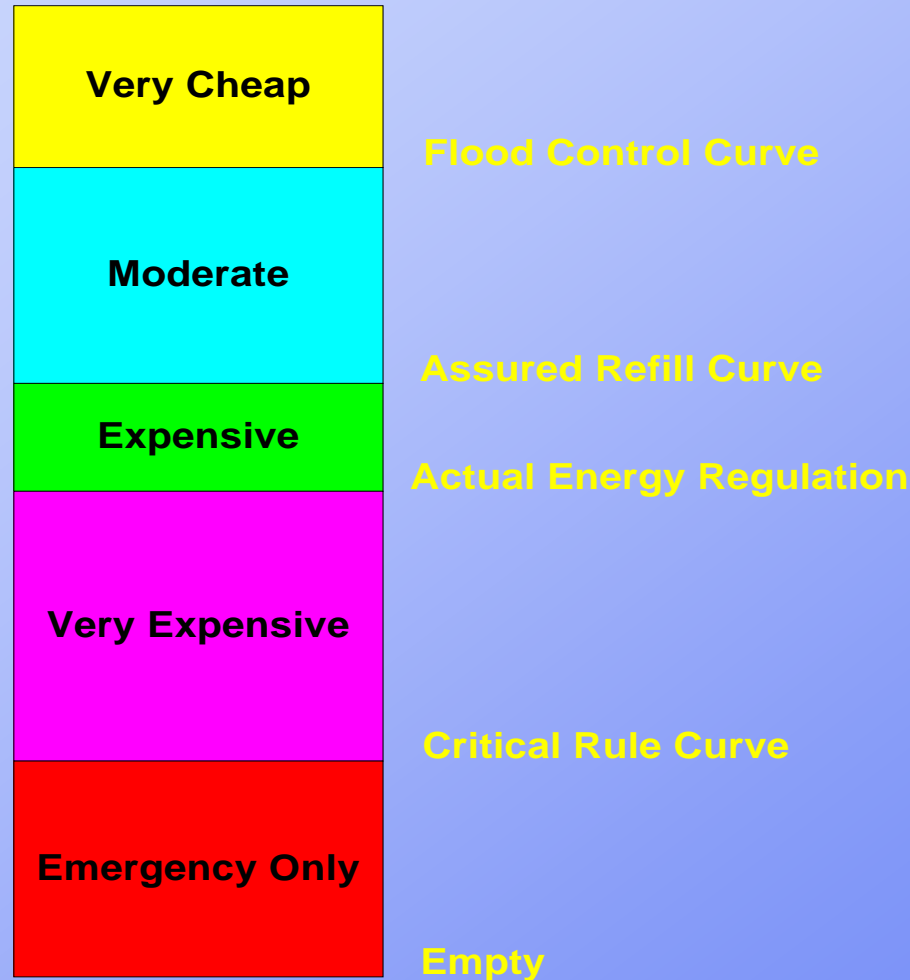




# Monthly Dispatch

- GENESYS builds a resource stack of available resources
- Cheapest resources on the bottom
- Hydro is broken into blocks with different prices
- GENESYS will dispatch enough resources, starting with the cheapest, until all load is met

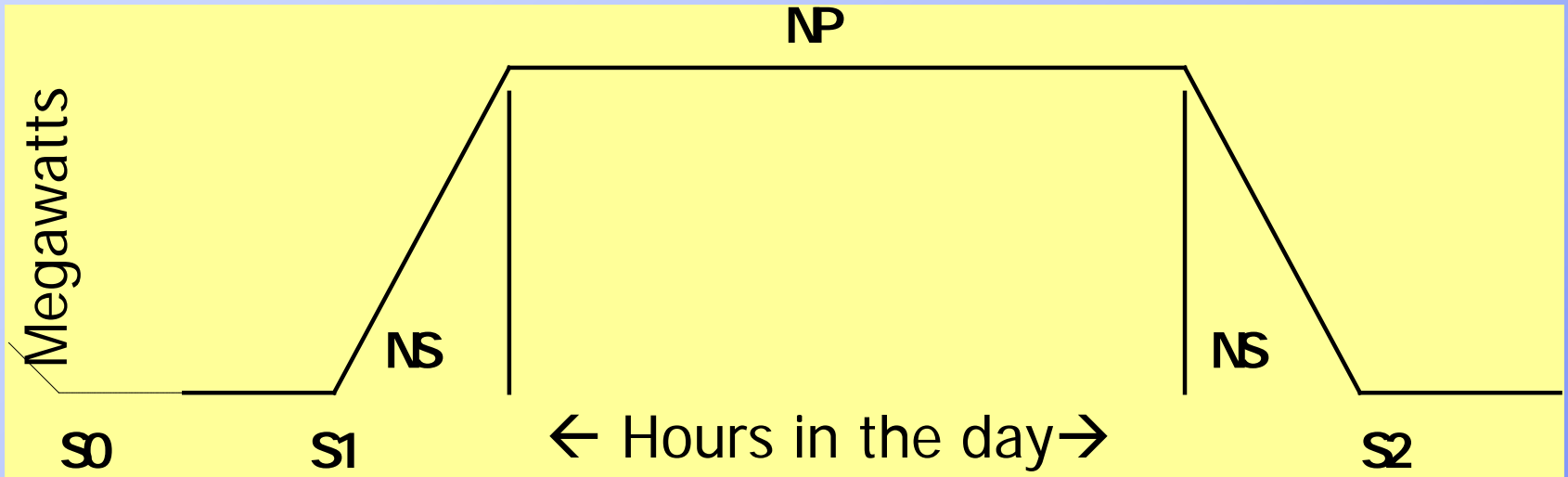
# Hydro Blocks – Based on Value of Water (Not to Scale)



# Daily/ Hourly Dispatch

- **Daily** – shape hydro energy to meet loads over 24 hours
  - Ensure no peaking violations occur
  - (see Trapezoidal model)
- **Hourly** – build load and resource stacks
  - Hourly hydro already assessed
  - Dispatch cheapest resources first

# Trapezoidal Model



NP = Number of Peak Hours

NS = Number of Shoulder Hours

S0 = Storage at beginning of off-peak period

S1 = Storage at beginning of ramp up

S2 = Storage at end of ramp down

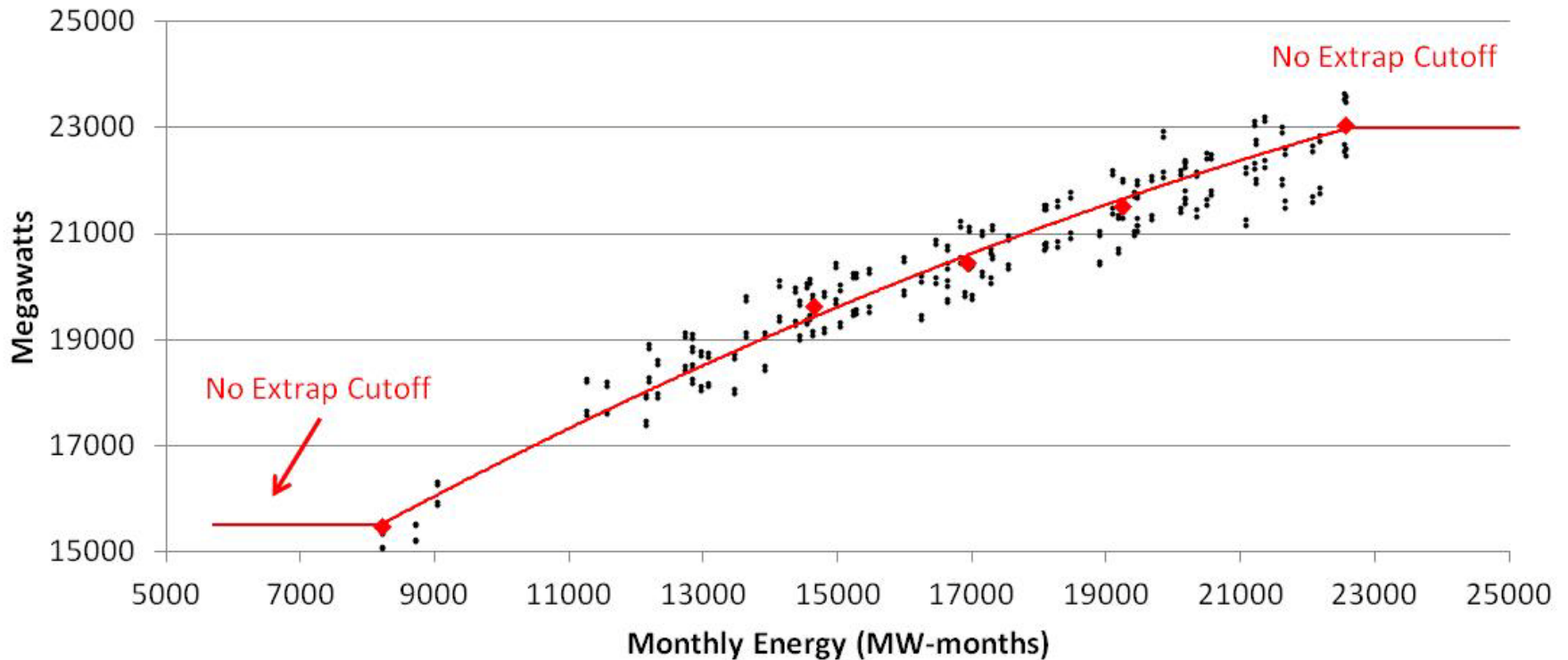
# Objective Function & Constraints

- Maximize on-peak generation
- Constraints
  - Min and max total flow limits
  - Max turbine flow limit
  - Min required spill level
  - End of week storage = beginning storage
  - Lag time between projects

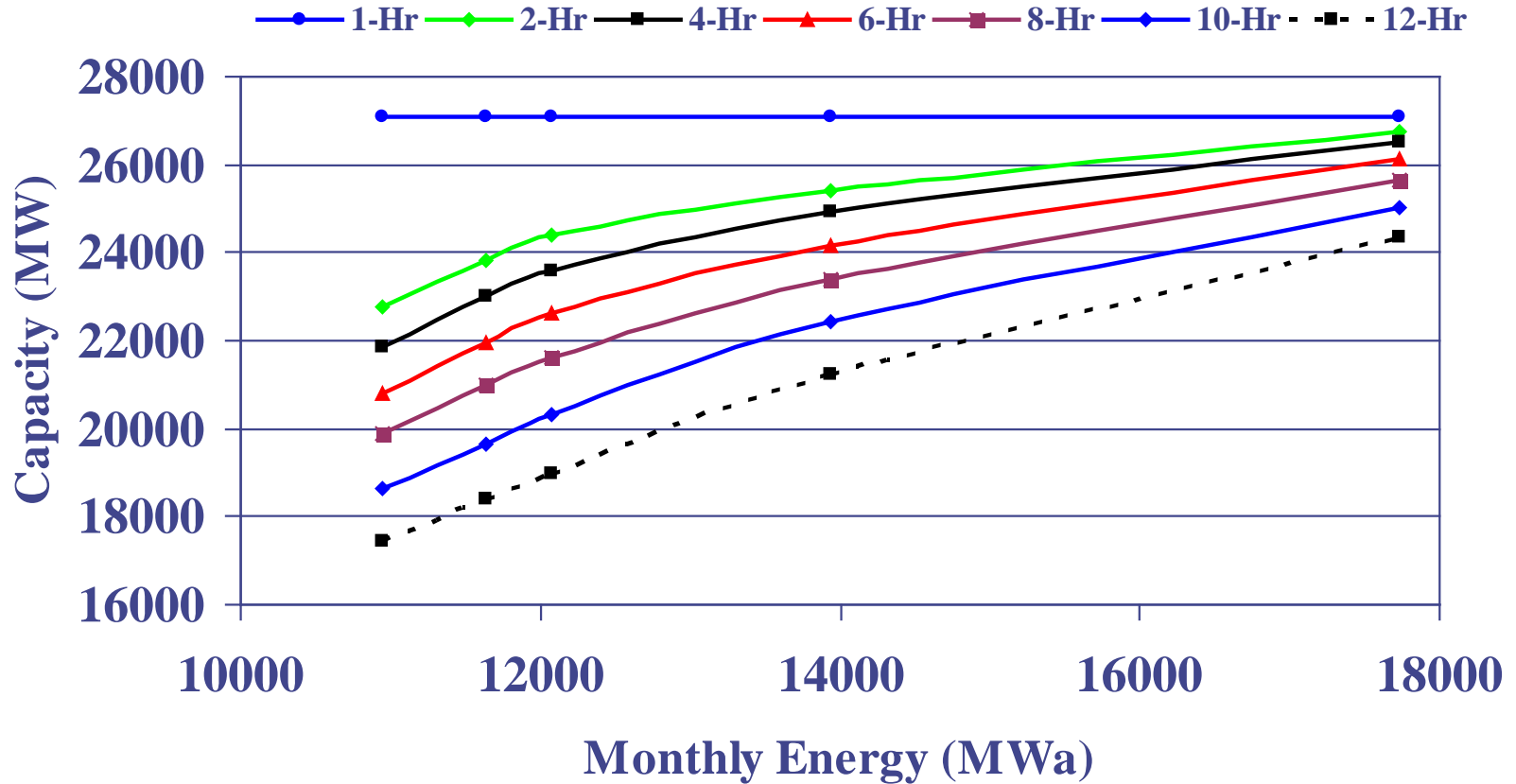


# Peak vs. Energy Curve

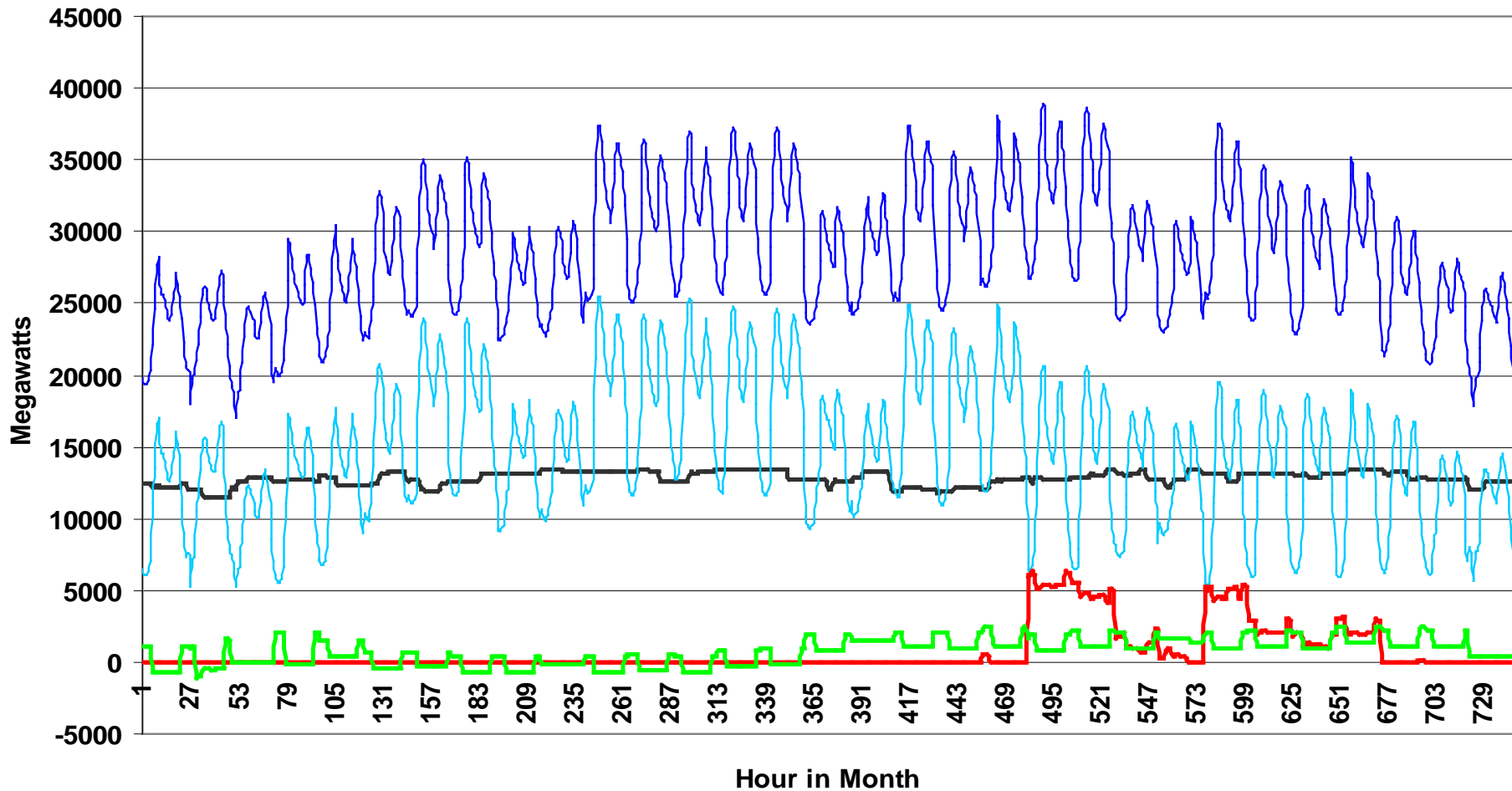
May 4-Hour Peak Period



# Peak vs. Energy Curves for 1, 2, 4, 6, 8, 10 and 12 Hours



# Sample Simulated Dispatch



# Uses for GENESYS

1. Adequacy assessments
2. Impacts of increasing amounts of wind
3. Resource cost effectiveness
4. Impacts of alternative hydro operations
5. Sub-year hydro generation forecasts
6. Climate change studies

# Additional Slides

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# Effects of Wind on the Power Supply

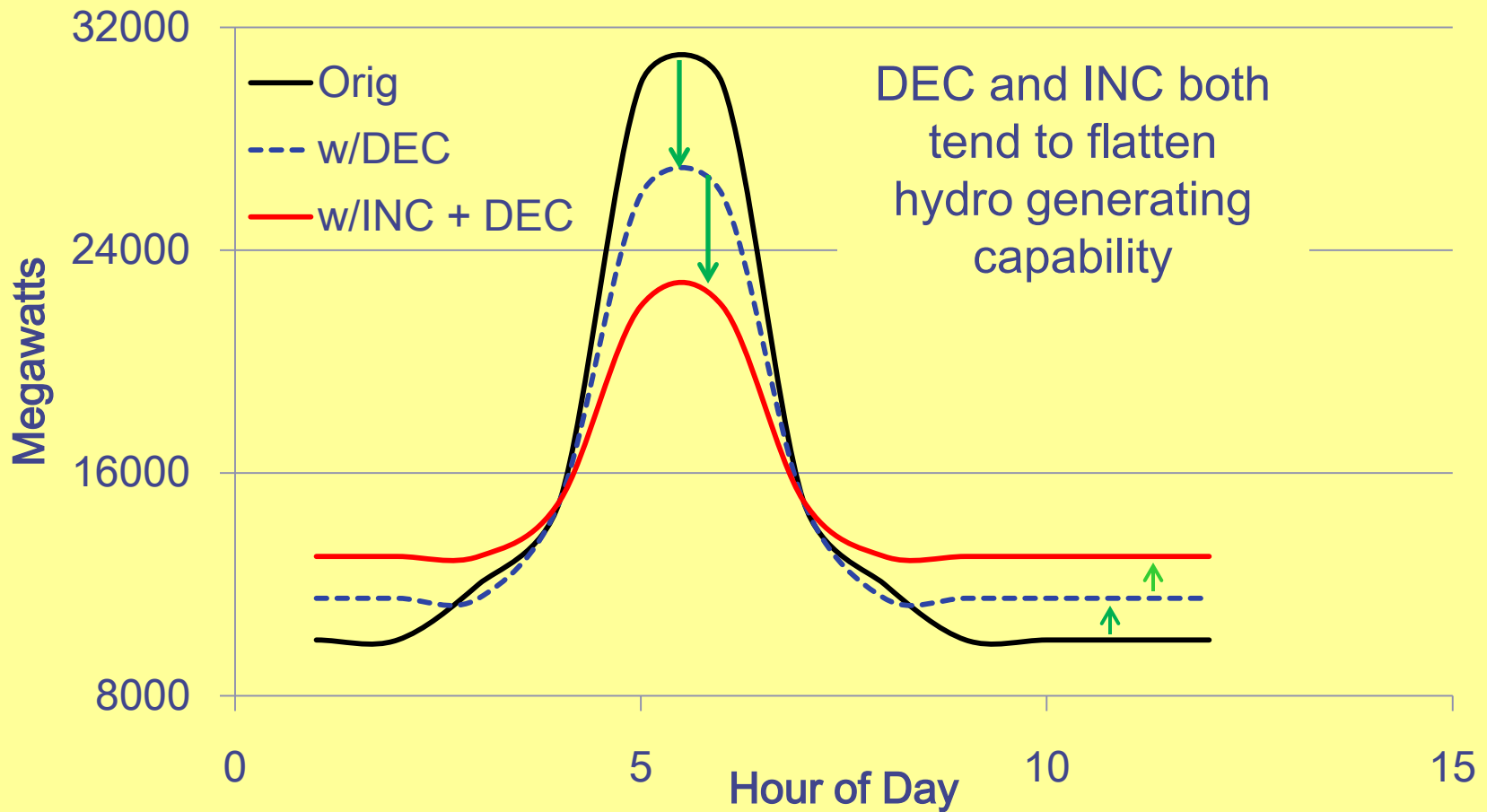
1. Hydro peaking capability reduction due to within-hour reserve requirements
2. Changes in thermal dispatch, more cycling and more small scale variation in hydro generation
3. Impacts to spring oversupply conditions
4. Calculate the effective load carrying capability of wind

# Effects of Within-hour Wind Reserves on Hydro Capability

**INC Reserve** – Generation dispatched during peak load when wind doesn't blow

**DEC Reserve** – Generation turned off during light load when wind does blow

# Effects of INC and DEC Reserves on Hydroelectric Capability



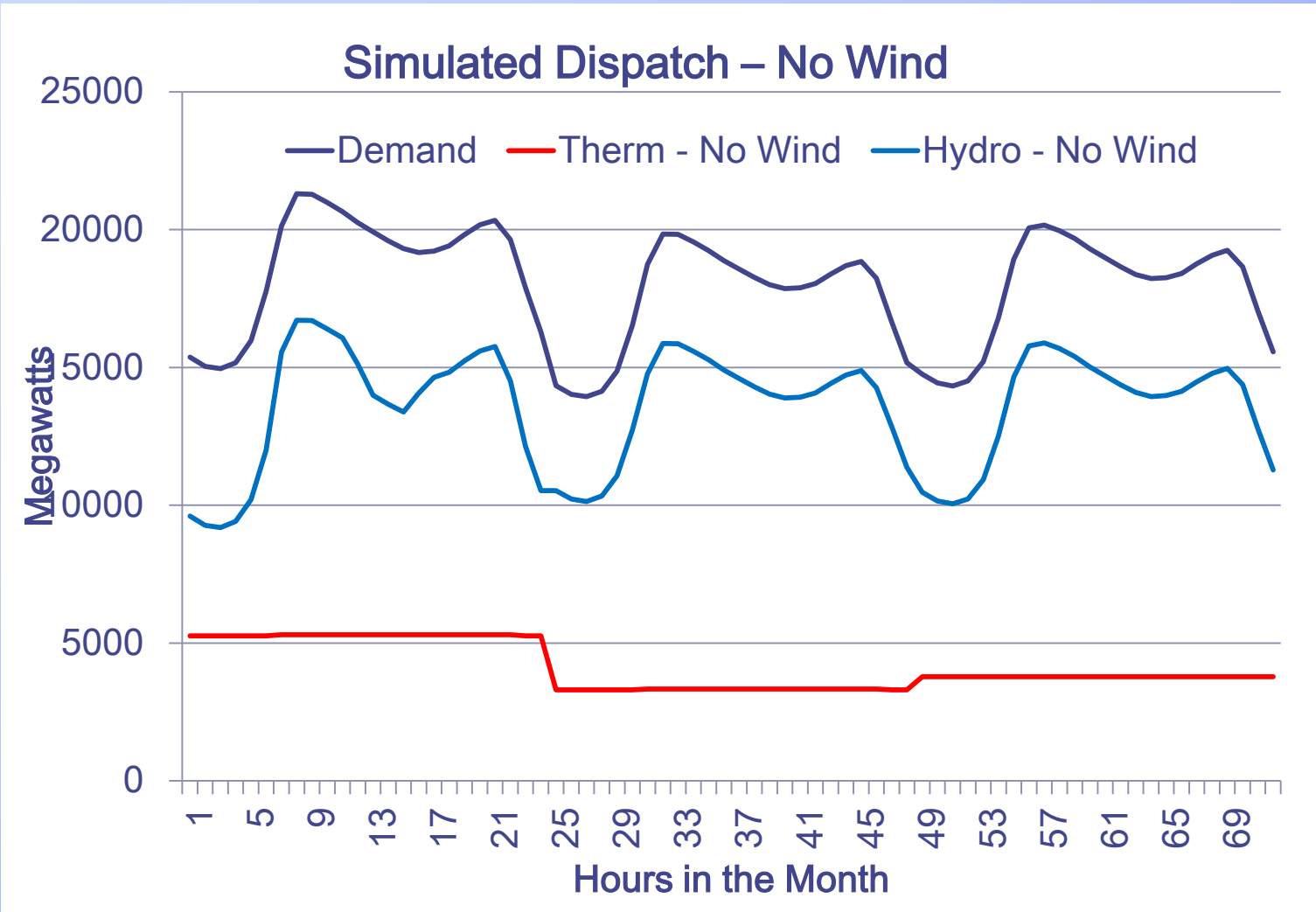
DEC and INC both tend to flatten hydro generating capability

# Impacts to Resource Dispatch

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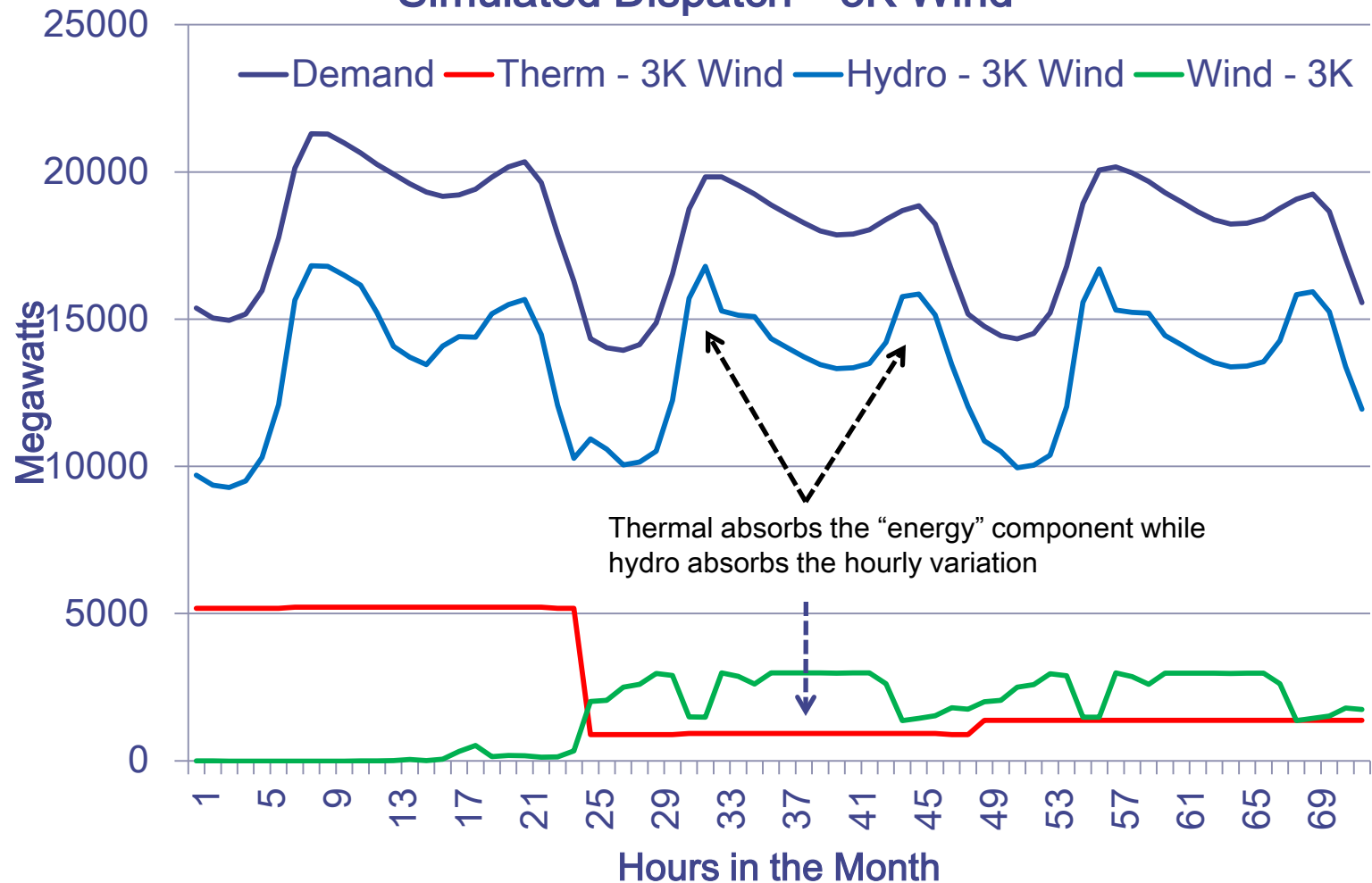




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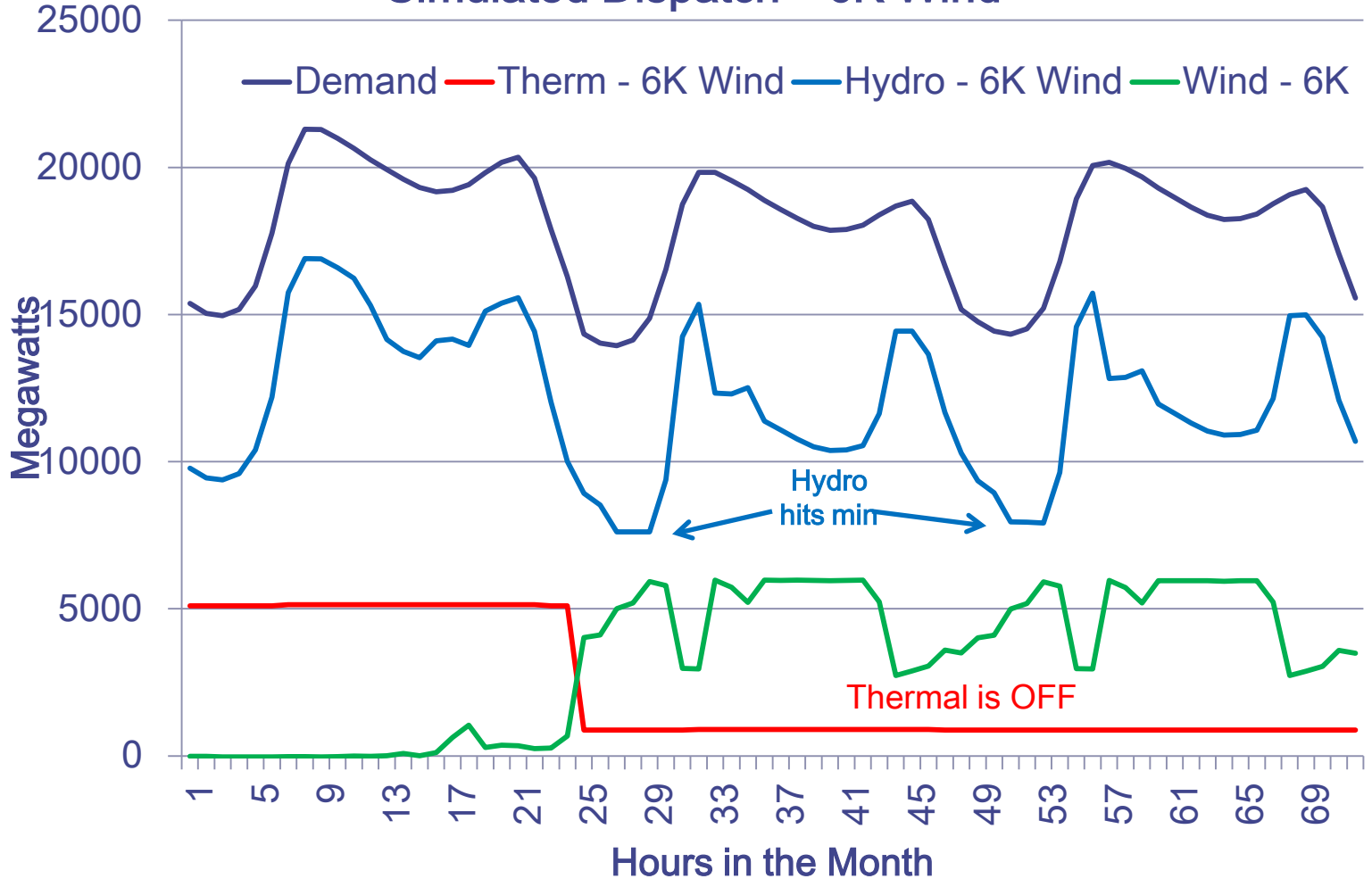


# Simulated Dispatch – 3K Wind



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# Simulated Dispatch – 6K Wind



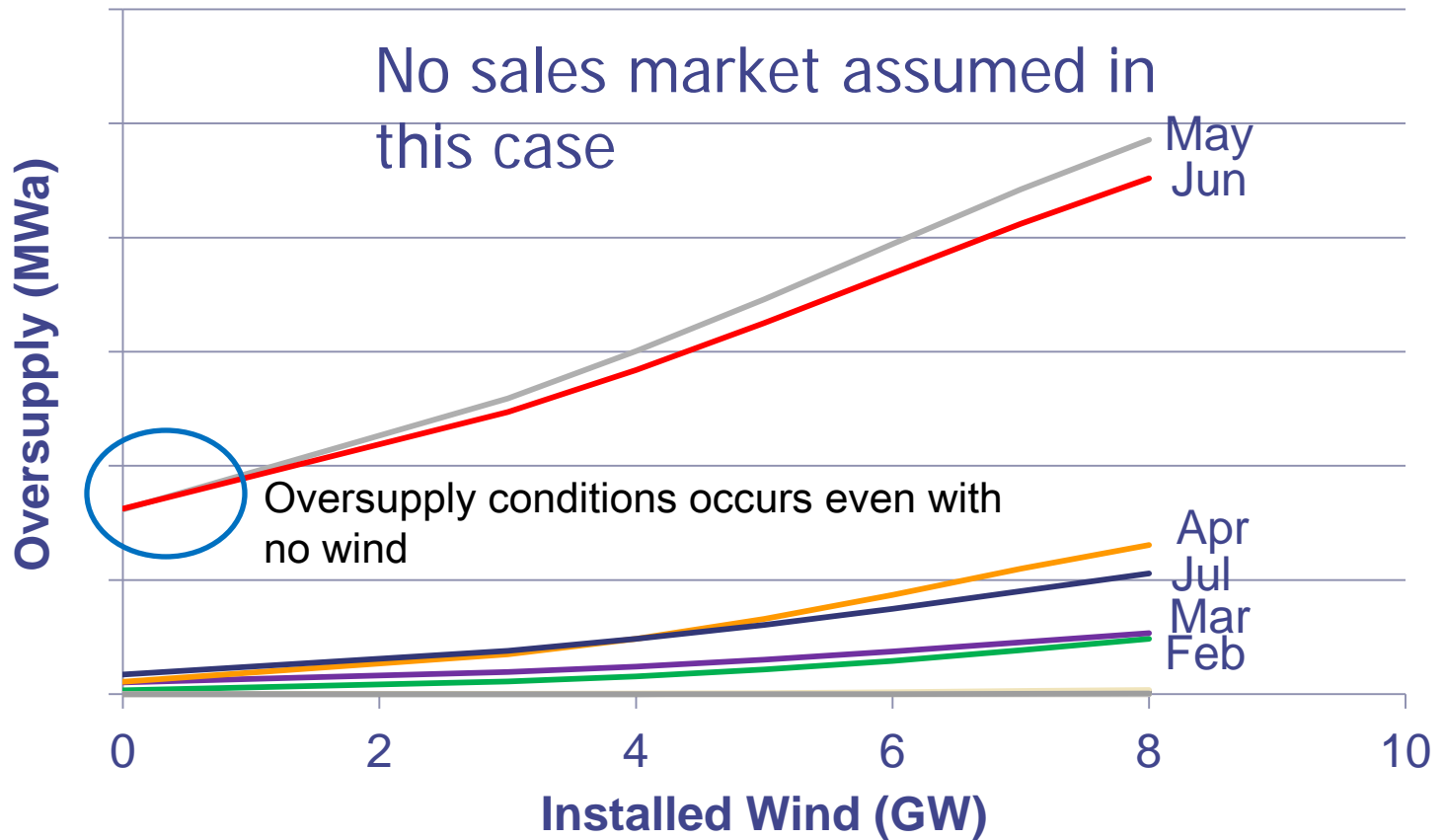
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# Oversupply Conditions

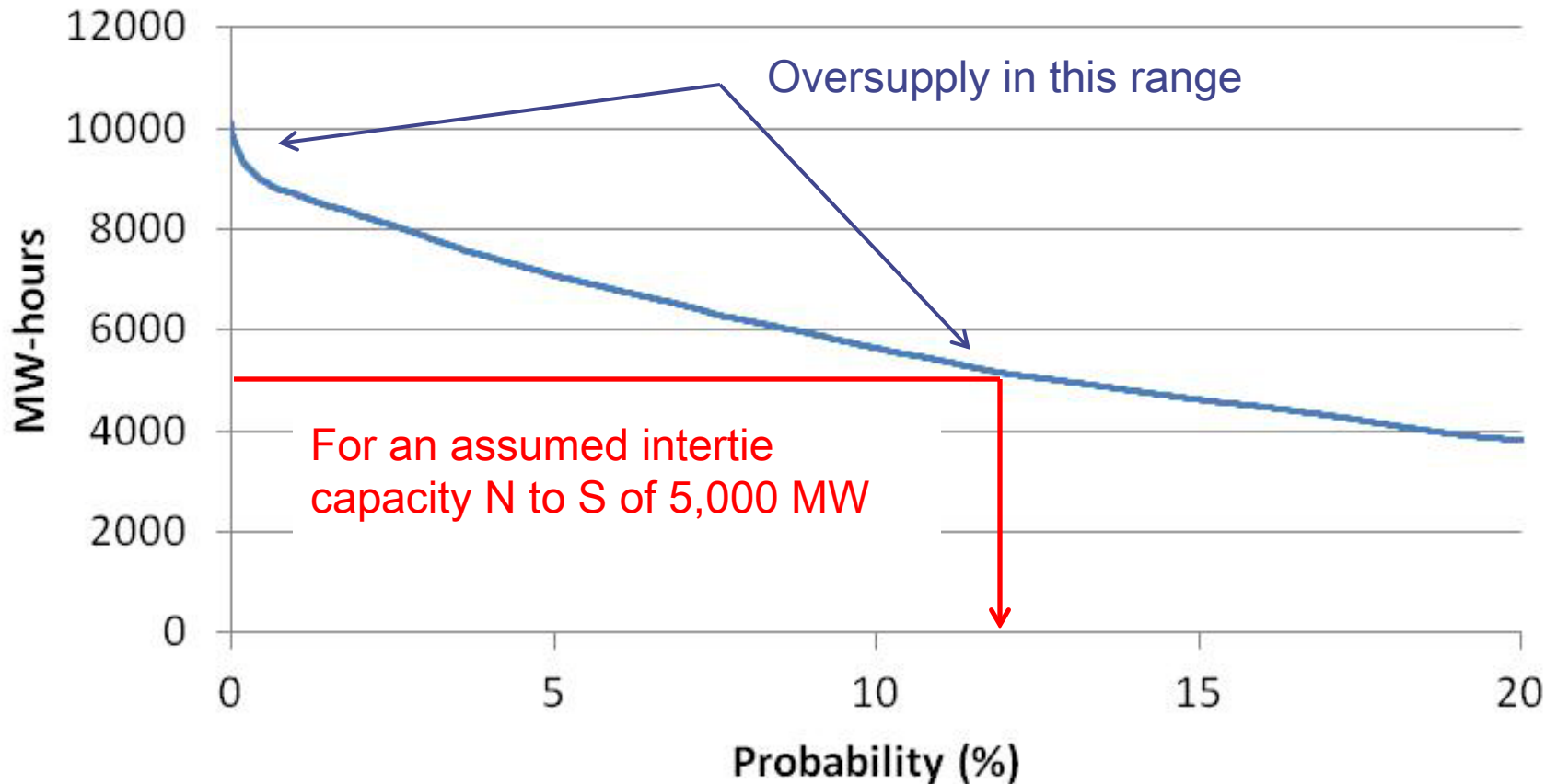
Oversupply conditions occur when the minimum system generation exceeds firm load and secondary sales markets.

# Oversupply in Average Megawatts (averaged over all hours of the month)



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## Oversupply Probability Curve



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# Effective Load Carrying Capability of Wind

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# What is ELCC?

- “Effective load carrying capability” is defined as the amount of incremental load a resource can serve without degrading adequacy.
- It is usually expressed as a percentage of a resource’s nameplate capacity.
- ELCC is a function of the system the resource is added to – this is particularly important for wind.

# Study Methodology

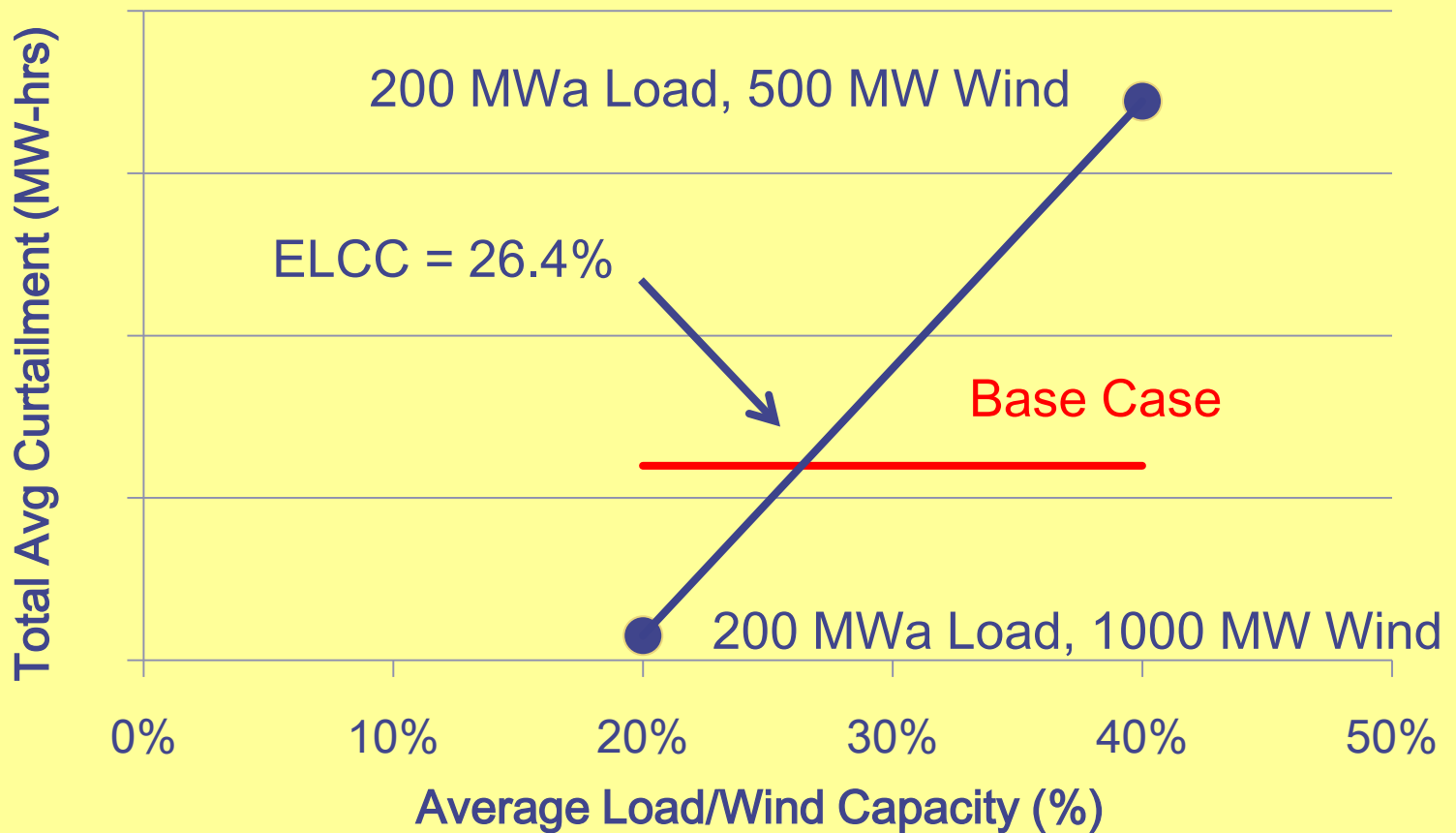
## ➤ Base case

- Remove all wind
- Calculate total annual average curtailment

## ➤ Study cases

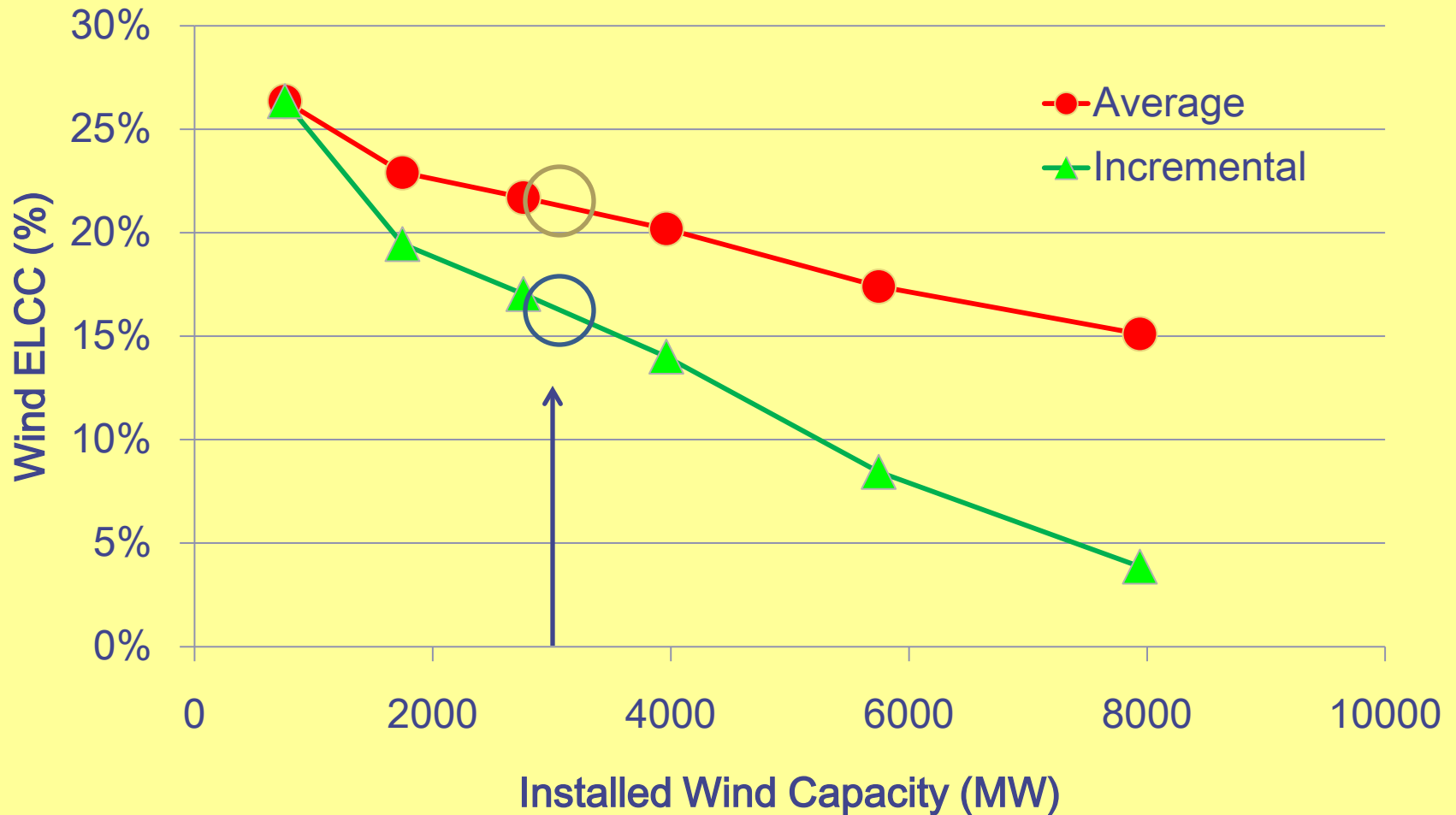
- Add 200 MWa of annual shaped load
- Add increments of wind capacity until the total annual average curtailment equals that in the base
- Wind data based on historic 2008-10 BPA wind fleet production
- Repeat above with greater amounts of load

# ELCC Results (+200 MWa load)



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# Annual Wind ELCC Results



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# Observations

- ELCC declines with increasing amounts of wind because system flexibility is used up
- Eventually wind ELCC will flatten out
- Average annual wind generation is ~ 30%, yet currently aggregate ELCC is ~ 18%  
Thus, can't plan on average wind generation
- Adding storage will increase ELCC
- Adding more diverse wind generation will also increase aggregate ELCC