

# South Carolina Regional Transmission Planning

## Stakeholder Meeting

Teams

February 28, 2024



## Purpose and Goals for Today's Meeting

- Review and Discuss Key Assumptions and Data for the Next Planning Cycle
- Review and Discuss Major Transmission Expansion Plans
- Review Schedule for completing Transmission Planning Studies

# Key Assumptions and Data for the Next Planning Cycle

**DESC – Edward Chapman**

# Modeling Assumptions and Data

## Dispersed Substation Load Forecast

- Summer/Winter Peak, Off-Peak and Seasonal Load Levels
- Resource Planning provides 10 Year system load forecasts
- Transmission Planning creates dispersed substation load forecasts

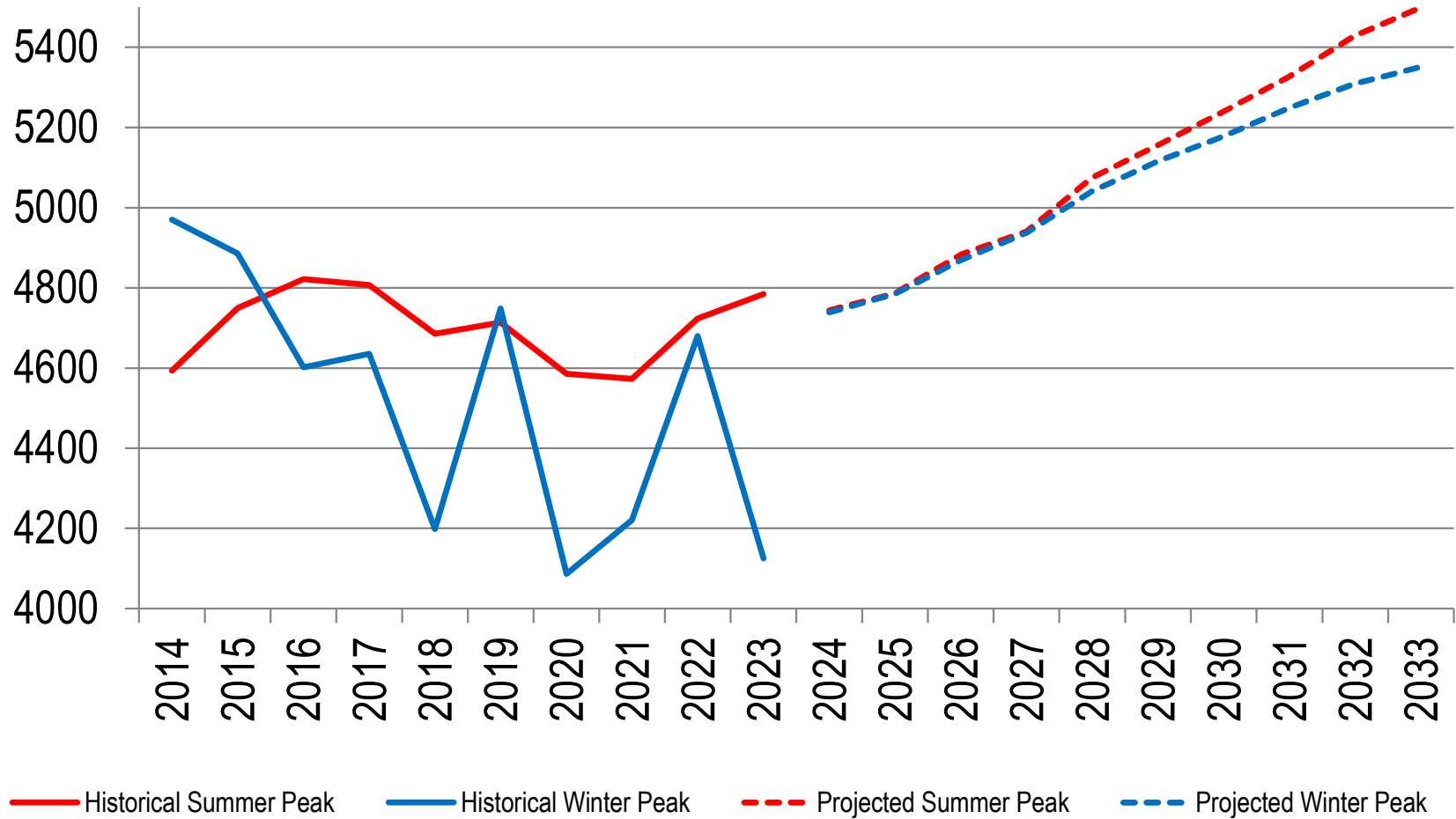
# Load Forecast Process

## Resource Planning Input

- Develop 10-year projected forecast based on:
  - 10-year historical load summer and winter loads
  - Load factors by customer class
  - Considers weather, personal income, population growth, economic conditions, load management, energy efficiency, etc
  - Applies regression analysis to historical data to develop models
  - Applies forecasted growth rates to develop future projections



## Load Forecast



# Load Forecast Process

## Transmission Planning Input

- Obtain summer and winter snapshot meter data from most recent seasons and adjust for load switching
- Develop 10-year projected forecast based on:
  - 10-year historical loading
  - Feedback from Distribution Planning, Local Managers, Large Industrial Group and Transmission Services Manager
- Wholesale loads are modeled as provided by the customer
- Dispersed forecasted load points are integrated into corporate load forecast

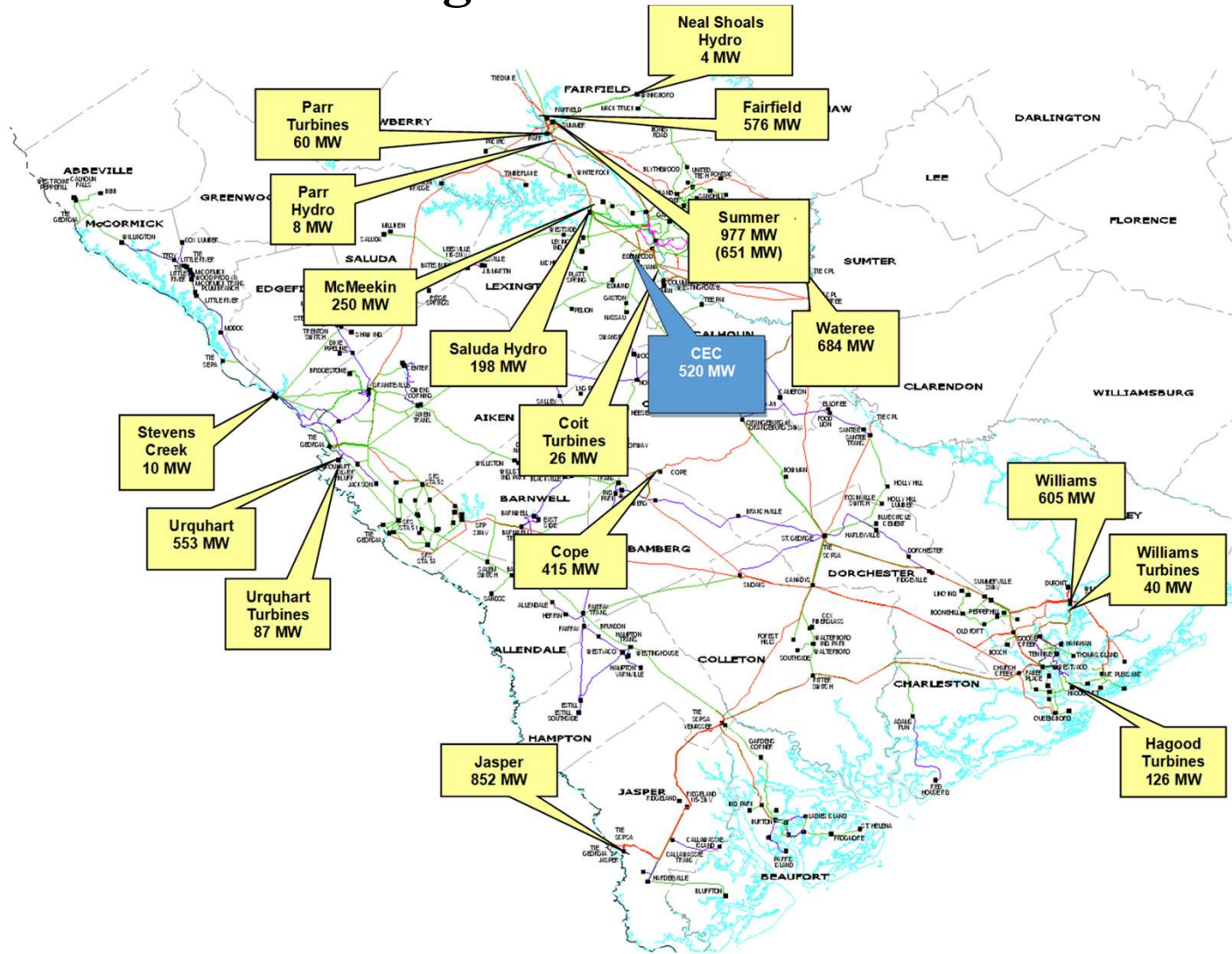
# Modeling Assumptions and Data

## Generation

- Annual generator ratings used
- Input from Generation Expansion Plan – Reductions/Additions
- Input from Generation Maintenance Schedule
- Generators dispatched economically
- Merchant Generators included

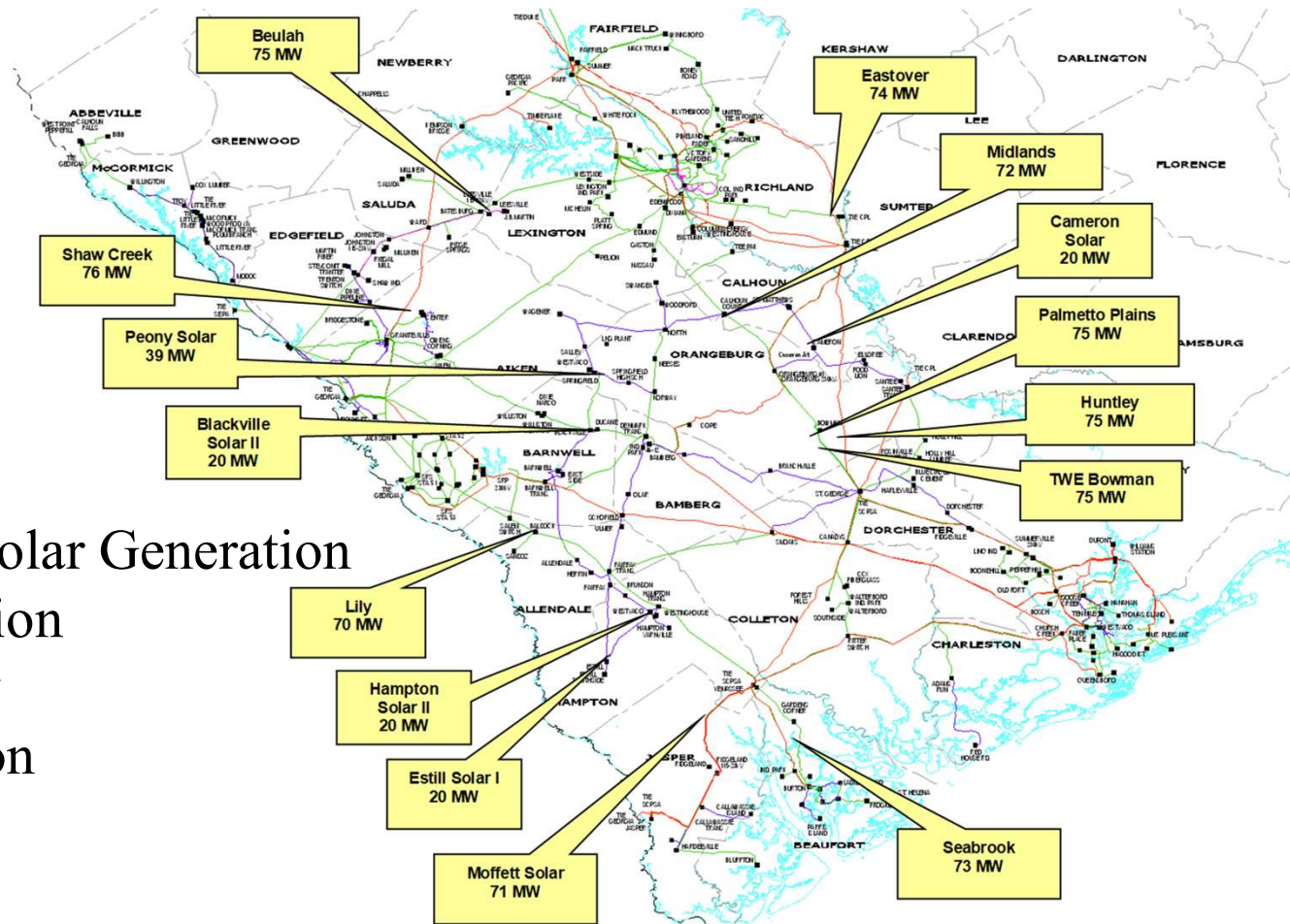


## Existing Generation



DESC Owned  
Generation  
5,665 MW

# Merchant Generation



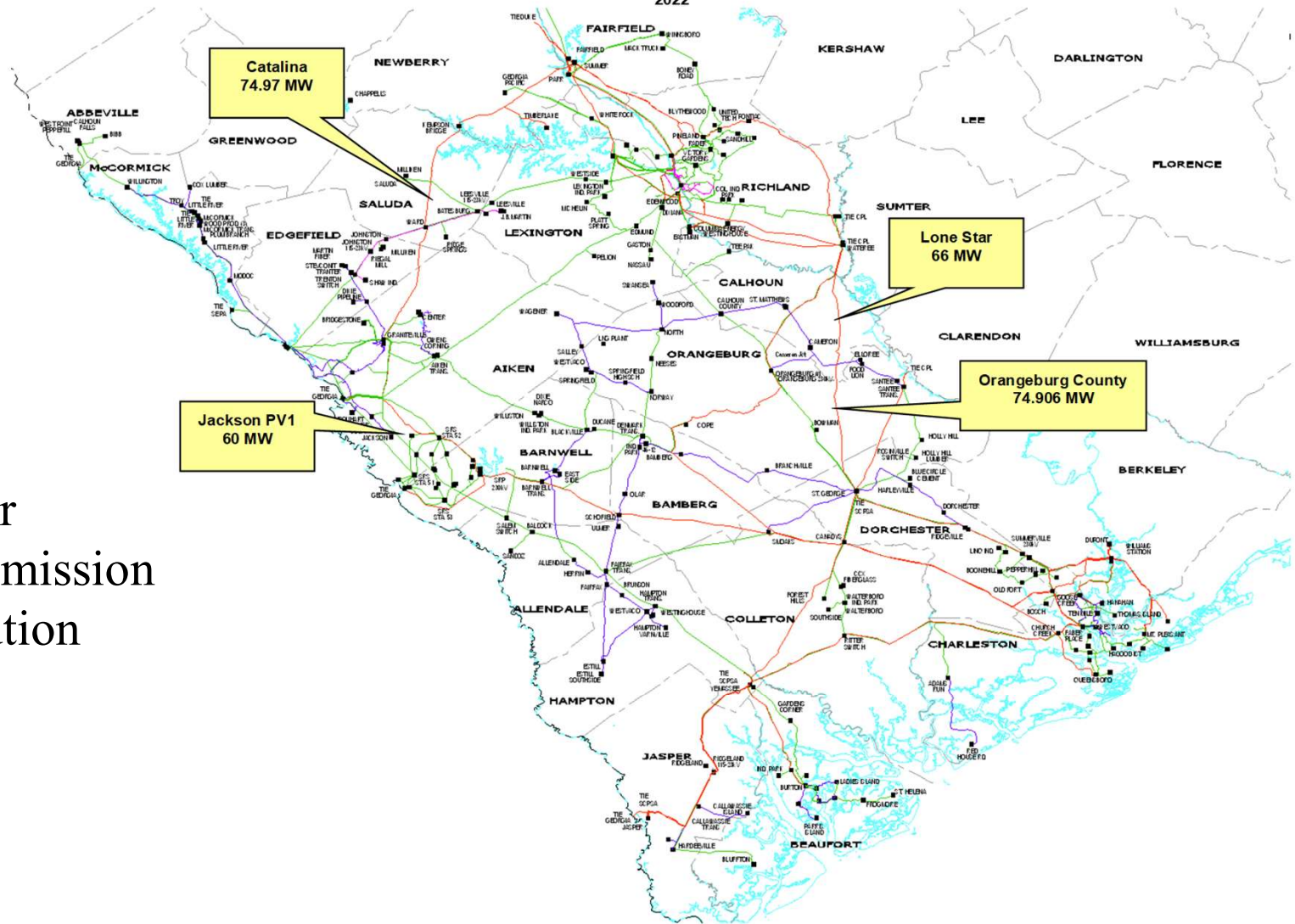
## Additional Dispersed Solar Generation

- 855 MW Transmission
  - 18 MW Battery
- 193 MW Distribution



## Future Generation Additions

2022



Dispersed Solar  
276 MW Transmission  
0 MW Distribution

## Interconnection Transitional Cluster

- 1754 MW of gas/solar/BESS generation in cluster
- Phase 2 restudy in progress
  - PV Only: 224.8 MW
  - Hybrid:
    - 100 MW PV
    - 100 MW BESS
  - BESS Only: 0 MW
  - Uprates: 144.2 MW
  - 469 MW Total

## Interconnection DISIS 2023

- 3150 MW of gas/solar/BESS generation in cluster
- Phase 1 in progress
  - PV Only: 740 MW
  - Hybrid:
    - 629 MW PV
    - 595 MW BESS
  - BESS Only: 998 MW
  - Uprates: 124 MW
  - 2491 MW Total



# Modeling Assumptions and Data

## Transmission Network

- Input from Transmission Plan
- Neighboring Transmission Systems Modeled

# Modeling Assumptions and Data Planned Transmission Facilities



2/22/2024

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Orangeburg #1 - Cameron Jct 46kV Line Rebuild	Jun-25
Cainhoy - Hamlin 115kV: Rebuild Line and Cainhoy - Hamlin 115 kV #2: Construct New 115 kV Line	Dec-25
Jasper - Okatie 230 kV #2: Construct	Dec-25
Riverport Tap: Construct Tap	Dec-25
St George - Sumter 230kV Tie: Rebuild Line from Santee Substation - Duke/Progress Energy Tie	Dec-25
Stevens Creek - Clarks Hill 115/46 kV Rebuild	Dec-25
Burton-St Helena 115kV: Frogmore Distribution - St Helena	Dec-25
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Coast Guard 115 kV Tap: Construct	Dec-27
Elloree - Santee City 46 kV: Rebuild	Dec-27



# Modeling Assumptions and Data

## System Interchange

- Firm scheduled transfers included
- Coordinated with Neighbors

# Santee Cooper Transmission Planning Models Key Assumptions and Data

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## Major Model Components

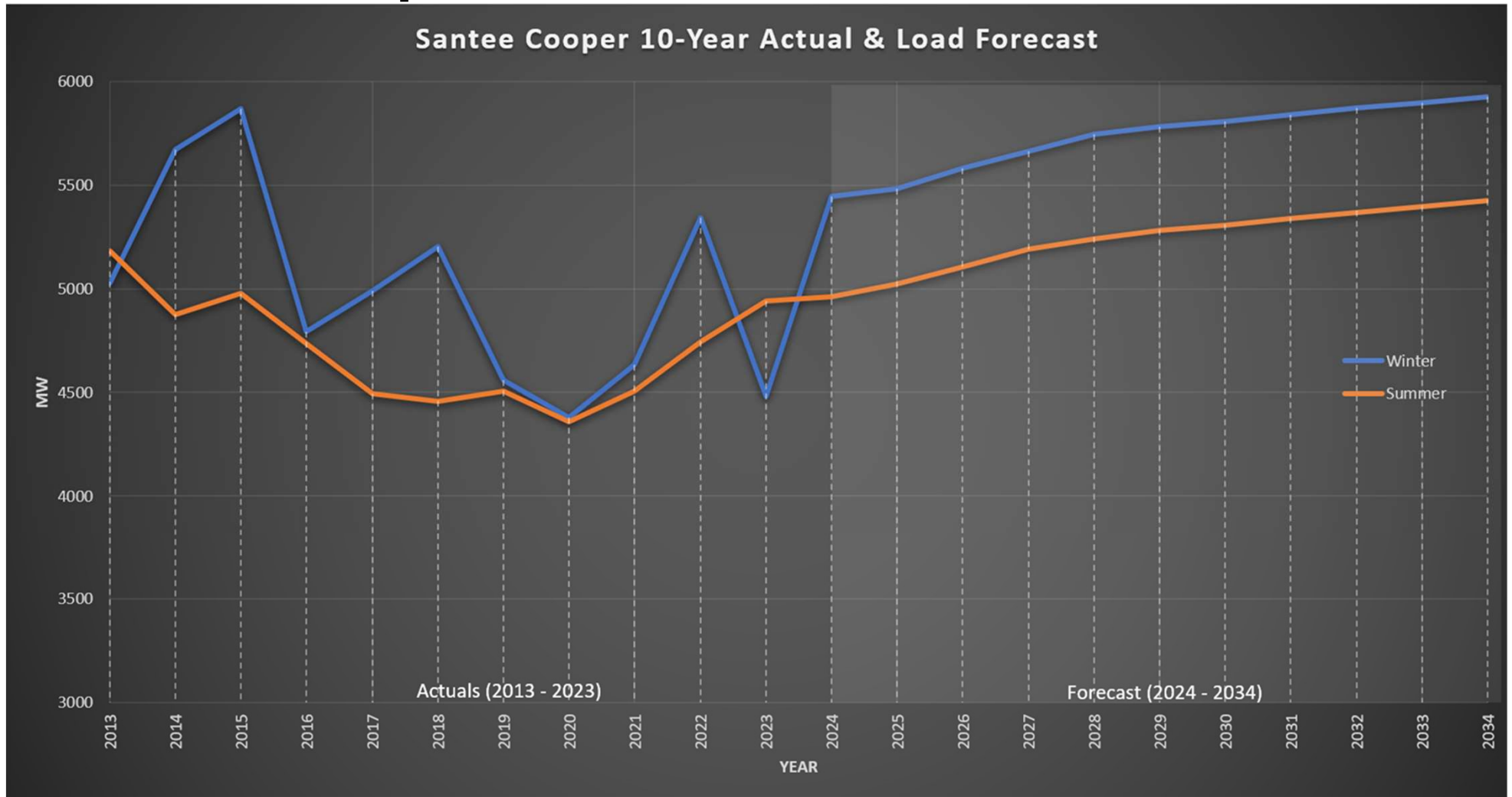
- Load Demand Forecast
- Transmission Network
- Generation Resources
- Actual System Operations



# Load Demand Forecast

- 10-year projected demand forecast
  - Wholesale customers load forecast
  - Industrial and municipality customer contracts
  - Santee Cooper Distribution load forecast
  - Transmission Planning produces dispersed substation load based on power factors derived from most recent meter data
- System Peak and off-peak load conditions

# Santee Cooper 10-Year Actual & Load Forecast



# Transmission Network

Models include:

- Existing transmission system and committed projects
- Neighboring transmission system representations
- All facilities assumed to be available unless notified otherwise
- Normal operating status (in-service or out-of-service) of facilities is represented

# Transmission Network

- Uniform rating methodology is applied to transmission facilities
- Base case models are updated annually prior to annual transmission assessment
- Study models may be updated as needed prior to any study
- Neighboring and Regional system network from the latest MMWG models are used



# Committed Transmission Facilities



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Johns Island – Queensboro (DESC) 115 kV Line	TBD
Varnville 230-115 kV transformer replacement	4/1/2024
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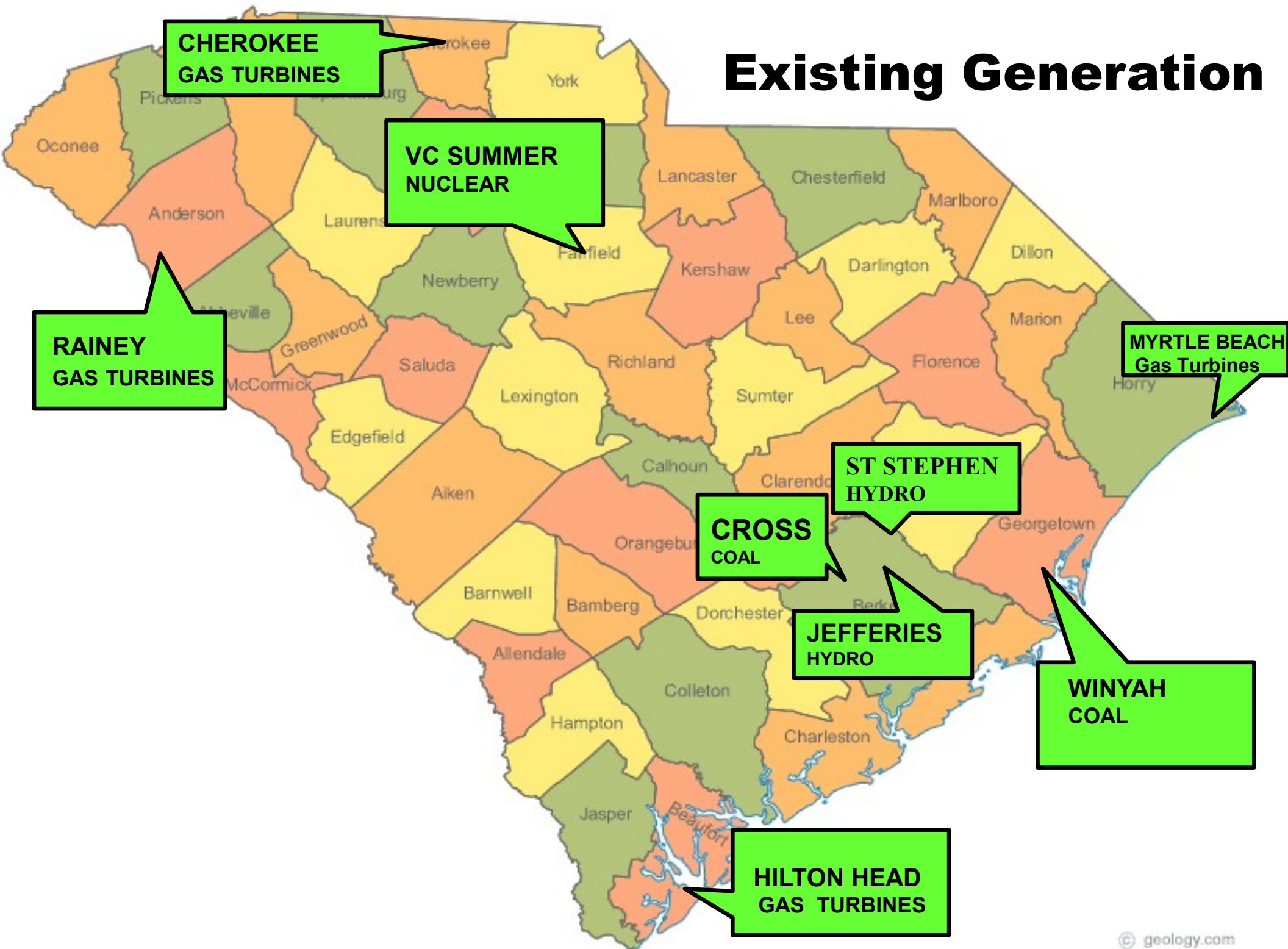


# Generation Resources

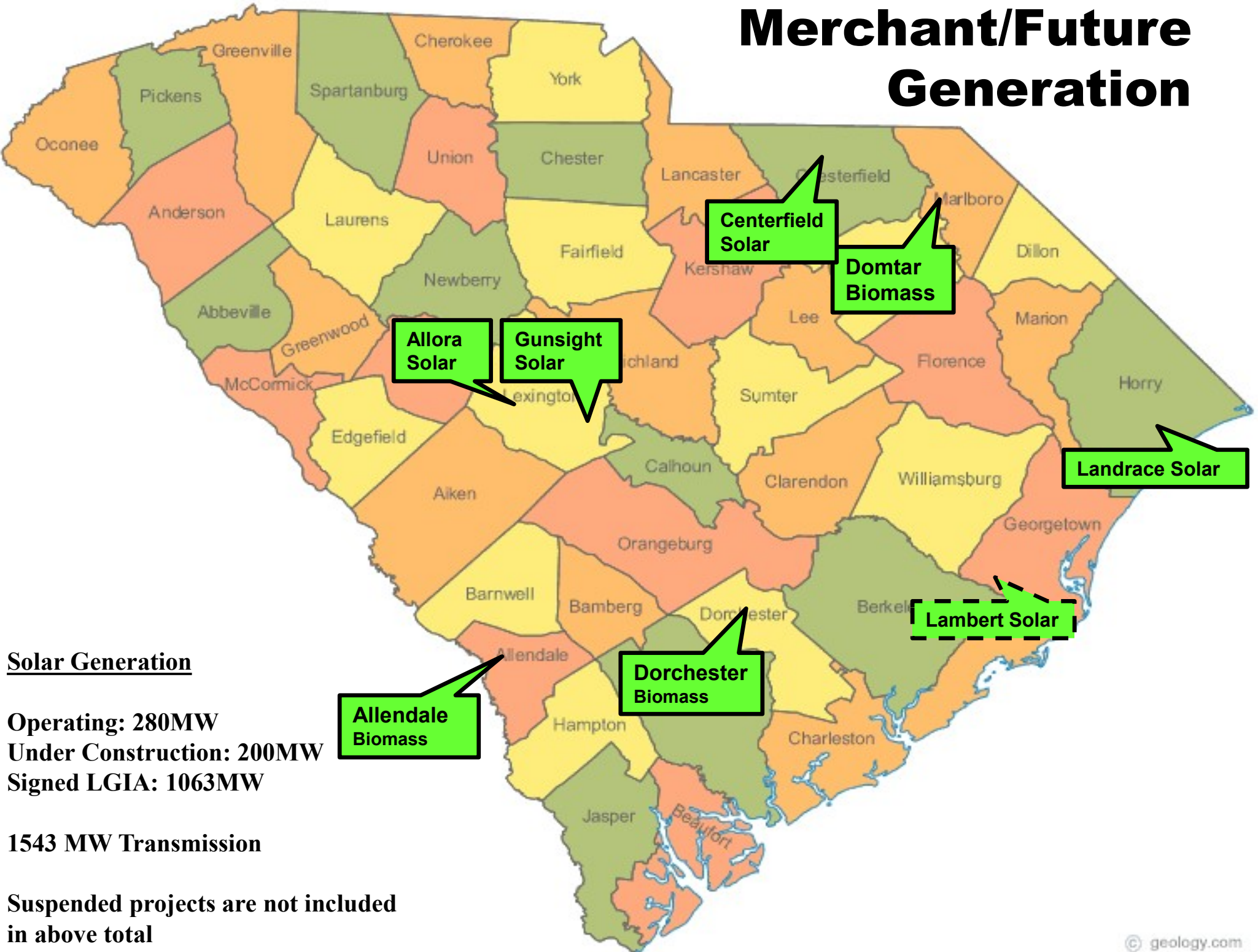
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Cross Units 1- 4	J.S. Rainey Combined Cycle PB1
Winyah Units 1-4 (retire end of 2030)	J.S. Rainey 2A, 2B CTs
Hilton Head Turbines 1-3	J.S. Rainey 3-5 CTs
Myrtle Beach Turbines 1-5	Spillway Hydro
Jefferies Hydro 1, 2, 3, 4, 6	St. Stephen Hydro 1-3
Allendale (Merchant)	V.C. Summer #1 (shared output with DESC)
Cherokee Combined Cycle	Dorchester (Merchant)
Centerfield Solar (Merchant)	Domtar (Merchant)
Allora Solar (Merchant)	Gunsight Solar (Merchant)
Lambert I and II Solar (Merchant ISD 2024)	Landrace Solar (Merchant)

# Existing Generation



# Merchant/Future Generation



**Solar Generation**

**Operating: 280MW**  
**Under Construction: 200MW**  
**Signed LGIA: 1063MW**

**1543 MW Transmission**

**Suspended projects are not included  
in above total**



# Resources Assumptions and Data

- Generation data is verified with Generation Department
- Seasonal models account for unit maintenance outages, known at the time, based on planned maintenance schedules
- Confirmed firm transmission service reservations
- SEPA allocations and other contracted purchases

Economic dispatch order is used for generator dispatch in base cases

# Santee Cooper Planning Models

## Data and Assumptions

Questions?



# Current DESC Transmission Expansion Plans

**Alex Morrison**

## Disclaimer

- The projects described in these presentations represent the current transmission plans within the SCRTP footprint.
- The expansion plan is continuously reviewed and may change due to changes in key data and assumptions.
- This presentation does not represent a commitment to build.



Production Node Login



## Welcome to the Dominion Energy South Carolina OASIS

SCE&G is now Dominion Energy South Carolina

For transaction purposes, we will continue to use the "SCEG" company code for transmission reservations and tags.

### News and Announcements

Hourly and Daily PTP Service Discounted.

The offer price for Hourly and Daily PTP service has been discounted effective March 1st, 2019.

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# DESC

## 2024 - 2028

# Planned Transmission Facilities



## Scout 230kV Sub and Fold-in: Construct

### Project Description

Construct 230kV Transmission Line for Scout Customer Substation and modify VCS1 and Killian terminals.

### Project Need

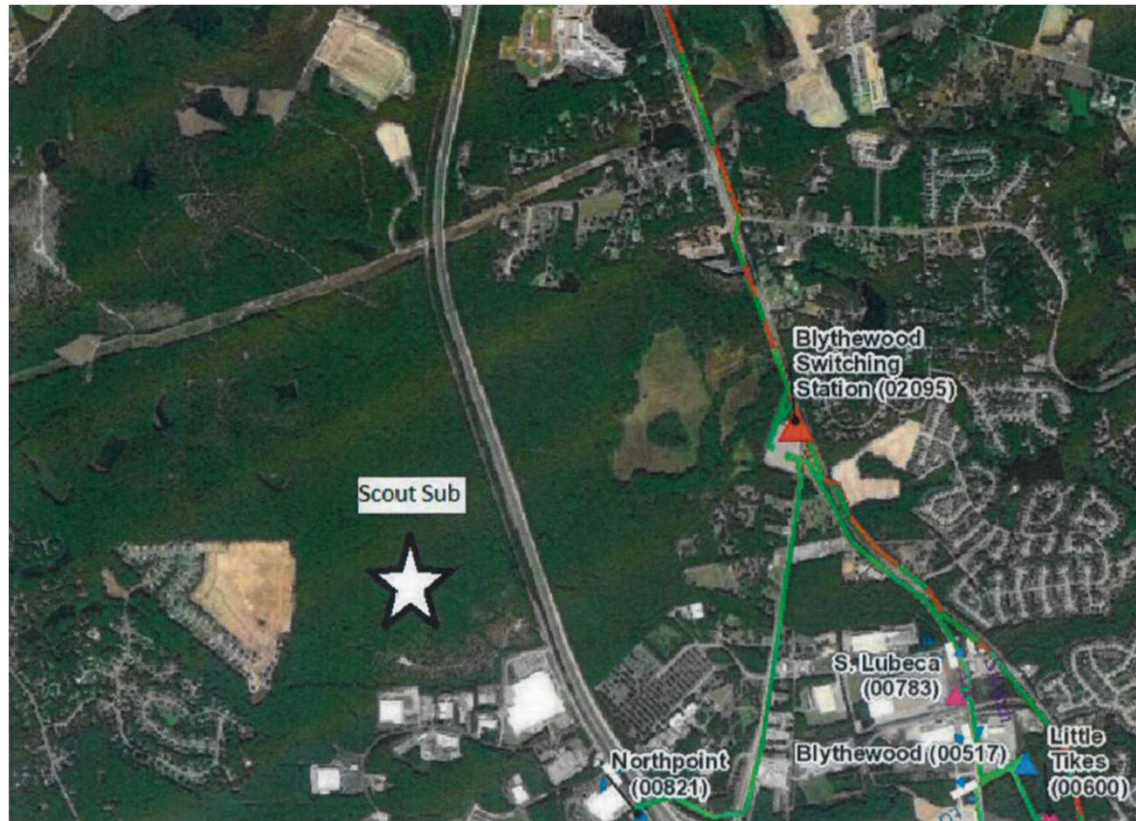
Load growth.

### Project Status

Planned

### Planned In-Service Date

March 2026



## Dawson 230kV Sub and Fold-in: Construct and Rebuild

### Project Description

Construct Dawson 230kV substation. Fold in the existing Canadys – Church Creek and Canadys – Faber Place 230kV lines at the Dawson 230kV substation (phase 1). Rebuild Canadys – Dawson 230kV #1 and #2 with B1272 ACSR (phase 2).

### Project Need

Load growth.

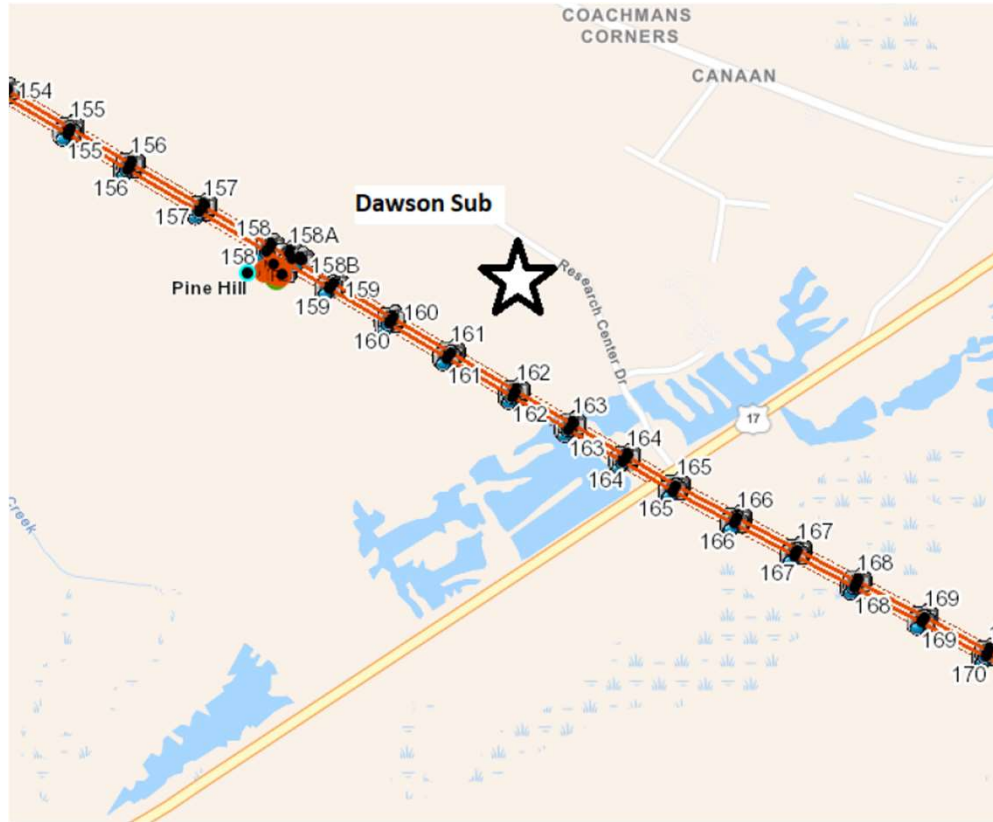
### Project Status

Planned

### Planned In-Service Date

October 2025 (phase 1) and October 2026 (phase 2)





## Ritter – Yemassee 230kV and 115kV Transmission System Expansion

### Project Description

Construct Ritter – Yemassee 230kV #1 and #2 SPDC with B1272 ACSR on both sides. Convert the existing Ritter – Yemassee 230kV to 115kV operation. Convert and add terminals at Ritter and Yemassee. Add 230kV bus tie at Ritter and upgrade the Yemassee 230kV bus tie.

### Project Need

This project is needed to improve system performance and to meet NERC TPL and internal DESC Planning Criteria for reliability. Adding additional 230kV and 115kV paths in the Yemassee, SC area mitigates potential overloads and provides more paths towards load in the Charleston, SC area.

### Project Status

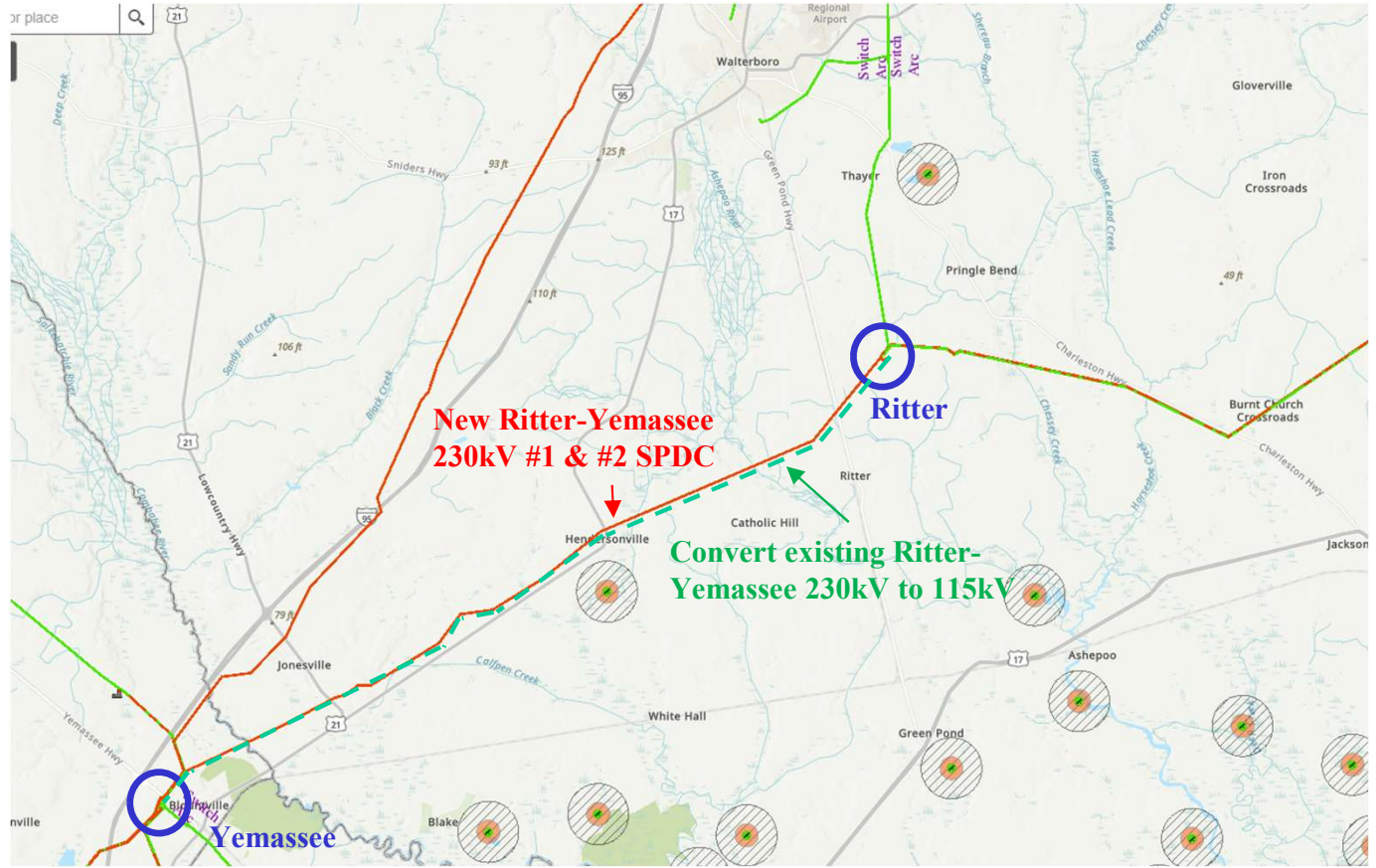
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### Planned In-Service Date

June 2026







## **Eastover – Sumter 115kV DEP Tie: Rebuild with 1272 ACSR**

### **Project Description**

Upgrade the DESC section (approx. 1 mile) of the tie line from 397.5 ACSR Ibis to 1272 ACSR.

### **Project Need**

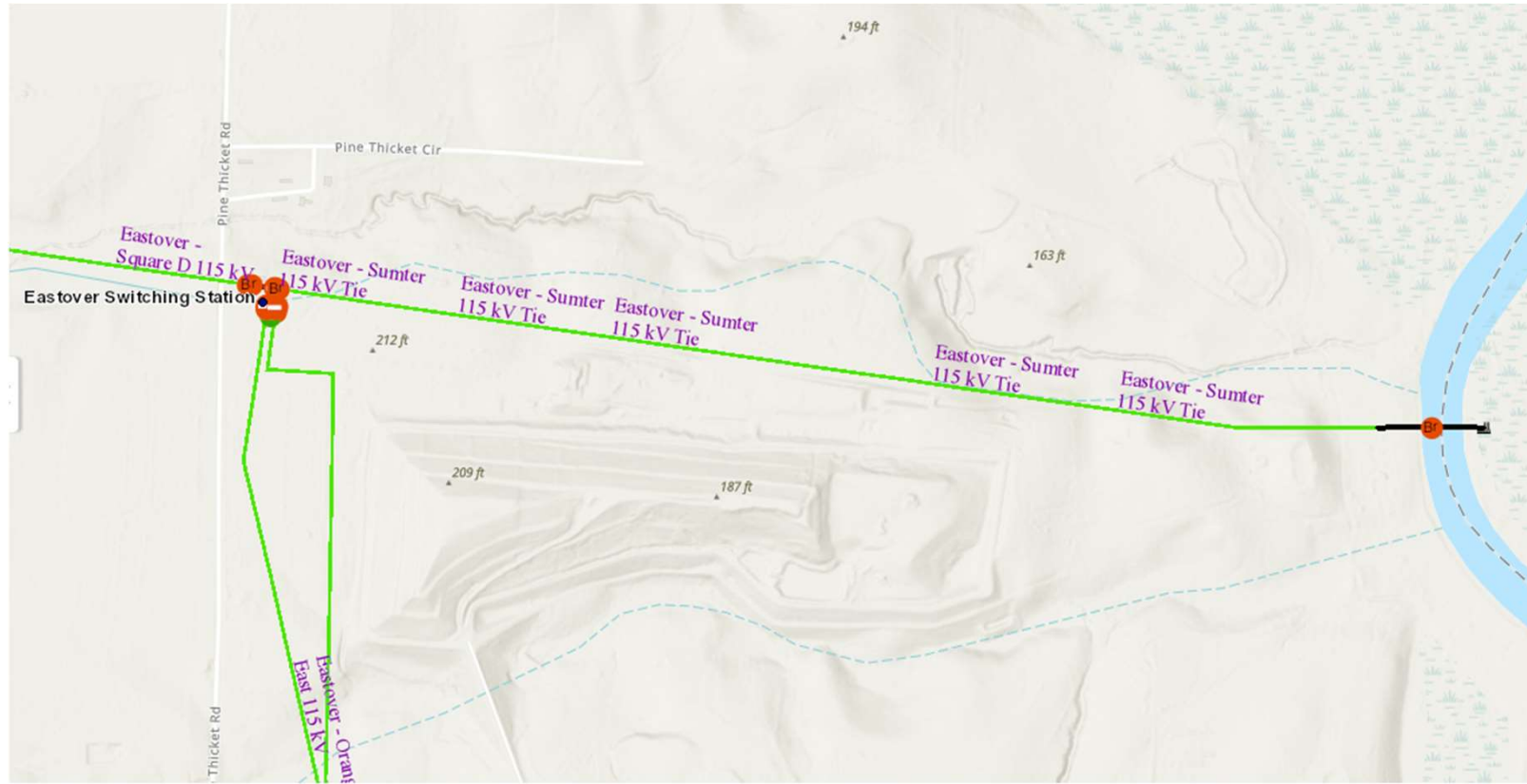
This project is needed to improve system performance and to meet NERC TPL and internal DESC Planning Criteria for reliability.

### **Project Status**

Planned

### **Planned In-Service Date**

May 2026





## **Urquhart – Toolebeck 115kV Line: Rebuild 477 ACSR sections with 1272 ACSR**

### **Project Description**

Upgrade the 477 ACSR portions of the Urquhart – Toolebeck 115kV line to 1272 ACSR. Replace existing structures with Single Pole Double Circuit Structures. Approximately 12.5 miles.

### **Project Need**

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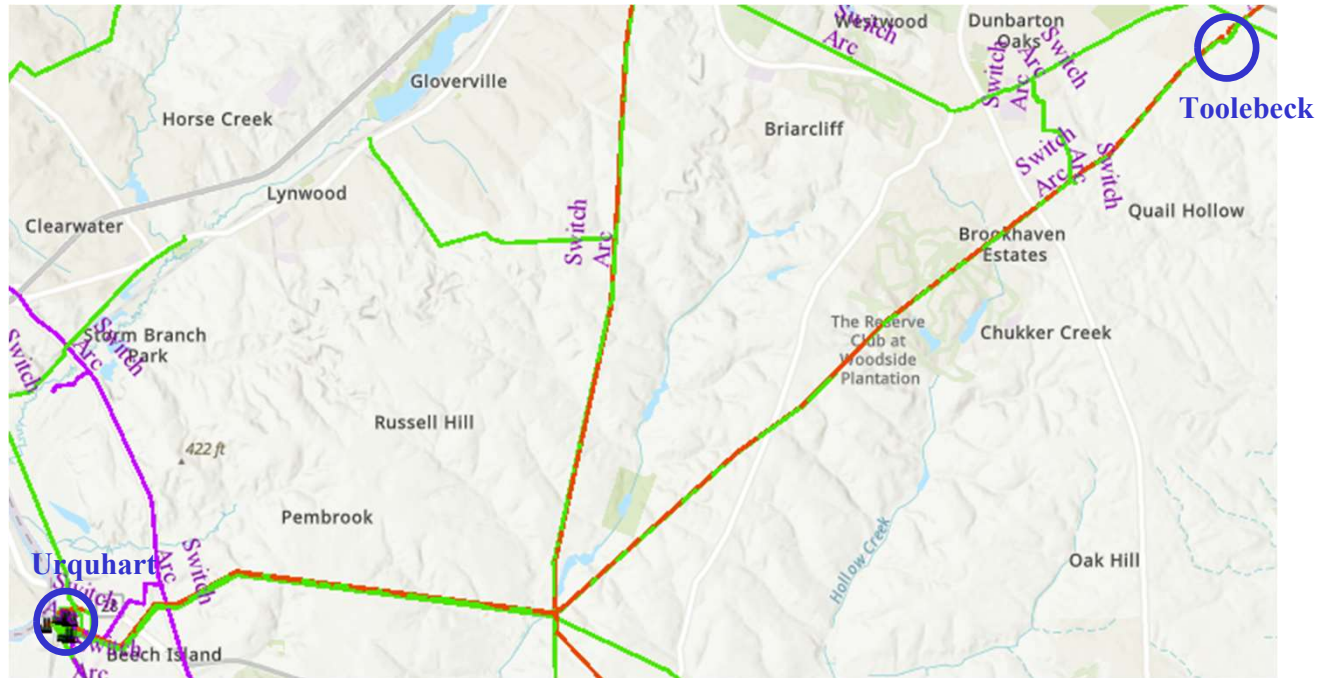
### **Project Status**

Planned

### **Planned In-Service Date**

August 2026





## Load growth Projects

- Scout 230kV Sub and Fold-in: Construct
- Dawson 230kV Sub and Fold-in: Construct and Rebuild
- Union Pier 115-13.8 kV Sub: Tap
- Harleyville 115KV Transmission Tap – Construct (1.4 miles)
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- Coit – Gills Creek 115kV: Construct
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- Coast Guard 115kV Tap: Construct

## Solar projects

- Lone Star Solar: Construct 230kV Switching Station
- Catalina Solar 115kV Switching Station: Construct
- Orangeburg County Solar: Construct 230kV Switching Station
- Jackson PV1 Solar 115kV Switching Station: Construct
  - Upgrade portions of Urquhart – Salem SS 115kV from 336 to 1272 ACSR
  - Upgrade the Urquhart-Urquhart Junction portion of the Urquhart-Toolebeck 115kV line to 1272 ACSR

# Questions?

# Santee Cooper Major Transmission Expansion Plans

Emily Morgan



# Transmission Projects 2024-2028

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Marion - Red Bluff 230 kV line	6/1/2028

## Wassamassaw 230-115kV Substation

### Project Description

Fold in the existing Carnes-Cross 230 kV line and Jefferies-Harleyville 115 kV line into the new Wassamassaw 230-115kV Substation with the addition of one 230-115 kV transformer initially and 2<sup>nd</sup> transformer in the near future.

### Project Need

Additional support is required for load growth in the Dorchester and Berkeley County area. This project is necessary to mitigate thermal loading issues under contingency conditions. The Wassamassaw 230-115kV Substation will be configured such that additional facilities can be added to provide support for continued load growth in the area.

### Project Status

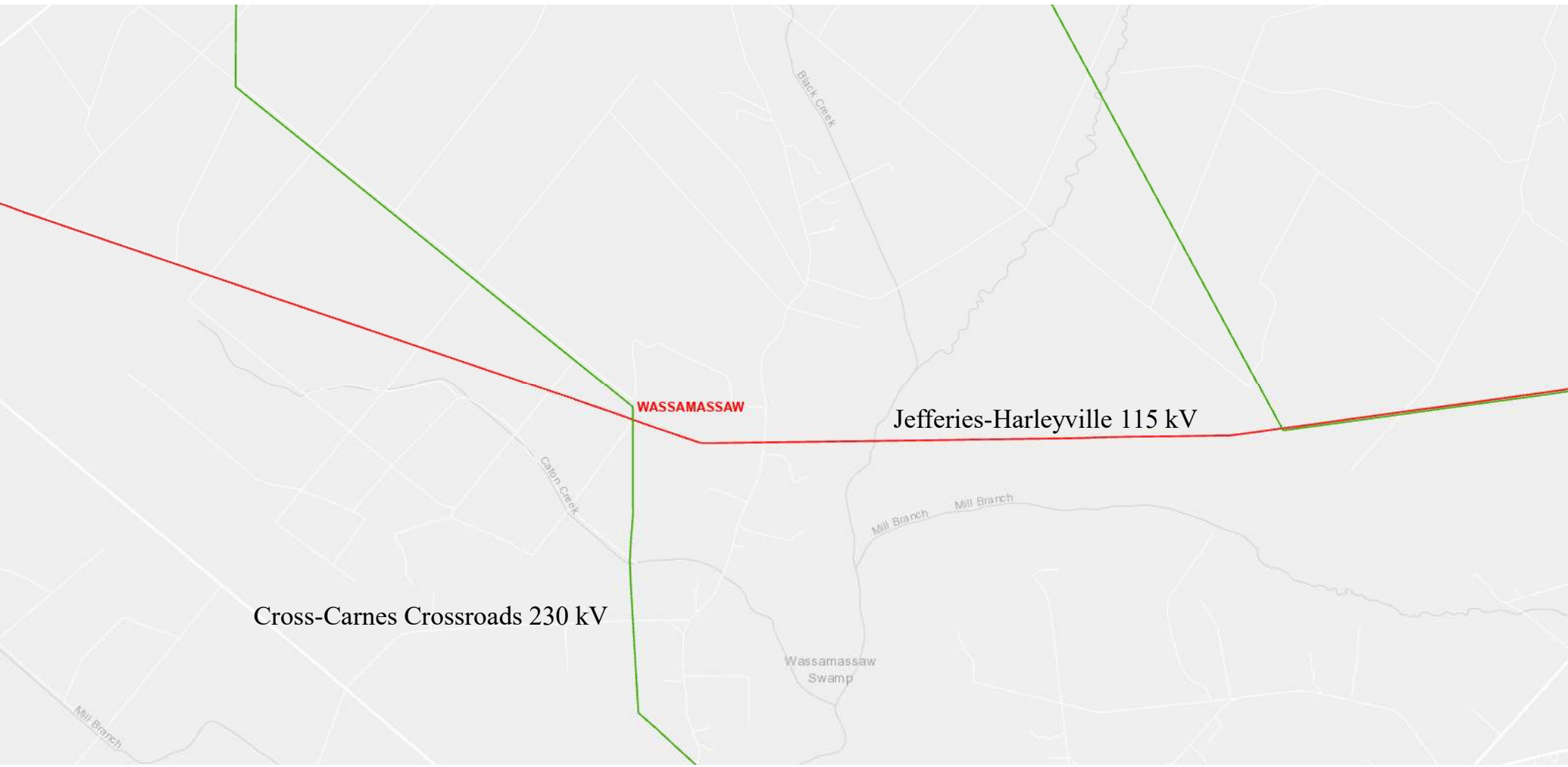
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### Planned In-Service Date

October 2024



# Wassamassaw 230-115 kV Substation



## Kingstree 230 kV Series Bus Tie Breakers

### Project Description

Reconfigure the Kingstree 230 kV Switching Station as required to install a second 230 kV Bus Tie Breaker in series with the existing 230 kV Bus Tie Breaker. Install redundant bus differential protection relays.

### Project Need

The intent of this project is to mitigate thermal loading and voltage violations in multiple regions of the transmission system by eliminating a specific contingency that would result in loss of all 230 kV facilities at this station.

### Project Status

Planned

### Planned In-Service Date

December 2024



## John's Island (SC)-Queensboro (DESC) 115 kV Line

### Project Description

Construct a new 115 kV transmission line using 1272 ACSR conductor, approximately 6 miles in length, from the Johns Island 230-115 kV Substation to a mutually agreed upon location on Johns Island. Construct a new 115 kV line terminal at Johns Island 230-115 kV Substation.

### Project Need

This new interconnection will provide an additional transmission source to Johns Island, which will mitigate contingency conditions that could result in significant load loss, thus increasing transmission reliability to the Johns Island area.

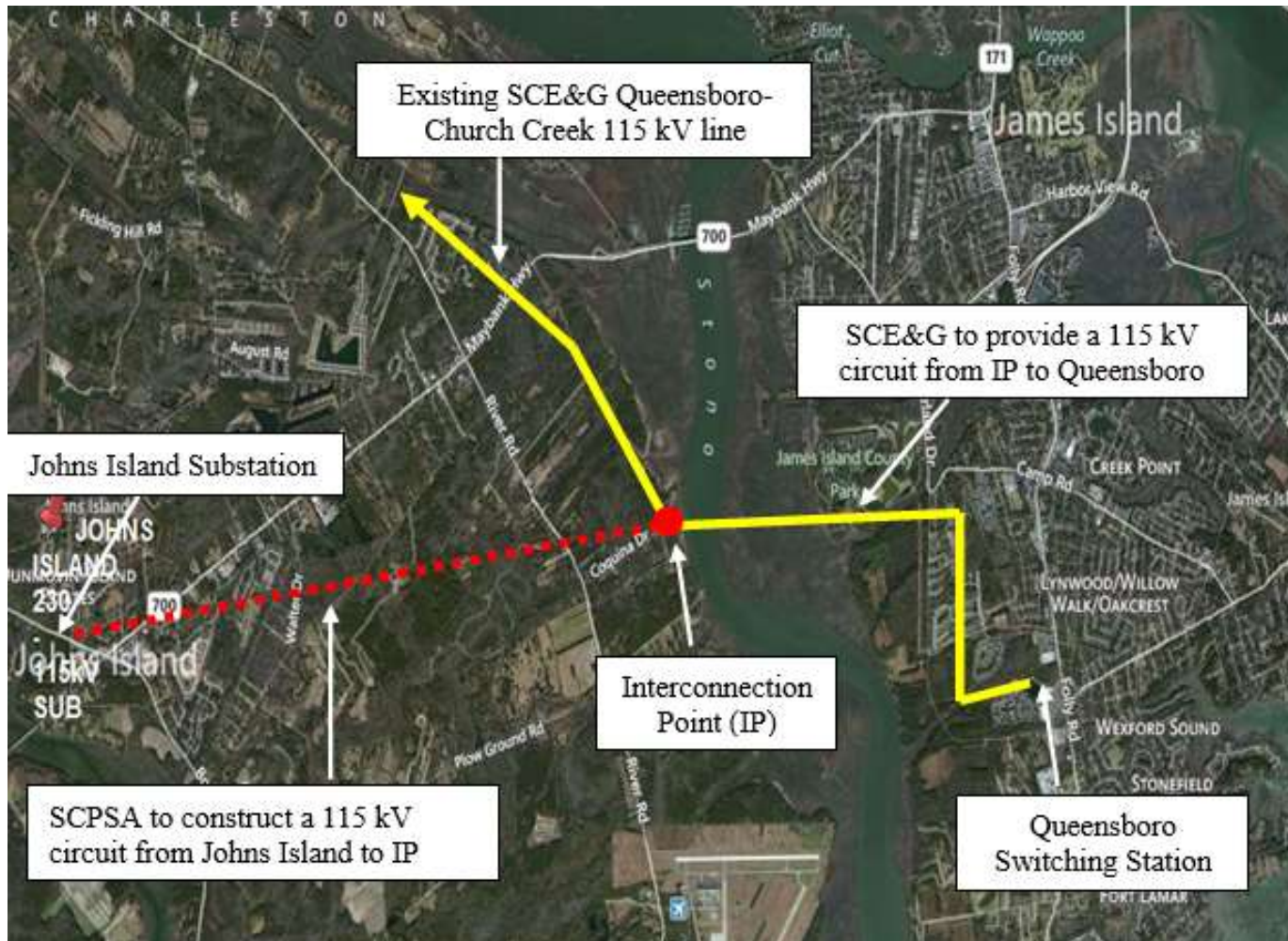
### Project Status

In Progress – Delayed due to construction permit through some areas

### Planned In-Service Date

TBD

# John's Island (SC)-Queensboro (DESC) 115 kV Line



## Conway 230 kV Switching Station and Marion-Conway 230 kV Line

### Project Description

Fold the Hemingway-Red Bluff 230 kV Line into the new Conway 230 kV Switching Station. Construct a 230 kV line approximately 34 miles in length from the Marion 230-115-69kV Substation to the Conway 230 kV Switching Station. Rebuild the existing Marion-Conway 115 kV Line for 230/115 kV double-circuit using bundled 1272 ACSR for the 230 kV line and single 795 ACSR for the 115 kV line.

### Project Need

Studies indicate thermal loading and voltage violations under contingency conditions in the Horry-Georgetown area that are mitigated by the additional support that the Marion-Conway 230 kV Line provides. The new Conway Switching Station will also enable additional 230 kV network expansion in the area.

### Project Status

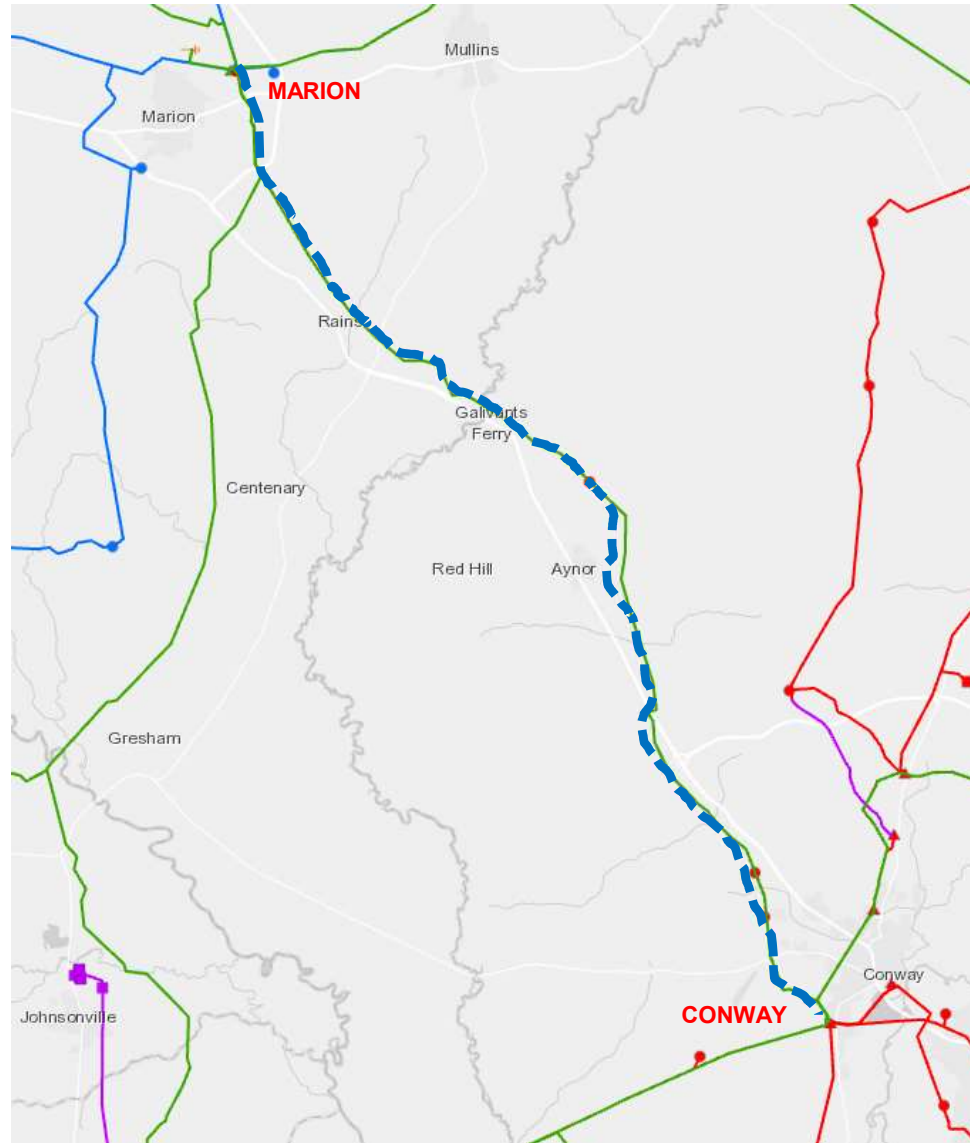
In Progress

### Planned In-Service Date

December 2025



# Conway 230 kV Switching Station Marion-Conway 230 kV line





## **Carolina Forest 230-115 kV Transformer #1 Addition**

### **Project Description**

Extend the existing 230 kV bus at Carolina Forest 230-115kV Substation to install a second 230-115 kV transformer to operate in parallel to the existing transformer.

### **Project Need**

Additional transformer at this substation will provide additional transformer capacity required to serve this area and alleviate thermal loading concerns on the existing transformer at this location under contingency conditions.

### **Project Status**

In Progress

### **Planned In-Service Date**

December 2025

## Conway – Perry Road 230 kV Line

### Project Description

Construct a new 230 kV line between the Conway 230 kV Switching Station and the Perry Road 230-115 kV Substation using bundled 1272 ACSR conductor.

### Project Need

The Conway – Perry Rd 230 kV Line will alleviate thermal loading exceedances under contingency conditions shown in planning assessments. To provide the necessary loading relief and voltage support to its transmission system, this new 230kV Line will upgrade existing infrastructure, improving reliability and meet the NERC Transmission Planning Reliability Standard. It will also provide additional network support to Horry County, a highly concentrated load area of the Santee Cooper system that includes Myrtle Beach that continues to see significant load growth.

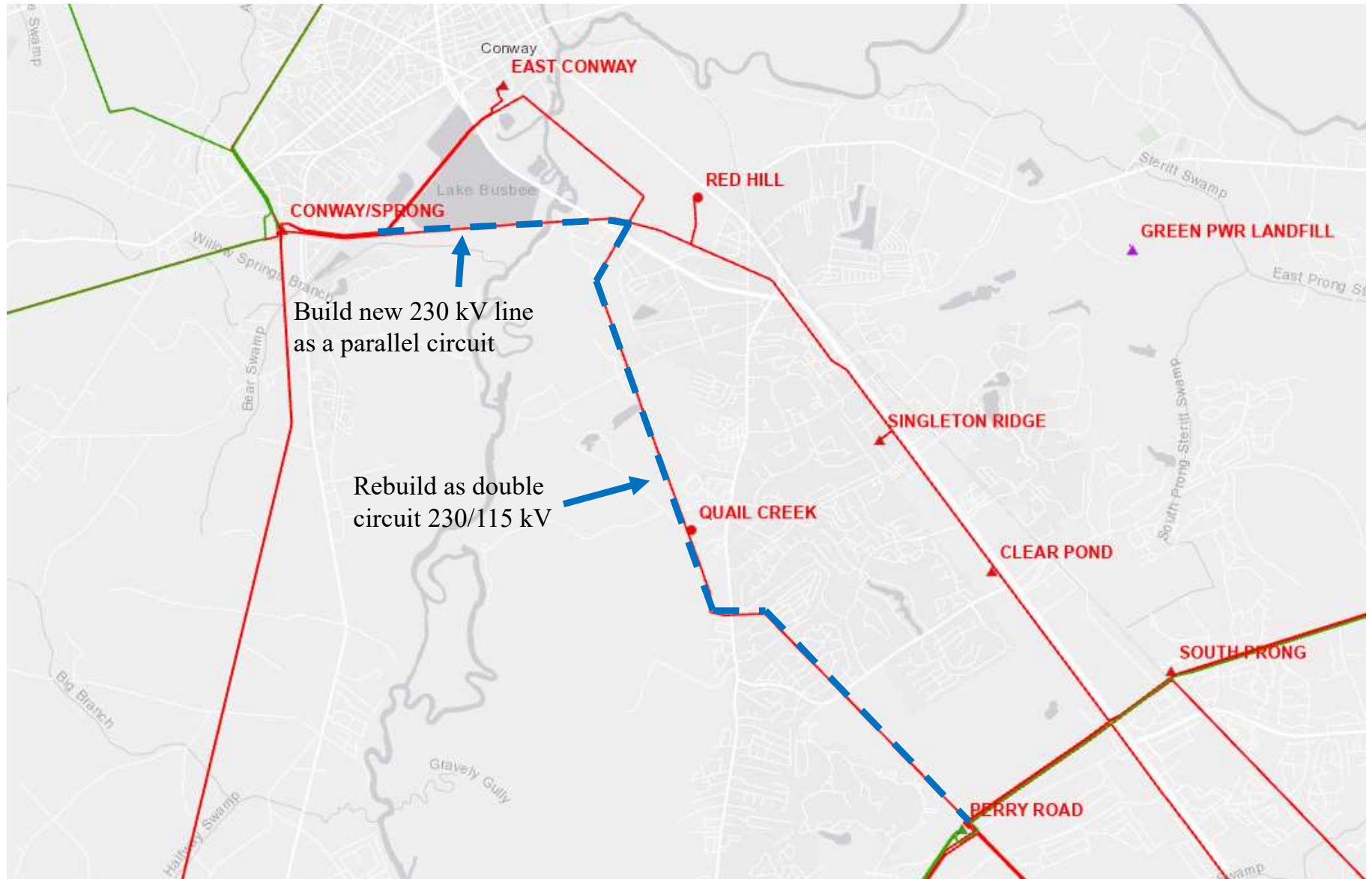
### Project Status

Planned

### Planned In-Service Date

December 2025

## Conway – Perry Road 230 kV line



## Wassamassaw – Pringetown #1 & #2 115 kV lines

### Project Description

Construct a new double circuit 230/115 kV transmission lines, approximately 7 miles in length, from the Wassamassaw 230-115 kV Substation to the Pringetown 115 kV Switching Station. The 230 kV circuit will be operated at 115 kV using bundled 1272 ACSR and 115 kV circuit using single 1272 ACSR conductor.

### Project Need

In addition to the proposed Wassamassaw 230-115 kV substation, these 115 kV lines will provide additional load serving capability for the load growth in the Camp Hall Commerce Park area.

### Project Status

In progress

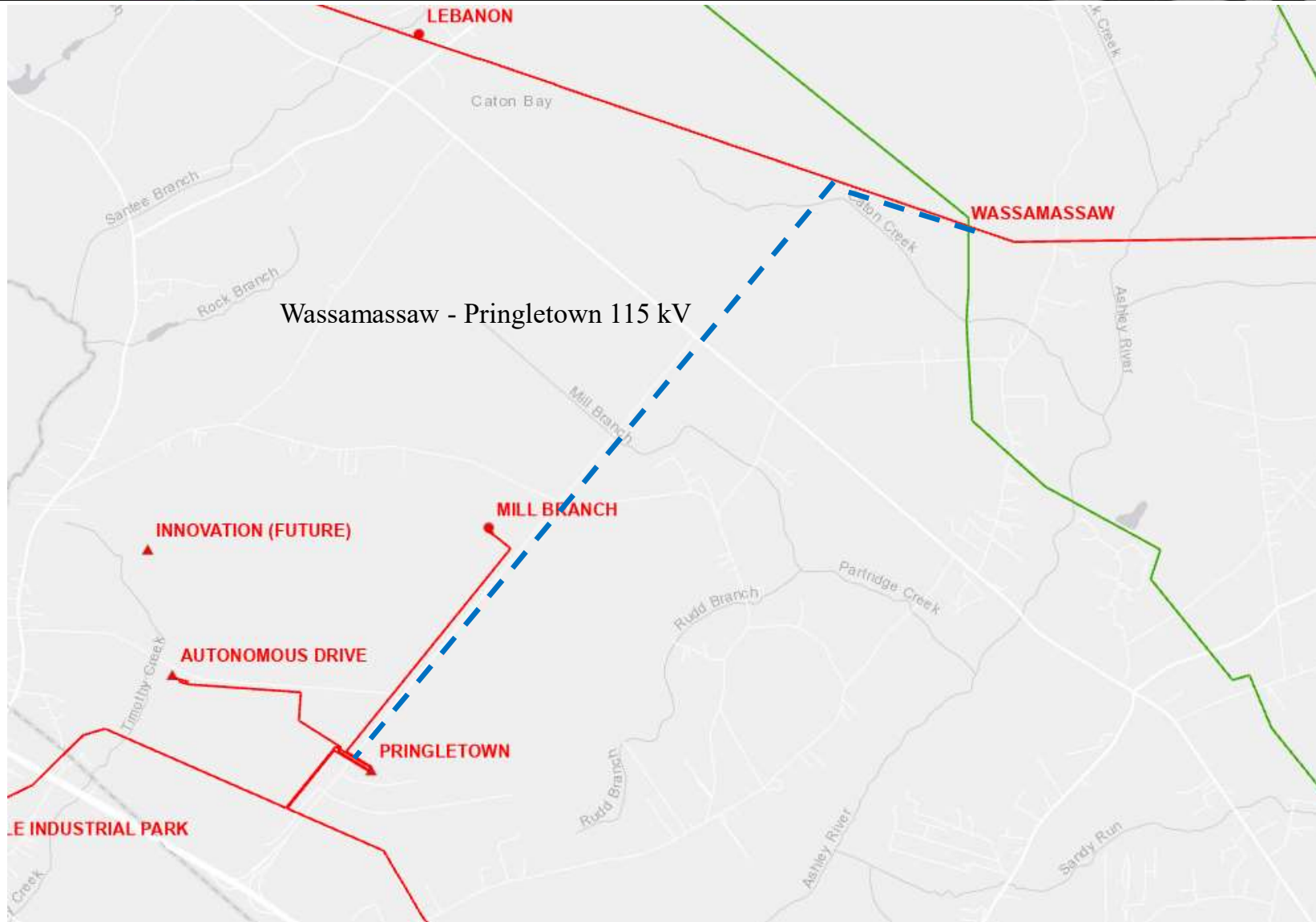
### Planned In-Service Date

December 2025





# Wassamassaw – Pringletown #1 & #2 115 kV



## Cross – Wassamassaw 230 kV #2 Line

### Project Description

Construct a second 230 kV transmission line, approximately 18.3 miles in length, from the Cross 230 kV Switchyard to the Wassamassaw 230-115 kV Substation along existing transmission right-of-way and using pre-existing double-circuit structures where possible

### Project Need

Adding a second Cross – Wassamassaw 230 kV line will mitigate thermal loading exceedances under contingency conditions. These exceedances violates planning criteria and does not meet NERC transmission planning reliability standard.

### Project Status

In progress

### Planned In-Service Date

June 2026

## Cross – Wassamassaw 230 kV #2 line



## Wassamassaw – Carnes 115 kV Line

### Project Description

Construct a new 115 kV transmission line, approximately 6.45 miles, from the Wassamassaw 230-115 kV Substation to the Cane Bay 115 kV tap using existing right-of-way where possible.

### Project Need

This project will provide a new networked 115 kV path into Carnes Crossroads 230-115 kV substation to help mitigate thermal loading exceedances under contingencies for existing load and future load growth in the area. These thermal loading exceedances do not meet the transmission system planning performance requirements under NERC Reliability Standard TPL-001-5 or Santee Cooper's internal planning criteria.

### Project Status

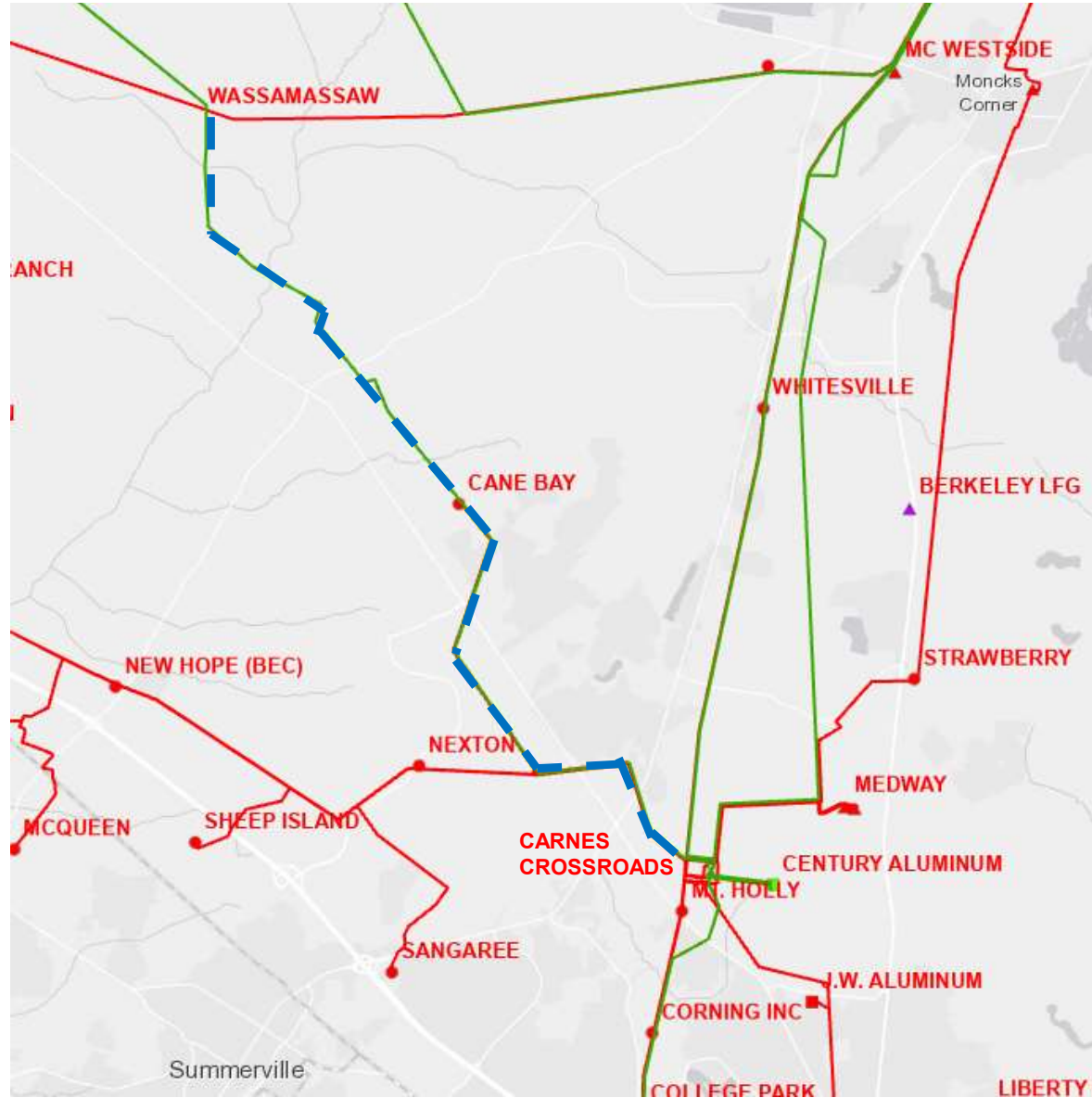
In Progress

### Planned In-Service Date

June 2026



## Wassamassaw – Cane Bay 115 kV line



## Indian Field 230-115 kV Substation

### Project Description

Fold in the existing Harleyville – St. George 115 kV line into the new Indian Field 230-115 kV substation. The existing Byrds Tap 115 kV line will be terminated on the 115 kV bus #1 at the new Indian Field 230-115kV substation. A new 115 kV transmission line will be built as a 230/115 kV double circuit line for future 230 kV projects from St. George 115 kV Switching Station to the new Indian Field 230-115kV substation.

### Project Need

The new Indian Field substation will support the Southern Area load growth and enable additional 230 kV network expansion in the area.

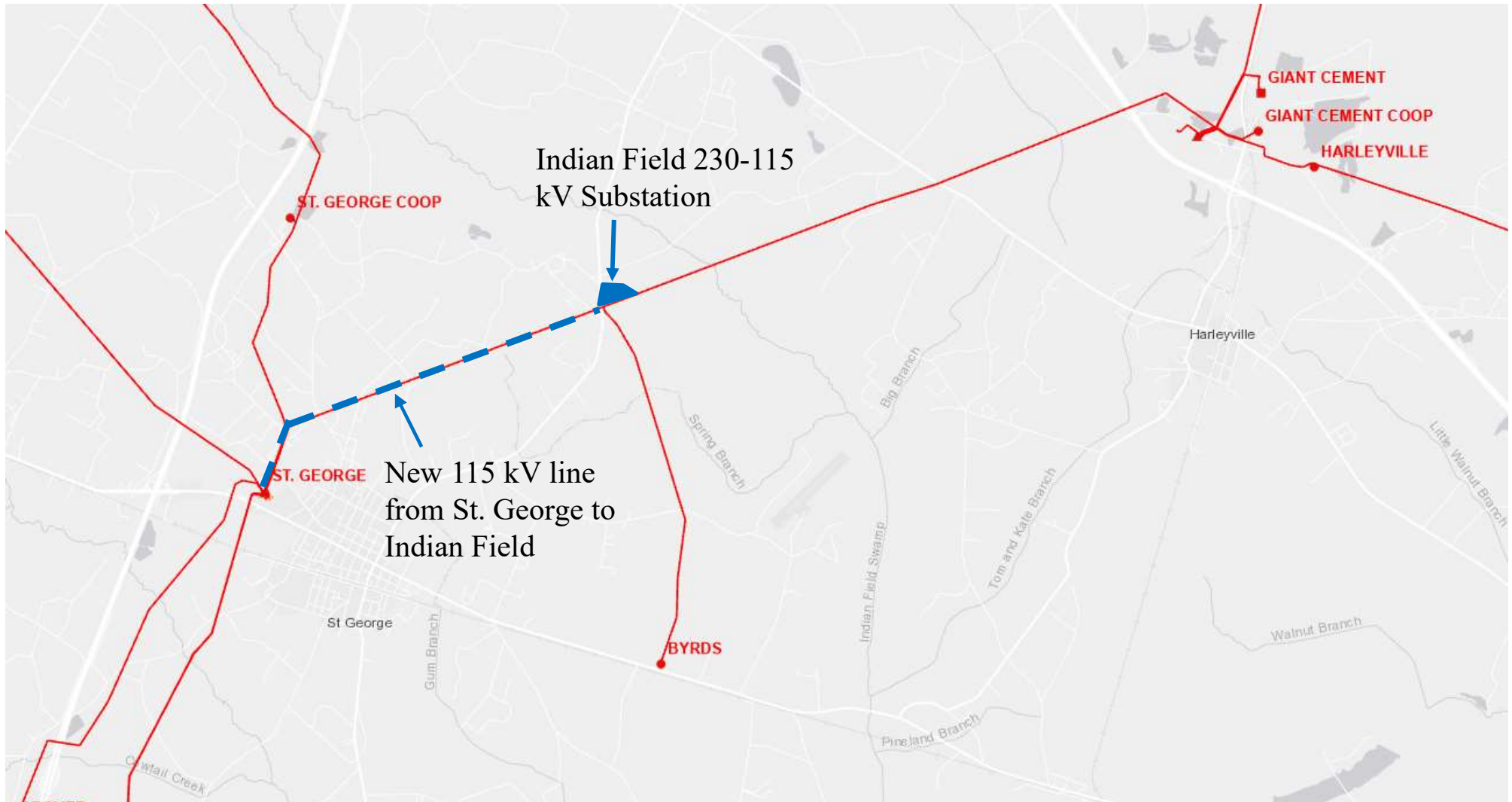
### Project Status

Committed

### Planned In-Service Date

June 2026

## Indian Field 230-115 kV Substation





## Indian Field – Wassamassaw 230 kV Line

### Project Description

Construct a 230 kV transmission line from the proposed Indian Field 230-115 kV Substation to the Wassamassaw 230-115 kV Substation. Design and construct with bundled 1272 ACSR conductor rated for 2,400 Ampere continuous operation at 230kV.

### Project Need

This 230 kV line and the proposed Indian Field 230-115 kV substation together provides support for the load growth in the Southern area. In addition, with the proposed Indian Field – Varnville 230 kV line, this project establishes an additional network path required to support economic power transfer from the Southern interface toward the load center.

### Project Status

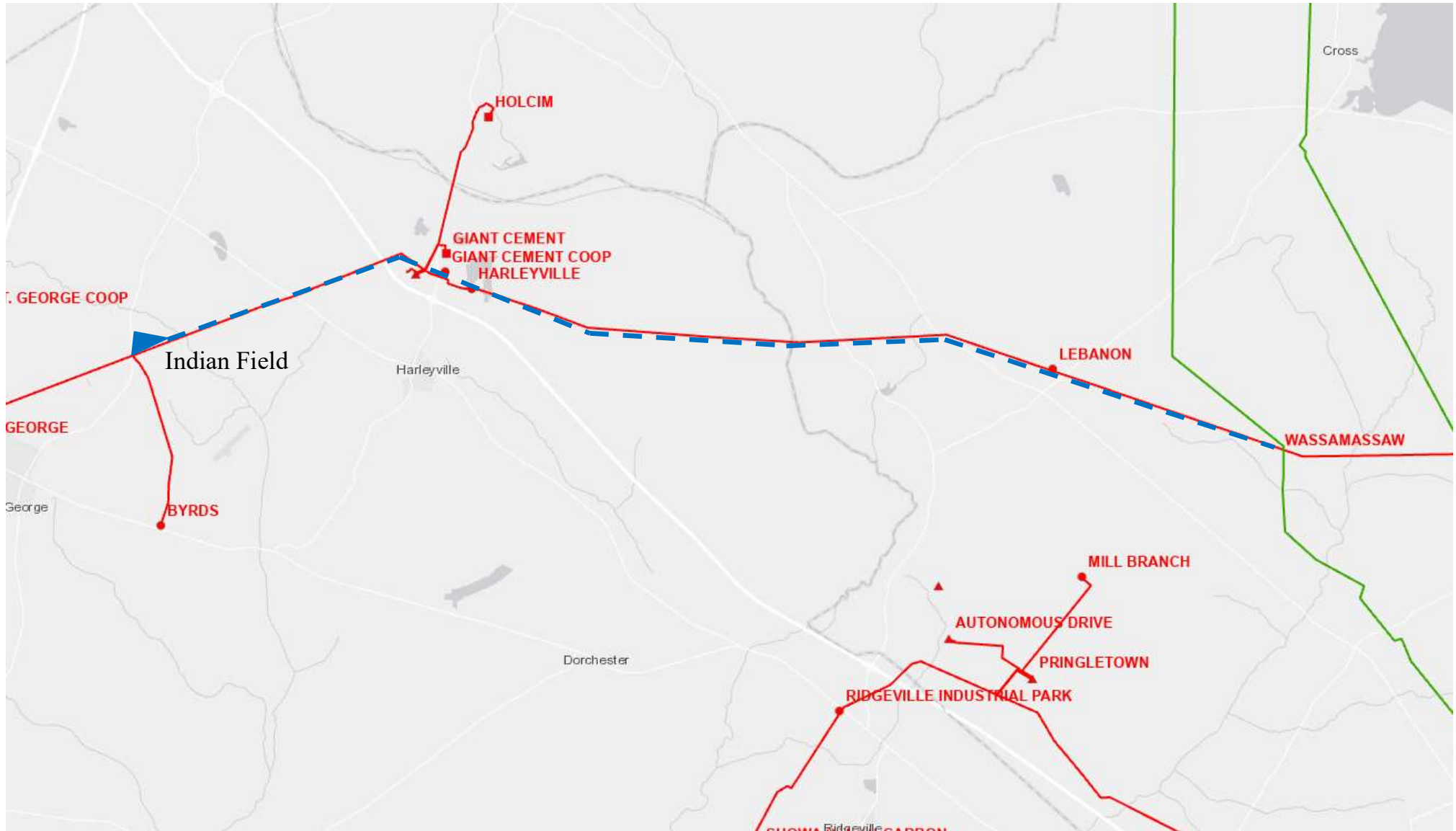
Committed

### Planned In-Service Date

June 2026



## Indian Field – Wassamassaw 230 kV Line



## Rebuild Kingstree – Hemingway 115 kV Line as a Double Circuit 230/115 kV Line

### Project Description

Construct a second 230 kV line, approximately 22 miles, from the Kingstree 230 kV Switching Station to the Hemingway 230-115 kV Substation by rebuilding the existing Kingstree – Hemingway 115 kV line for double circuit 230/115 kV construction.

### Project Need

This additional 230 kV line from Kingstree to Hemingway will help provide thermal loading relief and voltage support for the eastern area. This line also creates an additional path to the eastern area.

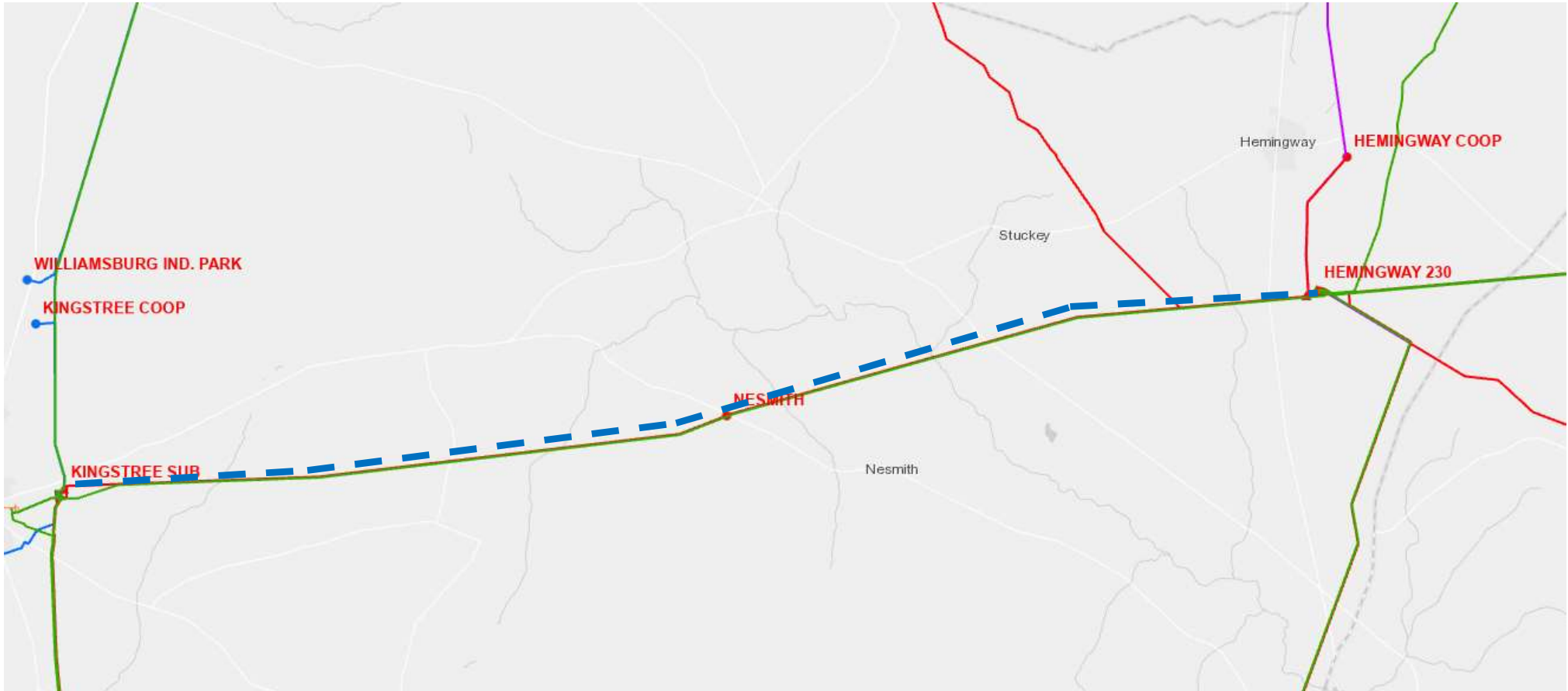
### Project Status

Committed

### Planned In-Service Date

June 2027

## Kingstree – Hemingway 230/115 kV line



## Varnville 230-115 kV Substation

### Project Description

Construct a new Varnville 230-115 kV substation on existing Santee Cooper transmission property and property acquired adjacent to the existing Varnville 230-115-69 kV Substation.

### Project Need

Planning studies indicate the need to construct a new Varnville 230-115 kV substation to facilitate additional 230 kV transmission lines to support future transmission network expansion plans. The existing Varnville substation has space limitations and cannot accommodate additional 230 kV line terminals, transformation, and long-term plans to convert the 69 kV delivery points in the area to 115 kV service.

### Project Status

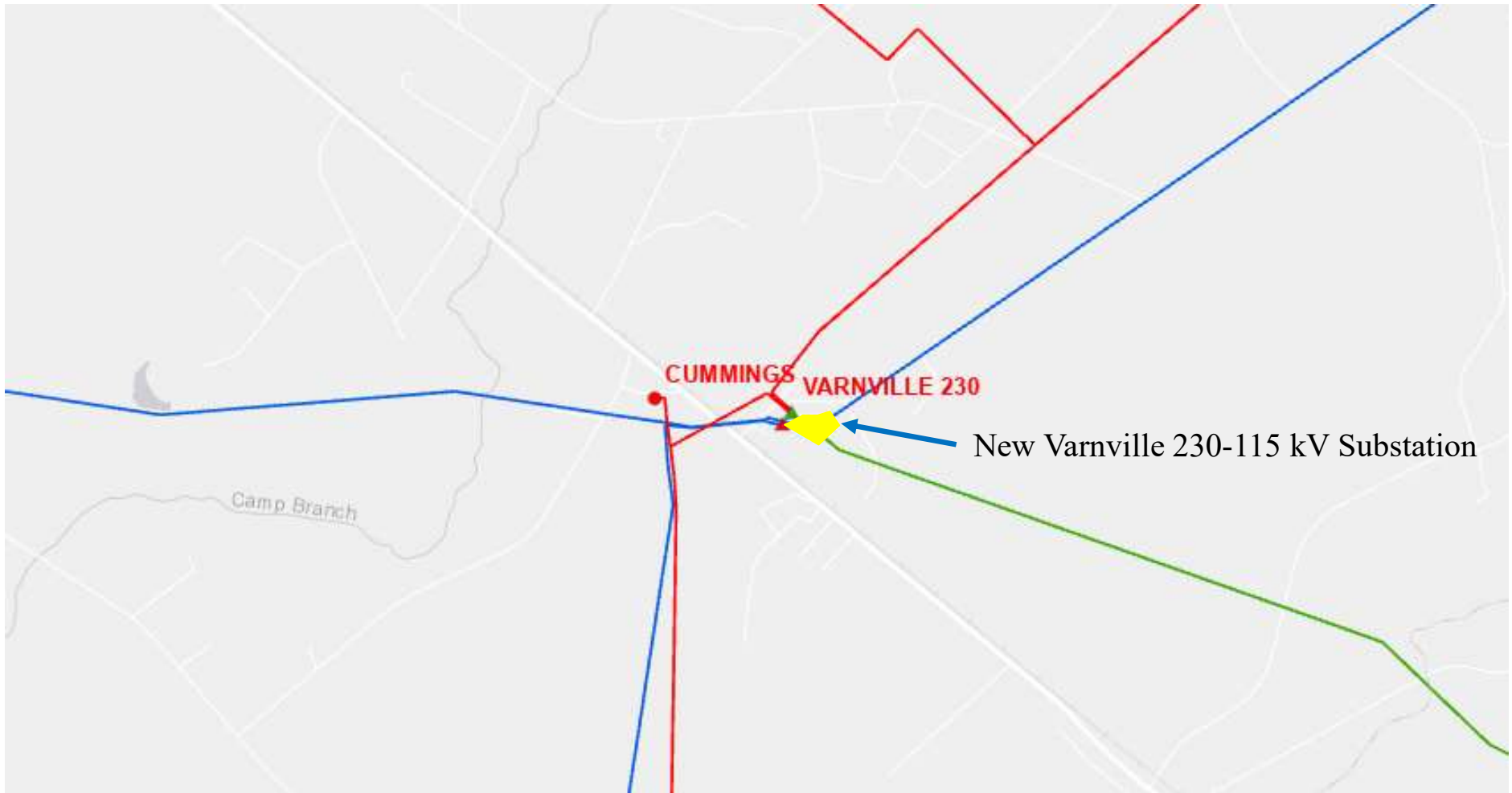
Committed

### Planned In-Service Date

June 2027



## Varnville 230-115 kV Substation



## Varnville – Indian Field 230 kV Line

### Project Description

Construct a 230 kV transmission line (approximately 38 miles) from the Varnville 230-115 kV Substation to the proposed Indian Field 230-115 kV Substation. Rebuild the existing Bells Crossroads – Varnville 115 kV Line for 230/115 kV double-circuit on the existing right-of-way. Rebuild the St. George – Bells Crossroads (via Smoaks) 115 kV Line #2 for 230/115 kV double-circuit on the existing right-of-way until the 230 kV line reaches just outside of St George 115 kV Switching Station.

### Project Need

Planning studies indicate this project and Indian Field-Wassamassaw 230 kV line project is necessary to add an additional path for bulk power transmission from Southern region to Eastern region. Existing Southern path via Yemassee and Mateeba is a contingency constraint seen in the near-term and long-term planning studies.

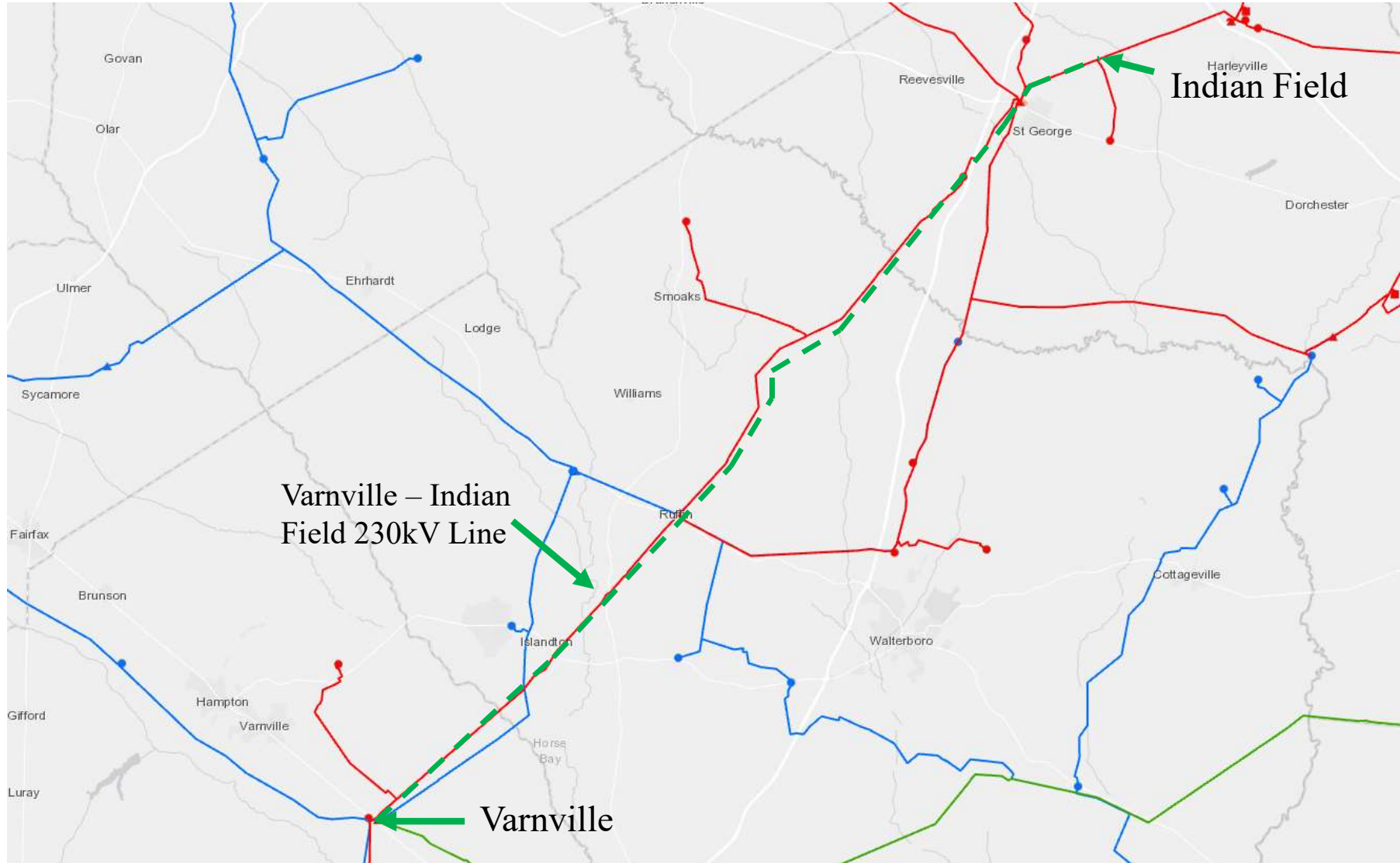
### Project Status

Committed

### Planned In-Service Date

December 2027

## Varnville – Indian Field 230 kV Line





## Chime Bell 115 kV Switching Station

### Project Description

The proposed Chime Bell 115 kV Switching Station will be constructed by folding in the existing Aiken #1 – Aiken #3 115 kV #1 line between the New Ellenton and Warrenville Delivery Point Taps. This switching station will break up the long transmission lines between Aiken 1 and Aiken 3 stations. The exposure to outages due to transmission line length will be reduced with the addition of Chime Bell.

### Project Need

As part of coordinated transmission system expansion planning with Central Electric Power Cooperative, Inc., Santee Cooper has planned to construct the proposed Chime Bell 115 kV Switching Station to enhance the reliability of transmission service to the cooperative delivery points in the Aiken Area.

### Project Status

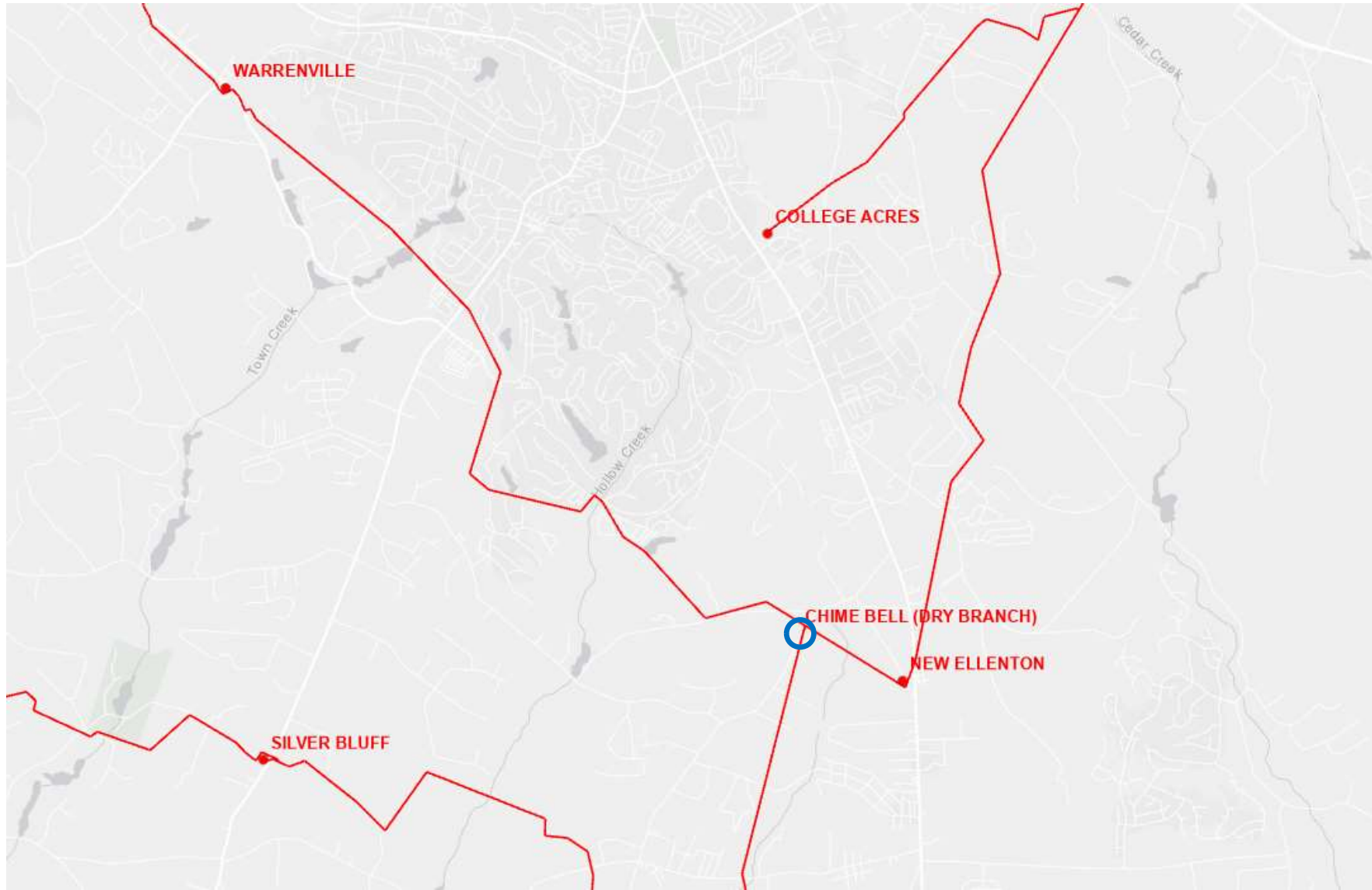
Committed

### Planned In-Service Date

December 2027



## Chime Bell 115 kV Switching Station



## Marion – Red Bluff 230 kV Line

### Project Description

Construct a new 230 kV transmission line from the Marion 230-115/230-69/115-69 kV Substation to the Red Bluff 230-115 kV Substation with bundled 1272 ACSR conductor rated for 2400 Ampere minimum continuous operation at 230 kV. Existing right-of-way will be used where possible, but new right-of-way will need to be obtained.

### Project Need

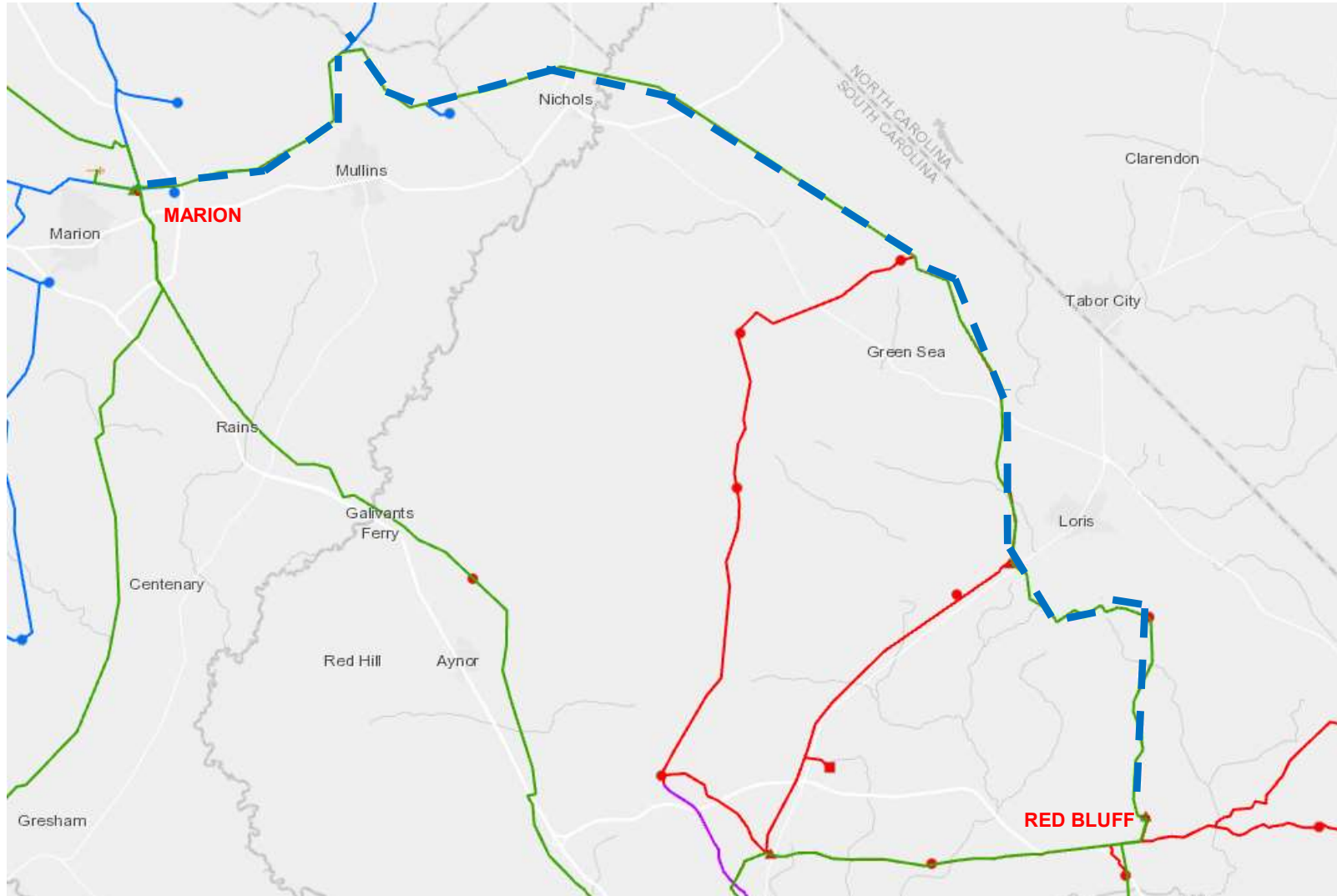
Planning assessments have identified thermal loading and voltage violations under contingency conditions in the eastern region of the transmission system that are mitigated by the addition of a Marion – Red Bluff 230 kV Line. These thermal loading exceedances do not meet the transmission system planning performance requirements under NERC Reliability Standard or the planning criteria.

In addition, Santee Cooper's plans to retire Winyah Generating Station requires additional thermal and voltage support in this area to mitigate potential wide spread low voltage conditions under contingency conditions, which could pose serious risk to the reliability in the area and result in the need to curtail large amounts of load. This 230 kV line will also provide an additional source for a highly concentrated load area of the Santee Cooper system that continues to see significant load growth.

**Project Status** Committed

**Planned In-Service Date** June 2028

## Marion – Red Bluff 230 kV line



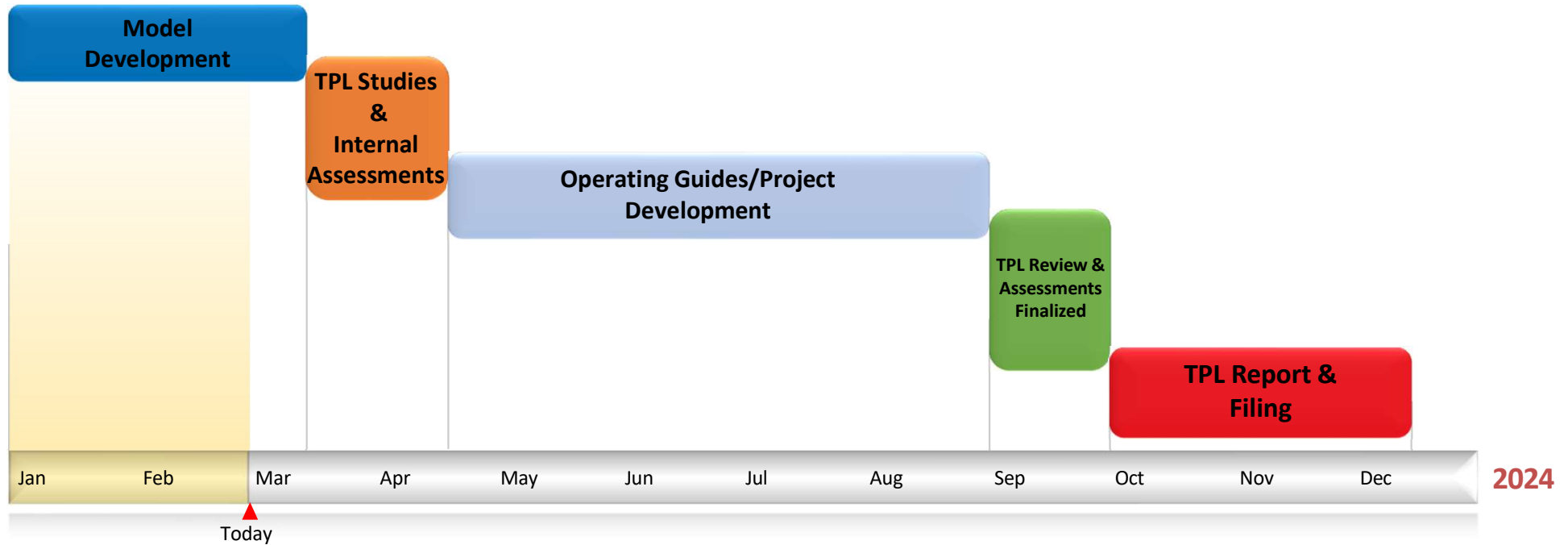


# Santee Cooper Transmission Expansion Plans

## Questions?



## Reliability Transmission Planning Studies Timeline



## Next SCRTP Meeting

- Stakeholders will select up to 5 Economic Transmission Planning Studies
- Request Form will be posted on SCRTP website
- Review and discuss Multi-Party Assessment Studies
- SCRTP Email Distribution List will be notified
- Register online

# South Carolina Regional Transmission Planning

## Stakeholder Meeting

Teams

February 28, 2024