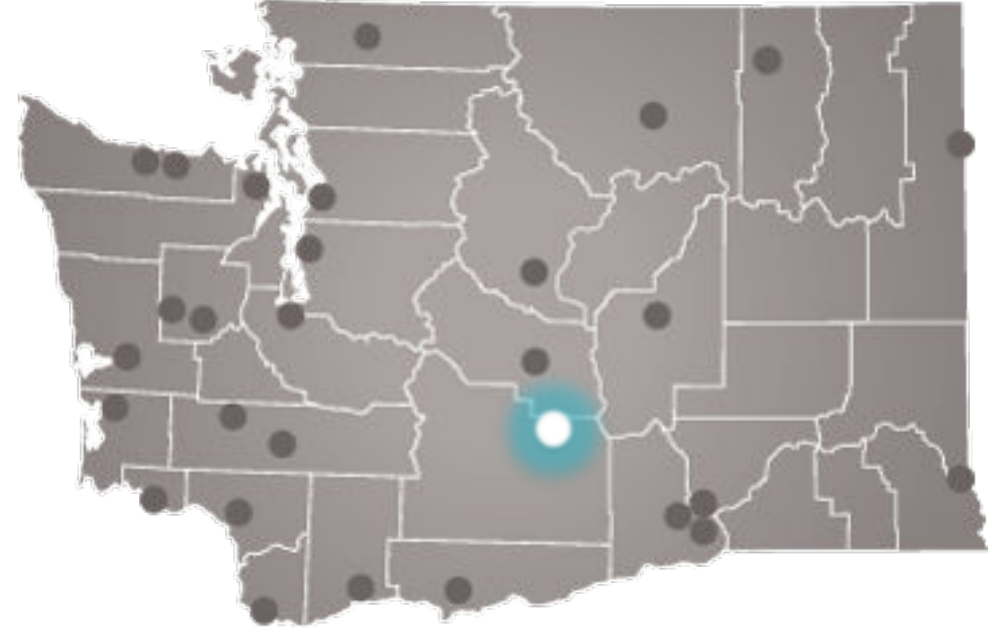


# Energy Northwest Overview

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## Our Members



**Asotin County PUD**

**Benton County PUD**

**Chelan County PUD**

**City of Port Angeles**

**City of Richland**

**City of Centralia**

**Clallam County PUD 1**

**Clark Public Utilities**

**Cowlitz County PUD**

**Douglas County PUD**

**Ferry County PUD**

**Franklin County PUD**

**Grant County PUD**

**Grays Harbor County PUD**

**Jefferson County PUD**

**Kittitas County PUD**

**Klickitat County PUD**

**Lewis County PUD**

**Mason County PUD 1**

**Mason County PUD 3**

**Okanogan County PUD**

**Pacific County PUD**

**Pend Oreille County PUD**

**Seattle City Light**

**Skamania County PUD**

**Snohomish County PUD**

**Tacoma Public Utilities**

**Wahkiakum County PUD**

**Whatcom County PUD**

# About Energy Northwest



- Energy Northwest is a Joint Operating Agency of the state of Washington
- We operate electric generating facilities or provide energy services in states across the western U.S.
- Our 29 members are all public power utilities in Washington state
- The energy facilities we own and operate provide power to utilities in 6 states:
  - Washington
  - Idaho
  - Oregon
  - Montana
  - California
  - Wyoming

# 100% Clean Generating Portfolio



Packwood Lake Hydro Project  
(27 MW)



Nine Canyon Wind Project  
(96 MW)



Tieton Hydroelectric  
Project (15 MW)



Columbia Generating  
Station (1,207 MW)



Portland Hydroelectric  
Project (37.5 MW)



Stone Creek Hydro  
Project (12 MW)



White Bluffs Solar Station  
(38 KW)



Horn Rapids Solar, Storage  
& Training Project (4 MW)



Ruby Flats Solar  
Project (127 MW)

# Why Nuclear Energy

# West Coast Carbon & Climate Policies

## Washington's Clean Energy Transformation Act (CETA)

- Zero Coal by 2025
- Carbon neutral by 2030
- Carbon-free by 2045

## Oregon Clean Energy Standard (H.B. 2021)

- Requires utilities to reduce emissions by 80% from a baseline amount by 2030, 90% by 2035 and 100% by 2040
- 50% of electricity must come from renewable resources

## California Renewable Portfolio Standard/Clean Energy Standard

- RPS is increased to 50% by 2025 and 60% by 2030
- 100% carbon-free electricity by 2045

# Pacific Northwest Zero-Emitting Resources Study

**Dan Aas**, Managing Consultant

**Oluwafemi Sawyerr**, Consultant

**Clea Kolster**, Consultant

**Patrick O'Neill**, Consultant

**Arne Olson**, Senior Partner

# 2018 Load and Resource Balance

2018	
<b>Load (GW)</b>	
Peak Load	43
PRM (%)	12%
PRM	5
<b>Total Load Requirement</b>	<b>48</b>

Resources / Effective Capacity (GW)	
Coal	11
Gas	12
Bio/Geo	1
Imports	3
Nuclear	1
DR	0.3
Hydro	18
Wind	0.5
Solar	0.2
Storage	0
<b>Total Supply</b>	<b>47</b>

**Wind and solar contribute little effective capacity with ELCC\* of 7% and 12%**

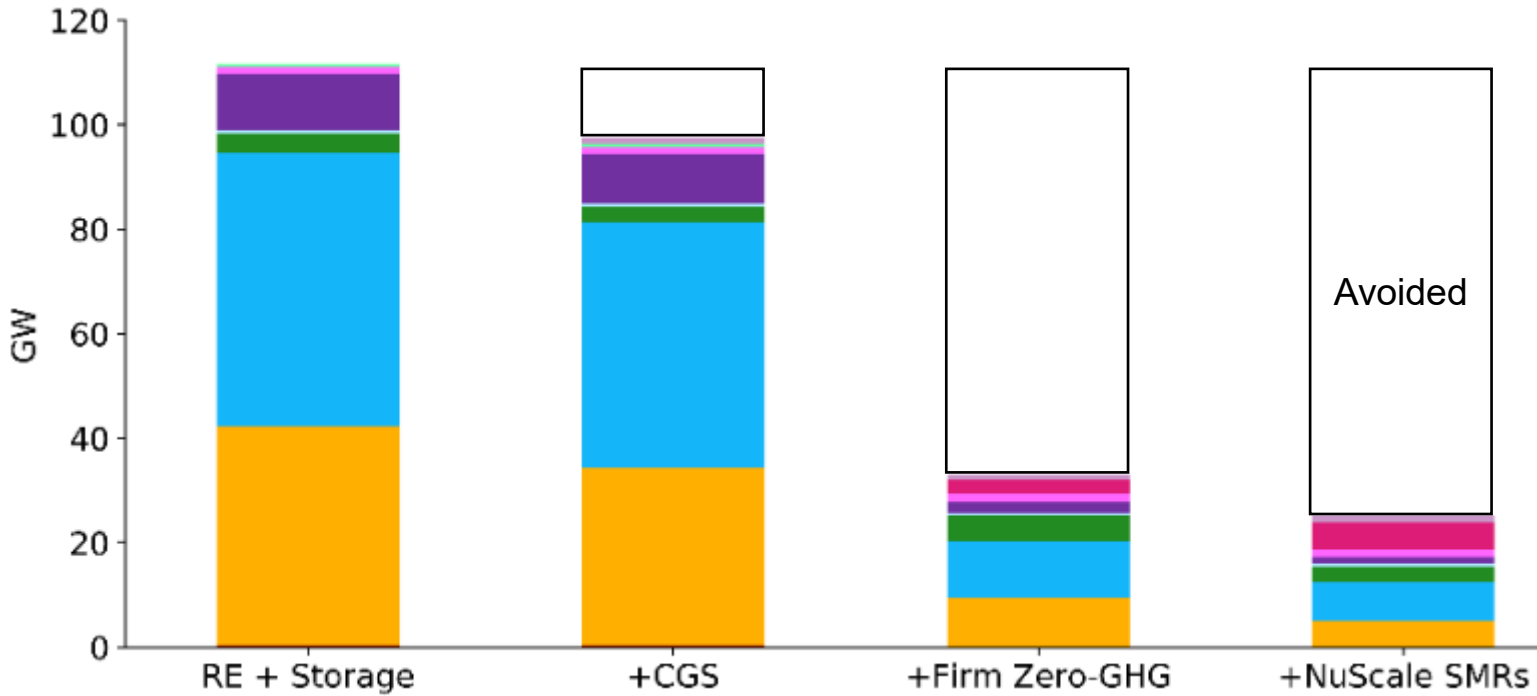


Nameplate Capacity (GW)	ELCC* (%)	Capacity Factor (%)
35	53%	44%
7.1	7%	26%
1.6	12%	27%

\*ELCC = Effective Load Carrying Capability = firm contribution to system peak load

# Benefits of zero-emitting firm capacity at 100% GHG reductions

**100% GHG Reduction Portfolios**



Adding	Avoids
+1.2 GW CGS	-9.5 GW Storage
+5.3 GW SMRs	-44.8 GW Wind
	-37 GW Solar
<b>+6.5 GW Firm</b>	<b>-91 GW Non-firm</b>
<p><b>CGS + NuScale SMRs reduce system costs by almost \$8B per year relative to RE + Storage</b></p>	

# But Isn't Nuclear More Expensive?

## Without Nuclear

- Significant overbuild of renewables
- Significant energy storage required
- Significant transmission buildout
- Dependence on the market during peak net load times
- Hydrogen economy development

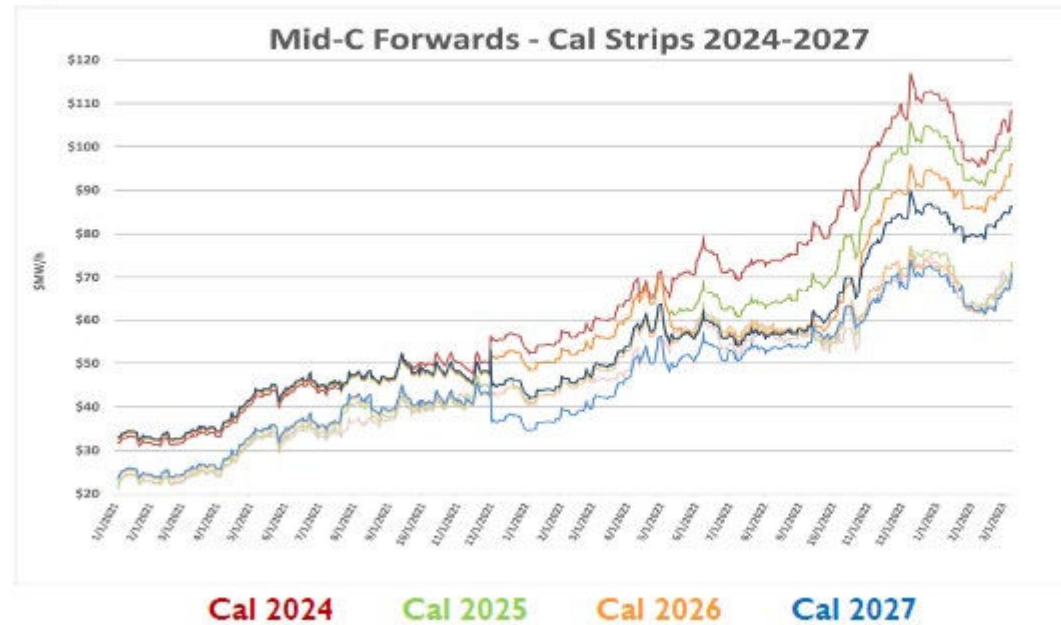
## With Nuclear

- Lower system cost
- Higher capacity
- Less land impact
- Less transmission buildout
- Lower environmental impact
  - Mining
  - Waste disposal

# Cost Comparisons

- Ruby Flats – 127.5MW Solar
- Horn Rapids
  - Solar
  - Battery Energy Storage System
- Mid C Forecasting
- WA Carbon Credit Auction

## CALENDAR PEAK AND OFF-PEAK FORWARDS



Strip	Peak	Off Peak
2017	25.53	16.66
2018	36.10	23.72
2019	37.52	33.28
2020	24.57	16.99
2021	56.00	38.00
2022	93.30	68.20
2023	113.37	79.62
2024	108.11	70.92
2025	101.92	73.55
2026	96.09	71.19
2027	86.42	70.89

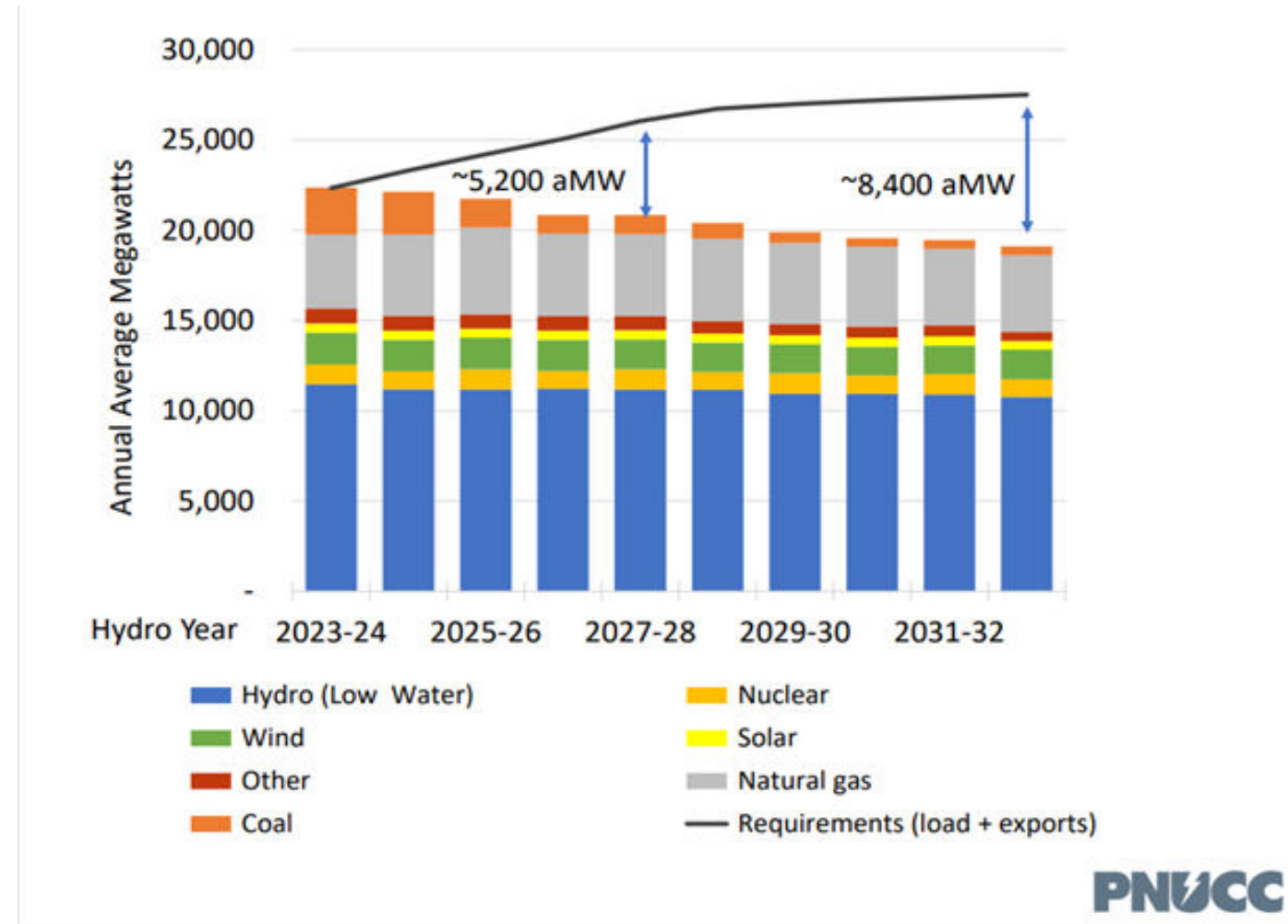
Forwards are marked by ICE  
Updated 3/10/2023



# Projected Energy Shortfalls

- Aggregation of NW utility IRPs
- Projected capacity shortfalls are higher

<https://www.pnucc.org/system-planning/northwest-regional-forecast/>



# The Right Mix for the Northwest



**Wind & Solar**  
(w/ storage)



**Hydro**



**Existing Nuclear**  
(Columbia)



**New Nuclear**

# Nuclear Development: Micro & Small Modular

# Partnering on eVinci Deployment



## Superior Technology

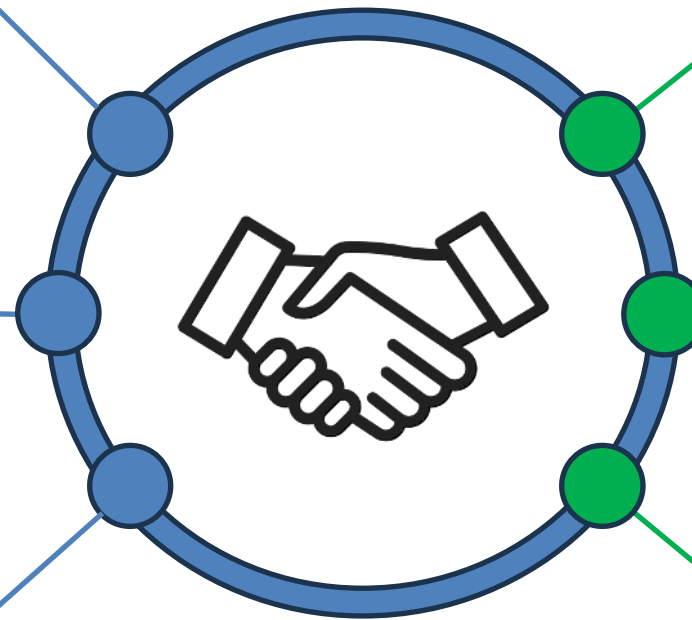
- Transportable
- Passively cooled
- Scalable
- Small facility footprint

## Development Commitment

- Ownership alignment
- New accelerator facility
- Procuring and testing components

## Experience

- Licensing and manufacturing
- Globally deployed reactor technologies
- Established and tested nuclear safety culture
- Deep nuclear supply chain



## World Class Nuclear Operator

- INPO/WANO top tier
- Operates the most reliable CE asset in WA

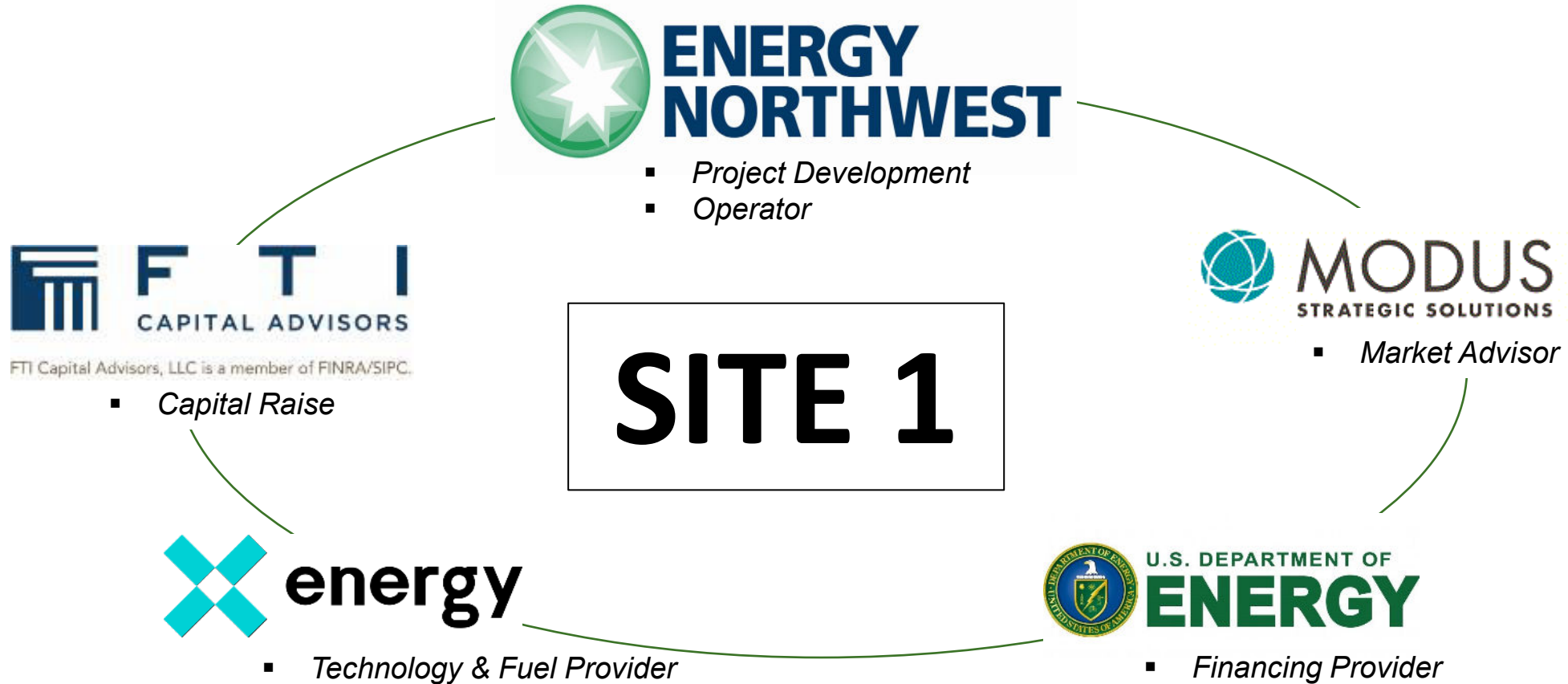
## Leader in Advanced Nuclear

- 10+ years of new nuclear engagement
- Existing team of highly qualified personnel

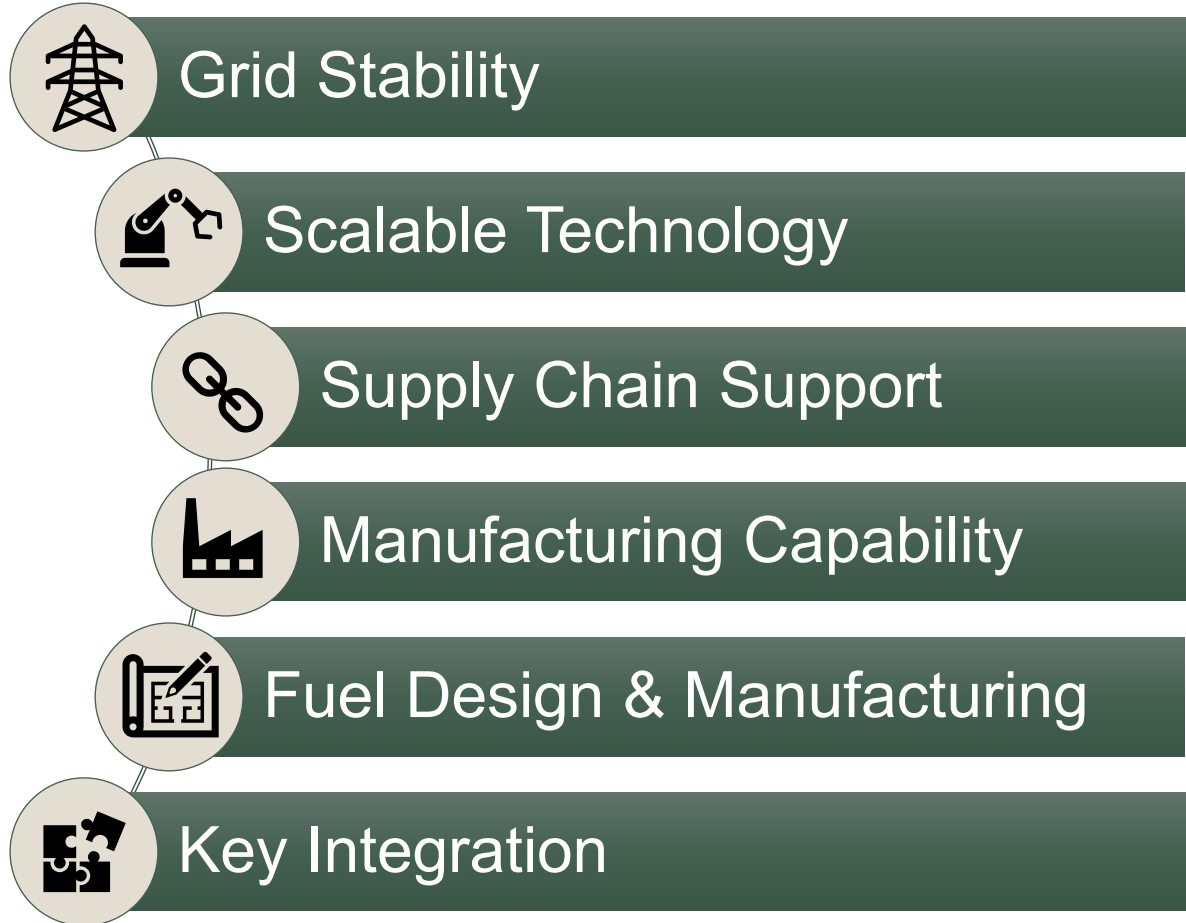
## Commitment to Clean Energy

- 100% carbon free generation portfolio
- Regional leader in deploying new clean tech

# Energy Northwest SMR Development: Building a bench that supports the realization of small modular reactor (SMR) development in the Pacific Northwest



# X-energy Value Proposition



## *X-energy Benefits*

- Full suite of technology engineering, development and operations resources
- Current project development and DOE LPO support



# Funding

- \$8M brought to project by Energy Northwest
- \$1M from 17 Public Utilities & Cooperatives
- \$10M from Puget Sound Energy
- \$25M from the State of Washington
- FTI continuing conversations with potential investors
- Big Tech investors expressing interest in Early Funding Agreement (EFA) + negotiating off-take terms

# Thank You

# Back Up Slides

# X-energy Technology

# Technology Highlight – X-energy

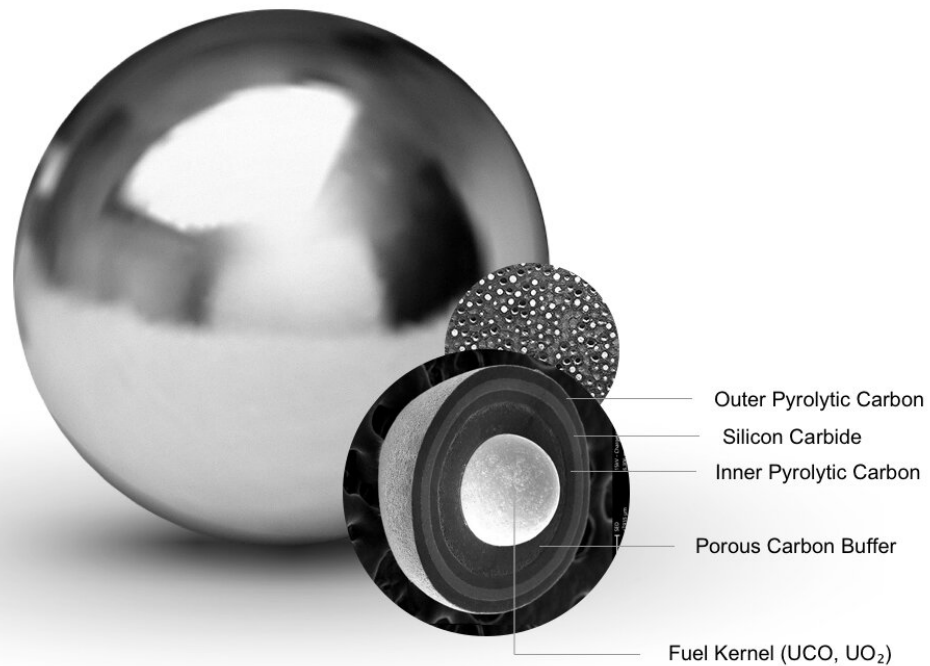
## XE-100



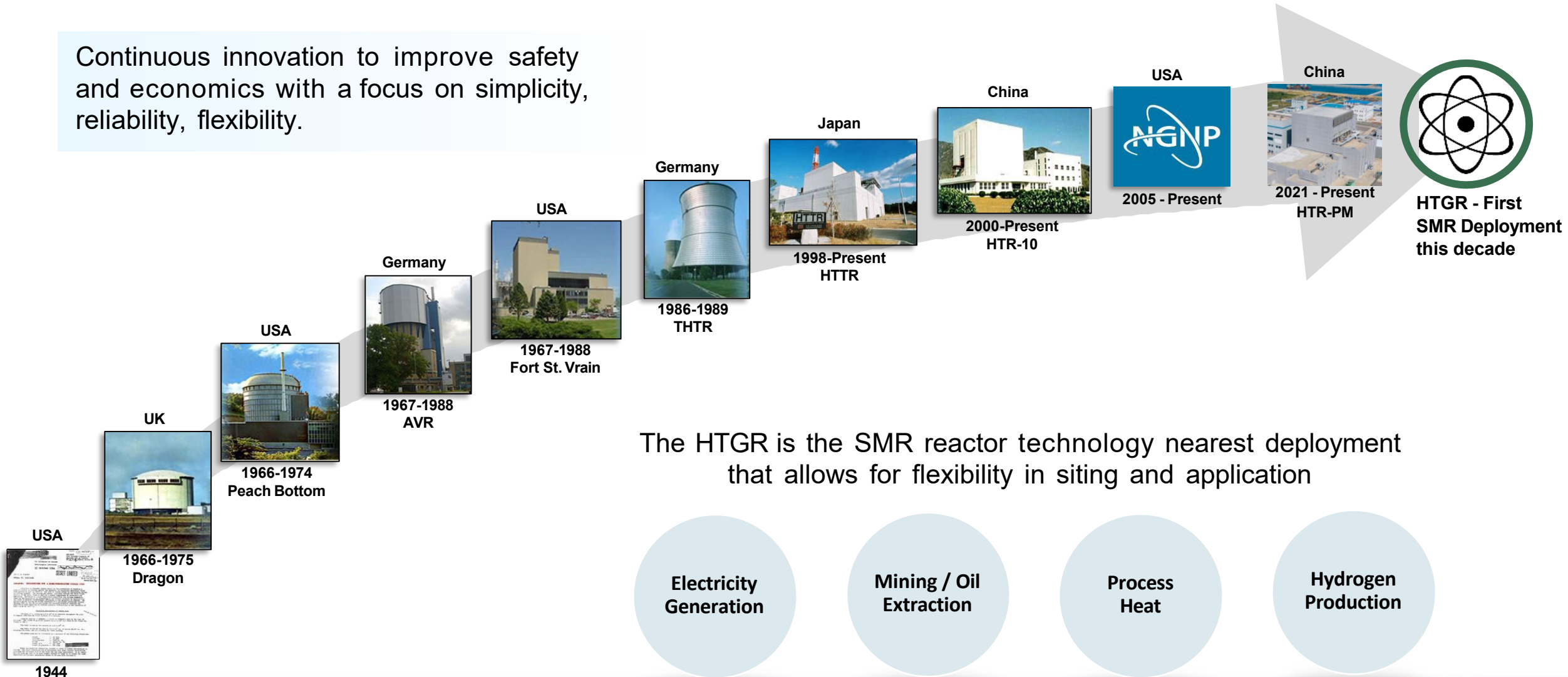
- High Temperature Gas Reactor (HTGR)
  - Helium cooled
  - TRISO fuel
- 1-12 Modules
- 80 MWe/module (net)
- 60-year design life; 100+ year asset
- Continuous on-line refueling
- Fuel as a variable cost
- Walk-away-safe, meltdown proof
- Modularized components built off-site, transportable via rail/road

Every X-energy reactor is powered by proprietary tri-structural isotropic (TRISO) coated particle fuel, called TRISO-X, which:

- Is made in a unique coated fuel particle manufacturing process that decreases unusable scrap and ensures quality
- Cannot melt in the Xe-100 reactor... period
- Is the reactor containment, locking in 99.999% of all fission products
- Enables the safety and economic case of the Xe-100 by simplifying the design and operations, while requiring far fewer components



Continuous innovation to improve safety and economics with a focus on simplicity, reliability, flexibility.



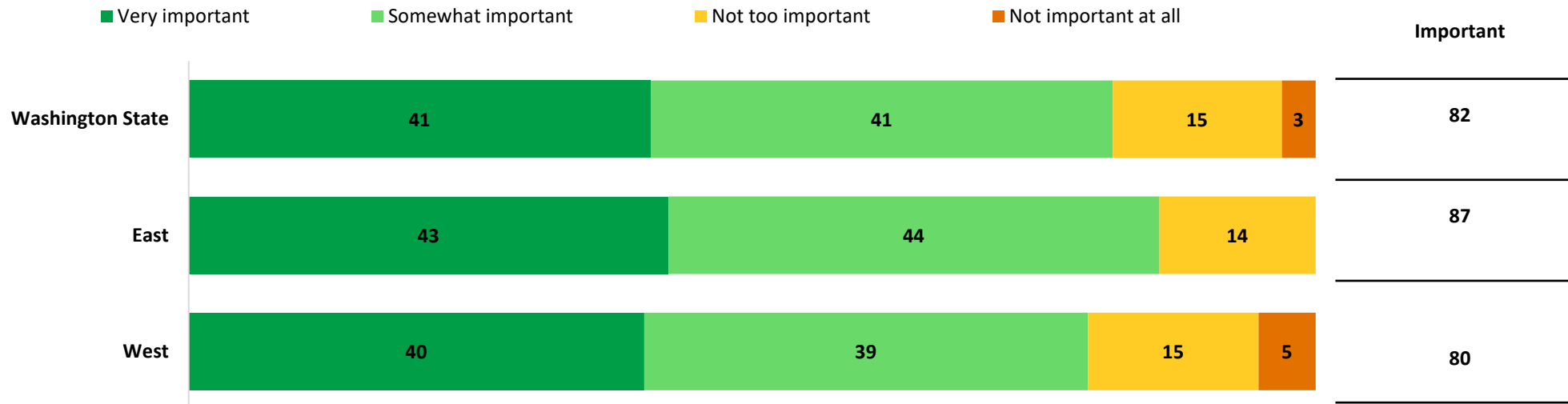
The HTGR is the SMR reactor technology nearest deployment that allows for flexibility in siting and application

- Electricity Generation
- Mining / Oil Extraction
- Process Heat
- Hydrogen Production

# Statewide Favorability of Nuclear Energy

Nuclear Energy’s Importance for Meeting Washington’s Electricity Needs = 82%

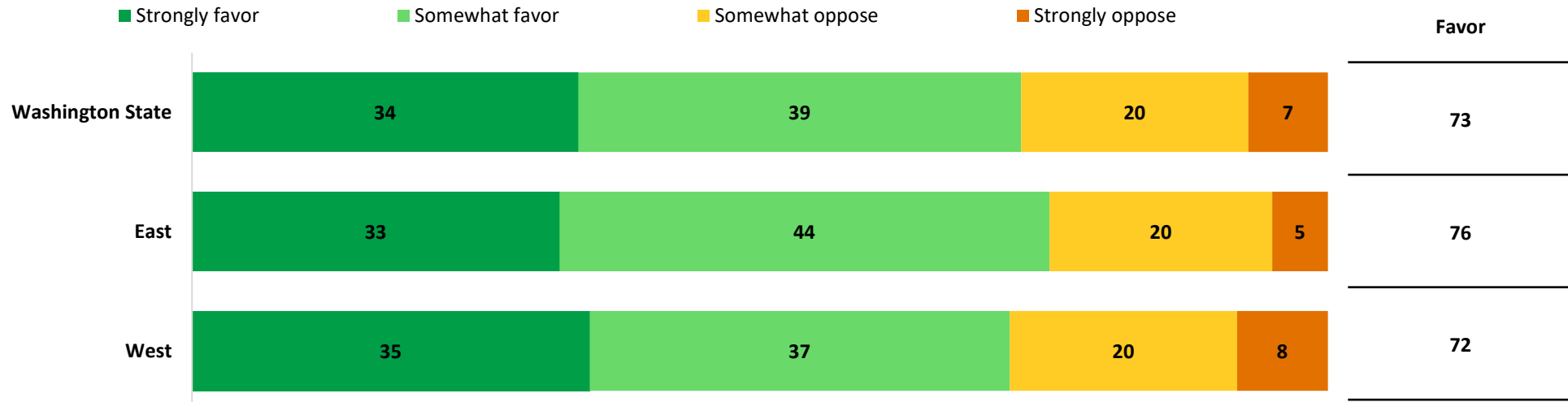
*Q: How important do you think nuclear energy will be in meeting Washington state’s electricity needs in the years ahead? (%)*



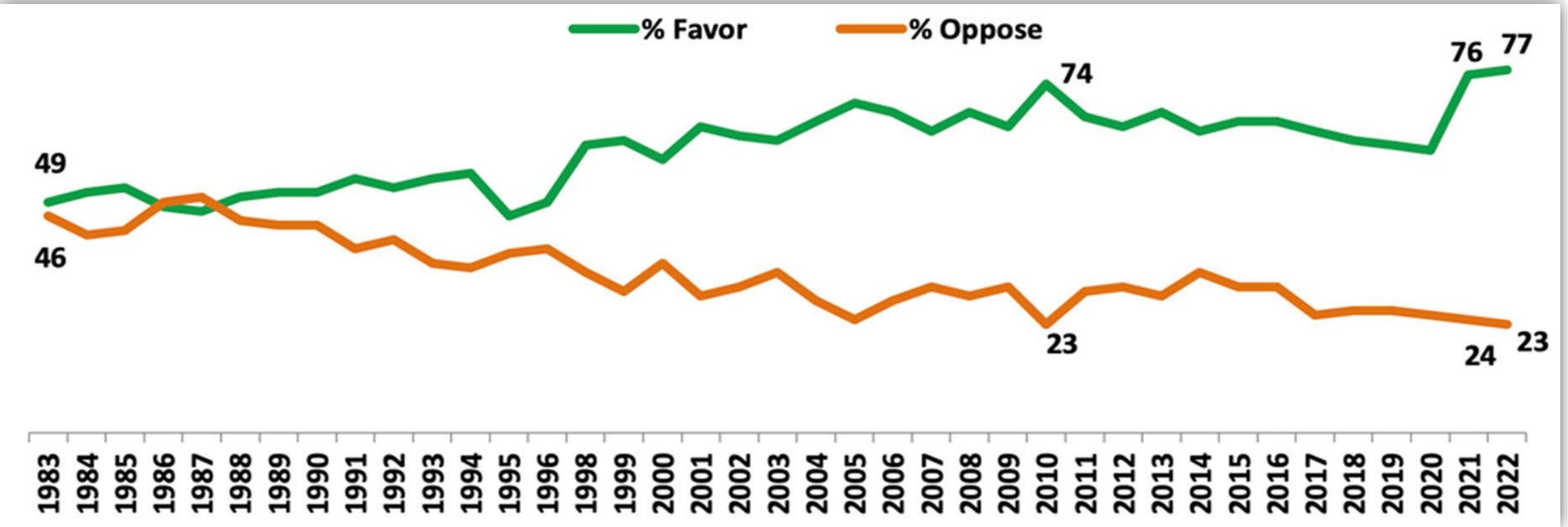
# Statewide Favorability of Nuclear Energy

Nuclear Energy’s ‘favorability rating’ in Washington State = 73%

*Q: Overall, do you strongly favor, somewhat favor, somewhat oppose, or strongly oppose the use of nuclear energy as one of the ways to provide electricity in Washington state? (%)*



# Favorability to Nuclear Energy Increases Nationally



Favorability to Nuclear Energy (%) 1983-2022



## Used Nuclear Fuel Storage

# Used Fuel

## From 60 Years of Industry Commercial Operations

\*CGS = Columbia Generating Station

\*ISFSI = Independent Spent Fuel Storage Installation (at CGS)

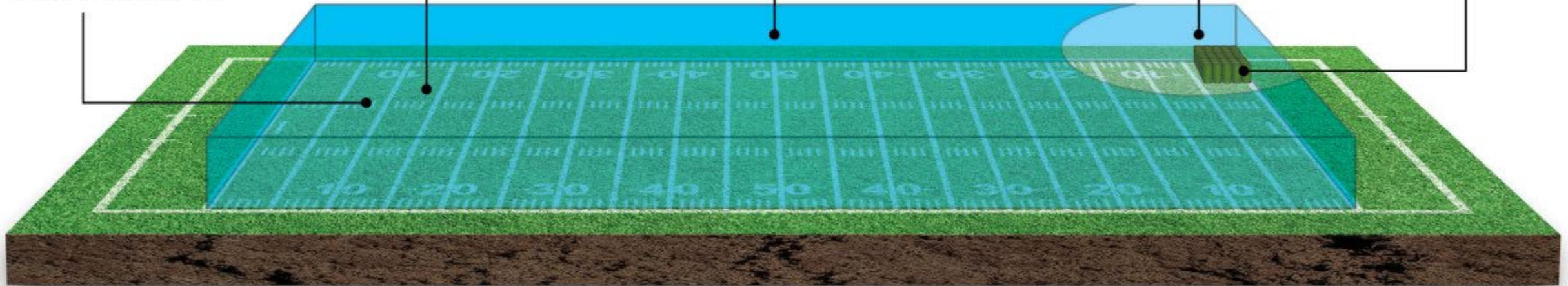
A standard football field is  
360 ft. x 160 ft. = 57,600 sq. ft.

The entirety of the United States  
used fuel footprint would cover a  
football field 24' deep.

Number of casks currently loaded  
and fully processed at Columbia's  
ISFSI: 54

Number of fuel bundles per cask: 68  
(total bundles currently stored at the CGS ISFSI:  
 $68 \times 54 = 3,672$  used fuel bundles in dry storage)

ISFSI currently covers an area that is  
approximately 342 ft. x 468 ft. = 160,056 sq. ft.  
ISFSI's security fence, which is what most  
people consider to be the ISFSI, covers an  
area that is 260 ft. x 390 ft. = 101,400 sq. ft.  
or roughly 1-3/4 football fields.



# Used Fuel Reprocessing



THE SECOND NUCLEAR ERA™

## THE SOLUTION

# RECYCLING: WHY IT MATTERS!

- **Incredible reduction** in isolation time.
- Makes interim storage and Yucca Mountain **obsolete**
- **Permanent solution** to nuclear waste
- **NuCycle™ can tap into TRU reserve** within the waste and produce the fuel of the future
- More than **1500 tons of plutonium** fuel = **1.5%** of global natural gas reserves - that's a lot of energy!
- With proper method, left over waste is no longer a concern to humanity

## GEOLOGIC ISOLATION

to cool below background level (in years)

Status quo	partial TRU removal	only FP in waste
130k	1,500	270

Targeted cost of  
recycling per metric ton

**\$0.5M**



reduction in waste  
volume if only  
uranium removed