



# Asset Management Risk Planning and Project Prioritization

Bringing PacifiCorp to the Next Level in Asset Management

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PacifiCorp is the USA-based subsidiary of Scottish Power  
*And is one of the West's largest and lowest-cost electric utilities*



### **A little history and some basic statistics**

1881 – Salt Lake City is 5<sup>th</sup> city in US with central station electricity

1910 - Pacific Power & Light in OR & WA

1912 - Utah Power & Light in UT & ID

1989 - PacifiCorp merger

1999 - Scottish Power merger

**Headquarters:** Portland, OR

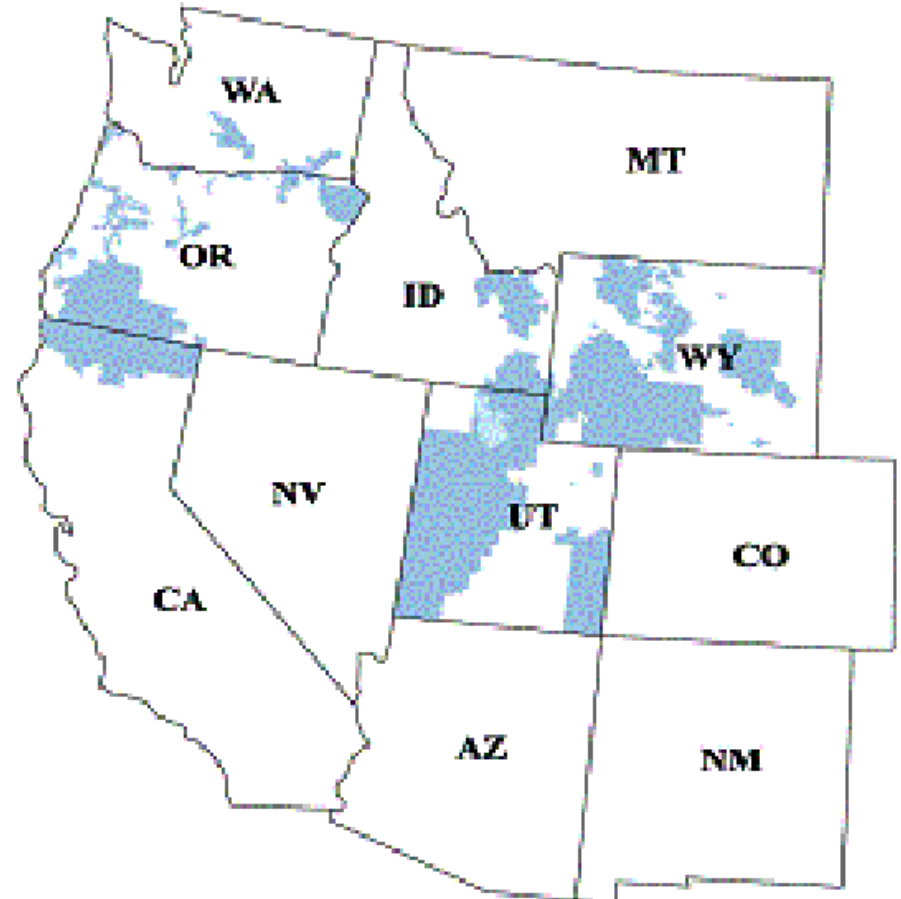
**Employees:** 6,400

**Territory:** More than 135,000 square miles

**Line-miles:**                   Transmission: 15,000  
                                  Overhead distribution: 44,000  
                                  Underground distribution: 12,000

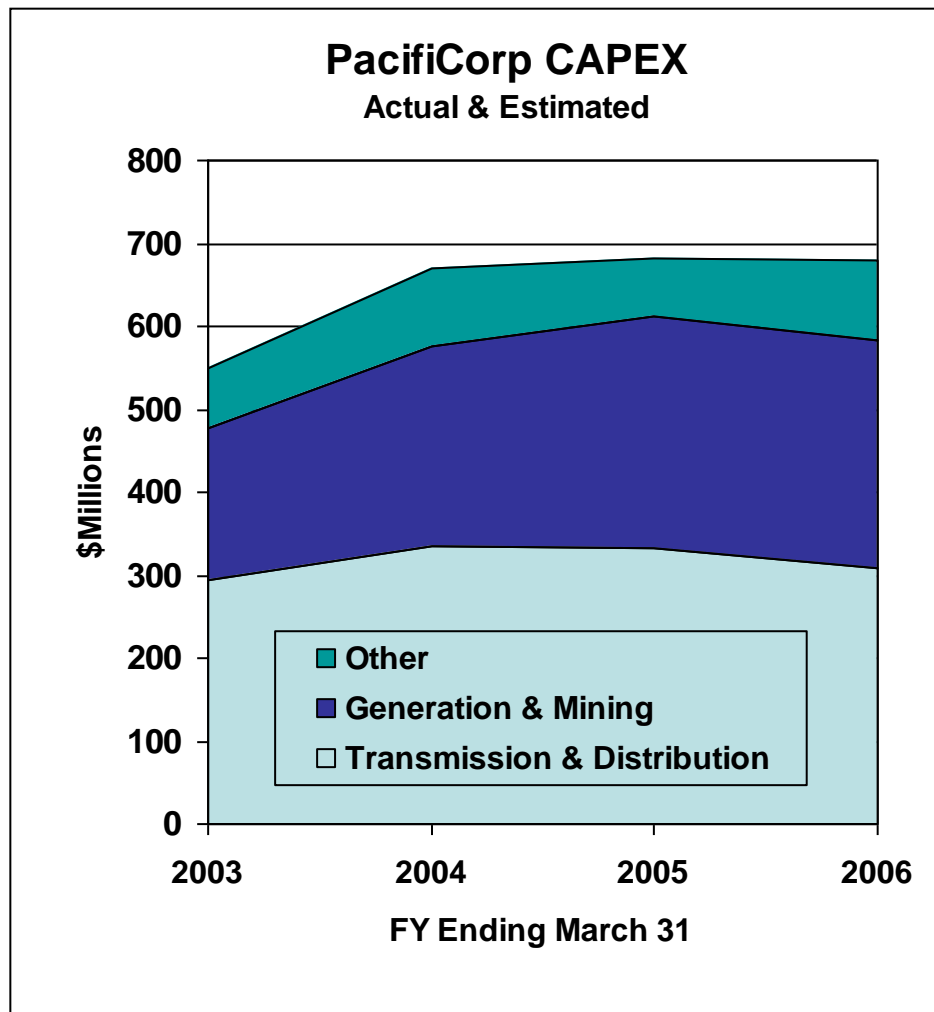
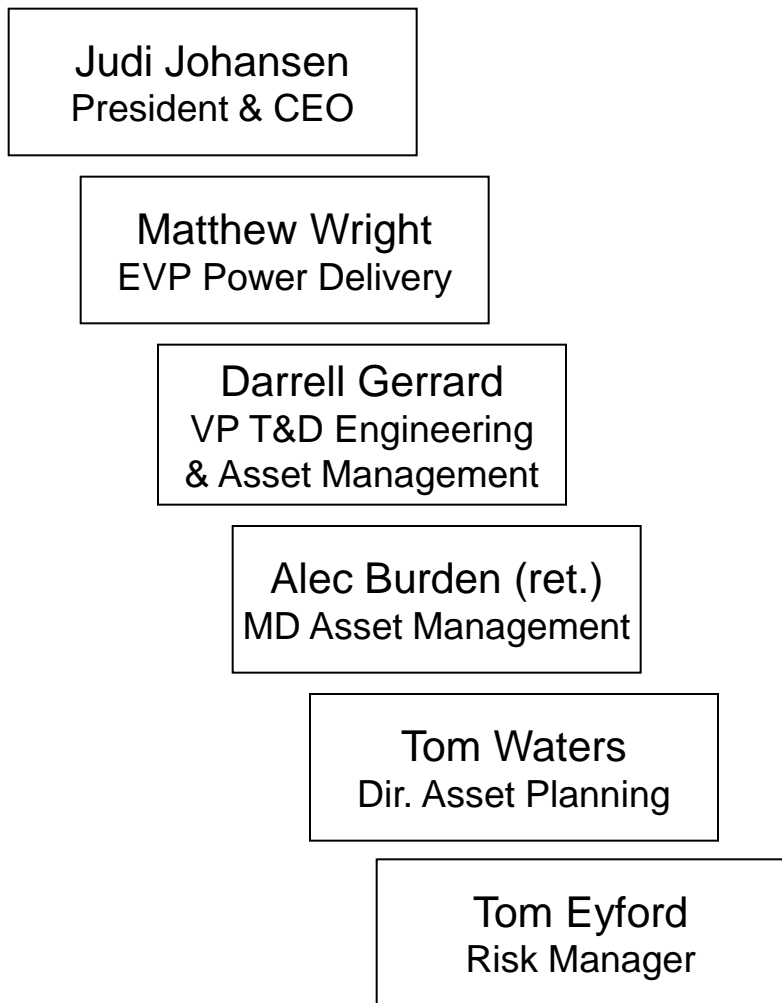
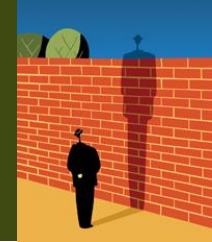
**Generation capacity:** 8,300 megawatts

<b>Customers:</b>	Total	1,544,895
	Utah	689,709
	Oregon	510,254
	Wyoming	122,493
	Washington	120,094
	Idaho	59,407
	California	42,895

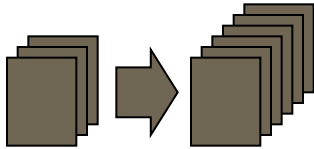


# T&D is a significant part of PacifiCorp's CAPEX

*With a projection for declining T&D CAPEX in the next few years*



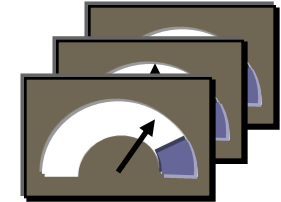
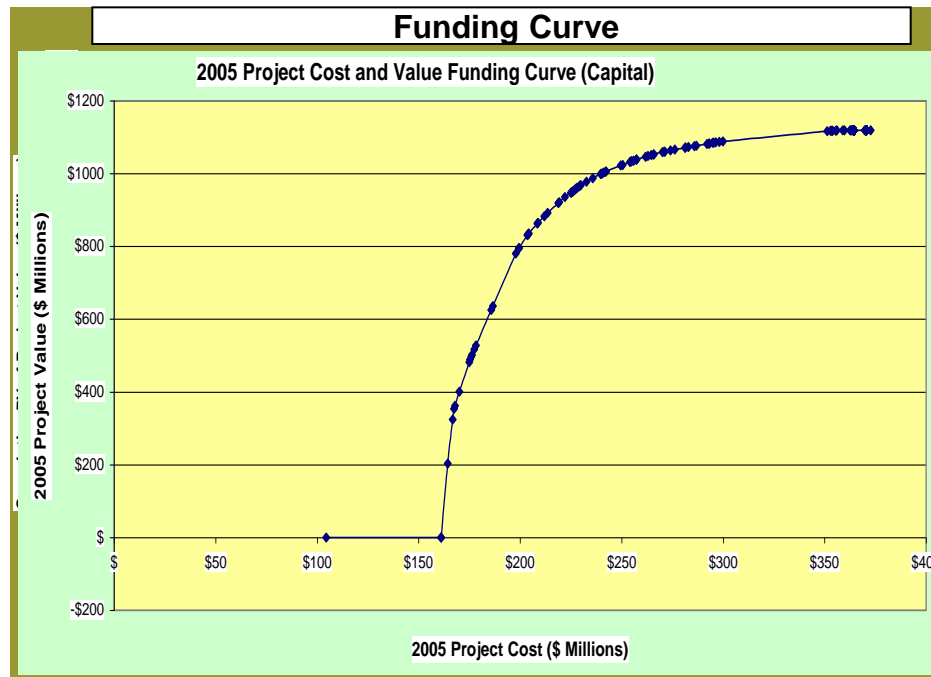
Recall the context within which prioritization is done  
*Prioritization is only a part of asset management and risk planning*



### Option Development

Developing cost-effective alternatives for possible funding

- Additions
- Upgrades
- Replacement
- Maintenance
- Standards
- Systems



### Results Monitoring

Measuring & managing the drivers of the funded projects and processes

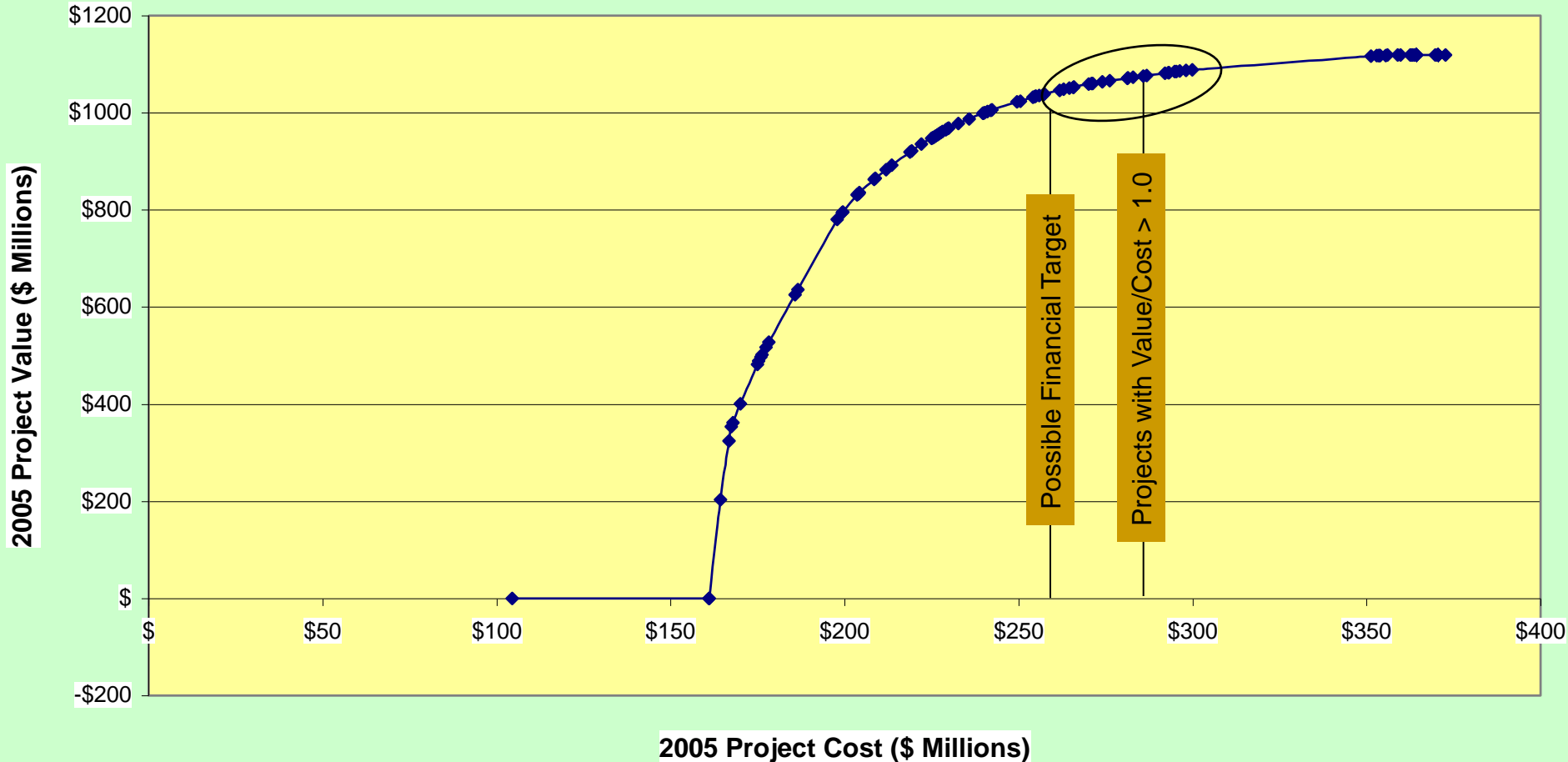
- Benchmarking
- Unit costs
- Failure rates
- Event impacts
- Value added

'Must Do' is limited at about half the budget  
*These categories need to be forecast well, and then fully funded*



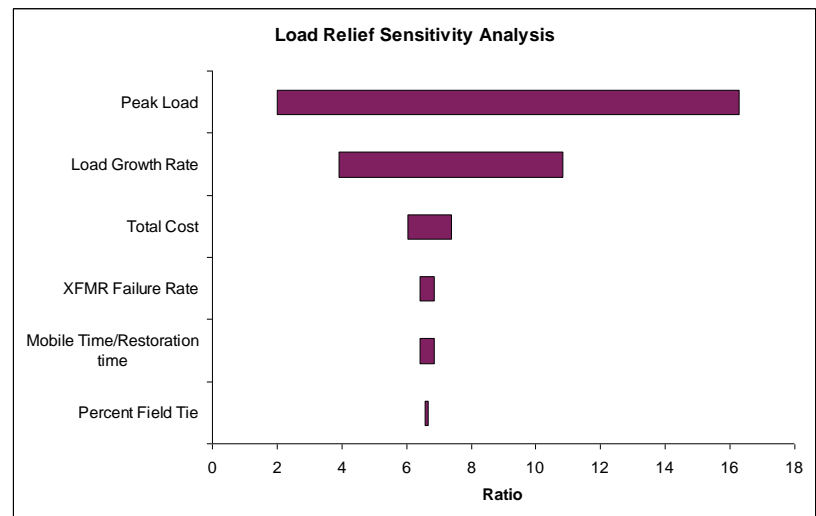
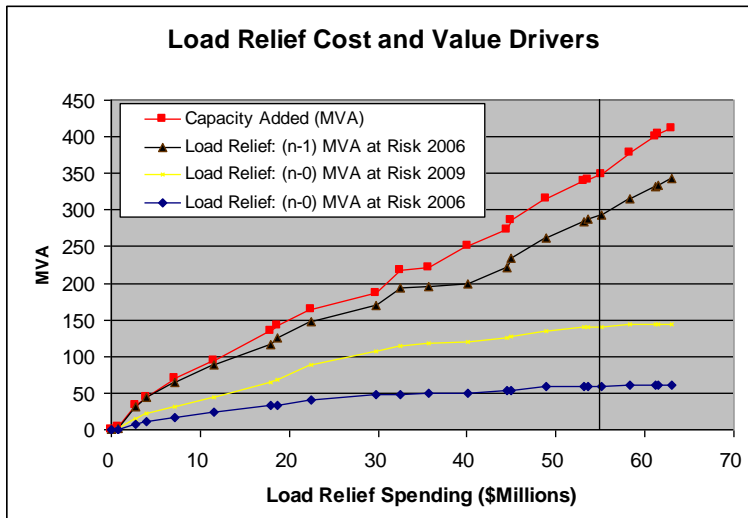
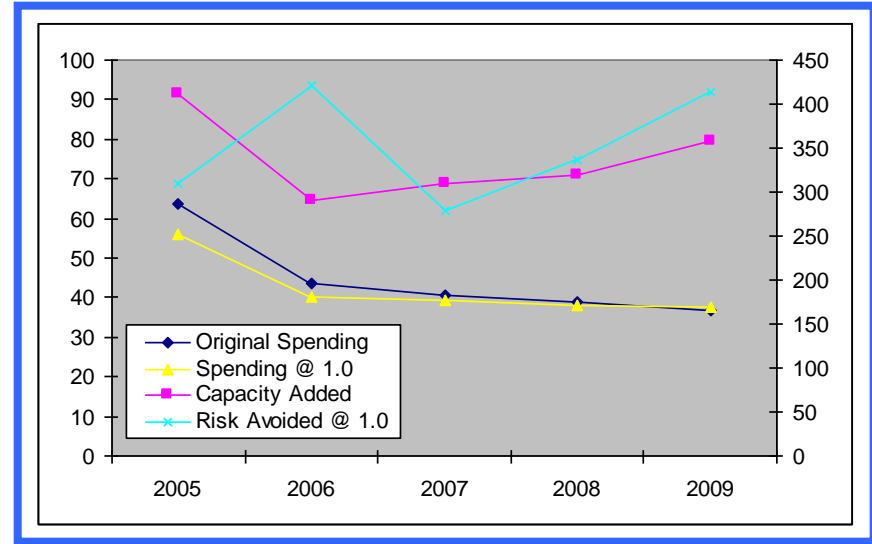
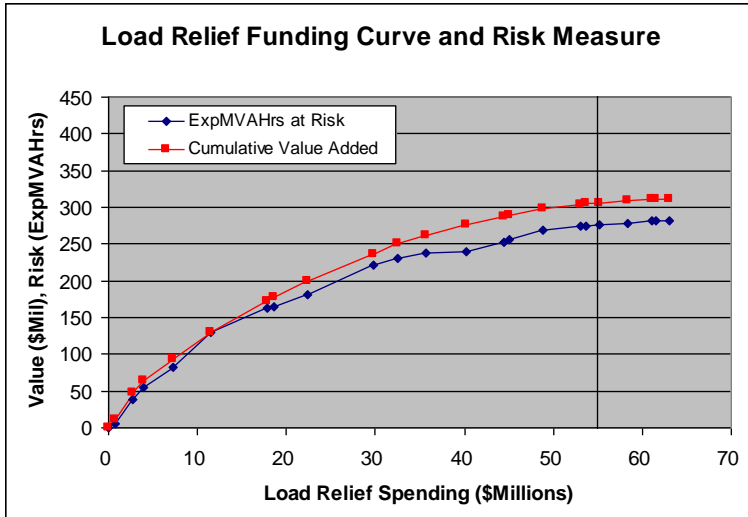
2005 Project Cost and Value Funding Curve (Capital)

Illustrative



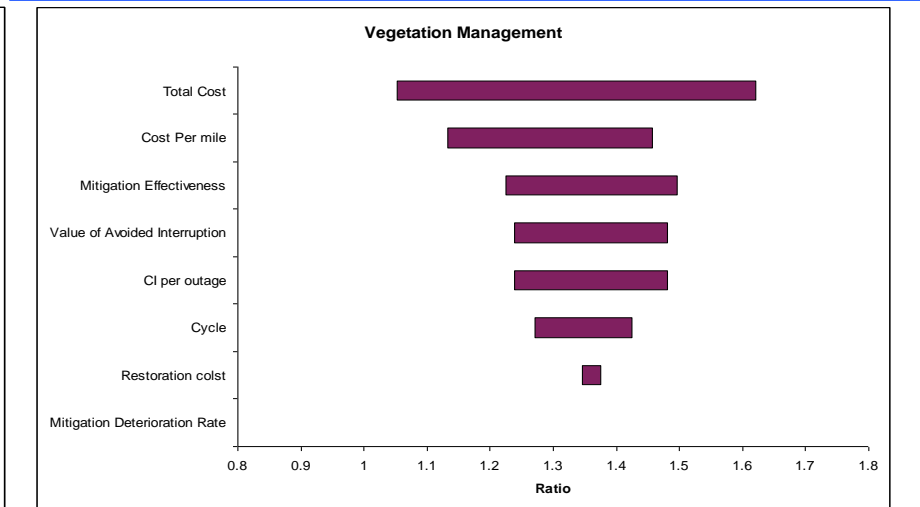
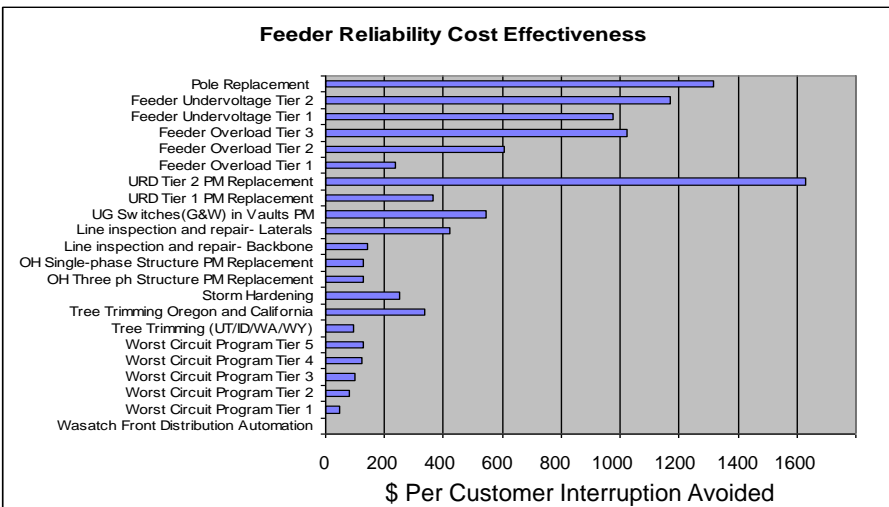
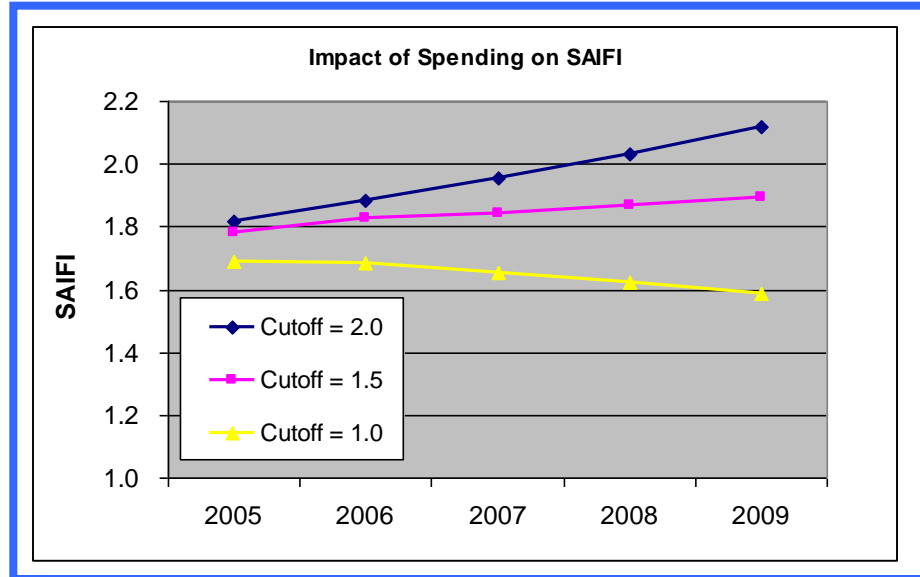
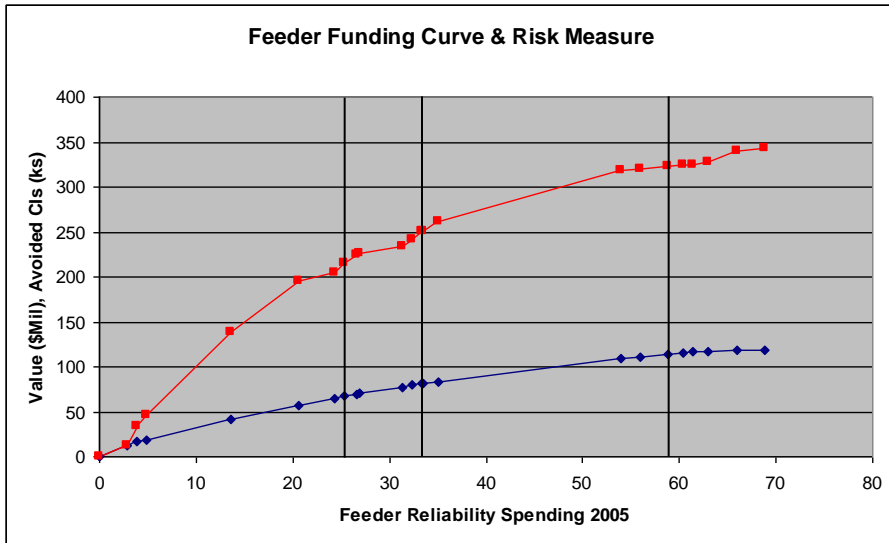
# Load relief is a major part of the capital budget

*Recommended funding reduces risk to acceptable levels*



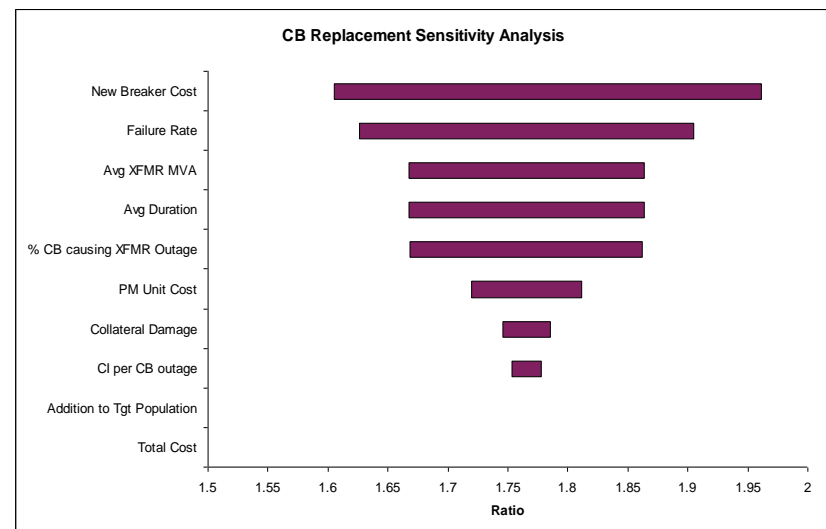
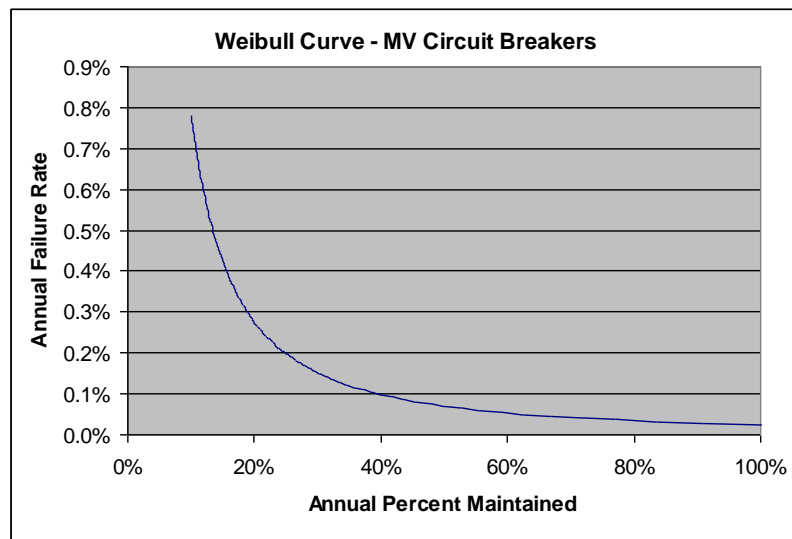
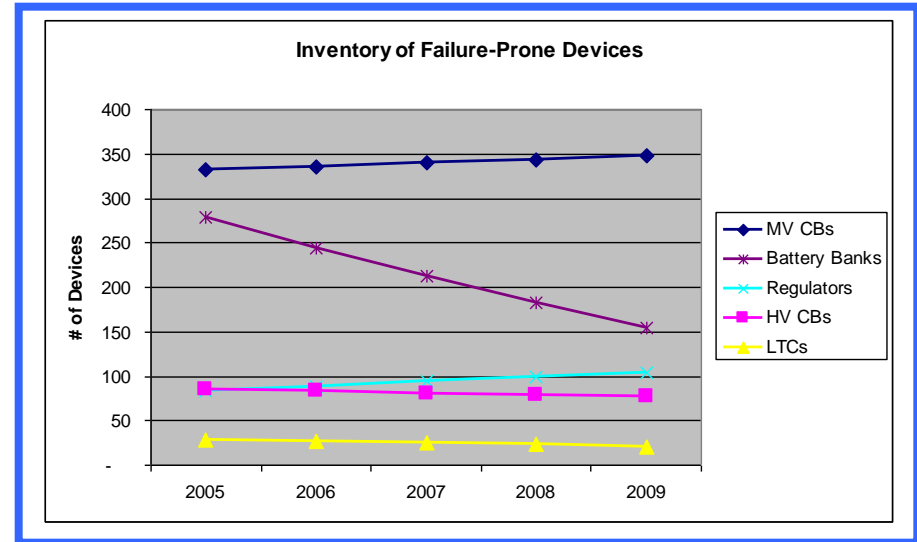
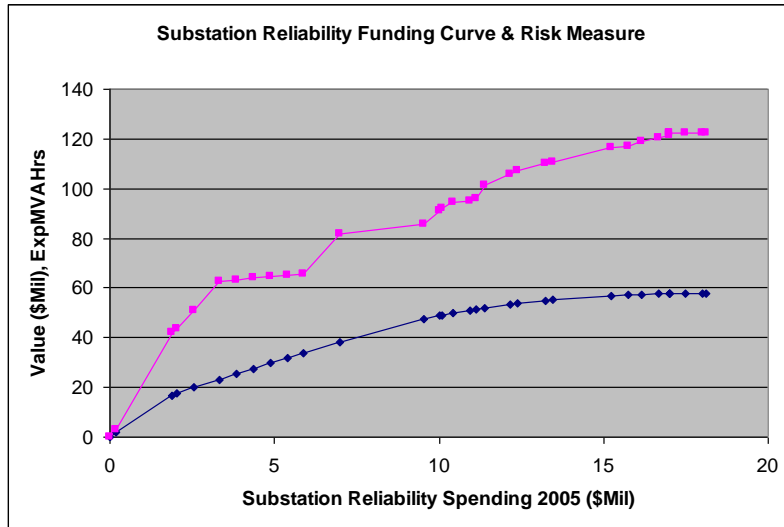
# Feeder reliability has a direct impact on SAIDI-SAIFI

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# Substation reliability addresses selected assets

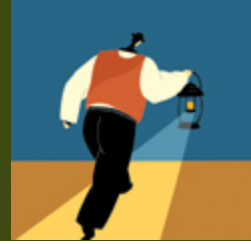
## *With programs to replace the most trouble-prone assets*





# The process has brought some key insights

*Which will allow PacifiCorp to save money and reduce risk*



- **Optimal timing of load relief projects**
  - Model shows that some should be deferred, some accelerated
  - Emphasizes the need for exploration of cost-effective alternatives
- **Identifies critical data based on sensitivity analysis**
  - Failure rates, condition of certain assets, load growth rates, unit costs
- **Quantifies how reliability value can drive allocation**
  - \$25,000/MWH, \$25/CI are good baselines for further refinement
- **Causal relationships built in**
  - Weibull curves and condition-state models address key questions on PM
- **Good feedback for planners**
  - Gives an early indication of project value versus cost
- **Improved cost-effectiveness**
  - 'Sharper pencil' on URD, worst circuits, etc. from analysis of failure rates

## Next Steps

*While initial estimates are satisfactory, more can be learned*



- 10-year plan
- 2006 Plan and Budget
- Transmission grid
- Model and data refinements (continuous)