Forecast Power System CO2 Production



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Status Report

Forecasting power system CO₂ production

• The amount of carbon dioxide produced by expected operation of the power system

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Average (lb CO2/kWh)
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Annual (tons CO2/yr)

Cumulative (tons CO2)

Marginal (lb CO2/kWh) (Not yet incorporated)

- 2005 2024
- Base case plus several scenarios
- Today Current Status vs. Base Case



Base Case: December 2004 looking forward

- Forecast as of the adoption of the Fifth Power Plan.
- Fifth Plan Medium Case fuel price forecast.
- Committed resources as of Dec 2004.
- Approximation of the Fifth Plan resource portfolio (L27a2).
- Other Fifth Plan assumptions (load growth, state RPS, renewable PTC, CO2 costs, etc.).
- Balance of WECC future resource mix:
 - Created using AURORA long-term (capacity addition) study Northwest (L27a2) additions fixed



Current Status Case: Committed & Planned resources ca: March 2007

- Fifth Plan Medium Case fuel price forecast.
- Committed resource additions & retirements as of March 2007.
- Planned resource actions from current PNW utility IRPs (supplied by PNUCC).
- Balance of WECC future resource mix:

 Created using AURORA long-term (capacity addition) study

 Northwest resource additions (IRP values) fixed
- No specific RPS or SBC additions (PNW or other WECC).
- Other Fifth Plan assumptions (load growth, renewable PTC, CO2 costs, etc.).



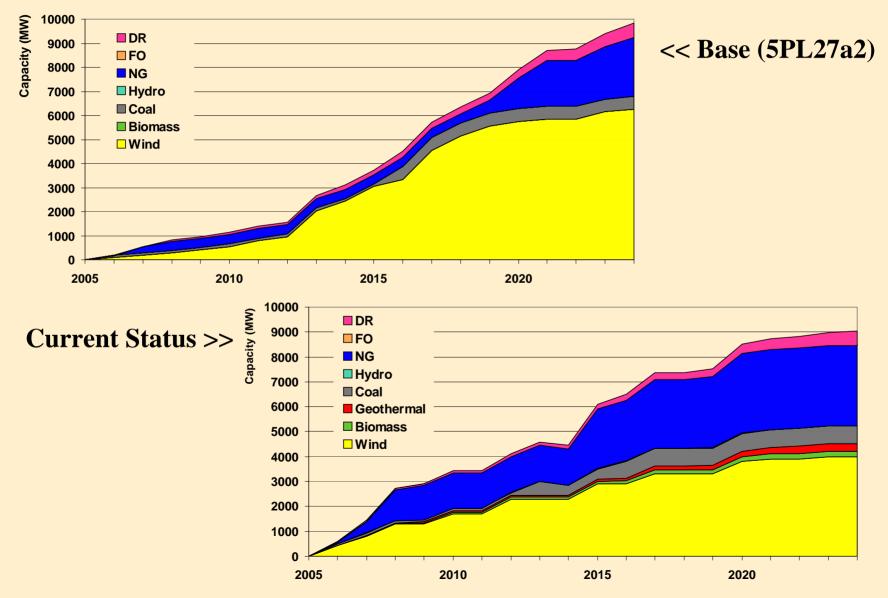


Recent modeling updates

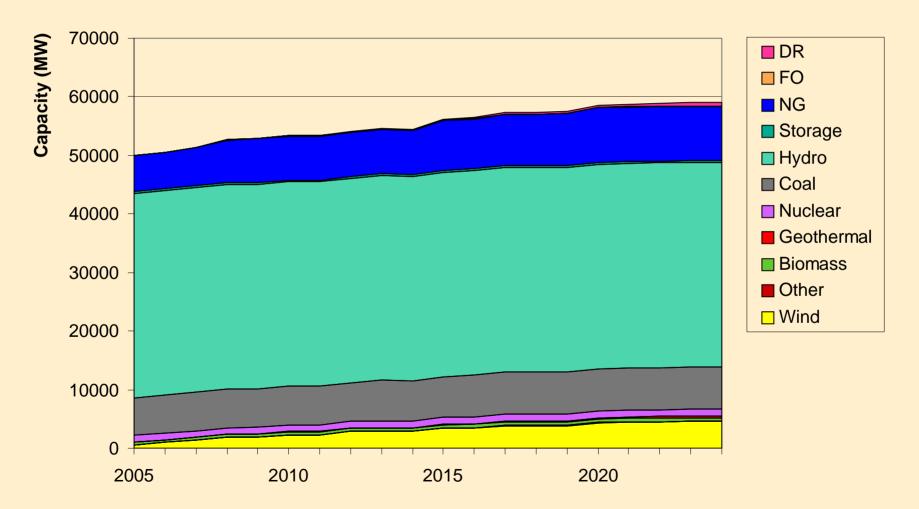
- AURORA Version 8.4 (Used for both Base and Current Status cases).
- Review and update of existing resource data set (Current Status case only).
- Average hydropower vs "Mean Price Water" (Current status case only).
- Still in the works "Maintain Planning Reserve Margins" option for capacity addition studies.
- Will retroactively apply all of these to the Base Case.



Comparative PNW resource development

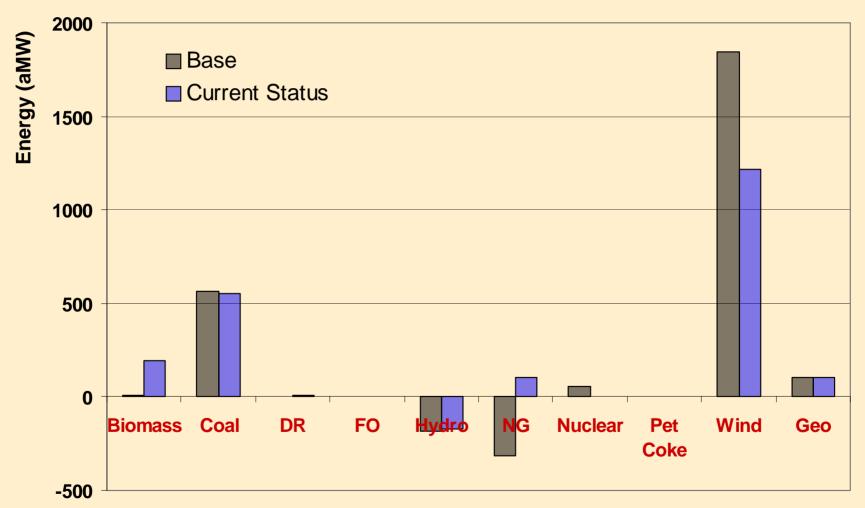


Northwest resource mix Current Status case



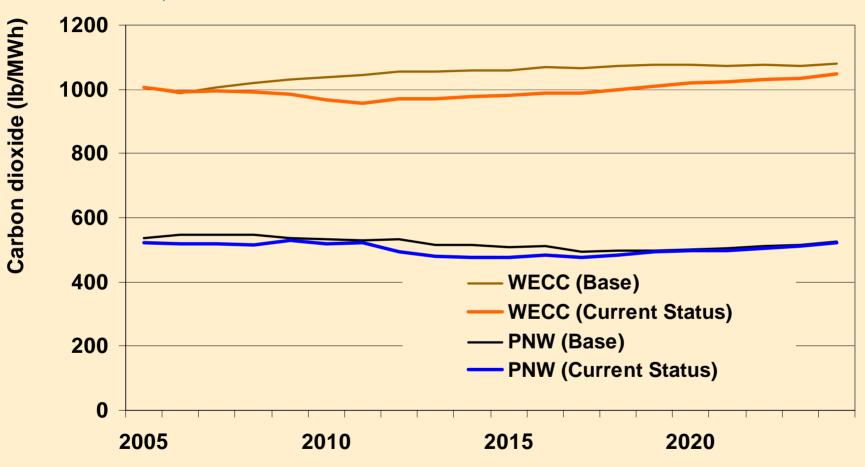


Comparison of energy generation (PNW)



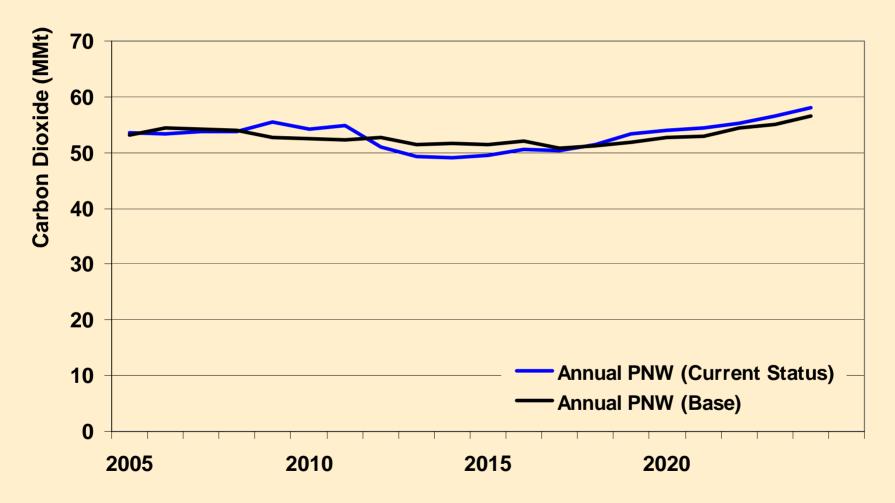


Average unit CO₂ production (net load basis)



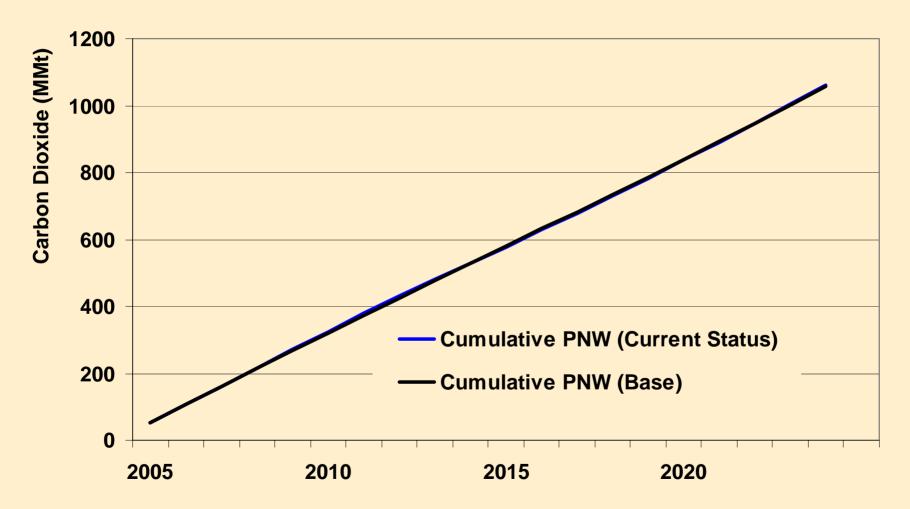


Annual Northwest power system CO₂ production

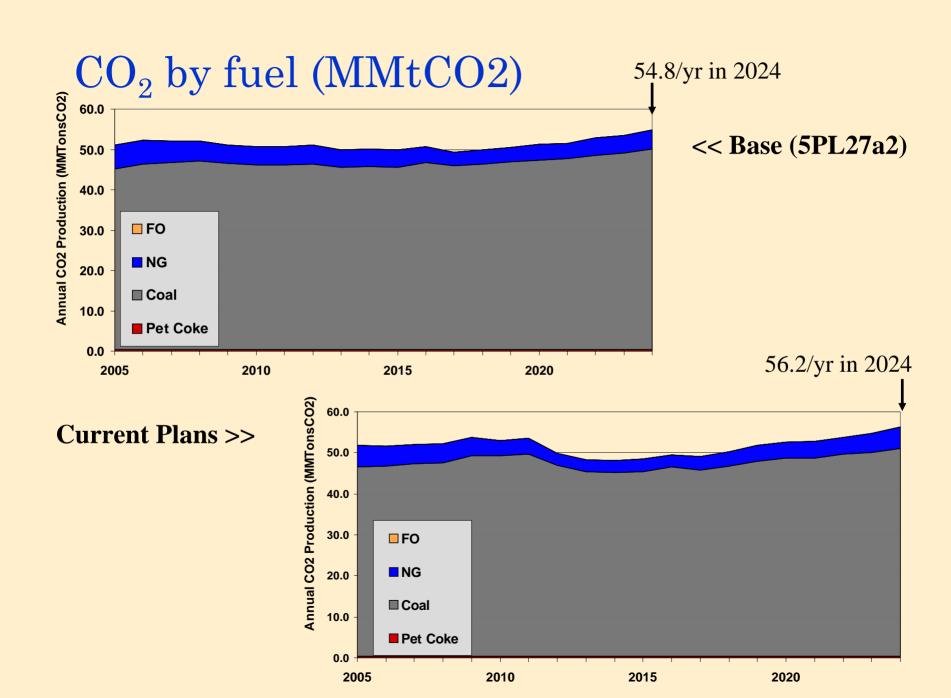




Cumulative Northwest power system CO₂ production







Planned for May

Confirm validity of "Maintain Planning Reserve Margins" AURORA option.

Rerun Base case:

Cleaned resource input data (limited to confirmed resources ca: 12/04)

"Maintain Planning Reserve Margins" option enabled

Run remaining scenarios:

Low Conservation

No summer spill

HIgh Renewables (Full state RPS implementation)

Lower Snake R. Dam removal

Possible draft revised fuel price forecast.

