

# Nebraska Power Association 2019 Load & Capability Report

September 2019



# **Background**

#### Nebraska Power Review Board (NPRB)

- State agency formed in 1963 to regulate Nebraska's publicly owned electric utility industry
- Five member Board approved by the Governor and confirmed by the Legislature

#### Nebraska Power Association (NPA)

- Voluntary organization of municipal, public power district, and cooperative electric utilities (166 members)
- Formed in 1980 to address statewide electricity policies and issues. Administered by LES

#### State Statute 70-1025

- Requires an annual statewide report on electric demand and generation for a 20 year period
- NPA is the designated entity to provide this report to the NPRB



### **Peak Demand Growth**

- Average annual demand growth rate is 0.7% per year from 2019 through 2038
- This is higher than the 0.4% growth rate shown in last year's report
- OPPD projected load growth
  - 1% growth in this year's report vs 0.1% in last years
- Demand Reduction Factors
  - The majority of the other utilities are experiencing lower growth rates
  - Proliferation of more efficient end-use devices
  - Utility initiated demand side resource programs
  - Distributed generation



## **Existing Resources\***

#### 7,564 MW of Existing Resources:

- 1,132 MW Small Coal (<250 MW)</li>
- 3,012 MW Large Coal (>250 MW)
- 770 MW Nuclear
- 433 MW Renewables<sup>1</sup>

Accredited	Туре	Nameplate	
305	Wind	1623	
111	In-state Hydro	111	
11	Landfill Gas	11	
6	Biodiesel	6	
0	Solar	0	
433	TOTAL	1751	

- 2,218 MW Peaking/Intermediate (gas & oil)
- 1,232 MW of Firm Power Purchases <sup>2</sup>
  - 846 MW WAPA Hydro Contracts
  - 386 MW Other Firm Power Contracts
- 52 MW of utility behind the meter nameplate generation

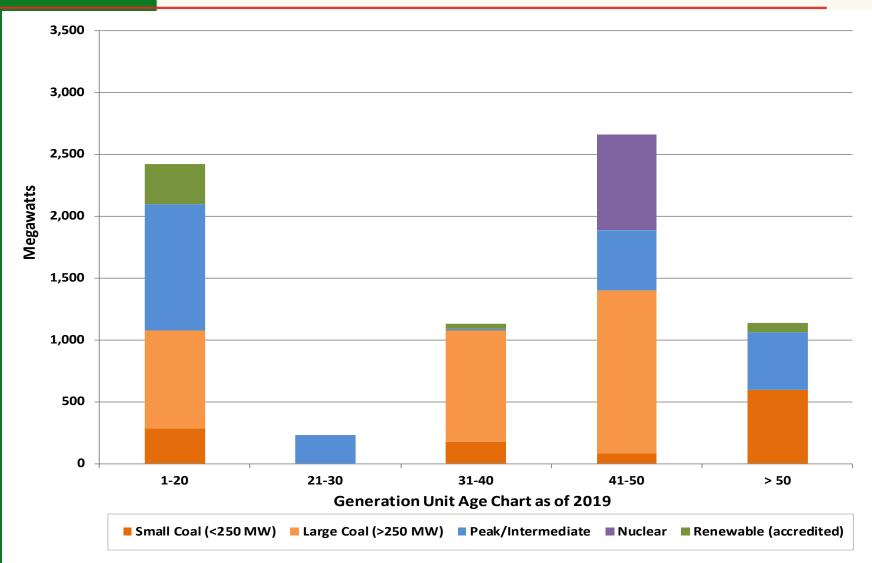
<sup>\*</sup> In-Service by summer of 2019

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Accredited capability

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Capacity reserves are provided by the Firm Power provider



# **Existing Generating Fleet**





# Committed, Planned and Studied Resources (MW)

Nameplate Values

	Renewables	Conventional	Unspecified	Total
Committed	210*	0	0	210
Planned	0	0	0	0
Studied	0	25	850	875
Total	210	25	850	1085

<sup>\*160</sup> MW OPPD Sholes Wind Farm in 2019 and 50 MW Grand Island Prairie Hills Wind Farm in 2020

#### **SPP Generation Interconnection Queue for Nebraska**

≈ 1,100 MW Battery Storage

≈ 2,000 MW Solar

≈ 10,000 MW Wind



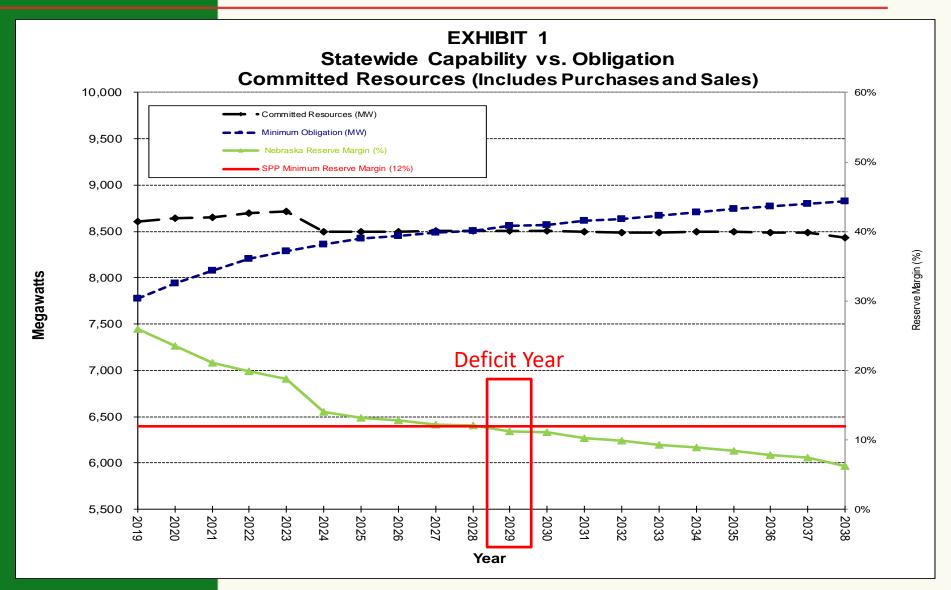
## OTHER NON-UTILITY WIND PROJECTS<sup>1</sup>

- Power purchase by Facebook and Adobe from 318 MW Rattlesnake Creek wind project.
- WEC Energy Group Purchase and Sale Agreement for 80% of 202.5 MW Upstream Wind Energy Center in early 2019. Invenergy to retain 20% interest in project.
- J.M. Smucker Company 60 MW Power Purchase from 230 MW Plum Creek Wind Project in 2020
- Vail Resorts 310,000 annual MWh Power Purchase from Plum Creek Wind Project in 2020
- Hormel Foods 74 MW Power Purchase from Milligan 3 in 2020

<sup>1.)</sup> Information gathered from publicly available industry publications and newspapers. These projects do not represent retail choice.

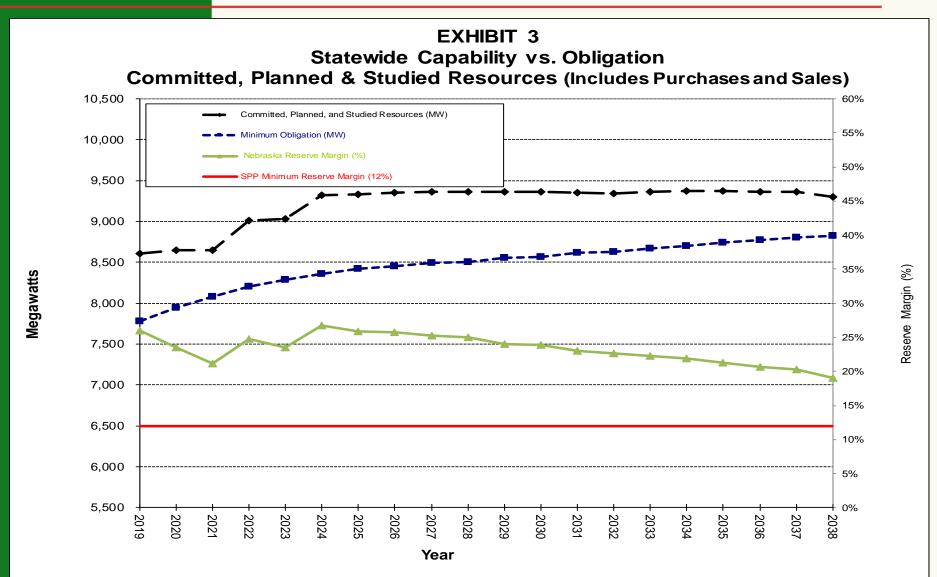


# Load & Capability with Committed Resources



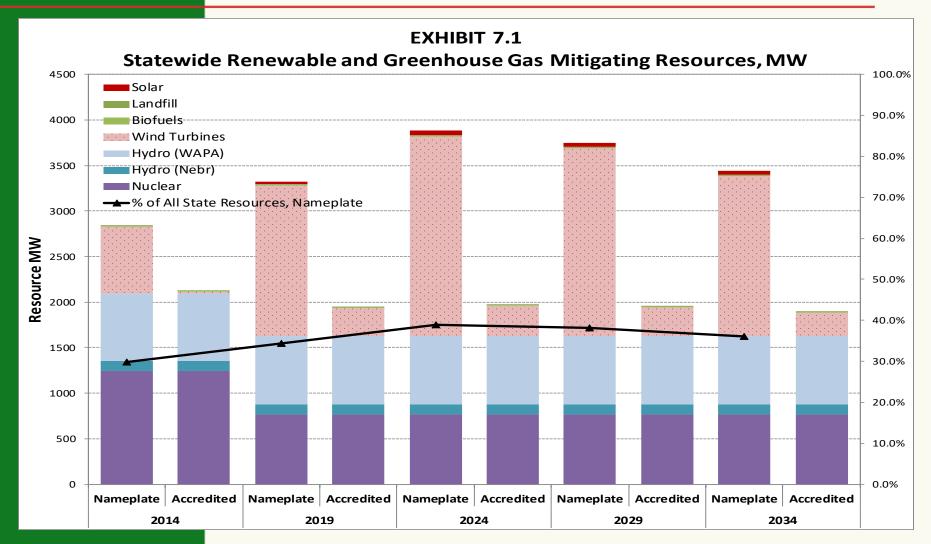


# Load & Capability with Committed, Planned, and Studied Resources





## Renewable and Greenhouse Gas Mitigating Resources



Nameplate – maximum rated output of generator Accredited – SPP rated generator output to reliably serve peak load



## **Conclusions**

- Demand growth of 0.7% per year is higher than the 0.4% shown in last year's report
- Nebraska has sufficient existing and committed resources to meet its SPP Reserve Margin requirements through 2029
- OPPD is experiencing load growth that may require future generating capacity modifications
- Wind generation additions are expected to occur for the next several years in the absence of significant statewide demand growth