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# Colorado Coordinated Planning Group Western Slope Subcommittee

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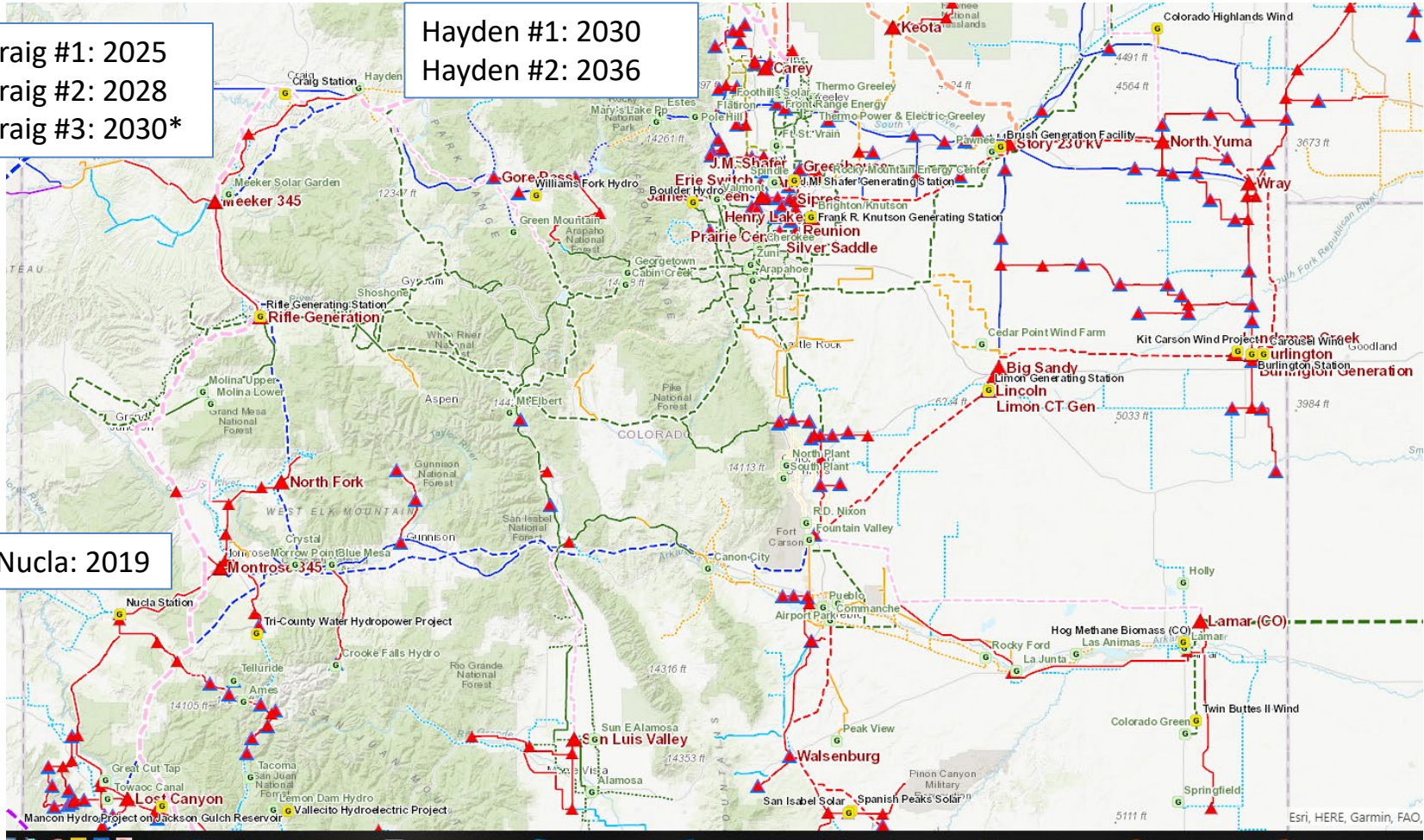
# Purpose: Effects of Coal Retirements



Craig #1: 2025  
 Craig #2: 2028  
 Craig #3: 2030\*

Hayden #1: 2030  
 Hayden #2: 2036

Nucla: 2019







# Background

- In the next 5-16 years all of the coal units in the Western Slope are planned to be retired
  - Craig 1 – 2025 (470 MW)
  - Craig 2 – 2028 (470 MW)
  - Craig 3 – 2030\* (478 MW)
  - Hayden 1 – 2030 (202 MW)
  - Hayden 2 – 2036 (285 MW)
  - ◆ Total to be retired is 1905 MW

\*the Colorado Air Quality Control Commission has a preliminary final action requiring Craig 3 to close by 2028



# Subcommittee Scope

- To analyze the impacts of the western slope coal generation retirements in a phased approach:
  - ◆ Phase 1 includes power flow, short circuit, and stability analysis on the re-dispatched cases
  - ◆ Phase 2 will look at the impacts of replacing the synchronous generation with inverter based generation
  - ◆ Phase 3 will investigate the impacts to transfer capabilities in and out of western Colorado



# Study Methodology

- Base Cases
  - ◆ Benchmark cases – some or all western slope coal units are dispatched in these cases
    - 2030 Heavy Summer
    - 2030 Light Spring
    - 2026 Heavy Winter
  - ◆ Study Cases
    - 2030 Heavy Summer – all Western Slope coal off
    - 2030 Light Spring – all Western Slope coal off
    - 2026 Heavy Winter – Craig 1 off
    - 2026 Heavy Winter – all Western Slope coal off
- TSGT and PSCO coordinated on the updated dispatch assumptions for the study cases
- The coal units were re-dispatched to all the available renewable capacity before synchronous generation was used for the re-dispatch



# Preliminary Results

- Steady state P1-P7 contingencies that have been provided by TSGT, WAPA, and PSCO have all been studied using the four study cases
  - There are no steady state performance decreases relative to the benchmark cases
- Dynamic contingencies have been provided by TSGT and WAPA and are currently being studied
  - The dynamic contingencies that have been studied show no performance decreases relative to the benchmark cases
  - Known overvoltage issues in the Craig area will be investigated



# Next Steps

- Last meeting – October 8, 2020
  - ◆ Agreed on study scope & methodology for phase 1
  
- Next meeting – January, 2020
  - ◆ Review results from phase 1
  - ◆ Review draft study scope & methodology for phase 2

# Questions?



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