

1.0 National Infrastructure Simulation and Analysis Center (NISAC)



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# NISAC History & Mission



- The National Infrastructure Simulation and Analysis Center (NISAC) is
  - A program of the DHS Office of Cyber Infrastructure Analysis (OCIA)
  - Established under The USA PATRIOT Act of 2001
  - A collaboration between national laboratories
    - Sandia National Laboratories
    - Los Alamos National Laboratory
    - Pacific Northwest Laboratory (added in 2015)
  - The work of 40 – 50 researchers



# NISAC Modeling and Analysis Goals

*Provide fundamentally new modeling and simulation capabilities for the analysis of critical infrastructures, their interdependencies, vulnerabilities, and complexities*

*Aiding decision makers with*

- policy assessment,*
- mitigation planning,*
- education & training,*
- near real-time assistance to crisis response organizations*



# Program Capabilities



- **Interdependencies and System Modeling**

Interdependencies and system modeling capabilities provide the foundation for all products including asset prioritization, natural disaster planning and other impact analyses.

- **Economic and Human Consequences**

A mixture of proprietary commercial software and in-house modeling and simulation capability to provide first-in-class estimates of population and economic impacts.

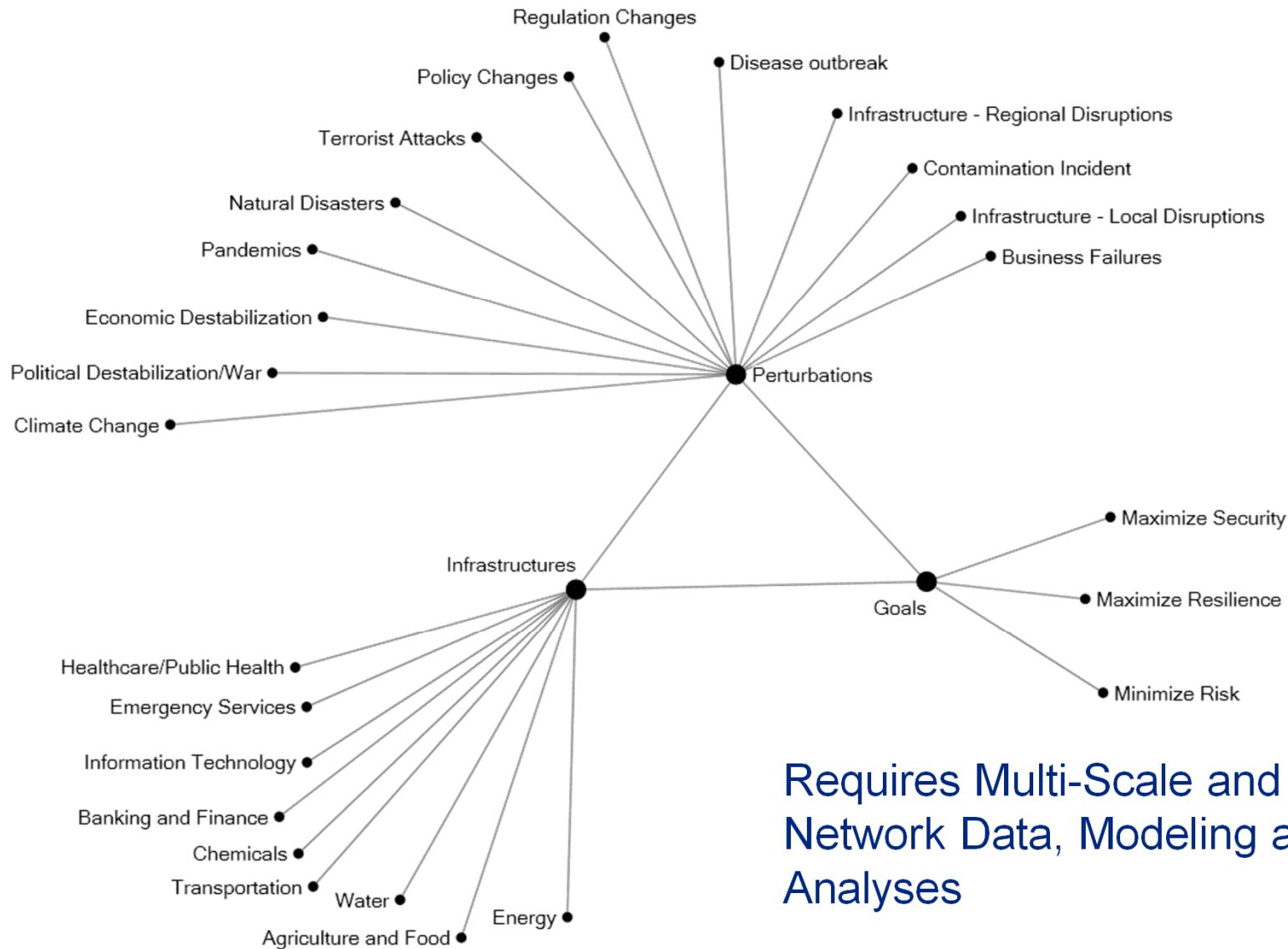
- **Asset and Facility Operations Modeling**

Representation of likely infrastructure operator responses to external events and the operational impacts of those responses.

- **Fast Integrated Hazards Analysis / Integrating Architecture**

A common integrated simulation environment provides consistent consequence estimates across event analyses and to expand event scenarios to multiple cascading events.

# Long-term Applied Research Goal: Understand Infrastructure Risks and Engineer Solutions

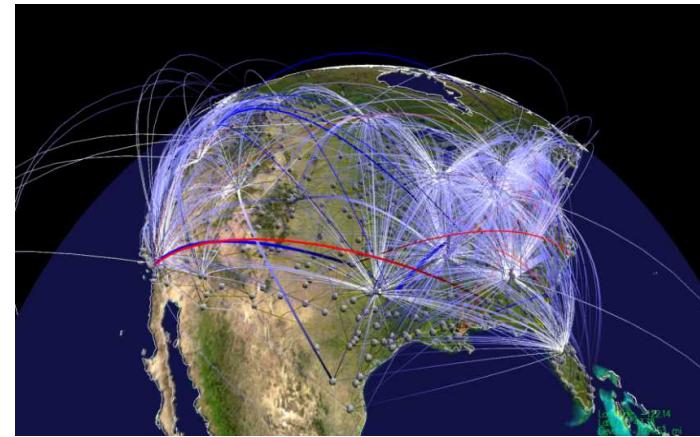


Requires Multi-Scale and Multi-  
Network Data, Modeling and  
Analyses

# Why We Model

- **The domains in which we work are:**

- Large
- Complex
- Dynamic
- Adaptive
- Nonlinear
- Behavioral



*Agent-based supply chain disruption model*

- **Too complex for mental models to be effective decision tools**
- **Identify when/where things break, and any cascading effects**
- **Quantifying consequences of disruptions in very complex systems**
  - Acute: Sudden but temporary loss of assets or function due to attack, accidents or natural disasters
  - Chronic: Gradual change in condition (environment, infrastructure supply or demand for infrastructure services) due to changing stresses, population dynamics, innovations, aging infrastructure

*Model to gain insight – experiment with the model not the system*

# Deployed Data Visualization, Analysis and Modeling Capabilities



## DHS Resources

FASTMap (Dependencies)

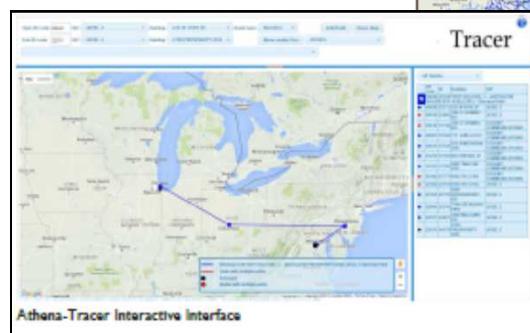
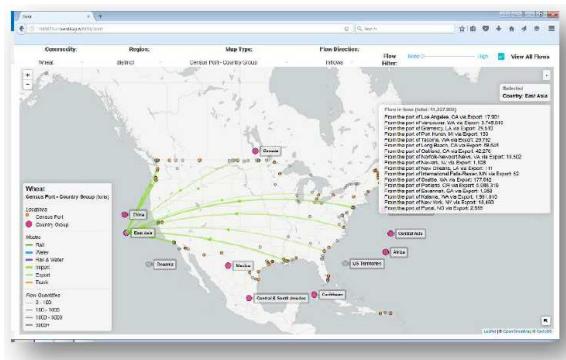
FASTMap 2015

NetFlow Dynamics (NFD)

MS River Commodity Explorer (MSCX)

Athena Internet Model Visualizer

Multimodal Transport



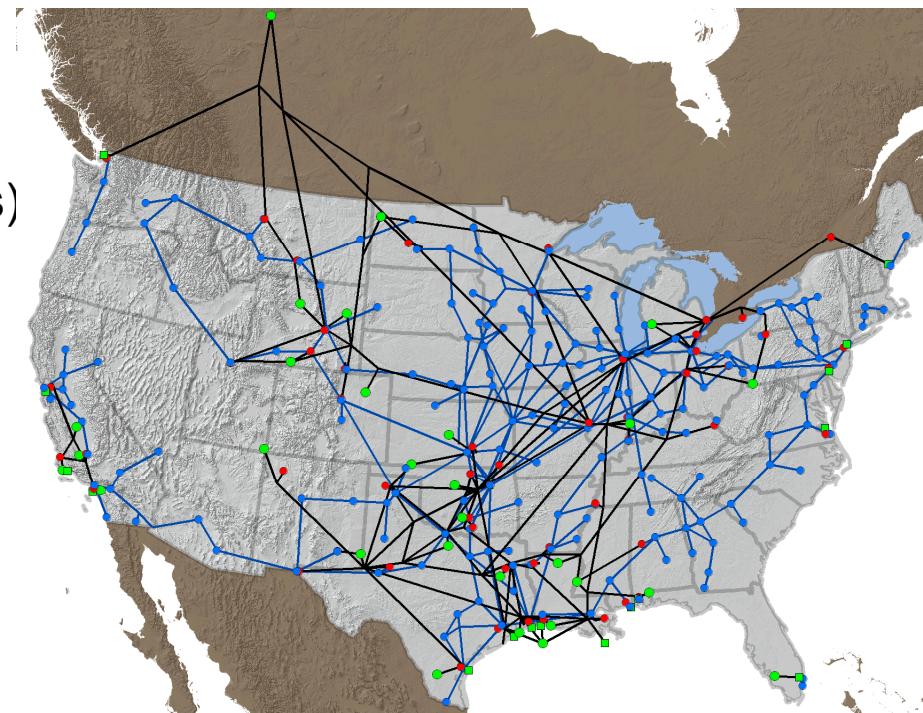
data for selected river segment (simulated).

NISAC Landing Page: <https://dhs-nisac.sandia.gov/>

# Energy – Petroleum Fuels: Crude Oil and Refined Products Interacting Networks

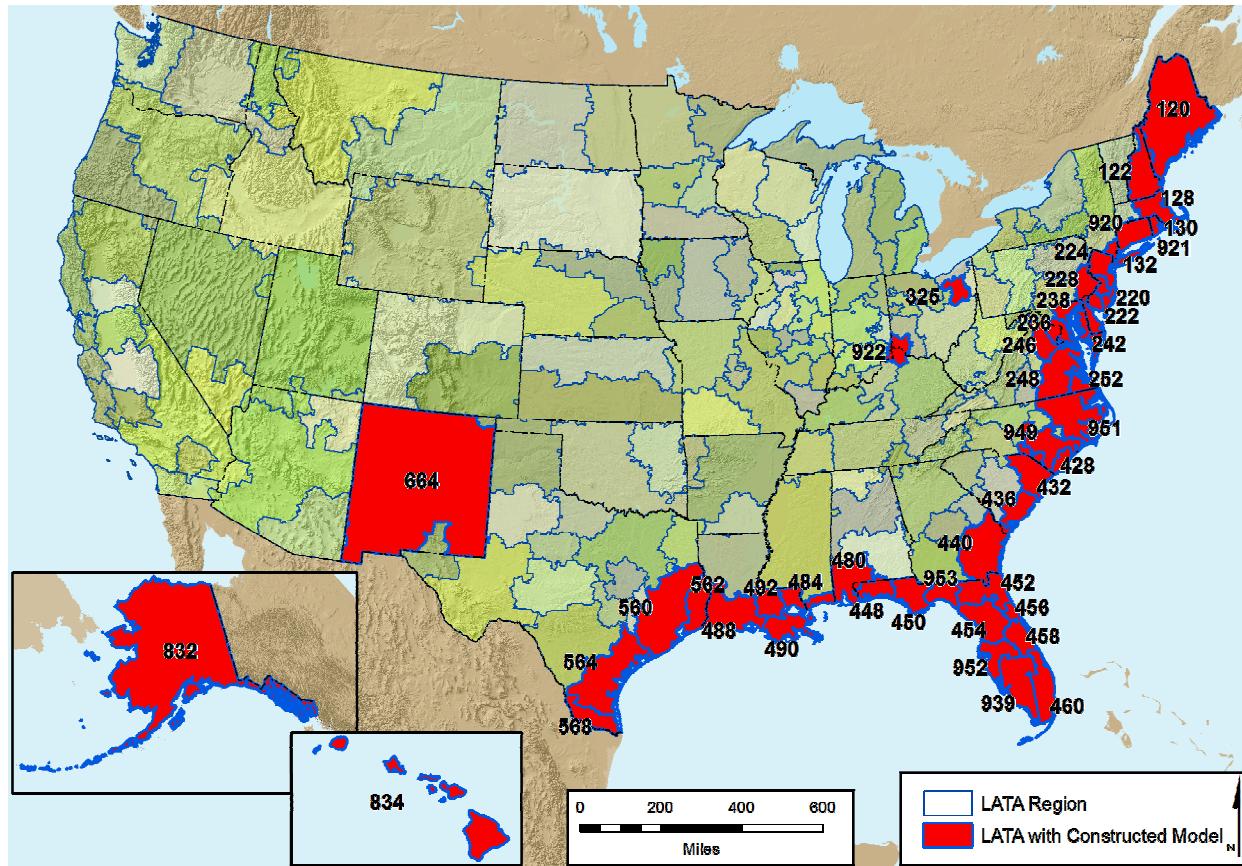


- Goals:
  - understanding risks of specific incidents (hurricanes, earthquakes, equipment failures)
  - identifying effective risk mitigations
- Approach:
  - incident and scenario-based analyses
  - national network flow dynamics model



For references and contact information see:  
<http://www.sandia.gov/nisac>

# Voice Model (Developed LATA Models)



# FASTMap History:

## Rapid Analysis and Situational Awareness



- FASTMap was developed in support of crisis action response efforts of the National Infrastructure Simulation and Analysis Center (NISAC) for the Department of Homeland Security
- Driven by:
  - The need to respond more quickly (hurricane analysis went from a 3 day to a 12 hour turnaround)
  - The need for fast production of maps, graphics, and statistics for decision makers
  - The need to free analyst time from routine data processing tasks
  - An increased number of areas of concern for the customer
- Uses:
  - Provides situational awareness for key infrastructures
  - Serves as a platform for visualizing model results
- Access:
  - Used in multiple environments by DHS and other customers
- Enhancement:
  - FASTMap is being enhanced to allow direct incorporation of models

# FASTMap is used in multiple environments by DHS and others



- Unclassified Access: FASTMap is accessible on the web with a Sandia CryptoCard; planned for cloud deployment
- Crisis response: Our DHS customer (DHS/OCIA) uses FASTMap for infrastructure maps and statistics as part of their crisis action response
- Data: Infrastructure data for that instantiation is from HSIP Gold and other Sandia-purchased data sources
- Classified access: FASTMap is also available on the web over JWICS with MIDB data

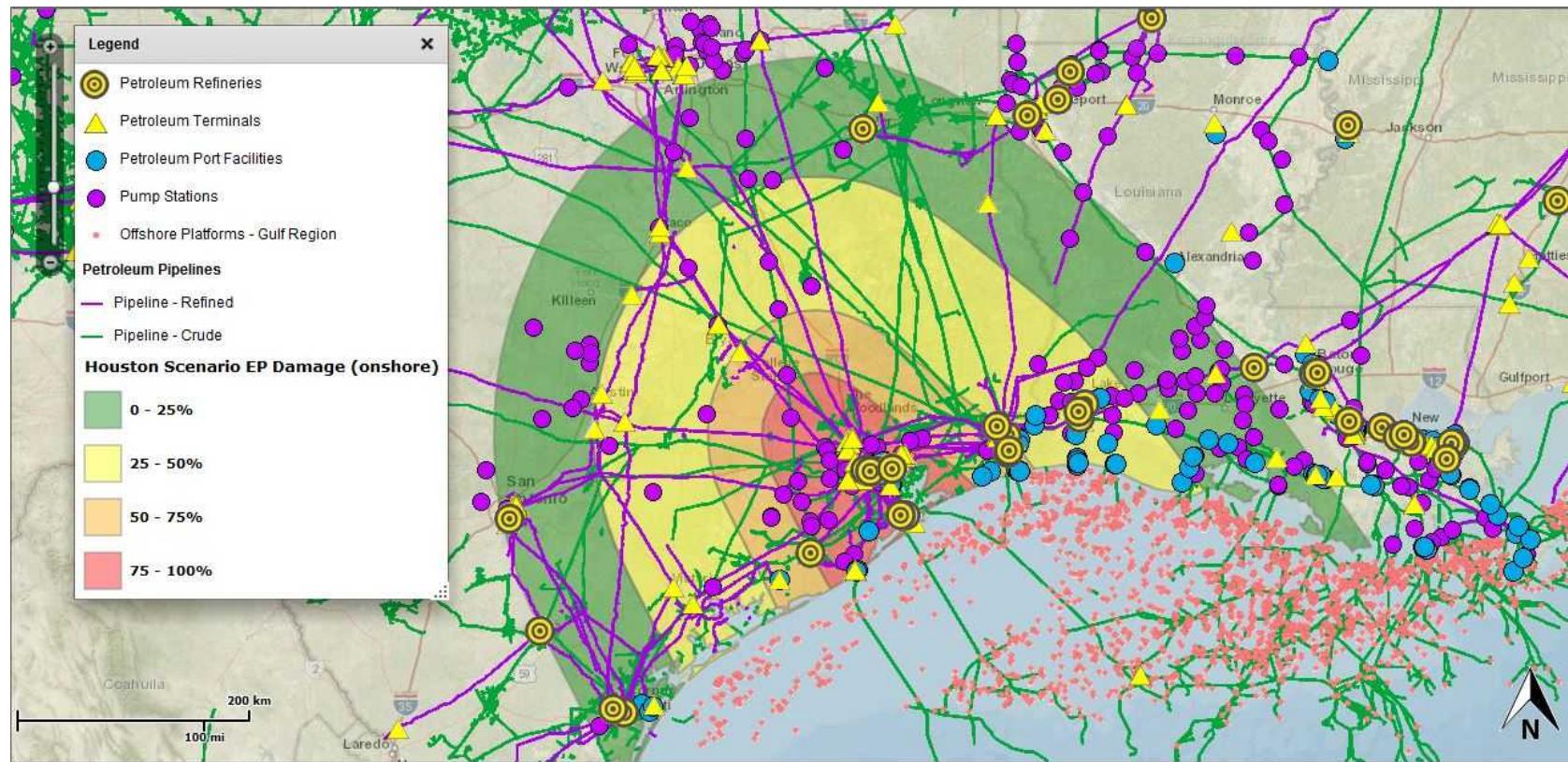
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- DHS is currently funding the incorporation of the Regional Economic Accounting (REAcct) economics model into FASTMap and the automated generation of telecommunications outage contours
- Models can write to a space that FASTMap can read in a format it can display
- Can allow models to interact without major rework or changes in user interface
- Allows analysts and algorithms to work in the environment best suited for the problem

# FASTMap is used to address many situational awareness questions

- “What’s in and around the impact region for infrastructure(s) I care about?”



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- “What are important statistics relative to those infrastructures?”

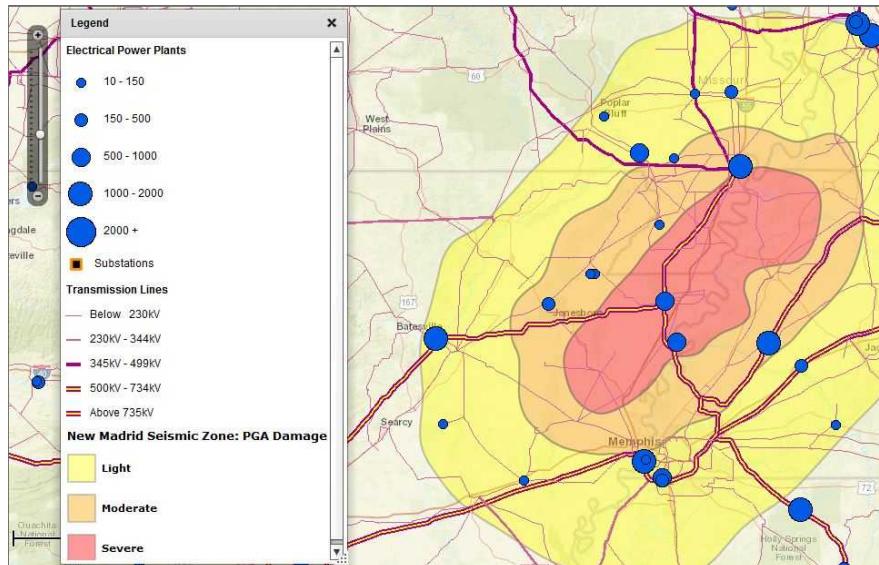


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## EP Generation Plants

Total Number of Power Generation Plants in the Light Zone: 17

Total Number of Power Generation Plants in the Moderate Zone: 6

Total Number of Power Generation Plants in the Severe Zone: 2

Total Number of Power Generation Plants in All Zones: 25

**Power Generation Capacity (megawatts) in the Light Zone:**

Fuel	Capacity (megawatts)	Total	%
Gas	4,974.10	520,355.00	0.96
Coal	3,740.80	368,171.00	1.02
Petro	37.30	75,404.00	0.05
<b>Total</b>	<b>8,752.20</b>	<b>963,930.00</b>	<b>0.91</b>

**Power Generation Capacity (megawatts) in the Moderate Zone:**

Fuel	Capacity (megawatts)	Total	%
Gas	1,922.70	520,355.00	0.37
Coal	1,200.00	368,171.00	0.33
<b>Total</b>	<b>3,122.70</b>	<b>888,526.00</b>	<b>0.35</b>

**Power Generation Capacity (megawatts) in the Severe Zone:**

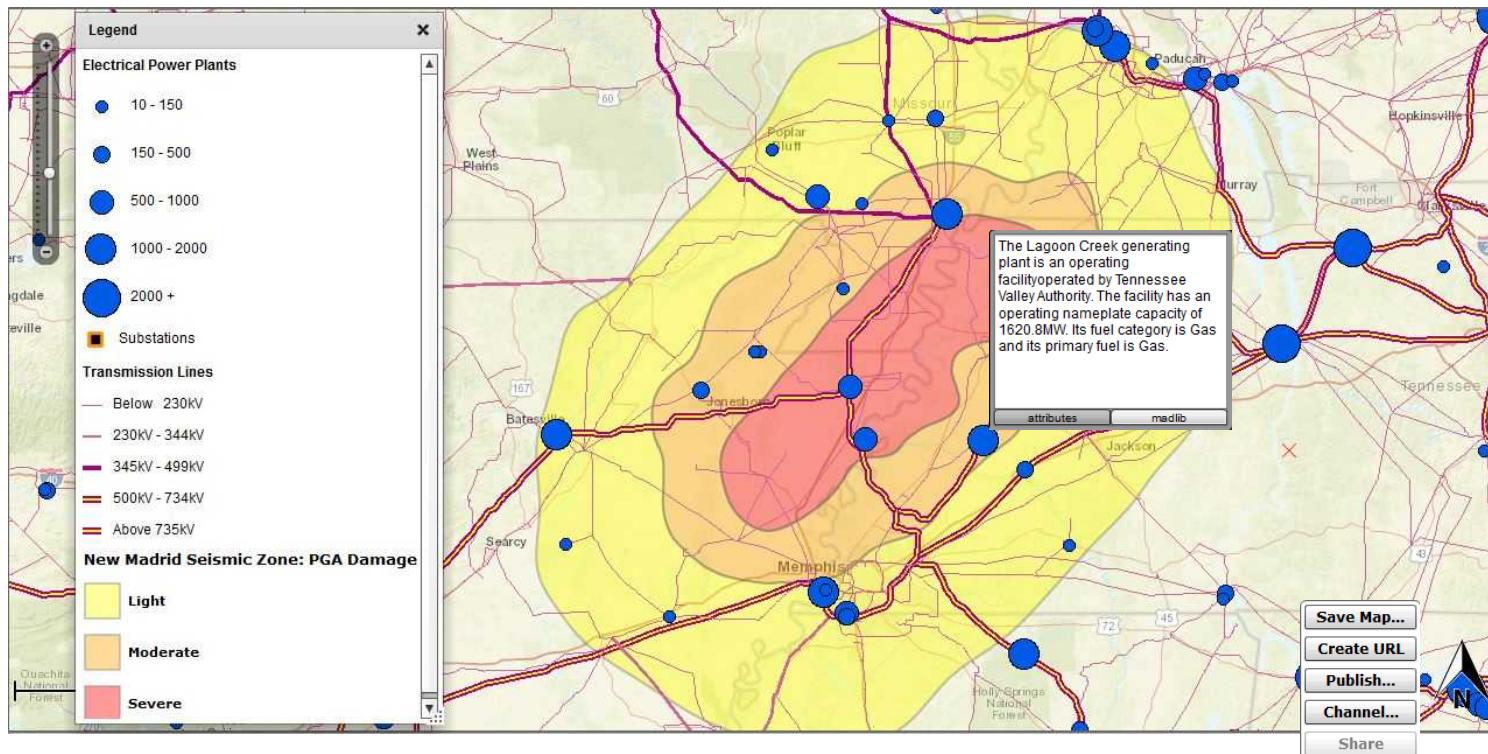
Fuel	Capacity (megawatts)	Total	%
Gas	679.00	520,355.00	0.13
Coal	720.00	368,171.00	0.20
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,399.00</b>	<b>888,526.00</b>	<b>0.16</b>

**Power Generation Capacity (megawatts) in All Zones:**

Fuel	Capacity (megawatts)	Total	%
Gas	4,974.10	520,355.00	0.96
Coal	3,740.80	368,171.00	1.02
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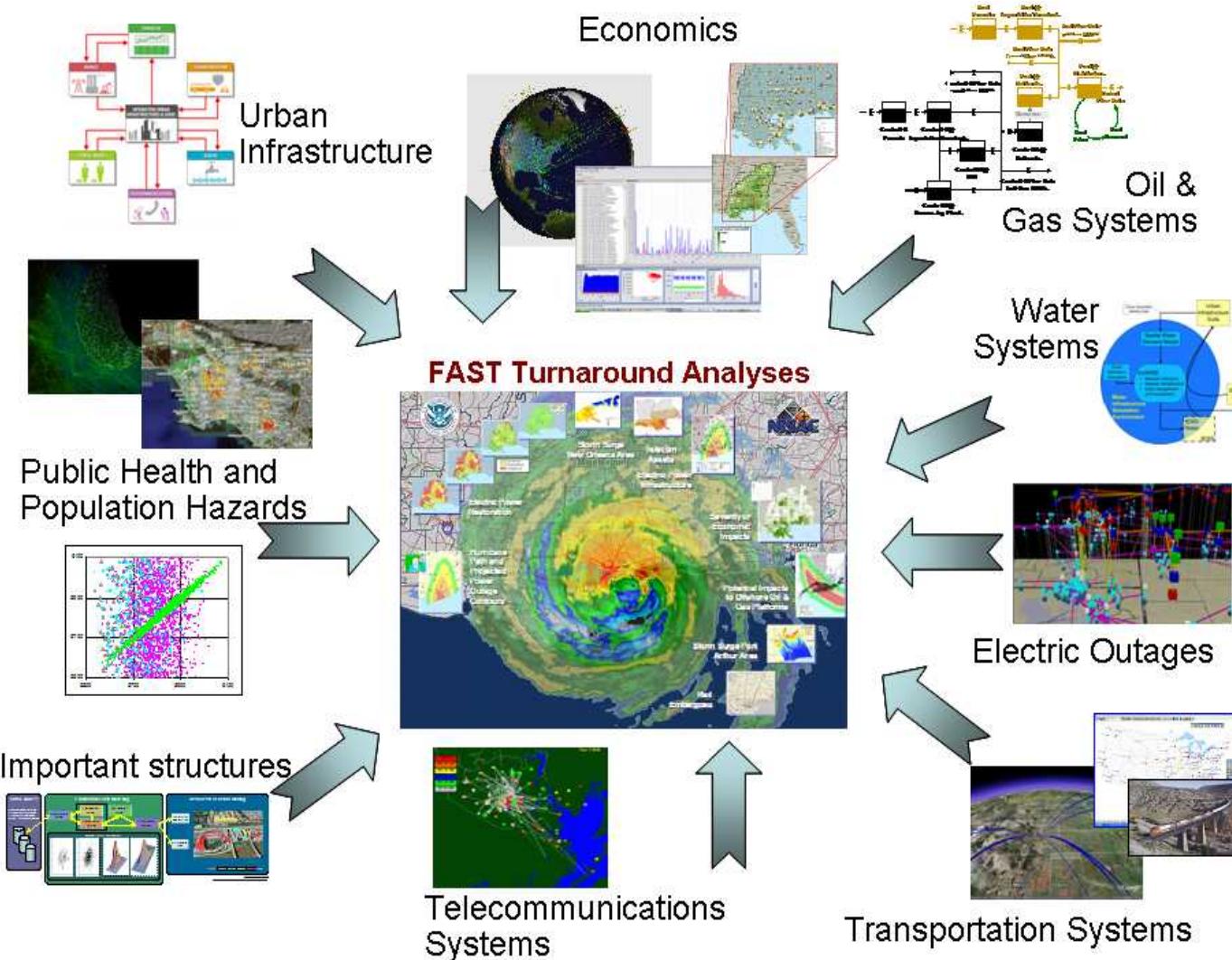
# FASTMap serves as a platform for visualization of model results

- Enables production quality map for reports and presentations
- Enables information sharing via URL or real-time channel feed



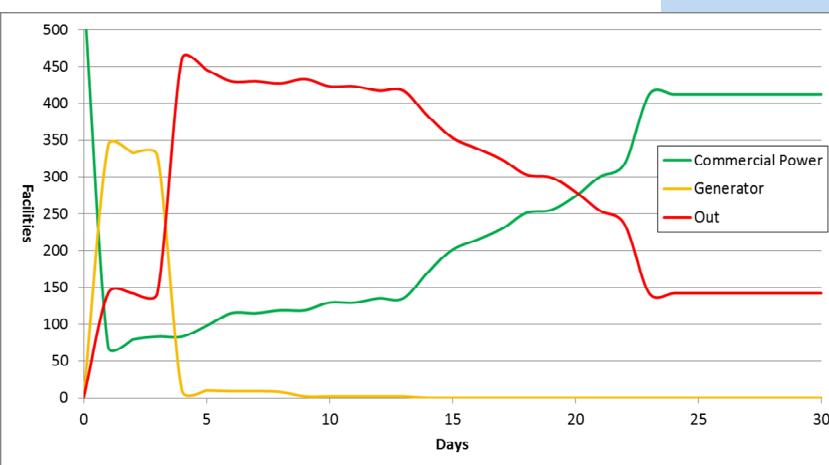
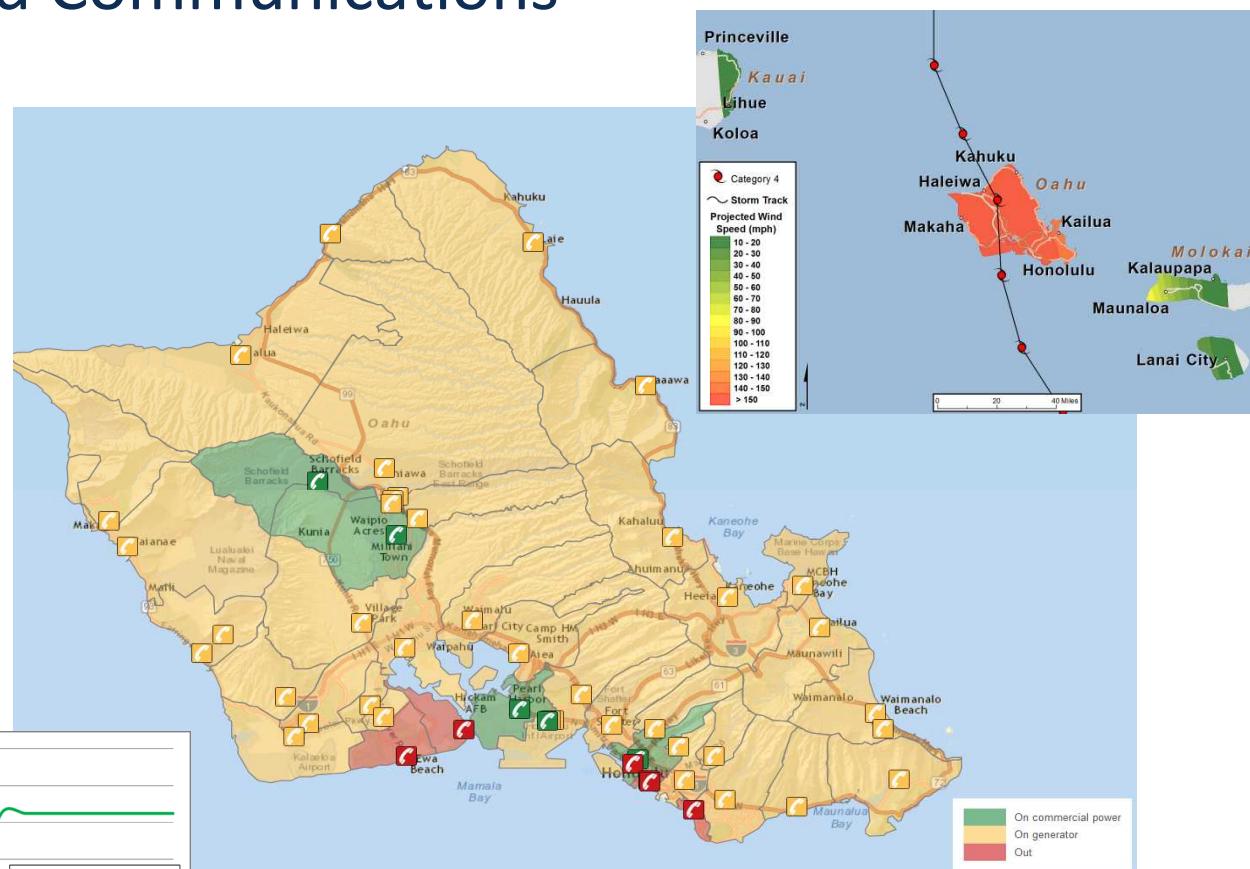
# Hurricane Impacts Analysis

## Integration of Multidisciplinary Skill Sets & Expertise



# Hawaii Interdependency: Category 4 Hurricane Electric Power and Communications

- Widespread resulting power outage
- Communications assets move to generator power
- Duration of outage results in refueling issues



- Inoperable communications assets results in potential degradation of response and restoration capability

# Questions?