

Bottom up sustainability through Institutional Transformation

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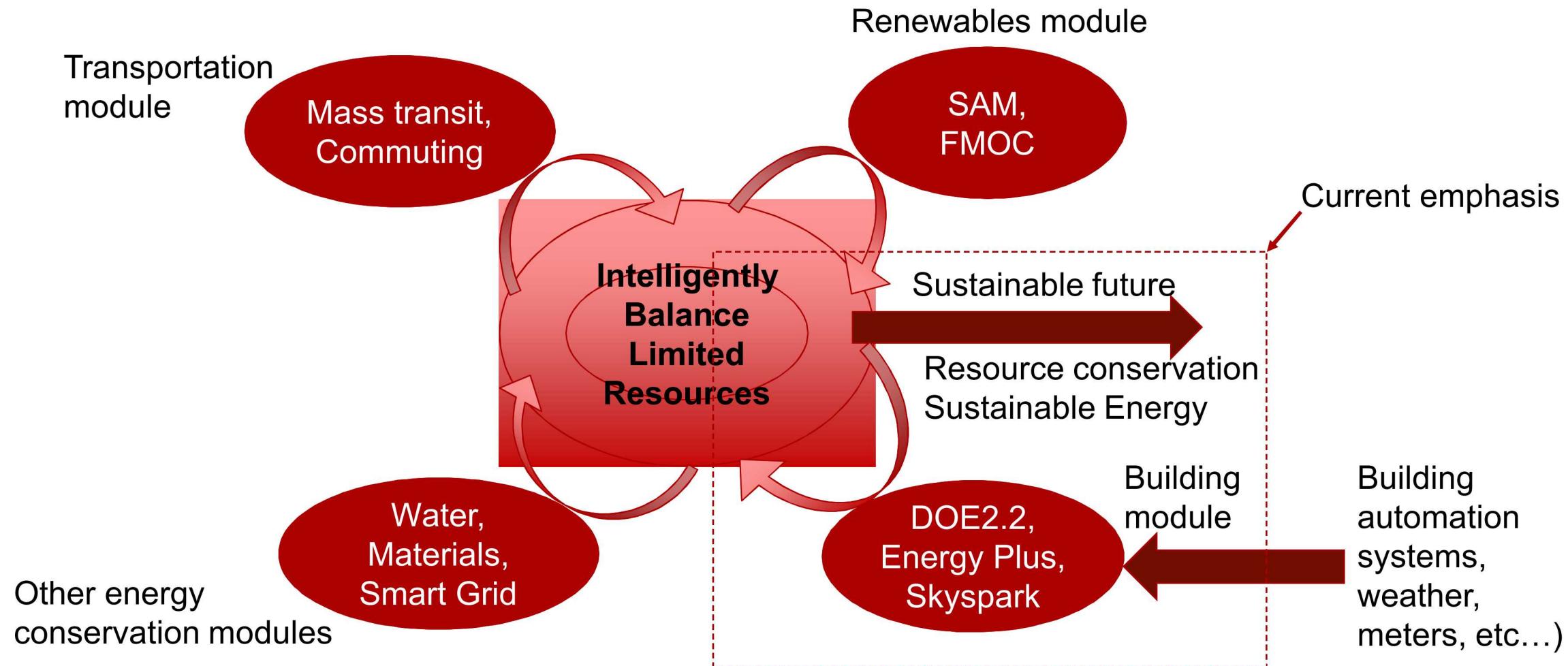
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Introduction

- Hypothesis: Sustainability is best approached from the bottom-up to quantify confidence
- One bottom up approach that may offer the most return for sustainability is practical systems integration with underlying models that continuously feedback with each other.
 - The models must be setup to undergo continuous verification and validation to provide a deeper look into the optimal next step
 - A tightly integrated data/modeling system will help move toward learning whether our sustainability decisions were useful
- This is the approach of the Institutional Transformation (IX) project at Sandia National Laboratories

Vision

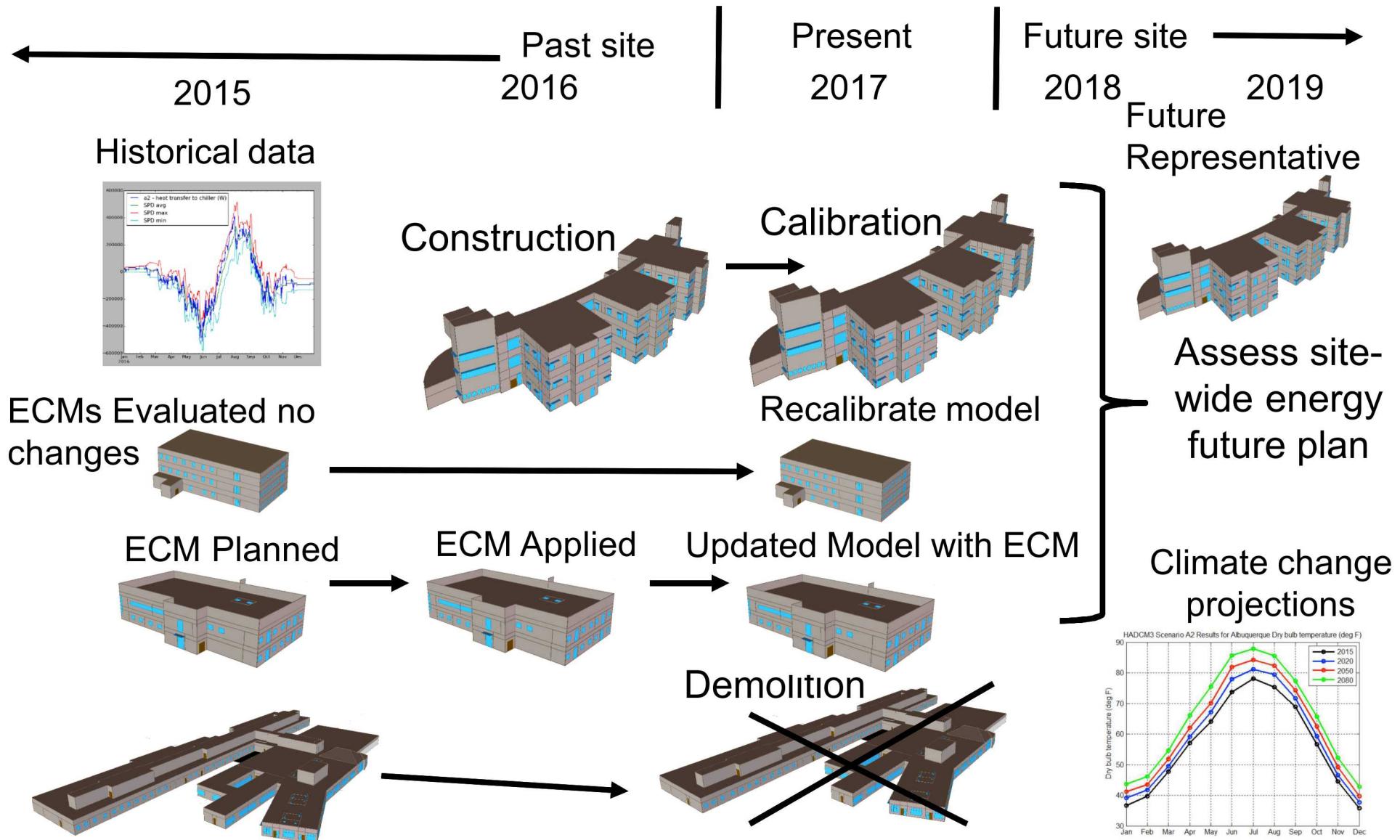
Sustainability through institution-wide interconnected data and modeling systems



Goals to realize the IX vision

- Provide energy conservation measure (ECM) and renewable energy assessments that provide tradeoffs between competing scenarios
- 100% synchronization between energy models and energy policy. This would allow model/data analytics to quickly capture violations of energy policy
- 100% automated calibration between BAS data and model outputs
- Apply automated processes that isolate root causes of inefficiencies
- Provide higher fidelity databases to validate urban scale modeling efforts
- Provide resources to move building-by-building research efforts to institution-wide analyses

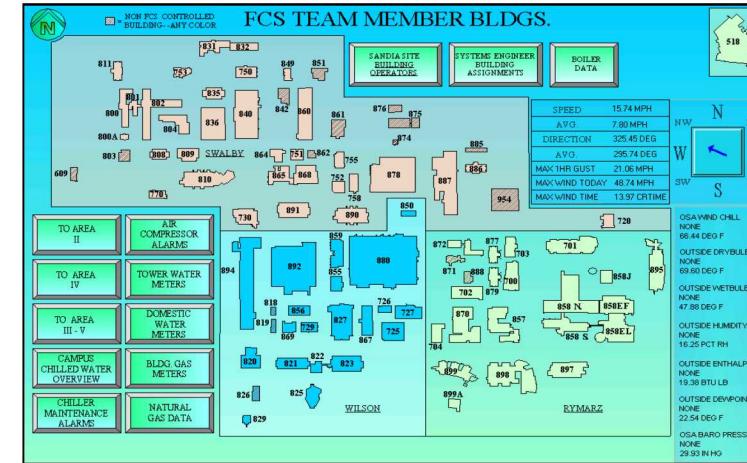
Modeling institutional evolution



100-1000's of Models



100,000-1,000,000's of data streams



+ Algorithms
/Software

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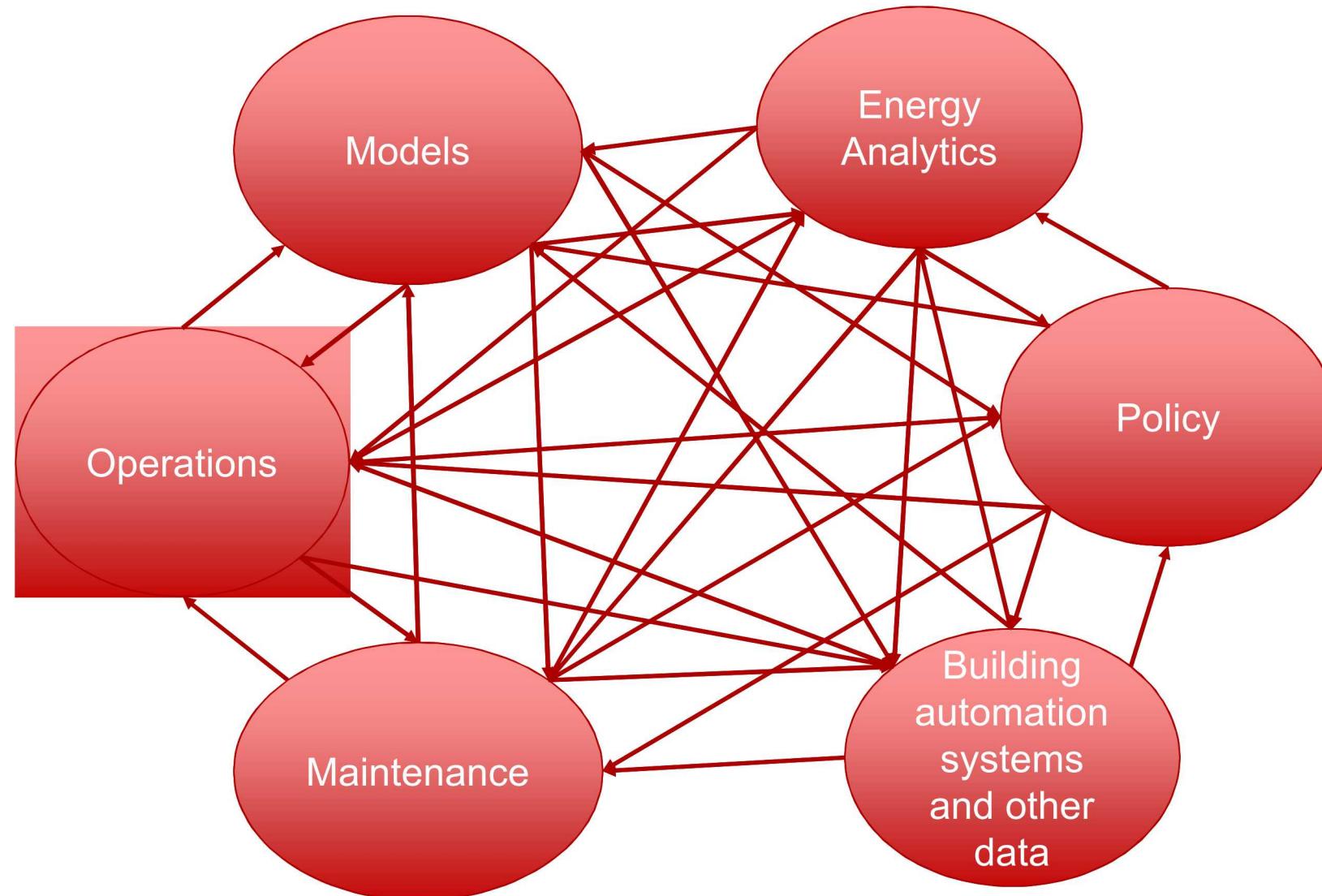
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Potential to
fulfill IX vision

Challenges

Should everything talk to everything?



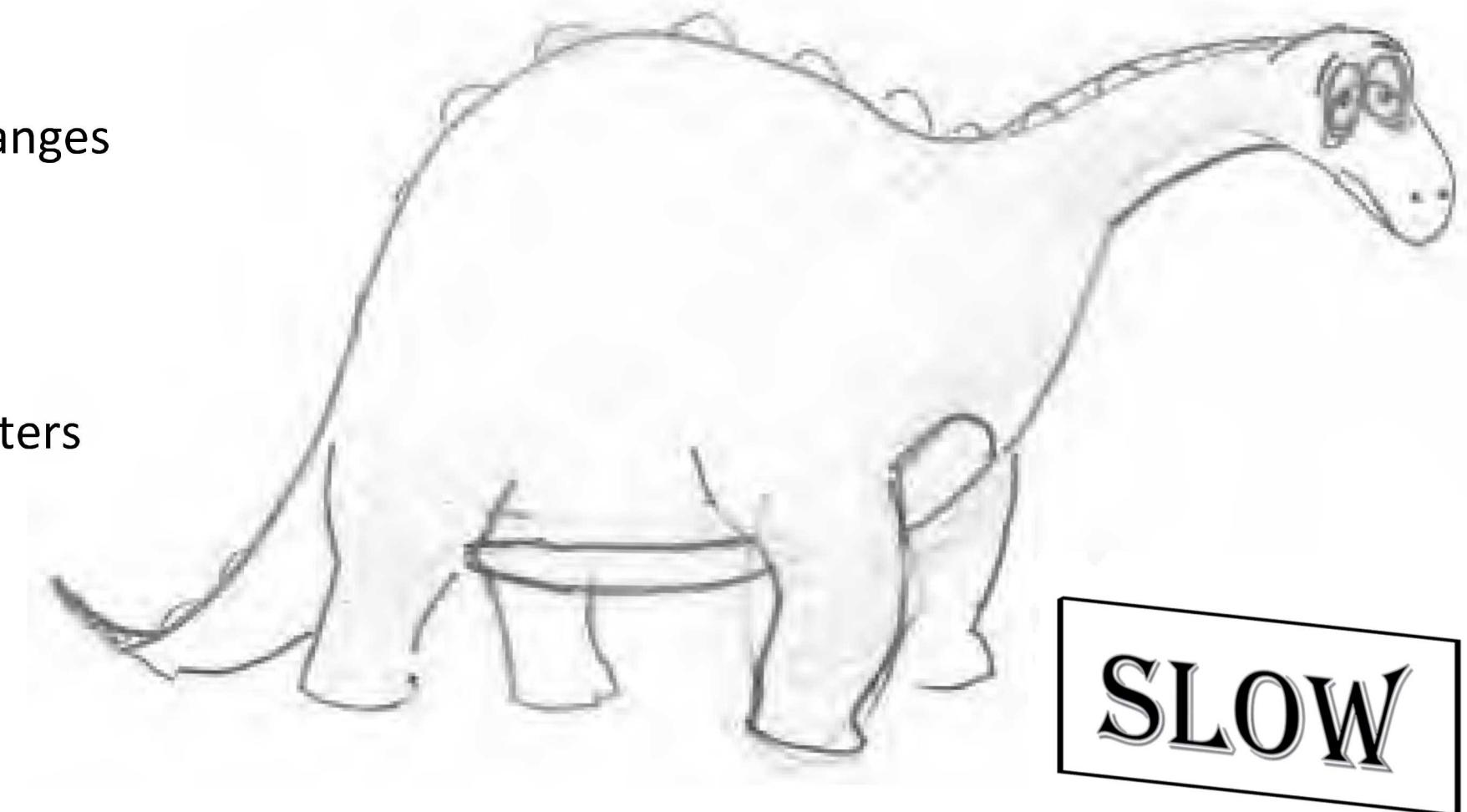
Priorities

Energy is #4

1. Safety
2. Security
3. Productivity/Cost
4. Energy

Model synchronization with reality

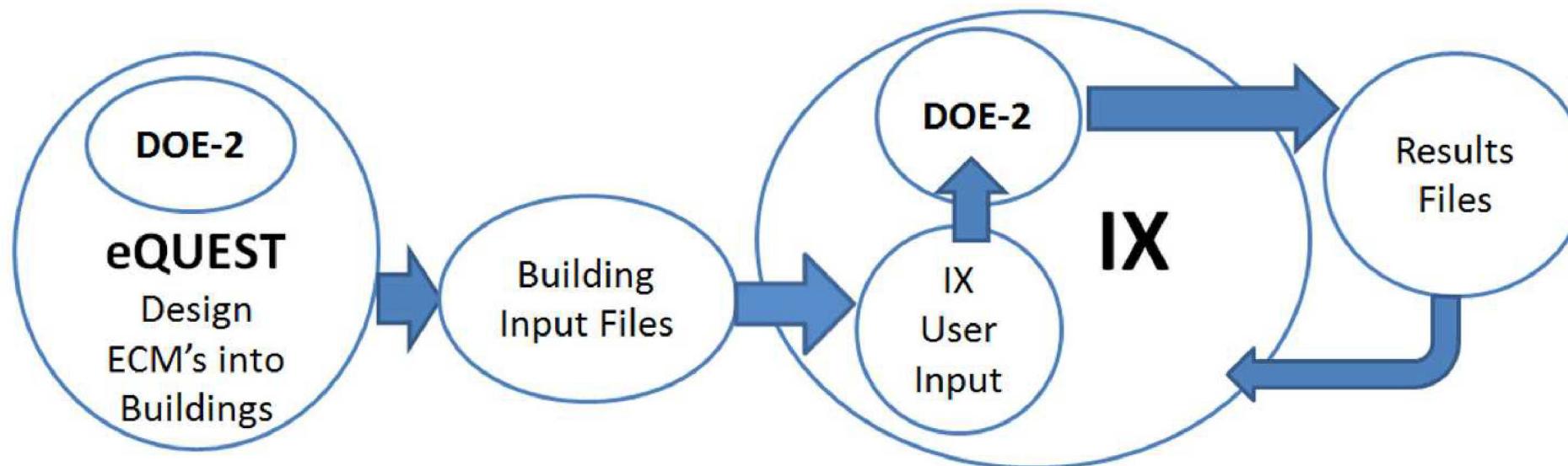
- Schedules
- As-built and retrofit changes
- Equipment degradation/failure
- Model assumptions
- 1000's of input parameters



Accomplishments

What is the IX building module?

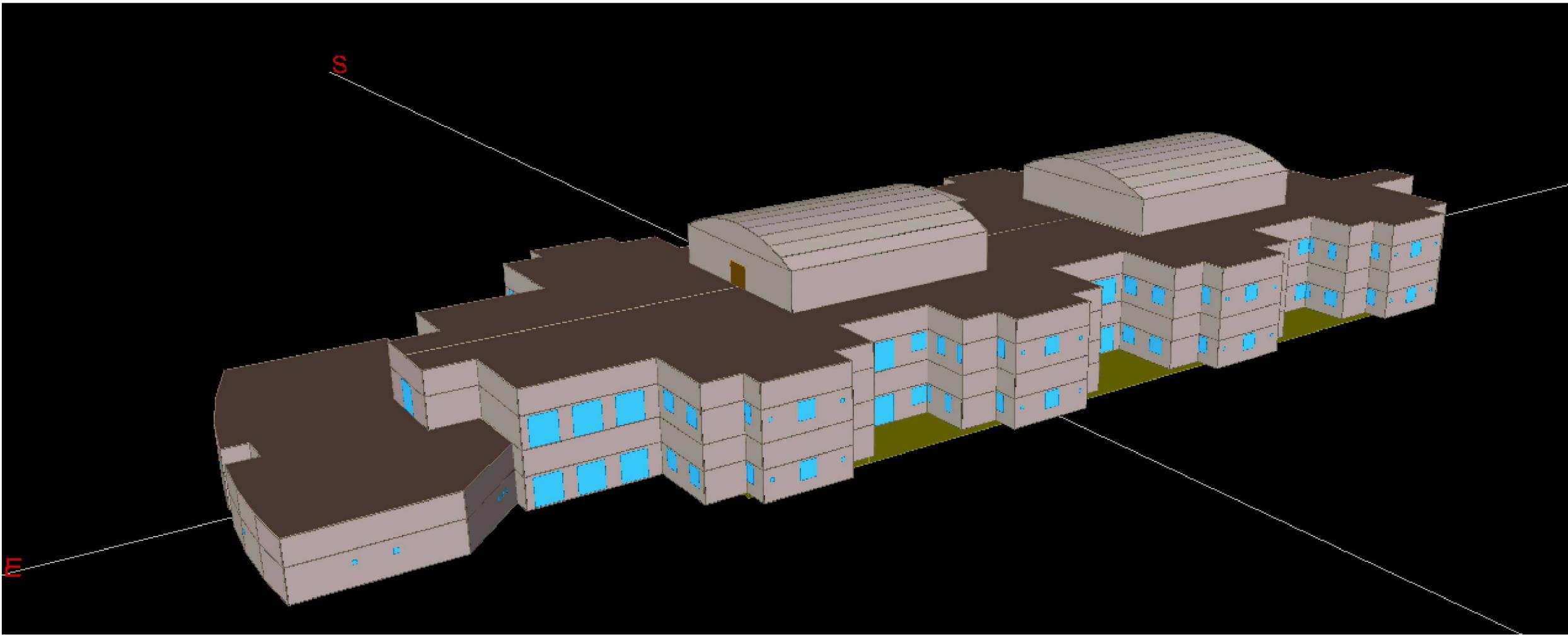
- The IX building module is a combined Microsoft Excel/Access® application with DOE-2 as a BEM runtime engine. It allows an arbitrary set of BEM's to be coordinated in scenarios that combine ECM's into the future.
- IX assumes that models are created in another tool such as eQUEST.
- Work is being done to combine this tool with real time data from our energy analytics database that is still underdevelopment.



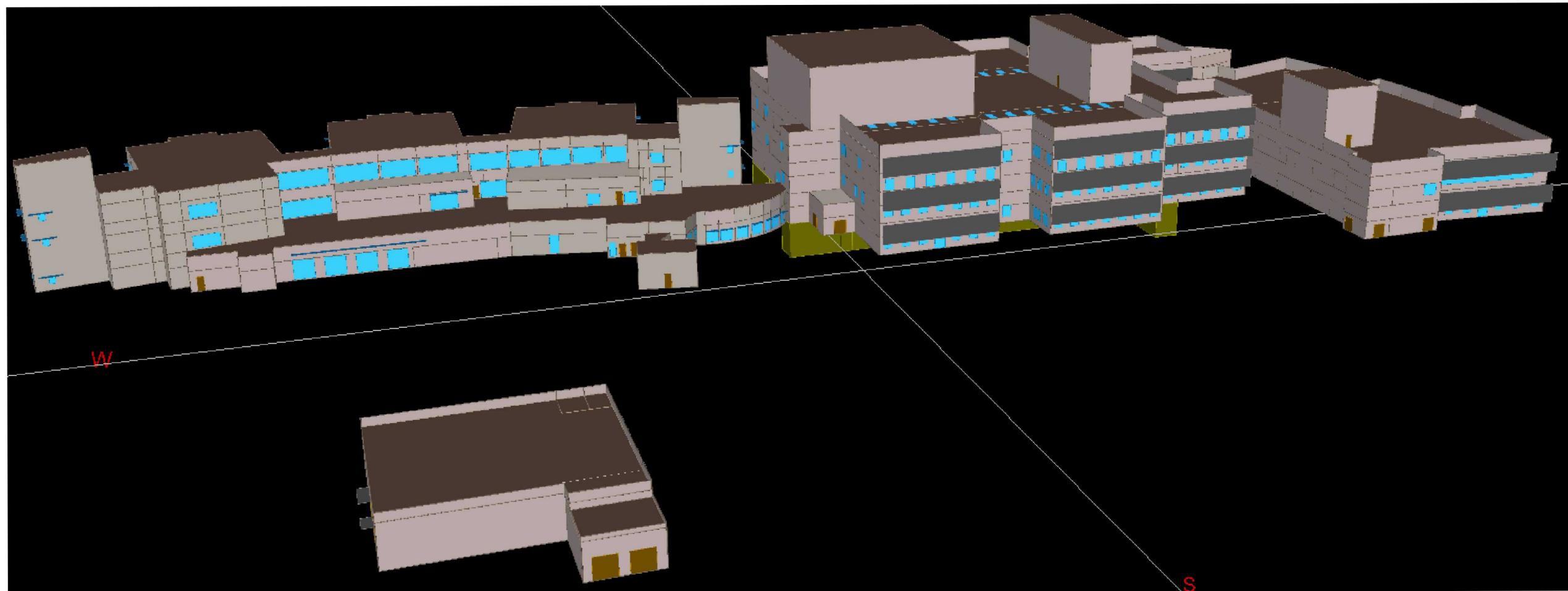
Current Implementation

- IX building module 2.5 delivered in 2015. 2.6 is under creation and expected to be finished in early 2018.
- 121 BEM in California and New Mexico (120 DOE2.2 models and 1 E+ model)
- Manual creation and calibration of each model
- Script to connect BEM into centralized chilling loops
- Sky-spark energy analytics database connections to continuously inform models with weather data is in progress

Building 6585 eQuest Model

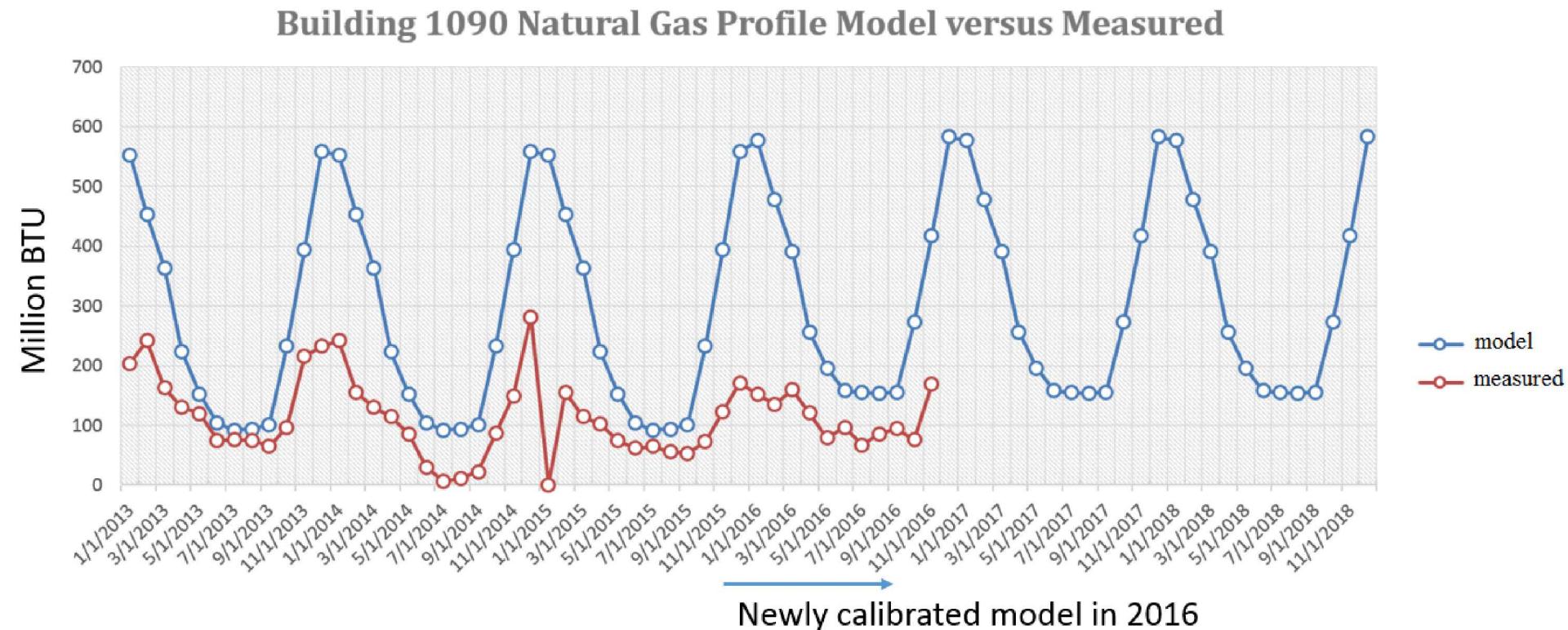


Buildings 899A, 899, & 898 eQuest Models



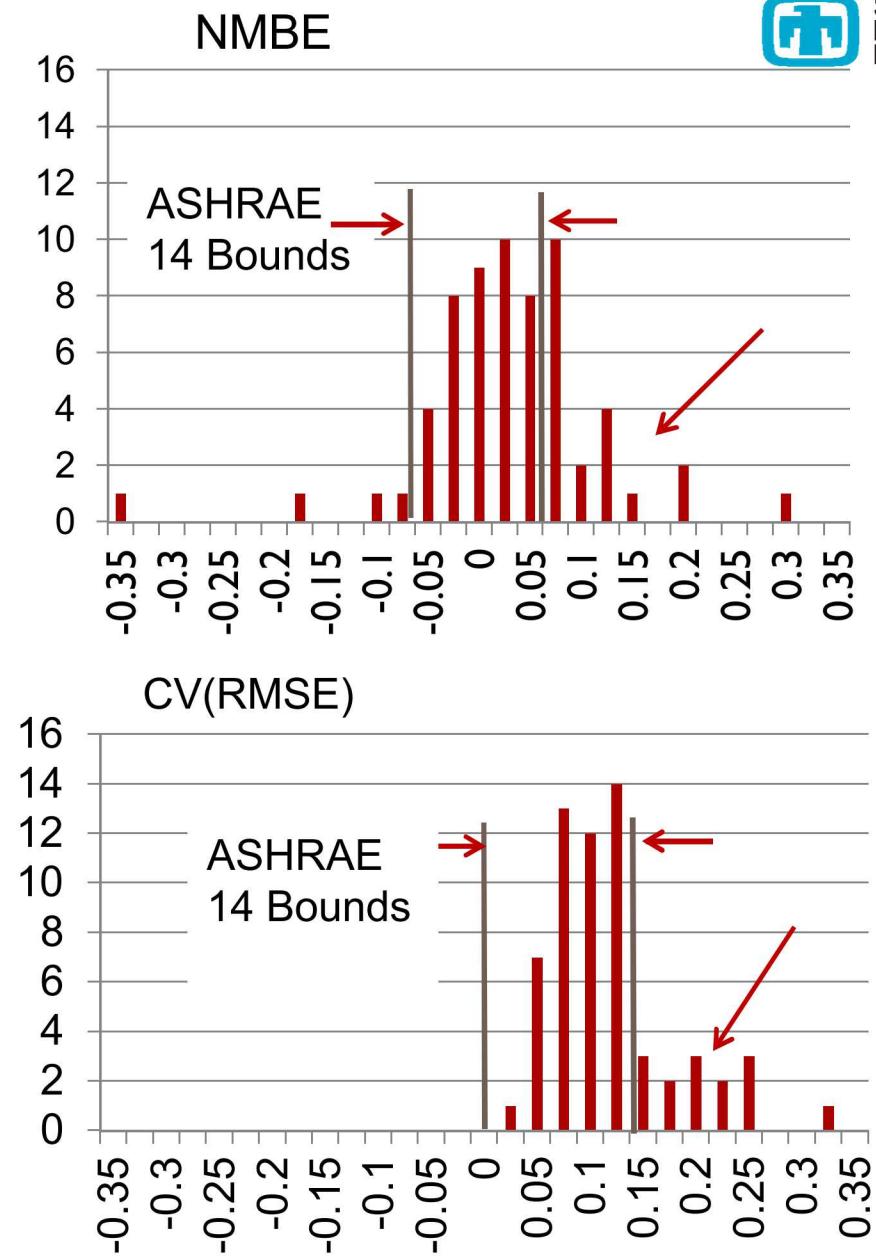
Problems (1)

- Unreliable data: natural gas metering



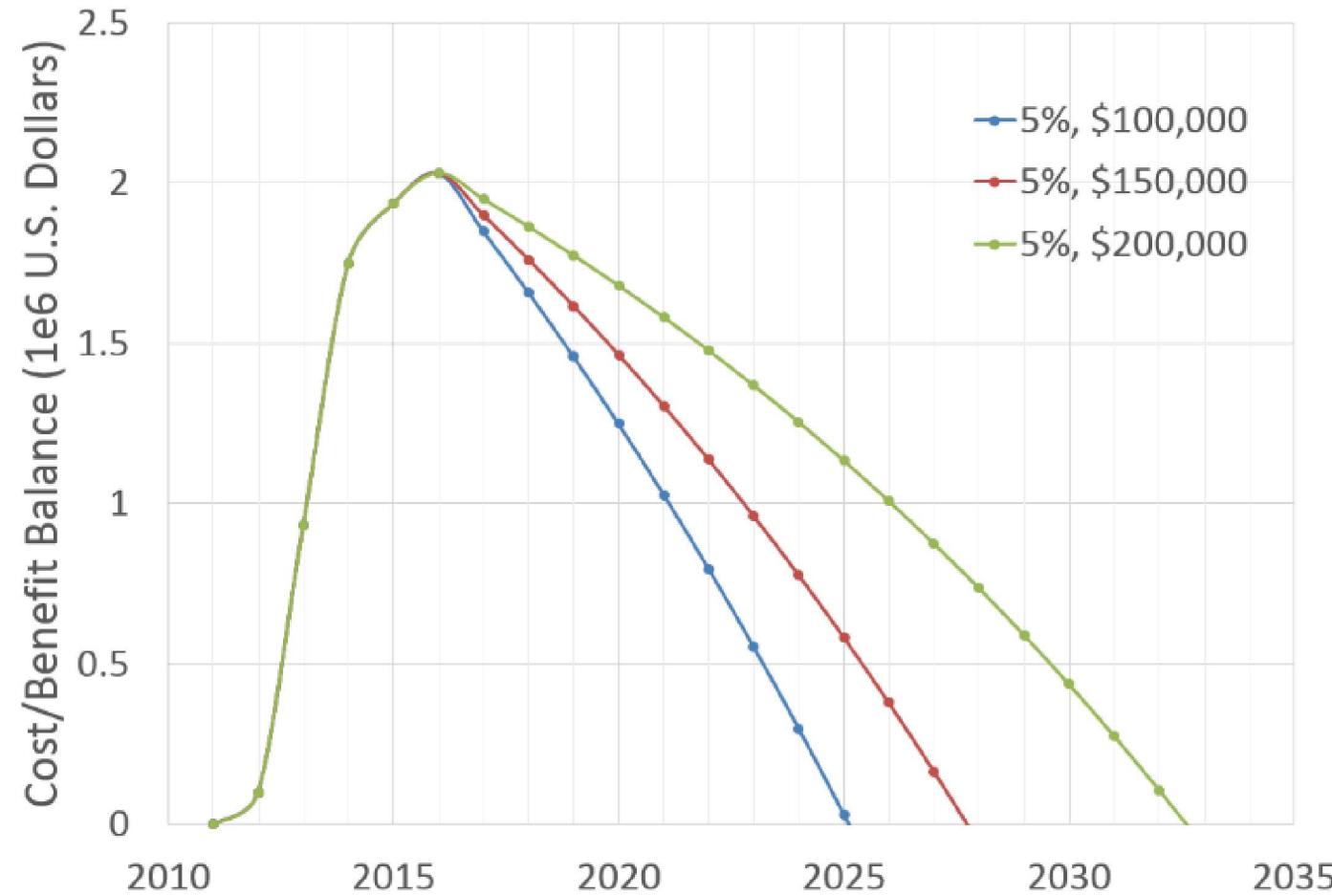
Problems (2)

- Unreliable models
 - 51 yet to be calibrated due to lack of data
 - Of 69 evaluated
 - 54% meet $|NMBE| < 5\%$
 - 79% meet $CV(RMSE) < 15$
 - 31% meet ASHRAE Guideline 14
 - No way to assess confidence interval in energy savings predicted
 - No comparison made for natural gas



Problems (3)

- All of this is expensive to build and maintain!



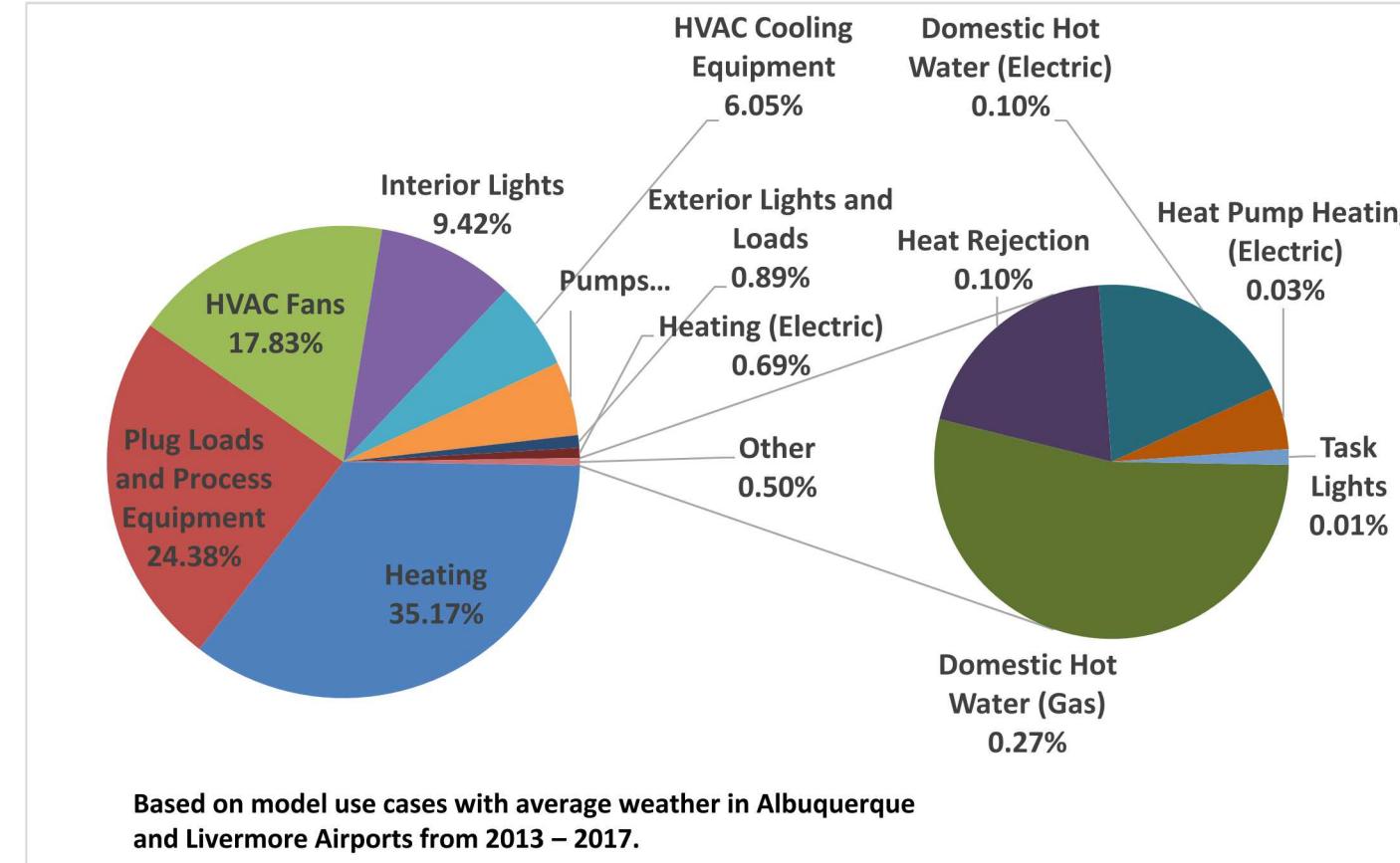
Now to the positive
results ...

Use of IX

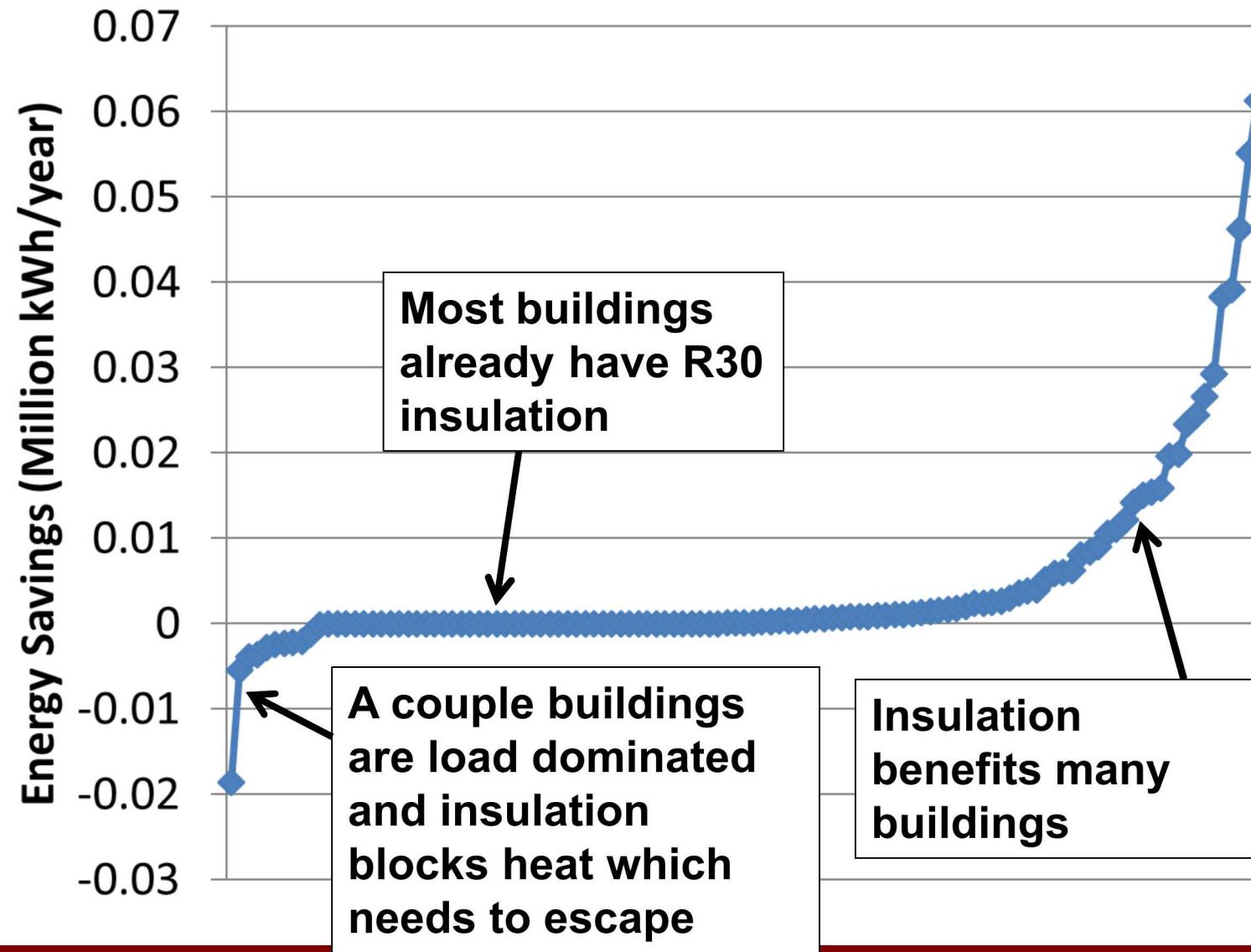
- Site-wide energy savings potential assessments from 2013 to the present
 - Insulation
 - Cool roofs
 - Thermo-stat Management (Lab and Office)
 - Supply air temperature resets
 - Fan Schedules (Lab and Office)
 - Chilled water/hot water resets
 - Lab exhaust ventilation
 - Lighting efficiency
 - Eliminating unnecessary 24/7 operations
 - Evaporative cooling
 - Chillers (central and local)
 - Boilers (local)
 - Climate Change
- If an ECM is needed and it can be modeled accurately in DOE2.2, we can provide a site-wide result that disaggregates to the building level.

Energy Break Down Estimate

- Electricity
 - FY12 2.84e8 kWh
 - FY16 2.34e8 kWh
 - IX 1.50e8 kWh
- Gas
 - FY12 3.40e5 MCF
 - FY16 2.46e5 MCF
 - IX 2.73e5 MCF
- Combined
 - FY12 1.34e6 MMBTU
 - FY16 1.05e6 MMBTU
 - IX 0.79e6 MMBTU

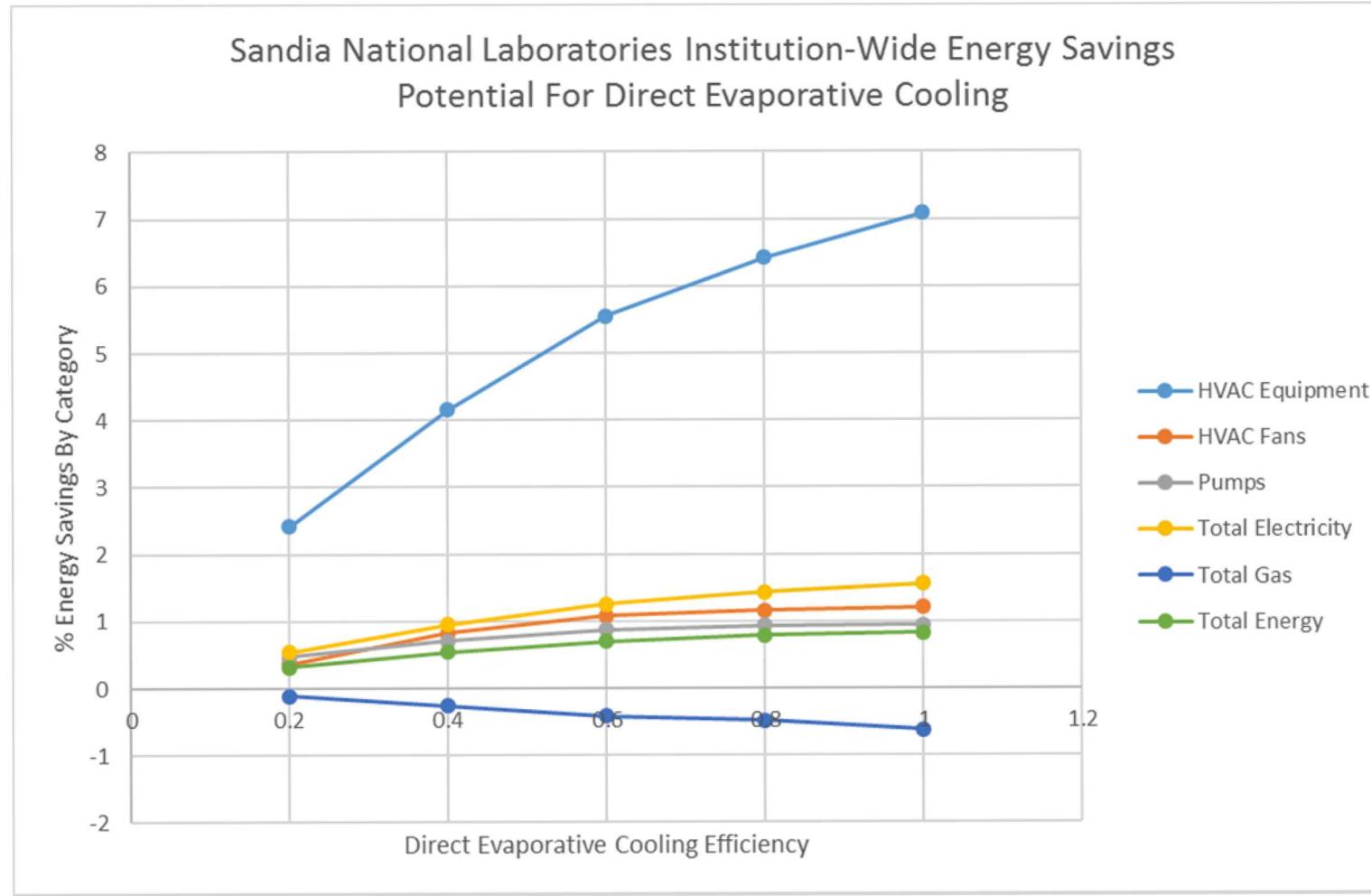


Prioritizing ECMs across the building fleet



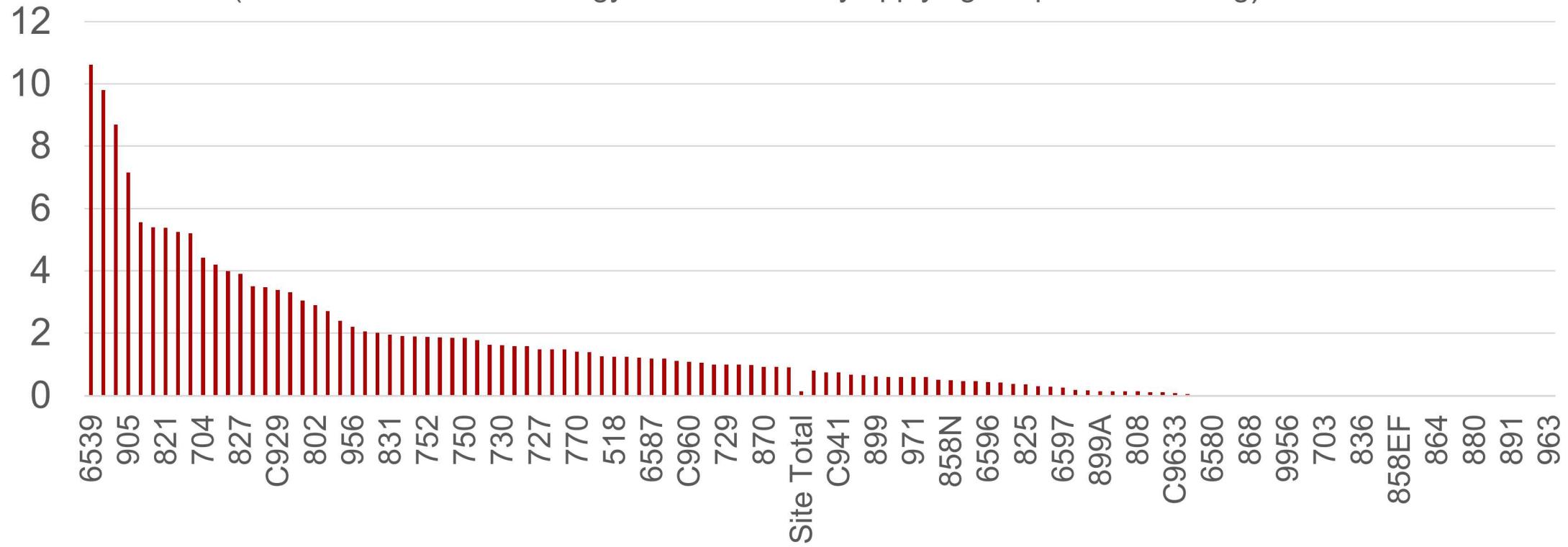
Evaporative Cooling

Direct Evaporative Cooling – 0.83% energy savings potential



Direct Evaporative Cooling

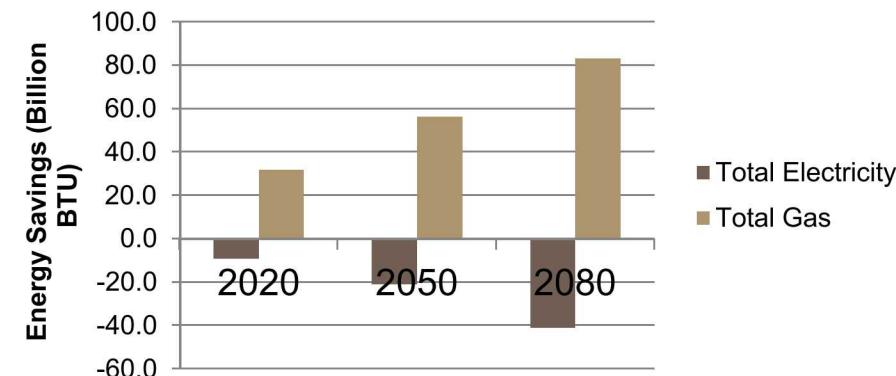
IX Evaporative Cooling Predicted % Total Energy Savings For Specific Buildings
(0 cases indicate that energy would be lost by applying evaporative cooling)



Climate Assessment

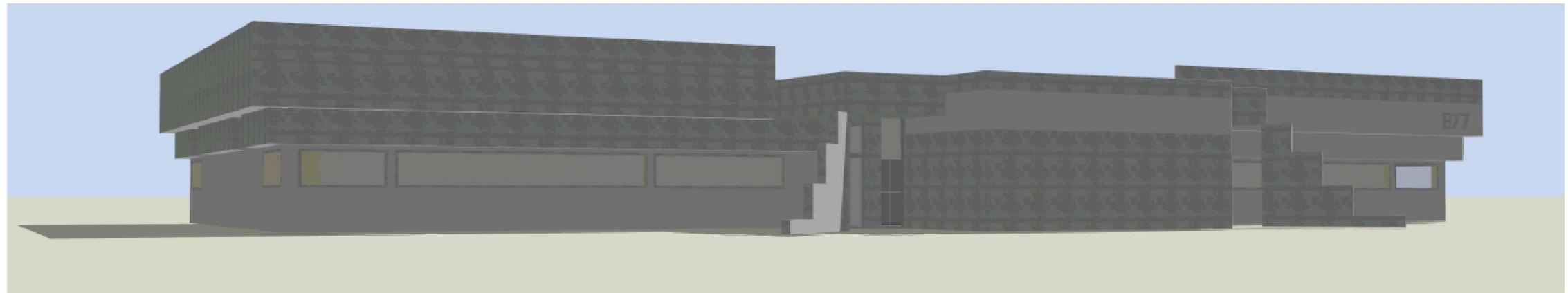
Year	Energy (1e9xBTU)			Energy Savings (1e9xBTU)			% Savings		
	Total Electricity	Total Gas	Total	Total Electricity	Total Gas	Total	% Total Electricity	% Total Gas	% Total
2015	824.7	422.1	1246.7	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
2020	833.9	390.4	1224.3	-9.2	31.7	22.5	-1.1	7.5	1.8
2050	845.7	365.7	1211.4	-21.0	56.4	35.4	-2.6	13.4	2.8
2080	865.7	339.0	1204.7	-41.0	83.1	42.1	-5.0	19.7	3.4

By 2020 a 1.8% reduction of total energy is projected due to climate change



Future plans – Energy Plus (E+)

- Enable the use of E+ models in IX building module
- Achieve 1st model predictive control loop based off of an E+ model for Sandia
- Form collaborative relationships. Can our resources catalyze other research efforts?
- Create a site-wide map between sensors and building energy models



Rendering from design builder version 5 (<http://www.designbuilder.co.uk/>)

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