

# 2024 Integrated System Plan (ISP) Webinar

2 July 2024



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and published online**



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**We pay respect to Elders past and present.**

# Agenda

- Welcome
- Introduction
- **Overview** – *The ISP is a roadmap for the energy transition*
- **The Plan** – *AEMO's integrated modelling seeks the optimal development path*
- Q&A

# How to interact today

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- Ask questions using Slido [www.sli.do](http://www.sli.do) #AEMO
- Written replies may be provided through Slido if appropriate
- AEMO will not provide responses to unanswered questions

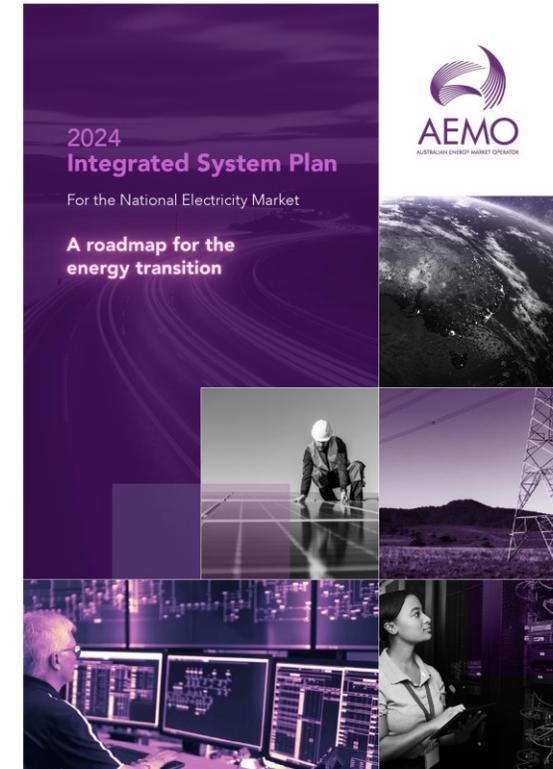
# Today's objectives



Present and discuss key insights from the *2024 Integrated System Plan (ISP)*.



After the presentation, you will have the opportunity to ask AEMO questions, using Slido.



Read the [report and supporting material](#)

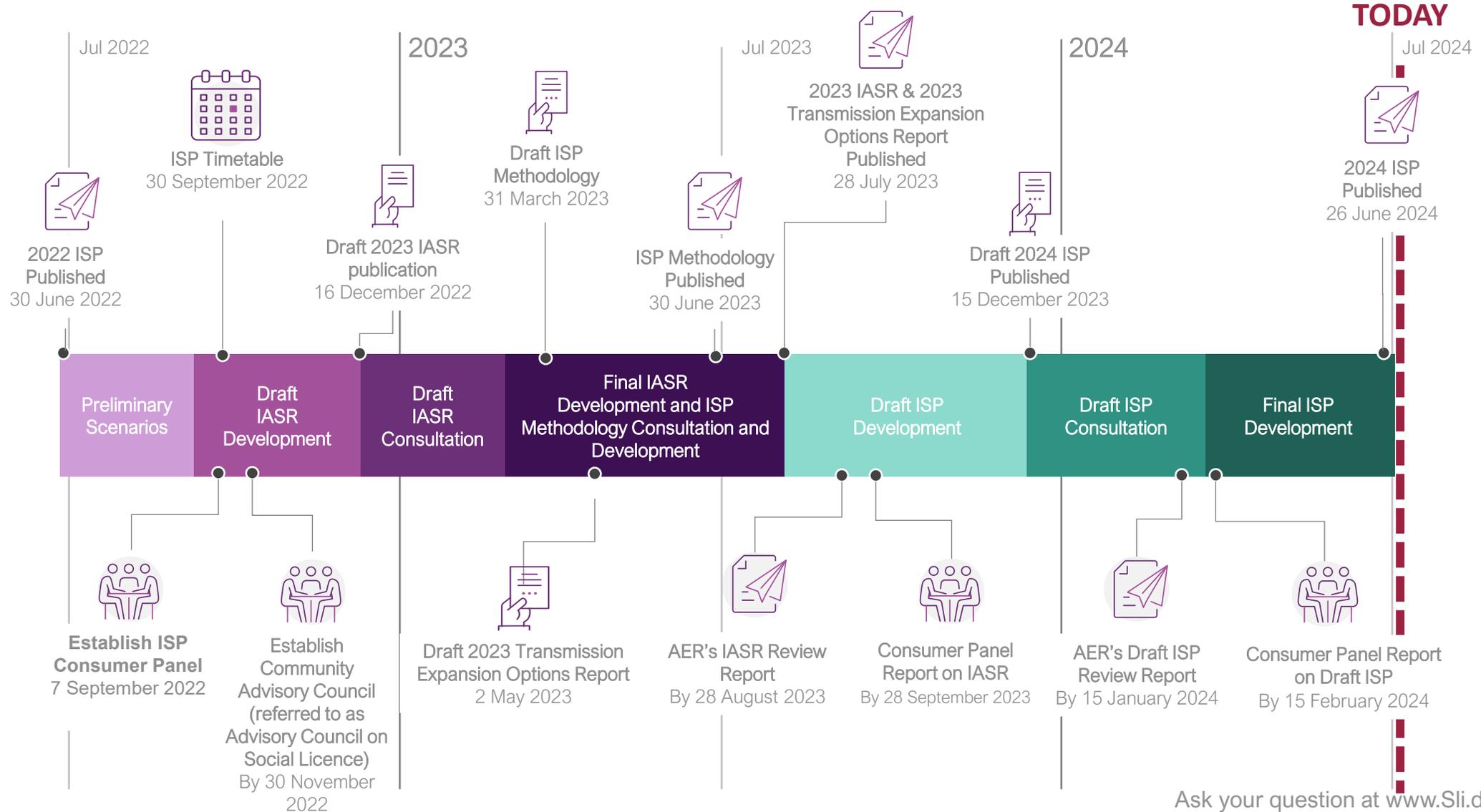
# The ISP is a roadmap for the energy transition



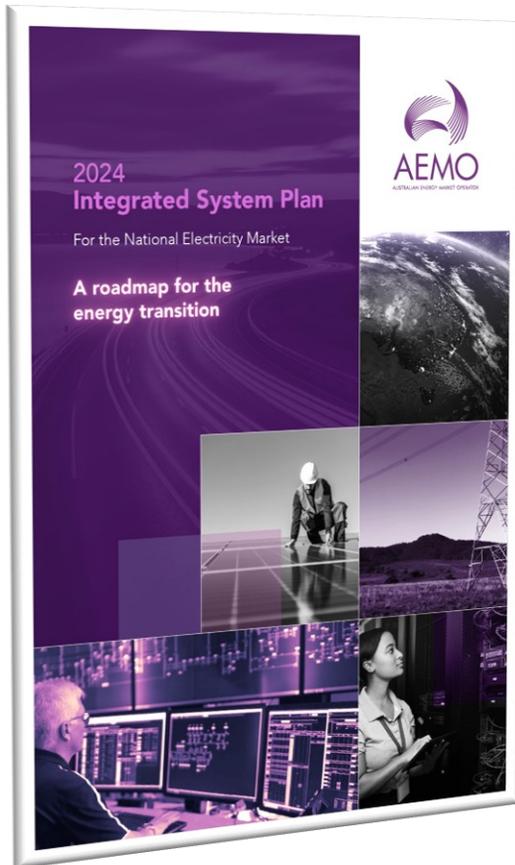
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# AEMO publishes the 2024 ISP after two years of planning and engagement

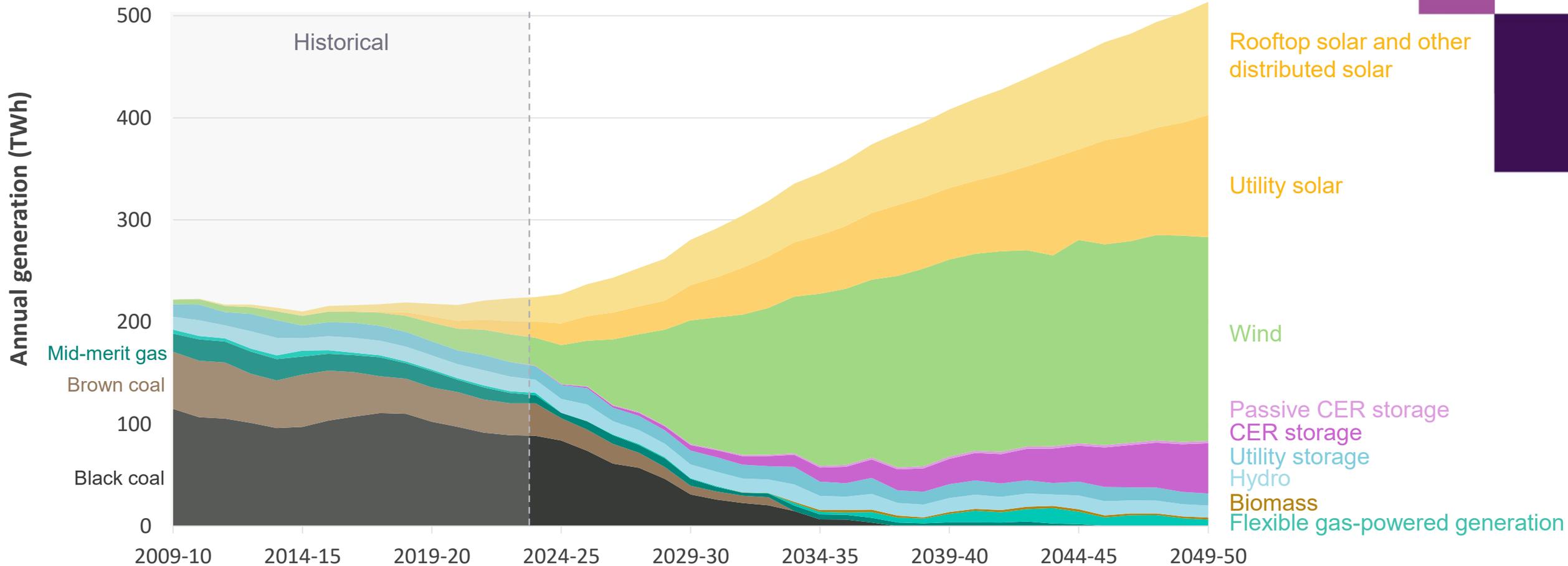


# The Integrated System Plan is a roadmap for the energy transition



- A roadmap for the National Electricity Market (NEM) energy transition.
- Optimal development path for reaching net zero by 2050.
- Least-cost path for transition within Commonwealth and State policies.
- Provides expert information for a range of stakeholders.
- Serves regulatory purpose of identifying ‘actionable’ projects which should progress as urgently as possible.

# The transition is well underway, with electricity generation shifting to low emissions and renewable energy





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# AEMO's integrated modelling seeks the optimal development path

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# Stakeholder engagement for the ISP is a two-year, inclusive process

## Consultation

AEMO's 2024 ISP takes into account feedback from a wide range of different groups and sources, including workshops, webinars, public forums, other engagements and submissions.



**2,100**  
stakeholders  
engaged



**12**  
webinars  
hosted



**85**  
presentations  
and reports

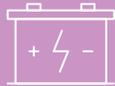


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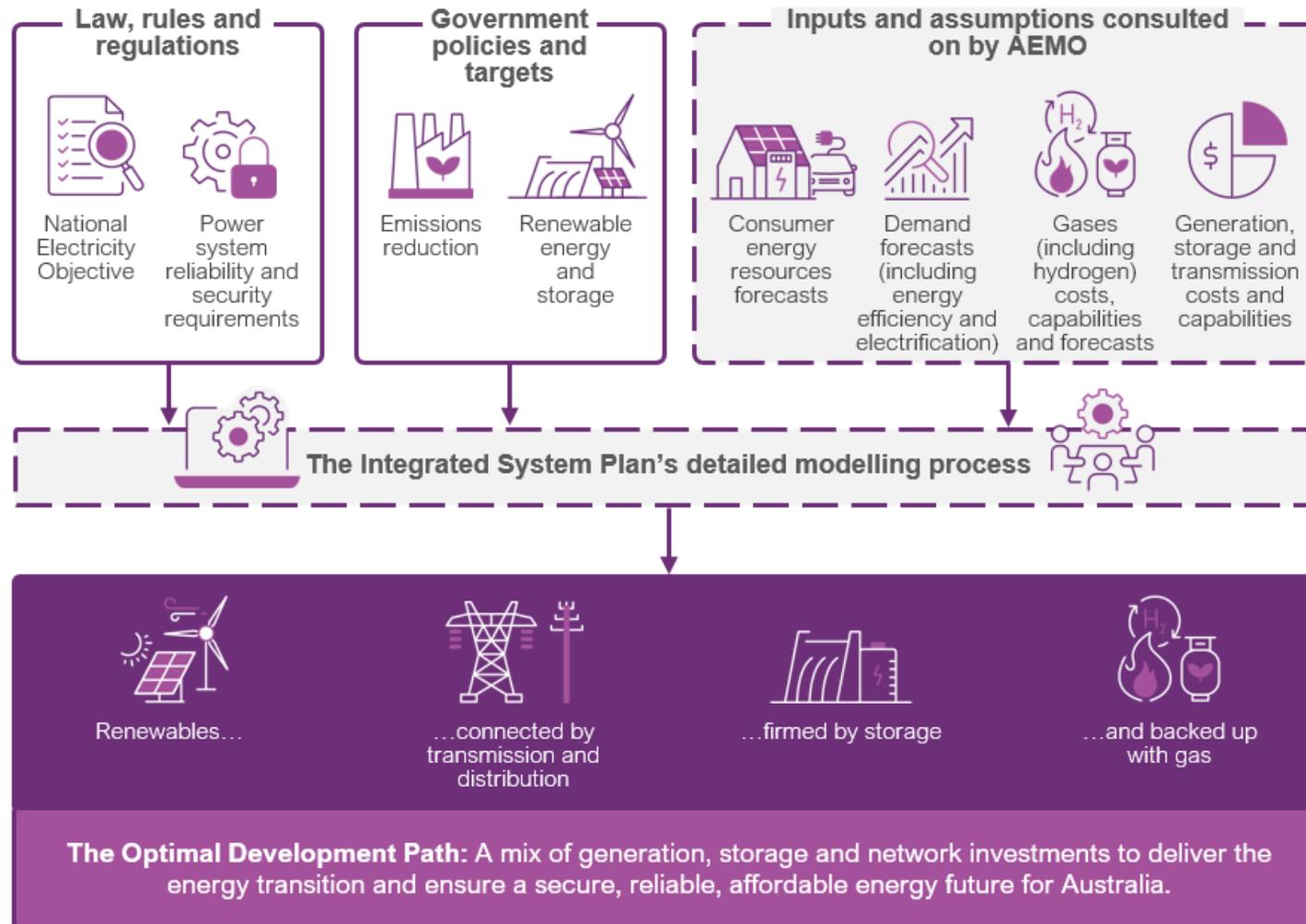
## Key feedback themes

Concerns over gas-powered generation expansion	Delivery risks to the optimal development path may compound	Further analysis is required on potentially actionable projects	Suggested improvements to the ISP modelling approach
More work is needed to integrate consumer energy resources	Adjustment to the demand forecast could be included	Social licence for the energy transition requires broad consultation	What is the role of the Integrated System Plan?
Additional suggestions for generation and storage technologies	Hydrogen assumptions could be explored further	2026 ISP scope to expand as the energy transition continues	

## Final ISP model includes the latest inputs and responses to stakeholder feedback

-  Value of emissions reductions
-  Latest generation and storage project statuses
-  Updated gas infrastructure consideration
-  Updated policies
-  Updated transmission options
-  New and updated sensitivity analysis

# The ISP takes standards, policies and consulted-on inputs and assumptions to model the optimal development path

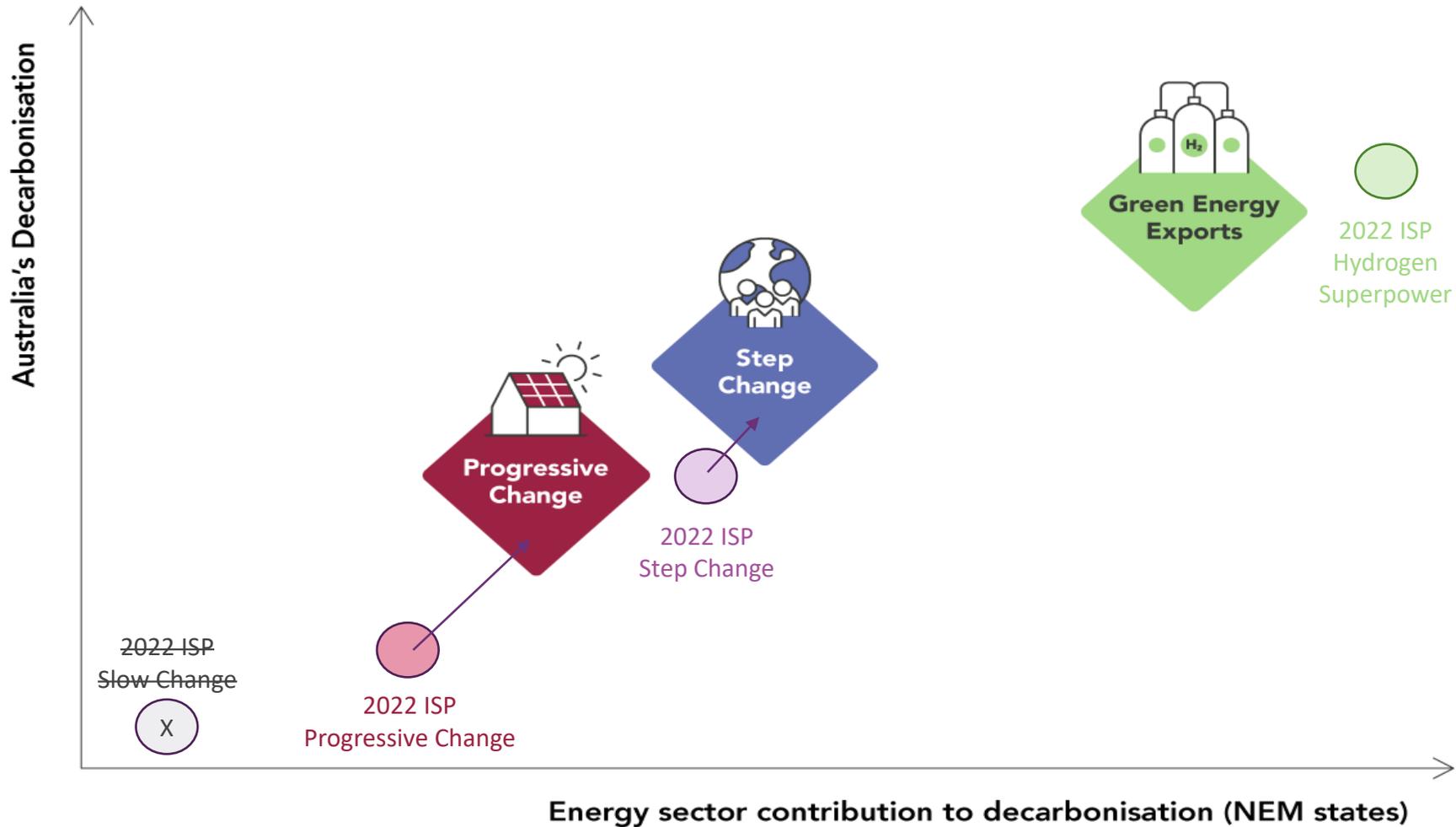


**KEY**

Standards and policies

AEMO consultative process

# Three scenarios explore the pace of change to reach net zero by 2050, with *Step Change* being most likely



Considering insights from the Delphi Panel, AEMO has assigned likelihoods of 43% for Step Change, 42% for Progressive Change and 15% for Green Energy Exports.

# All scenarios target net zero by 2050 and include committed energy policies

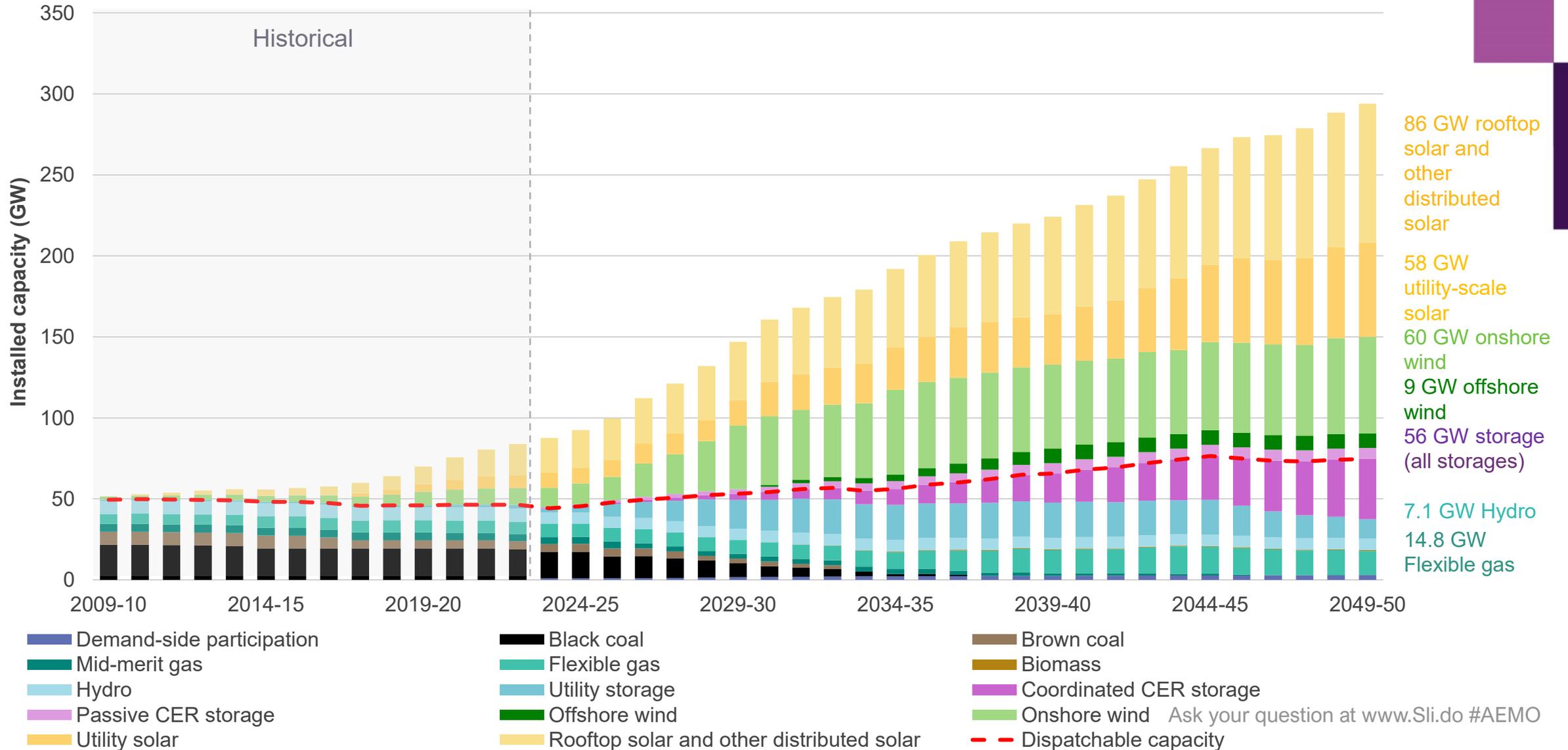


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**Commonwealth:** Powering Australia Plan’s 82% renewable energy by 2030, 43% emission reduction by 2030, Safeguard Mechanism, and the expanded Capacity Investment Scheme target (32 GW by 2030).
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**Queensland:** Latest QRET targets, Borumba Pumped Hydro, CopperString 2032, 75% emissions reduction by 2035, and transmission options from the Queensland Energy & Jobs Plan.
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**New South Wales:** 50% emissions reduction by 2030 and 70% by 2035, Electricity Roadmap targets for renewable capacity and deep storage.
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**South Australia:** Hydrogen Jobs Plan, including 250 MW electrolyser and 200 MW hydrogen capable generator.
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**Victoria:** Latest VRET and emission reduction targets, storage, and offshore wind targets.
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**Tasmania:** TRET and Battery of the Nation options.
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**All jurisdictions:** Value of greenhouse gas emissions reduction.

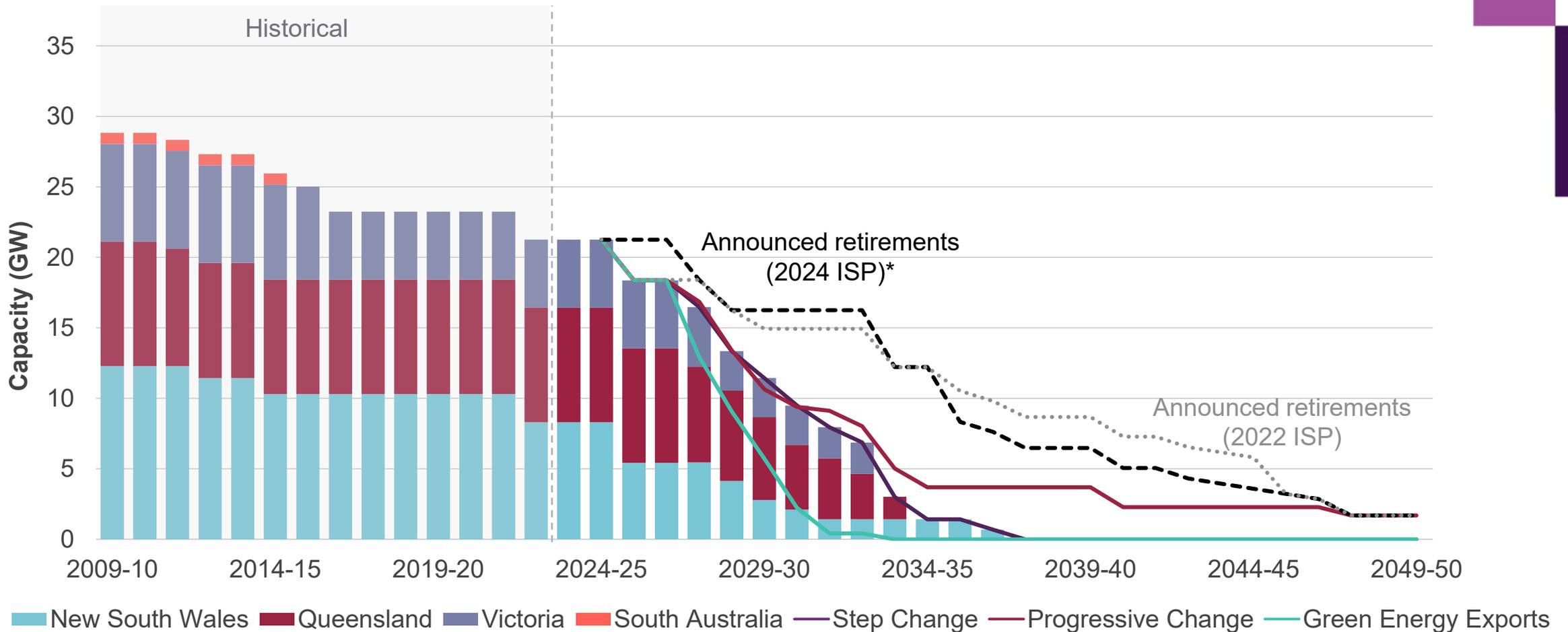


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# Six times today's utility-scale wind and solar, and five times today's consumer energy resources, by 2050



# Coal is retiring, faster than announced



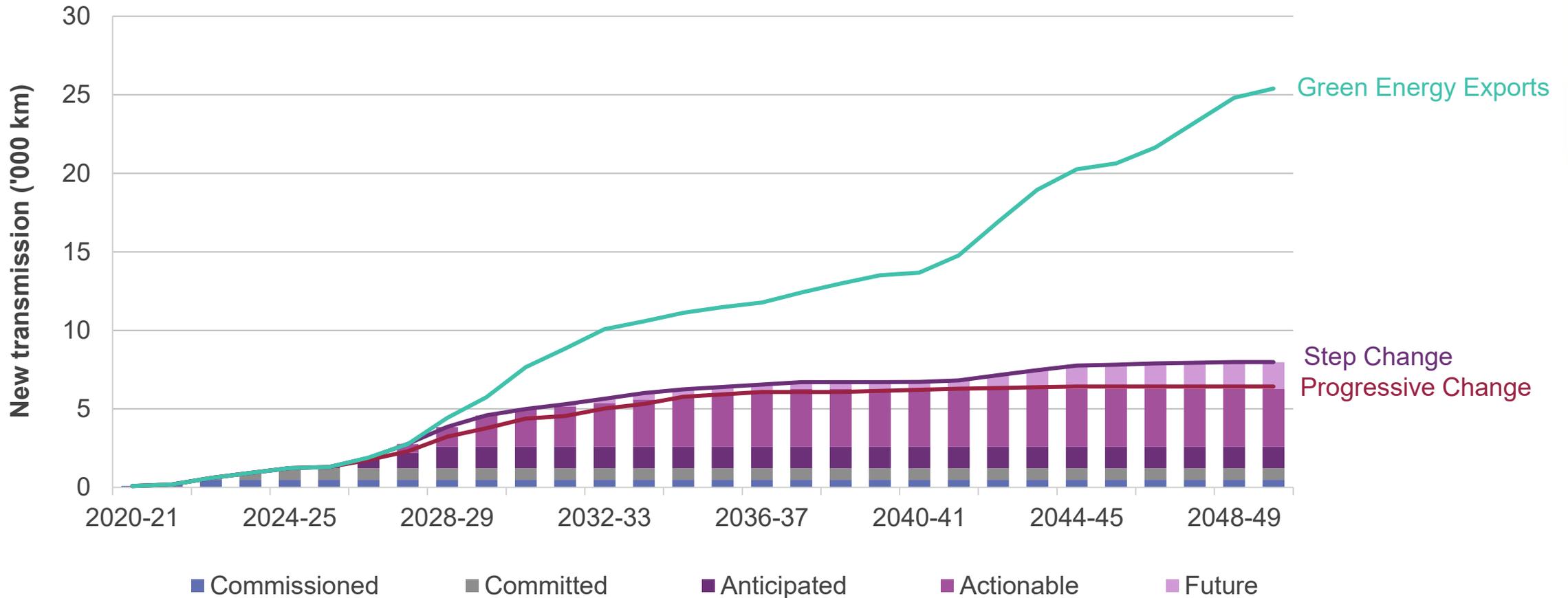
\*The delay of Eraring retirement is reflected in the 'announced retirements' trend in this chart, and in sensitivity analysis, but is not included in the core modelling for the 2024 ISP.



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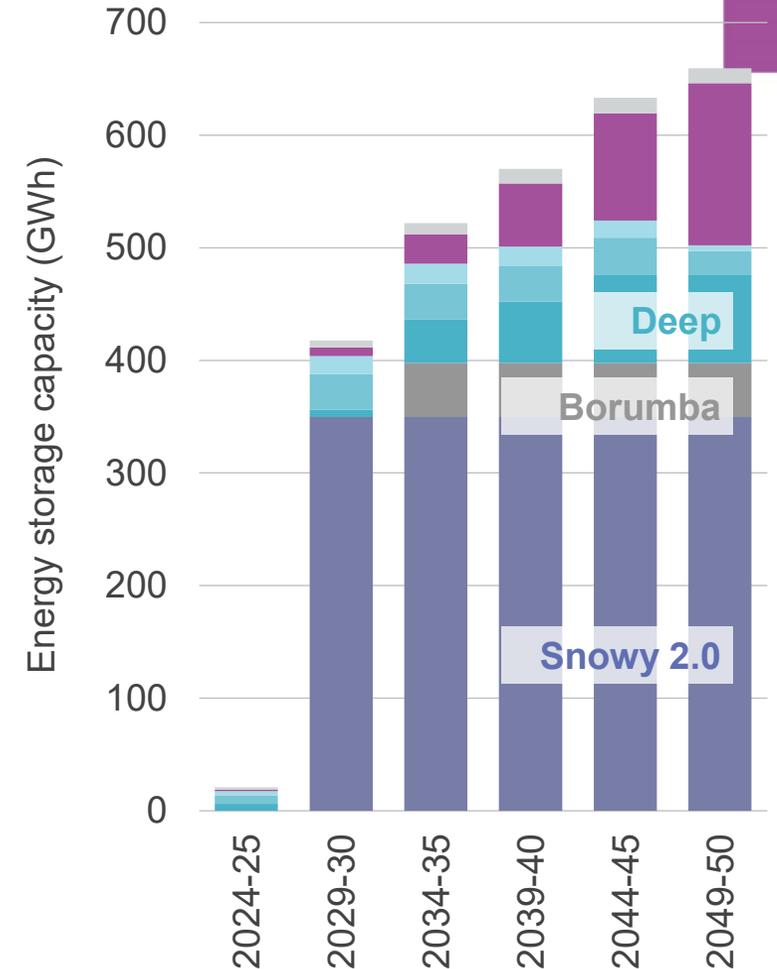
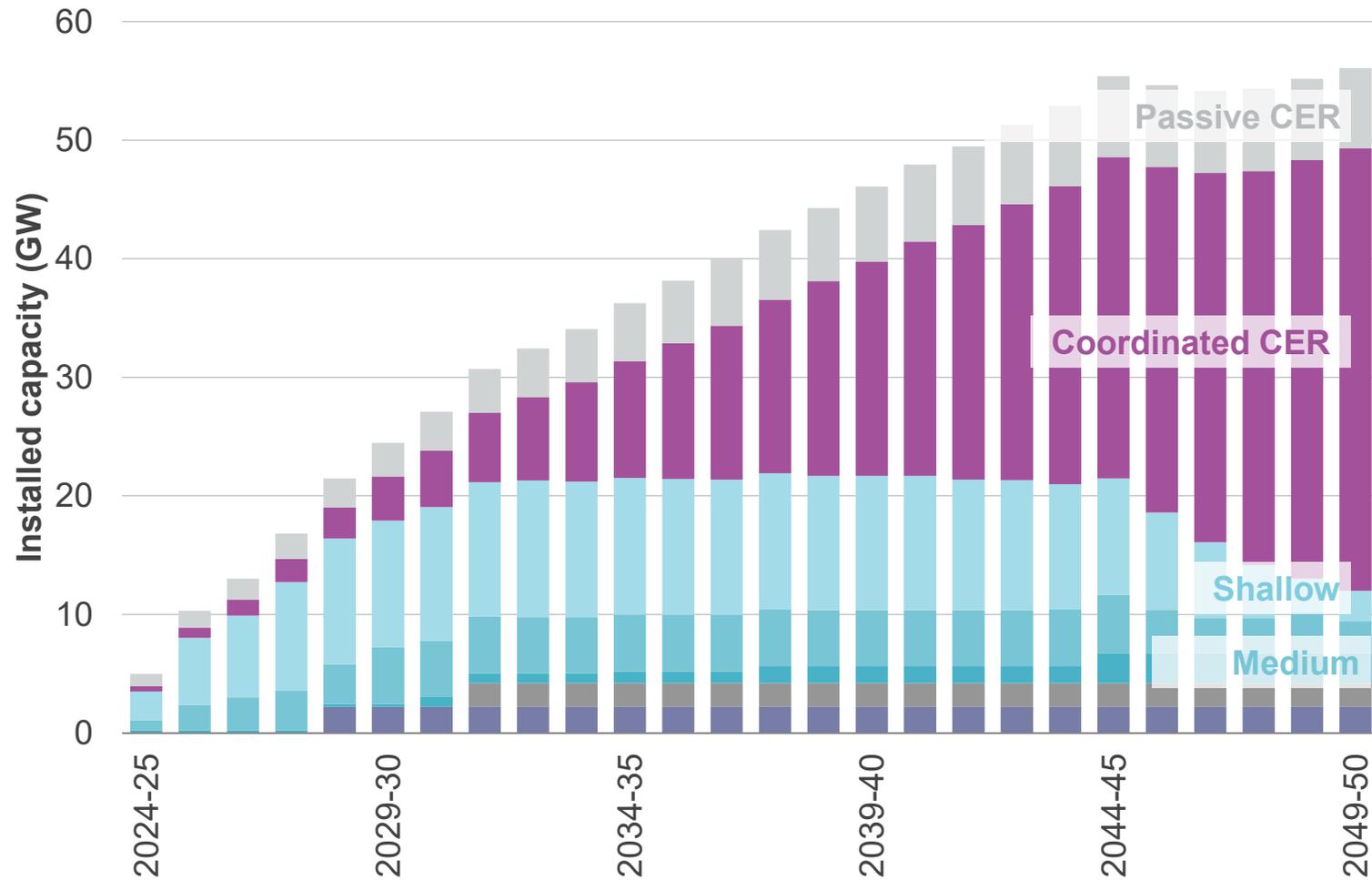
# Around 5,000 km of transmission investment identified as needed over the next decade, half of which is underway





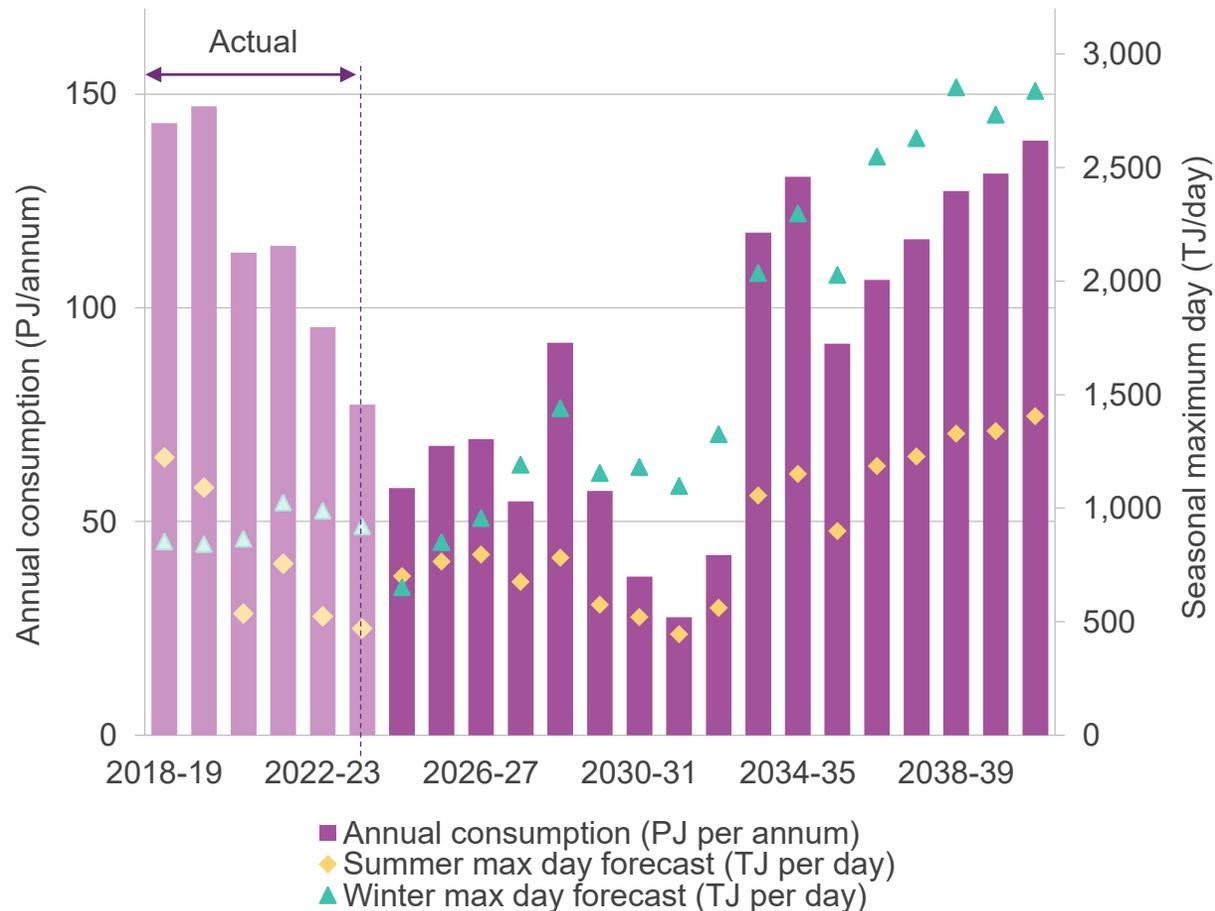
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# Different forms of storage are needed, including for intra-day shifting, seasonal shifting and renewable droughts

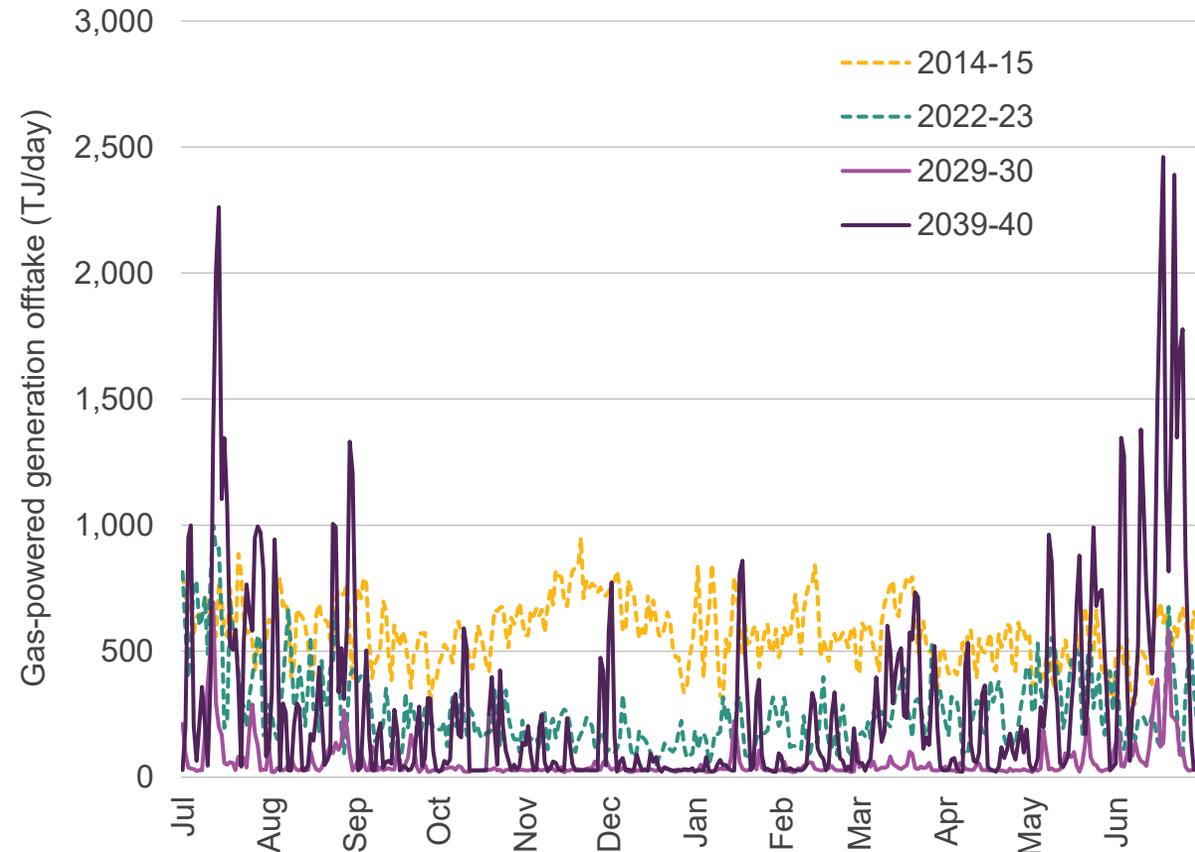


# More gas-powered generation capacity is required but will operate less frequently

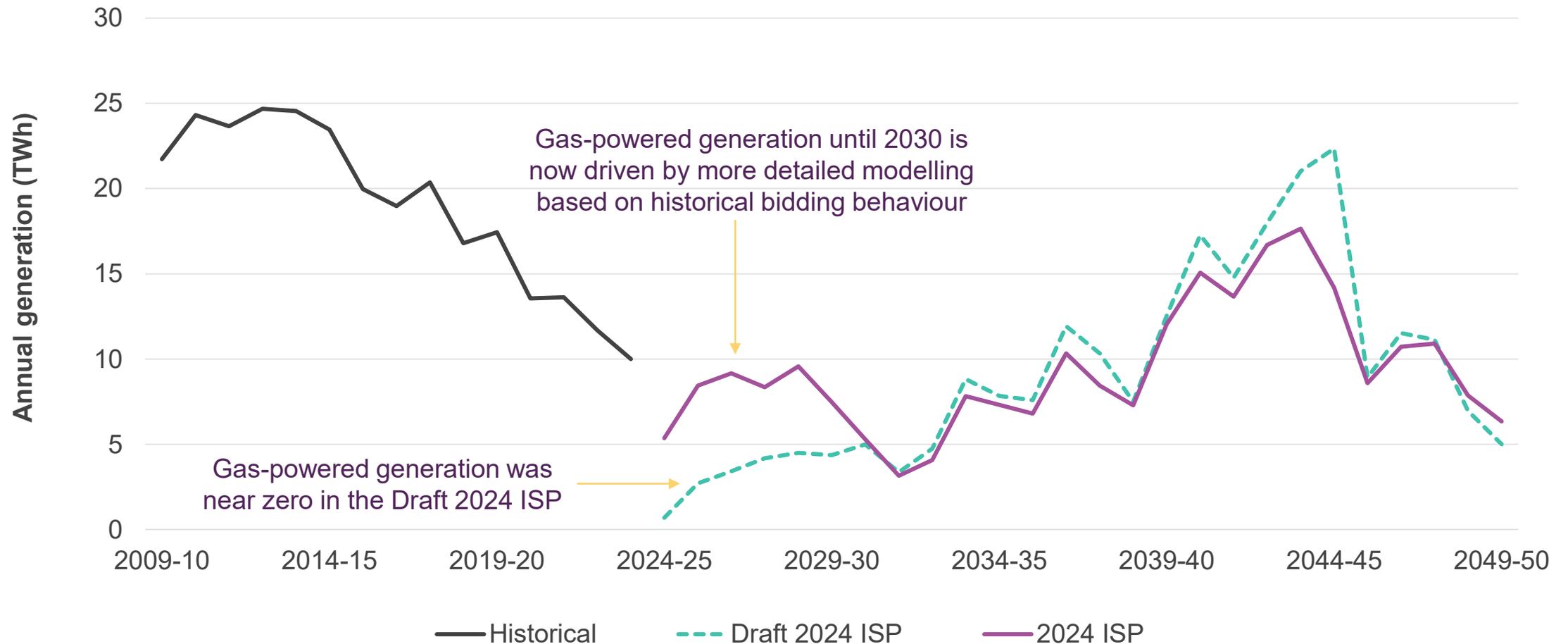
Actual and forecast NEM gas-powered generation annual consumption (PJ/y) and seasonal maximum daily demand (TJ/d) in *Step Change*, 2019-40



Forecast daily NEM gas-powered generation offtake in 2029-30, and 2039-40, *Step Change*, (TJ/d)



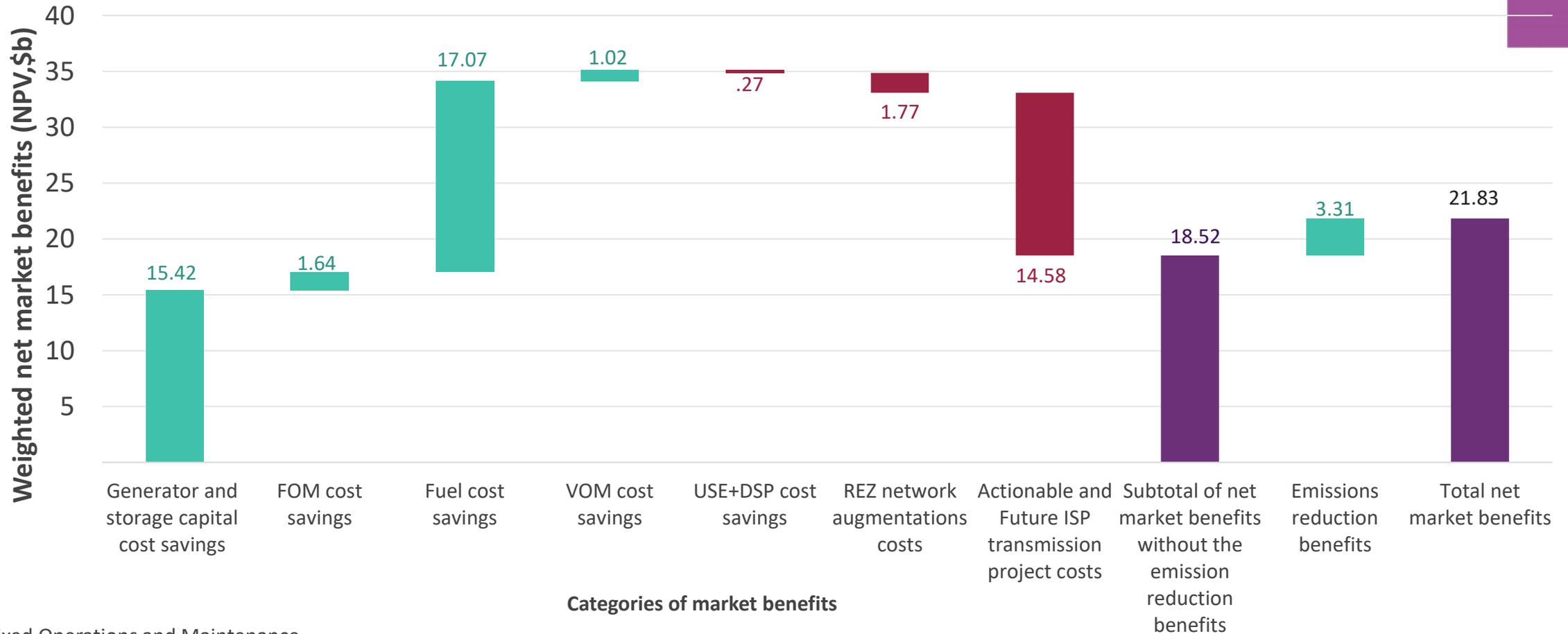
# The ISP includes NEM-wide improved modelling of gas-powered generation over the immediate future





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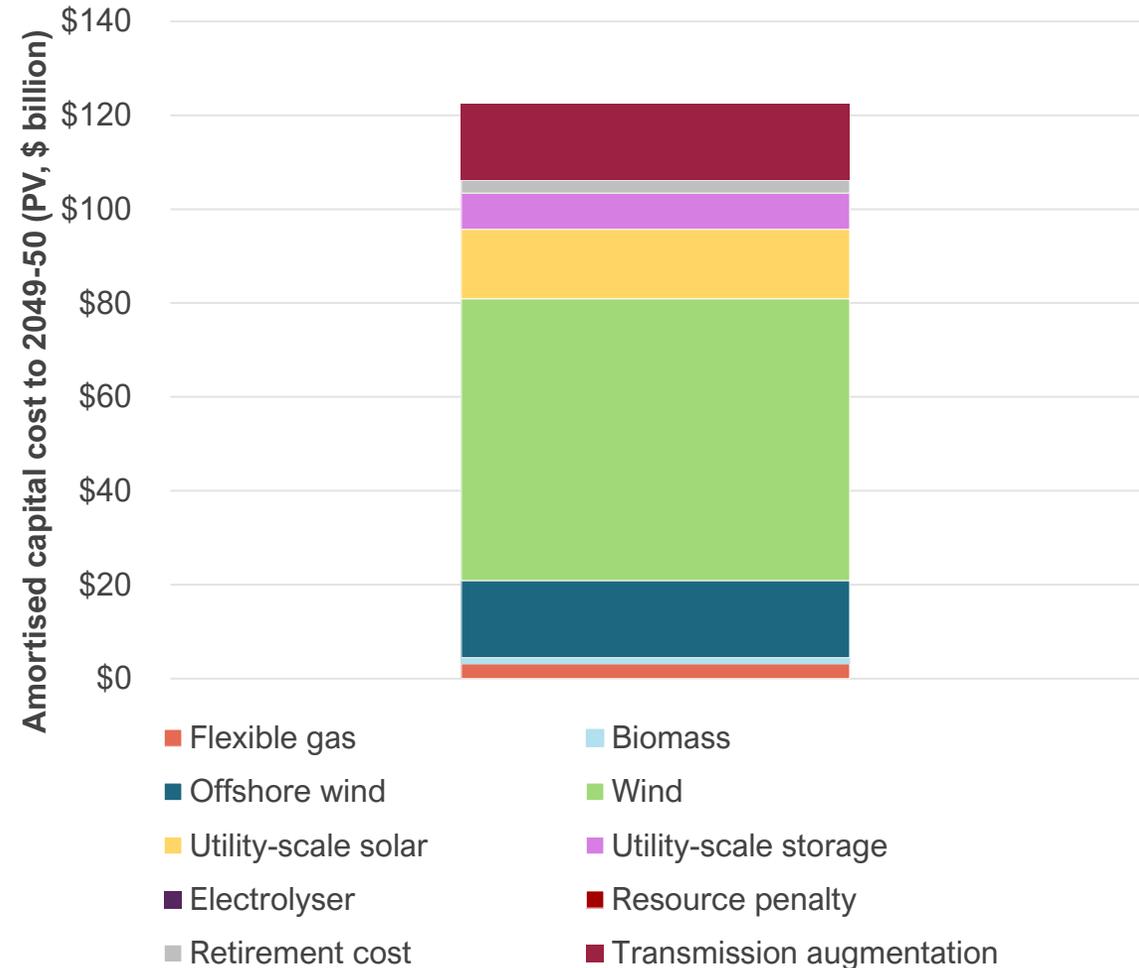
# The ISP optimal development path saves consumers \$18.5 billion and delivers emissions reductions valued at \$3.3 billion



FOM: Fixed Operations and Maintenance  
 VOM: Variable Operations and Maintenance  
 USE: Unserved energy  
 DSP: Demand side participation  
 REZ: Renewable Energy Zone

# Capital investment needed for essential electricity infrastructure

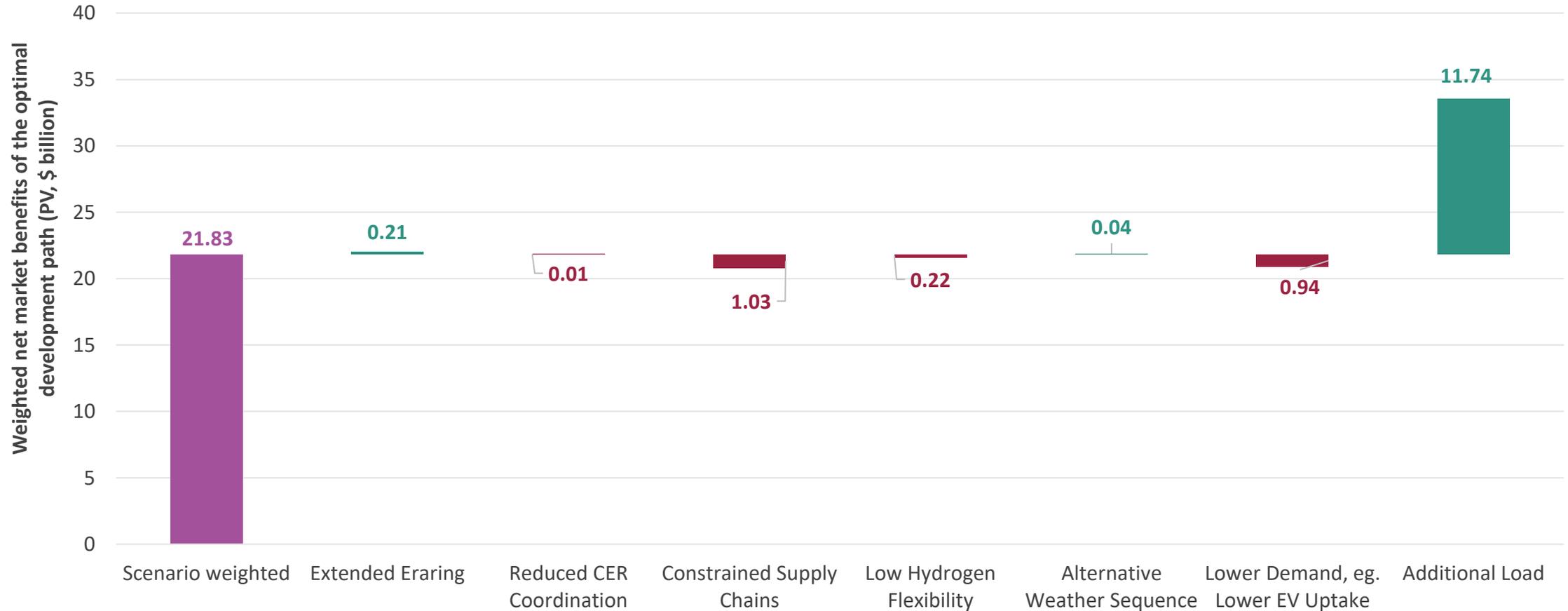
- The ISP's optimal development path has an annualised capital cost of \$122 billion to 2050.
  - Includes grid-scale generation, storage and transmission.
  - Does not include emissions reduction benefits.
  - Excludes the cost of commissioned, committed and anticipated projects, as well as consumer energy resources costs, and distribution network upgrades.



# Investment and operating costs will vary depending on consumer needs...



... however the benefits of the investments in the optimal development path are broadly resilient to those uncertainties.



# Questions and discussion

Ask your question at [www.Sli.do](http://www.Sli.do) #AEMO

# Next steps

Share your feedback in the [2024 ISP Engagement Satisfaction Survey](#) by 17 July 2024.

The recording and presentation will be published on the [2024 ISP engagement webpage](#).

Get involved in the 2026 ISP process, subscribe to the [ISP mailing list](#). Consultation will start on ISP Methodology & 2025 IASR.



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