

Collaborative NRIC Siting Tool for Advanced Nuclear Development (STAND)

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What is it?:

 An integrated tool used to help identify and compare possible siting locations inside the continental U.S. for advanced nuclear facilities based on factors related to Socioeconomics, Proximity, and Safety

A tool to help answer the question of "Where?" and "Why there?"













Provides a systematic way based on user siting preferences and priorities to:



Discover areas that may be a good fit



Explore areas to identify specific sites



Compare sites to identify an optimal option











Factors

 3 categories of factors are considered based on user priorities and preferences

Factors	Definition
Socioeconomic	Social, economic, and local energy policy factors that could potentially influence state and local acceptance of construction and operation of the facility.
Proximity	Environmental and regulatory exclusion zone criteria, distances to infrastructure that could facilitate or support construction and operation of the facility.
Safety	Regulatory guidelines for environmental and geologic safety factors, safety risks, mitigation approaches.











Phase 1 Siting Study 2020-2021 Phase 2 Tool Development 2021

Testing Phase for STAND 2021-2022 STAND Release 2022 Future Development 2022-

Timeline	Notes
Phase 1	 Individual tools from participating organizations were utilized for select sites for demonstration Public report available on OSTI (https://publications.anl.gov/anlpubs/2021/04/167516.pdf)
Phase 2	 Integrated tool development Meeting and input from social science academics and industry members
Testing Phase	 Internal and beta testing Issues and bugs resolved
STAND Release	 Tech Talk STAND training sessions
Future Development (possible)	 Expansion of the tool to include more areas Updates and improvements based on user needs and input











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DISCOVERY

Meet STAND

Siting Tool for Advanced Nuclear Development

Use STAND to identify and examine potentially feasible sites where advanced nuclear facilities might be welcomed by host communities. STAND is designed to explore and provide insight on socioeconomic, proximity, and safety data, generate county reports, review regulatory data, and complete a comparative analysis across multiple sites. However, STAND is not a substitute for the in-depth studies required to qualify a site for hosting a nuclear facility, nor is it a substitute for the necessary community engagement to build trust and seek consent.STAND is best used for the contiguous United States. Data availability is limited in Alaska and Hawaii. STAND does not currently support analysis of U.S. Territories.

Get Started



Site Discovery

art here if you want to identify counties or states that may candidates for reactor deployment.



Site Exploration

Start here if you have already identified general areas for eployment but would like to explore regulatory data or dro



Site Comparison

Start here if you have identified site coordinates for deployment and would like to compare them against each other











User-friendly Guidance Features

Page Level Information Boxes

Indicator Level Information Boxes

Reference Maps

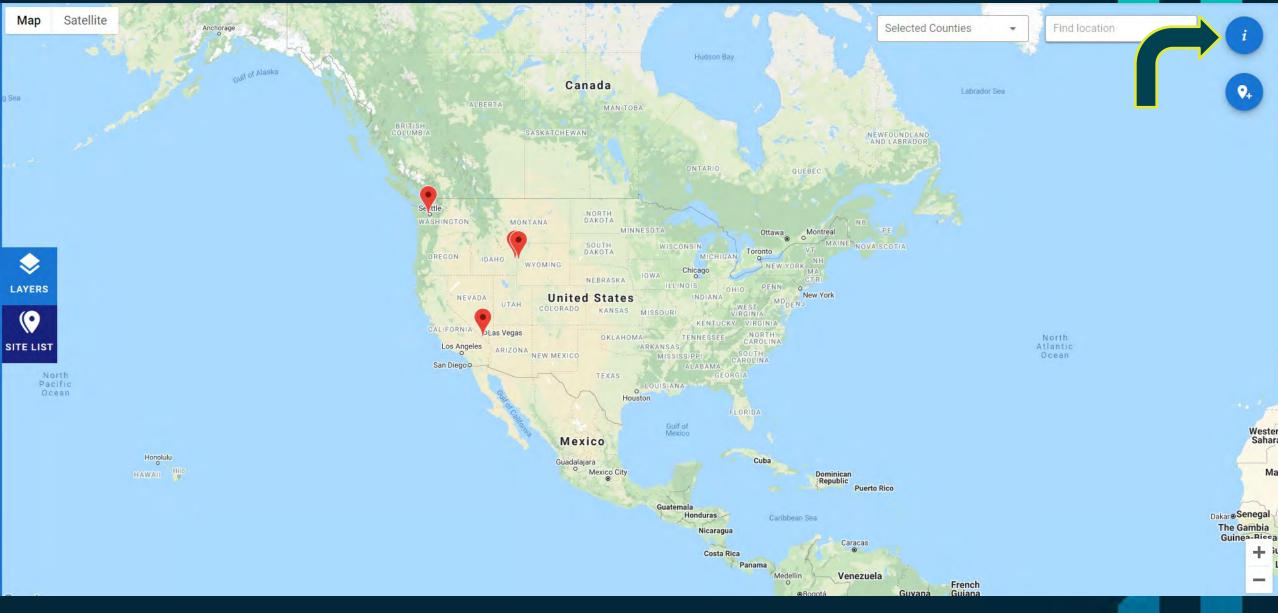






















Site Exploration

Site Exploration displays a web GIS which can be used to explore regulatory and/or infrastructure data and select locations for Site Comparison.

How To Use This Section:

- 1. Choose locations for exploration:
 - a. If counties have been selected in Site Discovery, these counties can be accessed in the dropdown titled "Selected Counties" in the upper right of the map frame. This will zoom the map to the selected counties.
 - b. The "Find Location" box in the upper right of the map frame will zoom to any user defined location. User defined locations can be; states, counties, cities or addresses.
 - c. Adjust the zoom with the +/- icon on the left of the map. Reposition by clicking and dragging.
- 2. View data layers:
 - a. Click on the "Layers" tab on the left side of the screen to open the layers drawer. Use the dropdowns to display the available layers for each category.
 - i. Use checkboxes to display layers in the map. Multiple layers can be selected and viewed simultaneously. Layers that display "Zoom in" below the layer name require the map to be zoomed further in in order to be displayed.
 - ii. Click the information boxes to display layer information.
- 3. Add sites for Site Comparison:
 - a. Click the add sites icon on the right side of the map frame to add sites:
 - Once the icon has been clicked, it will turn red to indicate it is active. Click it again to deactivate or the next click on the map will add a new site.
 - ii. If a new site is added, a dialog box will appear. Input the name of the site and submit by clicking save to list.
 - b. Once sites have been added, click on the "Site List" tab on the left side of the screen to open the site list drawer.
 - i. Click the blue site name to zoom to that site in the map pane.
 - ii. Use the garbage can icon to remove the site from the list.
 - iii. Once all sites have been added, click the green "Compare Sites" button to proceed to Site Comparison where all sites added will be automatically displayed.

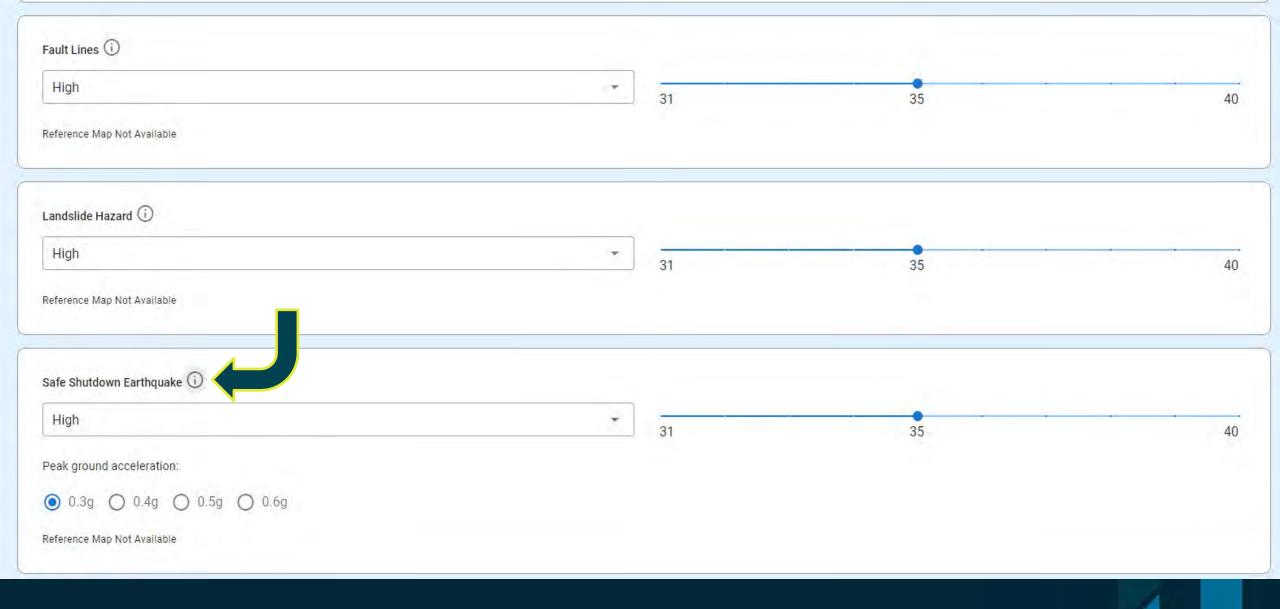






















Safe Shutdown Earthquake

Land with safe-shutdown earthquake (SSE) peak ground acceleration (2% chance in a 50 year return period) between .1g -.6 g. The SSE peak ground acceleration (2% chance in a 50-year return period) greater than the selected threshold parameter value is flagged. This value is variable within the database and can be adjusted based on technology. SSE =0.3 g is suggested for LWRs. SSE =0.5 g is suggested for SMRs.

WHY IT MATTERS

The 2002 EPRI siting guidance recommended limiting large LWR technologies to less than 0.3 g safe shutdown earthquake peak ground acceleration. As SMRs and advanced reactor technologies allow for more seismic mitigation through design, the OR-SAGE threshold parameter for seismic activity has been set slightly higher at 0.5 g safe shutdown earthquake peak ground acceleration. Mitigating design features may include smaller footprints, smaller piping systems, passive safety systems, underground installation, and improved seismic isolation

REFERENCES

2002 EPRI Siting Guide

USGS National Seismic Hazard Mapping data

No update plan for this dataset

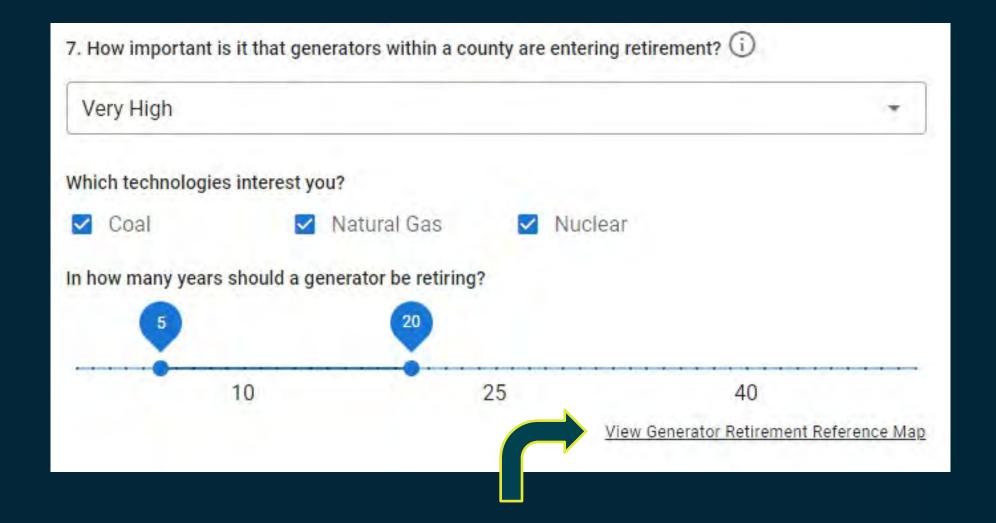














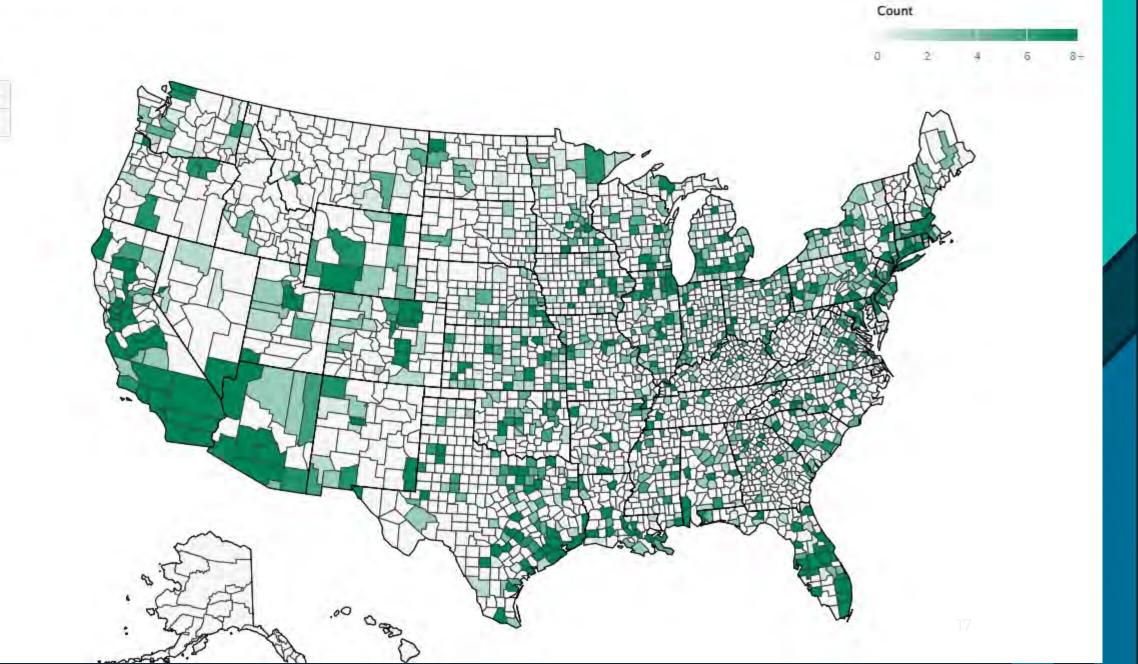








Generator Retirement





Washtenaw, MI Retiring Generators

Utility	Facility	Generator ID	Technology	Retirement Status	Retirement Year	Nameplate Capacity (MWh)
East. Michigan Univ. Heating	East. Michigan Univ.	COGN2	Natural Gas Fired	Planned		8
Plant	Heating Plant	COGNZ	Combustion Turbine	Retirement		0
University of Michigan	University of Michigan	TG1	Natural Gas Fired	Planned		13
Offiversity of Michigan	Offiversity of Michigan	101	Combined Cycle	Retirement		13
University of Michigan	University of Michigan	TC10	Natural Gas Fired	Planned		4
University of Michigan	University of Michigan	TG10	Combined Cycle	Retirement		4
University of Michigan	University of Michigan	T07	Natural Gas Fired	Planned		10
University of Michigan		TG7	Combined Cycle	Retirement		13
University of Michigan	University of Michigan	T00	Natural Gas Fired	Planned		10
University of Michigan		TG8	Combined Cycle	Retirement		13
University of Michigan	University of Michigan	T00	Natural Gas Fired	Planned		,
University of Michigan		TG9	Combined Cycle	Retirement		4
University of Michigan	Marnar Lambart	F164	Natural Gas Fired	Planned		0
NCampus Research	Warner Lambert	5164	Combustion Turbine	Retirement		3











Nuclear Sentiment Support for New Reactors (%)

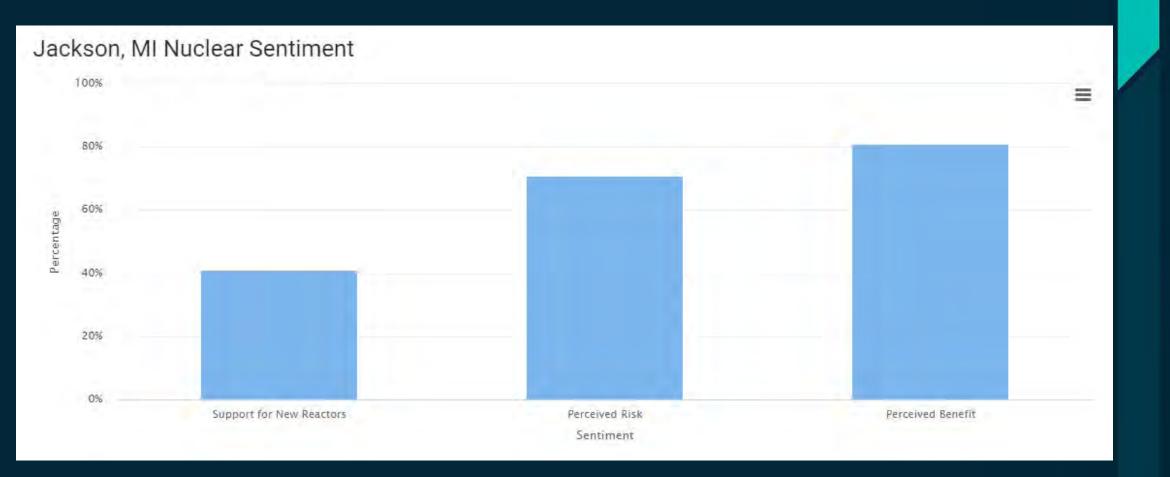
























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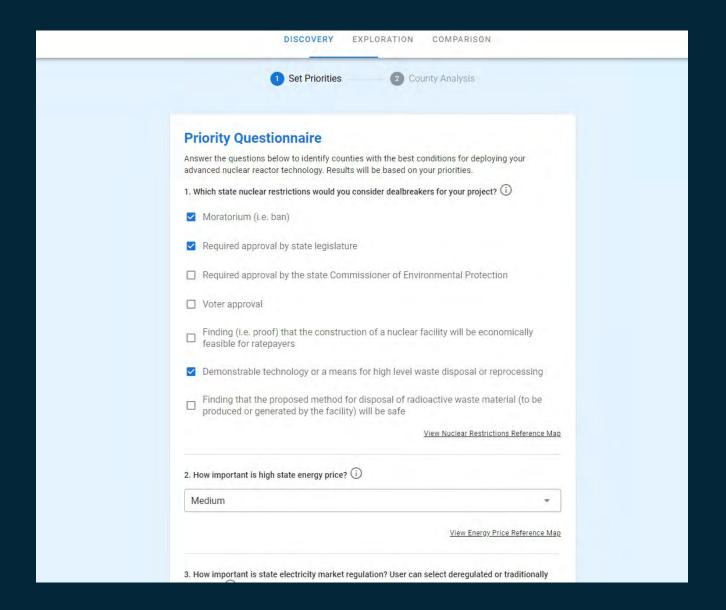
















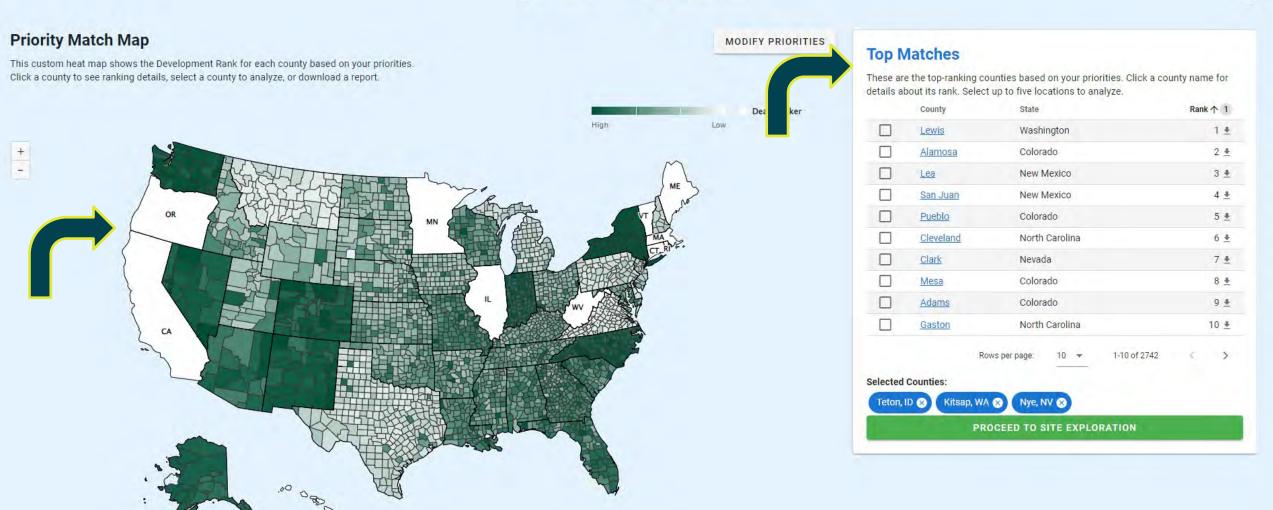






















Washtenaw, MI

DEVELOPMENT RANK: 2196

Attribute	Priority	Value
Relatively high energy price	Medium	12.767¢/kwH
Preferred market regulation (Traditionally Regulated)	Very High	false
Energy policy is nuclear inclusive	High	false
Positive nuclear sentiment	Medium	0.399%
Home to operating nuclear facilities	Low	false
Home to retiring/retired generators (Coal, Nuclear, Natural Gas 5-20 years from now)	Very High	false
Low mean annual wage for construction labor (five year average)	Medium	\$39690
Served by a utility that has nuclear experience	Low	true
Net importer of electricity	Not Important	false
Home to nuclear research and development	Very Low	
Has a low social vulnerability index	Medium	0.2236

Select County













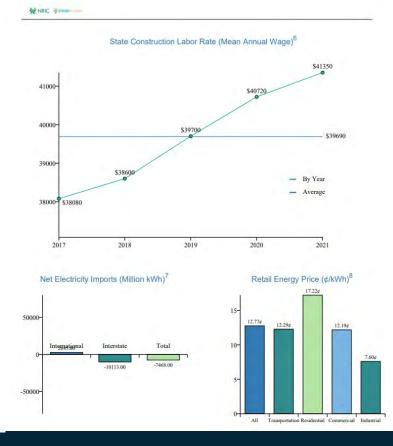






Nuclear Development Readiness Report Washtenaw County, MI





Facilities⁹

Facility	Utility	Balancing Authority	Is Nuclear
Superior	DTE Electric Company	MISO	False
Domino Farms Solar	DTE Electric Company	MISO	False
University of Michigan	University of Michigan	MISO	False
GRS Arbor Hills	Gas Recovery Systems Inc	MISO	False
Warner Lambert	University of Michigan NCampus Research	MISO	False
East. Michigan Univ. Heating Plant	East. Michigan Univ. Heating Plant	MISO	False

Select Generator Retirement⁹

Utility	Facility	Generator	Milestone	Year	Technology	Nameplate Capacity MWh
University of Michigan	University of Michigan	TG1	Planned Retirement	None	Natural Gas Fired Combined Cycle	13
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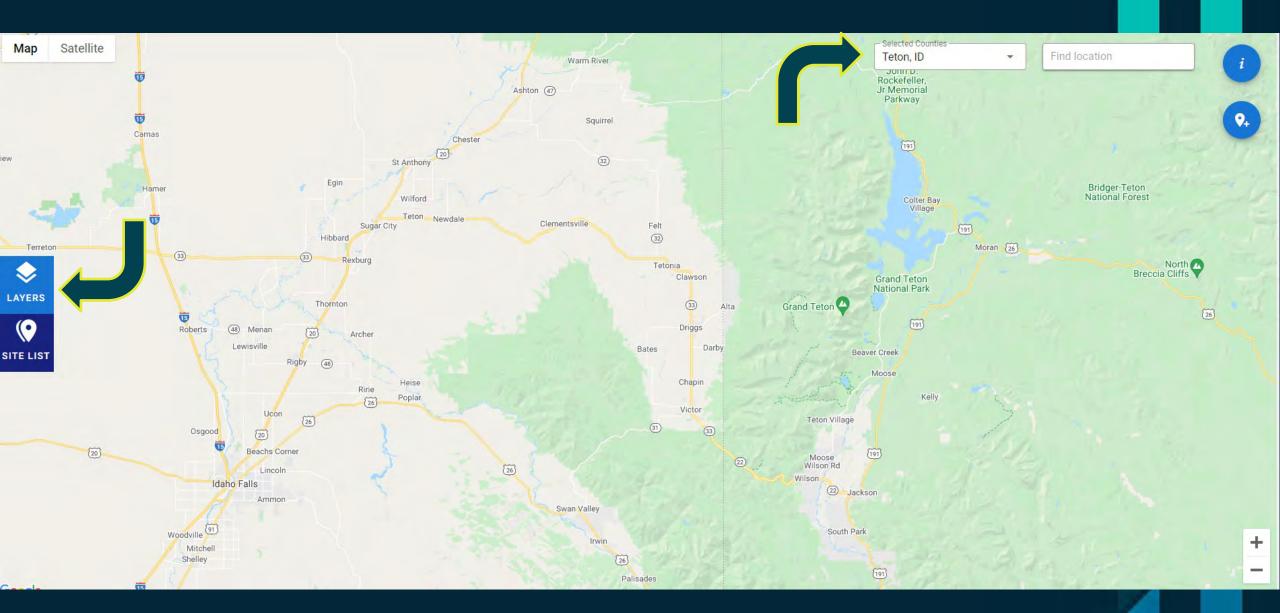












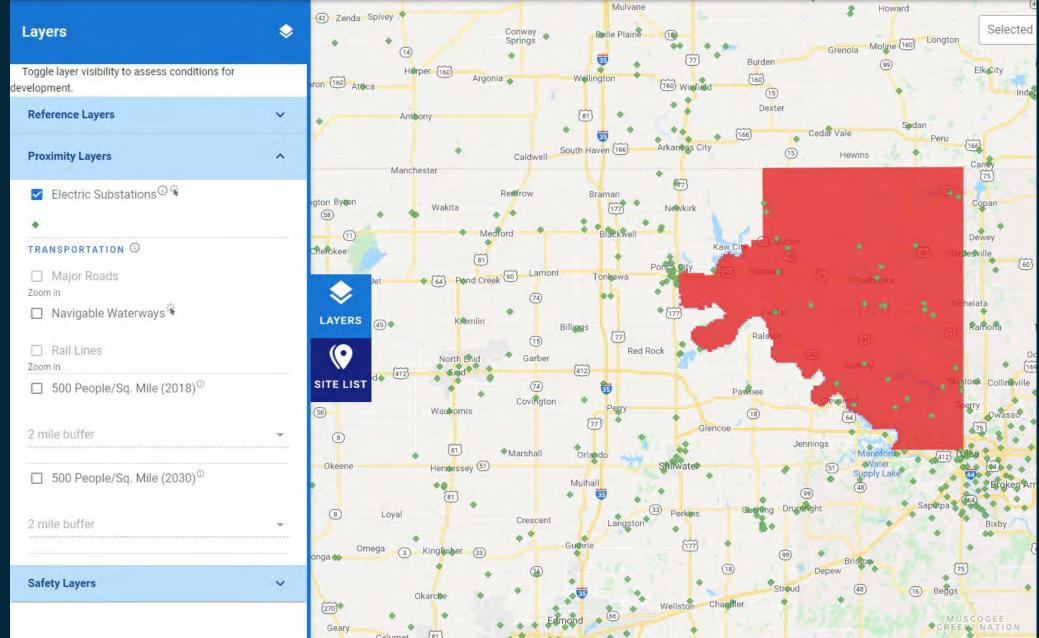












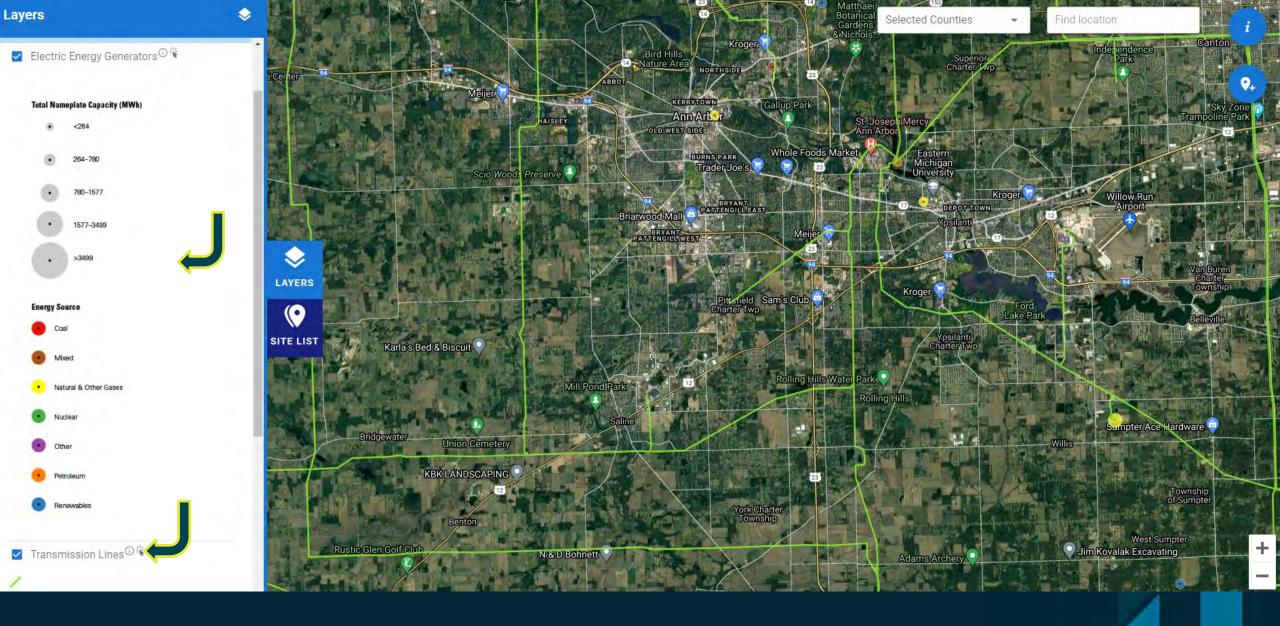














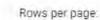








Owner	Status	Substation 1	Substation 2	Туре	Voltage Class	Voltage
NOT AVAILABLE	IN SERVICE	SUPERIOR	COVENTRY	AC; OVERHEAD	100-161	120
NOT ÁVAILÁBLE	IN SERVICE	SUPERIOR	WAYNE	AC; OVERHEAD	100-161	120
NOT AVAILABLE	IN SERVICE	SUPERIOR	PIONEER	AC; OVERHEAD	100-161	120
NOT AVAILABLE	IN SERVICE	SUPERIOR	TAP137299	AC; OVERHEAD	100-161	120
NOT AVAILABLE	IN SERVICE	SUPERIOR	COVENTRY	AC; OVERHEAD	100-161	120
NOT AVAILABLE	IN SERVICE	SUPERIOR	TAP138716	AC; OVERHEAD	100-161	120
NOT AVAILABLE	IN SERVICE	COLLINS	SUPERIOR	AC; OVERHEAD	100-161	120
NOT AVAILABLE	IN SERVICE	MILAN	MCAULEY	OVERHEAD	100-161	120
NOT AVAILABLE	NOT AVAILABLE	SUPERIOR	NOT AVAILABLE	OVERHEAD	NOT AVAILABLE	-999999
NOT AVAILABLE	IN SERVICE	MCAULEY	SUPERIOR	AC; OVERHEAD	100-161	120

















OR-SAGE: Oak Ridge Siting Analysis for Power Generation Expansion is a geographical information system (GIS) process tool

Objectives:

- Use industry-accepted parameters for screening
- Use array of GIS data sources and spatial modeling capabilities at ORNL

Approach:

- Adapted 10 CFR 100 requirements (through application of NRC RG 4.7 siting guidance and 2002 EPRI Siting Guide screening criteria) for nuclear power plants to GIS technology
- Use ~ 50 datasets to scan the contiguous U.S. (~1.8 billion acres) using 100 m by 100 m grid cells (2.5 acres)
- Results in a searchable land database of ~ 700 million cells

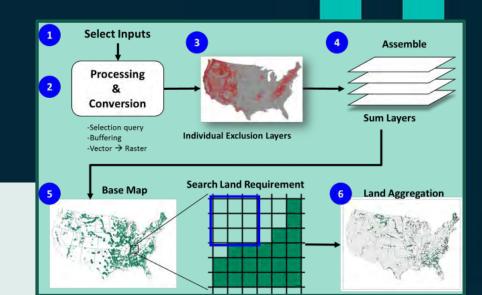












OR-SAGE is typically used to provide informative visual results on a national, regional, or local scale

Composite Map Result Green - Meets all Criteria Yellow - Single issue

Base Map – 33.4% of US meets all criteria



Aggregate for 50-acre sites - 26.9% of US meets all criteria

Orange – Two issues Blue - 3+ issues

Single issue potential: Yellow + Green = 74.7% potentially meets criteria **OR-SAGE** provides capability to interrogate any cell to evaluate status.











OR-SAGE provides pre-processed data to STAND for use in the Exploration and Comparison phases

OR-SAGE Screening Parameters Available in STAND	Values Offered
Population density (people/square mile)	Area > 500 ppsm within 2, 5, or 10 miles (2018 data or 2030 projection)
Protected Lands (roll-up layer)	Wide variety of subsets to select from
Proximity to hazards (roll-up layer)	Airports; military facilities; chemical and energy facilities that pose a fire, missile, or toxic gas hazard
Landslide hazard (moderate or high)	Area flag based on USGS soil risk data
Proximity to surface faults	Set buffer distance based on fault length as determined by 10 CFR 100, Appendix A, Table 1
Safe shutdown earthquake (peak ground acceleration)	Area > 0.3 , 0.4 , 0.5 , or 0.6 g
Slope	Area > 12% or 18% grade
100-year floodplain	Area in floodplain
Wetlands/Open water	Area in designated wetland and in open water











Summary of OR-SAGE - STAND interaction

- In the Exploration phase of STAND, the impact and sensitivity of various siting parameters can be explored around sites of interest
 - Only parameters of interest at values of interest need be selected
- In the Comparison phase of STAND, the relevance of the available siting parameters based on user weighting can be assessed across sites of interest

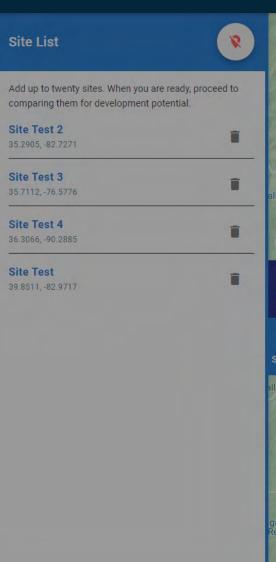


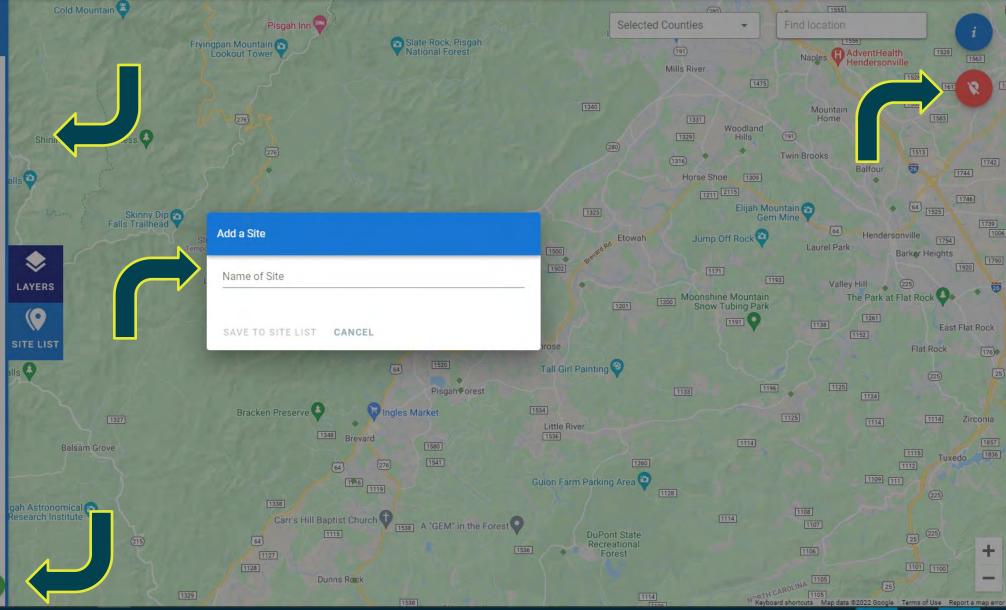
























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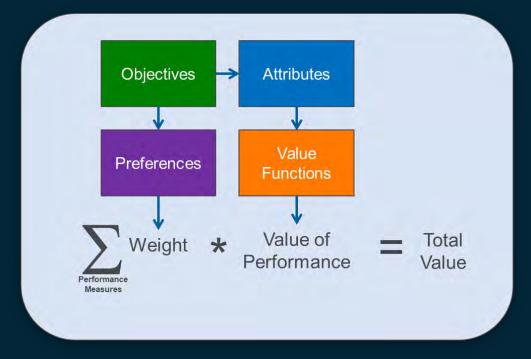




Site Comparison

Site comparison uses a multi-objective evaluation model as a structured framework for identifying which proposed sites best maximize the attributes that

the user values.













Objectives and Performance Characteristics



Site comparisons are structures around three objectives, each of which contains multiple attributes that describe the performance characteristics of the sites.

Objective	Attribute	Units				
	Electric Energy Price	cents/kWh				
	Net Electricity Imports	million kWh/yr				
Socioeconomic	State Energy Policy	Positive; Neutral; Negative				
	Nuclear Sentiment	% Fav. Toward Nuclear				
	Construction Labor Index	Index				
	etc					
	Proximity to Nuclear R&D	Number within 100 miles				
	Distance to Major Road	miles				
Proximity	Distance to Rail Transport	miles				
	Distance to Cooling Water	miles				
	Distance to Transmission Substation	miles				
	etc					
	Max Ground Acceleration > 0.5 g	No = not present; Yes = present				
Safety	Proximity to Fault Lines	No = not present; Yes = present				
	100-Year Floodplain	No = not present; Yes = present				
	Landslide Hazard	No = not present; Yes = present				
	Open Water or Wetlands	No = not present; Yes = present				
	etc					







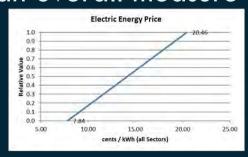




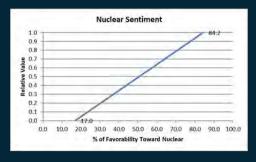


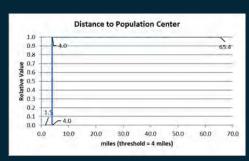
Value Functions

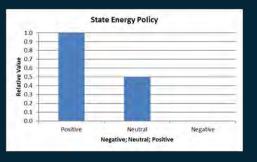
"Value functions" convert performance characteristics, in many different units, to a single measure of relative value so they can be weighted and summed to give an overall measure of site performance.

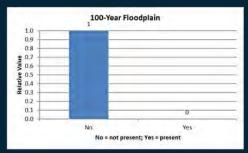












It is customary to assign the worst performance a relative value of 0 and the best performance a relative value of 1.











User Preferences are Reflected in "Weights"



Weights reflect how relevant (important) each site characteristic is to site selection and how significant (sensitive) the performance difference is across the alternative sites.

Relevance - Significance Matrix (Showing highest cell weight)			Not Relevant				
		Very High	High	Medium	Low	Very Low	
Performance Range Significance (factual)	Very High	100	90	80	70	60	
	High	90	80	70	60	50	
	Medium	80	70 ^{easing} We	60	50	40	
	Low	70	60	50 (Influence)	40	30	
	Very Low	60	50	40	30	20	
	Not Significant						

- Measure Relevance
 - How important is the measure in your selection of a site?
 - How much do you care about the measure?
- Range Significance
 - How great is the measure difference between the best and worst cases?
 - If the measure is the same for all sites,
 Range Significance = 0



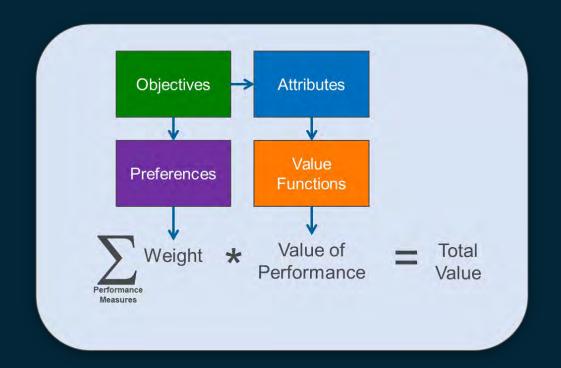








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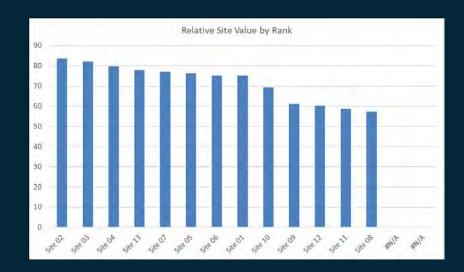


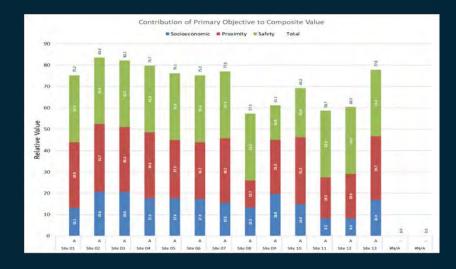




Site Comparison Results

Site comparison results are displayed in various graphical forms that enable the user to easily understand the results.





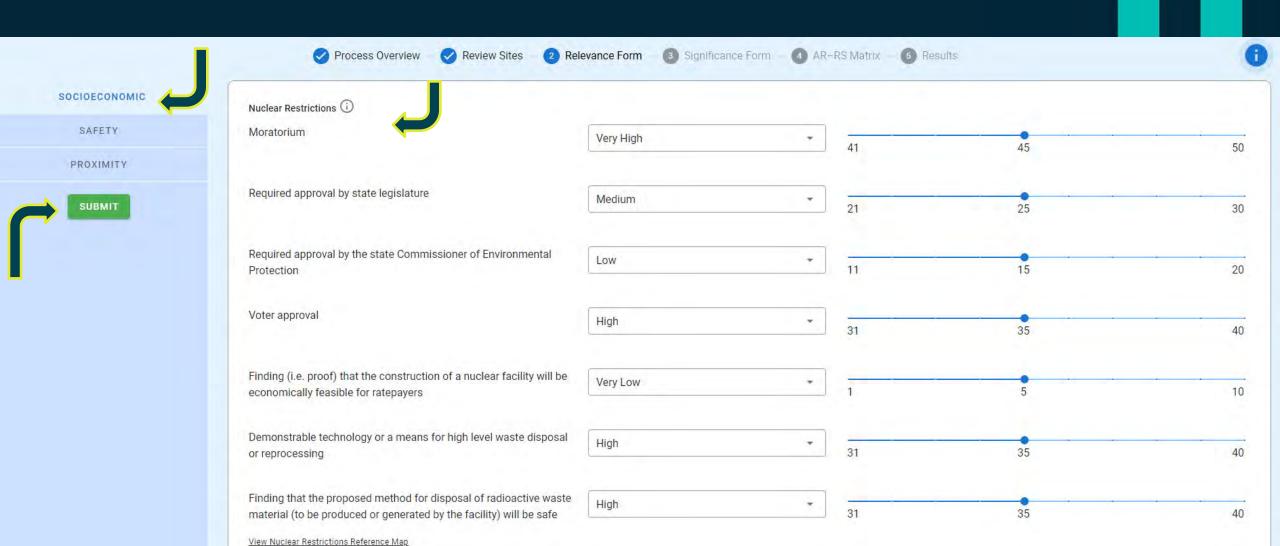












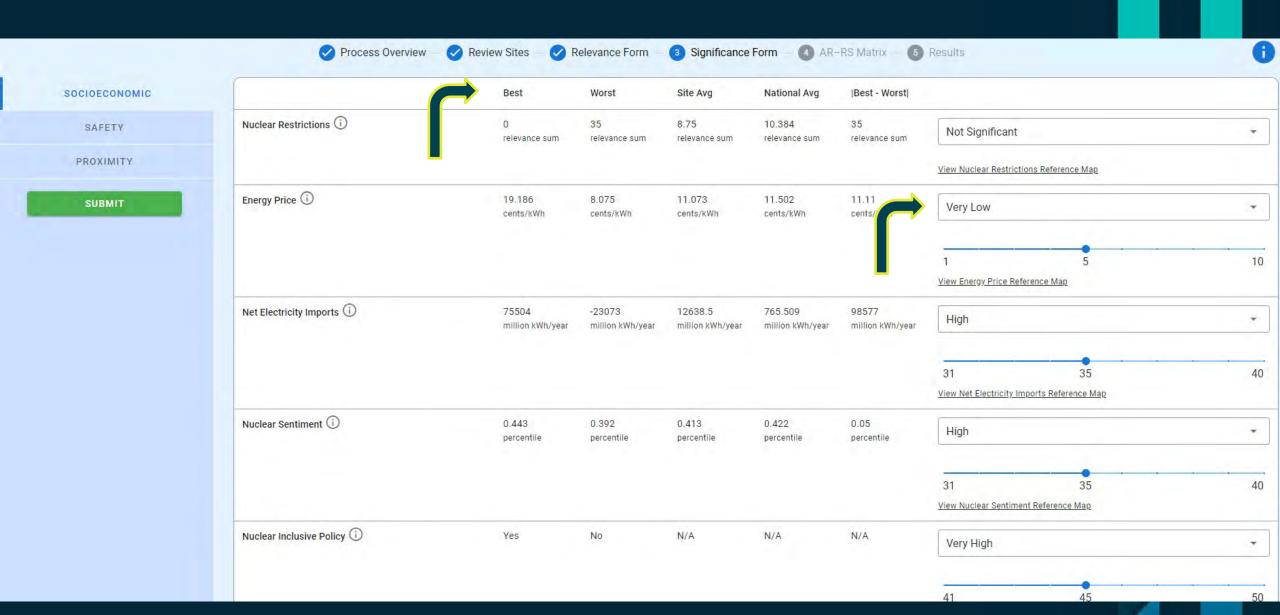






















	55		7		Measure	Relevance						
	Very High		High		Medium		Low		Very Low		Not Relevant	
Very High					Cdc Svi Nuclear Inclusive Policy	13.462 13.462	Nuclear R And D	11.538	Hazardous Facilities	9.615		
High					Net Electricity Imports Nuclear Sentiment	11.538 11.538	Labor Rate	9.615				
Medium							Open Water And Wetlands	7.692				
Low							Transportation	5.769				
Very Low					Energy Price	5.769						
Not Significant	Protected Lands	0.000	Electrical Substations Fault Lines Landslide Hazard Population Safe Shutdown Earthquake	0.000 0.000 0.000 0.000 0.000	Generator Retirement Nuclear Restrictions One Hundred Year Flood Operating Nuclear	0.000 0.000 0.000 0.000	Market Regulation	0.000			Slope	0.000

SUBMIT















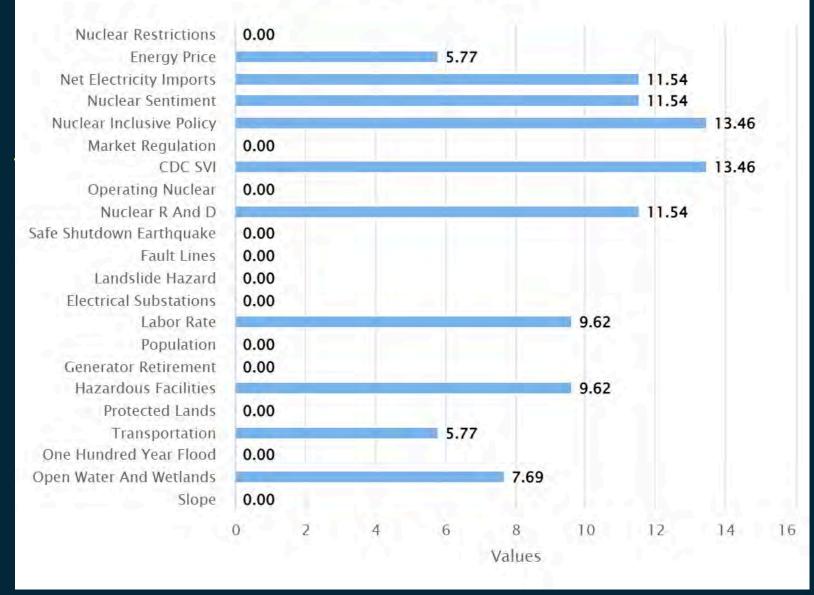








Normalized Weights













Beta Testing

- There were 13 testers in the testing pool
- Conducted over two weeks in November and December 2021
- Testing was conducted 1:1 via video conference.
- Both facilitators and testers completed a survey after the beta test





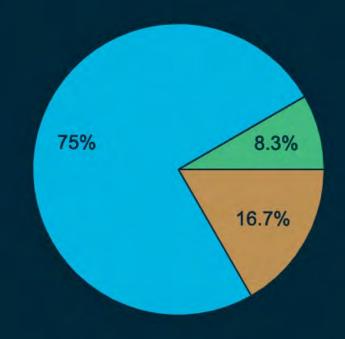






What type of organization do you represent?

12 responses



- University
- Research Organization
- NGO
- Policy
- Industry / Developer





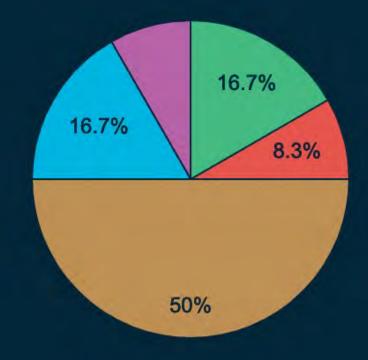






Which of the following best represents your job role?

12 responses



- Researcher
- Analyst
- Student
- Faculty
- Management
- Communications





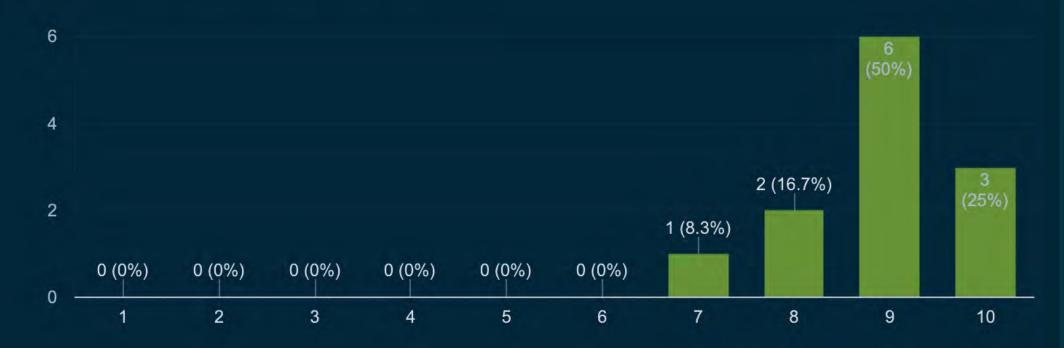






How likely are you to refer this tool to a colleague?

12 responses













Potential Upgrades

Expand current coverage of Alaska and Hawaii

Add Puerto Rico

Add environmental justice indicators such as: existing nuclear waste sites, energy burden, and EJSCREEN data











Small Group Training Sessions

- Additional Small Group Training Session for STAND will be offered in mid to late February
- Please email Emily Nichols at Emily.nichols@inl.gov with a list of personnel from your organization interested in small group training no later than February 4th 2022
- Training sessions quantity and duration will vary depending on interest and availability.













Q&A











Thank you!

All proceedings from this webinar will be posted under Resources on the NRIC website.

Contact: NRIC@inl.gov

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OR-SAGE Reference materials and database sublayers:

- (2012 EPRI Study) Application of Spatial Data Modeling and Geographical Information Systems (GIS) for Identification of Potential Siting Options for Various Electrical Power Generation Sources, ORNL/TM-2011/157/R1, May 2012, https://info.ornl.gov/sites/publications/files/Pub30613.pdf
- (2012 DOE Study) Updated Application of Spatial Data Modeling and Geographical Information Systems
 (GIS) for Identification of Potential Siting Options for Small Modular Reactors, ORNL/TM-2012/403,
 September 2012, https://info.ornl.gov/sites/publications/Files/Pub39008.pdf
- Protected lands include:
 - National parks, national monuments, state parks, local parks
 - National forests, wilderness areas, scenic waterways, wildlife refuges
 - Universities, schools, hospitals, prisons
 - Indigenous (tribal) lands, Bureau of Land Management land
- Hazards Include:
 - Commercial airports with a 10-mile buffer
 - Military bases with a 1-mile buffer
 - Chemical facilities that pose a fire, missile, or toxic gas hazard with a 5-mile buffer (e.g., explosives manufacturing)
 - Energy facilities that pose a fire, missile, or toxic gas hazard with a 5-mile buffer (e.g., gas compressor stations)









