

# **Overview of Energy Storage in ERCOT**

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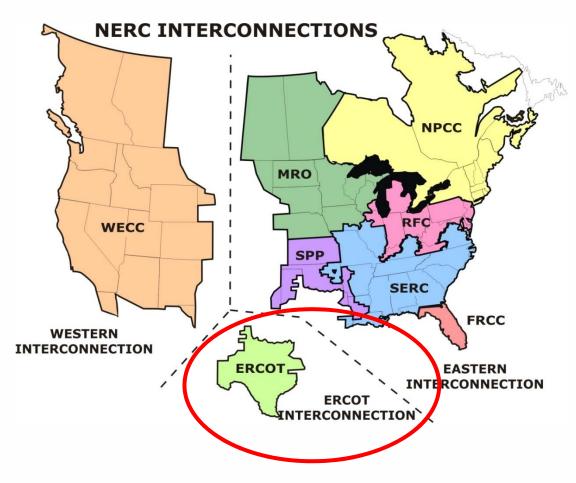
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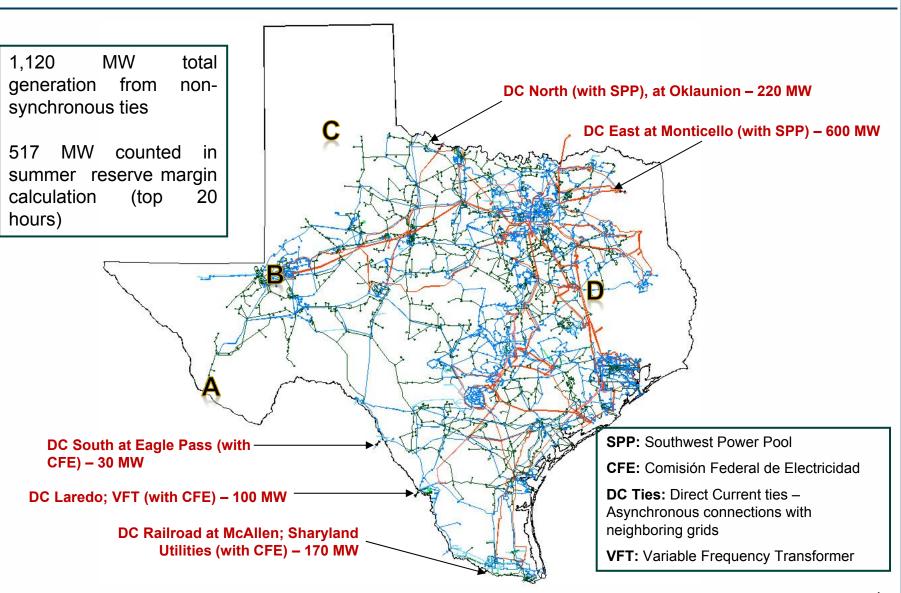
### **North American Bulk Power Grids**



ERCOT connections to other grids are limited to direct current (DC) ties, which allow control over flow of electricity

- The ERCOT Region is one of 3 grid interconnections in USA-Canada
- The ERCOT grid:
  - Covers 75% of Texas land
  - Serves 90% of Texas load
  - >40,000 miles of transmission lines
  - >550 generation units
  - Physical assets are owned by transmission providers and generators, including municipal utilities and cooperatives

## **DC-Ties**



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