

2021 Capital Budget Application



Introductory Presentation

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Outline

- 2021 CBA Overview
- LED Street Lighting Replacement Plan
- Customer Service Continuity Plan
- St. John's North – Portugal Cove System Planning Study





2021 Capital Budget Overview

Presenter: Bob Cahill, Eng. L.

2021 Capital Budget Overall

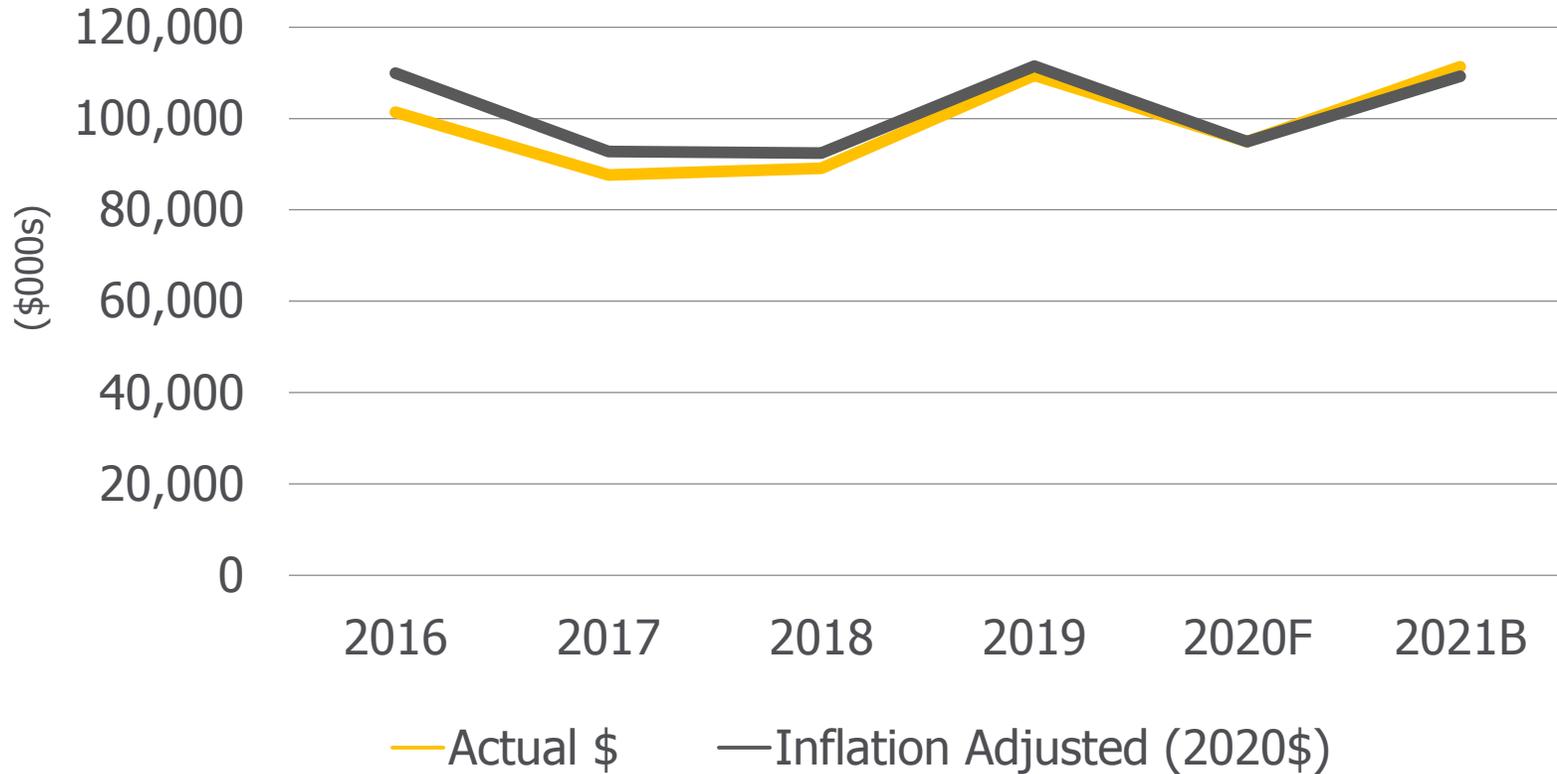
- 40 projects totaling \$111 million
- Comprehensive planning process
- Consistent level of expenditure
- Compliance with Board directives



Source: 2021 Capital Budget Application, Volume 1, Capital Plan, Section 2.0, page 2 *et seq.*

Capital Expenditure Stability

Annual Capital Expenditures



Source: 2021 Capital Budget Application, Volume 1, Capital Plan, Section 3.2, page 20.



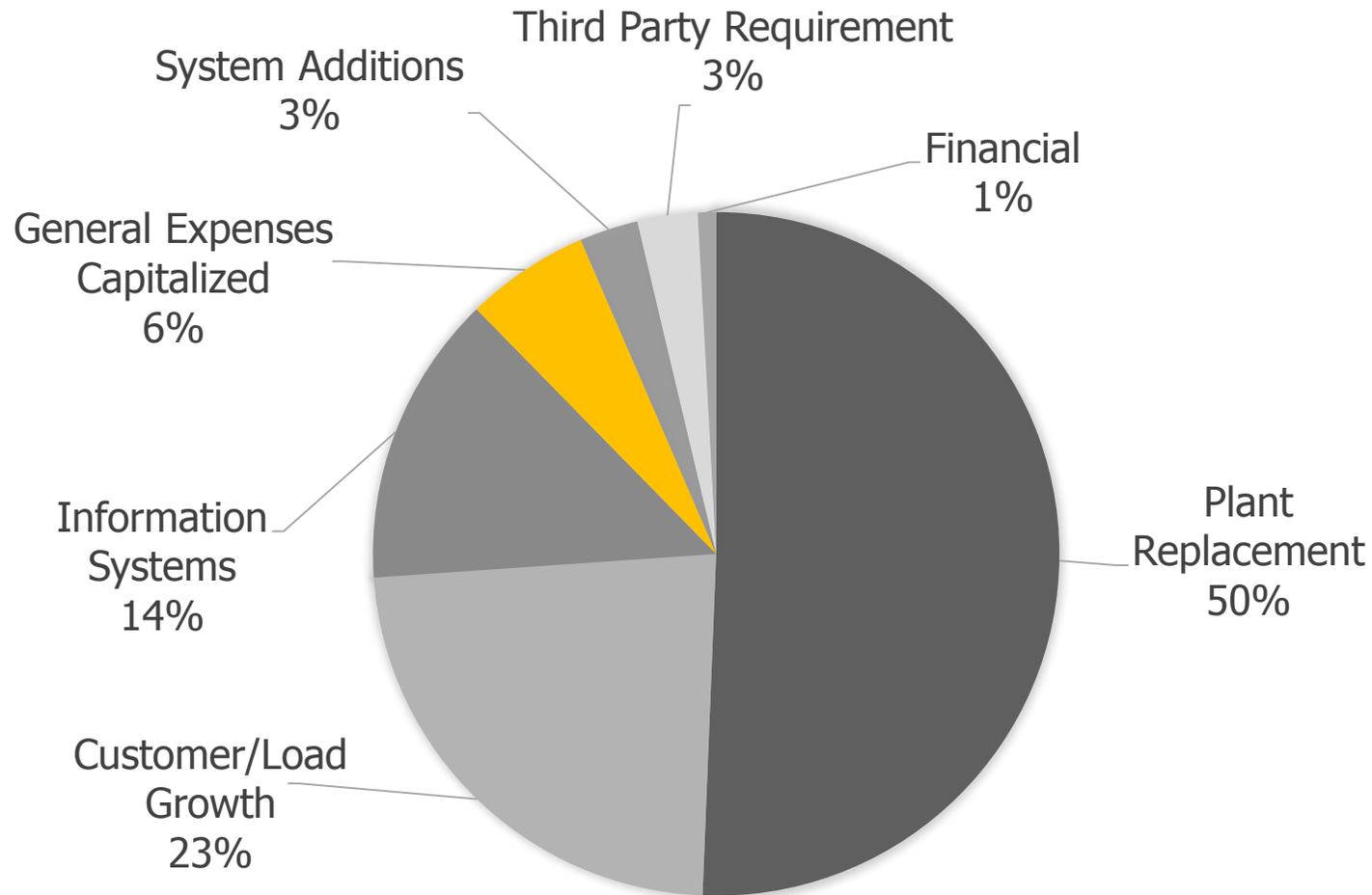
2021 Capital Budget by Asset Class

Asset Class	Budget (\$000s)	Percentage
Distribution	45,875	41%
Substations	14,280	13%
Information Systems	15,362	14%
Generation	11,510	10%
Transmission	9,751	9%
Transportation	4,032	4%
General Property	2,776	2%
Telecommunications	462	0%
Allowance for Unforeseen	750	1%
GEC	6,500	6%
Total	\$111,298	100%



Source: 2021 Capital Budget Application, Volume 1, Capital Plan, Section 3.4, page 23 *et seq.*

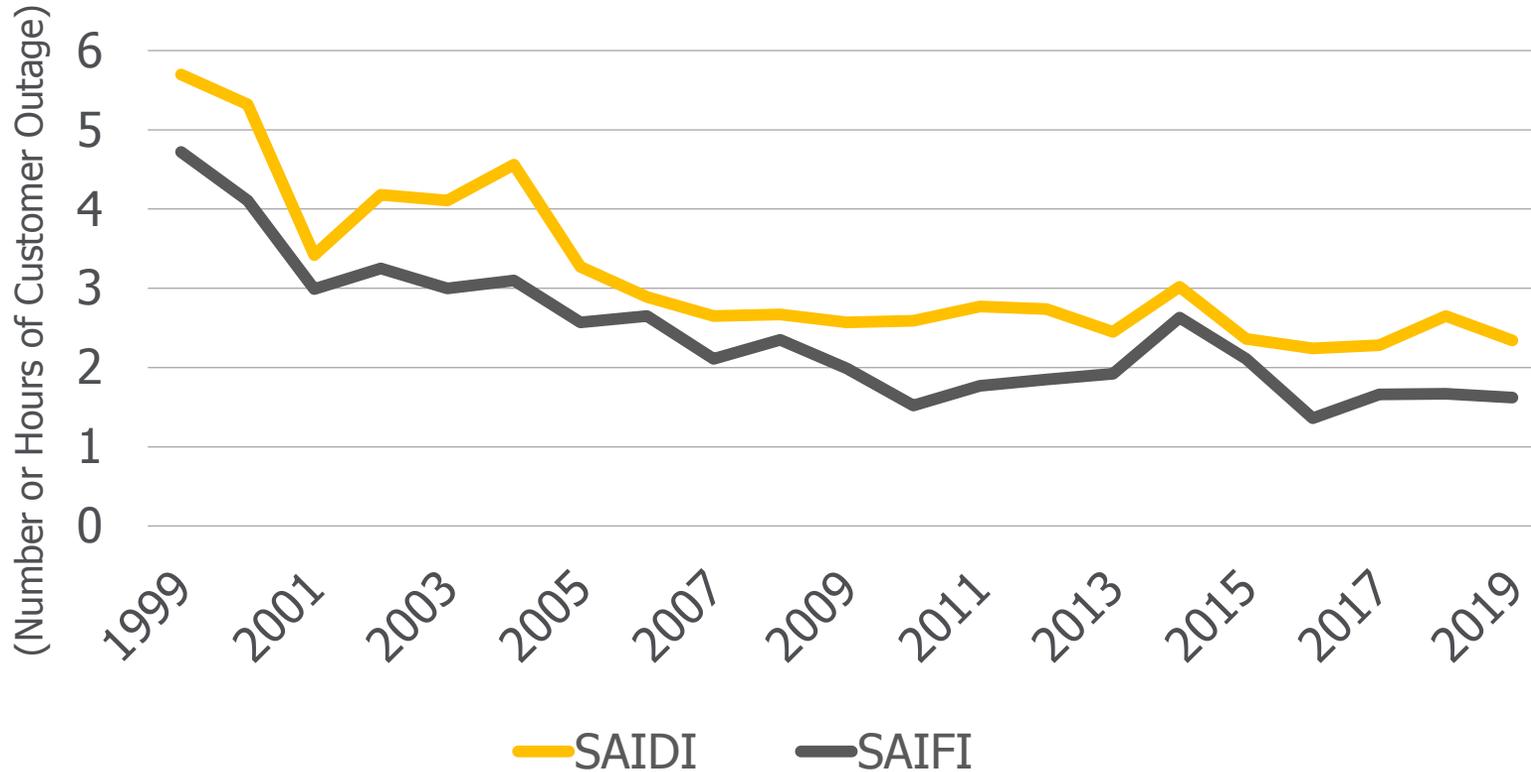
2021 Capital Budget by Origin



Source: 2021 Capital Budget Application, Volume 1, Capital Plan, Section 3.3, page 21.

Maintaining Service Reliability

Duration and Frequency of Customer Outages



Source: 2021 Capital Budget Application, Volume 1, Capital Plan, Section 2.2.2, page 10.

Customer Rate Stability

Contribution to Customer Rates (¢/kWh)			
	2000	2020	Change
Actual	3.53	4.14	17%
Inflation-Adjusted	5.18	4.14	-20%

- Customer rates have not changed as a result of a Newfoundland Power GRA since 2016

Source: 2021 Capital Budget Application, Volume 1, Capital Plan, Section 2.3.2, page 13 *et seq.*



LED Street Lighting Replacement Plan

Presenter: Mike Comerford, P. Eng.

Background

- Street & Area Lighting Service
- Multi-year assessment
- New service offering – March 1, 2019

“The Board finds that this service offering would be beneficial to customers and would offer lower rates compared to the HPS rates.”

- Order No. P.U. 2 (2019)

Customer Benefits

Lower Rates

Street Lighting Rates (October 1, 2019)

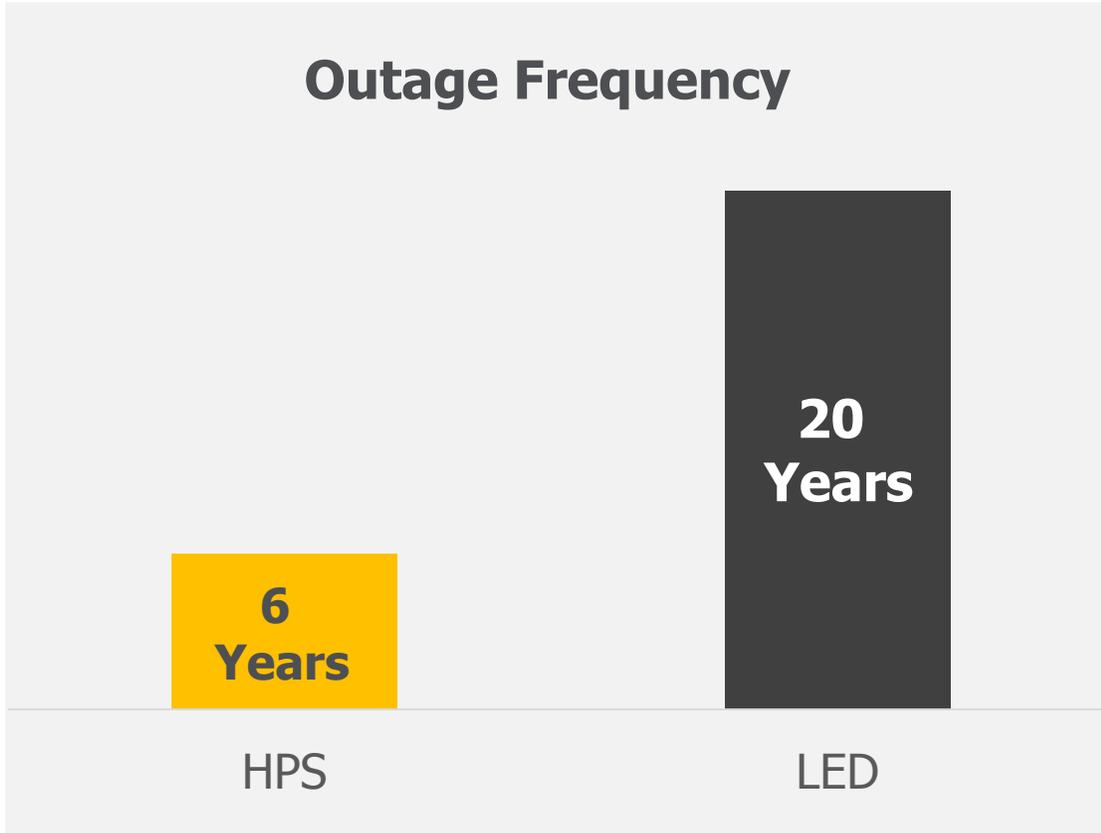
Type	100	150	250	400
HPS	\$17.89	\$22.02	\$30.55	\$41.87
LED	\$16.20	\$17.70	\$22.68	\$25.71
Difference	9%	20%	26%	39%



Source: 2021 Capital Budget Application, Volume 1, LED Street Lighting Replacement Plan, Section 2.1, page 3.

Customer Benefits

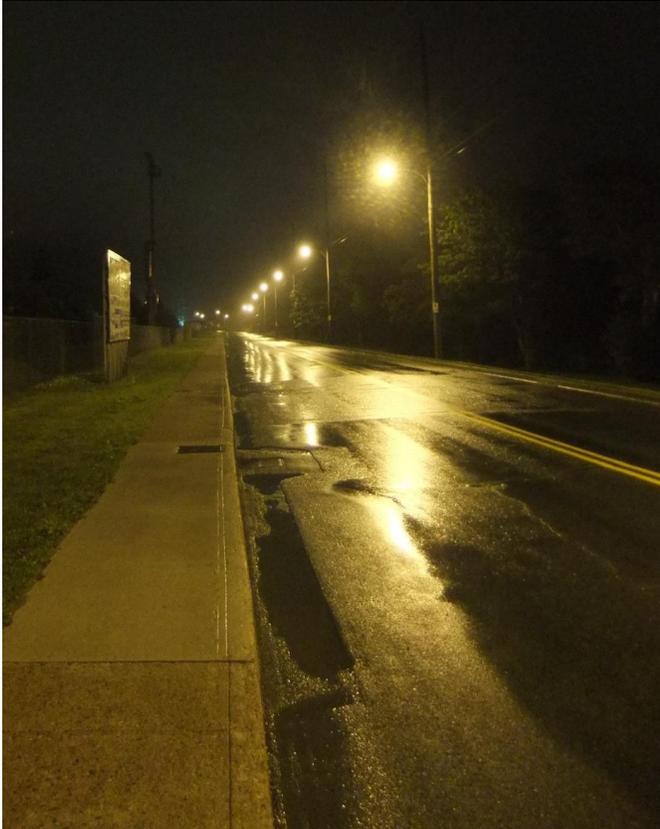
Improved Reliability



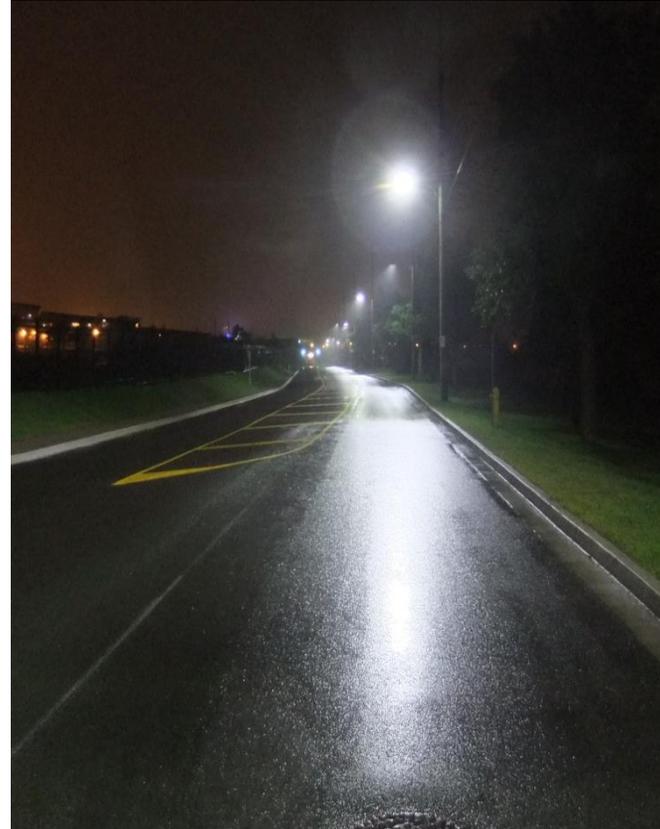
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Customer Benefits

Better Lighting Quality



HPS

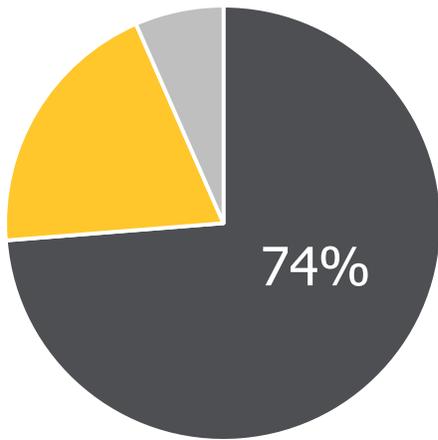


LED

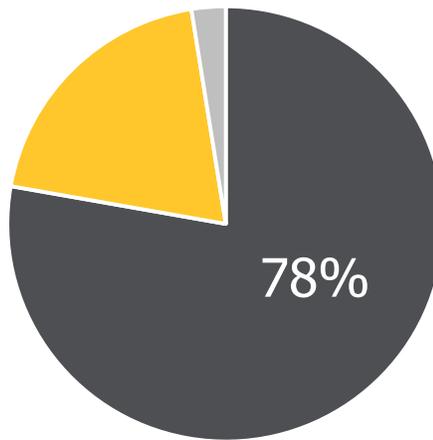
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Customer Feedback

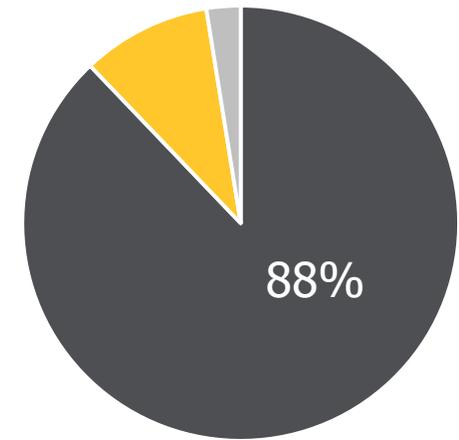
Brightness



Visibility



Preference



■ LED ■ About the same ■ HPS

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■ LED ■ No preference ■ HPS

Source: 2021 Capital Budget Application, Volume 1, LED Street Lighting Replacement Plan, Section 2.1, page 4.

Current Installation Approach

- New service requests
- HPS fixture requires replacement
- Approximately 30-year transition



Source: 2021 Capital Budget Application, Volume 1, LED Street Lighting Replacement Plan, Section 2.2, page 5.

Replacement Program

- Install LED fixture after HPS outage
- All LEDs within 6 years
- \$32.8 million capital cost

Street Light Installations Percentage LEDs		
Year	Alternative 1: Current Approach	Alternative 2: Replacement Program
2020	3%	3%
2021	6%	19%
2022	8%	35%
2023	11%	51%
2024	14%	68%
2025	17%	84%
2026	19%	100%

Source: 2021 Capital Budget Application, Volume 1, LED Street Lighting Replacement Plan, Section 3.1.2, pages 8 and 14.

Assessment Results

- Consistent with current Canadian utility practice
- Reduces customer costs by \$27.2 million over 20 years
- Supported by customers

“MNL fully supports Newfoundland Power’s proposed LED Streetlight Replacement Program and believes it will result in a fair and reasonable deployment of LED streetlights to the municipalities it serves.”

- MNL Correspondence (2020)

Source: 2021 Capital Budget Application, Volume 1, LED Street Lighting Replacement Plan, Appendices A, B and D.



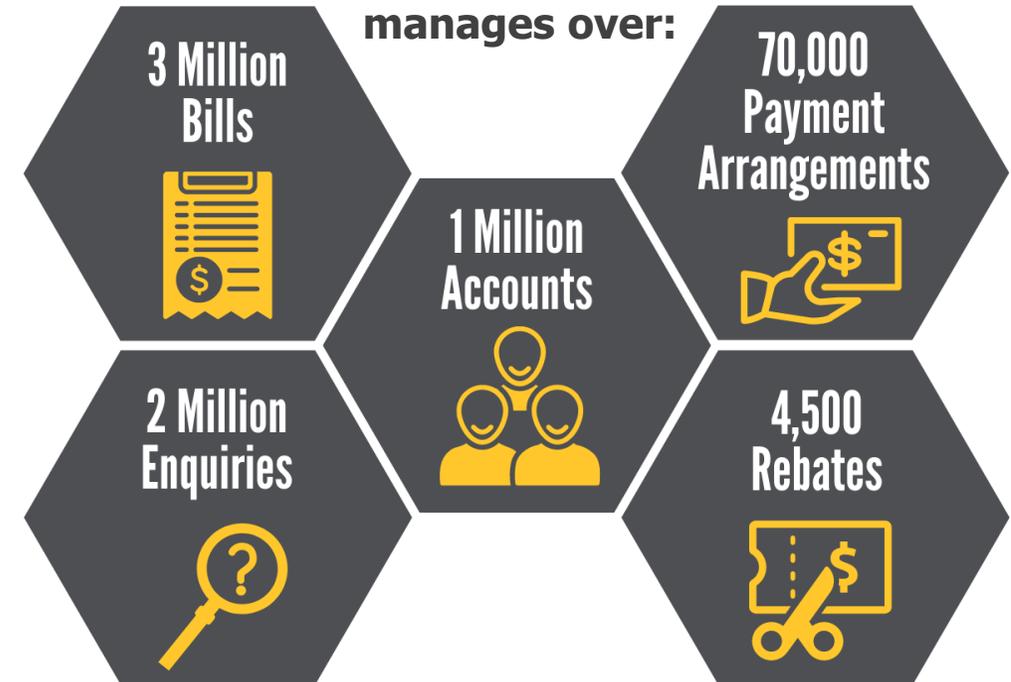
Customer Service Continuity Plan

Presenter: Frank Flynn

Customer Service Delivery

- Program and service delivery
- Account management and billing
- Customer communications and contact management

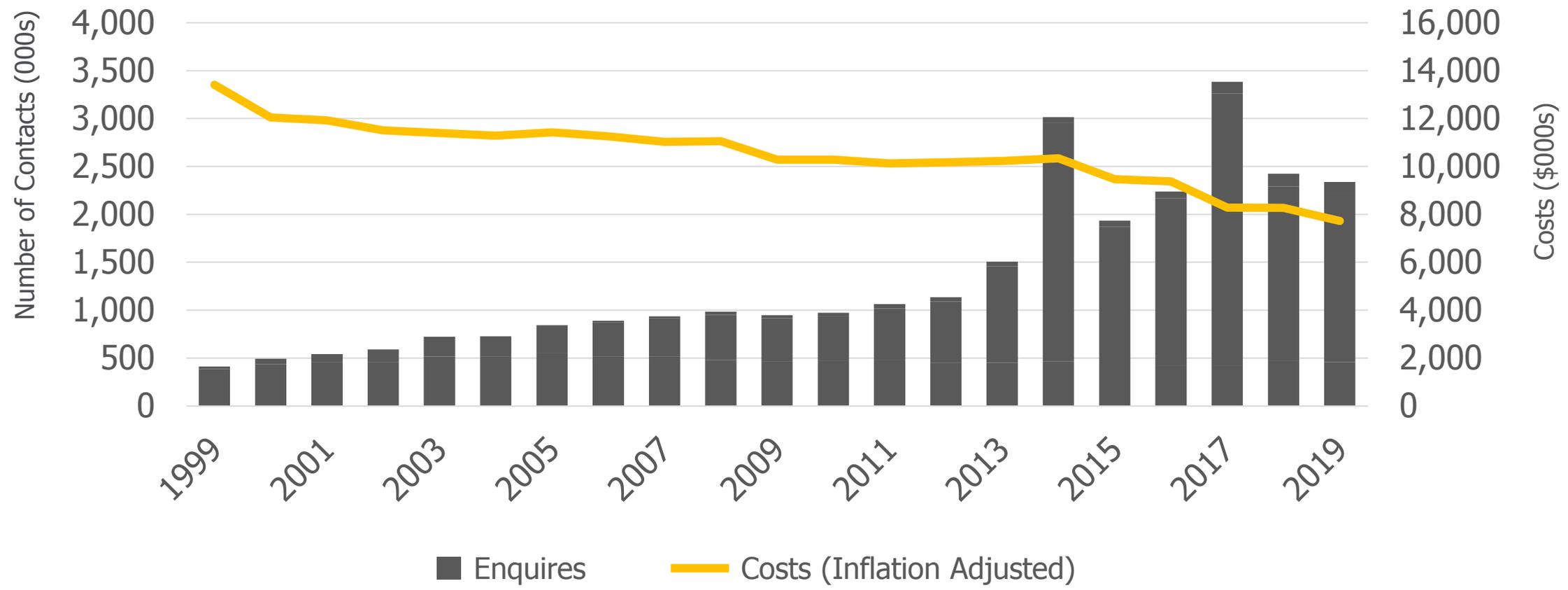
Each year, our
Customer Service System
manages over:



Source: 2021 Capital Budget Application, Volume 1, Customer Service Continuity Plan, Section 2.0, page 2 *et seq.*

Balancing Costs and Service

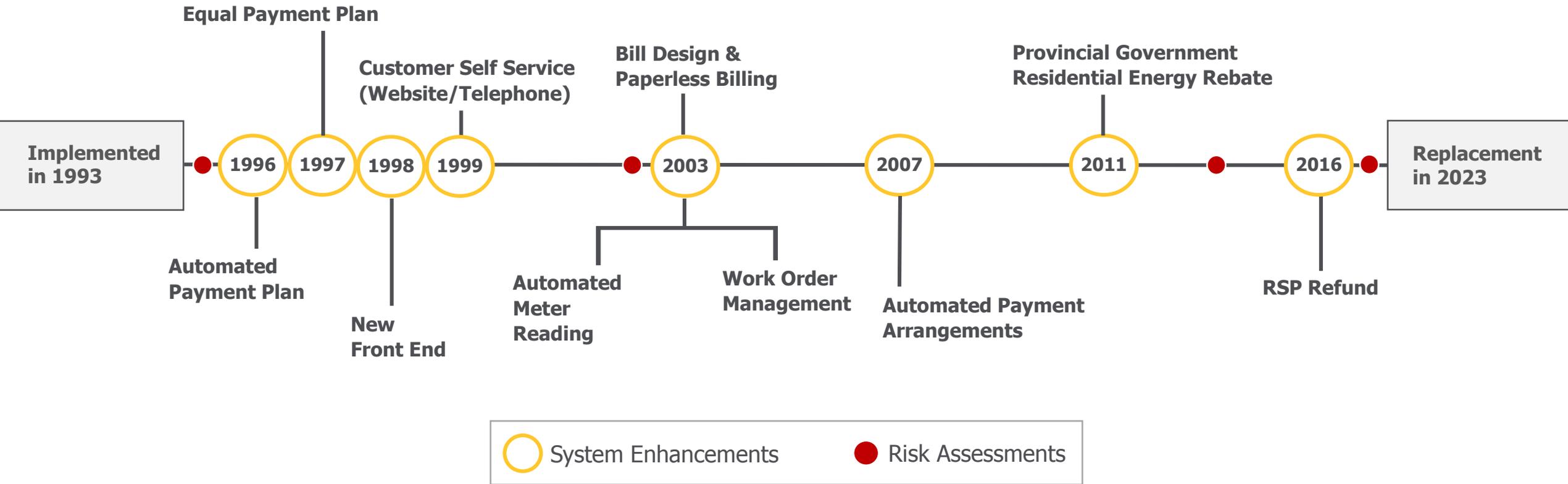
Customer Enquiries vs. Customer Service Costs



Source: 2021 Capital Budget Application, Volume 1, Customer Service Continuity Plan, Section 2.1, pages 3 to 4.



Customer Service System



Source: 2021 Capital Budget Application, Volume 1, Customer Service Continuity Plan, Attachment A, page 7.

Risks to Continued Operation

Risk Dimension	2018	If not replaced by 2023
Vendor Market Share:	Moderate – High	High
Vendor Health:	Moderate – High	High
Business Enabling:	Moderate – High	High
Support:	Moderate	High
Reliability & Security:	Low – Moderate	Moderate – High



Source: 2021 Capital Budget Application, Volume 1, Customer Service Continuity Plan, Section 2.2, page 6 *et seq.*

Assessment of Alternatives

- Independent assessment of alternatives:
 - Maintain status quo
 - Extend or enhance
 - Re-platform
 - Replace with commercial system

“Newfoundland Power is the last remaining mid-large size Canadian utility operating a legacy CIS application with no upgrade path provided by the original vendor”

- EY Survey (2018)

Customer Benefits

- Provide service continuity
- Maintain service efficiency
- Enhance customer experience



Source: 2021 Capital Budget Application, Volume 1, Customer Service Continuity Plan, Section 5.0, page 16 *et seq.*

Project Cost & Schedule

- \$31.6 million over 3 years
- Based on planning recommendations of EY
- Consistent with industry best practices

Year	2020	2021	2022	2023
Project Cost		\$9.9 million	\$15.8 million	\$5.9 million
Project Schedule				
Pre-Implementation	█			
Implementation		█		
Post-Implementation				█

Source: 2021 Capital Budget Application, Volume 1, Customer Service Continuity Plan, Section 6.0, page 19 *et seq.*



Conclusion

- Result of a comprehensive assessment process
- Consistent with industry best practices
- Long-term customer benefits



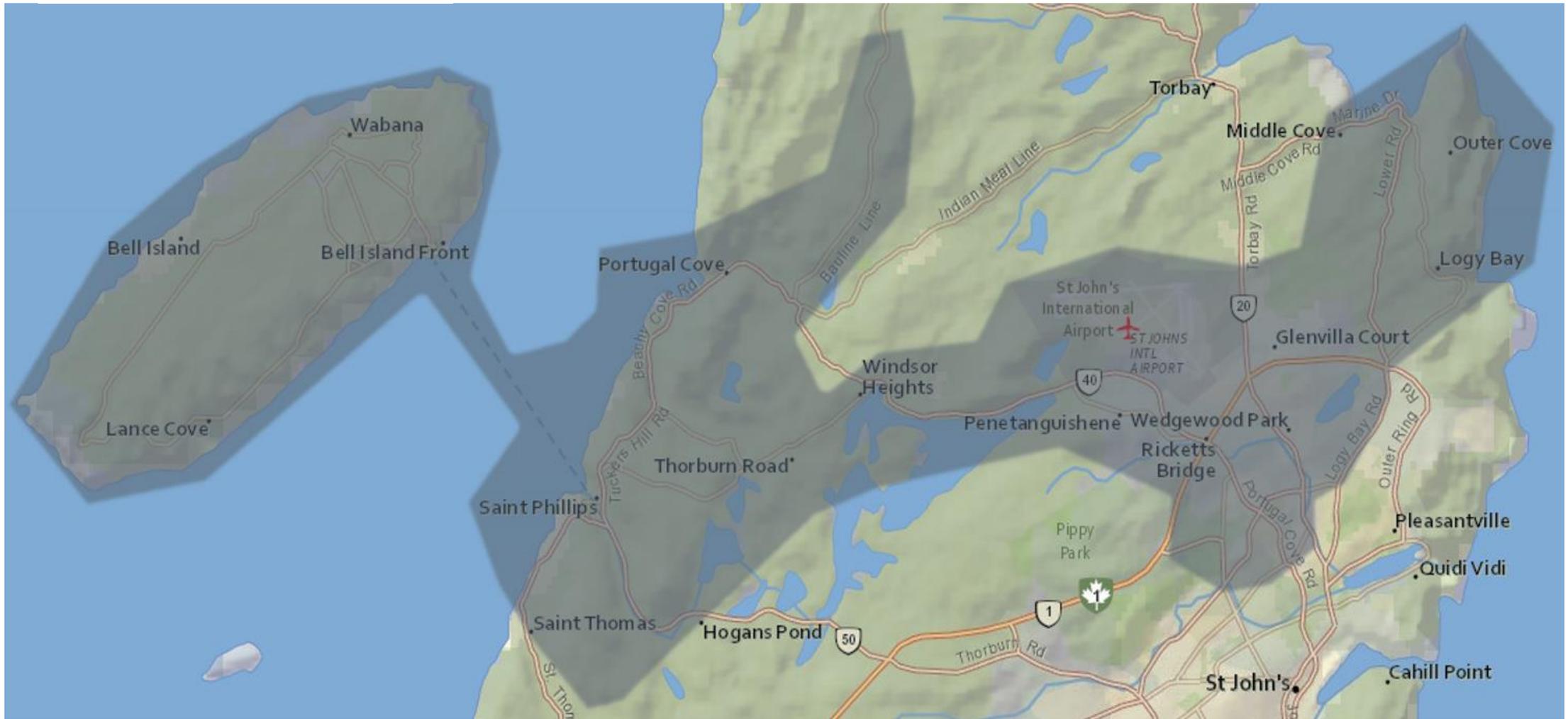
Source: 2021 Capital Budget Application, Volume 1, Customer Service Continuity Plan.



St. John's North – Portugal Cove System Planning Study

Presenter: Bob Cahill, Eng. L.

The Study Area



Source: 2021 Capital Budget Application, Volume 2, St. John's North – Portugal Cove System Planning Study, Section 2.0, page 1.

Historical Growth

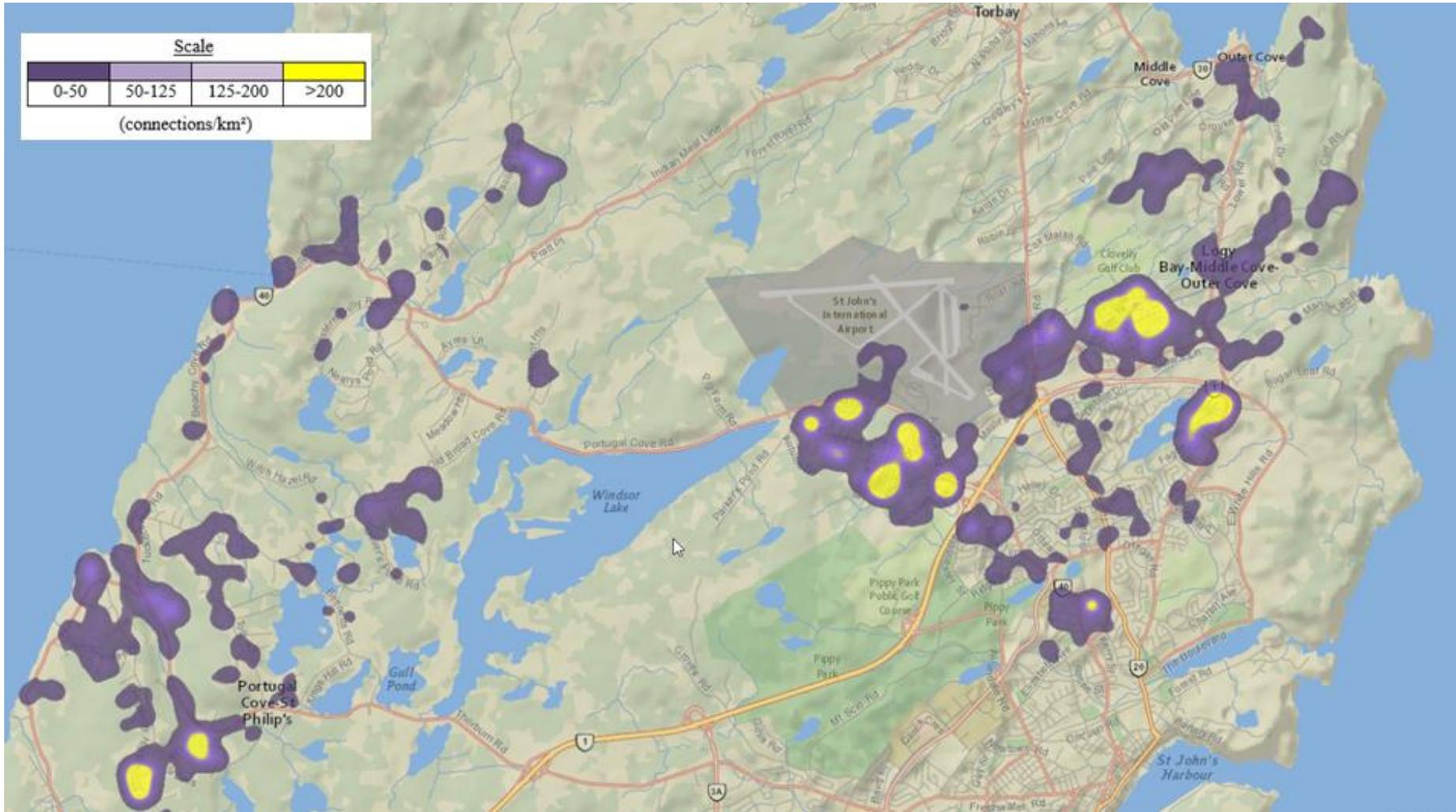
Study Area Historical Growth

Year	Number of Customers	Peak Load (MVA)
2009	15,979	122
2018	17,793	140
Increase	1,814	18

- Increased customer and electrical load growth
- 11% customer growth
- 14% peak load growth

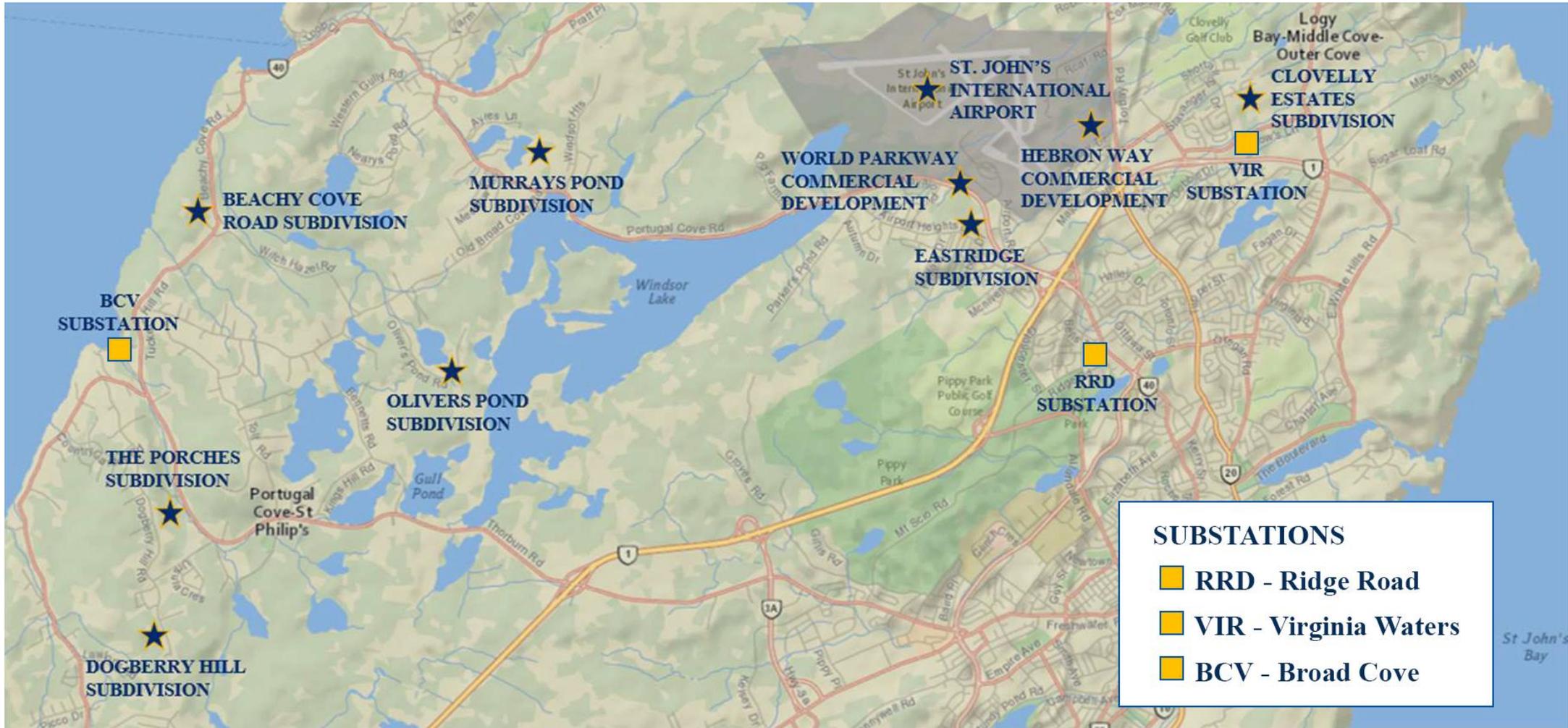
Source: 2021 Capital Budget Application, Volume 2, St. John's North – Portugal Cove System Planning Study, Section 2.0, page 1 *et seq.*

Historical Growth



Source: 2021 Capital Budget Application, Volume 2, St. John's North – Portugal Cove System Planning Study, Section 2.0, page 2.

Ongoing Development



Source: 2021 Capital Budget Application, Volume 2, St. John's North – Portugal Cove System Planning Study, Section 2.0, page 3.

Load Forecast

Study Area Load Forecast

Transformer	Transformer Rated Capacity (MVA)	2021 Forecast Load (MVA)	2040 Forecast Load (MVA)
BCV-T1	25	26.6	29.9
RRD-T2	20	19.5	21.9
RRD-T3	20	22.1	24.8
VIR-T1	25	20.4	22.9
VIR-T2	25	23.2	26.0
VIR-T3	25	25.0	31.8

- 20-year load forecast for each substation
- 3 of 6 transformers overloaded in 2021
- 5 of 6 transformers overloaded in 2040

Source: 2021 Capital Budget Application, Volume 2, St. John's North – Portugal Cove System Planning Study, Section 4.0, page 5.

Assessment of Alternatives

Capital Costs (\$000s)		
Alternative		Cost
1	New Transformers at Broad Cove and Virginia Waters Substations	\$7,491
2	New Substation near St. John's International Airport	\$6,794
3	New Substation in Portugal Cove	\$7,982

Source: 2021 Capital Budget Application, Volume 2, St. John's North – Portugal Cove System Planning Study, Section 5.0, page 6 *et seq.*

Economic Analysis

Net Present Value Analysis (\$000s)

Alternative	Base Case Forecast NPV	High Load Forecast NPV	Low Load Forecast NPV
1	8,814	9,155	8,164
2	8,590	9,153	7,055
3	9,875	10,786	8,292

Source: 2021 Capital Budget Application, Volume 2, St. John's North – Portugal Cove System Planning Study, Section 6.3, page 11.

Recommendation

- Alternative 2: New Substation near St. John's International Airport
- Maintains adequate supply
- Meets all required technical criteria
- Least-cost alternative



Source: 2021 Capital Budget Application, Volume 2, St. John's North – Portugal Cove System Planning Study, Section 7.0, page 12.

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