

**Table 30. Climate Zone 1 Amarillo—Summer Demand kW Savings**

Tilt (degrees)		Azimuth (degrees, center and range)				
		90	135	180	225	270
Center	Range	>67.5-112.5	>112.5-157.5	>157.5-202.5	>202.5-247.5	>247.5-292.5
0	0-7.5	48%	48%	48%	48%	48%
15	>7.5-22.5	35%	40%	49%	56%	58%
30	>22.5-37.5	20%	30%	47%	60%	64%
45	>37.5-52.5	10%	18%	42%	61%	66%
60	>52.5-67.5	7%	10%	34%	59%	65%

**Table 31. Climate Zone 1 Amarillo—Winter Demand kW Savings**

Tilt (degrees)		Azimuth (degrees, center and range)				
		90	135	180	225	270
Center	Range	>67.5-112.5	>112.5-157.5	>157.5-202.5	>202.5-247.5	>247.5-292.5
0	0-7.5	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%
15	>7.5-22.5	3%	3%	2%	1%	0%
30	>22.5-37.5	4%	5%	3%	1%	0%
45	>37.5-52.5	6%	6%	4%	1%	0%
60	>52.5-67.5	6%	7%	4%	0%	0%

**Table 32. Climate Zone 2 Dallas—Summer Demand kW Savings**

Tilt (degrees)		Azimuth (degrees, center and range)				
		90	135	180	225	270
Center	Range	>67.5-112.5	>112.5-157.5	>157.5-202.5	>202.5-247.5	>247.5-292.5
0	0-7.5	46%	46%	46%	46%	46%
15	>7.5-22.5	35%	39%	46%	52%	54%
30	>22.5-37.5	22%	29%	43%	55%	59%
45	>37.5-52.5	12%	19%	38%	56%	60%
60	>52.5-67.5	8%	12%	31%	53%	58%

**Table 33. Climate Zone 2 Dallas—Winter Demand kW Savings**

Tilt (degrees)		Azimuth (degrees, center and range)				
		90	135	180	225	270
Center	Range	>67.5-112.5	>112.5-157.5	>157.5-202.5	>202.5-247.5	>247.5-292.5
0	0-7.5	3%	3%	3%	3%	3%
15	>7.5-22.5	5%	6%	4%	2%	1%
30	>22.5-37.5	8%	8%	5%	2%	1%
45	>37.5-52.5	9%	10%	6%	1%	1%
60	>52.5-67.5	10%	11%	6%	1%	1%

**Table 34. Climate Zone 3 Houston—Summer Demand kW Savings**

Tilt (degrees)		Azimuth (degrees, center and range)				
		90	135	180	225	270
Center	Range	>67.5-112.5	>112.5-157.5	>157.5-202.5	>202.5-247.5	>247.5-292.5
0	0-7.5	36%	36%	36%	36%	36%
15	>7.5-22.5	26%	29%	36%	42%	44%
30	>22.5-37.5	16%	21%	34%	45%	49%
45	>37.5-52.5	9%	14%	29%	46%	51%
60	>52.5-67.5	8%	9%	23%	44%	51%

**Table 35. Climate Zone 3 Houston—Winter Demand kW Savings**

Tilt (degrees)		Azimuth (degrees, center and range)				
		90	135	180	225	270
Center	Range	>67.5-112.5	>112.5-157.5	>157.5-202.5	>202.5-247.5	>247.5-292.5
0	0-7.5	6%	6%	6%	6%	6%
15	>7.5-22.5	10%	11%	8%	5%	3%
30	>22.5-37.5	14%	15%	10%	4%	1%
45	>37.5-52.5	17%	18%	11%	3%	1%
60	>52.5-67.5	18%	19%	12%	2%	1%

**Table 36. Climate Zone 4 Corpus Christi—Summer Demand kW Savings**

Tilt (degrees)		Azimuth (degrees, center and range)				
		90	135	180	225	270
Center	Range	>67.5-112.5	>112.5-157.5	>157.5-202.5	>202.5-247.5	>247.5-292.5
0	0-7.5	41%	41%	41%	41%	41%
15	>7.5-22.5	30%	33%	41%	48%	51%
30	>22.5-37.5	16%	23%	39%	52%	57%
45	>37.5-52.5	8%	14%	34%	53%	60%
60	>52.5-67.5	8%	9%	27%	51%	59%

**Table 37. Climate Zone 4 Corpus Christi—Winter Demand kW Savings**

Tilt (degrees)		Azimuth (degrees, center and range)				
		90	135	180	225	270
Center	Range	>67.5-112.5	>112.5-157.5	>157.5-202.5	>202.5-247.5	>247.5-292.5
0	0-7.5	5%	5%	5%	5%	5%
15	>7.5-22.5	8%	9%	7%	4%	2%
30	>22.5-37.5	11%	12%	8%	3%	1%
45	>37.5-52.5	13%	14%	9%	2%	1%
60	>52.5-67.5	13%	15%	9%	2%	1%

**Table 38. Climate Zone 5 El Paso—Summer Demand kW Savings**

Tilt (degrees)		Azimuth (degrees, center and range)				
		90	135	180	225	270
Center	Range	>67.5-112.5	>112.5-157.5	>157.5-202.5	>202.5-247.5	>247.5-292.5
0	0-7.5	49%	49%	49%	49%	49%
15	>7.5-22.5	40%	44%	49%	54%	55%
30	>22.5-37.5	29%	35%	47%	56%	58%
45	>37.5-52.5	16%	25%	42%	55%	58%
60	>52.5-67.5	10%	15%	34%	51%	55%

Table 39. Climate Zone 5 El Paso—Winter Demand kW Savings

Tilt (degrees)		Azimuth (degrees, center and range)				
		90	135	180	225	270
Center	Range	>67.5-112.5	>112.5-157.5	>157.5-202.5	>202.5-247.5	>247.5-292.5
0	0-7.5	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
15	>7.5-22.5	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
30	>22.5-37.5	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
45	>37.5-52.5	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
60	>52.5-67.5	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%

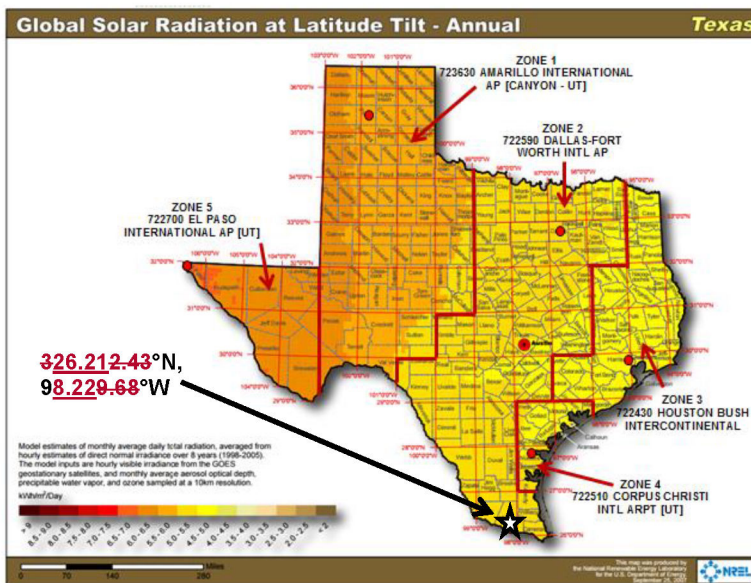
### Deemed Summer and Winter Demand Savings—Example

**Example:** A commercial customer at 1300 W. Houston Avenue, McAllen, TX 78501 installs a 50 kW<sub>dc</sub> fixed array comprised of standard crystalline Silicon modules on their rooftop with a tilt of 5 degrees and an azimuth of 175 degrees.

**Step 1.** Determine the appropriate weather zone. Geographic coordinates for this system (26.21°N, 98.22°W from Figure 14) were derived when determining the annual energy savings (kWh).

From the weather zone map, this location is in Zone 2. See Figure 16.

Figure 16. Application of the Weather Zone Map



**Step 2.** Calculate the summer and winter demand savings. From the zone 2 lookup tables, 5 degree tilt falls within the 0-7.5 degree tilt range, and 175 degree azimuth falls within the 157.5-202.5 azimuth range. The summer lookup value is 46%, and the winter lookup value is 3%.

Applying Equation 49,

$$\text{Deemed summer demand} = \text{DC system size (kW)} * \text{Lookup Value}$$

$$\text{Deemed summer demand} = 50.000 \text{ kW} * 46\%$$

$$\text{Deemed summer demand} = 50.000 \text{ kW} * 0.46$$

$$\text{Deemed summer demand} = 23.000 \text{ kW}$$

Applying Equation 50,

$$\text{Deemed winter demand} = \text{DC system size (kW)} * \text{Lookup Value}$$

$$\text{Deemed winter demand} = 50.000 \text{ kW} * 3\%$$

$$\text{Deemed winter demand} = 50.000 \text{ kW} * 0.03$$

$$\text{Deemed winter demand} = 1.500 \text{ kW}$$

## Summer and Winter Demand Savings—Alternative Method

An alternative method to estimate summer and winter demand savings is also available. To use the alternative method, follow these steps:

- **Step 1.** Determine the applicable weather zone of the proposed system using Figure 16<sub>7</sub> above.
- **Step 2.** Use PVWatts® to model the proposed system as described in the Annual Energy Savings (kWh) section above. However, instead of using the zip code/default weather file, select the TMY3 reference location and weather file associated with the applicable weather zone of the proposed system. (e.g., a system in McAllen in weather zone 1 would be modeled based on the DALLAS-FORT WORTH INTL AP, TX TMY3 weather file. Leave all other inputs the same.
- **Step 3.** On the PVWatts Results page, select Download Results: Hourly. Save the **pvwatts\_hourly.csv** output file to your computer and open it using Microsoft Excel.
- **Step 4.** Open the provided calculation tool **TRM 4.0 PV tool YYYYMMDD\_locked.xlsx** (in which the version date is indicated by the YYYYMMDD field) on your computer, and select the Alt. Method Inputs tab.
- **Step 5.** From the PVWatts hourly output file, highlight and copy the output data (A1:k8780). Paste this data to cell M1 on the Alt. Method Inputs tab in **TRM 4.0 PV tool YYYYMMDD\_locked.xlsx** (in which the version date is indicated by the YYYYMMDD field).

- **Step 6.** On the Alt. Methods Outputs tab, the tool calculates and displays summer and winter demand savings as AC capacity ( $kW_{ac}$ ) and as a percentage of the DC capacity of the modeled system.

## Claimed Peak Demand Savings

Refer to Volume 1, Section 4 for further details on peak demand savings and methodology.

## Measure Life and Lifetime Savings

The estimated useful life (EUL) of photovoltaic system is established at 30 years. This value is consistent with engineering estimates based on manufacturers' warranties and historical data.

## Additional Calculators and Tools

TRM 4.0 PV tool YYYYMMDD\_locked.xlsx (in which the version date is indicated by the YYYYMMDD field), provided by Frontier Energy, is used to determine summer and winter demand savings. The most current version is posted at the Texas energy efficiency website, <http://www.texasefficiency.com/>. Utilities have the option to create their own versions.

## Program Tracking Data and Evaluation Requirements

The following information will be required to determine the project eligibility.

- Project location (full address, including city, state, and zip code)
- Module type: standard, premium, or thin film
- Array Type: fixed (open rack), fixed (roof mount), 1-axis tracking, 1-axis backtracking, 2-axis tracking, etc.
- Tilt, azimuth, and DC system size rating for each array
- The calculation of electricity production through PVWatts® can be completed by accessing the online calculator or utilizing an API, application programming interface. The required documentation varies between the two methods.
  - Online Calculator: Date of PVWatts® run, and PVWatts® printed results report (as a file retained with project documentation)
  - API: Date of API access and response, documentation of API programming (including the access endpoint and request parameters), and the response results.
- Selected climate zone and demand method used
- For projects using the alternative method, retention of the TRM 4.0 PV tool workbook for each array evaluated
- ~~Date of PVWatts® run, and PVWatts® report (retained with project documentation)~~

## References and Efficiency Standards

### Petitions and Rulings

- PUCT Docket 36779—Provides estimate for EUL.

### Relevant Standards and Reference Sources

- National Electric Code (NEC) 690, “Solar Photovoltaic Systems” or local building codes.
- P. Dobos. PVWatts® Version 5 Manual. National Renewable Energy Laboratory. NREL/TP-6A20-62641. September 2014. <http://www.nrel.gov/docs/fy14osti/62641.pdf>. PVWatts® calculator available at <https://pvwatts.nrel.gov/index.php>.

### Document Revision History

Table 40. M&V Nonresidential Solar PV Revision History

TRM version	Date	Description of change
v1.0	11/25/2013	TRM v1.0 origin.
v3.1	11/05/2015	Updated to reflect EPE's 2016 program and revised maximum incentivized size for EPE from 50 to 10 kW.
v4.0	10/10/2016	Removed deemed savings option for energy. Provided new method for calculating summer and winter demand savings and provided deemed summer and winter demand savings lookup tables.
v5.0	10/10/2017	Corrected equation, figure, and table references.
v6.0	10/2018	No revisions.
v7.0	10/2019	No revisions.
v8.0	10/2020	Updated instructions for new version of PVWatts® and references to NREL National Solar Radiation Database (NSRD) (previously TMY3)
<u>v9.0</u>	<u>10/2021</u>	<u>Clarified PVWatts® kWh modeling instructions and documentation requirements. Provided guidance for slightly tilted arrays that fall outside lookup table azimuth ranges.</u>

## 2.3.2 Residential Solar Photovoltaics (PV) Measure Overview

**TRM Measure ID:** R-RN-PV

**Market Sector:** Residential

**Measure Category:** Renewables

**Applicable Building Types:** Single-family, multifamily, and manufactured homes

**Fuels Affected:** Electricity

**Decision/Action Type(s):** Retrofit, new construction

**Program Delivery Type(s):** Prescriptive

**Deemed Savings Type:** Simulation software (kWh), deemed values (kW)

**Savings Methodology:** Model-calculator (PVWatts<sup>®</sup>)

### Measure Description

This section summarizes savings calculations for solar photovoltaic (PV) standard offer, market transformation, and pilot programs. The primary objective of these programs is to achieve cost-effective energy savings and peak demand savings. Participation in the solar photovoltaic program involves the installation of a PV system. The method uses a simulation tool, the National Renewable Energy Laboratory's (NREL) PVWatts<sup>®</sup> Calculator<sup>40</sup>, to calculate energy savings. Lookup tables are used to determine deemed summer and winter peak demand savings.

### Eligibility Criteria

Only PV systems that result in reductions of customer's purchased energy or peak demand qualify for savings. Off-grid systems are not eligible. Each utility may have additional incentive program eligibility and interconnection requirements, which are not listed here.

### Baseline Condition

PV system not currently installed (typical) or an existing system is present, but additional capacity (including both panels and inverters) may be added.

### High-Efficiency Condition

Not applicable.

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<sup>40</sup> PVWatts<sup>®</sup> Calculator: <http://pvwatts.nrel.gov/>



## Energy and Demand Savings Methodology

All PV systems shall be modeled using the current version of the National Renewable Energy Laboratory's (NREL) PVWatts<sup>®</sup> calculator. Energy savings are estimated using the default weather data source (currently TMY2) offered by PVWatts<sup>®</sup>.<sup>44</sup> Demand savings use lookup tables derived from PVWatts<sup>®</sup>, which uses the NREL National Solar Radiation Database (NSRDB) weather data sources for the location of the project.

## Savings Algorithms and Input Variables

### All Installations

PVWatts<sup>®</sup> input variables (for each array, where an array is defined as a set of PV modules with less than 5 degrees difference in tilt or azimuth):

- Installation address: use complete site address, including the 5-digit ZIP code.
- Weather data file: default NSRDB data is a detailed grid of solar radiation throughout Texas (and North America), identified as a blue square in the map (see [Figure 10](#) Figure 10).
- DC system size (kW): enter the sum of the DC (direct current) power rating of all photovoltaic modules in the array at standard test conditions (STC) in kilowatts DC.
  - For AC modules, refer to the module specification sheet to obtain the DC (STC) power rating.
- For AC modules, refer to the module specification sheet to obtain the DC (STC) power rating.
- Module Type: standard, premium, or thin film. Use the nominal module efficiency, cell material, and temperature coefficient from the module data sheet to choose the module type, or accept the default provided by PVWatts<sup>®</sup>.

Table 29. Module Type Options

Type	Approximate efficiency	Module cover	Temperature coefficient of power
Standard (crystalline Si silicon)	15%	Glass	-0.47 %/°C
Premium (crystalline Si silicon)	19%	Anti-reflective	-0.35 %/°C
Thin film	10%	Glass	-0.20 %/°C

- Array type: fixed (open rack), fixed (roof mount), 1-axis tracking, 1-axis backtracking, 2-axis tracking
- Tilt (deg): enter the angle from horizontal of the photovoltaic modules in the array
- Azimuth (deg): enter the angle clockwise from true north describing the direction that the array faces
- All other input variables: accept the PVWatts<sup>®</sup> default values

<sup>44</sup> PVWatts<sup>®</sup> Calculator: <https://pvwatts.nrel.gov/>

## Annual Energy Savings (kWh)

Given the inputs above, PVWatts<sup>®</sup> calculates estimated annual energy savings for each array.

For systems with multiple arrays, users should derive annual energy savings for each array separately and sum them to obtain the total annual energy savings.

A screenshot (or other save) of the 'Results' page, displaying both the annual energy production and model inputs, is typically required in PV incentive applications, and is sufficient documentation of the annual energy savings estimate.

**Example:** A residential customer at 555 Walnut Street, Abilene, TX 79601 installs a 5 kW<sub>dc</sub> fixed array of standard crystalline silicon modules on their roof with a tilt of 15 degrees and an azimuth of 200 degrees

- **Step 1.** The user enters the full site address (rather than only the zip code) of the proposed PV system in PVWatts<sup>®</sup> calculator and presses "Go." See [Figure 9](#) [Figure 9](#).

Figure 9. PVWatts<sup>®</sup> Input Screen for Step 1



- **Step 2.** PVWatts<sup>®</sup> automatically identifies the nearest weather data source, defaulting to the NREL NSRDB grid cell for your location. The user should change the default weather data source, as shown in [Figure 12](#). Confirm the resulting location by looking at the map shown in [Figure 10](#) and proceed to system info, as shown in [Figure 11](#) [Figure 11](#).

Figure 10. PVWatts® Resource Data Map

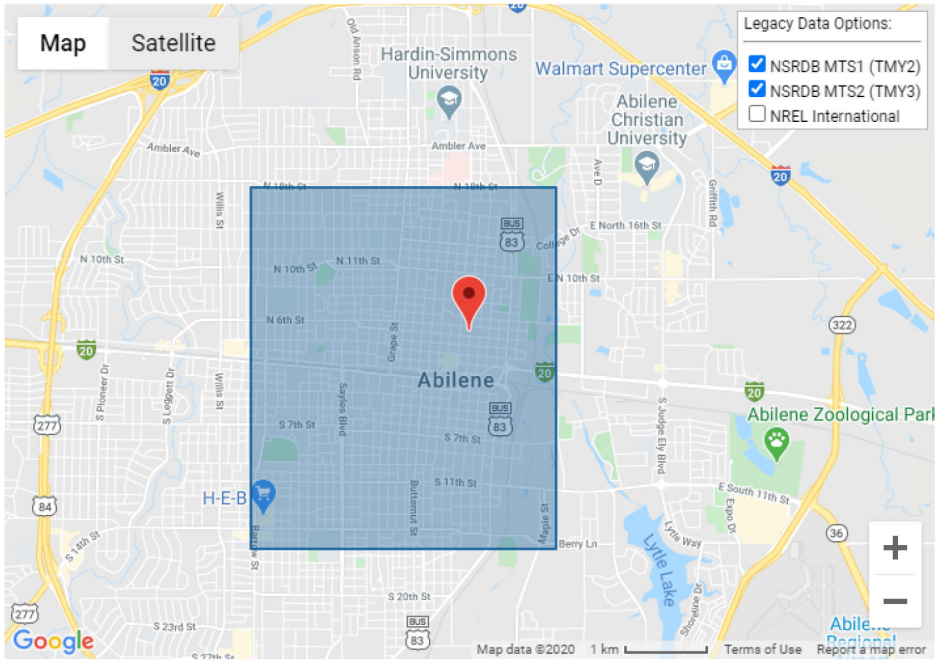


Figure 11. PVWatts<sup>®</sup> Input Screen for Step 2

The screenshot shows the PVWatts Calculator interface. At the top, there is a header with 'PVWatts Calculator' and the NREL logo. Below the header, there is a navigation bar with 'RESOURCE DATA', 'SYSTEM INFO', and 'RESULTS' tabs. The 'RESOURCE DATA' tab is active. The main content area displays 'SOLAR RESOURCE DATA' and a text box for 'Solar resource data site' containing 'Lat, Lon: 32.45, -99.74' and '0.6 mi'. A 'Go to system info' button is visible on the right side.

● **Step 3.** The user enters system info as follows:

- DC system size (kW): 5.00
- Module type: standard
- Array type: fixed (roof mount)
- Tilt (deg): 20
- Azimuth (deg): 200

All other details (System Losses, Advanced Parameters, and Initial Economics) are left at default values. Once entered, the user presses “Go to PVWatts<sup>®</sup> results.” See [Figure 12. PVWatts<sup>®</sup> Input Screen for Step 3](#) [Figure 12. PVWatts<sup>®</sup> Input Screen for Step 3](#).

Figure 12. PVWatts® Input Screen for Step 3

**PVWatts® Calculator** NREL  
NATIONAL RENEWABLE ENERGY LABORATORY

My Location: 555 walnut street, abilene tx 79601 HELP FEEDBACK ALL NREL SOLAR TOOLS

RESOURCE DATA **SYSTEM INFO** RESULTS

### SYSTEM INFO

Modify the inputs below to run the simulation.

**DC System Size (kW):**  ⓘ

**Module Type:**  ⓘ

**Array Type:**  ⓘ

**System Losses (%):**  ⓘ ⓘ Loss Calculator

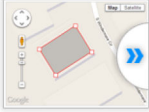
**Tilt (deg):**  ⓘ

**Azimuth (deg):**  ⓘ

[+ Advanced Parameters](#)

**Draw Your System**

Click below to customize your system on a map. (optional)



[Go to resource data](#) [Go to PVWatts® results](#)

[RESTORE DEFAULTS](#)

## PVWatts® Calculator



My Location 555 Walnut St, Abilene, TX 79601  
» Change Location

HELP FEEDBACK ALL NREL SOLAR TOOLS

RESOURCE DATA SYSTEM INFO RESULTS



Go to resource data

### SYSTEM INFO

Modify the inputs below to run the simulation.

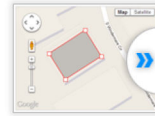
DC System Size (kW):	<input type="text" value="5"/>	<a href="#">i</a>
Module Type:	<input type="text" value="Standard"/>	<a href="#">i</a>
Array Type:	<input type="text" value="Fixed (open rack)"/>	<a href="#">i</a>
System Losses (%):	<input type="text" value="14"/>	<a href="#">i</a> <a href="#">Loss Calculator</a>
Tilt (deg):	<input type="text" value="20"/>	<a href="#">i</a>
Azimuth (deg):	<input type="text" value="200"/>	<a href="#">i</a>

+ Advanced Parameters

RESTORE DEFAULTS

### Draw Your System

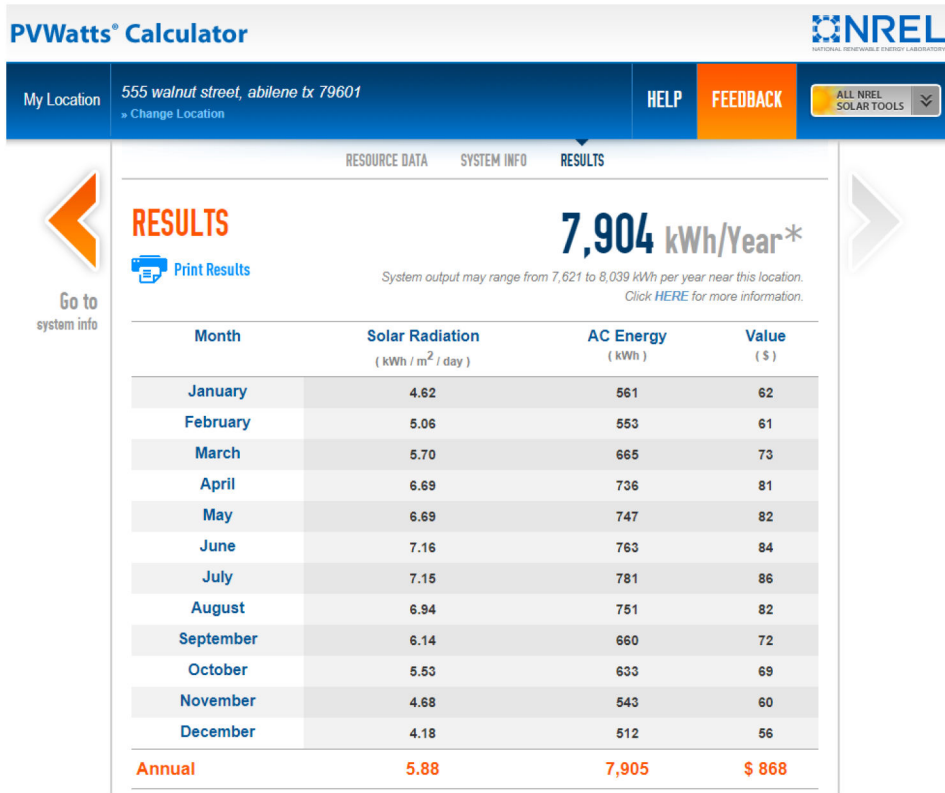
Click below to customize your system on a map. (optional)



Go to PVWatts® results

- **Step 4.** PVWatts® returns an estimate of annual energy production (kWh), in this case 8,0267,904 kWh. See Figure 13Figure 13.

Figure 13. PVWatts® Output Screen for Step 4



My Location: 555 Walnut St, Abilene, TX 79601 [» Change Location](#)    [HELP](#)    [FEEDBACK](#)    ALL NREL SOLAR TOOLS

RESOURCE DATA    SYSTEM INFO    **RESULTS**

Go to system info

## RESULTS

[Print Results](#)

# 8,026 kWh/Year\*

System output may range from 7,739 to 8,163 kWh per year near this location. [Click HERE](#) for more information.

Month	Solar Radiation ( kWh / m <sup>2</sup> / day )	AC Energy ( kWh )	Value ( \$ )
January	4.62	568	62
February	5.06	561	62
March	5.70	674	74
April	6.69	747	82
May	6.69	759	83
June	7.16	775	85
July	7.15	794	87
August	6.94	764	84
September	6.14	671	74
October	5.53	643	71
November	4.68	551	60
December	4.18	519	57
<b>Annual</b>	<b>5.88</b>	<b>8,026</b>	<b>\$ 881</b>

Further down this output page, PVWatts<sup>®</sup> returns a summary of model inputs (Figure 14).



**Figure 14. PVWatts® Output Screen for Step 4 (continued).**

<b>Location and Station Identification</b>	
Requested Location	555 walnut street, abilene tx 79601
Weather Data Source	Lat, Lon: 32.45, -99.74 0.6 mi
Latitude	32.45° N
Longitude	99.74° W
<b>PV System Specifications (Residential)</b>	
DC System Size	5 kW
Module Type	Standard
Array Type	Fixed (roof mount)
Array Tilt	20°
Array Azimuth	200°
System Losses	14.08%
Inverter Efficiency	96%
DC to AC Size Ratio	1.2
<b>Economics</b>	
Average Retail Electricity Rate	0.110 \$/kWh
<b>Performance Metrics</b>	
Capacity Factor	18.0%

### Location and Station Identification

Requested Location	555 Walnut St, Abilene, TX 79601
Weather Data Source	Lat, Lon: 32.45, -99.74 0.6 mi
Latitude	32.45° N
Longitude	99.74° W

### PV System Specifications *(Residential)*

DC System Size	5 kW
Module Type	Standard
Array Type	Fixed (open rack)
Array Tilt	20°
Array Azimuth	200°
System Losses	14%
Inverter Efficiency	96%
DC to AC Size Ratio	1.2

### Economics

Average Retail Electricity Rate	0.110 \$/kWh
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### Performance Metrics

Capacity Factor	18.3%
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The coordinates (latitude and longitude) of the proposed system are also presented and determine the appropriate weather zone to use when estimating demand savings.

A screenshot (or .pdf) of the complete output page, displaying both the annual energy production and model inputs, is typically required in PV incentive applications and is sufficient documentation of the annual energy savings estimate.

### Summer Demand Savings Methodology

Deemed summer demand savings are determined using the weather zone map (Figure 15) and summer demand savings lookup values tables provided below. Deemed summer demand savings is the product of the system's DC system size and the appropriate lookup table value.

### **Deemed Summer Demand Savings**

$$\text{Deemed summer demand savings} = \text{DC system size (kW)} * \text{Lookup Value}$$

**Equation 49**

For systems with multiple arrays, users should calculate summer demand savings for each array separately and sum them to obtain the total summer demand savings.

In rare cases, residential systems using trackers or systems for which deemed savings lookup values are not available due to extreme array tilt or azimuth may use the Alternative Method described below.

### **Winter Demand Savings Methodology**

Deemed winter demand savings are determined using the weather zone map (Figure 15) and winter demand savings lookup values tables (Table 30 through Table 39) provided below. Deemed winter demand savings is the product of the system's DC system size and the appropriate lookup table value.

### **Deemed Winter Demand Savings**

$$\text{Deemed winter demand savings} = \text{DC system size (kW)} * \text{Lookup Value}$$

**Equation 50**

For systems with multiple arrays, users should derive winter demand savings for each array separately and sum them to obtain the total winter demand savings.

In rare cases, residential systems using trackers or systems for which deemed savings lookup values are not available due to extreme array tilt or azimuth may use the Alternative Method described below.

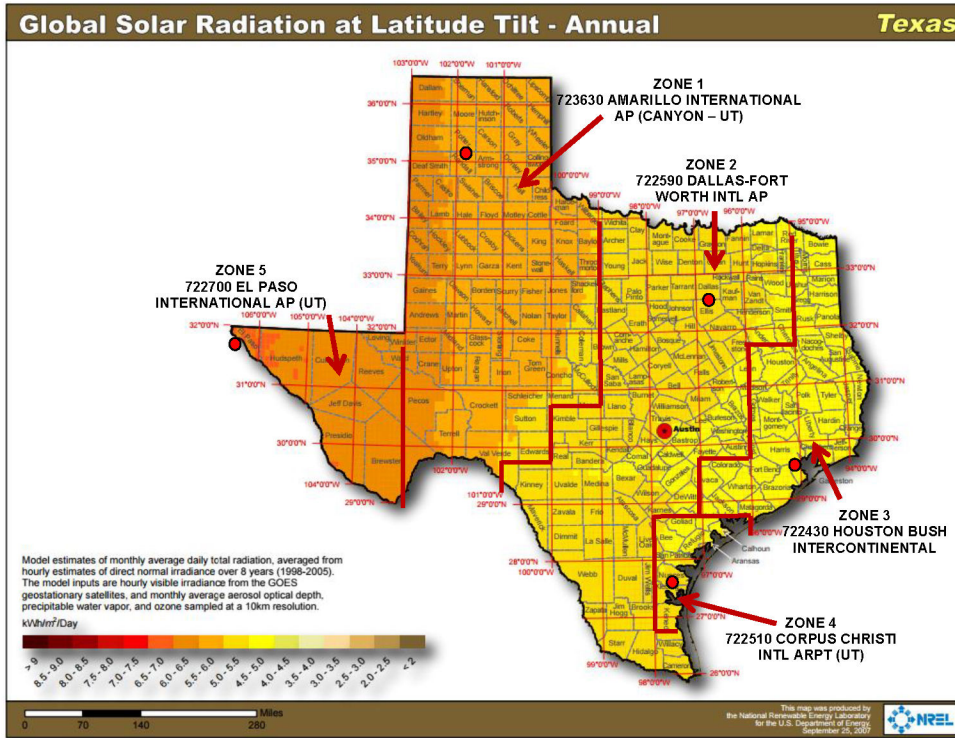
### **Deemed Energy Savings Tables**

Not applicable.

### **Deemed Summer and Winter Demand Savings—Weather Zone Determination**

The appropriate weather zone for each system can be determined by identifying the system's coordinates on the map in Figure 15, below. The figure identifies weather zones, and the reference TMY3 weather station name and five-digit identifier used in calculating the lookup values within each weather zone. An example of how to use the weather zone map and tables to derive summer and winter peak demand savings is provided below the tables.

Figure 16. Weather-Zone Determination for Solar PV Systems<sup>42</sup>



### Deemed Summer and Winter Demand Savings—Lookup Value Tables

The tables below provide lookup values used to calculate deemed summer and winter demand savings based on the weather zone, tilt, and azimuth. Table 30 through Table 39 present lookup values to determine deemed summer and winter demand savings given various array tilt/azimuth combinations. The values in the tables express summer and winter peak demand savings as a percentage of an array's DC rating at standard test conditions (STC).

Some rooftops are essentially flat but have a slight tilt (< 7.5 degrees) to facilitate runoff. If the azimuth of a slightly tilted (< 7.5 degrees) array falls outside the 67.5–202.5 degree azimuth ranges provided in the lookup tables below, the user should apply the deemed savings factors from the first line of the appropriate tables, corresponding to a tilt of 0 degrees. For example, in Amarillo, the summer demand factor for an array with a tilt of 4 degrees and an azimuth of 0 degrees (e.g., slightly tilted to the north) would be 48%, as shown in Table 30.

<sup>42</sup> NREL: <https://openst.org/w/images/4/46/NREL-eere-pv-h-texas.pdf>.

**Table 30. Climate Zone 1 Amarillo—Summer Demand kW Savings**

Tilt (degrees)		Azimuth (degrees, center and range)				
		90	135	180	225	270
Center	Range	>67.5-112.5	>112.5-157.5	>157.5-202.5	>202.5-247.5	>247.5-292.5
0	0-7.5	48%	48%	48%	48%	48%
15	>7.5-22.5	35%	40%	49%	56%	58%
30	>22.5-37.5	20%	30%	47%	60%	64%
45	>37.5-52.5	10%	18%	42%	61%	66%
60	>52.5-67.5	7%	10%	34%	59%	65%

**Table 31. Climate Zone 1 Amarillo—Winter Demand kW Savings**

Tilt (degrees)		Azimuth (degrees, center and range)				
		90	135	180	225	270
Center	Range	>67.5-112.5	>112.5-157.5	>157.5-202.5	>202.5-247.5	>247.5-292.5
0	0-7.5	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%
15	>7.5-22.5	3%	3%	2%	1%	0%
30	>22.5-37.5	4%	5%	3%	1%	0%
45	>37.5-52.5	6%	6%	4%	1%	0%
60	>52.5-67.5	6%	7%	4%	0%	0%

**Table 32. Climate Zone 2 Dallas—Summer Demand kW Savings**

Tilt (degrees)		Azimuth (degrees, center and range)				
		90	135	180	225	270
Center	Range	>67.5-112.5	>112.5-157.5	>157.5-202.5	>202.5-247.5	>247.5-292.5
0	0-7.5	46%	46%	46%	46%	46%
15	>7.5-22.5	35%	39%	46%	52%	54%
30	>22.5-37.5	22%	29%	43%	55%	59%
45	>37.5-52.5	12%	19%	38%	56%	60%
60	>52.5-67.5	8%	12%	31%	53%	58%

**Table 33. Climate Zone 2 Dallas—Winter Demand kW Savings**

Tilt (degrees)		Azimuth (degrees, center and range)				
		90	135	180	225	270
Center	Range	>67.5-112.5	>112.5-157.5	>157.5-202.5	>202.5-247.5	>247.5-292.5
0	0-7.5	3%	3%	3%	3%	3%
15	>7.5-22.5	5%	6%	4%	2%	1%
30	>22.5-37.5	8%	8%	5%	2%	1%
45	>37.5-52.5	9%	10%	6%	1%	1%
60	>52.5-67.5	10%	11%	6%	1%	1%

**Table 34. Climate Zone 3 Houston—Summer Demand kW Savings**

Tilt (degrees)		Azimuth (degrees, center and range)				
		90	135	180	225	270
Center	Range	>67.5-112.5	>112.5-157.5	>157.5-202.5	>202.5-247.5	>247.5-292.5
0	0-7.5	36%	36%	36%	36%	36%
15	>7.5-22.5	26%	29%	36%	42%	44%
30	>22.5-37.5	16%	21%	34%	45%	49%
45	>37.5-52.5	9%	14%	29%	46%	51%
60	>52.5-67.5	8%	9%	23%	44%	51%

**Table 35. Climate Zone 3 Houston—Winter Demand kW Savings**

Tilt (degrees)		Azimuth (degrees, center and range)				
		90	135	180	225	270
Center	Range	>67.5-112.5	>112.5-157.5	>157.5-202.5	>202.5-247.5	>247.5-292.5
0	0-7.5	6%	6%	6%	6%	6%
15	>7.5-22.5	10%	11%	8%	5%	3%
30	>22.5-37.5	14%	15%	10%	4%	1%
45	>37.5-52.5	17%	18%	11%	3%	1%
60	>52.5-67.5	18%	19%	12%	2%	1%

**Table 36. Climate Zone 4 Corpus Christi—Summer Demand kW Savings**

Tilt (degrees)		Azimuth (degrees, center and range)				
		90	135	180	225	270
Center	Range	>67.5-112.5	>112.5-157.5	>157.5-202.5	>202.5-247.5	>247.5-292.5
0	0-7.5	41%	41%	41%	41%	41%
15	>7.5-22.5	30%	33%	41%	48%	51%
30	>22.5-37.5	16%	23%	39%	52%	57%
45	>37.5-52.5	8%	14%	34%	53%	60%
60	>52.5-67.5	8%	9%	27%	54%	59%

**Table 37. Climate Zone 4 Corpus Christi—Winter Demand kW Savings**

Tilt (degrees)		Azimuth (degrees, center and range)				
		90	135	180	225	270
Center	Range	>67.5-112.5	>112.5-157.5	>157.5-202.5	>202.5-247.5	>247.5-292.5
0	0-7.5	5%	5%	5%	5%	5%
15	>7.5-22.5	8%	9%	7%	4%	2%
30	>22.5-37.5	11%	12%	8%	3%	1%
45	>37.5-52.5	13%	14%	9%	2%	1%
60	>52.5-67.5	13%	15%	9%	2%	1%

**Table 38. Climate Zone 5 El Paso—Summer Demand kW Savings**

Tilt (degrees)		Azimuth (degrees, center and range)				
		90	135	180	225	270
Center	Range	>67.5-112.5	>112.5-157.5	>157.5-202.5	>202.5-247.5	>247.5-292.5
0	0-7.5	49%	49%	49%	49%	49%
15	>7.5-22.5	40%	44%	49%	54%	55%
30	>22.5-37.5	29%	35%	47%	56%	58%
45	>37.5-52.5	16%	25%	42%	55%	58%
60	>52.5-67.5	10%	15%	34%	54%	55%

**Table 39. Climate Zone 5 El Paso—Winter Demand kW Savings**

Tilt (degrees)		Azimuth (degrees, center and range)				
		90	135	180	225	270
Center	Range	>67.5-112.5	>112.5-157.5	>157.5-202.5	>202.5-247.5	>247.5-292.5
0	0-7.5	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
15	>7.5-22.5	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
30	>22.5-37.5	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
45	>37.5-52.5	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
60	>52.5-67.5	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%

### Deemed Summer and Winter Demand Savings—Example

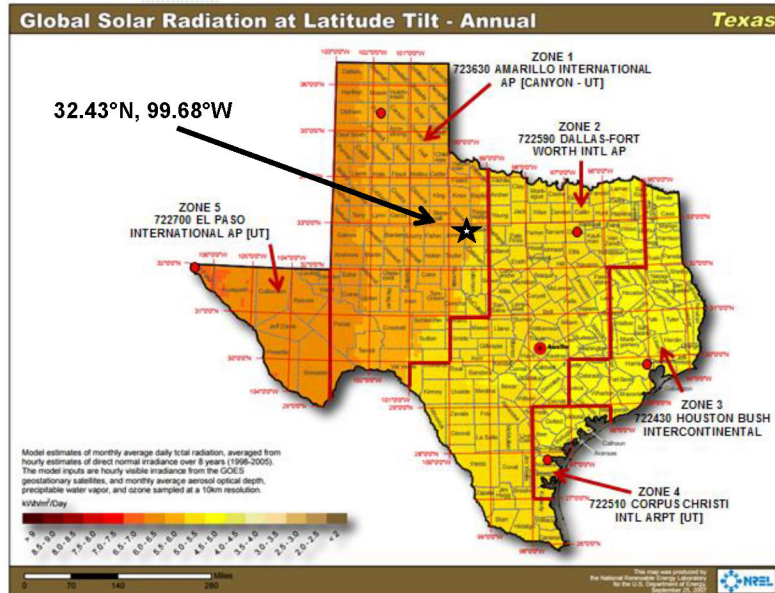
**Example:** A residential customer at 555 Walnut Street, Abilene, TX 79601 installs a 5 kW<sub>dc</sub> fixed array of standard crystalline silicon modules on their roof with a tilt of 1520 degrees and an azimuth of 200 degrees.

- **Step 1.** Determine the appropriate weather zone. Geographic coordinates for this system (32.45°N, 99.74°W from Figure 14Figure 14) were derived when determining the annual energy savings (kWh).

From the weather zone map, this location is in zone 1. See Error! Reference source not found. Error! Reference source not found.



Figure 16. Application of the Weather Zone Map



- **Step 2.** Calculate summer and winter demand savings. From the zone 1 lookup table, 20-degree tilt falls within the 7.5-22.5 degree tilt range, and 200 degree azimuth falls within the 157.5-202.5 azimuth range. The summer lookup value is 49%, and the winter lookup value is 2%.

Applying Equation 49,

$$\text{Deemed summer demand} = \text{DC system size (kW)} * \text{Lookup Value}$$

$$\text{Deemed summer demand} = 5.000 \text{ kW} * 49\%$$

$$\text{Deemed summer demand} = 5.000 \text{ kW} * 0.49$$

$$\text{Deemed summer demand} = 2.450 \text{ kW}$$

Applying Equation 50

$$\text{Deemed winter demand} = \text{DC system size (kW)} * \text{Lookup Value}$$

$$\text{Deemed summer demand} = 5.000 \text{ kW} * 2\%$$

$$\text{Deemed summer demand} = 5.000 \text{ kW} * 0.02$$

$$\text{Deemed summer demand} = 0.100 \text{ kW}$$

## Summer and Winter Demand Savings—Alternative Method

An alternative method to estimate summer and winter demand savings is available to residential systems using trackers or systems for which deemed savings lookup values are not available due to extreme array tilt or azimuth. To use the alternative method, follow these steps:

- **Step 1.** Determine the applicable weather zone for the proposed system using **Error! Reference source not found.**, above.
- **Step 2.** Use PVWatts<sup>®</sup> to model the proposed system as described in the Annual Energy Savings (kWh) section above. However, instead of using the zip code/default weather file, select the TMY3 reference location and weather file associated with the applicable weather zone of the proposed system (e.g., a system in Abilene, weather zone 1, would be modeled based on the AMARILLO INTERNATIONAL AP [CANYON UT], TX TMY3 weather file. Leave all other inputs the same).
- **Step 3.** On the PVWatts 'Results' page, select 'Download Results: Hourly.' Save the **pvwatts\_hourly.csv** output file to your computer and open it using Microsoft Excel.
- **Step 4.** Open the provided calculation tool **TRM 4.0 PV tool YYYYMMDD\_locked.xlsx** (in which the version date is indicated by the YYYYMMDD field) on your computer, and select the Alt. Method Inputs tab.
- **Step 5.** From the PVWatts hourly output file, highlight and copy the output data (A1:K8780). Paste this data to cell M1 on the Alt. Method Inputs tab in **TRM 4.0 PV tool YYYYMMDD\_locked.xlsx** (in which the version date is indicated by the YYYYMMDD field).
- **Step 6.** On the Alt. Methods Outputs tab, the tool calculates and displays summer and winter demand savings as AC capacity ( $kW_{ac}$ ) and as a percentage of the DC capacity of the modeled system.

## Claimed Peak Demand Savings

Refer to Volume 1, Section 4 for further details on peak demand savings and methodology.

## Additional Calculators and Tools

TRM 4.0 PV tool YYYYMMDD\_locked.xlsx (in which the version date is indicated by the YYYYMMDD field), provided by Frontier Energy, is used to determine summer and winter demand savings. The most current version is posted at the Texas energy efficiency website, <http://www.texasenergy.com/>. Utilities have the option to create their own versions.

## Measure Life and Lifetime Savings

The estimated useful life (EUL) of photovoltaic systems is established at 30 years. This value is consistent with engineering estimates based on manufacturers' warranties and historical data.

## Program Tracking Data and Evaluation Requirements

The following information will be required to be collected.

- ~~Project location (full address, including city, state, and zip code)~~
- ~~Module type: standard, premium, or thin film~~
- ~~Array Type: fixed (open rack), fixed (roof mount), 1-axis tracking, 1-axis backtracking, 2-axis tracking, etc.~~
- ~~Tilt, azimuth, and DC system size rating for each array~~
- ~~The calculation of electricity production through PVWatts<sup>®</sup> can be completed by accessing the online calculator or utilizing an API, application programming interface. The required documentation varies between the two methods.~~
  - ~~Online Calculator: Date of PVWatts<sup>®</sup> run, and PVWatts<sup>®</sup> printed results report (as a file retained with project documentation)~~
- ~~API: Date of API access and response, documentation of API programming (including the access endpoint and request parameters), and the response results.~~
- ~~Date of PVWatts<sup>®</sup> run, and PVWatts<sup>®</sup> report (retained with project documentation) for each array~~
- ~~Selected climate zone and demand method used~~
- ~~For projects using the alternative method, retention of the TRM 4.0 PV tool workbook for each array evaluated~~

## **References and Efficiency Standards**

### **Petitions and Rulings**

- ~~PUCT Docket 36779—Provides estimate for EUL.~~

### **Relevant Standards and Reference Sources**

- ~~National Electric Code (NEC) 690, "Solar Photovoltaic Systems" or local building codes.~~
- ~~P. Dobeš. PVWatts<sup>®</sup> Version 5 Manual. National Renewable Energy Laboratory. NREL/TP-6A20-62641. September 2014. <http://www.nrel.gov/docs/fy14osti/62641.pdf>. PVWatts<sup>®</sup> calculator available at: <https://pvwatts.nrel.gov/index.php>.~~

## Document Revision History

Table 40. M&V Residential Solar PV Revision History

TRM version	Date	Description of change
v1.0	11/25/2013	TRM v1.0 origin.
v2.0	04/18/2014	Minor edits to language and structure.
v2.1	01/30/2015	No revisions.
v3.0	04/10/2015	No revisions.
v4.0	10/10/2016	Removed deemed savings option for energy. Provided new method for calculating summer and winter demand savings and provided deemed summer and winter demand savings lookup tables.
v5.0	10/10/2017	Corrected equation, figure, and table references.
v6.0	10/2018	No revisions.
v7.0	10/2019	No revisions.
v8.0	10/2020	Updated instructions for new version of PVWatts® and references to NREL National Solar Radiation Database (NSRD) (previously TMY3).
v9.0	10/2021	Clarified PVWatts® kWh modeling instructions and documentation requirements. Provided guidance for slightly tilted arrays that fall outside lookup table azimuth ranges.

### 2.3.3 Solar Shingles Measure Overview

**TRM Measure ID:** R-RN-SS and NR-RN-SS

**Market Sector:** Residential and commercial

**Measure Category:** Renewables

**Applicable Building Types:** All

**Fuels Affected:** Electricity

**Decision/Action Types:** Retrofit (RET), new construction (NC)

**Program Delivery Type:** Custom

**Deemed Savings Type:** Prescribed simulation software EM&V

**Savings Methodology:** Software modeling tool and calculator-SAM

Streamlined measurement and verification of solar shingles installations shall consist of the development of a project-specific model of the installed solar shingle system using the System Advisor Model (SAM), developed by the National Renewable Energy Lab (NREL). A solar shingles system consists of all connected arrays, sub-arrays, and inverter(s).

#### Measure Description

A solar shingles system consists of all connected arrays, sub-arrays, and inverter(s). The M&V method used to estimate savings is a simulation model approach using the National Renewable Energy Laboratory's (NREL) System Advisor Model (SAM). Either version 2015.6.30 or a more recent version of the SAM software shall be used.

#### Eligibility Criteria

Solar shingle systems consisting of connected arrays, sub-arrays, and inverters.

The installation must meet the following requirements to be eligible for incentives:

- Systems shall be installed by a licensed electrical contractor or, in the case of a residential installation by the homeowner, with the approval of the electrical inspector in accordance with the National Electric Code (NEC 690, "Solar Photovoltaic Systems") and local building codes.
- If the system is utility interactive, the inverter shall be listed and certified by a national testing laboratory authority (e.g., UL 1741, "Static Inverters and Charge Controllers for Use in Photovoltaic Power Systems") as meeting the requirements of the Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers (IEEE) Standard 929-2000 "Recommended Practice for Utility Interface of Photovoltaic (PV) Systems."
- The estimated annual energy generation from the solar shingles system shall not exceed the customer's annual energy consumption.

## Baseline Condition

PV system not currently installed (typical).

## High-Efficiency Condition

PV systems must meet the eligibility criteria shown above to be eligible for reporting claimed energy impacts. The high-efficiency conditions are estimated based on appropriate use of NREL's SAM software modeling tool for solar shingle installation analysis.

## Energy and Demand Savings Methodology

Not applicable.

## Savings Algorithms and Input Variables

### SAM solar shingle installation data, modeling and analysis

SAM can be downloaded from the NREL website.<sup>43</sup>

### SAM Data Input

The following steps present the information and sequence required to accurately model solar shingle projects using the SAM software tool.

- **Step 1.** Create a new solar PV project in SAM
- **Step 2.** Specify a Solar PV project and select a market segment (e.g., residential, commercial)
- **Step 3.** Solar systems are configured in the SAM main model interface that is organized across a number of screens, selected by a topics menu on the left-hand side of the window. The following items must be configured:

**Location and Resource.** An appropriate weather file must be specified in the subsequent screen. SAM is pre-loaded with a selection of weather files from the NREL NSRDB TMY3 datasets. The user should specify one of the five locations provided in Table 41, according to where in Texas the solar shingles are being installed. The map in Figure 17 indicates the delineation of the weather zones, by county.

NOTE: It is critical that the TMY3 files are specified in the model for estimating peak demand impacts, and that the corresponding set of peak hours and relative probabilities from TRM Volume 1, Section 4 shall be used to estimate peak demand impacts.

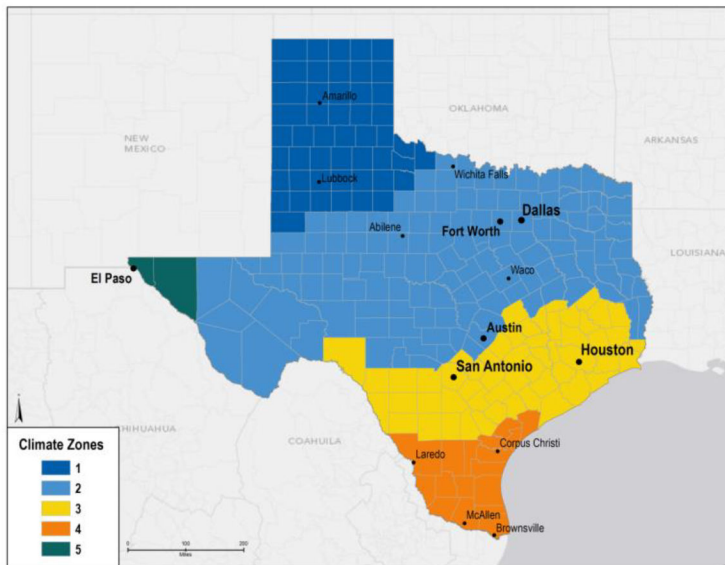
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<sup>43</sup> As of publication of this version, the latest release of SAM is Version 2015.6.30. Instructions provided herein are intended to be sufficiently generic to allow for successful model creation in this and subsequent iterations of the software; however, it is impossible to anticipate the exact nature of future software revisions.

Table 41. TMY Data File by TRM Weather Zone

TRM weather zone	TMY3 file	TMY3 location
1	723630	Amarillo Intl AP (Canyon—UT)
2	722590	Dallas Fort Worth Intl AP
3	722430	Houston Bush Intercontinental
4	722510	Corpus Christi Intl AP (UT)
5	722700	El Paso International AP (UT)

Figure 17: Texas Technical Reference Manual Weather Zones



**Module.** The default action in the Module screen allows users to select a product with required performance data pre-loaded into SAM. Several CertainTeed Apollo modules and Dow DPS-XXX modules can be specified in this window. However, modeling options for the PV Module can be modified in SAM 2015.6.30 by selecting the dropdown menu that is set to “CEC Performance Model with Module Database” (at the top of this window). Other modeling options provide flexibility to adequately model products from other manufacturers.

**Temperature Correction.** The module screen includes a ‘Temperature Correction’ window, in which one of two-cell temperature models must be specified. The ‘Nominal operating cell temperature (NOCT) method’ should be selected, and within the ‘Nominal output cell temperature (NOCT) parameters’ section, the ‘Mounting standoff’ should be specified as ‘Building integrated.’ The ‘Building integrated’ option accounts for solar shingles integrated on buildings.

**Inverter.** Inverter-specific information must be provided. Similar to the Module screen, an inverter can be selected from the Inverter CEC Database (default). Inverters not in the CEC database should use data from the manufacturer (Inverter Datasheet mode) or inverter efficiencies at different loading rates from inverter part load curves (Inverter Part Load Curve mode). Any of these methods is satisfactory. Note that the number of inverters can be specified on the following 'Array' screen, but only one inverter type can be specified here; so when multiple inverters are used with systems modeled in SAM, they must be the same make and model.

**System Design (Array).** The following array-level information shall be provided:

- System sizing: specified by solar module capacity and count; and inverter system losses.
- Configuration at reference conditions (Modules and Inverters) DC subarrays. SAM allows modeling up to 4 subarrays. If the system model has only one array, the data for this array is entered in the column for subarray 1; subarrays 2-4 should be left disabled. If there are multiple arrays, check the boxes to enable subarrays 2-4, as needed, and the number of strings in that subarray. Pre-inverter derates should be specified as appropriate.
- Estimate of overall land usage. Not needed (used for economic analysis only).
- PV subarray voltage mismatch. For CEC modules (true of CertainTEED and Dow DPS products), losses due to subarray mismatch can be estimated. For arrays with multiple orientations, this option should be selected.

**Shading and Snow.** A good faith effort should be made to represent features likely to affect incidence of solar radiation on the solar shingle system. Appropriate shading for the installation site should be incorporated; however, it is not necessary to modify the annual average soiling, as first year generation values will be used.

**Losses.** Specify all DC and AC losses.

For the remaining topics/screens listed below, no data entry is required:

- Lifetime
- Battery storage
- System costs
- Financial parameters
- Incentives
- Electricity rates
- Electric load



## Model Run and Data Output

Execute the model calculations (in 2015.6.30) by clicking “Simulate” in the bottom left corner. SAM generates many output data fields: create an 8,760 hourly output file by selecting “Time Series” at the top of the screen (option appears only after clicking “Simulate”) and then select “Power generated by system (kW)” from the options on the right-hand side of the screen. Output data can be saved as Excel or .csv by right clicking on the generated plot and selecting the desired option.

## Deemed Energy and Demand Savings Tables

There are no lookup tables available for this measure. See SAM software tool guidance in the previous section to calculate energy and demand savings.

## Claimed Peak Demand Savings

Peak demand savings should be extracted from the hourly data file in a manner consistent with the peak demand definition and the associated methods to extract peak demand savings from models producing 8,760 hourly savings using Typical Meteorological Year (TMY) data. Refer to Volume 1, Section 4 for further details on peak demand savings and methodology.

## Additional Calculators and Tools

Not applicable.

## Measure Life and Lifetime Savings

The estimated useful life (EUL) of solar shingles is established at 20 years. This value is consistent with engineering estimates based on manufacturers' warranties and historical data.

~~Not applicable.~~

## Program Tracking Data and Evaluation Requirements

The following inputs should be collected in program databases to inform the evaluation and calculate energy savings accurately.

- Decision/action type: retrofit, new construction
- Building type
- Climate/weather zone
- System latitude
- System tilt from horizontal
- System azimuth

The following files should be provided to the utility from which the project sponsor seeks to obtain an incentive for a solar shingles system installation:

- SAM model file (\*.zsam format)
- 8,760 hourly output file (csv or similar format)
- Calculator with annual energy savings and peak demand savings estimate

## References and Efficiency Standards

Not applicable.

## Petitions and Rulings

Not applicable.

## Relevant Standards and Reference Sources

- National Electric Code (NEC) 690, “Solar Photovoltaic Systems” or local building codes.
- Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers (IEEE) Standard 929-2000 “Recommended Practice for Utility Interface of Photovoltaic (PV) Systems.” <http://standards.ieee.org/findstds/standard/929-2000.html>.
- System Advisor Model (SAM) Version 2014.1.14. National Renewable Energy Laboratory. SAM is available for registration and download at: <https://sam.nrel.gov/download>.

## Document Revision History

Table 42. M&V Solar Shingles Revision History

TRM version	Date	Description of change
v3.0	4/10/2015	TRM v3.0 origin.
v3.1	11/05/2015	Major methodology updates include revising the reference to latest version of SAM software and removal of TMY2 weather data file use. Revised measure details to match format of TRM volumes 2 and 3. This included adding detail regarding Measure Overview, Measure Description, Measure Life, Program Tracking Data and Evaluation Requirements, References and Efficiency Standards, and Document Revision History.
v4.0	10/10/2016	No revisions.
v5.0	10/10/2017	No revisions.
v6.0	10/2018	No revisions.
v7.0	10/2019	No revisions.
v8.0	10/2020	No revisions.
<u>v9.0</u>	<u>11/2021</u>	<u>No revisions. TRM v9.0 update. Updated EUL.</u>

### **2.3.4 Solar Attic Fans Measure Overview**

**TRM Measure ID: R-RNBE-SF**

**Market Sector: Residential**

**Measure Category: Building Envelope**

**Applicable Building Types: Residential**

**Fuels Affected: Electricity**

**Decision/Action Type: Retrofit**

**Program Delivery Type: Prescriptive**

**Deemed Savings Type: Deemed savings calculations**

**Savings Methodology: Engineering calculations and estimates**

#### **Measure Description**

Solar attic fans increase the extraction rate of accumulated hot air in attics during the cooling season. Solar attic fans introduce no new electrical load to the home since they are powered by an attached photovoltaic panel. They save energy by reducing the load on air conditioning equipment, cooling the conditioned space directly underlying the attic, and by reducing heat exchange with supply ducts located in the attic when present.

Deemed savings are provided for reduced air conditioning load.

Note: This measure was developed with limited savings information for Texas; therefore, solar attic fans should be implemented with the expectation of a savings methodology update in future TRMs as Texas-specific field information becomes available. This measure will be reconsidered on an annual basis. If sufficient M&V data is provided, this measure may be incorporated into Volume 2 as a fully deemed measure.

#### **Eligibility Criteria**

The measure applies to existing homes with central or mini-split electric refrigerated air conditioning. Ineligible applications include new homes, homes with tile roofs, homes with metal roofs, and evaporatively-cooled homes. Customers participating in HTR or LI programs are also eligible to claim cooling savings for homes cooled by one or more room air conditioners by applying an adjustment factor to the provided deemed savings. Solar fans must have an automatic low-temperature shut-off to ensure cold outside air is not drawn into the attic during the heating season.

#### **Baseline Condition**

The baseline condition is an existing home with refrigerated air and a vented attic.

## High-efficiency Condition

The high-efficiency condition is the installation of sufficient solar attic fans to remove 400 cfm for every thousand square feet of attic floor space. A solar attic fan consists of an electric fan powered by an integrated photovoltaic panel installed for the exclusive purpose of powering the fan.

## Energy and Demand Savings Methodology

Savings have been estimated by performing energy balances on the roof surface and on the attic airspace on an hourly time step. The energy balances account for heat flux from the roof into the attic and between the attic and the underlying conditioned space. Solar attic fans are assumed to operate in the cooling season in the hours of the day when there is incident solar irradiation on the panel. Deemed savings are based on replacing hot attic air with outside air using solar attic fans with a capacity of 400 cfm per thousand square feet of attic floor. Estimated savings are a function of the difference in heat transfer to conditioned space with and without solar attic fans, considering that the heat transferred to conditioned space must be removed by the air conditioning system. For homes with ducts in the attic, additional savings are estimated considering heat transfer to supply ducts.

Hourly data for the ambient conditions is from TMY3 files for the Texas TRM climate zones.

## Savings Algorithms and Input Variables

Attic temperature for each hour is estimated according to the following equation for both the baseline and high-efficiency conditions.<sup>44</sup>

$$T_a = \frac{A_r * U_r * \alpha * I_s + h_o * T_o + \delta * p * c_p * T_o + (A_c * U_c + A_d * U_d) * T_i}{A_r * U_r * h_o + U_r * h_o + \delta * p * c_p + (A_c * U_c + A_d * U_d)}$$

Equation 51

Where:

$$A_r = \text{roof surface area (ft}^2\text{)}$$
$$U_r = \text{U-factor of the roof between the unconditioned attic and the exterior (Btu/ft}^2\text{-hr}^\circ\text{F)}$$
$$\alpha = \text{absorption coefficient of the roof (dimensionless)}$$
$$I_s = \text{solar irradiance (Btu/ft}^2\text{-hr)}$$

<sup>44</sup> This equation results from solving the energy balance on the roof for  $T_r$  and inserting this value into the energy balance for the attic airspace, while solving for  $T_a$ . The equations are drawn from ASHRAE Fundamentals, Chapter 17, Residential Heat Load Guidebook. Approach originally derived by Tetra Tech, Inc. (see references section).

$h_o$	=	convective heat transfer coefficient for air (Btu/ft <sup>2</sup> -hr-°F)
$T_o$	=	exterior temperature (°F)
$T_r$	=	temperature of the roof (°F)
$T_a$	=	temperature of the attic (°F)
$Q$	=	ventilation airflow rate (CFM)
$\rho$	=	density of air (lb/ft <sup>3</sup> )
$c_p$	=	specific heat of air (Btu/lb-°F)
$A_c$	=	ceiling surface area (ft <sup>2</sup> )
$U_c$	=	U-factor of the ceiling between the conditioned space and the unconditioned attic (Btu/ft <sup>2</sup> -hr-°F)
$A_d$	=	surface area of supply ducts in the attic (ft <sup>2</sup> ); set to zero if there are no supply ducts in the attic
$U_d$	=	U-factor of the insulation on the ducts, (Btu/ft <sup>2</sup> -hr-°F)
$T_i$	=	temperature of the conditioned space (°F)

Once hourly attic temperatures are estimated for the baseline and high-efficiency conditions, hourly energy savings are estimated as follows:

$$\text{Hourly Energy Savings (kWh)} = \frac{(A_c * U_c + A_d * U_d)}{1000 * \text{EER}} * (T_{a,b} - T_{a,he}) * 1 \text{ hr}$$

**Equation 52**

Where:

$A_c$	=	ceiling surface area (ft <sup>2</sup> )
$U_c$	=	U-factor of the ceiling between the conditioned space and the unconditioned attic (Btu/ft <sup>2</sup> -hr-°F)
$A_d$	=	surface area of supply ducts in the attic (ft <sup>2</sup> ); set to zero if there are no supply ducts in the attic
$U_d$	=	U-factor of the insulation on the ducts (Btu/ft <sup>2</sup> -hr-°F)
$\text{EER}$	=	efficiency of the air conditioner (Btu/W-h)
$T_{a,b}$	=	temperature of the baseline attic, without solar powered attic fan (°F)
$T_{a,he}$	=	temperature of the attic in the high-efficiency condition, with solar powered attic fan (°F)

## Deemed Energy and Demand Savings Tables

Energy and demand savings are estimated for homes with ducts in the attic and for homes with no ductwork in their attics.

**Table 43: Solar Attic Fans Deemed Annual Energy Savings (kWh)**

Climate Zone	No Ducts in Attic	Ducts in Attic
Climate Zone 1: Amarillo	147	245
Climate Zone 2: Dallas	212	350
Climate Zone 3: Houston	236	391
Climate Zone 4: Corpus Christi	260	431
Climate Zone 5: El Paso	252	420

Annual energy savings are simply the sum of the hourly energy savings:

$$\text{Annual Energy Savings (kWh)} = \sum_{hr=1}^{8760} \text{Hourly Energy Savings} \times \text{CAF}$$

**Equation 53**

Where:

The *Hourly Energy Savings* is the appropriate value from **Error! Reference source not found.**, and

*CAF* = *Cooling savings adjustment factor: set to 1.0 for homes with central refrigerated air; for homes with one or more room air conditioners set to 0.6.*

**Table 44: Solar Attic Fans Deemed Summer Peak Demand Savings (kW)**

Climate Zone	No Ducts in Attic	Ducts in Attic
Climate Zone 1: Amarillo	0.16	0.26
Climate Zone 2: Dallas	0.12	0.20
Climate Zone 3: Houston	0.10	0.15
Climate Zone 4: Corpus Christi	0.15	0.24
Climate Zone 5: El Paso	0.17	0.28

The cooling adjustment factor is also applied to the demand savings:

$$\text{Peak Demand Savings (kW)} = \text{Summer Peak Demand Savings} \times \text{CAF}$$

**Equation 54**

Where:

The Summer Peak Demand Savings are the appropriate value from Table 44, and

$$\text{CAF} = \frac{\text{Cooling savings adjustment factor: set to 1.0 for homes with central refrigerated air; for homes with one or more room air conditioners set to 0.6.}}{\text{ }}$$

Winter peak demand savings are not estimated. Solar attic fans that operate in the winter would likely require more space heating and produce negative savings by increasing the temperature gradient between conditioned space and the cooler attic air (while potentially creating condensation issues).

### **Claimed Peak Demand Savings**

Refer to Volume 1, Appendix B: Peak Demand Reduction Documentation for further details on peak demand savings and methodology.

### **Measure Life and Lifetime Savings**

The estimated useful life (EUL) of a solar attic fan is closely related to its motor. The US DOE Advanced Manufacturing Office's Motor Systems Tip Sheet #3 suggests motors should last approximately 35,000 hours. The average annual hours of operation for solar attic fans across the Texas TRM zones is about 2,300 hours. Accordingly, the EUL for solar attic fans in Texas is estimated to be 15 years.

### **Program Tracking Data and Evaluation Requirements**

The below list of primary inputs and contextual data is recommended to be specified and tracked by the program database to inform the evaluation and apply the savings properly.

- Climate zone
- Attic floor area (ft<sup>2</sup>)
- Installed capacity of installed solar attic fans (CFM)
- Absence/presence of ducts in attic space
- Absence/presence of A/C equipment in attic space
- Length and insulation R-value of ducts in the attic if applicable
- Attic insulation R-value
- Exterior roof type (e.g., black asphalt shingles, metal seam)
- Air Conditioning type, age, and estimated EER
- Azimuth of fan solar panel
- Temperature measurements (for PY2020, 5 of initial 10 projects in Texas and 10% of the subsequent 200 projects in Texas, not to exceed 25 installations); future program years' (PYs) measurement requirements will be determined on an annual basis.

- Pre-install spot measurements (1. near insulation level and 2. underside of roof)
- Post-install two-week logging, minimum on reading per hour (1. near insulation level and 2. underside of roof)

## References and Efficiency Standards

### Petitions and Rulings

- TBD

### Relevant Standards and Reference Sources

- 2017 ASHRAE Handbook-Fundamentals: Chapter 17, Residential Cooling and Heating Load Calculations.
- Tetra Tech Memorandum to the Independent Electricity System Operator (IESO) of Ontario, Canada. Attic Fan Measure Characterization. Authors Mark Bergum and Marc Collins. August 20, 2018.
- US Department of Energy, EERE Advanced Manufacturing Office. Motor Systems Tip Sheet #3. Online. Available: <https://www.osti.gov/servlets/purl/15020347>

## Document Revision History

Table 45: Residential Solar Attic Fans Revision History

<u>TBM Version</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Description of Change</u>
<u>v7.0</u>	<u>10/2019</u>	<u>TRM v7.0 origin.</u>
<u>v8.0</u>	<u>10/2020</u>	<u>Remove measure due to lack of M&amp;V data collection to refine preliminary deemed savings estimates.</u>
<u>v9.0</u>	<u>10/2021</u>	<u>Reinstate measure requiring M&amp;V data collection.</u>



## 2.4 M&V: MISCELLANEOUS

### 2.4.1 Behavioral Measure Overview

**TRM Measure ID:** NR-MS-BC

**Market Sector:** Commercial

**Measure Category:** Miscellaneous

**Applicable Building Types:** Commercial

**Fuels Affected:** Electricity

**Decision/Action Types:** Operation and maintenance (O&M)

**Program Delivery Type:** Custom

**Deemed Savings Type:** Not applicable

**Savings Methodology:** EM&V and whole facility measurement

This protocol is used to estimate savings for various behavioral changes that remain persistent and reliable long term. The purpose of this measure is to create a framework to provide verified savings within standards currently applied to other commercial energy savings measures.

#### Measure Description

This measure is not defined but requires that any behavioral project develop an M&V plan and report. The project may include associated equipment installation. The M&V plans and reports should include a description of the proposed behavioral changes, how the changes will save energy, and why the behavioral change should be considered a permanent change, similar to other ~~high-high~~ efficiency equipment retrofits.

One example is to establish an authorized facility-wide energy policy with an implementation plan and quality assurance processes. Another example is to establish electric fleet vehicle energy charging policies to shift energy consumption to off-peak periods and reduce peak demand.

M&V plans and reports should describe how changes in operations and/or sequence of operations translate into energy savings. The measure description should include how initial energy savings estimates will be verified by IPMVP-compliant M&V.

#### Eligibility Criteria

This measure applies to behavioral measures that provide persistent energy reductions that are measurable at the facility level. Project sites that do not have hourly interval consumption data available should contact the EM&V team for approval.

## **Baseline Condition**

The baseline condition for each behavioral measure has two aspects: 1) the existing operating parameters (e.g., temperatures, hours of operation, loads) and existing energy use for each behavior change and 2) the proposed new case for each behavior change with equations that meet the model fitness requirements to quantify energy savings.

The M&V plan should document the source and accuracy/confidence of the parameters used in the proposed equations to estimate baseline and new case energy use for each behavior impact (e.g., interior lights are to be turned off). The M&V plan should explain assumptions for both baseline and behavior change cases, citing sources.

## **High-Efficiency Condition**

Demonstrated by conclusive energy savings following IPMVP protocols.

## **Energy and Demand Savings Methodology**

Not applicable.

## **Savings Algorithms and Input Variables (Used to Estimate Initial Savings Potential Only)**

Savings equations, algorithms, and inputs should be used to estimate initial energy savings prior to measure implementation and follow standard engineering practices and accepted energy efficiency engineering methods. M&V plans should cite sources used to develop energy savings estimates. Final whole facility savings should be included in the M&V report.

## **Whole Facility EM&V Methodology (Used to Estimate Final Savings Potential)**

The EM&V methodology presents a plan to determine (i.e., calculate and verify) energy savings due to significant and persistent facility-wide behavioral changes for a commercial facility, following IPMVP option C and standards followed by other commercial measures. Whole facility guidance is found in IPMVP Volume 1 EVO 10000-1:2012. CalTRACK 2.0 technical appendix should be used to support the development of consistent normalized energy consumption models.

The option C methodology should document details regarding model development, testing, handling of errors, and information to validate regression model(s). However, there are many assumptions in regression modeling that may require more detailed explanation in an M&V report.

Model documentation should be transparent and allow for repeating modeling steps and results, including the use of any adjustments made outside of the primary modeling method. Procedures and their results should be documented and may include:

- Describe how modeling outliers were identified and addressed
- Describe how missing data errors were addressed and document what changed from the original model. Any data removed or changed should be annotated with a cause.
- Description of non-routine events and adjustments- across the measurement periods. The COVID-19 pandemic<sup>45</sup> altered many C&I customer operations in multiple ways, and each major adjustment in operation should be described, such as full shutdown periods, partial operation periods, and full operation periods.

## M&V Plan and M&V Report

Preparation of an M&V plan and report is required to determine savings. An M&V plan ensures that collected data and information necessary to determine savings will be available after implementation of the behavioral change(s). The M&V plan and report will provide a record of the energy savings estimates and data collected during the project. The M&V plans and reports may also record critical assumptions, conditions, and changes that occur during the project. For example, the M&V plan describes how variables that affect energy use is documented and recorded while the M&V report documents such findings. Documentation should be complete, readily available, clearly organized, and easy to understand.

Changes to required documentation may be possible if a viable comparison group can be used. The EM&V team will review M&V plans that include the make-up and selection of the comparison group in lieu of required documentation.

The methodology described herein uses whole facility electric meter data.

M&V plans and reports must include:

- Measures and actions implemented
- IPMVP option and measurement boundary
- Weather station information
- Baseline period, energy consumption readings, onsite energy production, and conditions
- Performance period, energy consumption readings, onsite energy production and conditions
- Adjustment factor for energy consumption measurements to account for known and unknown operation adjustments in response to the COVID-19 pandemic. Include description and period for each factor.
- Non-routine adjustment description, period, impact, and adjustments
- Basis for adjustment and multi-year interaction

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<sup>45</sup> Starting March 2019

- Analysis procedure
- Baseline normalized energy consumption and peak demand model
- Performance period normalized energy consumption and peak demand model
- Energy prices (as applicable)
- Meter specifications
- Monitoring responsibilities
- Expected accuracy
- Quality assurance

## Normalized Energy Model Fitness

The model should be designed to develop the most accurate normalized metered energy consumption using a replicable method. The models used for the baseline and performance periods should be the simplest model available with the best  $R^2$  and  $CV(RMSE)^{46}$ . It is required that selected variables are reasonably understood to impact consumption levels and not coincidental during a measurement period. The least-squares regression method is most common and should be completed separately for electric consumption (kWh) and electric demand (kW). Other methods are acceptable if the least squares method is not sufficient. The model shall attempt to meet the following model fitness metric requirements:

- Energy savings is greater than 10% of baseline consumption
- $R^2$  value greater than or equal to 0.75

The electric demand model based on one-hour interval data will lead to the best model to determine peak demand savings. The model shall be evaluated to determine if the peak demand is accurately represented during the peak conditions as described in TRM Volume 1. An alternate regression model for the peak demand is required when the measured peak demand varies from the modeled peak demand at the high and low measured temperature period by greater than 20%.

Where possible, one year of pre and post utility, building, or system level data is preferred for conducting a regression analysis. Where less than a year of data is not feasible, methodologies should be considered on a case-by-case basis with prior approval from the EM&V team.

## Baseline Data and Model

The participants baseline data shall be used to create a baseline model equation. The M&V plan should document the data used to determine the baseline completely and accurately, including the selection of constants and independent variables. The baseline and independent variables shall be derived based on the historical electric consumption 12 months immediately prior to the engagement, the nearest TMY3 weather data file, and other relevant variables, such as floor

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<sup>46</sup> Coefficient of Variation Root Mean Squared Error

area or operating profile<sup>47</sup>. Historic electricity consumption is expected to be an hour interval to support the development of the peak demand savings detailed in Volume 1.

Baseline energy models can be used for multiple years for ~~long-long~~ term behavior engagements. A baseline normalized energy model can be used for a maximum five years from the start of the baseline period to the start of the performance period. Although the period may be reset earlier if non-routine adjustments are unable to be identified or quantified.

## Reporting Period Data and Model

The M&V plan should document the data used to determine the baseline completely and accurately, including the selection of constants and independent variables. The baseline and independent variables shall be derived based on the historical electric consumption 12 months, the nearest TMY3 weather data file, and other relevant variables, such as floor area or operating profile. Historic electricity consumption is expected to be an hour interval to support the development of the peak demand savings detailed in Volume 1, Section 4.

## Deemed Energy and Demand Savings Tables

Not applicable.

## Claimed Peak Demand Savings

The methodology used to determine peak demand savings should be consistent with the methodology of the energy savings. The calculation of peak demand savings should include the ~~weather~~ weather-dependent peak demand probability factors, as outlined in Volume 1, Section 4. The methodology should be documented clearly in the M&V plan and report. Because models are developed for a normalized year, the factors outside the date, time, and temperature should be assumed to be the maximum for the date and time combination, such as considering the date a weekday operation day for an office building.

## Additional Calculators and Tools

The regression software used for estimating annual energy use and demand should be clearly specified in the M&V plan and report.

## Measure Life and Lifetime Savings

The estimated useful life (EUL) is one year.

## Program Tracking Data and Evaluation Requirements

The following primary inputs and contextual data should be specified and tracked within the program database to inform the evaluation and apply the savings properly.

- Decision/action type: O&M

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<sup>47</sup> CalTRACK 2.0 provides a compliance checklist that can be used as best practices during model development, <https://www.caltrack.org/caltrack-compliance.html>.

- Building type
- Climate zone
- Baseline equipment types affected by behavior change
- Baseline equipment capacities
- Baseline equipment efficiency ratings
- Baseline number of units
- Baseline operating practice
- Efficient operating practice

## References and Efficiency Standards

Not applicable.

## Petitions and Rulings

- Behavioral programs are allowed energy efficiency programs as specified in the Energy Efficiency Rule (16 TC 25.181 (c)(12))

## Relevant Standards and Reference Sources

- International Performance and Measurement Verification Protocol: <https://evo-world.org/en/products-services-mainmenu-en/protocols/ipmvp>
- CalTRACK 2.0 Technical Appendix: <http://docs.caltrack.org/en/latest/technical-appendix.html>
- Unique to each project and to be documented in M&V plan and report

## Document Revision History

Table 46. M&V Behavioral Revision History

TRM version	Date	Description of change
v3.1	11/05/2015	TRM v3.1 origin.
v4.0	10/10/2016	Updated documentation of methodology and measure life.
v5.0	10/10/2017	No revisions.
v6.0	10/2018	No revisions.
v7.0	10/2019	Transferred relevant guidance language from Vol. 5
v8.0	10/2020	Added hourly interval data as a requirement, added CalTRACK2.0 technical appendix as a guide to normalize consumption models, and clarified guidance on normalized energy model fitness, baseline development, and reporting period.
<u>v9.0</u>	<u>10/2021</u>	<u>Updated model requirements to account for pandemic and other non-routine events.</u>



## 2.4.2 Air Compressors Less than 75 hp Measure Overview

**TRM Measure ID:** NR-MS-CA

**Market Sector:** Commercial

**Measure Category:** Miscellaneous

**Applicable Building Types:** Commercial

**Fuels Affected:** Electricity

**Decision/Action Types:** Early retirement (ER), new construction (NC), and replace-on-burnout (ROB)

**Program Delivery Type:** Custom

**Deemed Savings Type:** Not applicable

**Savings Methodology:** EM&V and whole facility measurement

This protocol is used to estimate savings for compressed air system controls measures for systems with less than 75 horsepower in total compressor power. The compressed air methodology is a framework to provide high quality verified savings for smaller compressed air projects. This measure uses site collected data, follows savings methodologies as outlined by the Ohio Technical Reference Manual, and uses research on compressed air systems conducted by the Long Island Power Authority.

### Measure Description

This measure requires the installation of flow controls on existing compressed air systems with a total compressor power of less than 75 hp. This methodology limits the amount of savings that can be claimed to 20 kW and 100,000 kWh for a project. For projects that are expected to exceed 20 kW or 100,000 kWh savings, full M&V is recommended.

Applicable controls measure types include:

- **Load/unload controls:** allow the motor to run continuously at a constant speed but unloads the compressor when adequate pressure has been achieved. Efficient load/unload controls use storage tank(s) to increase the available compressor air capacity without requiring compressor operation during all load periods. This protocol provides estimated savings for systems that exceed 3 gal/CFM or 5 gal/CFM in storage capacity.
- **Modulating inlet controls:** restricts inlet air to the compressor to progressively reduce compressor output to meet the flow requirements of the system. Also referred to as throttling or capacity control. The amount of capacity reduction is limited by the potential for surge and minimum throttling capacity.
- **Variable displacement systems:** have compressors that operate in two or more partially loaded conditions. Since the compressor can operate efficiently at multiple output points, it can more closely align with the load of the system.



- Variable speed with unloading: controls the compressor motor to match the load of the system, offering the highest efficiency gains. During periods of low demand, the compressor is unloaded and operates at the minimum variable speed until the flow and pressure demand exceeds the minimum output of the compressor.

## Eligibility Criteria

This measure applies to retrofitting an existing compressed air system with new, higher efficiency flow controls or the installation of a new compressed air system with eligible flow controls.

## Baseline Condition

**Existing System Retrofit:** The baseline for existing system retrofit shall be the applicable control type from the pre-existing system, from Table 47.

**Replace-on-Burnout (ROB) and New Construction (NC):** The baseline for ROB and NC projects is assumed to be a modulating air compressor with blow down (a standard industry practice). The baseline efficiency is given from the Modulation category in Table 47.

## High-Efficiency Condition

High-efficiency conditions for compressed air system are in Table 47.

Table 47. Air Compressor Energy Factors

Control type	ACEF	Source
Modulation	89.0%	LIPA Clean Energy Initiative <sup>48</sup>
Load/No Load with 3 gal/CFM	83.1%	
Load/No Load with 5 gal/CFM	80.6%	
Variable Displacement	76.9%	
Variable Speed with Unloading	67.5%	

<sup>48</sup> Data obtained from Long Island Power Authority's Clean Energy Initiative, See ACEF Development section for more details.

## Energy and Demand Savings Methodology

### Whole Facility EM&V Methodology (Used to Estimate FINAL Savings Potential)

Standard IPMVP option A procedures will be used to compare stipulated values to actual site conditions to confirm or adjust values found in the Ohio TRM, Long Island Power Authority's Clean Energy Initiative, Arkansas C&I program, and Texas Pilot program. Savings are determined by comparing measured energy use before and after implementation of a project, with adjustments for changes in conditions.

### Option Type and Measurement Boundary

The M&V plan will follow the guidelines of the 2012 International Performance Measurement and Verification Protocol (IPMVP) option A—Retrofit Isolation: Key Parameter Measurement. This method calculates energy savings using key energy consumption parameters before the equipment retrofit begins and after the retrofit is completed. The option A guidelines are described in the latest version of the IPMVP Volume 1 EVO 10000-1:2012.

The key parameters being measured is interval true power (kW).

### Baseline and Reporting Period

Two weeks of logging data before and two weeks of logging data after the controls upgrade.

### Savings Methodology—Measured Data Analysis

The following equations will be used to calculate energy and demand saving estimates:

$$\text{Peak Demand Savings (kW)} = kW_{PDPF,existing} - kW_{PDPF,new}$$

**Equation 55**

$$\text{Annual Energy Savings (kWh)} = (kW_{avg\ op,existing} - kW_{avg\ op,new}) * \text{Hours}$$

**Equation 56**

Where:

$kW_{PDPF}$  = Compressor motor kW from metered data corresponding to PDPF period as outlined in TRM Volume 1<sup>49</sup>

$kW_{avg, op}$  = Average compressor motor kW from metered data during the operating hours

Hours = Compressor total hours of operation per year; assumed to be the facility posted annual operating hours

<sup>49</sup> TRM Volume 1, section 4.7 provides a basis for estimating peak coincident demand reductions attributable to the implementation of energy efficiency measures in Texas. This is based on measure-specific load during the identified peak hours according to section 4.2.2.

## Savings Methodology—Stipulated Analysis

The following equations will be used to calculate energy and demand saving estimates:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Peak Demand Savings (kW)} \\ &= (kW_{full\ load,existing} * ACEF_{existing} - kW_{full\ load,new} * ACEF_{new}) * CF_{PDPF} \end{aligned}$$

**Equation 57**

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Annual Energy Savings (kWh)} \\ &= (kW_{full\ load,existing} * ACEF_{existing} - kW_{full\ load,new} * ACEF_{new}) * Hours \end{aligned}$$

**Equation 58**

$$kW_{full\ load,existing} = \frac{0.7456 * \text{Motor Nominal HP}_{existing} * LF_{rated}}{\text{Motor Nominal Efficiency}_{existing}}$$

**Equation 59**

Where:

- $kW_{full\ load}$  = Compressor motor full load kW from CAGI data sheet; if baseline CAGI data isn't available, use Equation 59
- Hours = Compressor total hours of operation per year; assumed to be the facility posted annual operating hours
- ACEF = Air compressor energy factor from Table 47
- $LF_{rated}$  = Total annual energy consumption as reported in utility meter data for the post-retrofit measurement year
- $CF_{PDPF}$  = Coincident factor determined from peak demand probability factors; for projects whose business hours encompass the entire PDPF period for the building's climate zone, the factor is 1.0<sup>50</sup>

## Deemed Energy and Demand Savings

There are no deemed energy or demand savings for this measure.

## Claimed Peak Demand Savings

A summer peak period value is used for this measure. Refer to Volume 1, Section 4 for further details on peak demand savings and methodology.

<sup>50</sup> TRM volume 1, section 4.2 provides a basis for estimating peak coincident demand reductions attributable to the implementation of energy efficiency measures in Texas. This is based on measure-specific load during the identified peak hours according to section 4.2.2.

## Additional Calculators and Tools

The regression software used for estimating annual energy use and demand should be clearly specified within the M&V plan and report.

## ACEF Development

As part of the Long Island Power Authority (LIPA) Clean Energy Initiative, a study of air compressors was conducted with collected data on the operating capacity of the compressed air systems. LIPA provided data from this study, which was used as the basis for the ACEF development.

The capacity data was divided into percent of full-load capacity bins to determine average system loading across the population. This data was weighted by the brake horsepower of each compressor in the population. For each capacity bin, the percent power was determined for the control schemes from the Department of Energy air compressor savings calculator (no longer publicly available). The percent power curves were used with the load profile (from the study data) to develop average compressor energy factors for each control scheme for this measure.

## Measure Life and Lifetime Savings

The estimated useful life (EUL) for commercial air compressors is 10 years, pending further research.

## Program Tracking Data and Evaluation Requirements

The following primary inputs and contextual data should be specified and tracked within the program database to inform the evaluation and apply the savings properly.

- Decision/action type: ER, ROB, NC, system type conversion
- Building type
- Climate zone
- Baseline equipment type
- Baseline equipment controls
- Baseline number of units
- Baseline compressor CAGI data sheets
- For ER only: Baseline age and method of determination (e.g., nameplate, blueprints, customer reported, not available)
- Installed equipment type
- Installed equipment controls
- Installed equipment make and model
- Installed number of units
- Installed compressor CAGI data sheets
- A description of the actual building type, the primary business activity, the business hours, and the operating schedule

## Petitions and Rulings

Not applicable.

## Relevant Standards and Reference Sources

- State of Ohio Energy Efficiency Technical Reference Manual, <https://focusonenergy.com/sites/default/files/Focus%20on%20Energy%20TRM%20-%20PY2017%20Archive%29.pdf#page=52>

## Document Revision History

Table 48. Air Compressors Less than 75 HP Revision History

TRM version	Date	Description of change
v5.0	10/10/2017	TRM v5.0 origin.
v6.0	10/2018	No revisions.
v7.0	10/2019	No revisions.
v8.0	10/2020	No revisions.
<u>v9.0</u>	<u>10/2021</u>	<u>No revisions.</u>

### 2.4.3 CommercialNonresidential Retro-Commissioning

**TRM Measure ID:** NR-MS-RC

**Market Sector:** Commercial

**Measure Category:** Miscellaneous

**Applicable Building Types:** Commercial

**Fuels Affected:** Electricity, natural gas

**Decision/Action Types:** Operational/maintenance

**Program Delivery Type:** Custom

**Deemed Savings Type:** Not applicable

**Savings Methodology:** EM&V and whole facility measurement

This protocol is used to estimate savings for retro-commissioning (RCx) projects where a substantial portion of the savings are expected to come from operational and maintenance (O&M) activities. Since RCx often involves improvements through control system optimization, maintenance changes, and other system-level enhancements, determining savings often involves numerous assumptions and extensive interactive effects. This protocol provides a framework to calculate savings involving whole building or sub-system monitoring.

#### Measure Description

Retro-commissioning is a systematic process to improve a building's energy use. RCx involves an assessment of all energy systems within a building and applies energy savings strategies to reduce overall energy use. The process usually begins with an energy audit of a building, an inventory of energy-use equipment, development of energy conservation measures (ECMs), cost-benefit analysis of ECMs, and implementation of selected ECMs.

ECMs that may be considered RCx projects include:

- Identification of maintenance issues observed during the energy audit, plans for fixing the issues, and plans to identify similar issues in the future.
- Development of optimization strategies for existing systems, including correcting air balancing issues, controls reductions of simultaneous heating/cooling operations, and incorrect control sequences.
- Implementation of control system strategies, or optimization of existing strategies, including economizer setpoint control, demand-controlled ventilation, HVAC occupancy schedules, hot water reset, chilled water reset, and system lockout temperatures.
- Maintenance scheduling improvements aimed to keep equipment operating at peak condition through proper adherence to manufacturer's recommended maintenance and advanced identification of issues through personnel inspections or control system parameters.

- Replacement options for aged equipment or development of a plan for future replacement of equipment.
- Removal of unnecessary equipment by disconnecting<sup>51</sup> from the electric grid.

## Eligibility Criteria

Comprehensive RCx projects must be compliant with IPMVP option C. Projects shall meet the model fitness metrics. Project sponsors should contact the EM&V team for approval of RCx projects that do not have hourly interval consumption data available or do not meet the model fitness metrics. For RCx projects with smaller savings (< 20 kW) where standard M&V efforts may be cost prohibitive, simplified strategies to reduce M&V costs (e.g., using TRM values for lighting fixture wattage) will be considered with prior EM&V-team approval.

## Baseline Condition

The baseline condition is the existing building energy use, prior to the engagement of initial RCx activities.

## High-Efficiency Condition

The high-efficiency condition is the building or system energy use after implementation of RCx ECMs as agreed upon between the customer, utility, and/or third-party contractors.

## Energy and Demand Savings Methodology

### Whole Facility EM&V Methodology

The EM&V methodology presents a plan to determine (i.e., calculate and verify) energy savings due to operations and maintenance RCx projects for a commercial facility, following IPMVP option C and standards followed by other commercial measures. Whole facility guidance is found in IPMVP Volume 1 EVO 10000-1:2012.

The option C methodology should document in an M&V report details regarding model development, testing, handling of errors, and information to validate regression model(s). However, there are many assumptions in the regression modeling which require more detailed guidance. CalTRACK 2.0 technical appendix should be used to support the development of consistent normalized energy consumption models.

Model documentation should be transparent and allow for repeating modeling steps and results, including the use of any adjustments made outside of the primary modeling method. Procedures and their results should be documented and may include:

- Describing how modeling outliers were identified and addressed.
- Describing how missing data errors were addressed and document what changed from the original model. Any data removed or changed should be annotated with a cause.

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<sup>51</sup> Tag-out/lock-out of the electric breaker is acceptable to confirm disconnection from the electric grid.

- A description of non-routine events and adjustments across the measurement periods. The COVID-19 pandemic<sup>52</sup> altered many C&I customer operations in multiple ways and each major adjustment in operation should be described, such as full shutdown periods, partial operation periods, and full operation periods.

Where a significant portion of energy/demand savings is expected to come from prescriptive measures or custom measures whose savings have been independently determined through sub-system modeling (greater than 50% from a preliminary assessment), savings should be claimed following this M&V methodology exclusively OR savings should be claimed for the prescriptive measures and custom measures ONLY, to prevent overstating savings due to interactive effects.

Since most O&M savings involve HVAC systems, which are inherently driven by climatological factors, the whole facility analysis should use a normalization approach for the ~~weather~~ weather-dependent factors. Typical meteorological year (TMY) data should be used in the ~~pre- and post-regression~~ post-regression results to estimate normalized savings for comprehensive RCx projects.

## M&V Plan and M&V Report

Preparation of an M&V plan and report is required to determine savings. An M&V plan ensures that collected data and information necessary to determine savings will be available after implementation of the behavioral change(s). The M&V plan and report will provide a record of the energy savings estimates and data collected during the project. The M&V plan and report may also record critical assumptions, conditions, and changes that occur during the project. For example, the M&V plan describes how variables that affect energy use is documented and recorded, while the M&V report documents such findings. Documentation should be complete, readily available, clearly organized, and easy to understand.

Changes to required documentation may be possible if a viable comparison group can be used. The EM&V team will review M&V plans that include the make-up and selection of the comparison group in lieu of required documentation.

The methodology described herein uses whole facility electric meter data.

The following requirements as part of the M&V plan and report.

- Measures and actions implemented
- IPMVP option and measurement boundary
- Weather station information
- Baseline period, energy consumption readings, onsite energy production, and conditions
- Performance period, energy consumption readings, onsite energy production and conditions

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<sup>52</sup> Starting March 2019.



- Adjustment factor for energy consumption measurements to account for known and unknown operation adjustments in response to the COVID-19 pandemic; include description and period for each factor
- Non-routine adjustment description, period, impact, and adjustments
- Basis for adjustment and multi-year interaction
- Analysis procedure
- Baseline normalized energy consumption and peak demand model
- Performance period normalized energy consumption and peak demand model
- Energy prices (as applicable)
- Meter specifications
- Monitoring responsibilities
- Expected accuracy
- Quality assurance

## Normalized Energy Model Fitness

The model should be designed to develop the most accurate normalized metered energy consumption using a replicable method. The models used for RCx should be the simplest model available with the best  $R^2$  and CV(RMSE)<sup>53</sup>. Most common is the least-squares regression method completed separately for electric consumption (kWh) and electric demand (kW). The model shall attempt to meet the following model fitness metric requirements:

- Energy Savings is greater than 10% of baseline consumption.
- $R^2$  value greater than or equal to 0.75

The electric demand model based on one-hour interval data will lead to the best model to determine peak demand savings. The model shall be evaluated to determine if the peak demand is accurately represented during the peak conditions as described in TRM Volume 1. An alternate regression model for the peak demand is required when the measured peak demand varies from the modeled peak demand at the high and low measured temperature period by greater than 20%.

Where possible, one year of pre and post utility, building, or system level data is preferred for conducting a regression analysis. When less than a year of data is not feasible, methodologies should be considered on a case-by-case basis and prior approval from with the EM&V team.

## Baseline Data and Model

The participant baseline data should be used to create a baseline model equation. The M&V plan should document the data used to determine the baseline completely and accurately, including the selection of constants and independent variables. The baseline and independent variables shall be derived based on the historical electric consumption 12 months immediately

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<sup>53</sup> Coefficient of Variation Root Mean Squared Error

prior to the capital project, the nearest TMY3 weather data file, and other relevant variables, such as floor area or operating profile.<sup>54</sup> Historic electricity consumption is expected to be an hour interval to support the development of the peak demand savings detailed in Volume 1.

## Performance Period Data and Model

The participants consumption data starting immediately after completion of all project components and the electricity savings exceeds 10% of the baseline energy consumption shall be used to create a performance period model equation. The M&V plan should document the data used to determine the baseline completely and accurately, including the selection of constants and independent variables. The baseline and independent variables shall be derived based on the historical electric consumption 12 months, the nearest TMY3 weather data file and other relevant variables, such as floor area or operating profile. Historic electricity consumption is expected to be an hour interval to support the development of the peak demand savings detailed in Volume 1.

### Rounding

Data rounding to the nearest whole number should only occur at the annual consumption of the baseline or performance period. The hourly or daily results should not be rounded in calculations.

## Savings Methodology—Measured Data Analysis

The following equations will be used to calculate energy and demand saving estimates:

$$Peak\ Demand\ Savings\ (kW) = kW_{PDPF,existing} - kW_{PDPF,new} \pm kW_{adjustments} - kW_{other\ mees}$$

**Equation 60**

$$Energy\ Savings\ (kWh) = kWh_{existing} - kWh_{new} \pm kWh_{adjustments} - kWh_{other\ mees}$$

**Equation 61**

Where:

- $kW_{PDPF,existing}$  = Building or system level kW for the existing building/system
- $kW_{PDPF,new}$  = Building or system level kW for the post retro-commissioning building/system
- $kWh_{existing}$  = Building or system level kWh normalized for the existing building/system from metered data.
- $kWh_{new}$  = Building or system level kWh normalized for the post retro-commissioning building/system from metered data.

<sup>54</sup> CalTRACK 2.0 provides a compliance checklist that can be used as best practices during model development, <https://www.caltrack.org/caltrack-compliance.html>.

$kW/kWh_{adjustments}$  = Adjustments to the kW and kWh building/system metered data results that account for operational changes which are not attributable to the project.

$kW/kWh_{other\ meas}$  = Adjustments to the kW and kWh building/system metered data results that account for prescriptive and custom measures which are calculated independently.

## Deemed Energy and Demand Savings

There are no deemed energy or demand savings for this measure. Prescriptive savings for individual measures may be calculated in accordance with other commercial measures in TRM volumes 3 and 4 if an initial assessment indicates they are less than 50% of the total project savings.

### Simplified M&V Energy and Demand Savings

For smaller-scale RCx projects that will result in smaller savings (<20 kW), a simplified M&V approach may be used, pending EM&V pre-approval. These smaller RCx projects will be considered on a case-by-case basis.

The simplified M&V approach can provide custom calculations that incorporate all required data collection, spot measurements, and weather data to create detailed estimates of energy savings. Calculations must be able to determine the demand at the specific hour and temperature detailed in the peak demand savings methodology. Calculations must also incorporate the interactive effects between the implemented improvements, assuming conservative energy efficiency improvements when the interactive effects are unknown.

The description of the baseline and efficient condition in the Simplified M&V plan is required. It is required that improvements and assumptions are documented to support the calculations.

### Claimed Peak Demand Savings

The methodology used to determine peak demand savings should be consistent with the methodology of ~~the~~ energy savings. The calculation of peak demand savings should include the ~~weather-weather~~-dependent peak demand probability factors, as outlined in TRM Volume 1, Section 4. The methodology should be documented clearly in the M&V plan and report. Because models are developed for a normalized year, the factors outside the date, time, and temperature should be assumed to be the maximum for the date and time combination, such as considering the date a weekday operation day for an office building.

### Additional Calculators and Tools

The regression software used for estimating annual energy use and demand should be clearly specified within the M&V plan and M&V report.

## Measure Life and Lifetime Savings

The estimated useful life (EUL) for RCx projects is 5 years, pending further research for O&M measures.<sup>55</sup>

## Program Tracking Data and Evaluation Requirements

The following primary inputs and contextual data should be specified and tracked within the program database to inform the evaluation and apply the savings properly.

- Decision/action type: O&M
- Building type
- Climate zone

## References and Efficiency Standards

Not applicable.

## Petitions and Rulings

Not applicable.

## Relevant Standards and Reference Sources

- International Performance and Measurement Verification Protocol: <https://evoworld.org/en/products-services-mainmenu-en/protocols/ipmvp>
- CalTRACK 2.0 Technical Appendix: <http://docs.caltrack.org/en/latest/technical-appendix.html>
- Unique to each project and to be documented in M&V plan and report

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<sup>55</sup> Kolwey, Neil. SWEEP Industrial Re-commissioning: Not Just a Building Tune-up. February 2017. <https://www.swenergy.org/data/sites/1/media/documents/publications/documents/SWEEP%20Industrial%20Recommissioning%20Feb%202017.pdf>.

## Document Revision History

Table 49. ~~Commercial~~Commercial/Nonresidential Retro-Commissioning Revision History

TRM version	Date	Description of change
v6.0	10/2018	TRM v6.0 origin.
v7.0	10/2019	TRM v7.0 update. Clarifications for small project exemptions and proper use of IPMVP Option C. Correction for erroneous eligibility criteria in v6.0.
v8.0	10/2020	Updated model fitness requirements, added CaTRACK2.0 technical appendix as a guide to normalize consumption models, and clarified guidance on normalized energy model fitness, baseline development, and reporting period.
<u>v9.0</u>	<u>10/2021</u>	<u>Updated model requirements to account for pandemic and other non-routine events. Added alternate calculation method.</u>

## 2.4.4 Thermal Energy Storage Measure Overview

**TRM Measure ID:** NR-MS-TS

**Market Sector:** Commercial

**Measure Category:** Miscellaneous

**Applicable Building Types:** Commercial

**Fuels Affected:** Electricity, natural gas

**Decision/Action Types:** Retrofit (RET), new construction (NC)

**Program Delivery Type:** Custom

**Deemed Savings Type:** Not applicable

**Savings Methodology:** EM&V

This protocol is used to estimate savings for thermal energy storage (TES) projects. TES projects are systems that use heat transfer to a medium during off-peak hours or non-critical seasonal periods and then use stored heat during the on-peak hours or critical seasonal period. TES systems often have non-energy benefits (economic, equipment sizing, etc.) while having negligible, or even negative, energy savings.

### Measure Description

Thermal energy storage systems represent a wide range of available technologies. Potential TES systems under this protocol include, but are not limited to, solar energy storage, molten-salt technologies, ice-based technologies, general heat storage in any technology, miscibility gap alloy technology, cryogenic energy storage, and hot silicon technology.

### Eligibility Criteria

TES projects must be compliant with IPMVP option A, B, or C. For option C, the project should save more than 10% of peak demand with 30-minute (or more frequent) interval data. For option B, full M&V of the thermal energy storage system and affected systems is expected. For option A, the assumptions that support monitoring of only key datapoints should be discussed with the EM&V team prior to M&V plan development. An M&V plan should be developed when using Options A or B and approved by the EM&V team prior to the conducting of any metering for the project.

### Baseline Condition

The baseline condition is the existing building energy use systems (retrofit) or minimal code-compliant systems (new construction).

### High-Efficiency Condition

The high-efficiency condition is the building with the thermal energy storage system.

## Energy and Demand Savings Methodology

### Whole Facility EM&V Methodology

IPMVP option C can be used as the basis of analysis for thermal energy storage systems. If the thermal energy storage system is expected to have daily cycling, metering intervals must be 30-minutes or less (preferably 15-minutes) for all affected fuel types. Options A or B can be used when interval data is not available. The expected peak demand reduction from the TES must exceed 10% to attempt an option C analysis, and analyzed trends must exceed an  $R^2$  of 0.75. Further, all hours defined in the Volume 1 PDPF tables for the project's climate zone must be directly metered, as well as representative weather periods must be observed during the monitoring period. For TES systems with seasonality cycling, the monitoring interval can be increased and must be approved by the M&V team on a case-by-case basis.

For projects that follow, or need to follow, IPMVP eOption A or B, all necessary parameters must be directly metered, or the assumptions need to be approved by the EM&V team. These may include the power use of affected systems, temperatures of storage mediums, and flow rates of liquids. An M&V plan for option A or B projects should be developed and approved by the EM&V team prior to conducting metering.

### Baseline and Reporting Period

The baseline and reporting periods for TES systems will be approved on a case-by-case basis by the EM&V team.

### Savings Methodology

The following equations will be used to calculate energy and demand saving estimates:

$$\text{Peak Demand Savings (kW)} = kW_{PDPF,existing} - kW_{PDPF,new} \pm kW_{adjustments} - kW_{other\ mees}$$

**Equation 62**

$$\text{Energy Savings (kWh)} = kWh_{existing} - kWh_{new} \pm kWh_{adjustments} - kWh_{other\ mees}$$

**Equation 63**

Where:

$kW_{PDPF,existing}$  = Building or system level kW for the existing building/system from metered data corresponding to PDPF period as outlined in TRM volume 1.<sup>56</sup>

$kW_{PDPF,new}$  = Building or system level kW for the post TES building/system from metered data corresponding to PDPF period as outlined in TRM volume 1.<sup>56</sup>

<sup>56</sup> TRM volume 1, section 4.2 provides a basis for estimating peak coincident demand reductions attributable to the implementation of energy efficiency measures in Texas. This is based on measure-specific load during the identified peak hours according to section 4.2.2.

- $kWh_{existing}$  = Building or system level kWh for the existing building/system from metered data.
- $kWh_{new}$  = Building or system level kWh for the post TES building/system from metered data.
- $kW/kWh_{adjustments}$  = Adjustments to the kW and kWh building/system metered data results that account for operational changes which are not attributable to the TES project.
- $kW/kWh_{other\ meas}$  = Adjustments to the kW and kWh building/system metered data results that account for prescriptive and custom measures which are calculated independently.

## Deemed Energy and Demand Savings

There are no deemed energy or demand savings for this measure.

## Claimed Peak Demand Savings

The methodology used to determine peak demand savings should be consistent with the methodology of the energy savings. Furthermore, the calculation of peak demand savings should into account the weather dependent peak demand probability factors, as outlined in Volume 1, Section 4. The methodology should be documented clearly in the M&V plan and M&V report.

## Additional Calculators and Tools

Any regression software used for estimating annual energy use and demand should be clearly specified within the M&V plan and report.

## Measure Life and Lifetime Savings

The estimated useful life (EUL) for thermal energy storage (TES) projects is ~~set to~~ 15 years, pending further research for specific TES measures.

## Program Tracking Data and Evaluation Requirements

The following should be documented in the M&V plan and M&V report:

- Decision/action type
- Building type

## Petitions and Rulings

Not applicable.



## Relevant Standards and Reference Sources

- International Performance and Measurement Verification Protocol  
<https://evo-world.org/en/products-services-mainmenu-en/protocols/ipmvp>
- U.S. Department of Energy: M&V Guidelines: Measurement and Verification of Performance-Based Contracts (Version 4.0)  
[https://www.energy.gov/sites/prod/files/2016/01/f28/mv\\_guide\\_4\\_0.pdf](https://www.energy.gov/sites/prod/files/2016/01/f28/mv_guide_4_0.pdf)

## Document Revision History

Table 50. Thermal Energy Storage Revision History

TRM version	Date	Description of change
v7.0	10/2019	TRM v7.0 origin.
v8.0	10/2020	Added 30-minute interval data as a requirement when using IPMVP option C
<u>v9.0</u>	<u>10/2021</u>	<u>No revisions.</u>

## 2.5 M&V: LOAD MANAGEMENT

### 2.5.1 Residential Load Curtailment Measure Overview

**TRM Measure ID:** R-LM-LM

**Market Sector:** Residential

**Measure Category:** Load management

**Applicable Building Types:** Single family, multifamily, and manufactured

**Fuels Affected:** Electricity

**Decision/Action Types:** Operation and maintenance (O&M)

**Program Delivery Type:** Custom

**Deemed Savings Type:** Not applicable

**Savings Methodology:** EM&V

Utilities operate residential load management programs to obtain demand savings: energy savings are estimated as a function of the estimated demand savings.<sup>57</sup> Demand savings calculations are performed using utility customer interval energy demand data from IDRs or advanced meters. Measured and verified demand savings for the curtailment period is presented here.

#### Measure Description

This document presents the M&V savings methodology to participate in a load management program that involves the curtailment of an interruptible load during the summer peak period. Measures participating in a residential load management program may be air-conditioners, heat pumps, swimming pool pumps, or other electricity loads as specified by utility programs. Specific methods of load management for this measure are not defined and are determined by individual programs. The savings reflect the cumulative effect of all participant actions to reduce residence-wide demand during a load management event.

#### Eligibility Criteria

A project will be eligible for incentives and reporting demand and energy savings if the following criteria are met: ~~when~~

- Participants are homes and reduce their demand during curtailment events throughout the summer peak demand period (as seen outlined in Table 51).
- Each meter has a continuous demand interval recording capability (30-minute intervals or less)

<sup>57</sup> Some utilities may determine energy savings associated with load management events, which would be calculated as the difference between the baseline and curtailment kW values times the length of the event(s).

- Sufficient interval data exists to measure and verify sufficient comparison-days to establish demand baselines and interval demands during load management events.

Participants are homes- **Table 51. Peak Demand Period by Utility**

1:00 PM— 7:00 PM	June, July, August, September	Weekends, federal holidays

## Baseline Condition

The baseline condition is an individual participants' load that would have occurred had the load management event and subsequent load management activities not taken place.<sup>58</sup>

## High-Efficiency Condition

Not applicable.

## Energy and Demand Savings Methodology

Not applicable.

## Savings Algorithms and Input Variables

$$\text{Verified Demand Savings} = \text{Baseline Period kW} - \text{Curtailment kW}$$

Equation 64

Where:

*Baseline Period kW* = Baseline average demand calculated according to the High 3 of 5 Baseline Method

*Curtailment kW* = Average demand measured during the curtailment period

## High 3 of 5 Baseline with Day-of Adjustment

A high X of Y baseline considers the Y most recent days preceding an event and uses the data from the X days with the highest load within those Y days to calculate the baseline. Day-of adjustments are used to scale the baseline load estimate to the load conditions on the day of the event using data from the two hours prior to the time on the event day when participants were notified of the pending call for curtailment.

Applying this concept to the residential load management measure, the High 3 of 5 baseline for a given curtailment event is estimated by first identifying the five non-holiday weekdays immediately preceding the event in which no prior program curtailment events were called,

<sup>58</sup> Some utilities may determine energy savings associated with load management events, which would be calculated as the difference between the baseline and curtailment kW values times the length of the event(s).

and calculating each participant's average demand during the same hours as the hours for which the curtailment event was implemented on each of those five days. The three highest of these five average-like day demand values are then averaged to estimate the "unadjusted high three baseline".

The day-of baseline adjustment is estimated by comparing participants' average demand for electricity on the day of the event during the two hours prior to notification of the pending event (the "adjustment period") to participants' average demand for electricity on the "high three" days during those same two hours. In the situation where notification may not be given, the two hours preceding one hour before the event begins on the event day and baseline days will be used as the adjustment period. The average load of the adjustment period on the event day are compared to the average load of the adjustment periods from the baseline days. The difference (positive or negative) between day-of demand and high three baseline day demand in the adjustment period is the uncapped additive adjustment. To apply the adjustment period to the unadjusted baseline, one of two options are selected in the following steps:

- **Step 1.** Calculate an uncapped additive adjustment. The uncapped additive adjustment is the difference of the adjustment period hours' load of the event day subtracted from the baseline days' average adjustment period load. For example, if the baseline days have an adjustment period average load of 3.20 kW and the event day has an adjustment period load of 3.80 kW, the uncapped additive adjustment is  $3.80 \text{ kW} - 3.20 \text{ kW} = 0.60 \text{ kW}$ .
- **Step 2.** Calculate an adjustment cap. The adjustment cap is 80 percent of the baseline days' average load during the event hours. For example, if a participant has a load of 4.00 kW during the baseline days' event hours, the adjustment cap is  $4.00 \text{ kW} \times 0.80 = 3.2 \text{ kW}$ .
- **Step 3.** Select the lowest of the adjustment cap and the absolute value of the uncapped additive adjustment to be the additive adjustment. Using the examples of the preceding two steps, the uncapped additive adjustment (0.60 kW) has the lowest magnitude between the two numbers and is selected as the additive adjustment.
- **Step 4.** Add the additive adjustment to the unadjusted High 3 of 5 baseline to calculate the final baseline used for calculating changes to consumption for the load management event.

Following the calculation of the baseline using the High 3 of 5 method, the following steps are taken to arrive at an event's total savings and program savings for the year:

- **Step 1.** For an individual meter, the change in consumption is calculated by subtracting the baseline from the average load recorded during the event. If the result is positive, the meter exhibits savings, whereas a negative result indicates an increase in consumption during the event.
- **Step 2.** For a given load management event, sum the change in consumption of all participating meters. If documented, those meters enrolled in the program that opt-out of an event may be removed from the summation. If opt-out meters are not documented, an enrolled meter will be considered to have participated in the event. The sum represents the event's total change in consumption, presumed to be positive and representing savings.

- **Step 3.** With each event's savings results, average the event-level savings. The average of the events' savings represents the program year savings.

An example, below, illustrates the entirety of applying the high 3 of 5 method to calculate load management savings for a single residential participant.

## Example Calculation

Table 52 illustrates the steps of the High 3 of 5 baseline calculation method. Specific participant's results may vary.

**Table 52. High 3 of 5 Example Load Management Event Data**

Event day and potential baseline days	Potential baseline day 5	Potential baseline day 4	Potential baseline day 3	Potential baseline day 2	Potential baseline day 1	Load mgmt. event date
Event hours	1500-1600	1500-1600	1500-1600	1500-1600	1500-1600	1500-1600
Average kW during event hours	5.67	5.96	4.95	4.58	6.01	5.12
Notification hour						1400
Adjustment period hours	1200-1400	1200-1400	1200-1400	1200-1400	1200-1400	1200-1400
Adjustment period average kW	5.54	5.87	4.86	4.44	5.89	6.03

### Calculation Steps:

- **Step 1.** Unadjusted High Three Baseline = Average kW during event times in three highest days of five prior to event day (kW)  

$$\text{Unadjusted High Three Baseline} = (5.67 + 5.96 + 6.01) / 3 = 5.88 \text{ kW}$$
- **Step 2.** Uncapped Additive Adjustment = Average kW during adjustment time on event day (kW)—Average kW during adjustment time in the same three highest days of five prior to event day  

$$\text{Uncapped Additive Adjustment} = 6.03 - (5.54 + 5.87 + 5.89) / 3 = 0.26 \text{ kW}$$
- **Step 3.** Adjustment Cap = 80% of Unadjusted High Three Baseline (kW)  

$$\text{Adjustment Cap} = 0.8 * 5.88 = 4.7 \text{ kW}$$
- **Step 4.** Choose Additive Adjustment = Minimum {Absolute value of Uncapped Additive Adjustment, Adjustment Cap} (kW)  

$$\text{Additive Adjustment} = \text{Minimum} \{0.26, 4.7\} = 0.26 \text{ kW}$$
- **Step 5.** Final Baseline = Additive Adjustment + Unadjusted High Three Baseline (kW)  

$$\text{Final Baseline} = 0.26 + 5.88 = 6.14 \text{ kW}$$
- **Step 6.** kW Savings = Final Baseline—Curtailment kW (kW)  

$$\text{kW Savings} = 6.14 - 5.12 = 1.02 \text{ kW}$$

## Additional Calculation Considerations

In the case that individual meters fail to record data sufficient for applying the High 3 of 5 calculation method, savings may still be calculated under the following conditions and method:

- Less than two percent of participating residential customers experience meter recording failures
- The customer can be confirmed as having participated via the practices of the sponsor operating the program or lack of opt-out notification
- The EM&V team is engaged to discuss applying the average savings and any program participation segmentation, and the specific cases are documented
- Savings for the residential segment will be calculated using the average savings of the segment as calculated via the High 3 of 5 method for the balance of the program or segment.

When selecting baseline days in the High 3 of 5 method, in some cases it is possible that some days have the same load for an individual participant, potentially leading to more than three days that could be selected for the baseline days. If four or more days could be selected as baseline days based on their loads during event hours, the days with the highest loads and closest to the event should be picked for the baseline.

Program year kW load management event savings will be calculated as the average savings of all events.

### Rounding

Data rounding to the nearest whole number should only occur at the event and program levels for residential load management programs (NOT at the customer level). Utilities that prefer not to round the savings should document that in their calculations and inform the EM&V team (see Volume 5, Section 3.1 for more details).

### Meters

Utilities are responsible for calling a test event each program year for the load management programs. The test event has several purposes, including assuring the proper functioning of program meters. Utilities are responsible for maintaining working program meters.

If there are random, non-systematic errors in smart meter data for less than two percent of total participants, the average savings from a similar group of participants (e.g., single-family, multifamily) may be used for claimed savings if: 1) the control event technology and intervention are the same, and 2) the control event intervention can be confirmed based on standard program practices for event confirmation. Utilities should notify the EM&V team in these circumstances to discuss the approach for determining and applying average savings for those customers with incomplete meter data.

## Deemed Energy and Demand Savings Tables

Not applicable.

## Claimed Peak Demand Savings

A summer peak period value is used for this measure, based on calculation methodology described for this measure.

## Additional Calculators and Tools

Not applicable.

## Measure Lifetime and Lifetime Savings

The estimated useful life (EUL) is one year.

Not applicable.

## Program Tracking Data and Evaluation Requirements

The following data and information shall be tracked and provided to the EM&V team to enable savings verification:

- For each participant for which savings are being claimed, kWh consumption at intervals no greater than 30-minutes for each event day and for no less than five non-holiday and non-weekend days prior to each event day. Interval data shall be time-stamped with the date and no less than the time period ending the interval.
- Documentation describing the time stamp and whether the time stamp reflects the forward-looking period or period preceding the time stamp
- A list of all load management events affecting residential participants, describing their date, the time the event started, and the time the event ended.
- A list of all participants and addresses with a variable linking to the load or energy consumption interval data and that describes their enrollment date, load management control commissioning date, and any events in which the participant did not participate due to enrollment or equipment installation timing, equipment failures, or other factors known to the implementer or utility.
- Tools, calculators or other datasets that may be useful to the EM&V team, based on discussion between the EM&V team, utilities, and/or program implementer. The process for calculating kW and kWh savings should be provided in the program documentation, including any summation and rounding practices.
- Memos, reports, or results of any equipment test or metering data that provides perspectives, calculations, or metrics related to failure rates of load control receivers, thermostats or similar devices used to control participant loads during events.

The EM&V team may conduct participant-level independent metering studies to inform the verification of load management program savings.

## References and Efficiency Standards

Not applicable.

## Petitions and Rulings

Not applicable.

## Relevant Standards and Reference Sources

- [Oncor: Residential Load Management Standard Offer Program 2021 Manual](https://eeepm.oncor.com/Residential.aspx) can be found under Residential Load Management at <https://eeepm.oncor.com/Residential.aspx>  
<https://eeepm.oncor.com/Documents/RLM%20Program%20Manual.pdf>
- [CenterPoint: 2021 Residential Load Management Program Guidelines](https://cnprim.programprocessing.com/): <https://cnprim.programprocessing.com/><sup>59</sup>Not applicable.

## Document Revision History

Table 53. M&V Residential Load Management History

TRM version	Date	Description of change
v2.1	3/31/2015 revised 6/2015	Memo to PUCT staff initiating and establishing High 3 of 5 baseline with day-of adjustment.
v3.1	11/05/2015	TRM v3.1 Volume 4 origin.
v4.0	10/10/2016	Clarified language related to applying the adjustment factor to the High 3 of 5 baseline and additional data provision details
v5.0	10/10/2017	Further clarified the baseline calculation using the High 3 of 5 method.
v6.0	10/2018	No revisions.
v7.0	10/2019	Transferred metering and rounding guidance from Vol. 5.
v8.0	10/2020	Added guidance on rounding, ensuring meters are functioning prior to an event, and changing the error threshold from one to two percent of total participants
<u>v9.0</u>	<u>10/2021</u>	<u>Added peak demand period by utility. Added links to program manuals.</u>

<sup>59</sup> [The link provided is for the 2021 Residential Load Management Program page and may not be available in 2022. The 2022 Residential Load Management Program Guidelines can be requested from the utility.](#)



## 2.5.2 Nonresidential Load Curtailment Measure Overview

**TRM Measure ID:** NR-LM-LM

**Market Sector:** Nonresidential

**Measure Category:** Load management

**Applicable Building Types:** Any building that meets minimum facility demand requirements (see Table 50)

**Fuels Affected:** Electricity

**Decision/Action Type:** Operation and maintenance (O&M)

**Program Delivery Type:** Custom

**Deemed Savings Type:** Not applicable

**Savings Methodology:** EM&V

Utilities operate nonresidential load management programs to obtain demand savings. Energy savings are estimated as a function of the estimated demand savings.<sup>60</sup> Demand savings calculations are performed using utility customer interval energy demand data from IDRs or advanced meters. Measured and verified demand savings for the curtailment period is presented here.

### Measure Description

This document presents the M&V savings methodology for participation in a load management program that involves the curtailment of an interruptible load during the summer peak period. Project sponsors, who have agreed to deliver demand savings to the utility from the utility's customer, must commit to an availability of curtailed load throughout the summer peak demand period. These project sponsors may include national or local energy efficiency service providers (EESPs), retail electricity providers (REPs), or individual customers. Different utilities offer different details on their programs, but they all have similar eligibility criteria, listed below:

### Eligibility Criteria

A project will be eligible for ~~rebates/incentives~~ under the load management standard offer program (SOP) if the following criteria are met:

- Each meter included in a project must include a total potential demand savings of a specified minimum kW (~~varies by utility, as seen in Table 50~~) during the summer peak demand period (~~varies by utility, as seen outlined in Table 54~~Table 54).

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<sup>60</sup> Some utilities may determine energy savings associated with load management events, which would be calculated as the difference between the baseline and curtailment kW values times the length of the event(s).

**Table 50. Minimum Facility Demand Savings by Utility**

Utility	Minimum demand savings (kW)
Oncor	100
TNMP <sup>61</sup>	50
AEP (TNC, TCC & SWEP&CO)	50
Xcel <sup>62</sup>	100
CenterPoint	100
Sharyland	100
Entergy	250
El Paso Electric	100

**Table 54. Peak Demand Period by Utility**

Hours <sup>63</sup>	Months	Exceptions
1:00PM—7:00PM	June, July, August, September	Weekends, federal holidays
12:00PM—8:00PM <sup>64</sup>	June, July, August, September	Weekends, federal holidays

- A single project may involve identifying curtailable load at more than one customer facility, provided the curtailment demand savings at the facilities are recorded using a single interval data recorder (IDR).
- The project sponsor agrees to verify that the curtailable load that is being used in its application will not be used and counted in any other curtailable load or load management program during the duration of the customer contract. The project sponsor will notify the utility company within 15 business days of any change in the status of the curtailable load or its inclusion in another load management program.
- Curtailable load must produce demand savings through a curtailment of electrical consumption during the performance period.
- Project sponsors must commit to making the curtailable load available during the summer peak period for the program.

<sup>61</sup> TNMP prefers that project sponsors be capable of providing at least 50 kW of peak demand reduction at each site for which load reduction is offered; however, TNMP may accept applications including sites providing less than 50kW of peak demand reduction in the interest of meeting its peak load reduction targets.

<sup>62</sup> The utility prefers that project sponsors be capable of providing at least 100kW of peak demand reduction at each site for which load reduction is offered; however, the utility may accept applications including sites providing less than 100kW of peak demand reduction in the interest of meeting its peak load reduction targets.

<sup>63</sup> Xcel's period hours are 12 pm to 8 pm. Note that although Xcel starts and ends events outside the 1 pm to 7 pm period, Xcel only claims savings for deliveries during the rule-defined 1-7 pm peak period.

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- Be served by an interval data recorder (IDR) and/or smart meter that is monitored by the utility. A sponsor owned meter may be substituted in the event of a non-systemic utility-owned IDR meter failure. When using a sponsor owned meter, all data must otherwise conform to the High 5 of 10 method and be used for both the baseline and event-day calculations. Documentation of the case must be provided along with all supporting meter data.
- Customer agrees to respond to at least one event (scheduled or unscheduled) per year for the purpose of verifying the load reduction is available for potential calls. Scheduled events are used to provide an estimate of the load reduction in the event that no unscheduled interruptions occur during the season.
- For sponsors on a curtailment tariff, if the event or baseline periods include a tariff-based curtailment, the event day performance for the load management program will be net of firm delivery under the tariff. Documentation must be provided to describe the overlap of load management and tariff-based curtailments along with supporting firm delivery contract amounts.

The following loads are excluded from consideration:

- A customer who has load contracted with a REP where that contract prevents the load from participating in a curtailment
- Loads where curtailment would result in negative environmental or health effects
- Curtailable load that receives an incentive through any other energy efficiency program
- Curtailable load that takes electric service at transmission voltage and that serves a for-profit end-use customer
- A customer that is categorized as a critical load customer (an exception may be if the customer has back-up generation and can still curtail when requested)

## Baseline Condition

Standard facility operation.

## High-Efficiency Condition

Load management customers are required to participate in a number of unscheduled interruptions. Programs will provide a minimum of 30 minutes advanced notice, allowing facility managers time to use non-automated approaches. Another option is for facilities to install a load-control device on specific end-uses, equipment, or circuit loads.

### **Additional Utility Program Details**

Each utility in Texas provides slightly different guidelines for its load management program. These details differ in the length of the unscheduled interruptions (also called curtailments), the maximum number or maximum number of hours of unscheduled interruptions, and the length of notification provided to the project sponsor. ~~Table 52 highlights these differences.~~

Each utility states that participants will be willing to participate in a maximum number of unscheduled interruptions, or a maximum number of scheduled (test) interruption hours. In

addition to these, all utilities require that a scheduled interruption be performed. The purpose of this is to ensure that the project sponsor will be able to curtail the requested kW within the required notification time and to provide an estimate of the load reduction in the event that no unscheduled interruptions occur during the season. Additionally, some of the utilities offer different baseline methods or options for their customers to choose from.<sup>65</sup>

These options are shown in Table 53 through Table 55.

Table 52. Utility Program Details Overview

Utility	Options available	Scheduled interruption length	Maximum length	Notification required	Maximum unscheduled interruptions
Oneer	No	3 hours	4 hours	1 hour	25 hours
AEP (TCC & TNC)	See Table 53	1 hour	2 hours or 4 hours	1 hour	4, 8, or 12 interruptions
AEP SWPECO	See Table 54	1 hour	2 hours or 4 hours	1 hour	4 or 12 interruptions
TNMP	No	1-2 hours	4 hours	30 minutes	4 interruptions; 18 hours
CenterPoint	No	1-3 hours	4 hours	30 minutes	4 interruptions
Xcel	See Table 55	-	4 hours	1 hour	6 or 12 interruptions; 24 or 48 hours
Sharyland Utilities	No	1-2 hours	4 hours	1 hour	4 interruptions; 18 hours
Entergy	No	1 hour	4 hours	-	4 interruptions
El Paso Electric	No	1-5 hours	5 hours	1 hour	4 interruptions; 20 hours

Table 53. AEP (TNC & TCC) Interruption Options

Option	Maximum number of unscheduled interruptions	Minimum length (hours)	Maximum length (hours)
A	4	1	4

<sup>65</sup> More details about the utility programs can be found in the program manuals (see Relevant Standards and Reference Sources).

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B	12	1	4
C	12	1	2
D	8	1	4
E	8	1	2

Table 54. AEP (SWEPCO) Interruption Options

Option	Maximum number of unscheduled interruptions	Minimum length (hours)	Maximum length (hours)
A	4	1	4
B	12	1	4

Table 55. Xcel Interruption Options

Option	Maximum number of unscheduled interruptions	Maximum length (hours)
A	6	4
B	12	4

## Energy and Demand Savings Methodology

Not applicable.

Energy and Demand Savings Methodology

## Savings Algorithms and Input Variables

Utilities operate load management programs to obtain demand savings: to the extent energy savings are also estimated, they are estimated as a function of the estimated demand savings.<sup>66</sup> Demand savings calculations are performed using utility customer interval energy usage data from IDRs or advanced meters. The verified demand savings for the curtailment period uses the following algorithm:

$$\text{Verified Demand Savings} = \text{Baseline Period kW} - \text{Curtailment kW}$$

Equation 65

Where:

<sup>66</sup> Some utilities do determine energy savings, which would be calculated as the difference between the baseline and curtailment kW values times the length of the event(s).

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*Baseline Period kW* = *Baseline average demand calculated according to the High 5 of 10 baseline method, detailed below*

*Curtailment kW* = *Average demand measured during the curtailment period*

High 5 of 10 baseline (High x of y method) with day-of adjustment:

A High X of Y baseline considers the Y most recent days preceding an event and uses the data from the X days with the highest load within those Y days to calculate the baseline. Day-of adjustments are used to scale the baseline load estimate to the load conditions on the day of the event using data from the hours prior to the time on the event day when participants were notified of the pending call for curtailment.

Applying this concept to the load management measure, the high 5 of 10 baseline for a given curtailment event is estimated by first identifying the 10 non-holiday weekdays immediately preceding the event in which no prior program curtailment events were called, and calculating each participant's average demand during the same hours as the hours for which the curtailment event was implemented on each of those 10 days. The five highest of these ten average demand values are then averaged to estimate the "unadjusted high five baseline".

The day-of baseline adjustment is estimated by comparing participants' average demand for electricity on the day of the event during the two hours prior to notification of the pending event (the "adjustment period") to participants' average demand for electricity on the "high five" days during those same two hours. The difference (positive or negative) between day-of demand and high five demand in the adjustment period is the "uncapped additive adjustment". In the situation where notification may not be given, the two hours preceding one hour before the event begins on the event day and baseline days will be used as the adjustment period. The average load of the adjustment period on the event day are compared to the average load of the adjustment periods from the baseline days. The difference (positive or negative) between day-of demand and high three baseline day demand in the adjustment period is the uncapped additive adjustment. To apply the adjustment period to the unadjusted baseline, one of two options are selected in the following steps:

- **Step 1.** Calculate an uncapped additive adjustment. The uncapped additive adjustment is the difference of the adjustment period hours' load of the event day subtracted from the baseline days' average adjustment period load. For example, if the baseline days have an adjustment period average load of 530.20 kW and the event day has an adjustment period load of 575.80 kW, the uncapped additive adjustment is  $575.80 \text{ kW} (-) 530.20 \text{ kW} = 45.60 \text{ kW}$ .
- **Step 2.** Calculate an adjustment cap. The adjustment cap is 50 percent of the baseline days' average load during the event hours. For example, if a participant has a load of 504.00 kW during the baseline days' event hours, the adjustment cap is  $504.00 \text{ kW} (x) 0.50 = 252.00 \text{ kW}$ .

- **Step 3.** Select the lowest of the adjustment cap and the absolute value of the uncapped additive adjustment to be the additive adjustment. Using the examples of the preceding two steps, the uncapped additive adjustment (45.60 kW) has the lowest magnitude between the two numbers and is selected as the additive adjustment.
- **Step 4.** Add the additive adjustment to the unadjusted High 5 of 10 baseline to calculate the final baseline used for calculating savings.

An example, below, illustrates the entirety of applying the High 5 of 10 method to calculate load management savings for a single residential participant.

### Example Calculation

Table 55 serves to illustrate the steps of the High 5 of 10 baseline calculation method. Specific participant's results may vary. Numbers from the table in bold font represent data selected for the calculation.

**Table 55. High 5 of 10 Example Load Management Event Data**

Event day and potential baseline days	Load mgmt. event date	Potential baseline day 1	Potential baseline day 2	Potential baseline day 3	Potential baseline day 4	Potential baseline day 5
Event Hours	1500-1600	1500-1600	1500-1600	1500-1600	1500-1600	1500-1600
Average kW During Event Hours	1078.89	990.57	919.45	926.36	892.42	880.13
Notification Hour	1400					
Adjustment Period Hours	1200-1400	1200-1400	1200-1400	1200-1400	1200-1400	1200-1400
Adjustment Period Average kW	959.39	752.26	672.08	637.98	695.12	698.88
Event day and potential baseline days	Potential Baseline day 6	Potential Baseline day 7	Potential Baseline day 8	Potential Baseline day 9	Potential baseline day 10	
Event Hours	1500-1600	1500-1600	1500-1600	1500-1600	1500-1600	
Average kW During Event Hours	950.63	842.19	1008.69	795.80	1049.24	
Notification Hour						
Adjustment Period Hours	1200-1400	1200-1400	1200-1400	1200-1400	1200-1400	
Adjustment Period Average kW	657.64	539.75	801.02	647.12	850.18	

*Calculation Steps:*

- **Step 1.** Unadjusted High Five Baseline = Average kW during event times in five highest days of ten prior to event day (kW)  
Unadjusted High Five Baseline =  $(990.57+926.36+950.63+1008.69+1049.24)/5 = 985.10$  kW
- **Step 2.** Uncapped Additive Adjustment = Average kW during adjustment time on event day (kW)—Average kW during adjustment time in the same five highest days of ten prior to event day  
Uncapped Additive Adjustment =  $959.39 - (752.26+637.98+657.64+801.02+850.18)/5 = 219.57$  kW
- **Step 3.** Adjustment Cap = 50% of Unadjusted High ~~Three-Five~~ Baseline (kW)  
Adjustment Cap =  $0.5 * 985.10 = 492.55$  kW
- **Step 4.** Choose Additive Adjustment = Minimum {Absolute value of Uncapped Additive Adjustment, Adjustment Cap} (kW)  
Additive Adjustment = Minimum {219.57, 492.55} = 219.57 kW
- **Step 5.** Final Baseline = Additive Adjustment + Unadjusted High ~~Three-Five~~ Baseline (kW)  
Final Baseline =  $219.57 + 985.10 = 1204.67$  kW
- **Step 6.** kW Savings = Final Baseline—Curtailment kW (kW)  
kW Savings =  $1204.67 - 1078.89 = 125.78$  kW

## Additional Calculation Considerations

In the case that individual meters fail to record data sufficient for applying the High 5 of 10 calculation method, savings will not be calculated.

When selecting baseline days in the High 5 of 10 method, it is possible that some days have the same load for an individual participant, potentially leading to more than five days that could be selected for the baseline days. If six or more days could be selected as baseline days based on their loads during event hours, the days with the highest loads and closest to the event should be picked for the baseline.

Program year kW load management event savings will be calculated as the sum of each sponsor's average savings of all events in which the sponsor participated.

### Rounding

Data rounding to the nearest whole number should only occur at the customer and program levels for commercial load management programs. Without this standard practice, utilities should document when rounding is occurring in their calculations (e.g., no rounding or rounding at the event level) and inform the EM&V team (see Volume 5, Section 3.1 for more details). Utilities should round commercial load management impacts consistent with how incentives are awarded, which is at the customer-sponsor level for each event.



## Meters

Utilities are responsible for calling a test event each program year for the load management programs. The test event has several purposes, including assuring the proper functioning of program meters. Utilities are responsible for maintaining working program meters.

Without complete interval meter data to calculate the baseline and event impacts, savings may not be claimed. However, if a customer has alternate interval meter data available, this can be used in lieu of program meter data to calculate claimed savings. Using customer meters for load management program savings requires that the data meet interval metering requirements presented in the version of the current TRM. In general, it is recommended that customer owned interval meters should only be used if utility interval meters fail. Data from each meter should not be combined for claiming savings for a specific event and must be able to cover both the event day data and baseline data.

Utilities should notify the EM&V team in these circumstances. All calculations and data stemming from the use of customer meters should be provided as part of the EM&V data request similar to when program meter data is used. If requested by the utility, the EM&V team is available to review the use of customer meter data in advance of a program claiming savings from customer meters.

## **Measure Life and Lifetime Savings**

The estimated useful life (EUL) is one year.

~~Not applicable.~~

## **Program Tracking Data and Evaluation Requirements**

- IDR or Advanced Meter data associated with the project will be provided by the project sponsor or retrieved by the utility following an event. Depending on the utility, the data will be provided at 30-minute increments (or smaller) to evaluate both baseline demand usage and demand usage during curtailment.
- Documentation describing the time stamp and whether the time stamp reflects the forward-looking period or period preceding the time stamp
- Utilities should provide a description of their practices related to whether scheduled or test events are or are not included in their program year kW savings results. kWh savings will be calculated from all events.
- A list of all load management events affecting nonresidential participants within the program year, describing the date of each event, the time the event started, and the time the event ended.
- A list of all participants and addresses with a variable linking to the load or energy consumption interval data and that describes their enrollment date, load management control commissioning date, and any events in which the participant did not participate due to enrollment or equipment installation timing, equipment failures, or other factors known to the implementer or utility.
- Tools, calculators or other datasets that may be useful to the EM&V team, based on discussion between the EM&V team, utilities, and/or program implementer. The

process for calculating kW and kWh savings should be provided in the program documentation, including any summation and rounding practices.

## References and Efficiency Standards

### Petitions and Rulings

Not applicable.

### Relevant Standards and Reference Sources

- ~~El Paso Electric: EOE 2010 Load Management program manual. [http://www.epelectricityefficiency.com/files/EPE\\_LM\\_10\\_ProgramManual.pdf](http://www.epelectricityefficiency.com/files/EPE_LM_10_ProgramManual.pdf). Accessed 09/10/2020.~~
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- ~~Oncor: Commercial Load Management Standard Offer Program 2021 Manual can be found under Commercial Load Management at <https://eepm.oncor.com/Commercial.aspx> <https://eepm.oncor.com/Documents/CLM%20Program%20Manual.pdf>~~

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- ~~TNMP: 2021 Load Management 2020 SOP Standard Offer Program Manual can be found under Resources at: [http://tnmpefficiency.com/downloads/Load\\_Management\\_Program\\_Manual\\_2020.pdf](http://tnmpefficiency.com/downloads/Load_Management_Program_Manual_2020.pdf) <https://www.tnmpefficiency.com/commercial.php#load-management> [http://www.tnmpefficiency.com/downloads/2021/03/TNMP\\_2021\\_LM\\_Program\\_Manual.pdf](http://www.tnmpefficiency.com/downloads/2021/03/TNMP_2021_LM_Program_Manual.pdf).~~

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## Document Revision History

Table 56. M&V Nonresidential Load Management History

TRM version	Date	Description of change
v3.0	4/10/2015	The baseline calculation methodology was modified to be the highest 5 of 10 prior days for all the programs. In addition, a new day-of adjustment factor was added with an adjustment cap.
v3.1	11/05/2015	TRM v3.1 Volume 4 origin.
v4.0	10/10/2016	Clarified language related to applying the adjustment factor to the High 5 of 10 Baseline and additional data provision details.
v5.0	10/10/2017	Updated equation, figure, and table references.
v6.0	10/2018	No revisions.
v7.0	10/2019	Transferred metering and rounding guidance from Vol 5.
v8.0	10/2020	Added guidance on rounding.
<u>v9.0</u>	<u>10/2021</u>	<u>Added eligibility exclusion for critical load customers and removed tables detailing the utility programs. Updated links to program manuals.</u>

## APPENDIX A: M&V METERING SCHEDULE

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### 1.0 Arrive on site and meet customer

- 1.1 Turn unit on to stabilize and make sure the unit is in full cooling mode (Variable speed blowers are on high and all compressors in multi-compressor systems are operating).
- 1.2 Record customer information:
  - a. Address
  - b. City
  - c. Zip
  - d. County
  - e. Email
  - f. Utility Account Number (from utility bill)
  - g. Altitude (ft)
  - h. Residential Program or Commercial Program
  - i. Building Type
  - j. Phone Number

### 2.0 Test In: Perform TI procedure to determine system's baseline cooling capacity and energy efficiency ratio (EER).

- 2.1 Record Unit Information
- 2.2 Measure and record airflow using 1 of the following methods:
  - a. Air Flow Method 1: Handheld Anemometer
  - b. Air Flow Method 2: Generic Fan Chart
- 2.3 Air Flow Power Consumption
  - a. Determine the blower motor type as either "PSC" or "ECM."
  - b. Measure and record the blower voltage and current.
- 2.4 Condenser and Compressor Measurements
  - a. Compressor Type (Scroll or Reciprocating)
  - b. Refrigerant Type (R22 or R410)
  - c. Metering Device (Fixed Orifice, TXV or Capillary Tube)
  - d. Condenser Model Number
  - e. Condenser Serial Number
  - f. Compressor Phase (Single or Three)
  - g. Multiple Compressor System (Check box for participating utilities)
  - h. Measure and Record Compressor Volts
  - i. Measure and Record Compressor Current
  - j. Measure and Record Ambient Air Dry Bulb Temperature
  - k. Measure and Record Ambient Air Wet Bulb Temperature if Required
- 2.5 Enter Information from Refrigerant Analyzer:
  - a. Suction Pressure (PSI)
  - b. Discharge Pressure (PSI)
  - c. Evaporator Temperature (°F)
  - d. Condenser Temperature (°F)
  - e. Vapor Line Temperature (VLT) (°F)
  - f. Liquid Line Temperature (LLT) (°F)
  - g. Superheat (°F)
  - h. Subcooling (°F)
- 2.6 Measure and Record Supply and Return Air Conditions:
  - a. Return Air Dry Bulb Temperature (°F)
  - b. Return Air Wet Bulb Temperature (°F)
  - c. Supply Air Dry Bulb Temperature (°F)
  - d. Supply Air Wet Bulb Temperature (°F)
- 2.7 Review System Performance

**3.0 Perform Corrective Measures as Needed**

- 3.1 Clean Condenser—required
- 3.2 Clean Evaporator—required
- 3.3 Clean Blower—required
- 3.4 Verify clean filter: change or clean as needed—required
- 3.5 Verify Airflow within range (+/- 15% of 400 cfm/ton)—required
- 3.6 Check refrigerant charge; adjust to Manufacturer's Spec's as needed

**4.0 Test Out: The Test Out (TO) procedure requires measurements that are used to determine the performance characteristics of the cooling system after all corrective measures have been implemented.**

- 4.1 Air Flow—Use same method as Test In
- 4.2 Air Flow Power Consumption
  - a. For ECMs, make sure it is operating in full cooling mode during the entire tune-up.
  - b. Measure and record the blower voltage and current.
- 4.3 Measure and record Supply and Return Air Conditions:
  - a. Return Air Dry Bulb Temperature (°F)
  - b. Return Air Wet Bulb Temperature (°F)
  - c. Supply Air Dry Bulb Temperature (°F)
  - d. Supply Air Wet Bulb Temperature (°F)
- 4.4 Condenser and Compressor Measurements
  - a. Compressor Volts
  - b. Compressor Current
  - c. Ambient Air Dry Bulb Temperature
  - d. Ambient Air Wet Bulb Temperature
- 4.5 Information from Refrigerant Analyzer:
  - a. Suction Pressure (PSI)
  - b. Discharge Pressure (PSI)
  - c. Evaporator Temperature (°F)
  - d. Condenser Temperature (°F)
  - e. Vapor Line Temperature (VLT) (°F)
  - f. Liquid Line Temperature (LLT) (°F)
  - g. Superheat (°F)
  - h. Subcooling (°F)
- 4.6 Review System Performance

**5.0 Generate invoice: A customer signed invoice is required for participation in the program. The following information must be shown on the invoice:**

- 5.1 Customer Address
- 5.2 Contractor Name and Address
- 5.3 Project Number Listed on the DCVF
- 5.4 Corrective Measures Performed
- 5.5 Charge for Services Performed
- 5.6 Rebate Amount Applied to Charges

## APPENDIX B: COUNTIES BY WEATHER ZONE ASSIGNMENT

County name	Zone	County name	Zone	County name	Zone	County name	Zone
Anderson	2	Brown	2	Cooke	2	Falls	2
Andrews	2	Burleson	3	Coryell	2	Fannin	2
Angelina	2	Burnet	2	Cottle	1	Fayette	3
Aransas	4	Caldwell	3	Crane	2	Fisher	2
Archer	2	Calhoun	4	Crockett	2	Floyd	1
Armstrong	1	Callahan	2	Crosby	1	Foard	1
Atascosa	3	Cameron	4	Culberson <sup>67</sup>	2 & 5	Fort Bend	3
Austin	3	Camp	2	Dallam	1	Franklin	2
Bailey	1	Carson	1	Dallas	2	Freestone	2
Bandera	2	Cass	2	Dawson	2	Frio	3
Bastrop	3	Castro	1	De Witt	3	Gaines	1
Baylor	2	Chambers	3	Deaf Smith	1	Galveston	3
Bee	3	Cherokee	2	Delta	2	Garza	1
Bell	2	Childress	1	Denton	2	Gillespie	2
Bexar	3	Clay	2	Dickens	1	Glasscock	2
Blanco	2	Cochran	1	Dimmit	3	Goliad	3
Borden	2	Coke	2	Donley	1	Gonzales	3
Bosque	2	Coleman	2	Duval	4	Gray	1
Bowie	2	Collin	2	Eastland	2	Grayson	2
Brazoria	3	Collingsworth	1	Ector	2	Gregg	2
Brazos	3	Colorado	3	Edwards	2	Grimes	3
Brewster	2	Comal	3	El Paso	5	Guadalupe	3
Briscoe	1	Comanche	2	Ellis	2	Hale	1
Brooks	4	Concho	2	Erath	2	Hall	1

<sup>67</sup> EPE's service territory includes Culberson County up to the town of Van Horn. El Paso Electric may treat residents of Van Horn, TX in Culberson County as climate zone 5 even though the rest of the county is classified as climate zone 2.

County name	Zone	County name	Zone	County name	Zone	County name	Zone
Hamilton	2	Jasper	2	Leon	2	Montague	2
Hansford	1	Jeff Davis	2	Liberty	3	Montgomery	3
Hardeman	1	Jefferson	3	Limestone	2	Moore	1
Hardin	3	Jim Hogg	4	Lipscomb	1	Morris	2
Harris	3	Jim Wells	4	Live Oak	3	Motley	1
Harrison	2	Johnson	2	Llano	2	Nacogdoches	2
Hartley	1	Jones	2	Loving	2	Navarro	2
Haskell	2	Karnes	3	Lubbock	1	Newton	2
Hays	2	Kaufman	2	Lynn	1	Nolan	2
Hemphill	1	Kendall	2	Madison	3	Nueces	4
Henderson	2	Kenedy	4	Marion	2	Ochiltree	1
Hidalgo	4	Kent	1	Martin	2	Oldham	1
Hill	2	Kerr	2	Mason	2	Orange	3
Hockley	1	Kimble	2	Matagorda	3	Palo Pinto	2
Hood	2	King	1	Maverick	3	Panola	2
Hopkins	2	Kinney	3	McCulloch	2	Parker	2
Houston	2	Kleberg	4	McLennan	2	Parmer	1
Howard	2	Knox	1	McMullen	3	Pecos	2
Hudspeth	5	La Salle	3	Medina	3	Polk	3
Hunt	2	Lamar	2	Menard	2	Potter	1
Hutchinson	1	Lamb	1	Midland	2	Presidio	2
Irion	2	Lampasas	2	Milam	3	Rains	2
Jack	2	Lavaca	3	Mills	2	Randall	1
Jackson	3	Lee	3	Mitchell	2	Reagan	2

County name	Zone	County name	Zone	County name	Zone	County name	Zone
Real	2	Shackelford	2	Titus	2	Wharton	3
Red River	2	Shelby	2	Tom Green	2	Wheeler	1
Reeves	2	Sherman	1	Travis	2	Wichita	2
Refugio	4	Smith	2	Trinity	3	Wilbarger	1
Roberts	1	Somervell	2	Tyler	3	Willacy	4
Robertson	2	Starr	4	Upshur	2	Williamson	2
Rockwall	2	Stephens	2	Upton	2	Wilson	3
Runnels	2	Sterling	2	Uvalde	3	Winkler	2
Rusk	2	Stonewall	1	Val Verde	3	Wise	2
Sabine	2	Sutton	2	Van Zandt	2	Wood	2
San Augustine	2	Swisher	1	Victoria	3	Yoakum	1
San Jacinto	3	Tarrant	2	Walker	3	Young	2
San Patricio	4	Taylor	2	Waller	3	Zapata	4
San Saba	2	Terrell	2	Ward	2	Zavala	3
Schleicher	2	Terry	1	Washington	3		
Scurry	2	Throckmorton	2	Webb	4		