

### **SD-4: Reliability Monitoring Report**

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#### **SD-4: Reliability**

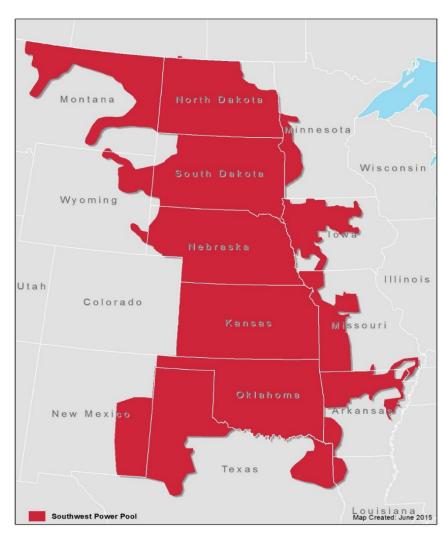
Generation and delivery systems must perform at a high level to provide reliable service to customer-owners. The Energy Delivery, Energy Production and Nuclear Decommissioning, and Financial Services Business Units of OPPD contribute to reliable electric service to customer-owners.

- OPPD shall assure all customer energy requirements are met through the use of its generation resources and purchase power portfolio 100 percent of the time.
- OPPD shall achieve generation reliability by:
  - Maintaining baseload unit equivalent availability factor at or above 90% on a three-year rolling average; and,
  - Maintaining unit availability above benchmark levels per industry measures such as the NERC GADS.
- OPPD shall achieve electric system reliability by:
  - Limiting the SAIDI to 90 minutes. This is the average outage duration per customer per year excluding declared major storms; and,
  - Maintaining a reliable transmission and distribution system. This will be achieved through performing the necessary maintenance and upgrades in accordance with NERC standards.



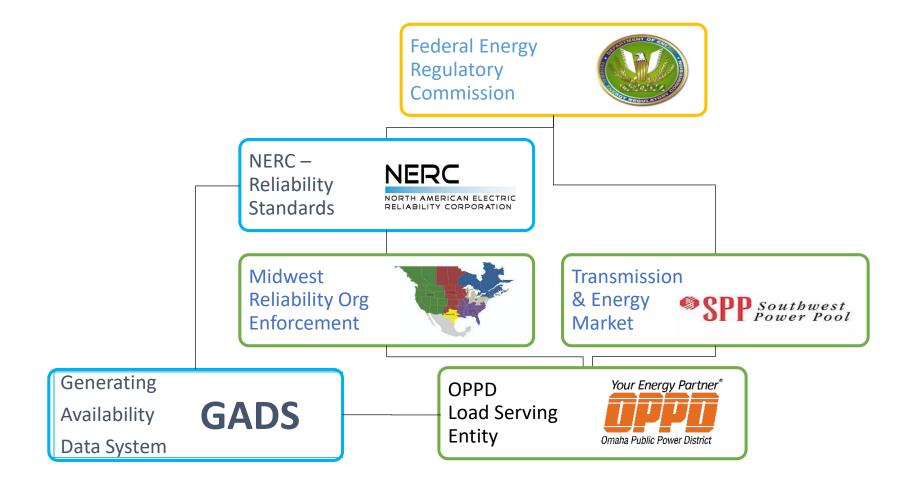
# OPPD shall assure all customer requirements are met through the use of its generation resources and purchase power portfolio 100 percent of the time

- Resource planning assessments allow us to diligently plan for sufficient generation capacity/reliability in the future
- As required, OPPD plans for accredited generation resources that are 112% of expected peak load
- As necessary, transmission 'reservations' are in place to ensure firm delivery of electricity creating 'right of way' for electricity to get to OPPD load from OPPD resources
- The SPP integrated market provides OPPD with real time access to liquid power markets
- Generation (both owned and purchased) supply requirements met 100% of the time





### **Regulation Framework**





### **Generation Reliability Metric**

- Equivalent Availability Factor (EAF):
  - Percentage of time a unit was available to generate over a total period of time. Outages and derates impact this factor.
  - OPPD's corporate EAF is megawatt weighted.
     Goals are established on a 12-month basis in support of the corporate 3-year target to normalize outages across the fleet.
  - Target based on top quartile NERC/GADS benchmarking.



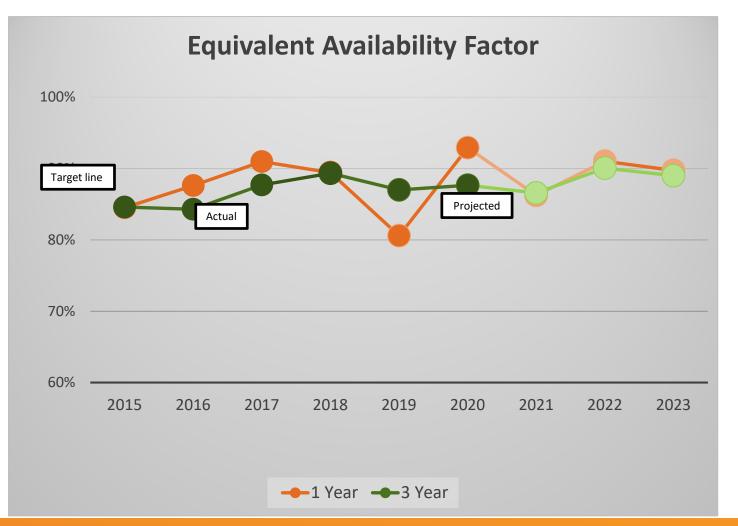


#### **2020 Generation Performance**

OPPD establishes a long term goal to achieve generation reliability by maintaining baseload unit equivalent availability factor at or above 90% on a three-year rolling average.

2020 year end was 87.6% vs a target of 87.8%.

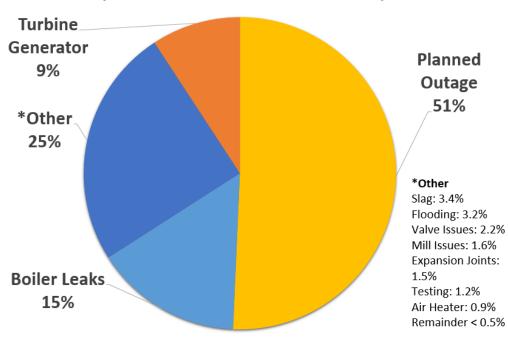
In 2020, 90% EAF represents top quartile of industry peers.





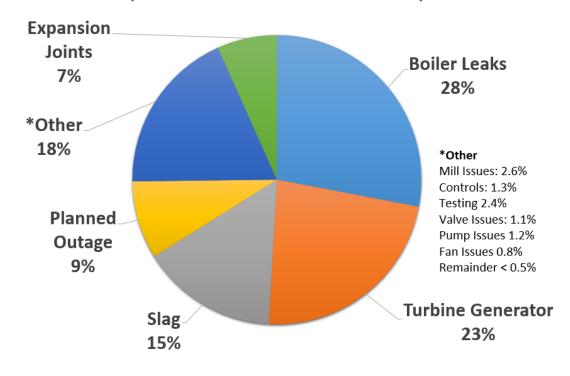
#### **Generation Reliability Drivers**

2019 EAF Outages and Derates (With more than 5% of annual total)



2,861,000 Equivalent Megawatt Hours
Unavailable

2020 EAF Outages and Derates (With more than 5% of annual total)



1,042,000 Equivalent Megawatt Hours
Unavailable



#### **Generation Reliability Programs**



- GREAT focused on tracking availability losses and related causes.
- Plant Equipment Reliability Program in development.
- Predictive Maintenance Program
  - Vibration Monitoring
  - Oil Sampling
  - Motor Testing Program
  - Ultrasonic Testing
  - Acoustic Testing
  - Boiler Chemistry Analysis and Monitoring
- FACT focused on specific boiler reliability issues.



## Boiler Reliability Progress in 2020

NO4 boiler maintenance and preparation for NC2 reheater tubing replacement were areas of focus

#### NC2 Boiler Unavailability 2018 -2020



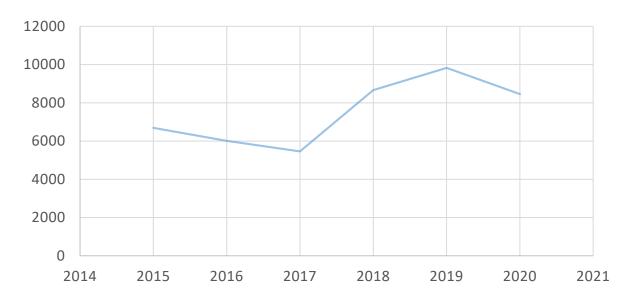


Reheat tube failures on NC2



### **Reliability Work in 2020**

Annual Preventative Maintenance Tasks Performed at North Omaha & Nebraska City Stations



#### Continuous Improvement Technologies:

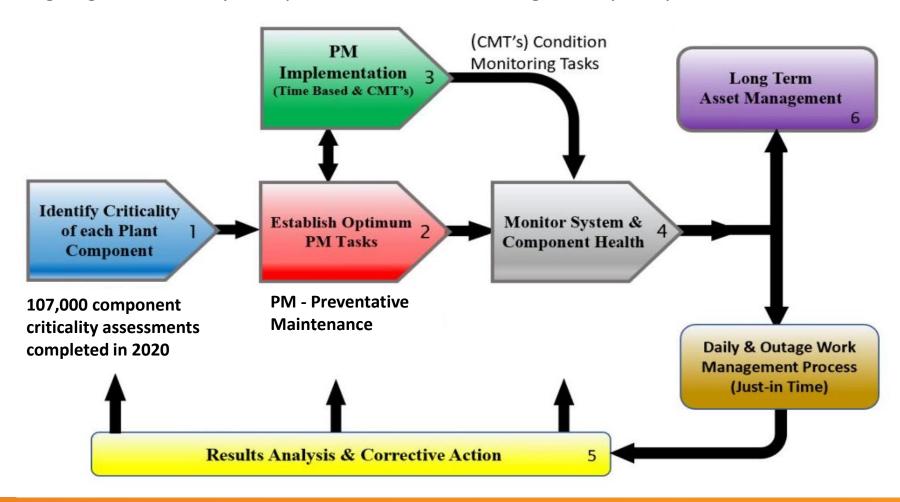
- Pursuing state of the art data analytics service
- Expanded drone inspection capabilities with boiler safe drones

- Over 8,000 Preventative Maintenance tasks performed
- 172 pieces of equipment monitored monthly for vibration
- Oil analysis semi-annually on 83 pieces of equipment
- 108 large electric motors tested annually
- Predictive Maintenance Program Formalized
  - Vibration monitoring now performed in house
  - New oil lab procured for in house oil analysis
  - Equipment condition reports issued for rotating equipment



### **Equipment Reliability Program**

Aligning with industry best practices and asset management principles





### **System Reliability Metric**

**OPPD** shall achieve electric system reliability by:

Limiting SAIDI to 90 minutes. This is the average outage duration per customer per year excluding declared major storms.

- SAIDI: System Average Interruption Duration Index
- Nationally recognized standard
- A SAIDI of 90 minutes = 99.98% availability, generally first quartile

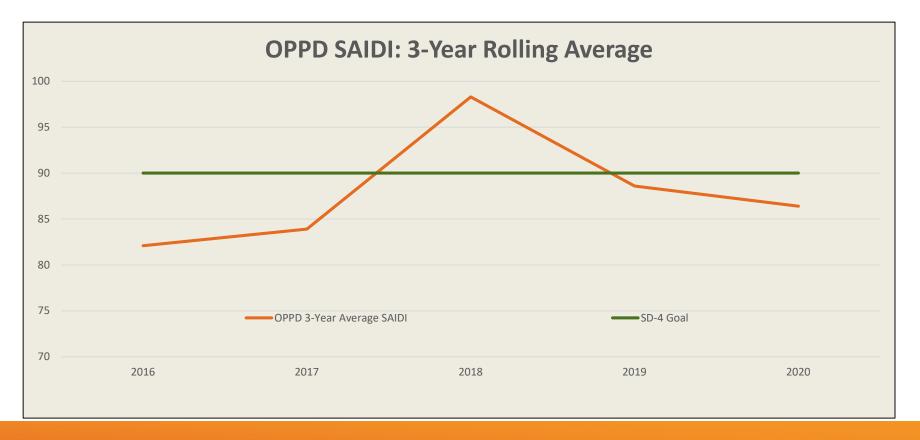




### **System Reliability Metric: SAIDI**

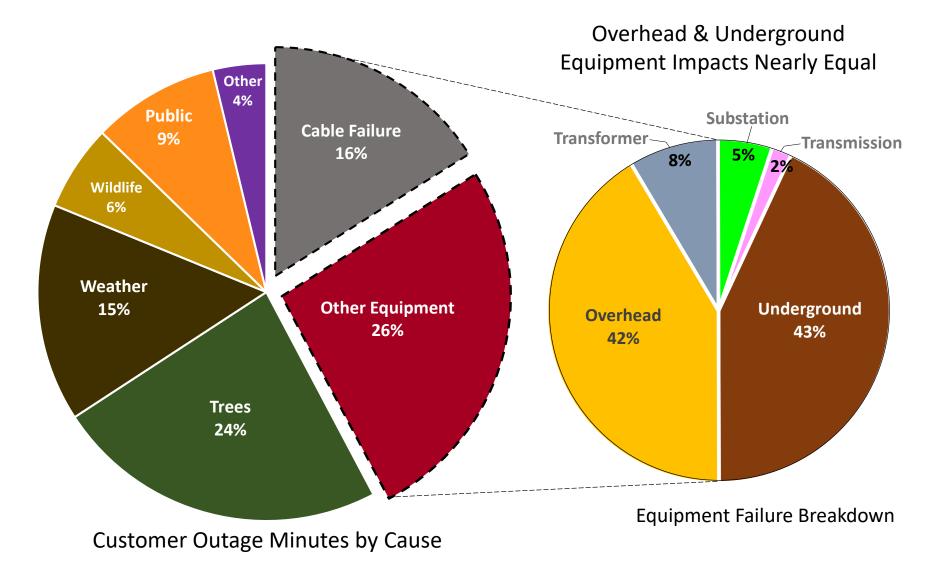
SAIDI at the end of 2020 was 86.4 minutes

 After exceeding the 90 Minute threshold in 2018, system performance continued its <u>positive</u> downward improvement trend





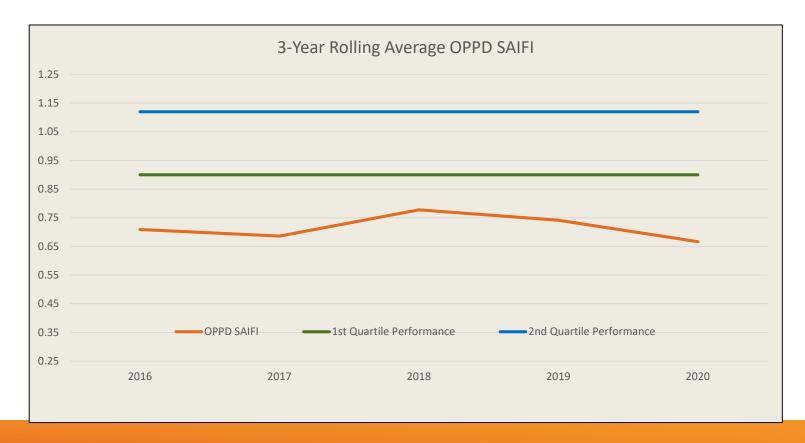
# **2020 Outage Causes**





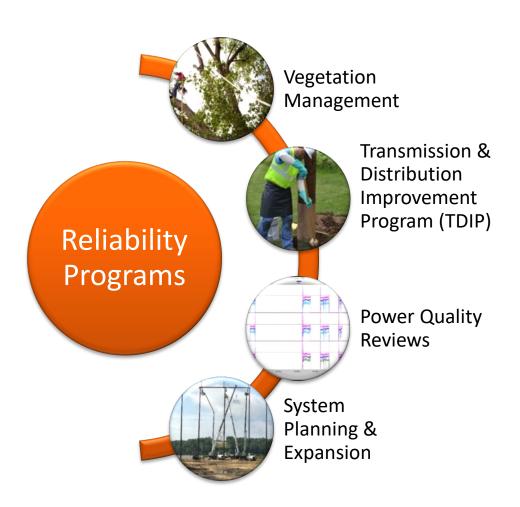
### **Outage Frequency (SAIFI)**

- SAIFI (System Average Interruption Frequency Index) measures outage frequency. This metric represents the frequency of sustained outages (>5 Minutes) any given customer on the system will see during a year.
- Per the IEEE Distribution Reliability Working Group annual benchmarking survey, a SAIFI of 0.90 or less will typically be first quartile performance.
- Improvements in SAIFI = a reduction in the **frequency** of outages.





#### **Reliability Improvement Programs**



- A more extensive vegetation management program was launched in 2019 with increased funding
- TDIP funding is focused on
  - Underground cable replacement
  - Wood poles evaluation and replacement
  - Downtown Network upgrades
  - Overhead conductor
  - Substation Modernization
- Power quality programs continued to focus on addressing pocketed areas needing additional attention
- System Planning & Expansion continues to add new facilities to strengthen reliability



### **Program Effectiveness Examples**

Vegetation Management & Cable Replacement have been targeted for increased spend and programmatic replacement programs in 2018 due to an increasing trend in negative reliability performance.

**Vegetation Management** 

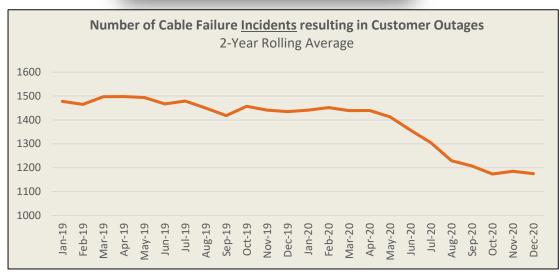






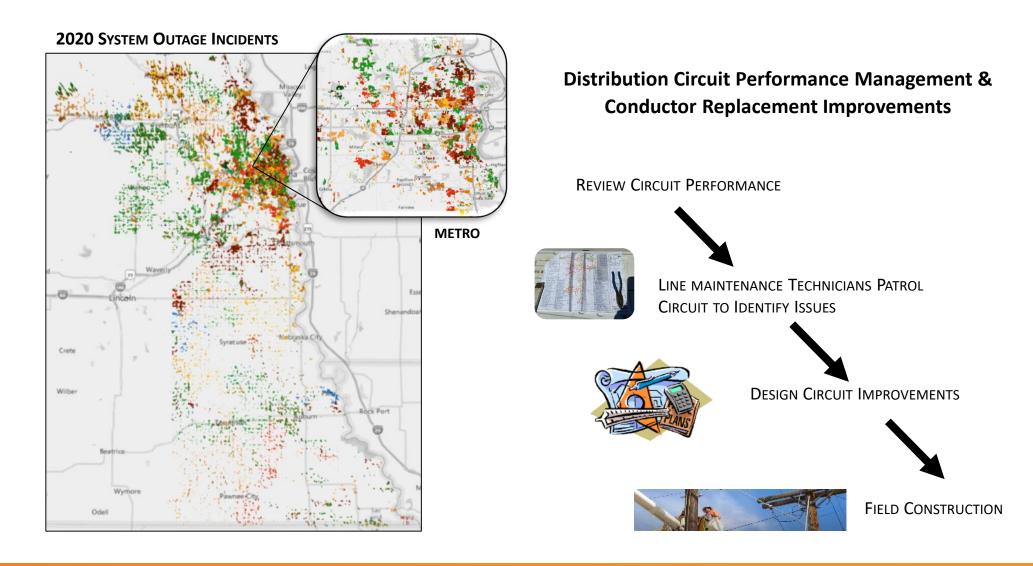
Proactive Cable Replacement







### **Circuit Analytics Improvements**

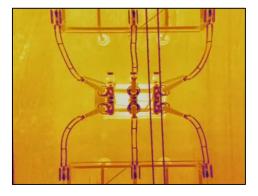




#### **Inspection Programs**

- OPPD inspects transmission, substation, and distribution equipment through formal programs
- These programs improve the resiliency and reliability of the system and also help ensure the safety of our equipment for OPPD personnel and the public
  - GLIT (Ground-Line Inspection and Treatment) inspects poles across all of OPPD's service territory on a 10-year cycle
  - Arial drone inspections of all 345kV substations in 2020
  - Substation inspections look at equipment at all 125 substations
    - Annual infrared thermography and dissolved gas analysis of substation power transformers
  - Transmission lines are inspected on a 3-year cycle
    - In 2020, 75 miles were inspected using drones and 123 miles were inspected using a helicopter.
  - The Surface Mount Equipment Inspection (SMEI) program was revitalized in 2020
    - Program inspects the outside and inside of equipment, including assessment of paint and recommended maintenance
  - Downtown Network annually inspected utilizing methods such as dissolved gas analysis and thermography









#### **Continuous Improvement**

- Drones continue to see increased use in inspection applications
- The installation of Smart Line Reclosers began in 2020 and will continue in 2021
- Air Flow Spoilers to prevent the galloping of transmission lines were installed while lines were 'hot' to eliminate the need for outages
- Twisted pair conductor is being piloted for distribution to limit galloping of lines during icing events
- Collaborating with neighboring utilities to build mutually beneficial distribution ties









#### **Reliability Focus Areas 2020-2021**

#### Arlington

- Piloting two (2) miles twisted pair distribution conductor on a line that has had past galloping issues
- Rebuilding 18 additional miles of overhead conductor, six (6) miles will transition to underground

#### • SE Nebraska / Rulo Area

Over 12 miles of new construction to add stronger ties to this load area.

#### Colon

- Rebuild of almost 20 miles of aging conductor
- Created loops and converted many areas from overhead to underground

#### Fort Calhoun

Detailed circuit wide inspection and work package including fusing and creature guarding for 109 transformers, 44
poles, and rebuild of distribution conductor

#### West of Humboldt

- Detailed circuit wide inspection and work package including transformer fusing and creature guards
- 20 miles of distribution rebuild and replacement of 52 transformers

#### • 168<sup>th</sup> & Pacific

Proactive Substation Transformer replacement

#### Bellevue

- Fused and creature guarded 103 transformers, replaced 46 transformers, and creature guarded 13 poles
- Three (3) miles of distribution rebuild in 2021

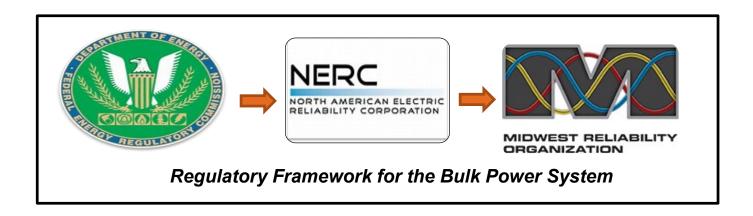
#### • 132<sup>nd</sup> & Giles

Addition of Faulted Circuit Indicators (FCIs) in underground loops to facilitate faster trouble shooting of cable outages



### **System Reliability Standards**

Achieved through performing the necessary maintenance and upgrades in accordance with NERC standards.



- OPPD is audited on-site every 3-years, with the next in 2022
  - MRO Self-Certification is performed Quarterly
- OPPD has had no enforceable violations since the last SD-4 update



#### Recommendation

The System Management & Nuclear Oversight Committee has reviewed and accepted this Monitoring Report for SD-4 and recommends that the Board find OPPD to be sufficiently in compliance with Board Policy SD-4.

