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Consolidated Interim Storage Facility Design Concepts In the United States

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Management of Spent Fuel from Nuclear
Power Reactors**

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Outline

■ US Commercial Fuel Inventory

- Focus on Shutdown Reactor Inventory

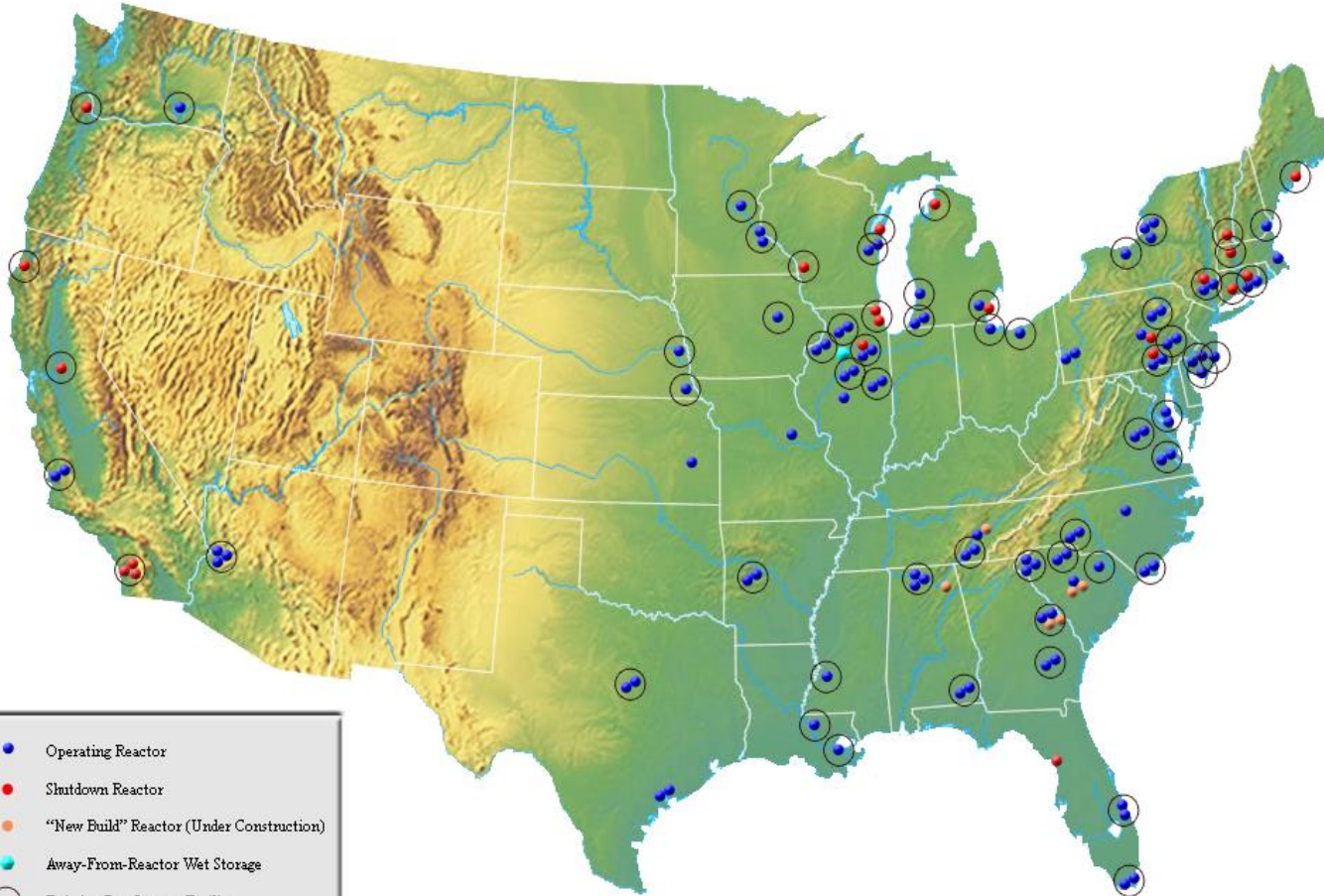
■ Pilot Interim Storage Facility Concepts

- Currently licensed storage systems
- Underground storage concepts
- Vault storage concepts



US History of Commercial Power Reactors

130 Nuclear Power Plants Built for Commercial Power Generation



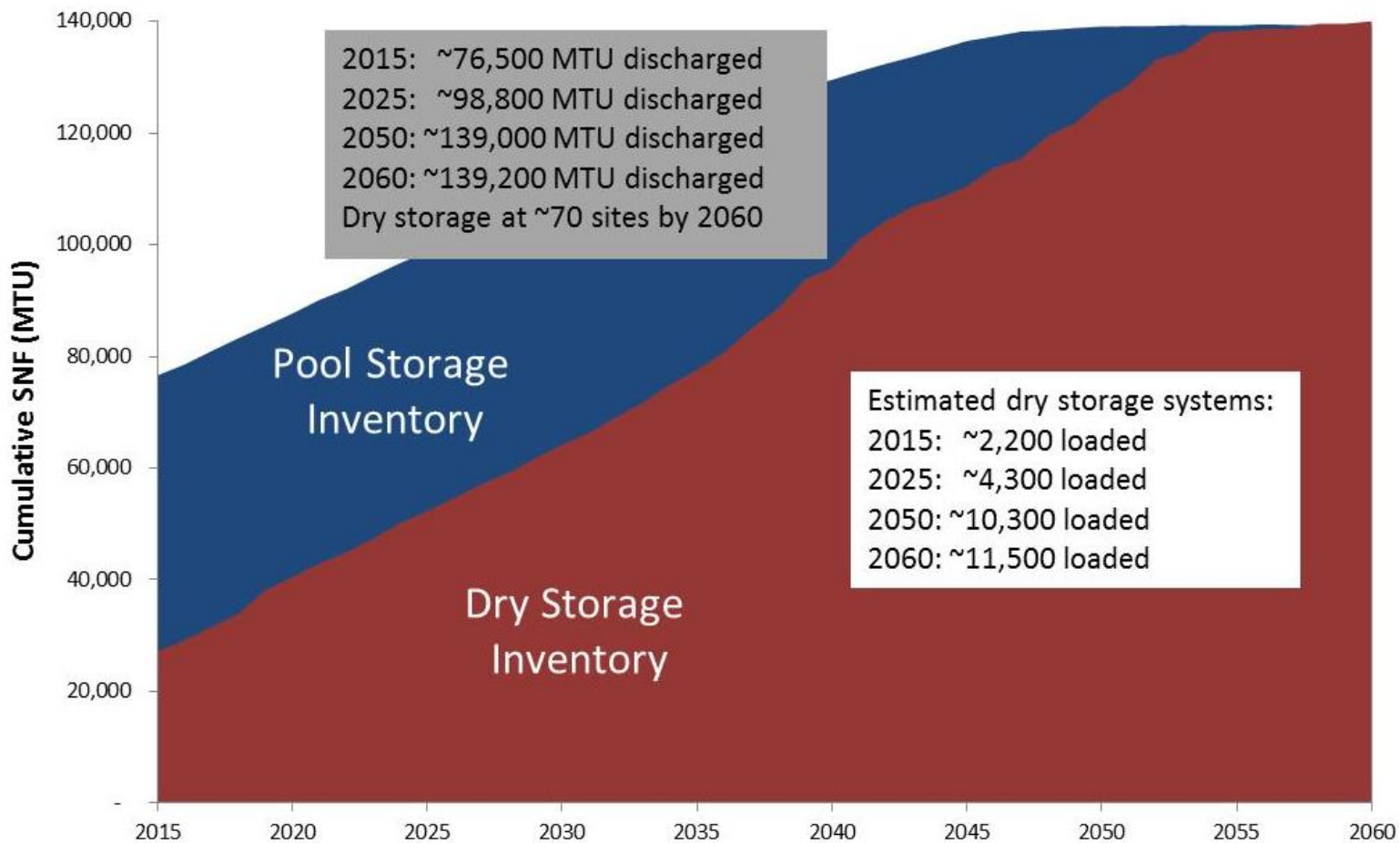
- Operating Reactor
- Shutdown Reactor
- "New Build" Reactor (Under Construction)
- Away-From-Reactor Wet Storage
- Existing Dry Storage Facility

- **9 Early Prototypes**
 - No fuel on site
- **1 Never Operated**
- **1 Disabled**
 - Fuel moved to DOE
- **1 Demonstration High Temperature Gas Reactor**
- **19 Ceased Operations**
 - Fuel on site
 - 3 reactors on sites with on going nuclear operations
 - 16 reactors on 13 sites with no other nuclear operations
- **99 Operating Reactors**
- **6 New Units Under Active Construction**



Projected Inventory (Dec 2015 to Dec 2060)

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2015: ~76,500 MTU discharged
 2025: ~98,800 MTU discharged
 2050: ~139,000 MTU discharged
 2060: ~139,200 MTU discharged
 Dry storage at ~70 sites by 2060

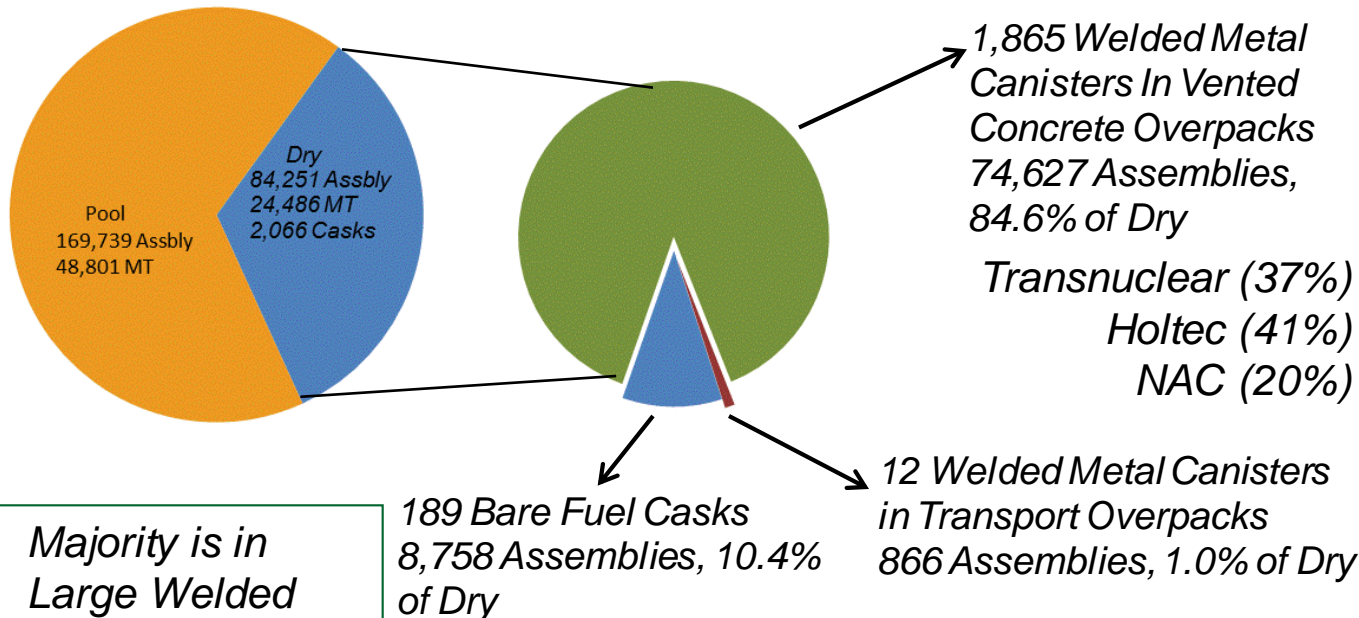
Estimated dry storage systems:
 2015: ~2,200 loaded
 2025: ~4,300 loaded
 2050: ~10,300 loaded
 2060: ~11,500 loaded

Current Reactors Operate 60 Years, 5 New Builds Operate 40 Years



Commercial Dry Storage Inventory is Diverse and Growing

Inventory as of April 7, 2015



- Majority is in Large Welded Canisters
- Current dry storage inventory is diverse
- Trend toward higher capacities



Transnuclear TN-32



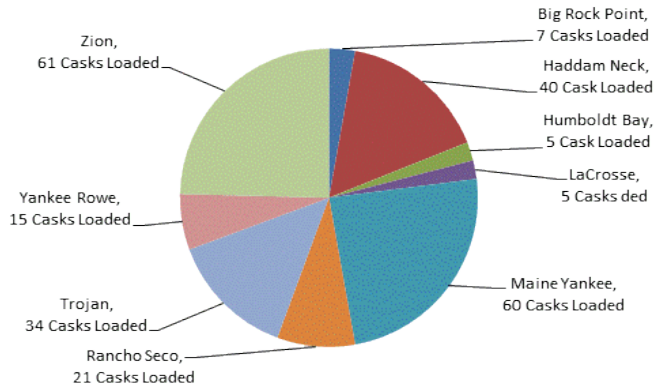
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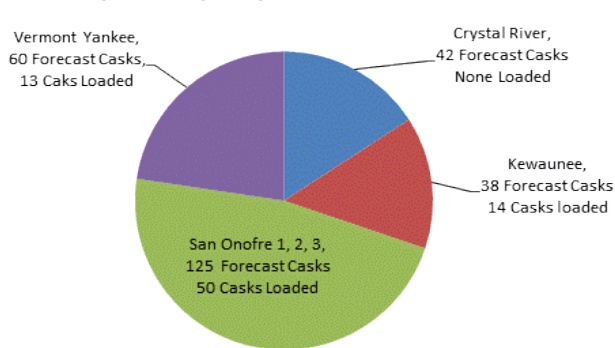
Shutdown Reactor Sites are Increasing in Number

Four Categories of Shutdown Reactor Fuel

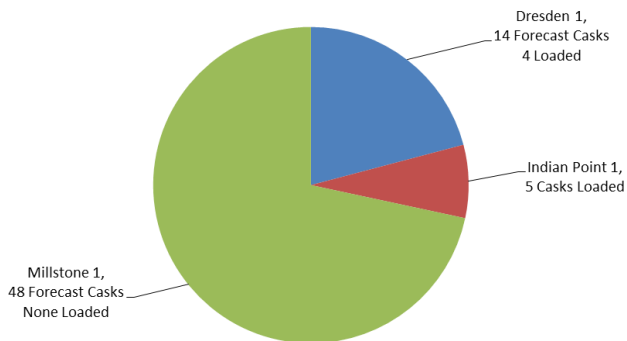
"Stranded" Reactors
248 Fuel Cask, 15 GTCC Casks,
2,813MT, 7,659 Assemblies



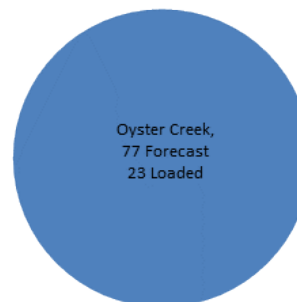
Early Shutdown Reactors
265 Fuel Casks, ~11 GTCC Casks,
3,479MT, 10,648 Assemblies



Shutdown Reactors at Operating Sites
67 Fuel Casks, ~6 GTCC Casks
647MT, 3,933 Assemblies



Announced Early Shutdown Reactor
77 Fuel Casks, ~2 GTCC Casks,
823 MT, 4,660 Assemblies





Shutdown Sites Dual Purpose Canisters

| Cask System | Canister Family | Canister | Transportation Cask | Total Canisters Generated in Reference Scenario ^a |
|----------------------------|-------------------|---------------------|---------------------|--|
| Fuel Solutions | W74 | W74T | TS125 | 7 |
| HI-STORM 100 | MPC-32 (HI-STORM) | MPC-32 (HI-STORM) | HI-STAR 100 | 5 |
| | MPC-68 (HI-STORM) | MPC-68 (HI-STORM) | HI-STAR 100 | 70 Forecast, 13 loaded , remainder canister uncertain |
| | | MPC-68F (HI-STORM) | HI-STAR 100 | |
| | | MPC-68FF | Not Available | |
| MPC-68M | Not Available | | | |
| HI-STORM TranStor | MPC-24 (TranStor) | MPC-24E (TranStor) | HI-STAR 100 | 34, canister uncertain |
| | | MPC-24EF (TranStor) | HI-STAR 100 | |
| HI-STAR 100 | MPC-68 (HI-STAR) | MPC-68 (HI-STAR) | HI-STAR 100 | 4, canister uncertain |
| | | MPC-68F (HI-STAR) | HI-STAR 100 | |
| HI-STAR 100HB | MPC-HB | MPC-HB | HI-STAR 100HB | 5 |
| Standardized NUHOMS | NUHOMS 32PT | NUHOMS 32PT-L100 | MP197 or MP197HB | 14, Canister uncertain |
| | | NUHOMS 32PT-L125 | MP197 or MP197HB | |
| | | NUHOMS 32PT-S100 | MP197 or MP197HB | |
| | | NUHOMS 32PT-S125 | MP197 or MP197HB | |
| | NUHOMS 32PTH1 | NUHOMS 32PTH1-L | MP197 or MP197HB | 42, None loaded canister uncertain |
| | | NUHOMS 32PTH1-M | MP197 or MP197HB | |
| | | NUHOMS 32PTH1-S | MP197 or MP197HB | |
| | NUHOMS 61BT | NUHOMS 61BT | MP197 or MP197HB | 125 Forecast, 23 loaded , Remainder uncertain |
| | NUHOMS 61BTH | NUHOMS 61BTH Type 1 | MP197HB | |
| | | NUHOMS 61BTH Type 2 | MP197HB | |
| | NUHOMS FC-DSC | NUHOMS FC-DSC | MP187 | 18 |
| | NUHOMS FF-DSC | NUHOMS FF-DSC | MP187 | 1 |
| NUHOMS FO-DSC | NUHOMS FO-DSC | MP187 | 2 | |



Shutdown Sites Dual Purpose Canisters (Con't)

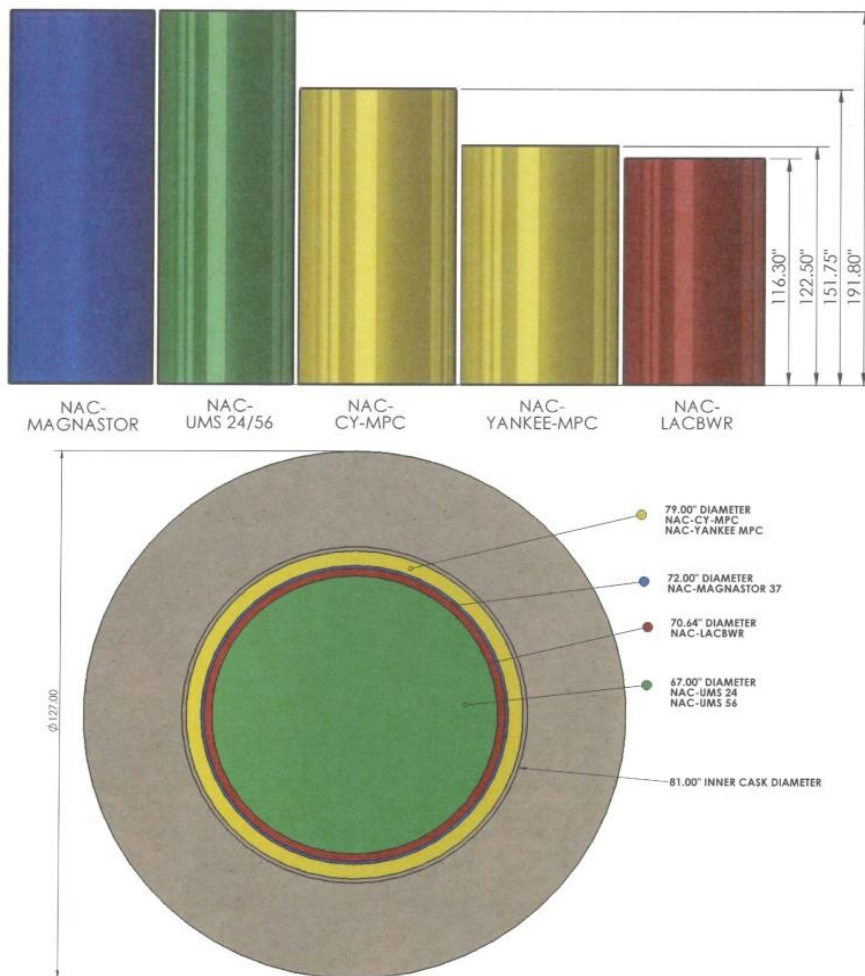
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| Advanced NUHOMS | NUHOMS 24PT1 | NUHOMS 24PT1 | MP187 | 17 |
| | NUHOMS 24PT4 | NUHOMS 24PT4 | MP197HB | 33 |
| UMAX | MPC-37 | | | 75 |
| NAC-MPC | CY-MPC, 26 Assy | CY-MPC, 26 Assy | NAC-STC Transport Cask | 40 |
| | LACBWR | MPC-LACBWR | NAC-STC Transport Cask | 5 |
| | Yankee-MPC | Yankee-MPC | NAC-STC Transport Cask | 15 |
| NAC-UMS | UMS-PWR | TSC-Class 1 | Universal Transport Cask | 60, Canister uncertain |
| | | TSC-Class 2 | Universal Transport Cask | |
| | | TSC-Class 3 | Universal Transport Cask | |
| NAC-MAGNASTOR | TSC PWR | TSC PWR | MAGNATRAN | 85 Forecast, 61 loaded, |
| Total Potential Casks | 20 Canister Families | 33 Potential Canisters | 9 Transport Cask | 657 Fuel Casks 34 GTCC Casks |



Example of Canister Diversity NAC Diameters and Lengths Illustrated



NAC UMS System at Maine Yankee





Pilot Storage Facility Concept

- **5,000 to 10,000 MT capacity with a design receipt rate of 1,500 MT/year**
 - *Accept dry storage canisters (DSC) from shutdown reactors, see next slide*
 - *Accept Greater-Than-Class C Low Level Waste from decommissioned power reactors, and other approved contents in canisters*
 - *Receive fuel in dual purpose canisters (DPC) in associated transportation casks*
 - *Deployed in modules for storage capacity and additional functional capability*
- **Fully developed facilities will include:**
 - *Shielded cask-handling building for transfer of the canister from transportation casks to storage overpacks*
 - *Storage pads with multiple vertical and horizontal storage overpack designs*
 - *Infrastructure and balance of plant facilities*
- **Designed to Meet:**
 - 10CFR72
 - 10CFR73
 - *Associated Regulatory Guides (e.g. RG 3.60, 3.48 & 3.62)*
 - *Guidance from NUREG – 1567 and 1927*



Canister Receipt Design Concept 1

Canister Transfer Building

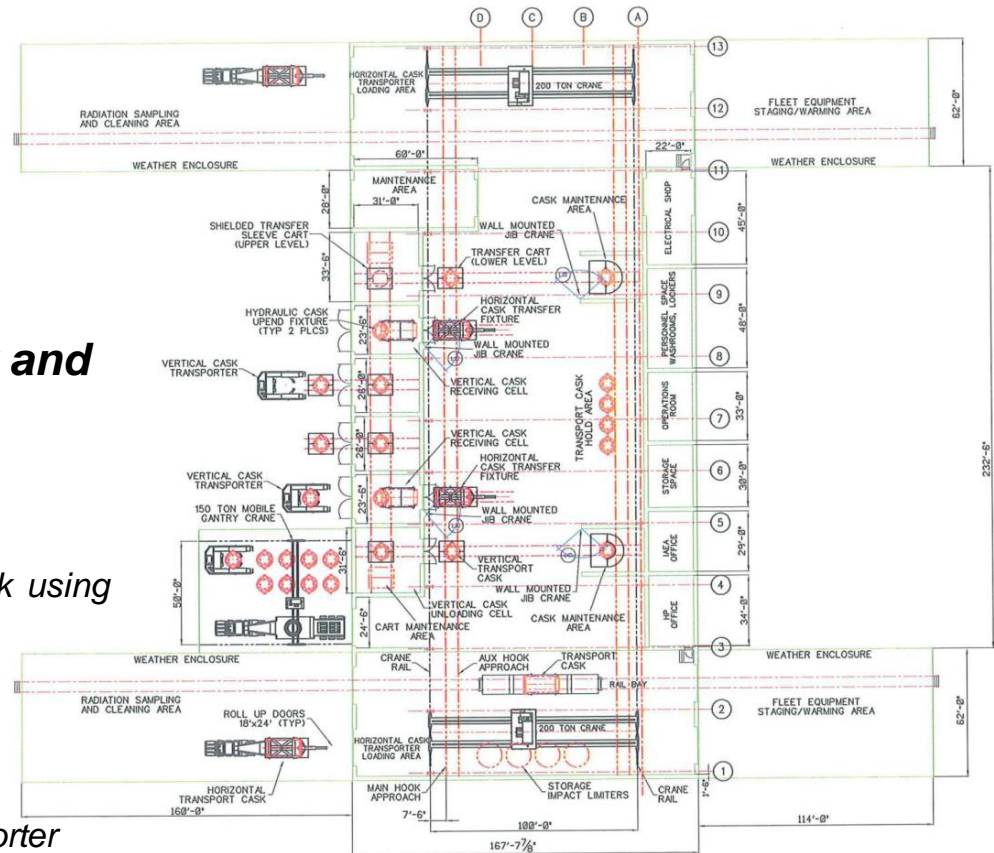
■ Perform Post Transportation:

- Inspections,
- Radiological Surveys,
- Decontamination (if necessary)
- Security Receipt Inspections

■ Transfer Canister to New Overpack and Relocate to Storage Pad

- Vertical Casks:
 - Uprighted
 - Transferred to Vertical Storage Overpack using Facility Cask
 - Vertical Storage Cask Relocated to Pad
- Horizontal Casks:
 - Loaded onto Transporter
 - Relocated to Storage Pad using Transporter
 - Transferred to HSM using Transport Cask

■ Existing Canisters are Placed into Storage w/o Opening



Canister Receipt Design Concept 2 & 3

■ Cask Handling Building with Remote Operations

- Higher Capital versus Concept 1
- Additional Complexity versus Concept 1
- Did NOT Provide Significant Dose Reduction versus Concept 1

■ Commercially Available Transfer Cask Used with:

- Mobile Cranes, no weather enclosure
- Installed Cranes in a weather enclosure
- Diversity of Canister Types is Challenging
- Highest Dose of the Alternatives Evaluated
- Method Being Considered for Early Operations



Storage Configuration Concept 1 Overpacks on a Pad

Pad Storage Using Currently Licensed Storage Overpacks

■ ***New Horizontal or Vertical Concrete Overpacks as required***

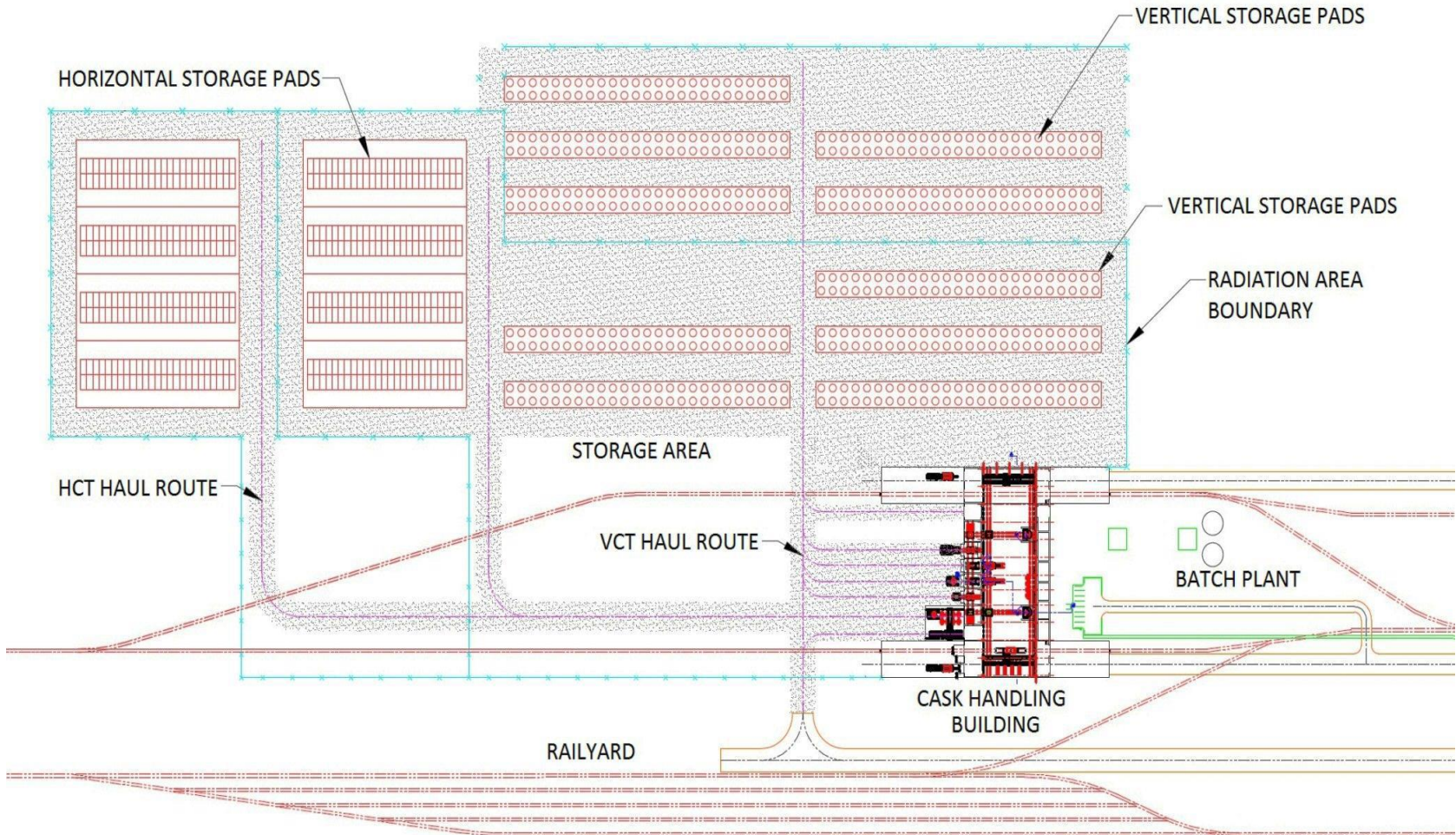
- *Most recent licensed overpack associated with each canister type,*
- *Limit to the extent possible storage overpack configurations*
- *Canisters which do not have a current commercial source for new storage casks must be identified and required license actions identified*
- *Considering Re-use of the Big Rock Point Fuel Solutions overpacks, segmented for transportation*

■ ***Metal Storage/Transportation Overpacks can be Re-used***





Pilot Conceptual Generic Layout Two 5,000MT Storage Modules

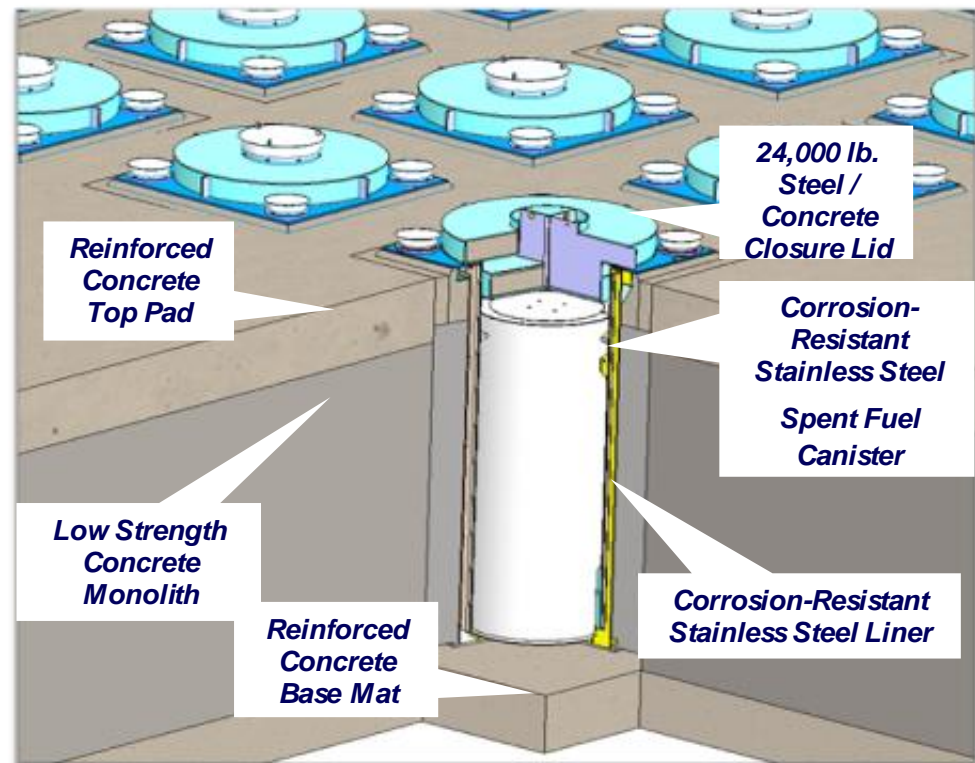




Storage Configuration Concept 2 Underground Silos

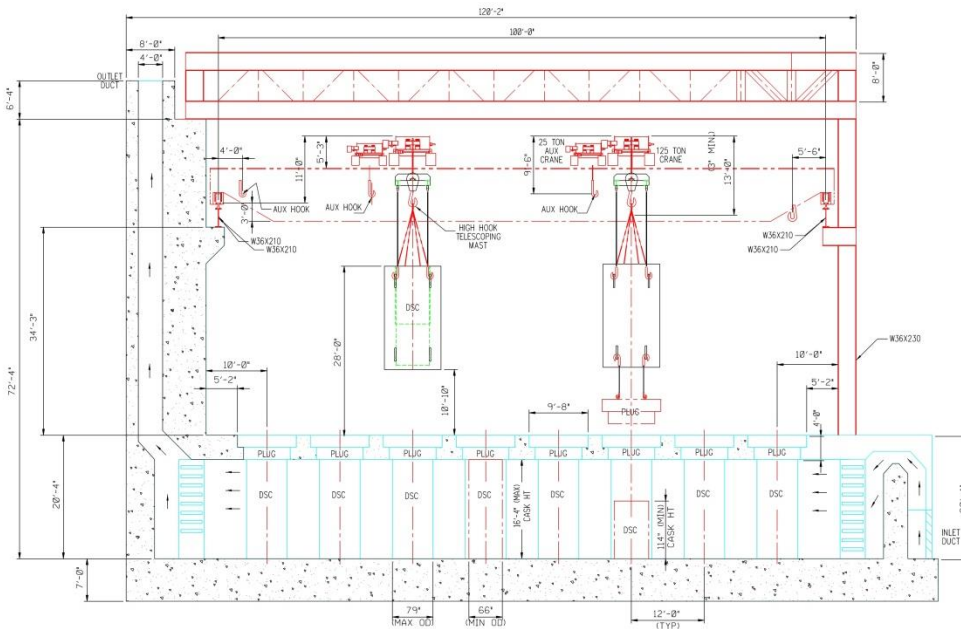
Underground Silo Storage

- ***Similar to UMAX deployed at Callaway and announced for San Onofre***
- ***Reduced Security Requirements***
- ***Reduced Storage Area Dose***
- ***Licensing Challenges to Accept all Canister Types in a Vertical Storage Configuration***
 - *Adaptors for the various canister sizes*
 - *Fuel Orientation in currently horizontal configuration canisters*





Storage Configuration Concept 3 Vault Configurations



Vertical Configuration

■ **Similar to Ft. St. Vrain**

■ **Passive Air Cooled**

- Decay Heat Limited

■ **Licensing Challenges to Accept all Canister Types in a Vertical Storage Configuration**

- Adaptors for the various canister sizes
- Fuel Orientation in currently horizontal configuration canisters

Horizontal Configuration

■ **Licensing Challenges to Accept all Canister Types in a Horizontal Storage Configuration**

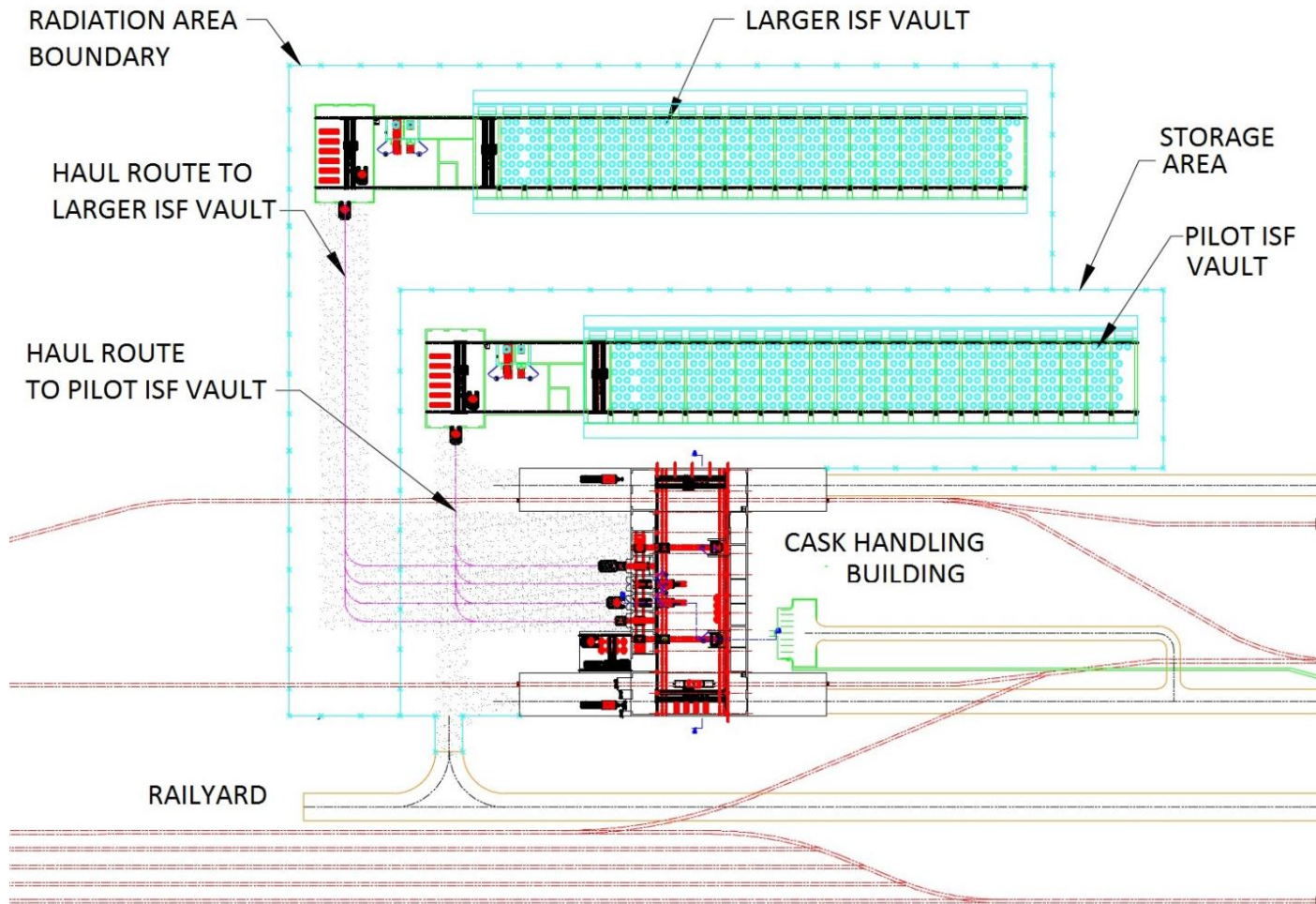
- Adaptors for the various canister sizes

■ **Access Not Available for Every Storage Position**

■ **Decay Heat Removal Extremely Challenging in a Passive Cooling Mode**



Vault Configuration Generic Layout With Single Cask Handling Building 2 – 5,000MT Modules



Questions/Discussion

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