Interactive Map Project

User Guide

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Introduction

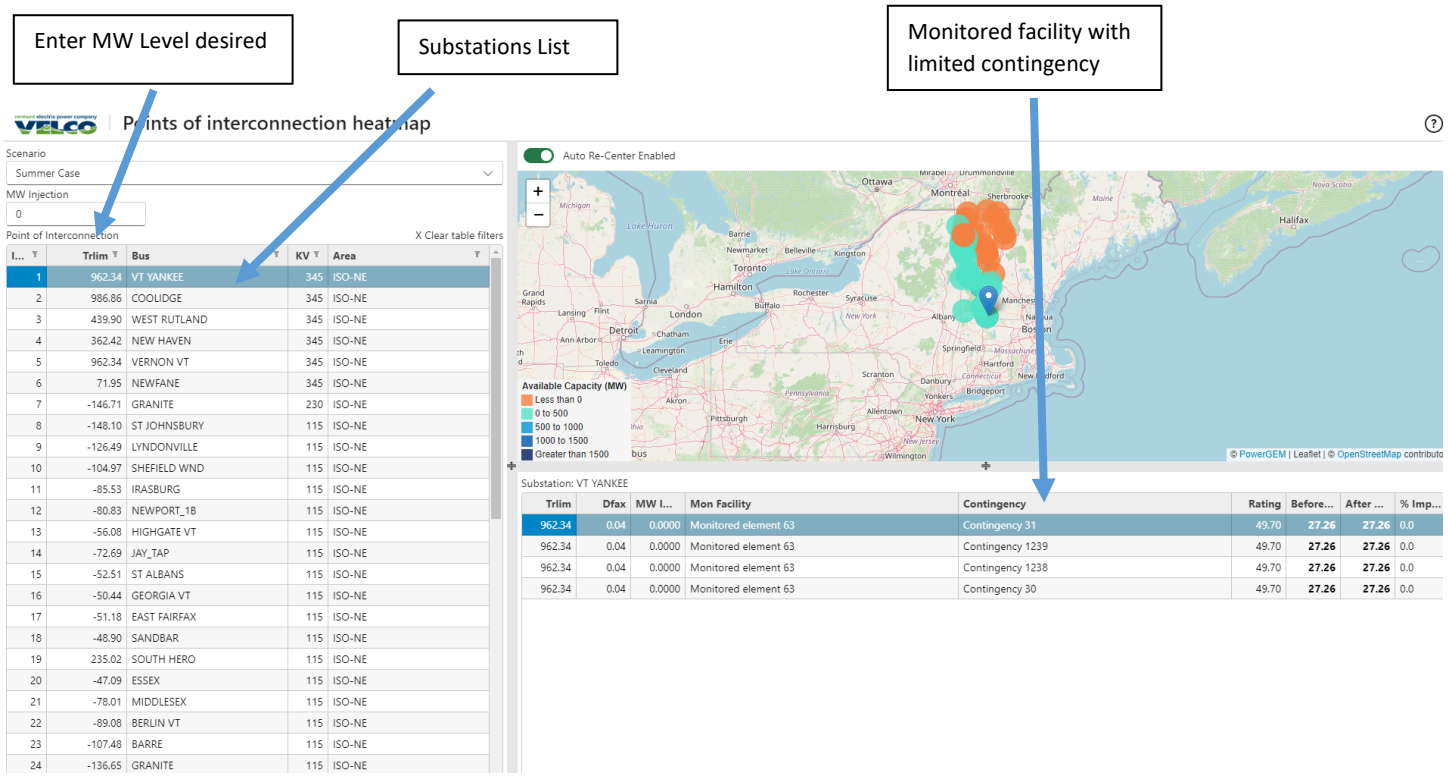
VELCO planning team has been working to implement an interactive map to satisfy FERC order 2023 requirement. The FERC order aimed at the Improvements to Generator Interconnection Procedures and Agreements (GIPA). The goal of this project was to provide an interactive map to potential energy developers to show the ability of VELCO transmission lines to handle potential additional MWs injection points based on the current topology of VELCO system. The development of the map has also considered N-1 scenarios including potential contingencies inside VELCO .

Map Limitation

The interactive map must be viewed as a source for information to understand the best candidates' locations to handle additional MW injection load such as solar PV and other renewable resources, however additional studies may be required to provide the needed level of accuracy as dedicated by ISO-NE planning procedures, NPCC and NERC standards. The current map uses a single summer case to estimate additional line capacities, so Shoulder and spring like conditions are not currently modeled. To stress the limitation of the map, the following disclaimer statements were added: "**This map should be used for information purposes only as it provides general guidelines for transmission capacity. The map does not represent all expected system conditions nor includes voltage or stability constraints. Users are encouraged to follow all NERC and ISO-NE requirements regarding the interconnection process as referenced by ISO-NE and NERC**.

Viewing the Map

The map is available on the VELCO website under the planning section at the following link:
https://www.velco.com/heatmap/



I...	Trlim	Bus	KV	Area
1	962.34	VT YANKEE	345	ISO-NE
2	986.86	COOLIDGE	345	ISO-NE
3	439.90	WEST RUTLAND	345	ISO-NE
4	362.42	NEW HAVEN	345	ISO-NE
5	962.34	VERNON VT	345	ISO-NE
6	71.95	NEWFANE	345	ISO-NE
7	-146.71	GRANITE	230	ISO-NE
8	-148.10	ST JOHNSBURY	115	ISO-NE
9	-126.49	LYNDONVILLE	115	ISO-NE
10	-104.97	SHEFIELD WND	115	ISO-NE
11	-85.53	IRASBURG	115	ISO-NE
12	-80.83	NEWPORT_1B	115	ISO-NE
13	-56.08	HIGHGATE VT	115	ISO-NE
14	-72.69	JAY_TAP	115	ISO-NE
15	-52.51	ST ALBANS	115	ISO-NE
16	-50.44	GEORGIA VT	115	ISO-NE
17	-51.18	EAST FAIRFAX	115	ISO-NE
18	-48.90	SANDBAR	115	ISO-NE
19	235.02	SOUTH HERO	115	ISO-NE
20	-47.09	ESSEX	115	ISO-NE
21	-78.01	MIDDLESEX	115	ISO-NE
22	-89.08	BERLIN VT	115	ISO-NE
23	-107.48	BARRE	115	ISO-NE
24	-136.65	GRANITE	115	ISO-NE

Trlim	Dfax	MW I...	Mon Facility	Contingency	Rating	Before...	After ...	% Imp...
962.34	0.04	0.0000	Monitored element 63	Contingency 31	49.70	27.26	27.26	0.0
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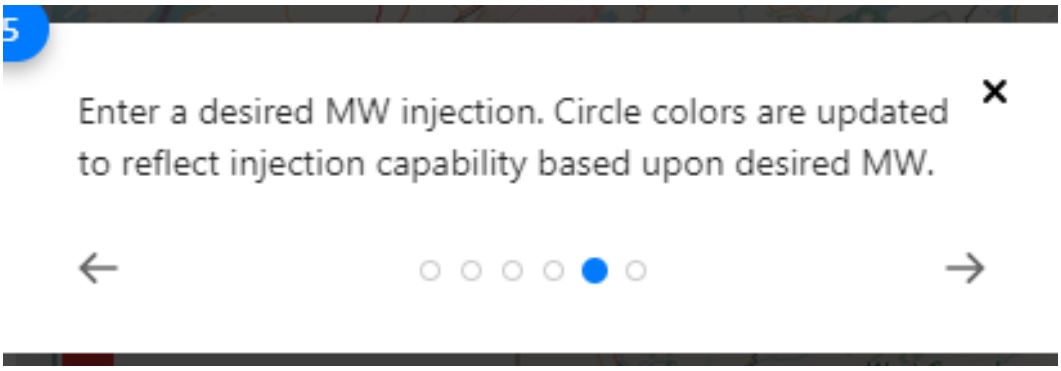
962.34	0.04	0.0000	Monitored element 63	Contingency 1238	49.70	27.26	27.26	0.0
962.34	0.04	0.0000	Monitored element 63	Contingency 30	49.70	27.26	27.26	0.0

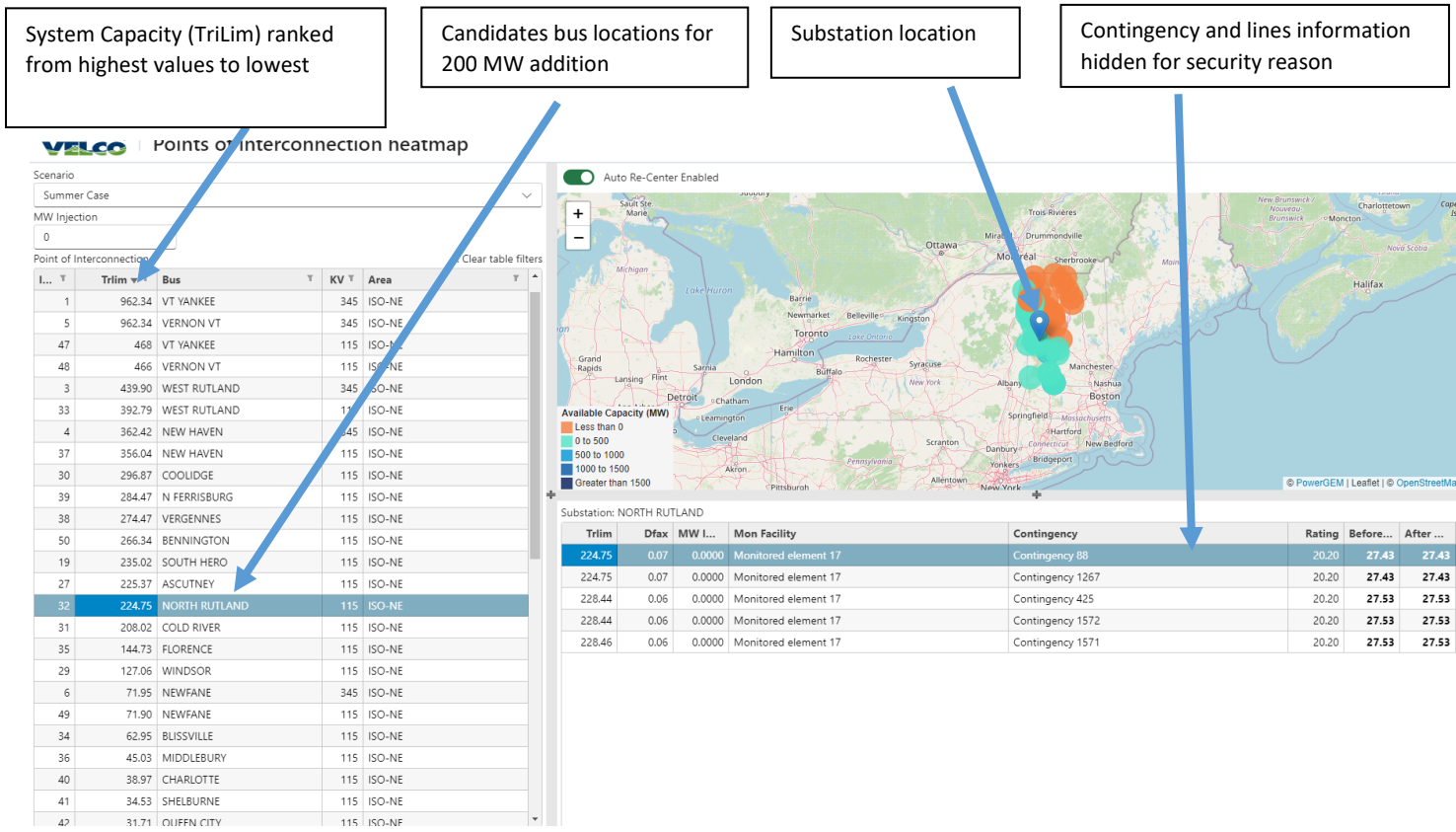
Using the Map

Users can enter the amount of MW needed under the MW injection option, the map shows the limited amount of power that can be injected for each bus, buses with positive TriLim values are good candidates for additional power while buses with negative TriLim values are indication of overload at these buses before adding new power to the system. The example below shows 200 MW injection into the VELCO system. The Trilim column can be filtered to show

the largest values or the smallest values. It is recommended that users filter this column using the largest Trilim values to show the best candidates location for adding more MW. In the example below, the North Rutland bus has a capacity of 233 MW so it could be a good candidate for the 200 MW addition.



Distribution Factors, montiored elements and contingencies affecting the new MW addittion is shown on more detail on the map



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33	392.79	WEST RUTLAND	115	ISO-NE
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37	356.04	NEW HAVEN	115	ISO-NE
30	296.87	COOLIDGE	115	ISO-NE
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38	274.47	VERGENNES	115	ISO-NE
50	266.34	BENNINGTON	115	ISO-NE
19	235.02	SOUTH HERO	115	ISO-NE
27	225.37	ASCUTNEY	115	ISO-NE
32	224.75	NORTH RUTLAND	115	ISO-NE
31	208.02	COLD RIVER	115	ISO-NE
35	144.73	FLORENCE	115	ISO-NE
29	127.06	WINDSOR	115	ISO-NE
6	71.95	NEWFANE	345	ISO-NE
49	71.90	NEWFANE	115	ISO-NE
34	62.95	BLISSVILLE	115	ISO-NE
36	45.03	MIDDLEBURY	115	ISO-NE
40	38.97	CHARLOTTE	115	ISO-NE
41	34.53	SHELBURNE	115	ISO-NE
42	31.71	QUEEN CITY	115	ISO-NE

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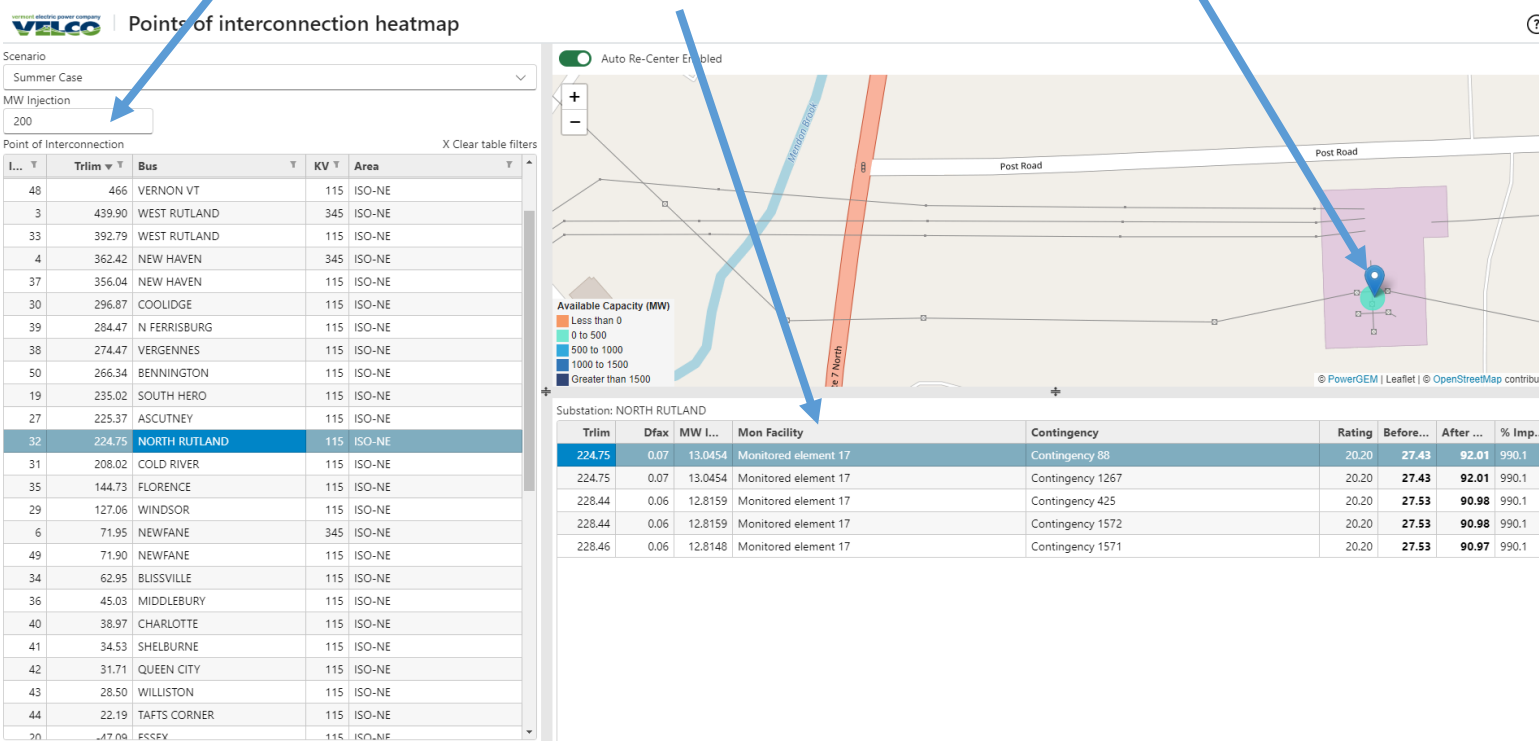
224.75	0.07	0.0000	Monitored element 17	Contingency 88	20.20	27.43	27.43	0.0
224.75	0.07	0.0000	Monitored element 17	Contingency 1267	20.20	27.43	27.43	0.0
228.44	0.06	0.0000	Monitored element 17	Contingency 425	20.20	27.53	27.53	0.0
228.44	0.06	0.0000	Monitored element 17	Contingency 1572	20.20	27.53	27.53	0.0
228.46	0.06	0.0000	Monitored element 17	Contingency 1571	20.20	27.53	27.53	0.0

The map provides the ability to show the loading of the transmission line before and after adding the new MW as shown on the previous example: the loading before adding the new MW was 27.43% compared to 92.01% after adding the 200 MW.

Key information for 200 MW addition at the North Rutland Bus

Overloaded lines and contingencies are hidden due to security constraints

Bus Location, zoom in to see substation location



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42	31.71	QUEEN CITY	115	ISO-NE
43	28.50	WILLISTON	115	ISO-NE
44	22.19	TAFTS CORNER	115	ISO-NE
20	-47.09	ESSEX	115	ISO-NE

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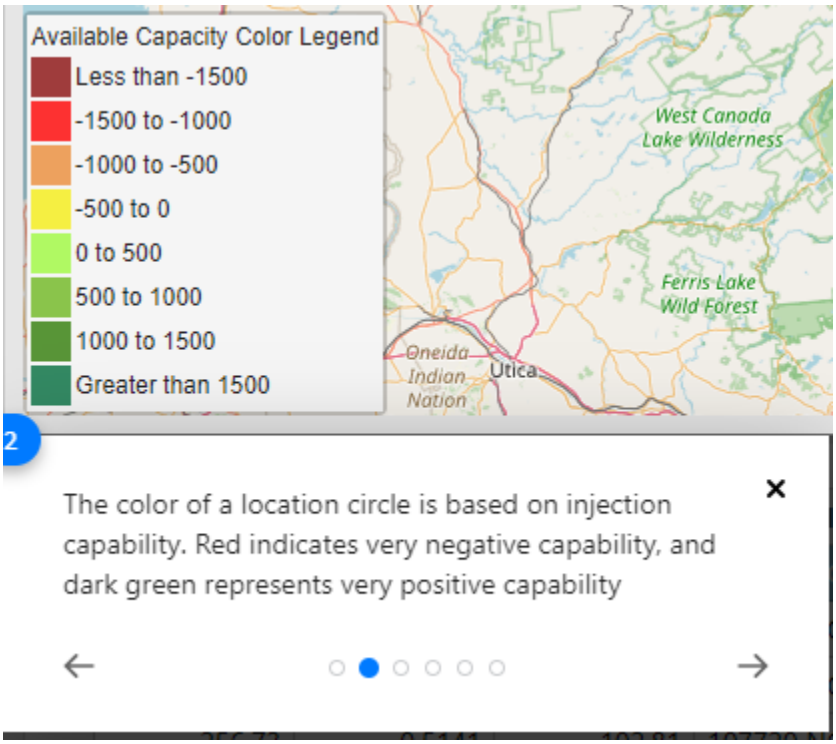
224.75	0.07	13.0454	Monitored element 17	Contingency 88	20.20	**27.43**	**92.01**	990.1
224.75	0.07	13.0454	Monitored element 17	Contingency 1267	20.20	**27.43**	**92.01**	990.1
228.44	0.06	12.8159	Monitored element 17	Contingency 425	20.20	**27.53**	**90.98**	990.1
228.44	0.06	12.8159	Monitored element 17	Contingency 1572	20.20	**27.53**	**90.98**	990.1
228.46	0.06	12.8148	Monitored element 17	Contingency 1571	20.20	**27.53**	**90.97**	990.1


Available Capacity Color Legend
Less than -1500
-1500 to -1000
-1000 to -500
-500 to 0
0 to 500
500 to 1000
1000 to 1500
Greater than 1500
West Canada Lake Wilderness
Ferris Lake Wild Forest
Oneida Indian Nation
Utica
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The color of a location circle is based on injection capability. Red indicates very negative capability, and dark green represents very positive capability