



TEXAS SYSTEM RESILIENCY PLAN

BUILDING A MORE RESILIENT POWER SYSTEM
TO RESPOND TO THE UNIQUE NEEDS
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Our customers expect reliable electricity. At Xcel Energy, we know it's our job to deliver it safely, 24 hours a day, 365 days a year. That's why we're committed to modernizing and hardening our grid while ensuring its continued safe operation.

Our multiyear System Resiliency Plan will enhance the resilience of our distribution and transmission systems' ability to respond to extreme weather, wildfires and security threats.

Enacted by state legislation and implemented under commission rule, Xcel Energy's plan will pave the way for accelerated upgrades and enhancements to strengthen the electric grid that serves approximately 280,000 Texas homes and businesses. Our plan uses decades of data to prioritize risk by geography and target investments that will bring the most customer value.

It's more than just a technical document — it shows we're serious about keeping the lights on for Texans, no matter what comes our way. Texas is no stranger to severe weather, whether it be ice storms, hail, thunderstorms, extreme heat, tornadoes, flooding or wildfires. And these events are occurring more frequently and with greater intensity.

Working with our state regulators and stakeholders, we're confident we can deliver an energy system — and an energy future — that is weather-resilient, responsive and ready to serve our customers today and for decades to come.

THE PLAN WILL MAKE ENERGY WORK BETTER FOR OUR CUSTOMERS.



Reduced frequency
and duration of
power outages.



Bill savings from
decreased storm
recovery costs and
avoided expensive
emergency repairs.



Hardened
infrastructure
and equipment to
withstand extreme
weather and
other threats.



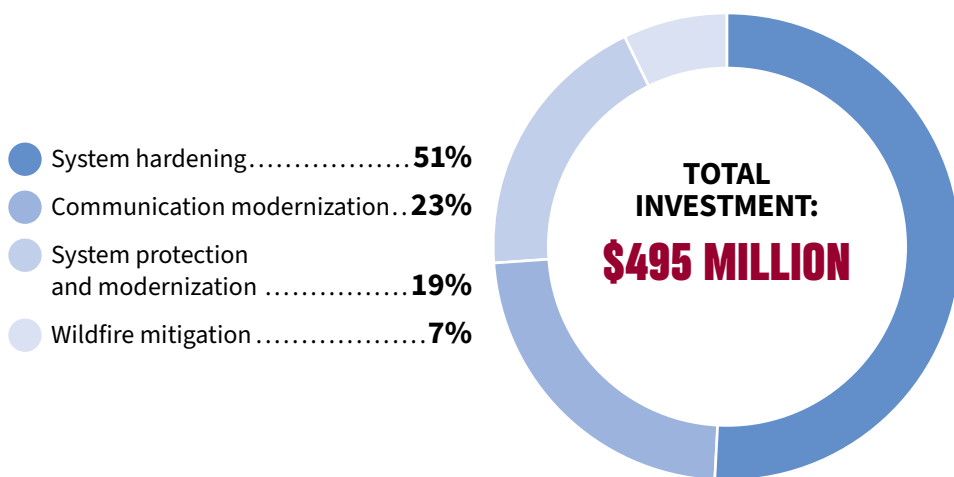
Improved overall
safety, reliability and
system stability.

INVESTMENT

This investment is not just about numbers; it's about making a real difference in people's lives.

With this plan we are building an energy system that is **weather-resilient, responsive** and **ready to serve our customers** today and for decades to come.

Multiyear programs will roll out in these areas:



Our System Resiliency Plan received a strong benefit-cost evaluation rating of 3.4, meaning that for every dollar invested, the plan is expected to return \$3.40 in value. This rating — developed by independent consultant 1898 & Co. — reflects the high value of key initiatives like distribution overhead hardening and system protection modernization, which scored even higher at 4.7 and 4.2, respectively. These results affirm that our investments are not only cost-effective but also strategically aligned with long-term reliability and wildfire mitigation goals.

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System hardening: Upgrading and strengthening the electrical system to make it more resilient to extreme weather events. Includes reinforcing poles, conductors, arrestors and fuses, as well as enhancing the overall protection of power lines. The goal is to reduce the likelihood of failures during extreme weather, thereby improving overall reliability.

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Communication modernization: Installing a custom-designed private communications network built for speed and resilience that securely and reliably connects operators, crews and equipment within our Texas and New Mexico transmission and distribution system to help with outage response and improve service.

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System protection and modernization: Expanding and optimizing distribution automation through new ties, power capacity and intelligent switches, along with communication enhancements to ensure swift response and problem isolation.

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Wildfire mitigation: Adapting to the risk of wildfires means early detection and ensuring the grid can withstand and recover from wildfire events. Measures include enhancing inspections, clearing vegetation around electric infrastructure, replacing obsolete structures, installing weather stations, using AI for predictive modeling and strategically placing advanced panoramic cameras to detect potential fires.

