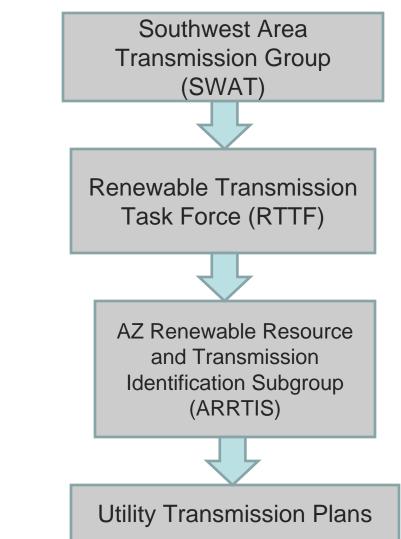
#### **ARRTIS and RTTF Overview**

**Sixth Biennial Transmission Assessment** 

Greg Bernosky and John Lucas Arizona Public Service June 3, 2010

# Arizona Statewide Planning

In December of 2008, the ACC approved the Fifth BTA (Decision No. 70635). The Order directed Commission-regulated utilities to "take the results of the Arizona Renewable Transmission Task Force and.....identify the top three potential renewable transmission projects in its service territories" and "propose funding mechanisms to construct the top three renewable transmission projects."





# **ARRTIS Background**

- Established by SWAT RTTF in January 2009
- An open stakeholder process tasked with:
  - Identifying potential areas for Arizona renewable resource development
  - Assisting the RTTF group by providing information to assess transmission options
  - Informing and assisting the utilities in their response to the 5<sup>th</sup> BTA Order



## **ARRTIS Participants**

- Federal Agencies
- State Agencies
- Indian Reservations
- Electric Utilities
- Development/Tech Companies
- Environmental Interests
- Universities
- Legal





Final Report of the Arizona Renewable Resource and Transmission Identification Subcommittee

Submitted to the Renewable Transmission Task Force of the Southwest Area Transmission Planning Group

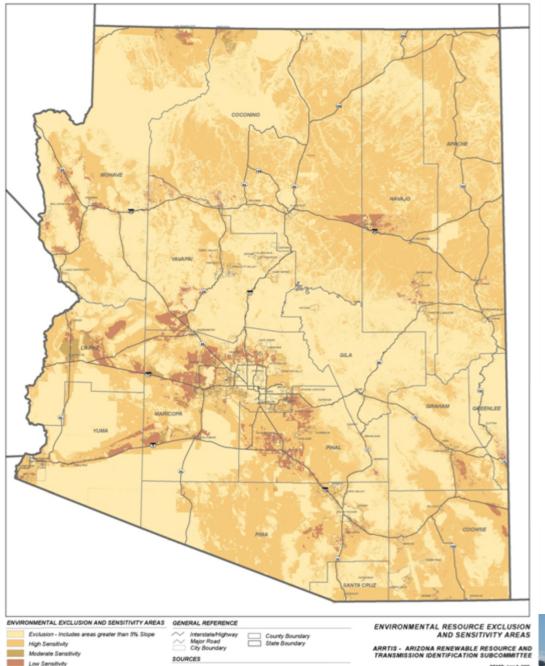
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## **ARRTIS Process**

- 1. Assemble group of key stakeholders
- 2. Gather AZ renewable resource potential
- 3. Identify constraint criteria
- 4. Identify likely developable areas for renewables
- 5. Provide information to RTTF, and ultimately utilities, for identification of transmission options

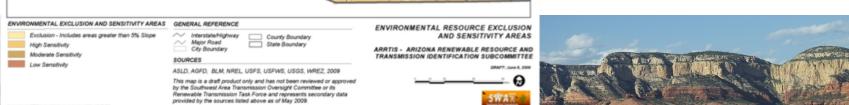




### ARRTIS Final Sensitivity Map

ENVIRONMENTAL EXCLUSION AND SENSITIVITY AREAS

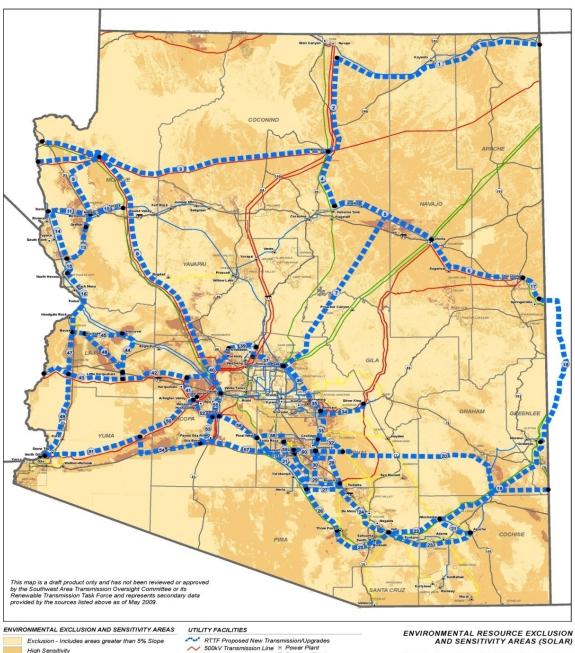
- Exclusion Includes areas greater than 5% Slope
  - High Sensitivity
  - Moderate Sensitivity
  - Low Sensitivity



# **RTTF Analysis and Transmission Options**

- Utilized ARRTIS base data to identify likely renewable resource development areas
- Developed conceptual renewable transmission options for:
  - in-state resource development
  - import/export
- 2,800 miles of options identified for consideration by utilities





✓ 345kV Transmission Line □ Pumping Plant

ASLD, AGFD, BLM, NREL, USFS, USFWS, USGS, WREZ, 2009

✓ 230kV Transmission Line ▲ Substation

161kV Transmission Line 138kV Transmission Line

SOURCES

115kV Transmission Line

Moderate Sensitivity

County Boundary

State Boundary

Low Sensitivity

Interstate/Highway

GENERAL REFERENCE

Major Road

City Boundary

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### RTTF Final Transmission Options Map

#### UTILITY FACILITIES

RTTF Proposed New Transmission/Upgrades
500kV Transmission Line Power Plant
345kV Transmission Line Vumping Plant
230kV Transmission Line Substation
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138kV Transmission Line

115kV Transmission Line

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## **Additional Information**

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- RTTF studies and meeting information
- ARRTIS presentations, maps, and final report
- Finance Subcommittee presentation and reports

