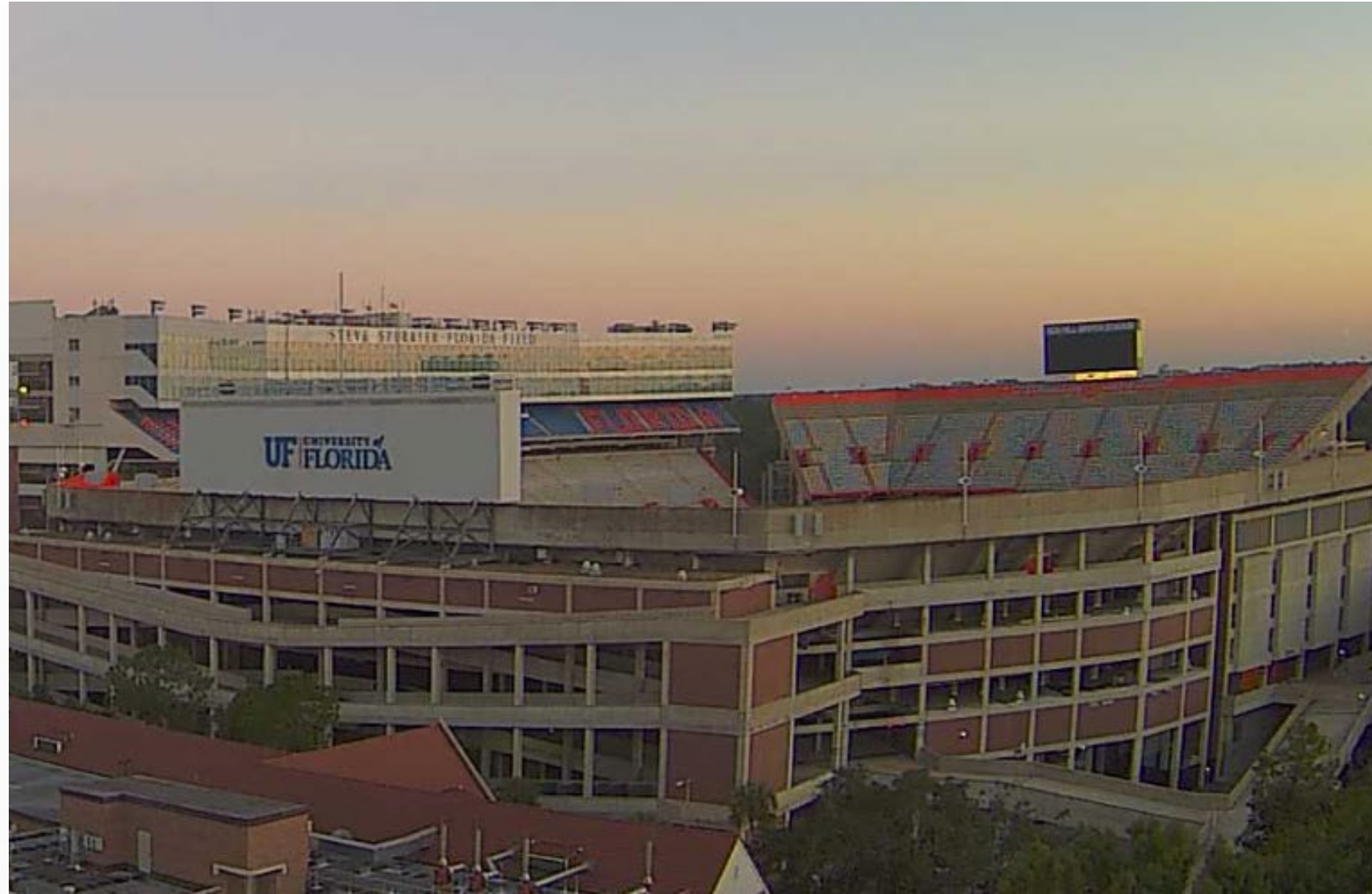


# Developing an Optimal Solution at the University of Florida

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# The University of Florida





# Where They Are Today

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Infrastructure

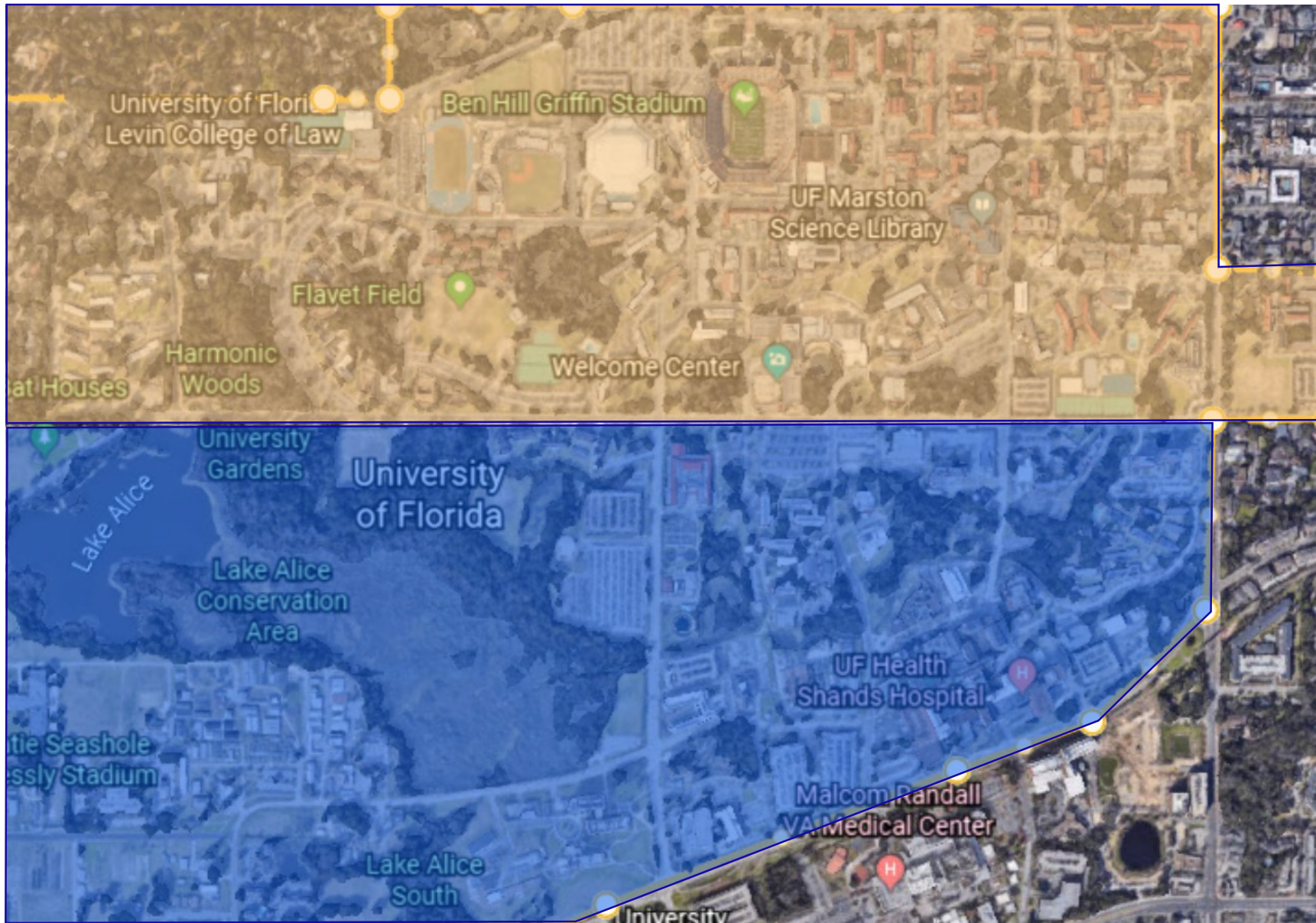
Duke Energy  
Agreement  
Termination

Path Forward





# The Campus



# The Road to Rehabilitation

## 1 Utility Master Planning

# Project Objectives



PREPARE FOR NEW  
CAMPUS ENERGY SOURCE



RENEW CAMPUS  
INFRASTRUCTURE



OPTIMIZE LIFE CYCLE  
COST PERFORMANCE



BOOST RESILIENCY  
OF SYSTEMS

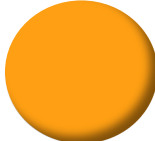
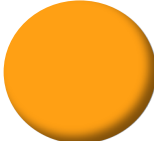




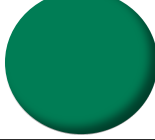

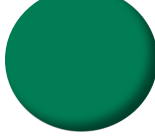



IMPROVE ENERGY  
EFFICIENCY



REDUCE CARBON  
EMISSIONS

# Electrical Interconnect Study

	Archer Road	Gale Lemerand Commuter Lot
Capital Cost		
Life Cycle Cost		
Campus Impact		
Environmental Impact		
Reliability		

# Electrical Interconnect Study: Archer Road

## 23 kV Service

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- Higher life cycle cost
- Rate structure doesn't provide attractive payback for 23 kV

## 69 kV Service

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- + Lowest life cycle cost with/without cogen, using current or predicted future rates
- + Cost of service advantages with 69 kV rate structure



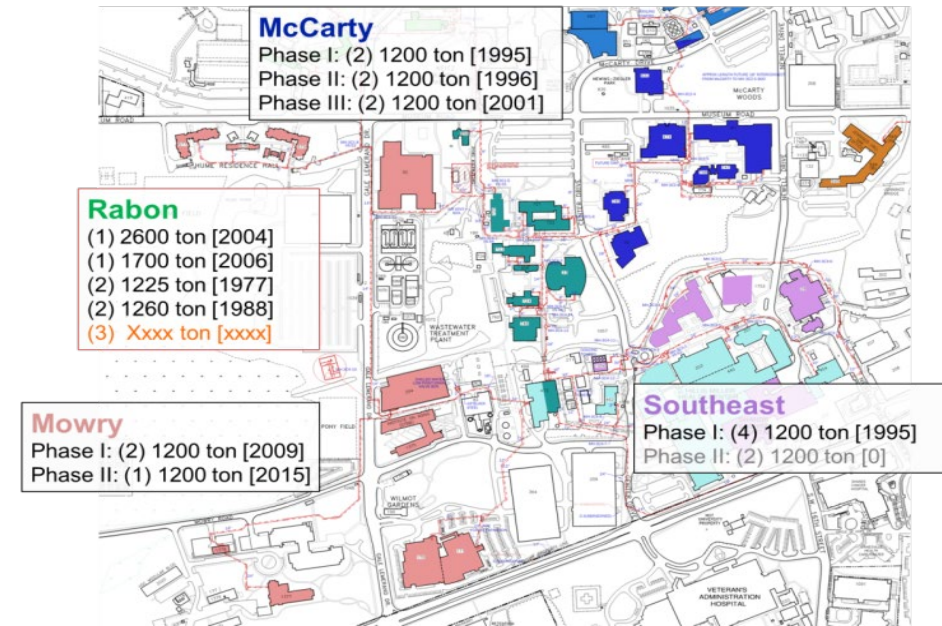
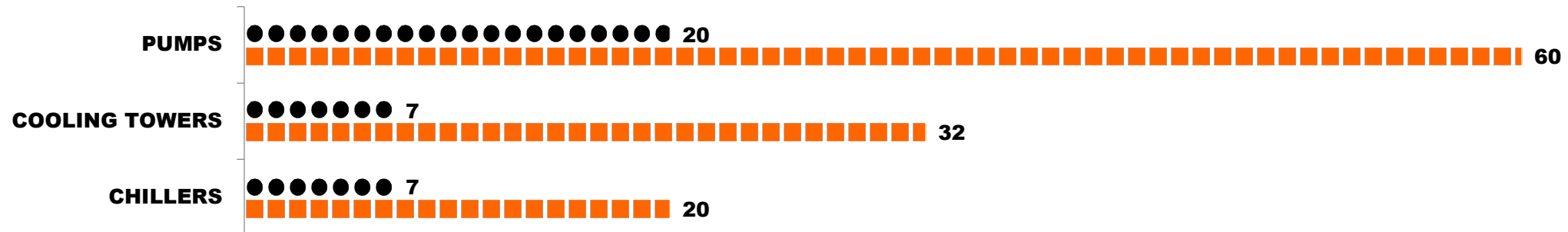
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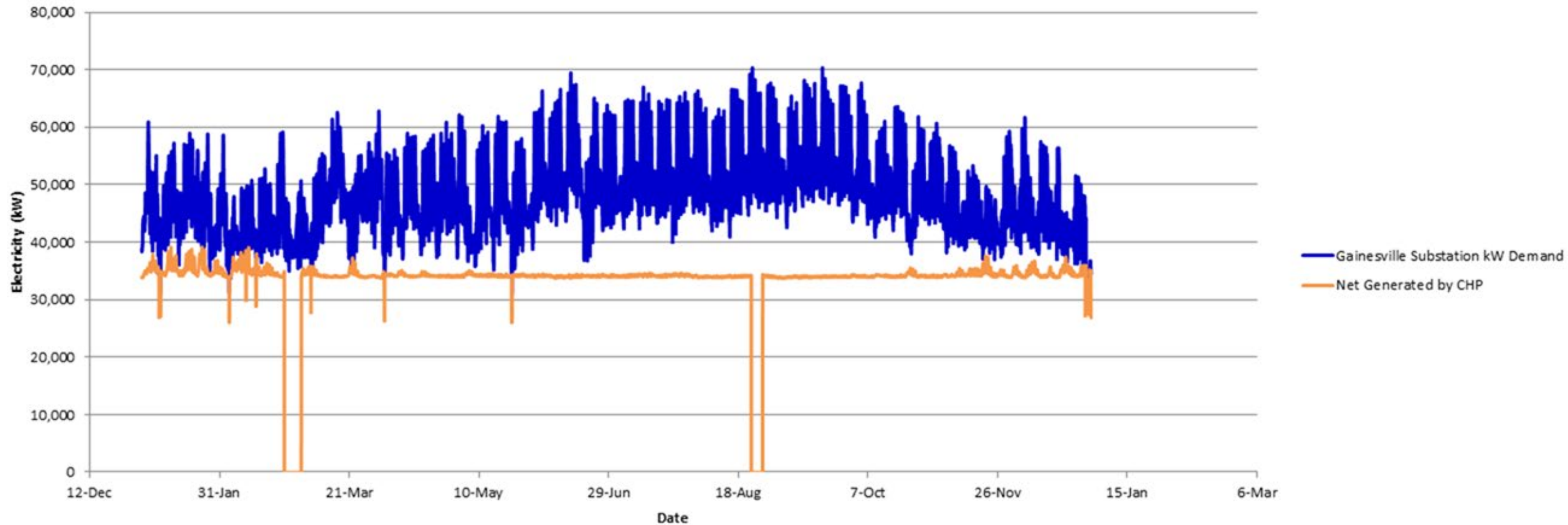
# Recommendations – Chilled Water Production

- Consolidate plants
- Improve efficiency
- Lower life cycle cost



# CHP Evaluation

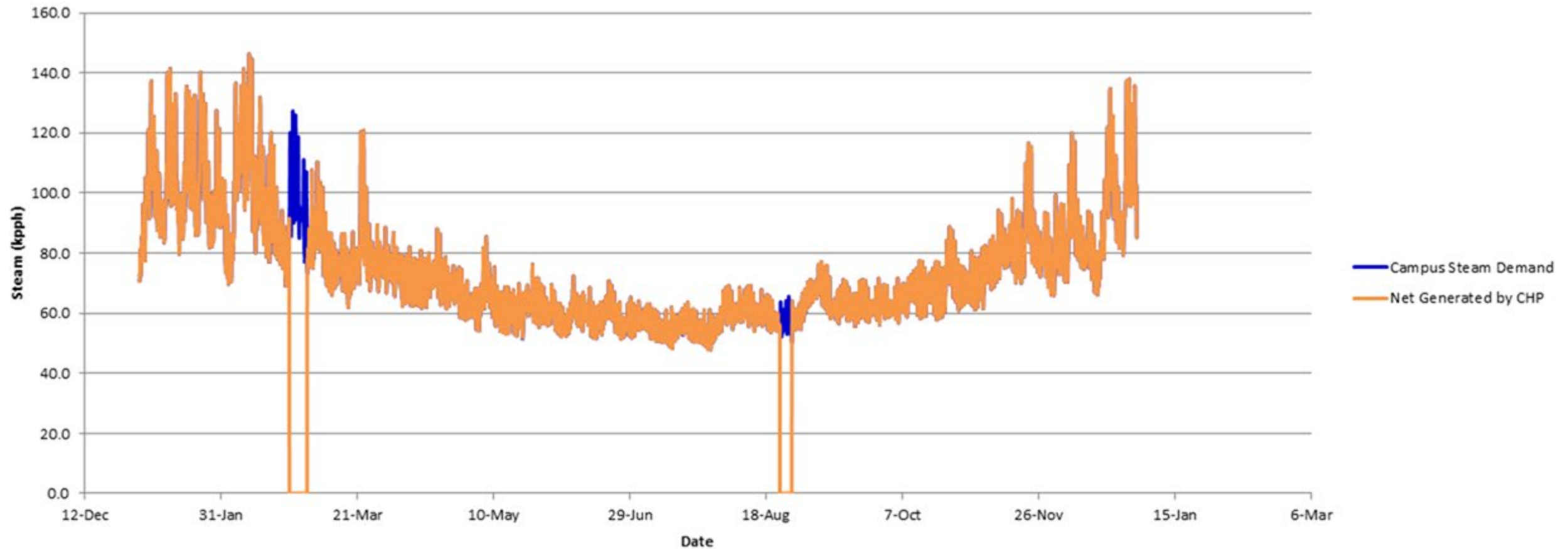
## Gainesville Substation kW Demand vs Generated (Future Loads)





# CHP Evaluation

## Total Steam Demand vs Generated (Current Loads)





# Thermal Distribution



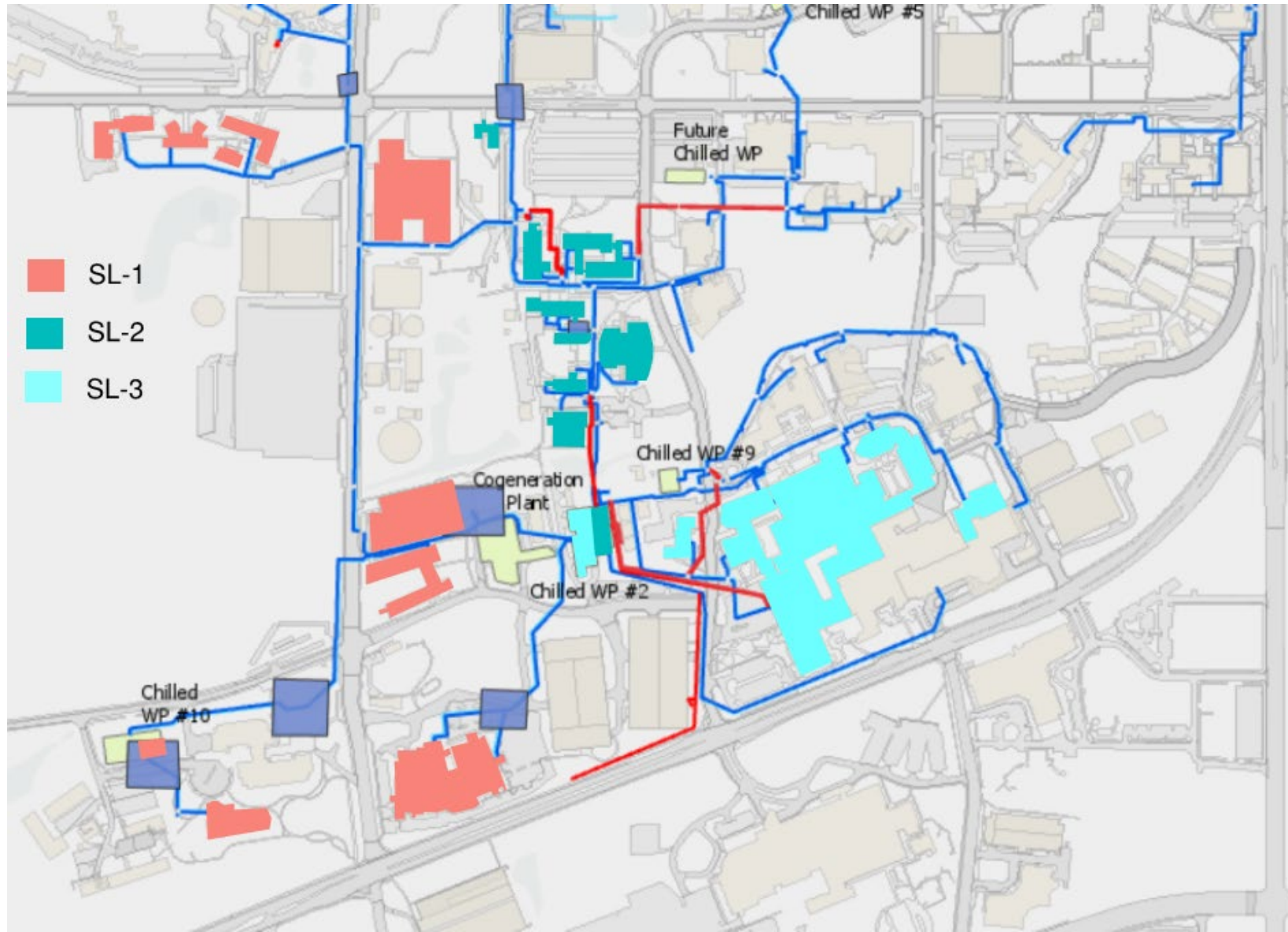


# Thermal Distribution





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# The Road to Rehabilitation

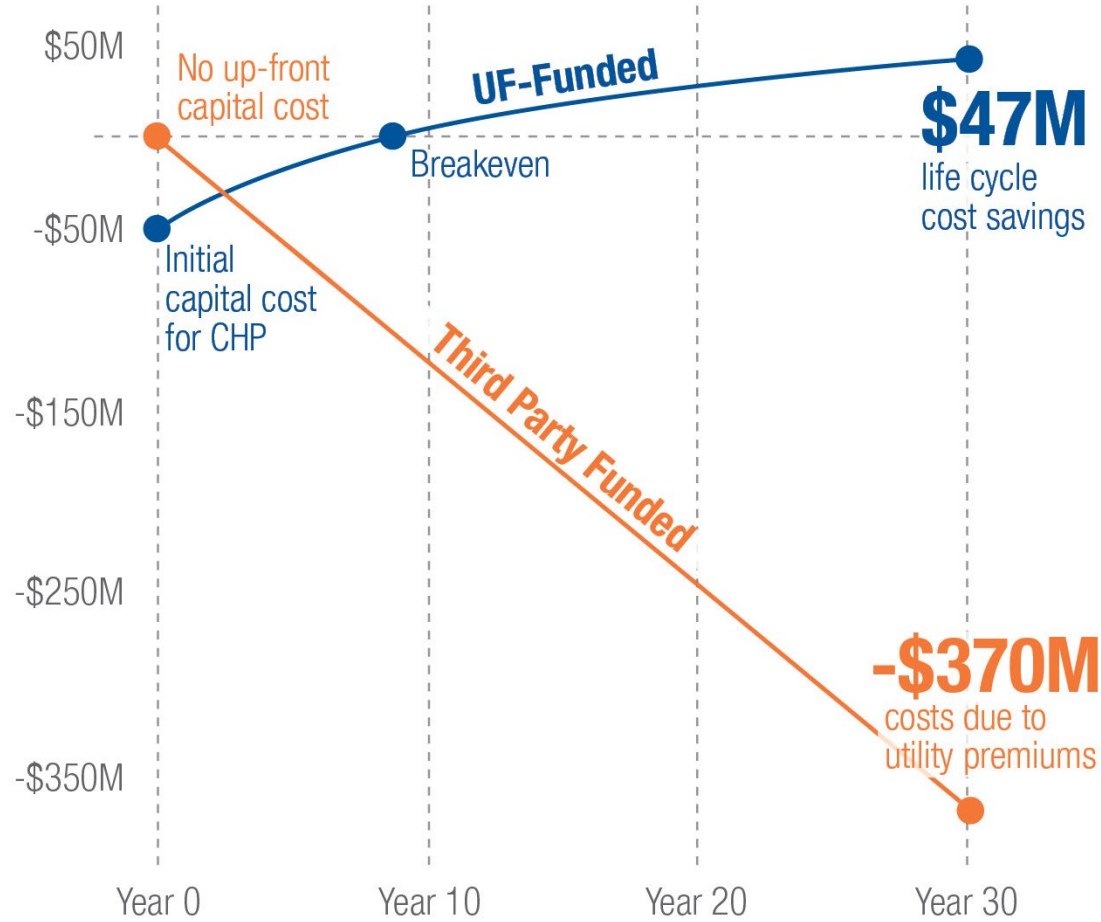
## ② Establishing a New Vision



# Establishing A New Vision

## Bond vs Third Party Finance

CHP COSTS VERSUS SAVINGS BY FUNDING TYPE



# **Establishing A New Vision**

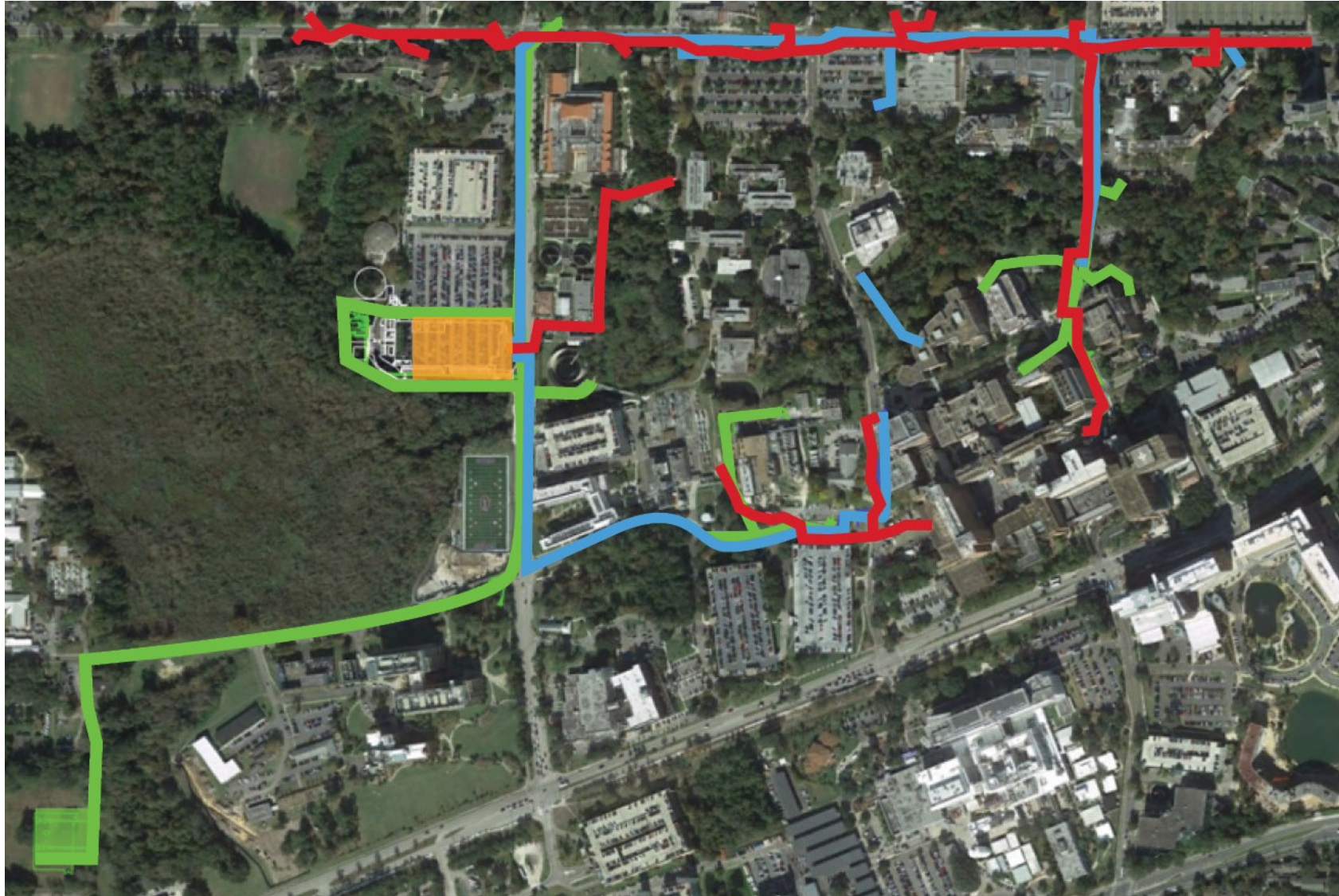
Leadership team with  
a vision to bring UF  
**into the future**

# The Road to Rehabilitation

③ An Ongoing Process



# An Ongoing Process





# Mowry Substation



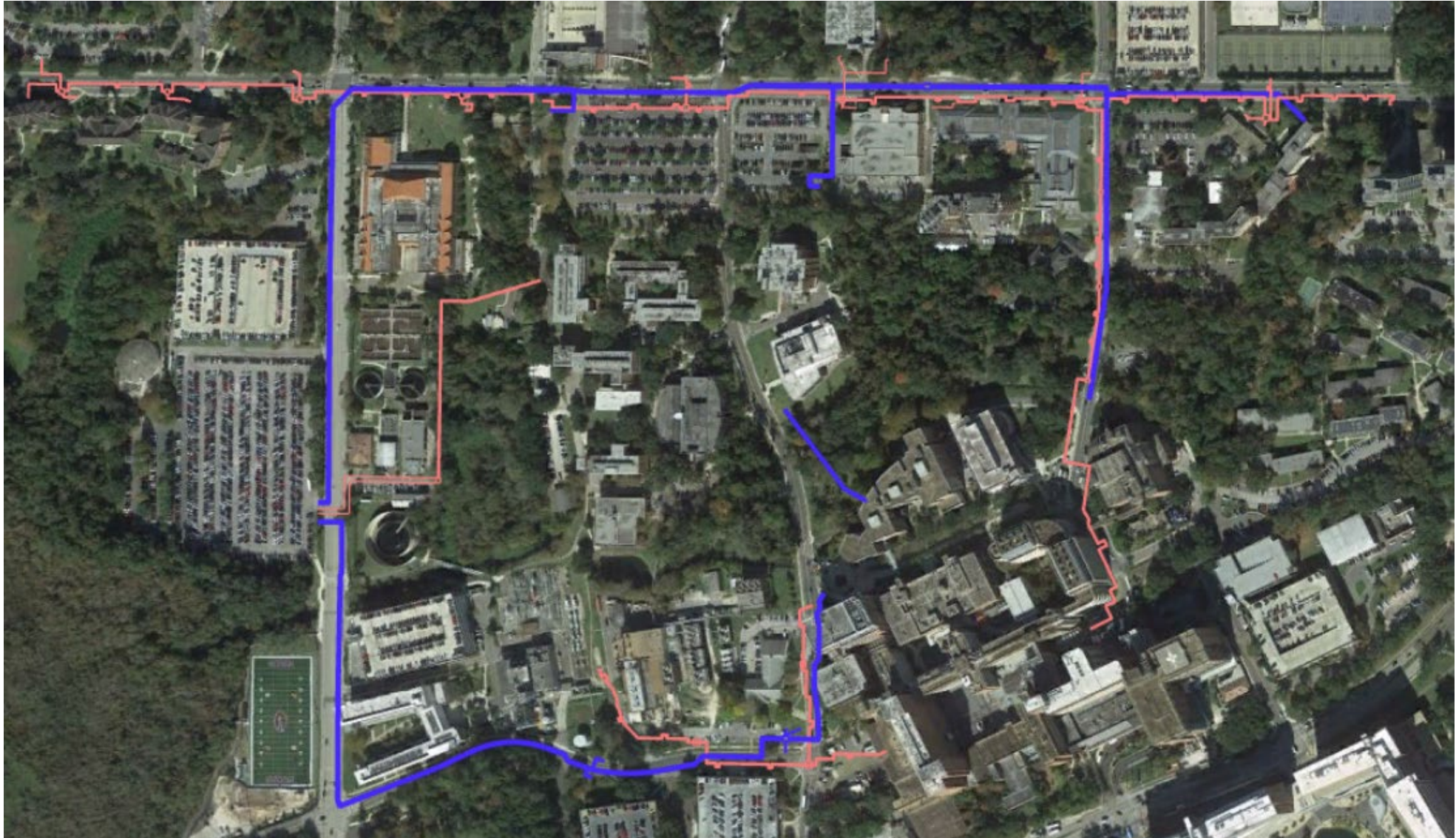
Three University owned  
transformers (transmission credit)

Fed from a new Duke Energy  
69kV ring bus

Cables route underground to three  
switchgear by the new central plant  
for campus distribution

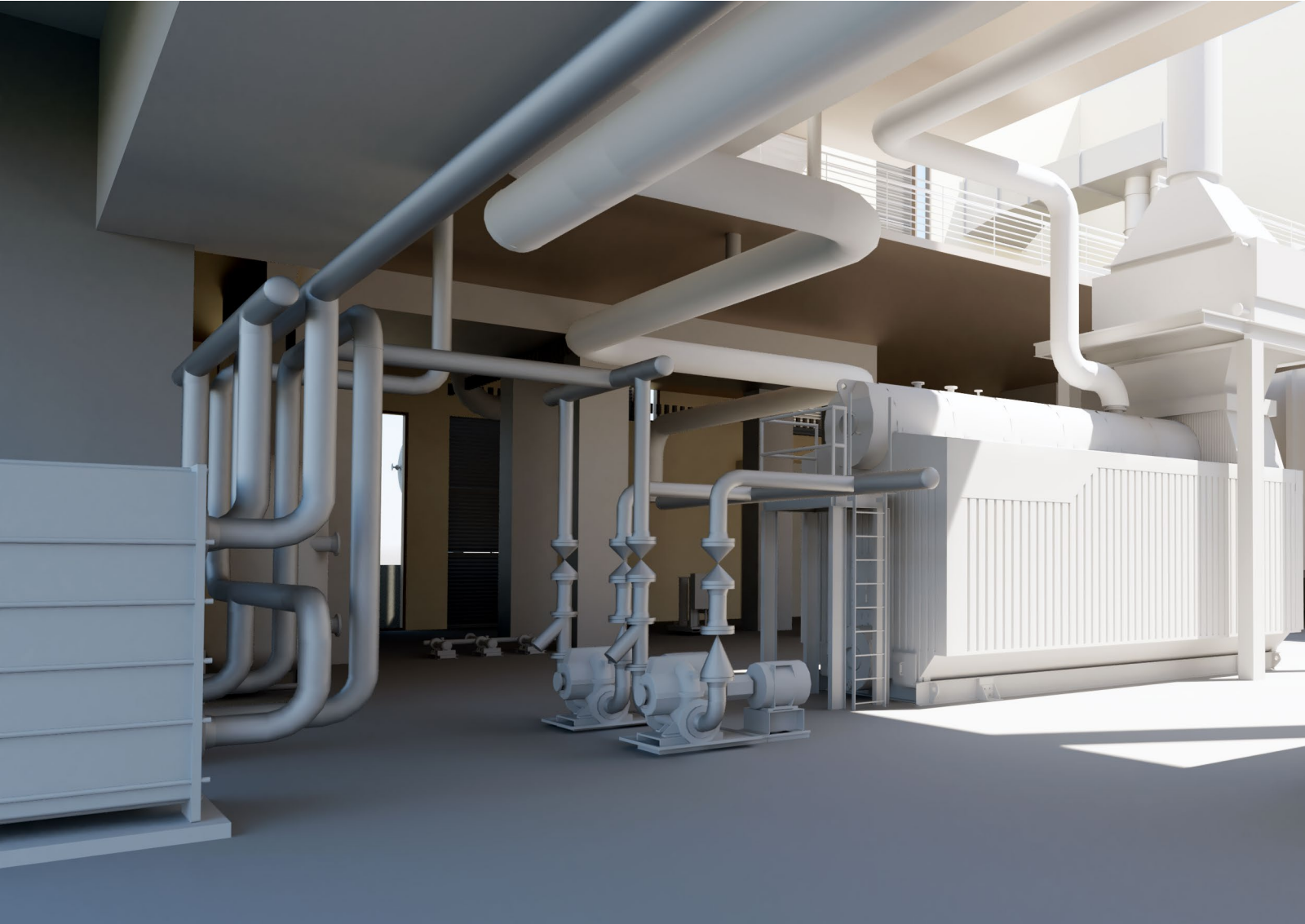


# Thermal Distribution Improvements





# Central Energy Plant



**36MW** combined  
cycle power plant

**25,000 tons**  
CHW with N+1

**31,425 SF**  
office space

# The Road to Rehabilitation

**4** UF's Energy Future



# UF's Energy Future

Sustainability

Resiliency

Reliability



# UF's Energy Future

Combined cycle plant **optimized** to campus loads

**Heat recovery** to provide campus steam

**\$8M+** annual utility savings

**83,000 tons CO<sub>2</sub>** avoided annually

**25%** total campus GHG reduction

# UF's Energy Future

Sustainability

Resiliency

Reliability

**\$250M**

in capital improvements  
to be completed in 2026



# Questions?

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