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Summer Preparedness 2026

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Executive Summary



I&M is prepared to meet the needs of our customers for the summer of 2026

- Increasing retail load year over year
- Adding 1,250 MW of natural gas, solar and wind generation
- Significantly improving reliability and resiliency
- Summer event response plans across all teams
- Communicating proactively on service impacts from grid conditions and weather
- Supporting customers with payment and energy assistance customer options



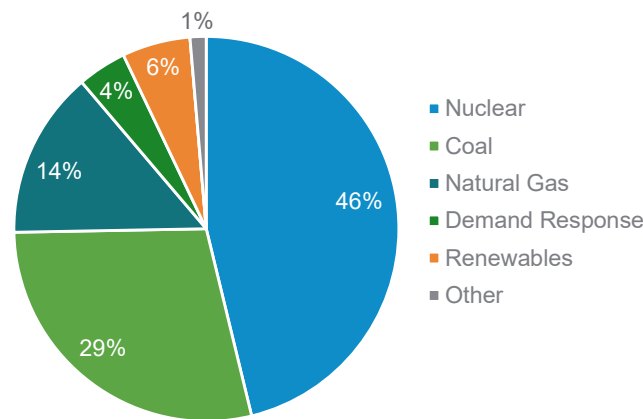
Indiana Michigan Power Generation Resources



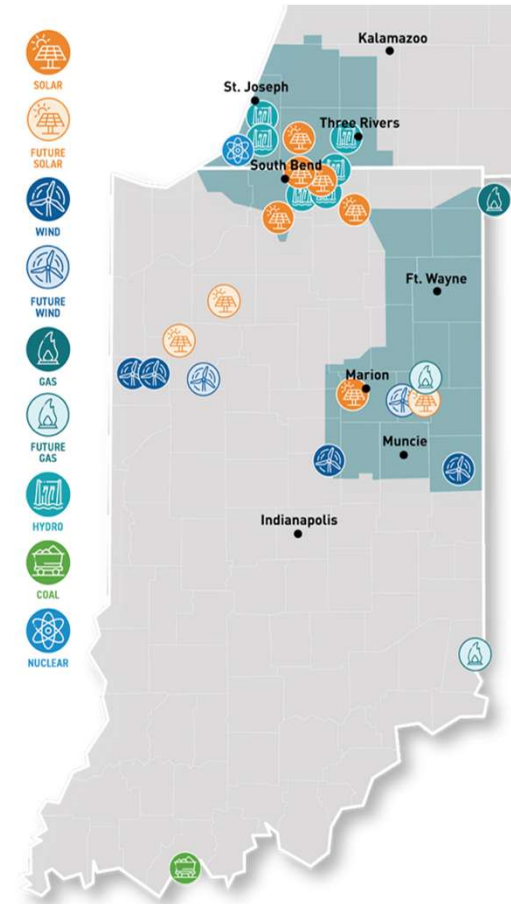
I&M has adequate generation to meet its customer load obligation this summer

- PJM 2026 load forecast* ~ 4,400 MW
- Over 90% of I&M's capacity requirement will be met by dispatchable resources
 - D.C. Cook Nuclear Plant
 - Rockport Unit 1
 - Oregon Clean Energy Center
- Demand Response accounts for ~ 190 MW of summer capacity
- Wind, solar and run of the river hydro account for ~ 260 MW of accredited capacity

I&M Summer UCAP



Resource	2026 UCAP (MW)
Nuclear	2,098
Coal	1,293
Natural Gas	639
Demand Response	187
Renewables	260
Other	62
TOTAL	4,539



* Prior to PJM Forecasted Pool Requirement

Summer 2026 Preparation: Non-Nuclear Generation



Rockport:

- Unit 1 spring outage completed April 13, 2026
- No major unit liabilities identified for peak summer season
- Fuel and materials secured for summer operations

Oregon Clean Energy Center:

- Took ownership on March 2, 2026
- Spring outage scheduled to be complete on May 19, 2026
- No major unit liabilities identified for peak summer season
- Firm transportation, fuel supply contracts, and material secured for summer operations

Other Generation Resources:

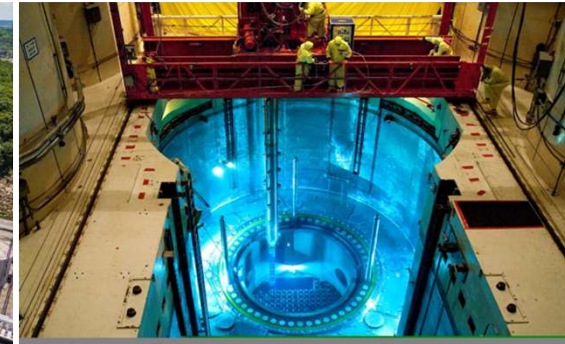
- Solar, wind, and hydro expected to be available for summer season



Summer 2026 Preparation: Nuclear Generation

Cook Nuclear:

- Unit 2 outage completed Oct 2025, Unit 1 upcoming outage scheduled for fall 2026
- Adequate fuel supply has been secured and committed through 2029
- Lake Michigan water level and temperature continue to follow normal historical trends and are adequate for all modes of operation
- Seasonal readiness and operating procedures are in effect to ensure equipment reliability and risk-based response to grid challenges.



Winter Storm Fern Response

Takeaways

The proactive steps I&M and PJM took to prepare for and actively manage the risk of extreme weather and high load conditions were effective

1. PJM initiated alerts, maintenance outage recalls, and conservation requests days ahead of the expected event
2. Enhanced natural gas procurement procedures were implemented
3. AEP and I&M utilized robust internal and customer communications prior to and throughout the event
4. Improved communication occurred between PJM, Generation and Transmission owners
5. I&M proactively and regularly communicated with emergency demand response customers for preparedness



Summer 2026 Preparation: ~45% Reliability Improvement Since 2021

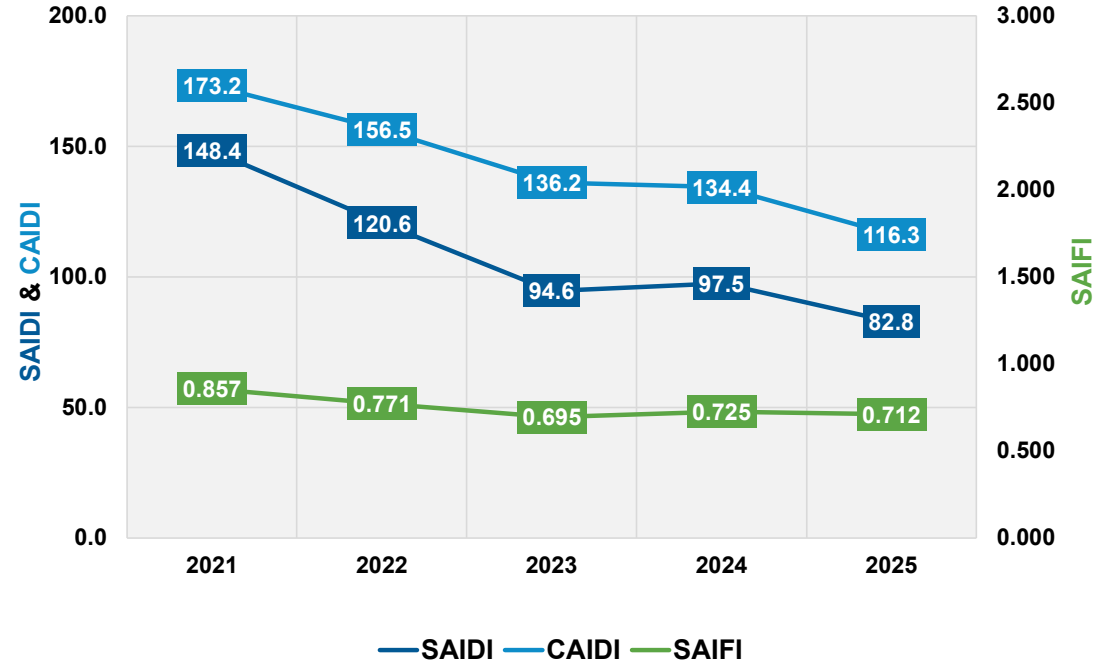


Key Drivers:

- **Improved Outage Response**
 - Outages recovered 30% quicker
 - Strengthened restoration processes
 - Enhanced emergency response
- **Robust System Maintenance**
 - Four-year tree trimming cycle completed
 - Tree SAIDI improved by 54%
 - Proactive inspections & repairs
 - Annual breaker zone inspections
- **Infrastructure Renewal & Modernization**
 - System upgrades
 - Automated metering insights
 - Distribution automation strengthens grid resilience

Indiana SAIDI, CAIDI, & SAIFI

excludes Major Events



Distribution Summer Preparation and Response

Annual Preparedness

- Regular meetings with Regional Mutual Assistance Group (RMAG) to review issues
- I&M Incident Command System (ICS) is regularly updated with back-ups to ensure coverage
- Tabletop exercise and full functional drill conducted to ensure storm readiness
- A mock Load Shed drill is being planned in June of 2026
- Commission Staff members are invited to our mock drills

Days Ahead

- Meteorology alerts I&M about upcoming severe weather
- Mutual Assistance schedules a meeting to review
- I&M Leadership reviews forecast
- If triggers are hit, WeatherReady communications begin to customers
- Crews are put on alert
- Mutual Assistance is contacted with projected needs
- ICS Logistics and Planning sections prepare to mobilize resources
- Stage crews if eminent threat is probable

Event Response

- ICS begins managing restoration efforts
- Begin hazard assessment and damage assessment as a first response
- Utilize AMI and other grid technologies to confirm outages and provide intelligence
- Operations initiates active restoration based on Planning data
- Customers are updated via social media and mobile alert application
- High heat weather adjustments:
 - Prioritize cooling stations
 - Pairing Servicers (safety and service)

Customer and Community Engagement



Communication:

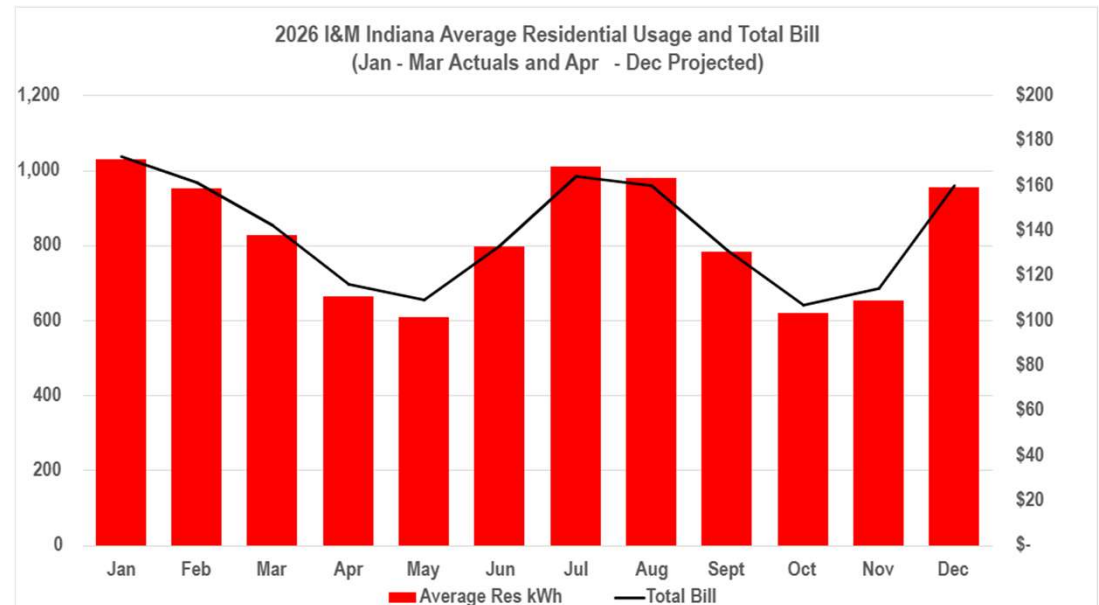
- Proactive monitoring and outreach for customers with significant usage increases
- 1:1 Virtual appointments with I&M customer service
- Weather specific safety messages

Education:

- “Understanding Your Bill” webinars
- Bill Support Center web pages
- Short “explainer” videos for common questions
- Energy efficiency tips and programs to help reduce use

Assistance:

- Flexible payment arrangements and plans
- HEA 1002 Implementation (levelized billing & disconnect moratoriums)
- Assistance programs



Questions

