Don’t lose sight of the central issue ... CT’s electrical distribution system is shockingly fragile!!!

Most of the state did not experience winds above 40 MPH. The resulting damage suggests that a 100 MPH hurricane (which is not unlikely) would require a total system rebuild.

There needs to be a long-term program to **harden** the network... vulnerable facilities migrated progressively underground, distributed power, network modularity, core asset redundancy, pad-mounted transformers, introduction of concrete poles, more stringent trim trimming and removal and a multi-step plan with incentives for the utilities for achieving goals. Modest but steady investment would make this achievement practical over a period of a few years.

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