



Renewable Energy Status Update

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California's Energy Goals

- GHG Emissions Reduction (AB 32)
- Energy Security & Reliability
- Job Creation & Economic Growth



Assembly Bill 32, The California Global Warming Solutions Act of 2006

- AB 32 (2006) - landmark legislation requiring California to reduce its greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions to 1990 levels by 2020
 - Executive Order S-3-05 set a goal to reduce GHG emissions 80% by 2050.
- AB 32 directs the California Air Resources Board (ARB) to establish a comprehensive program of regulatory/market mechanisms to achieve real, quantifiable, cost-effective reductions of GHG.
- ARB is responsible for monitoring and reducing GHG emissions; Energy Commission plays a key role in helping the state meet its greenhouse gas emission goals.
- In December 2008, ARB adopted the "Scoping Plan" -- California's policy blueprint containing the broad overview of programs, measures, and approaches to achieve the required GHG emission reductions.

Renewables and distributed generation are key elements of the ARB AB 32 Scoping Plan.



Distributed Generation Roadmap

- What renewable energy power projects are counted toward the Governor's goal?
- How much generation is already operating, pending or authorized?
- How should the remainder of the Governor's 12,000 MW goal be achieved?
- How do we make expansion local renewable energy more efficient, effective and equitable?

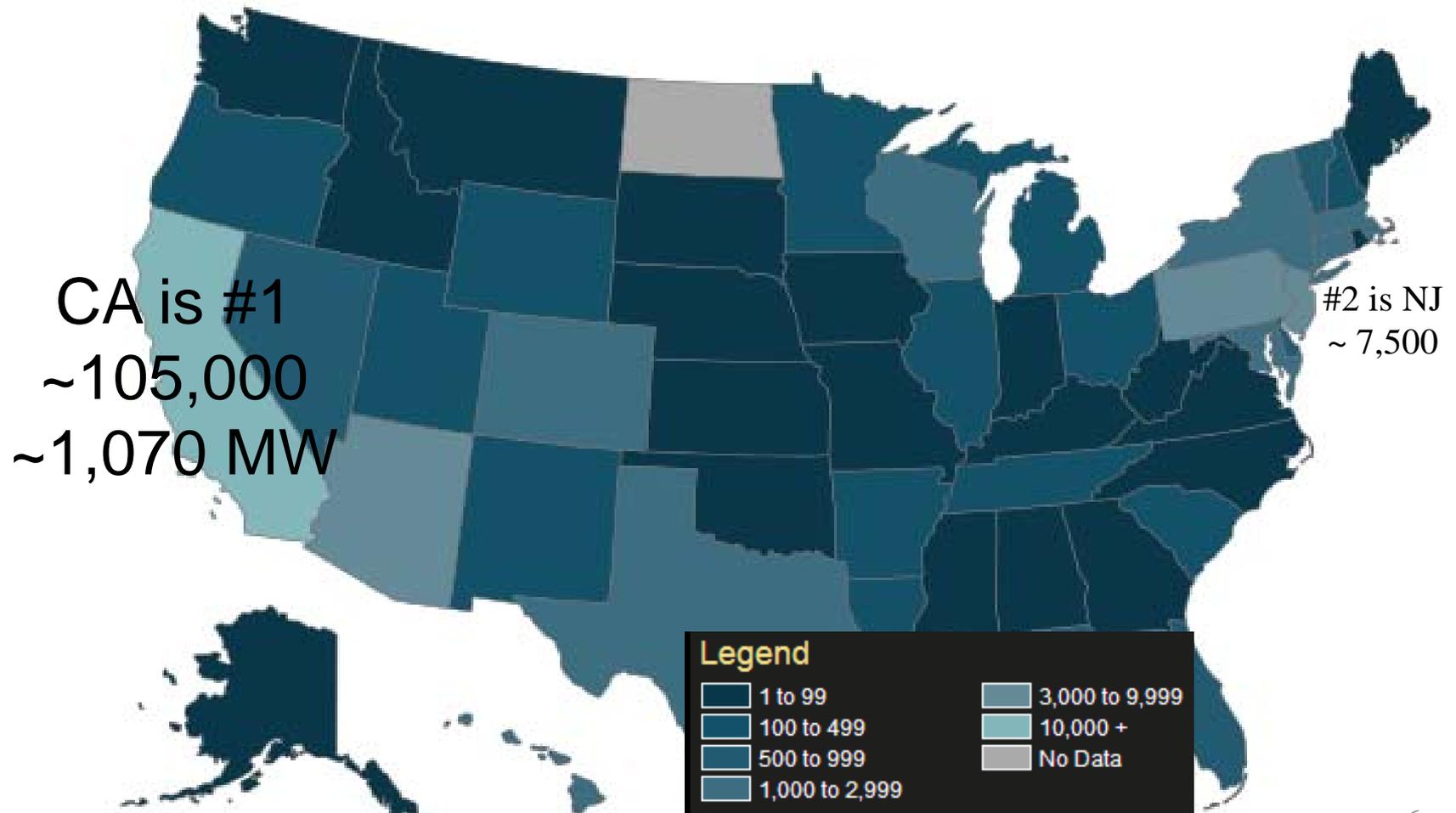


Definition of Distributed Generation

- Fuels and technologies accepted as renewable for purposes of Renewable Portfolio Standard
- Sized up to 20 MW
- Located within low-voltage distribution grid or supply power directly to consumer



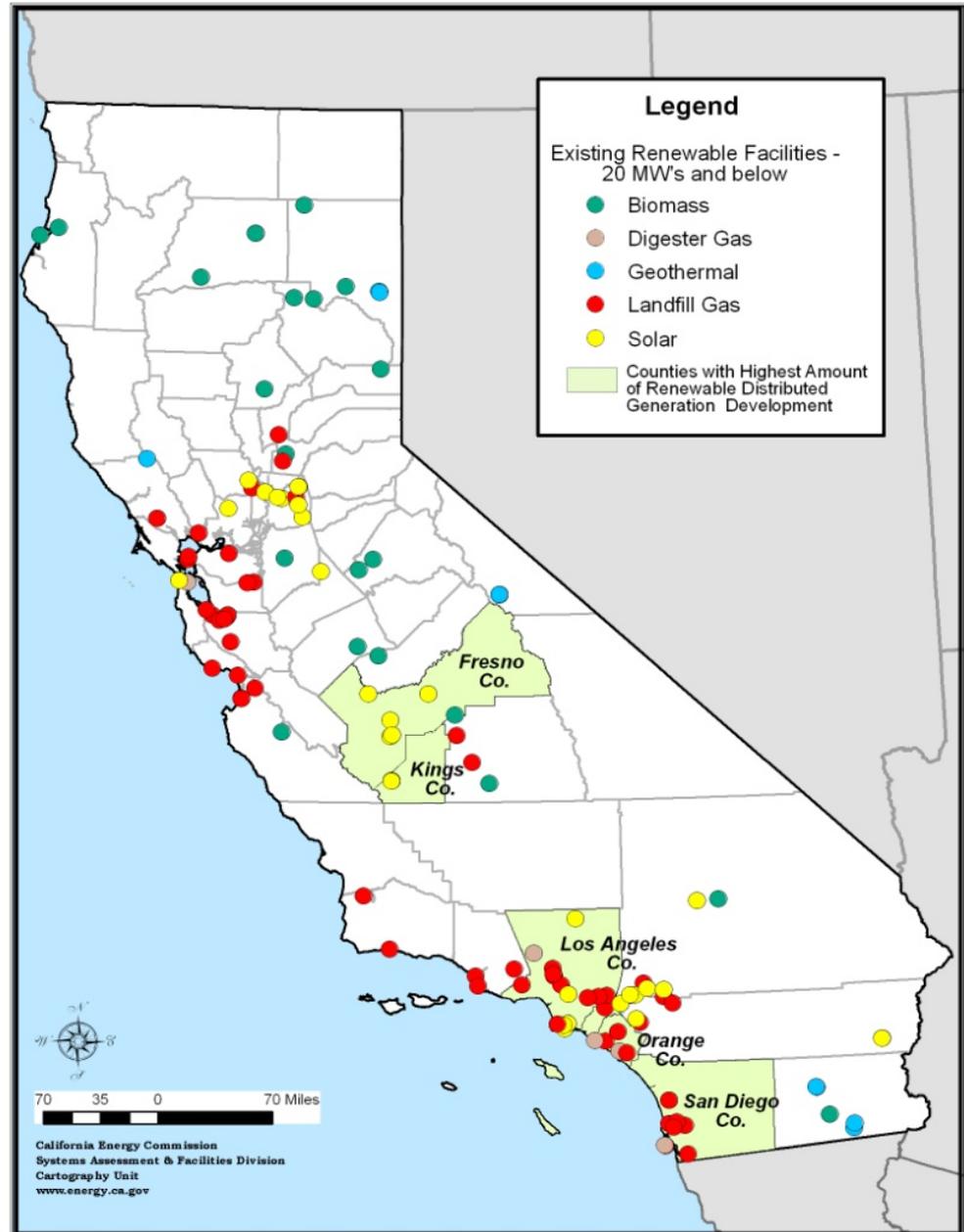
Number of PV Installations by State



Source: <http://openpv.nrel.gov/rankings>

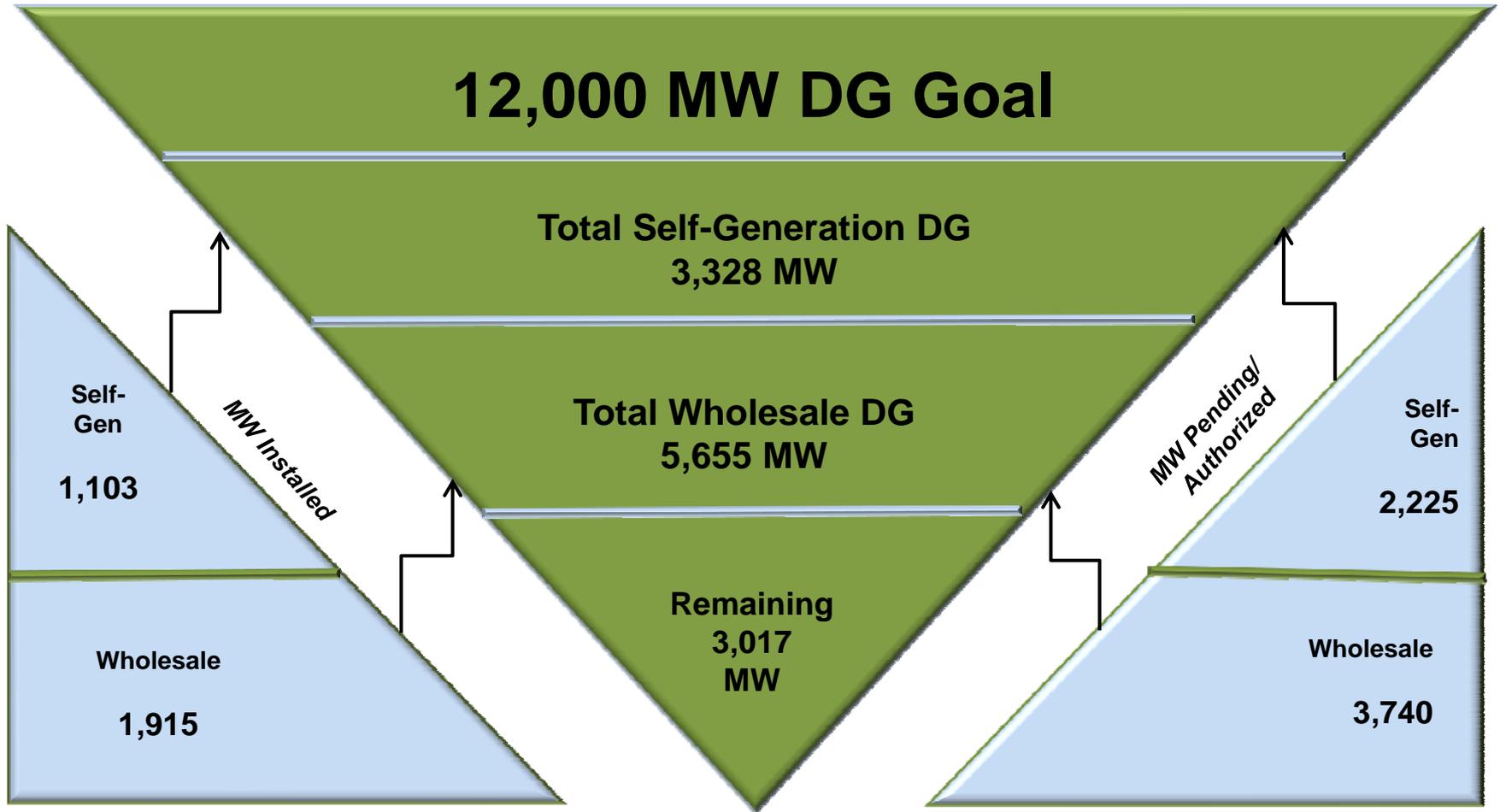


Wholesale
Distributed
Renewable
Capacity in CA
is ~1,900 MW





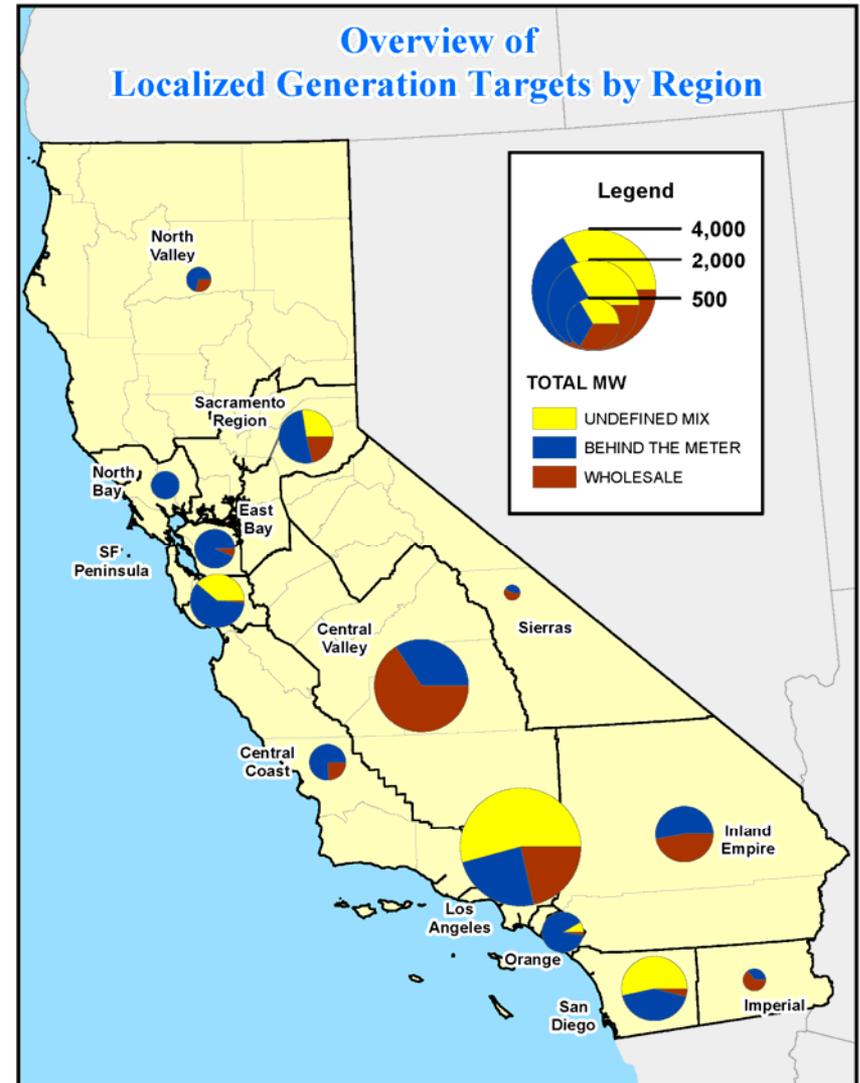
DG Progress





DG Regional “soft” Targets

- Localized Electricity Generation Allocated by Region and Type:
 - Wholesale
 - Behind the Meter
 - Undefined Mix
- Technology Neutral
- Plan to update annually to biannually





Major Renewable Energy Projects Permitted in 2010

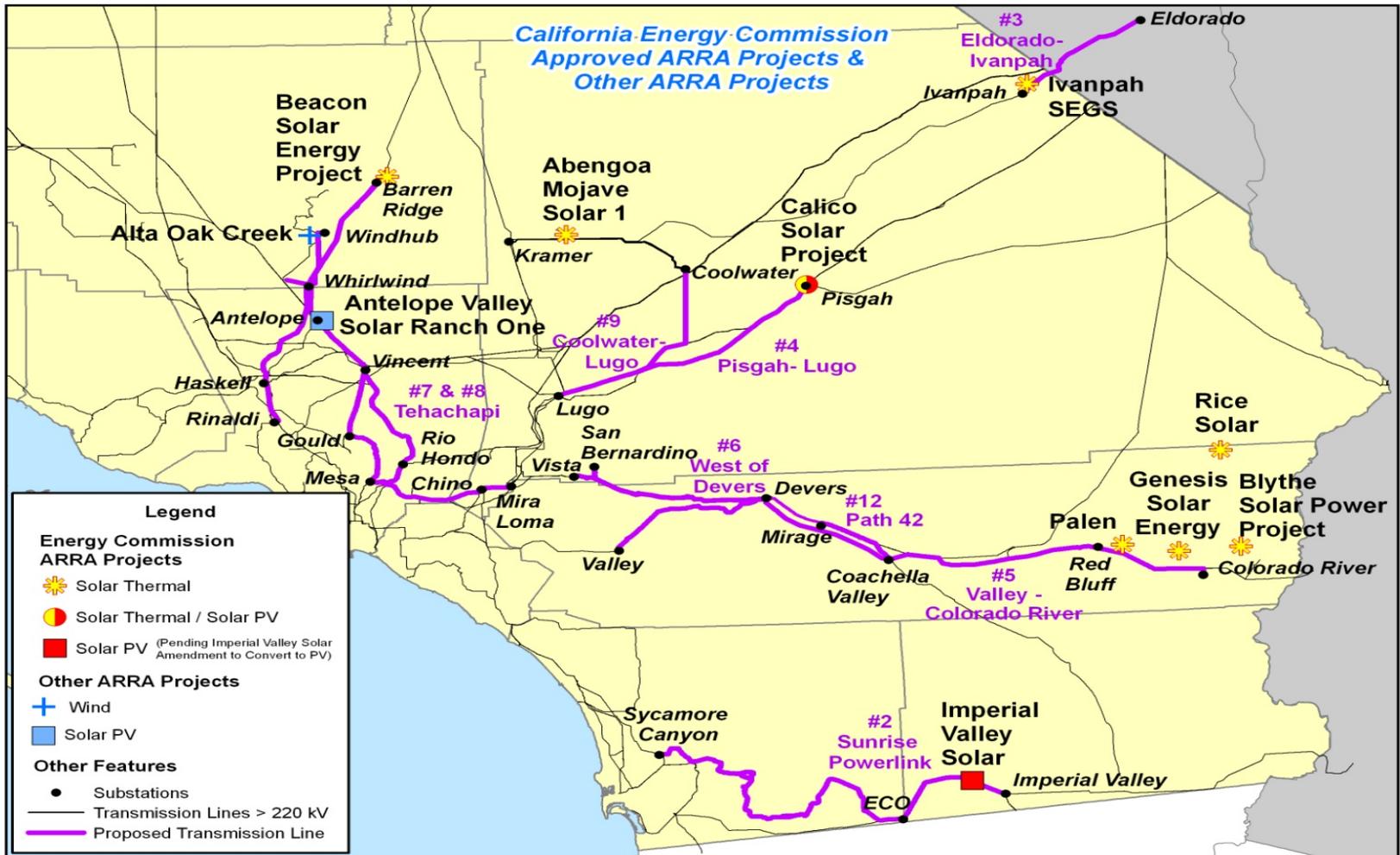
Project	Capacity (MW)	Jobs	Substation or Transmission Line Interconnect	Current On-line Date (Transmission)	Capital Cost
Abengoa #	250	1200 construction 70 permanent	Coolwater-Kramer 230kv line and new Coolwater-Lugo 230 kV line	2017	\$1.2 billion
Beacon*	250	850 construction 70 permanent	Barren Ridge 230 kV Substation	2/1/2012	\$1 billion
Blythe*	1000	1,000 construction 300 permanent	Colorado River Substation and West of Devers Upgrade	2013; 2017	\$4 billion
Calico*	663	400 construction 140 permanent	Pisgah Substation and Pisgah -Lugo upgrade	2017	Not available
Genesis #	250	1,000 construction 50 permanent	Colorado River Substation and West of Devers Upgrade	2013; 2017	\$1 billion
Imperial Valley*	709	400 construction 240 permanent	Imperial Valley Substation		Not available
Ivanpah #	370	1,000 construction 100 permanent	Loop new sub connecting to Eldorado-Mtn Pass 115kV line; Ivanpah Substation 230kV; El Dorado – Ivanpah Transmission Project	6/30/2010 6/30/2012 2013	\$1.1 billion
Palen*	500	900 construction 170 permanent	Red Bluff Substation and West of Devers Upgrade	7/1/2013; 2017	\$2 billion
Rice	150	300 construction 50 permanent	Plan to interconnect into WAPA sub.	No CAISO upgrades needed	\$850 million
Alta (Oak Creek) #	800	50 permanent	Whirlwind Substation 230kV	2012	\$600 million
AV Solar Ranch One #	245	400 construction 20 permanent	Tehachapi Conceptual Substation #1	Unavailable	Not available
Total	5,200	7,450 construction jobs 1,260 permanent jobs			

*Converting to PV or have announced an intention to convert.

Project has already begun construction



ARRA Projects & Proposed Transmission Upgrades





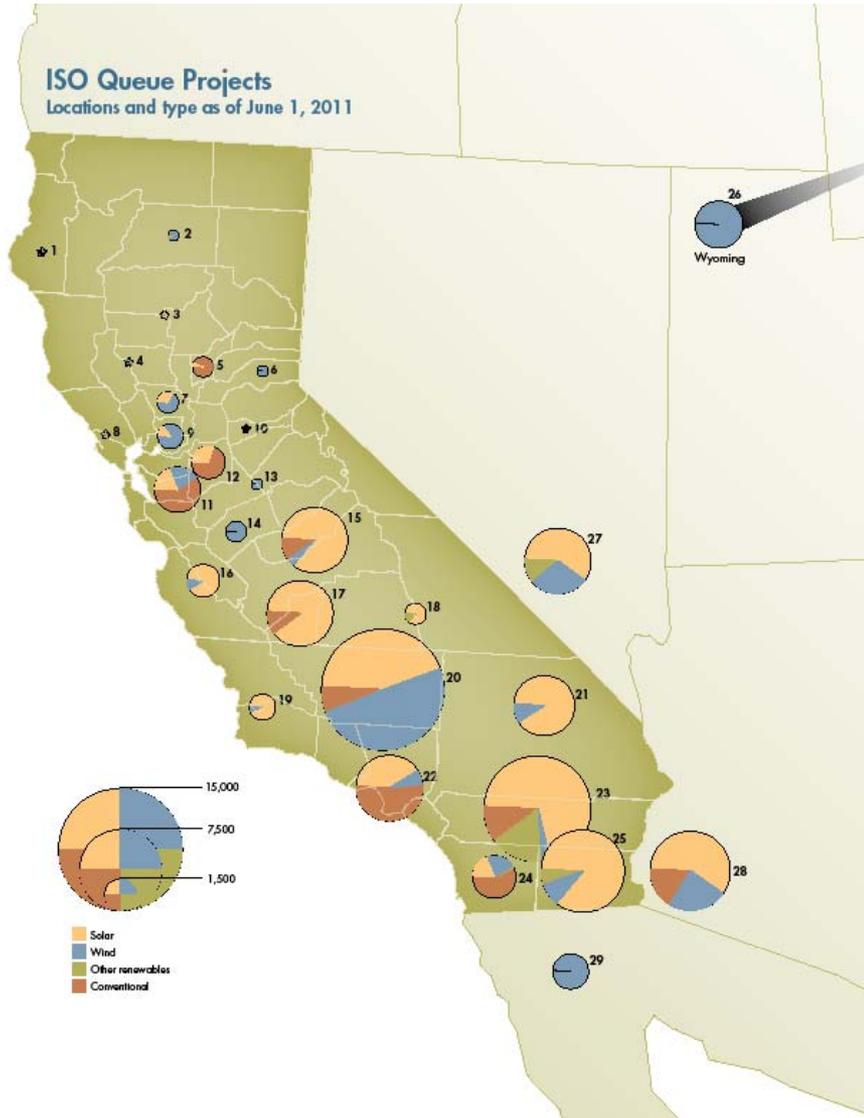
Transmission underway to meet 33% RPS in 2020



Transmission upgrade	Approval status		Renewable Potential		Online
	ISO	CPUC	MW	TWh/Yr	
1 Carrizo-Midway	Pending LGIA	Not yet filed	900	2.1	2012
2 Sunrise Powerlink	Approved	Approved	1,700	4.1	2012
3 Eldorado-Ivanpah	LGIA	Approved	1,400	3.6	2013
4 Pisgah-Lugo	LGIA	Not yet filed**	1,750	4.1	2017
5 Valley-CO River	Approved	Approved*	4,700	8.6	2013
6 West of Devers	LGIA	Not yet filed			2017
7 Tehachapi	Approved	Approved	4,500	15.2	2015
8 Tehachapi Wind/Solar Diversity	N/A	N/A	1,000	3.0	2015
9 Cool Water-Lugo	Pending LGIA	Not yet filed	600	1.4	2018
10 South Contra Costa	LGIA	Not yet filed	300	0.8	2015
11 Borden-Gregg	LGIA	Not yet filed	800	2.0	2015
12 Path 42	Pending approval	Not yet filed	1,400	3.5	2015
Other-Outside of ISO Grid	N/A	N/A	3,300	8.4	
Total			22,350	56.8	
TWh/year needed in ISO area to meet 33% goal: 44					



ISO Queue Projects



Interconnection queue by county

County	Number of Projects	Renewables MW	Conventional MW	Total MW
1 Humboldt	1	50		50
2 Shasta	2	165		165
3 Butte, Glenn, Tehama	5	122		122
4 Lake, Colusa	1	66		66
5 Sutter, Yuba	2	20	600	600
6 Placer	1	220		220
7 Yolo	5	587		587
8 Marin, Sonoma	3	92		10
9 Solano	11	908		908
10 Amador	1	18		18
11 Alameda, Contra Costa Santa Clara	16	1,110	1,698	2,808
12 San Joaquin	11	325	1,020	1,345
13 Stanislaus, Tuolumne	5	202		202
14 Merced	7	612		612
15 Fresno, Madera	79	4,474	594	5,067
16 Monterey, San Benito	4	1,550		1,550
17 Kings	38	4,614	625	5,239
18 Inyo, Tulare	13	625		625
19 San Luis Obispo, Santa Barbara	6	896		896
20 Kern	109	13,802	1,100	14,902
21 San Bernardino	21	4,395		4,395
22 Los Angeles, Orange	50	2,390	2,650	5,040
23 Riverside	34	10,667	1,420	12,087
24 San Diego	29	1,094	1,453	2,545
25 Imperial	27	7,683		7,683
In-state Totals	481	56,787	11,159	67,947
26 Wyoming	1	3,000		3,000
27 Nevada	18	5,252		5,252
28 Arizona, New Mexico	10	1,094	1,250	7,128
29 Mexico	3	1,628		1,628
Out-of-state Totals	33	10,974	1,250	12,224
TOTAL ALL PROJECTS	514	67,761	12,409	84,955

as of 06/01/2011



Job Creation & Economic Growth

POU Fiscal Year	Expenditures for Energy Efficiency Programs (millions \$)	Job-Years
2007-08	103.9	1,950
2008-09	146.1	2,750
2009-10	123.4	2,350

Table 1: Preliminary estimates of job-year creation from publicly owned utility expenditures on energy efficiency programs(CA Clean Energy Future Metrics)

	Job-years created 2010	Cumulative job-years created 2011-2020
Investor-Owned Utility Programs	36,150	361,500
Publicly-Owned Utility Programs	2350	23,500
Total Estimated Job Creation	35,500	385,000

Table 2: Preliminary estimates of job-year creation from publicly owned and investor-owned utility expenditures on demand-side programs (CA Clean Energy Future Metrics)



Renewables & Economic Growth

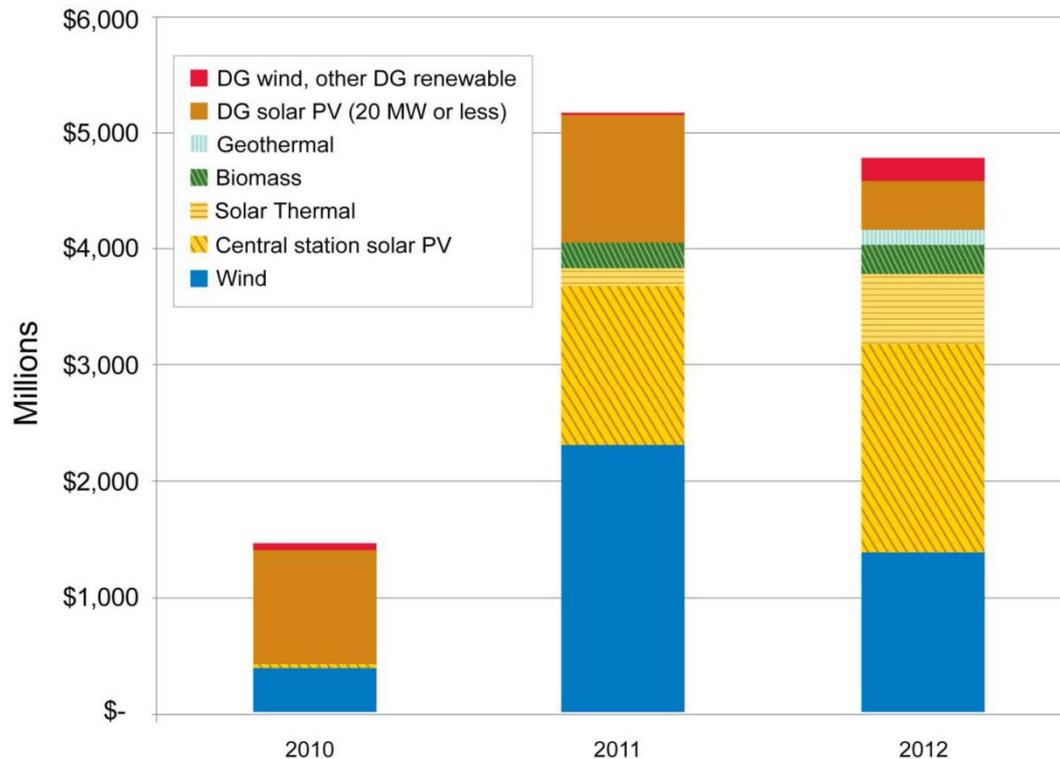


Table: Preliminary estimate of private investment in CA renewable energy facility (central station and distributed generation) for 2010-12 (CA Clean Energy Future Metrics)

- In Governor Brown's Clean Energy Jobs Plan, investments in renewable energy are central elements in rebuilding California's economy.
- Despite the economic downturn, significant investments are being made in developing clean energy in California.



2011 Integrated Energy Policy Report (IEPR) Highlights

- Energy supply/demand forecasts – electricity, natural gas, transportation fuels
- Siting Lessons Learned Proceeding
- Electricity infrastructure analysis
- Natural gas prices/market trends
- Energy efficiency
- Renewables status and issues
- Bioenergy
- Interagency coordination
- Research and development
- California's nuclear plants



2011 IEPR Electricity Infrastructure Issues

- Achieving energy efficiency goals
- Increasing distributed generation
- Addressing barriers to renewable development
- Improving power plant and transmission permitting processes
- Renewable integration
- Potential retirement of aging and OTC plants
- Nuclear reliability



2011 Natural Gas Infrastructure Issues

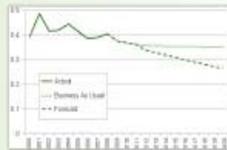
- Safety and reliability of California's natural gas pipelines
 - CPUC staff report with findings and recommendations
 - Energy Commission monitoring potential impacts on natural gas customers
 - PIER funding for natural gas safety research

Progress

The vision of a clean energy future requires achievement in many key areas. Each of the 16 metrics shown below provides an understanding of the goals and progress being made in each integral part of this comprehensive effort (see greater detail by clicking on the thumbnail for each metric). These interdependent activities can be tracked from several perspectives and in relation to established milestones. [Click here](#) for a PDF document containing all 16 of the metric reports.

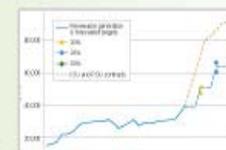
Greenhouse Gas

The 2020 forecast of greenhouse gas emissions is important for tracking California's progress towards the goal of reducing statewide emissions.



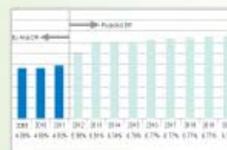
Renewable Energy

Investor Owned Utility and Publicly Owned Utility contracts could meet 33 percent renewable energy by 2020. Some projects may not be viable.



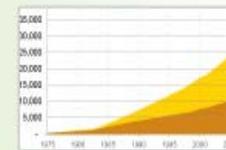
Demand Response

Demand Response supports efficient use of the grid by reducing or shifting energy consumption. This decreases costs and lessens impact on the environment.



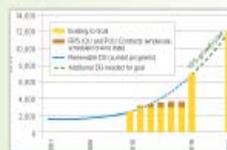
Energy Efficiency

Statewide savings from appliance standards are expected to provide an increasing proportion of energy efficiency savings through 2020.



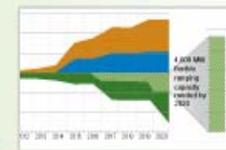
Distributed Generation

Current programs, if fully subscribed, could achieve about 6,000 MW. After that, an annual growth rate of about 19 percent would be needed between 2016 and 2020.



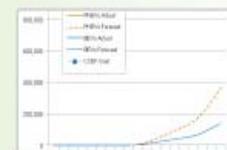
Resource Flexibility

The Resource Flexibility Metric shows needed generating capabilities beyond simple energy requirements, especially considering the OTC resources being phased out.



Electric Vehicles

California's Zero Emission Vehicle (ZEV) program will play a critical role in meeting California's air quality and greenhouse gas reduction goals for 2020.



Transmission Expansion

The ISO has identified and approved the transmission projects that provide sufficient capacity to enable the state to achieve the 33 percent renewables target by 2020.



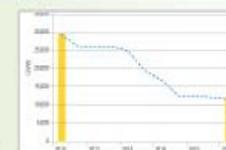
OTC Phase Out

Generators must eliminate or mitigate use of coastal or estuarine waters for once-through cooling (OTC) on a schedule established by State Water Control Resources Board.



Energy from Coal

By 2020, electricity used in California from coal and petroleum coke is expected to decline 60 percent from 2010.





2012 IEPR Update – Limited Scope

- Electricity and natural gas demand forecast 2012-2022
- Natural Gas assessment – natural gas market trends
- Electricity infrastructure assessment (especially in the South Coast Air Quality Management District)
 - Including CHP and nuclear
- Renewable Strategic Plan



2012 Renewable Focus

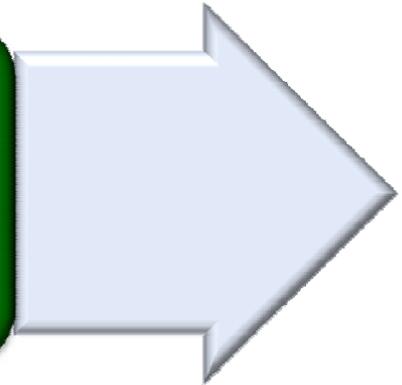
1. Identify and prioritize geographic areas in the state for both renewable utility-scale and distributed generation development
2. Evaluate the cost of renewable energy projects beyond technology costs – including costs associated with integration, permitting, and interconnection – and their impact on retail electricity rates.
3. Develop a strategy that minimizes interconnection costs and time, and also minimizes integration costs and requirements at the distribution level and the transmission level and that strives for cost
4. Promote incentives for renewable technologies and development projects that create in-state jobs and support in-state industries, including manufacturing and construction.
5. Promote and coordinate existing state and federal financing and incentive programs for critical stages including research, development, and demonstration



Renewables - Senate Bill X 1 2 (Simitian): Codified 33% RPS by 2020 in April 2011

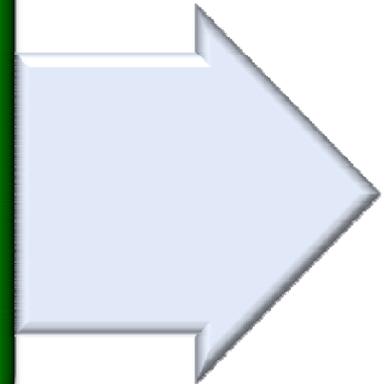
Retail sellers and POUs to adopt RPS goals of

- an average of 20% by December 31, 2013
- 25% by December 31, 2016
- 33% by December 31, 2020



RECs fall into one of 3 buckets and have the following limitations:

- Interconnected to a CA Balancing Authority or dynamically transferred (no less than 50% by 2013; 65% by 2016; and 75% after 2016)
- Firmed and shaped
- All other RECs including Unbundled RECs (no more than 25% by 2013; 15% by 2016; and 10% after 2016)





RPS Enforcement Roles for Energy Commission, Publicly Owned Utilities, and ARB – SB X1-2

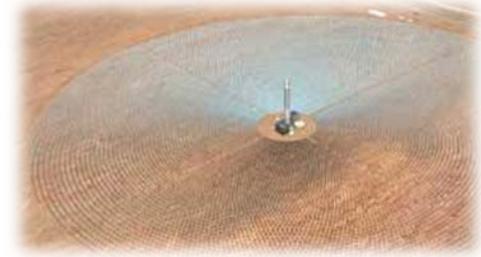
- SB X1-2 directs the Energy Commission to adopt regulations specifying procedures for enforcement of the 33% RPS for Publicly Owned Utilities (POUs).
- Requires the Energy Commission to certify and verify eligible renewable energy resources procured by POUs and to monitor their compliance with the RPS. The Energy Commission will continue to certify and verify RPS procurements by retail sellers.
 - The Energy Commission refers the failure of a POU to comply to the Air Resources Board. The ARB may impose penalties.
- Energy Commission must provide a report to the legislature by June 30, 2011*, analyzing run-of-river hydroelectric generating facilities in British Columbia, including whether these facilities are, or should be, included as eligible renewable energy resources.

* Simitian has authored clean up language, SB 32 that, would extend the report deadline to June 30, 2012.



Moving Forward

- POU RPS Regulations and Guidebook
- SB 1368 Emissions Performance Standard
- IEPR 2012 Update
- Title 24 Standards Update
- AB 758 Comprehensive EE Program for Existing Buildings
- Streamlining Reporting Requirements



Any Questions?

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