# ACHIEVING 100% RENEWABLE ENERGY IN LOS ANGELES



# LA100 & Green Hydrogen

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## LADWP's Resource Stack (2023)



3,800 MW Natural Gas



2,000 MW Hydro



1,200 MW Coal



380 MW Nuclear



1,730 MW Solar

Total Capacity: 10,814 MW

(All Time Peak: 6,502 MW)



20 MW Battery Storage



1,330 MW Wind



340 MW Geo, 14 MW Biomass



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LA City Council motions directed LADWP to evaluate:

- What are the **pathways and costs to achieve a 100% renewable electricity supply** while electrifying key end uses and maintaining the current high degree of
- What are the potential benefits to the environment and
- How might **local jobs** and the **economy** change?



How can communities shape these changes to prioritize environmental justice?

## LA100: How can LADWP reach 100 carbon free?

Each Scenario Evaluated Under Different Customer Demand Projections (different levels of energy efficiency, electrification, and demand response)



#### SB100

Evaluated under Moderate, High, and Stress Load Electrification

- 100% clean energy by 2045
- Only scenario with a target based on retail sales, not generation
- Only scenario that allows up to 10% of the target to be natural gas offset by renewable electricity credits
- Allows existing nuclear and upgrades to transmission



#### **Early & No Biofuels**

#### Evaluated under Moderate and High Load Electrification

- 100% clean energy by **2035**, 10 years sooner than other scenarios
- No natural gas generation or biofuels
- Allows existing nuclear and upgrades to transmission

#### Moderate

High

Stress



#### Limited New Transmission

#### Evaluated under Moderate and High Load Electrification

- 100% clean energy by 2045
- Only scenario that does not allow upgrades to transmission beyond currently planned projects
- No natural gas or nuclear generation



#### **Transmission Focus**

#### Evaluated under Moderate and High Load Electrification

- 100% clean energy by **2045**
- Only scenario that builds new transmission corridors
- No natural gas or nuclear generation

## **Common Investments Across All LA100 Scenarios**





Electrification Efficiency Flexible Load



Renewable Energy

Solar: + >5,700 MW Wind: + >4,300 MW



Storage

+ >2,600 MW



Transmission, Distribution



**Renewably Fueled** Dispatchable Turbines +>2,600 MW (in basin) Hydrogen

**Much More** 



### Hydrogen's Role in 100% Carbon Free

Why Invest in Renewably Fueled Turbines if Infrequently Used in the Future?

- "The challenge of addressing the seasonal mismatch of supply and demand. Demand peaks in August and September, but wind and solar generation peaks earlier in the year."
- "The risks associated with relying on transmission lines to bring wind and solar energy to the city. Fires and earthquakes could affect these transmission lines, so LA needs to have energy that can be stored locally that can produce electricity for extended periods of time when needed."
- "The limitation of the city's local transmission network— it is difficult and expensive to upgrade transmission infrastructure that could help import renewable energy through the north side of the LA system to other locations in the city."
- LA100 Study report, Executive Summary, pg. 29



#### Hydrogen's Role in 100% Carbon Free



The Los Angeles 100% Renewable Energy Study LA100: THE LOS ANGELES 100% RENEWABLE ENERGY STUDY

## **Project Alternatives: LA100 on No Combustion**

- Through the LA100 process, NREL attempted to model a scenario without inbasin combustion
- This scenario resulted in the following outcomes
  - Increased out-of-basin combustion by approximately 1,600 MW (i.e. new power plants)
  - Required 14 square miles of ground mounted solar (in addition to needed rooftop solar)
  - New in-basin transmission; 5 new in-basin transmission lines
- This no-in basin combustion scenario resulted in the inability to serve load (i.e. maintain reliability) during low frequency, high impact events such as wildfires, earthquakes, and heat storms
- These findings were communicated through the LA100 Advisory Group process as well as through LADWP's most recent Strategic Long-Term Resource Plan (SLTRP) Advisory Group process

## LA100 Next Steps – Investments Began in 2021

Accelerate to 80% Renewable 97% GHG-Free by 2030	Increase to 80% renewable energy by 2030 to achieve 97% GHG free by adding 3,000 MW of new renewables.		
Accelerate Transmission	Complete <b>10 critical transmission projects over 10 years</b> to maintain grid reliability and meet growing EV, building electrification, LAX, and Port of LA electricity demand		
Transform Local Generation	Green hydrogen Request for Information (RFI) for all in-basin generating stations. Construct hydrogen capacity at Scattergood. Retrofit Haynes to recycled water cooling.		
Accelerate Energy Storage	Build over <b>1,000 MW of energy storage by 2030</b> to support capacity needs.		
Accelerate Distributed Energy Resources Equitably	Deploy <b>1,000 MW of local solar, 500 MW of demand response</b> , doubling energy efficiency, and support 580,000 electric vehicles by 2030. Adopt goal of <b>50% of DER investment reaching disadvantaged communities</b> .		

# **WHY GREEN HYDROGEN?**

- Most viable technology today for clean generation that can be dispatched when needed
- Uses renewable energy to create hydrogen power
- Not a greenhouse gas and does not produce carbon emissions when used for power generation
- Can provide clean power for hard-to-electrify industries, like transportation
- LA100 assumes hydrogen in all scenarios to:
  - Use as a clean fuel to back up renewable energy when sun isn't shining or wind isn't blowing
  - Needed to achieve last 10% toward a 100% carbon-free and reliable power grid





# NEED FOR IN-BASIN GENERATION

- LADWP transmission network was designed in part around in-basin generation, located mostly in the south
- **Renewables** are primarily imported from the north
- Transmission limits/outages are currently addressed by running locally sited generators

## **IN-BASIN RESILIENCY**

#### WHEN THERE IS A TRANSMISSION OUTAGE, WE WOULD RELY ON GREEN HYDROGEN TO KEEP CRITICAL POWER FLOWING



#### LA100 Study – Key Takeaway

In-basin capacity must be maintained for **reliability** and **resiliency**, even in a decarbonized future Power System.

All 2022 SLTRP cases have been developed to maintain reliability and resiliency

#### Example:

The 2019 Saddle Ridge Fire impacted the Pacific DC Intertie for 22 hours, Barren Ridge corridor for 10 hours, and VIC-LA path for 5 hours.

#### Limitations:

Existing storage technologies are incapable of supporting long duration outages in a cost-effective manner.

For example, a standard energy storage system can only discharge for several hours.

## LA100: Ensuring Reliability with In-Basin Capacity: Scattergood Modernization

- Transforming local generation. LA100 study shows need for renewable in-basin capacity at all generating stations, in all scenarios.
- System reliability. Capacity at Scattergood is our most immediate need.
- Load growth. Port & LAX electrification, Operation NEXT at Hyperion.
- Challenges. Limited footprint and in-service prior to retirement of Units 1 & 2 to support transmission buildout.
- OTC extension critical. Scheduled for 2024, seek extension to 2029. Net reduction in water use with early elimination of water usage at Haynes.



## **Scattergood Modernization**

#### **Scattergood Modernization Project Overview**

- Combined Cycle and Balance-of-Plant Equipment
- 346 megawatts (MW) capacity
- Hydrogen Ready
- Estimated Cost: \$800M
- In-Service Date: 12/30/2029



## **LA100 Scenario NOx Emissions Reductions**



- In 2012, LADWP's in-basin plants contributed 0.4% of NOx emissions citywide
- Contribution of LA100-influenced sectors to annual average emissions in Los Angeles based on 2012 Baseline
- LA100 scenarios could lead to citywide reductions in major air pollutant emissions including oxides of nitrogen (NOx)
- Significant NOx reductions modeled by LA100 and by Strategic Long-Term Resource Plan

## **In-Basin Power Plant NOx Emissions Reductions**



- Contribution of LA100-influenced sectors to annual average emissions in Los Angeles based on 2012 Baseline
- LA100 scenarios could lead to citywide reductions in major air pollutant emissions including oxides of nitrogen (NOx) and fine particulate matter (PM2.5)
- Emission reductions in SB100 scenarios are due to increased electrification.

## **Project Timeline**



## **CEQA & Public Involvement**

NOP Scoping Period	Prepare Draft EIR	Draft EIR Public Review and Comment Period	Prepare Final EIR	Consideration of EIR Certification		
May-June 2023	Mid 2023 to Early 2024	Early 2024	Summer 2024	Summer 2024		
Opportunities for public input						

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