# Electric Grid Integration and Innovation

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- California Context
- DER Growth
- Streamlining Interconnection Process
- Interconnection / Hosting Capacity Maps
- Incorporating Non-Wires Solutions
- EV Charging Network
- New Pilots





#### The California Energy Landscape is Changing Rapidly

#### **Drivers of Change**

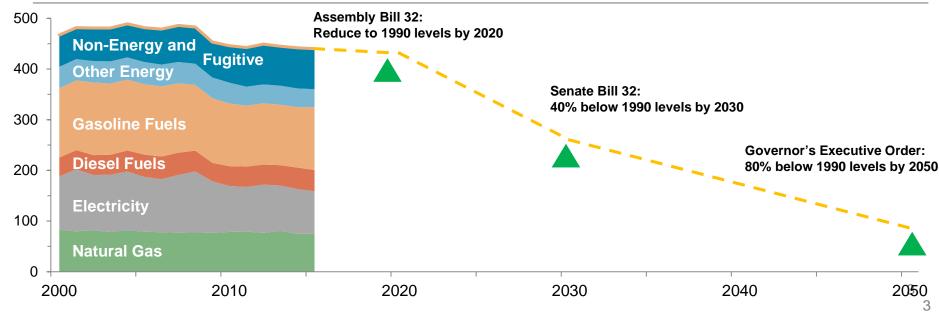
Environmental leadership policies





California Greenhouse Gas emissions targets and historical emissions

Million metric tons CO<sub>2</sub> equivalent





#### **Drivers of Change**

Environmental leadership policies





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**Rooftop Solar** 





\$25,000



-73% in 6 Yrs.

Lithium-ion Prices



#### **Drivers of Change**

Environmental leadership policies





Increasing customer choice and engagement





3,500 MW Customer Solar 180K Electric Vehicles 21%

CCA Customers



#### PG&E Customers lead the nation in clean technology adoption

## >380,000 solar customers



Ranked #1 with ~25% of all U.S. rooftop solar

## >180,000 electric vehicles



Ranked #1 with ~20% of all U.S. vehicles

800 GWh of efficiency savings Ranked #2 among U.S. utilities



## California is targeting significant clean energy goals



60% renewables by 2030



>1,300 MW
battery storage by
2024



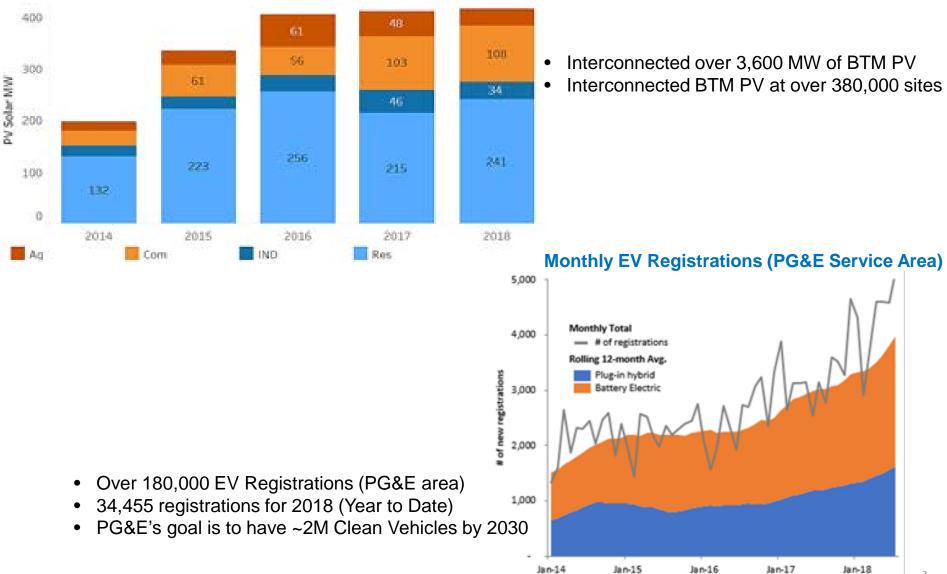
5 million zero emission vehicles by 2030



**2X** energy efficiency in buildings by 2030

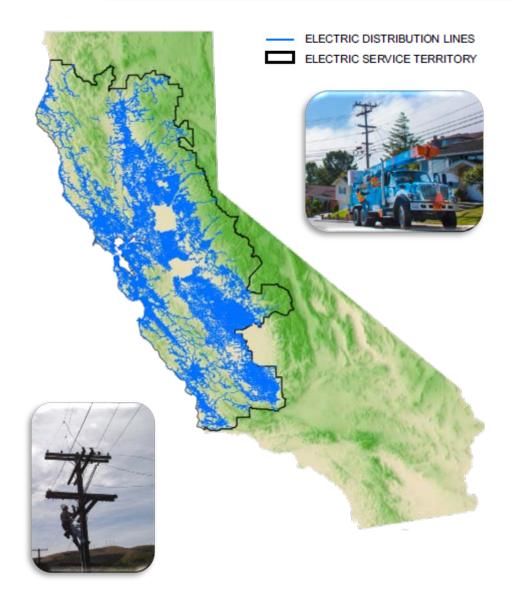
### **DER Trends Driving Decarbonization and Electrification**

#### Annual PV (MW) Totals by Customer Sector (PG&E Service Area)





#### **PG&E's Distribution System**



#### **Distribution System Metrics**

- <u>3 Distribution Control Centers</u>
- <u>4 Distribution Regions</u>
  - 245 Electric Planning Areas
  - 70,000 sq. miles with diverse topography
  - 5.5 million electric customers
  - 102,000 miles of distribution lines

#### 785 Distribution Substations

- 1,300 Substation Distribution Transformers
- 3,300 Distribution Circuit Breakers

#### 3,000 Distribution Feeders

- 900,000 Distribution Line Transformers
- 4.5 Million Nodes/Line Segments Modeled
- 12,000 Dynamic Protective Devices
- 150,000 Fuses
- 2,500 Voltage Regulators
- 12,000 Capacitor Banks



## **Streamlining the Interconnection Process**



#### **Streamlined Interconnection Process**

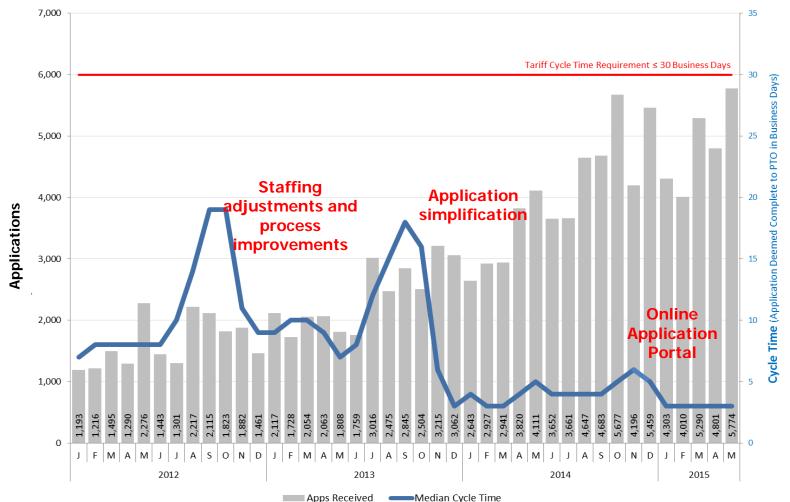
Initiation and Application

Planning and Studies

Interconnection Agreement

Project Implementation Permission to Operate

#### **Rooftop PV Applications Cycle Time**





#### **Hosting Capacity / Interconnection Maps**



Solar Photovoltaic (PV) and Renewable Auction Mechanism (RAM) Program Map



PG&E analyzed all three phase line sections for all the 3,000+ distribution circuits

- Results for approx. 102,000 line sections
  - Average of 34 line sections per feeder
  - Largest number of line sections for one feeder was found to be 310
- Locational results published by each DER type
- Granular down to fuse devices
- Initially colored by PV Results
  - Line Section IC / Feeder IC
  - Red, Amber, Green color scheme with green being higher capacities

## **EV Charging Network**





#### **Electric Vehicle Online Interactive Siting Map**

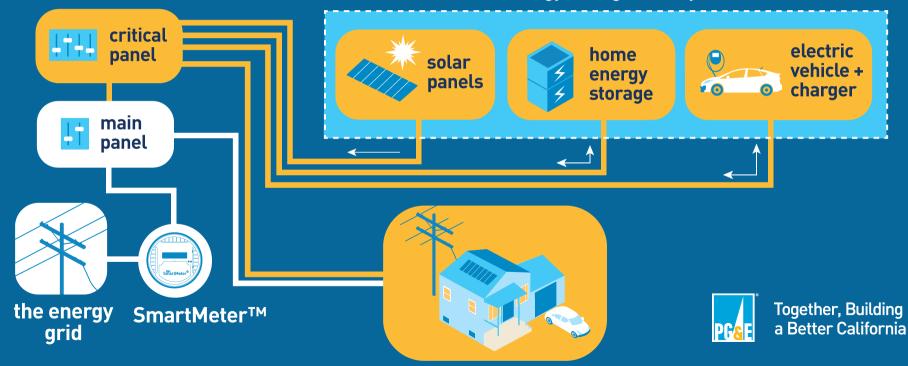
- Created on-line interactive map tool, in partnership with UC Davis
- Identified 300 areas with high-need for DCFCs by 2025
- Pinpoints 14,000 potential sites in those areas with local capacity for DCFCs





#### PG&E Tests Innovative Clean Energy Technologies to Power Homes

The project's goal is to better understand how much electricity load a combination of clean energy resources would be able to meet a residential customer's needs in case of a power outage or during demand response events.



#### **Home Energy Management System**

#### **PG&E Demand Response Pilot - BMW ChargeForward**

**PG&E** is partnering with BMW to explore the potential for using EV charging as a reliable grid resource without impacting customer mobility

Phase 1 (Complete) Tests BMW ability to supply 100 kW demand response contract by combining:

- Electric vehicle charging
- "Second life" vehicle batteries



#### Phase 2 (On-going till 2019) Expanded Tests :

- Longer curtailment events
- Optimizing nighttime charging
- Increasing Charging in response to excess solar
- Shifting charging across grid locations
- New messaging to engage customers

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## PG&E has proposed to invest \$380M in EV infrastructure programs and pilots

#### **EV Charge Network**

- 7,500 Level 2 chargers (10-20 chargers per site)
- \$130 million; 3 years
- Targeting workplaces and multiunit dwellings
- Turnkey installation from utility covers most costs; rebate / participation payment for site hosts

Installations beginning Q1

#### FleetReady & Fast Charge

#### PROPOSED

- Make-ready infrastructure for non-light-duty fleets (\$211 M) and public fast charging (\$22M)
- 5 year deployment sized to meet customer demand
- Additional incentives for disadvantaged communities, school and transit bus fleets
- Proposed decision expected March; Program development after approval

#### **Priority Demonstration Projects**

- Three customer/fleet demonstrations to test smart charging and energy storage for MD/HD vehicle technologies:
  - Transit agency
  - Idle reduction (e.g. truck refrigeration)
  - School bus
- Home charger installation
   information resource
- Project development and implementation in 2018

#### Additional PG&E Transportation Electrification priorities:

- Rate design for commercial EV charging
- Filing for infrastructure proposal to support state parks and schools
- Ridesharing + fast charging R&D pilot
- Improving EV service connection process





## **Microgrids**



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Microgrid interest is growing significantly. A wide range of integrated technical and strategic opportunities are being explored

# Primary DriversResilient EnergySelf-relianceSustainability



ROADMAP FOR

MICROGRIDS

COMMERCIALIZING

**Early customer pull** e.g., Blue Lake Rancheria

## Growing community interest

10+ cities expressed interest in building microgrids for resilience at recent ABAG workshop

Increasing policy support from CEC \$70M in grant funding for

microgrid projects

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U.S. DOE provides the standard microgrid definition. CEC adds two elements focused on critical resources and grid services.

The vast majority of U.S. microgrids are <u>grid-tied</u><sup>1</sup>. The unique functionality relative to other collections of DERs is the <u>ability to disconnect and re-connect from/to the</u> <u>broader grid</u> during emergencies for <u>enhanced resilience</u>.





#### DOE Definition

- 1. interconnected loads
- 2. distributed energy resources
- 3. clearly defined electrical boundaries
- 4. single controllable entity
- 5. can connect and disconnect from the grid
- 6. operate in both grid-connected or island mode

#### **CEC Additions to DOE Definition**

- 7. manage customer critical resources<sup>2</sup>
- 8. provide customers, utilities and grid system operators critical

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#### **Microgrids in PG&E Service Area**

*last majority of microgrids are <u>grid-tied</u>* 

#### (1) Single-customer facility

#### Description

- Customer-side of the meter
- Military bases, universities, prisons, commercial facilities/campuses, schools, hospitals

#### Key Drivers

- Customer Resilience
- Sustainability
- Avoided customer outage costs

#### Example

• Blue Lake Rancheria (operational)

#### (2) "Remote"

#### Description

• Typically utility-sponsored projects, hybrid ownership (e.g., utility-owned distribution assets, customer-owned DG)

#### Key Driver

• Potential T&D alternative in remote locations

#### Example

• Angel Island (planning)



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#### (3) Multiple accounts on-grid

#### Description

• Communities seeking to enable multiple critical facilities to island in the event of broader grid outage and enhance local resilience

#### Key Driver

• Community resilience

#### Example

• Arcata Airport community microgrid – EPIC 3.11 site (planning)



#### **Blue Lake Rancheria Microgrid**



Blue Lake Rancheria Tribe

#### PG&E is beginning to integrate more advanced microgrids into the broader energy grid

- Operational community microgrid to provide the tribe and local citizens with life, health and safety support in the event of an emergency
- Powered by 0.5 MW solar, 950 kWh battery storage, biomass fuel cell, and diesel generators
- Developed in partnership with Schatz Energy Research Center, CEC, PG&E, Tesla, INL, Siemens, and others



#### **EPIC 3.11 Multi-Customer Microgrid at Arcata Airport Customer Objective: enhanced resilience**





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Funder: \$5-7M (GFO-17-302 Advanced Microgrids in Support of CA Energy & GHG Policies)



**Retail energy provider** Battery owner (2MW/4HR) Solar owner (2MW) Local MG Controller Owner



**Microgrid controls Microgrid operator** in island mode

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# New DER Pilots Launching in 2018





	Pilot	Description
3.03	DERMS Advanced Functionality	Leverage DERMs to facilitate enhanced visibility and control of DERs integrated with grid operations
3.04	Blockchain: Multi-Nodal Distributed Digital Ledger	Demonstrate and evaluate blockchain as an enabling technology to address efficiency, accuracy, transparency, and security
3.02	DER optimization in market participation	Build tool to optimized wholesale market participation by DER aggregations, subject to constraints
3.11	Microgrid: Location-Specific Options for Reliability and/or Resilience Upgrades	Evaluate configurations using multiple DER technologies, microgrid controllers, and isolation and protection equipment enabling islanding
2.32	Electric Load Management Ride Sharing	Evaluate grid impacts from EV ridesharing, and assess ability to use demand managements to actively manage load





#### **Existing Battery Energy Storage Pilots at PG&E**

#### Vaca Dixon 2 MW / 14 MWh NAS Battery Vaca-Dixon Substation

PGSF



Project Initiation : 2007 Operational Date: August 2012 First Resource in CAISO NGR Model (08/14) Current Use Case: 100% CAISO wholesale market participation. Primary revenue drivers are regulation capacity

#### Yerba Buena

#### 4 MW / 28 MWh NAS Battery Customer R&D Facility, San Jose



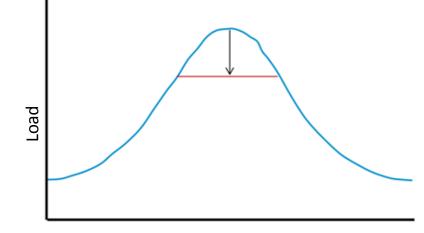
Project Initiation : 2007
Operational Date: May 2013
Completed Islanding Commissioning: Sep 2013
Current Use Case: 50% of Energy and 100% of
Capacity used in CASIO market participation.
50% of Energy used for islanding

#### Existing Battery Energy Storage Pilots at PG&E

**Browns Valley** 

#### 0.5 MW / 4 hour Tesla Lithium-Ion Co-Located with PG&E Substation, Yuba County





Time of Day

**Operational Date:** Q2 2017 **Use Case:** Peak Shaving

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#### Unlocking the Next-Gen Grid through Distributed Energy Resources

Driving a clean energy future through innovation, integration of new technologies, and collaboration

**PG&E:** Demonstrating how smart inverters and battery storage can be dispatched by DERMS to meet grid needs. **SolarCity:** Installing and testing residential battery storage systems and smart inverters to evaluate how customersited solar can be controlled and coordinated with grid management technology. Green Charge Networks: Installing and testing commercial battery storage systems to evaluate how they can be used operationally to support the grid during periods of high electric demand. GE Grid Solutions: Developing the new Distributed Energy Resource Management system (DERMS).

