

CLEAN, DIVERSE, SAFE, AND RELIABLE ENERGY PROPOSAL:

Mid-term reliability proposals *in lieu of* extending Diablo Canyon Power Plant:

- **More clean resources, faster:** establish an incentive program (\$450M) for load serving entities to get new, mid-term zero-carbon generation online faster than planned to fill California's mid-term reliability needs. This would provide an incentive for developing new clean capacity (including storage) based on ability to serve net-peak load and which is faster than, or in addition to, procurement already required to occur.
- **Accelerating needed transmission development:**
 - New clean transmission financing: increase (to \$400M) the Administration's proposed I-Bank financing program to support strategic investments in transmission projects for zero-carbon electricity generation.
 - Reduce policy barriers to developing transmission for new zero-emission resources, without sacrificing reasonable regulatory scrutiny, by:
 - Allowing the CAISO's analysis of transmission projects that are needed to meet our clean energy goals to be presumed accurate by granting them a rebuttable presumption during subsequent CPUC proceedings. This expedites the time it takes to authorize new transmission development (currently the CAISO must re-litigate their findings during CPUC proceedings, except if the project is necessary for economic reasons).
 - Allowing an extension or upgrade of an existing higher-capacity transmission line to use the existing permit to construct review process to simplify CPUC review, expanding existing grid capacity.
- **Reduce permitting delays for new generation:** reduce backlogs and delays in the permitting of new solar + storage, wind, geothermal, and other zero-carbon generation by:
 - Establishing a new grant program (\$200M) to incentivize and support local governments who accelerate siting, increasing staff and other local resources.
 - Providing additional staff support funding (\$10M) to the California Department of Fish & Wildlife to address the rapidly increasing number of pending permit and mitigation packages from new zero-emission energy generation projects.
- **Additional funding and policy changes on demand response:**
 - Increase by \$100M (to \$395M in total program funding) the Demand Side Grid Support (DSGS) demand response program, which pays consumers to reduce their use of power during extreme grid conditions.
 - Require the CEC to include a focus on shifting air conditioning load in DSGS.
 - Clarify all ratepayers statewide shall be eligible for DSGS.
- **Equitable community-based solar + storage generation:** allocate funding (\$240M) for low-income ratepayer incentives for a CPUC-administered community solar + storage program that will deploy new clean resources into communities underserved by existing programs.
- **Accountability in procurement for mid-term reliability:** specify the CPUC's authority and responsibility to have load serving entities procure power for other load serving entities that are deficient in meeting their new resource procurement targets.
- **Accountability in procurement for near-term reliability:** Limit the ability of a load serving to increase its load or customer base if the entity has been cited/fined for failing to meet electric reliability requirements (Resource Adequacy violations).

Total funding required: \$1.4B

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Additional actions to increase equity, reliability, and zero-carbon energy:

- **Ratepayer relief:** establish an electric ratepayer relief fund (**\$900M**) to, at the Legislature's direction, directly and quickly provide bill credits for extraordinary ratepayer costs, such as public purpose programs fees or generation cost increases.
- **Approve the following pending budget appropriations:**
 - **\$1.067B** in grants for an equitable building decarbonization program to directly install energy efficient appliances (including cooling), lighting, insulation, and other infrastructure upgrades at no cost to low-income Californians.
 - **\$900M** in funding for the Self Generation Incentive Program to fund solar and storage systems for low-income households and incentivize the installation of energy storage systems, expanded to customers of both investor-owned and local publicly-owned utilities.
 - **\$380M** in grants for long-duration energy storage emerging technologies (excluding well-developed pumped storage and lithium ion battery storage technologies) (**\$140M** already funded in June 2022).
 - **\$240M** in infrastructure improvements to the Oroville hydroelectric complex to enable its compliance with water temperature requirements and use as a zero-carbon, pumped energy storage facility.
 - **\$105M** in grants for green hydrogen production, fuel switching, storage, and infrastructure, including **\$5M** specifically to GO-Biz to launch a California Hydrogen Hub program.
 - **\$100M** in grants to industrial facilities to decarbonize their operations by enhancing reliability, electrifying existing processes that use fossil fuels, building energy storage, and increasing efficiency.
 - **\$75M** in grants for the Food Production Investment Program to fund energy reliability enhancements, electrify existing processes that use fossil fuels, build renewable energy generation and storage, and increase efficiency.
 - **\$45M** in grants to develop infrastructure to facilitate the development of offshore wind projects in California.
 - **\$30M** in grants to increase equitable stakeholder engagement at state energy agencies, including the CPUC, CEC, DWR, CARB, and OEIS.
 - **\$25M** in funding for the Low-Income Weatherization Program (LIWIP), which provides low-income households with distributed energy and energy efficiency resources.

Total funding required: \$3.727B