



# California's Renewables Portfolio Standard Progress & Challenges

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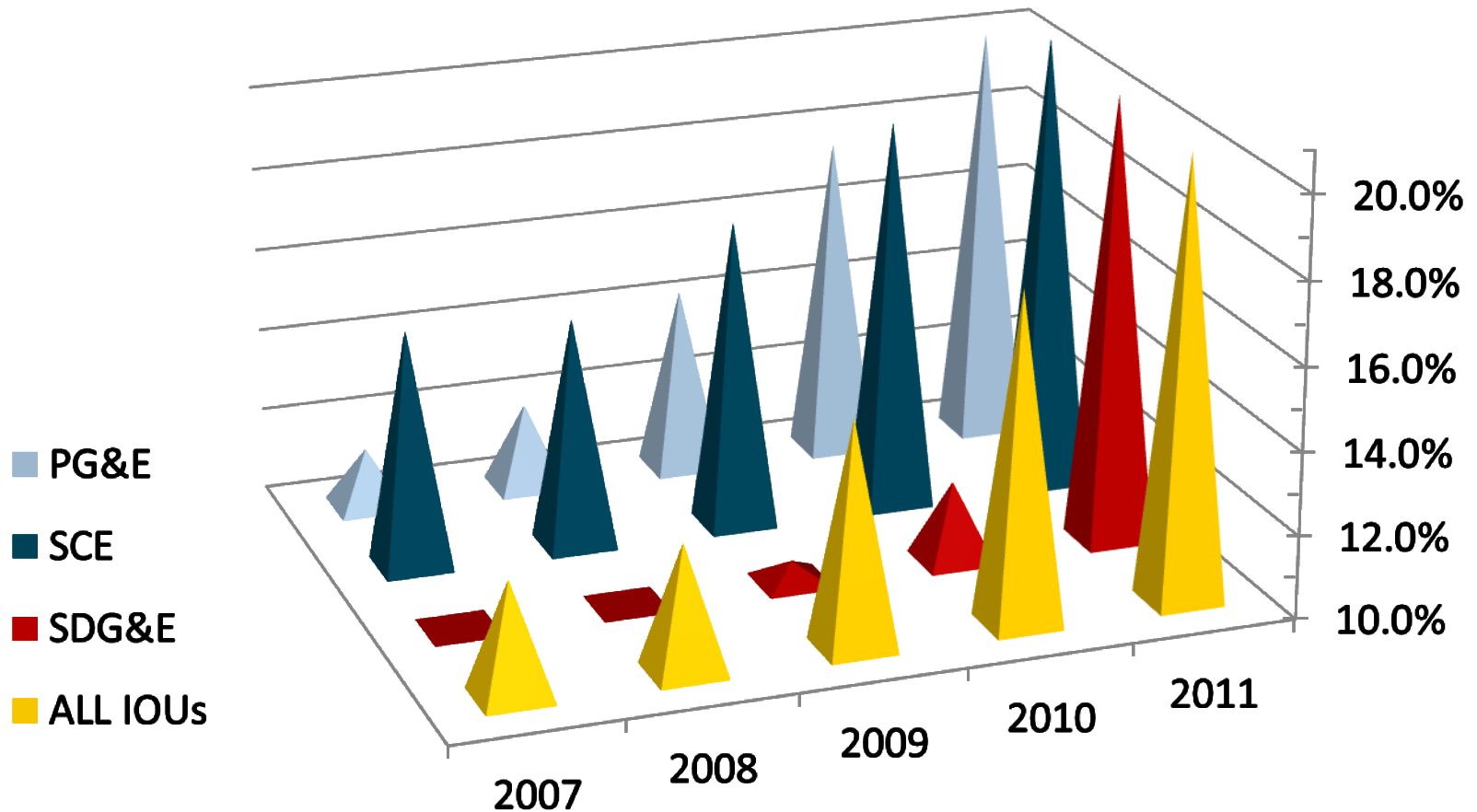
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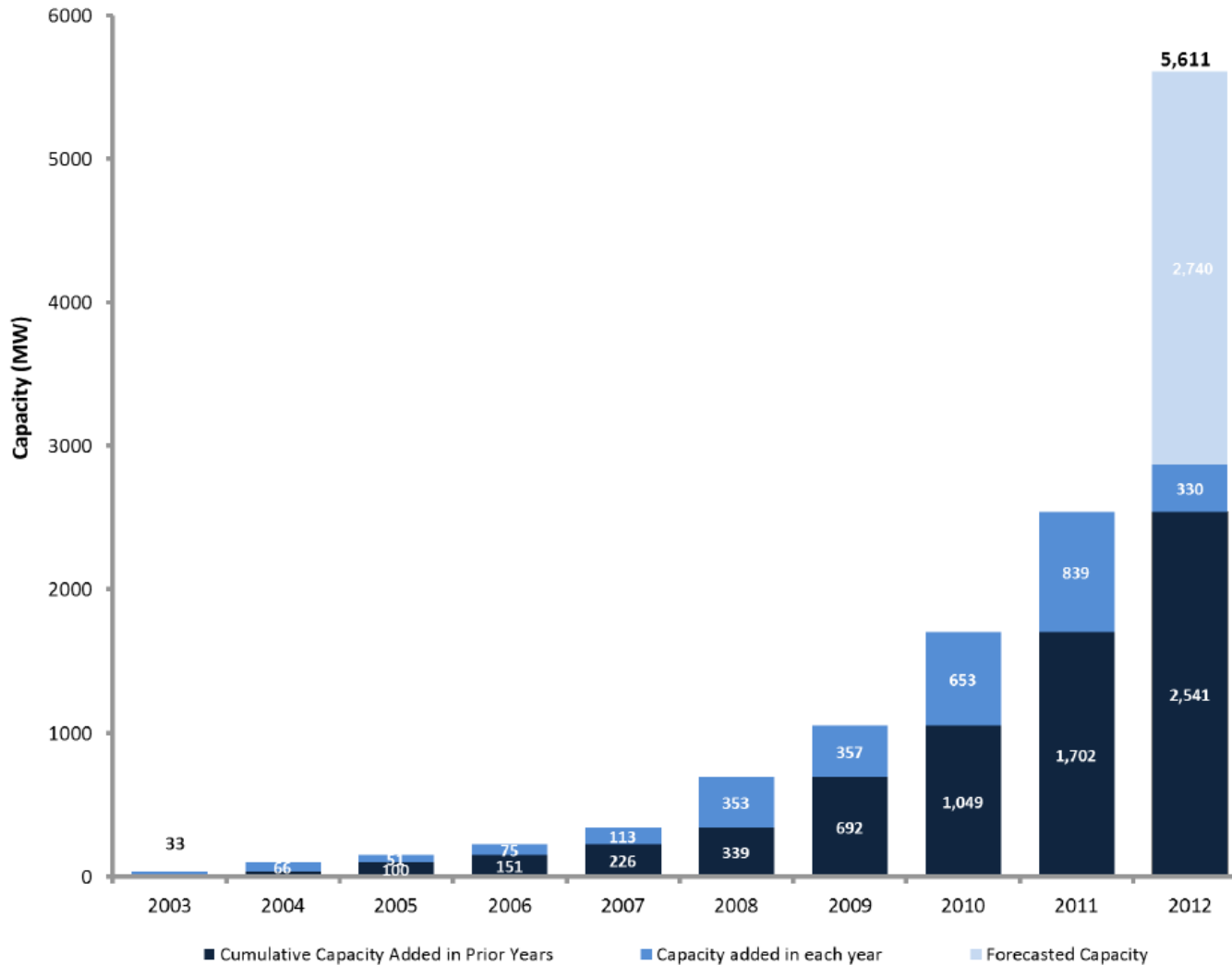
## Evolution of the California RPS:

- 2002: SB 1078 establishes 20% RPS, to be achieved by 2017
- 2003: Energy Action Plan establishes goal of 20% RPS by 2010
- 2005: Energy Action Plan considers 33% RPS by 2020
- 2006: SB 107 codifies 20% RPS by 2010 into law
- 2008: Gov. Schwarzenegger issues Executive Order establishing goal of 33% RPS by 2020
- 2009: Gov. Schwarzenegger issues Executive Order requiring 33% RPS by 2020 under AB 32, California's GHG law
- 2011: SB 2 sets 20% RPS by 2013, and sets 33% RPS by 2020

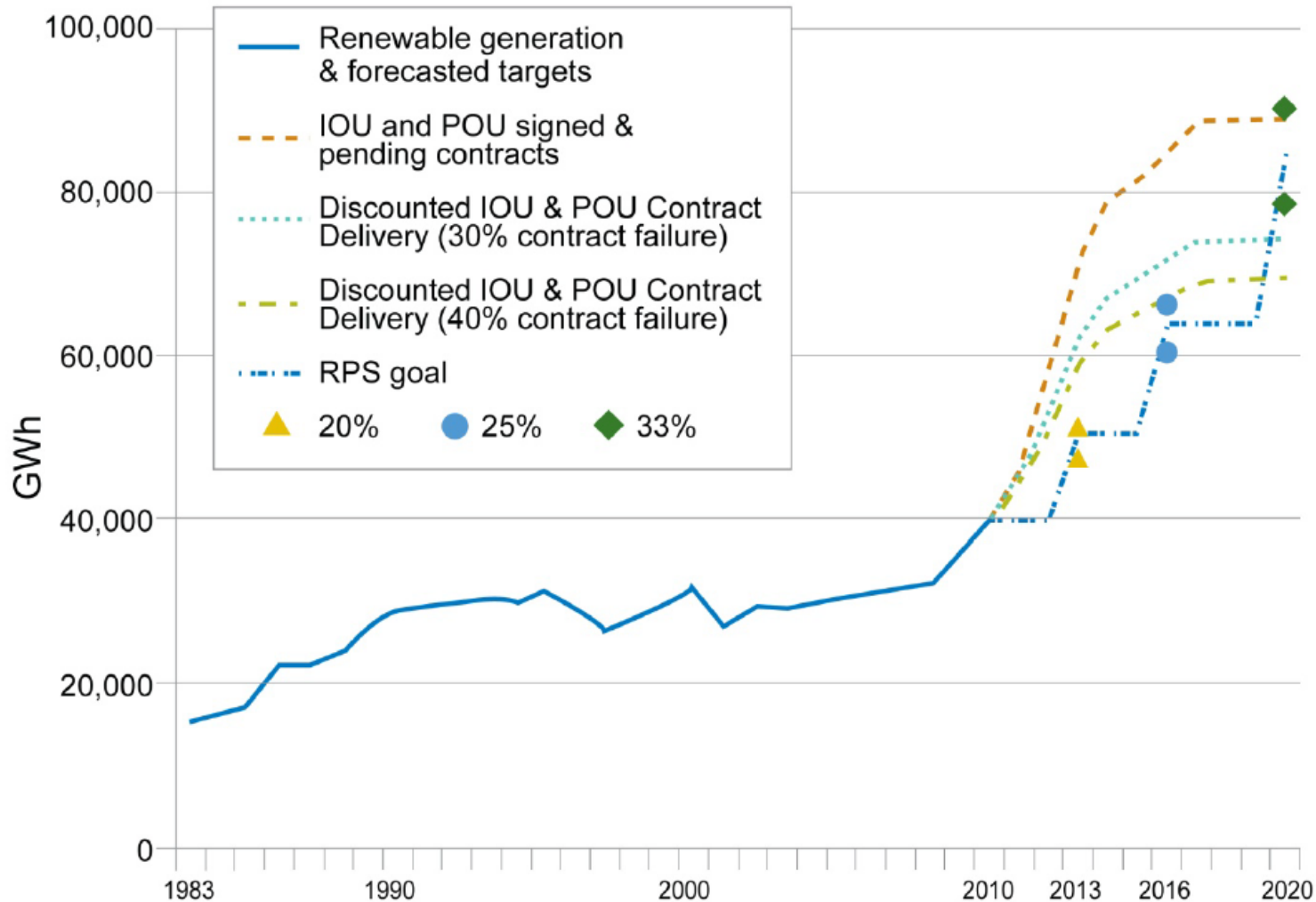
# Progress Towards 20% RPS



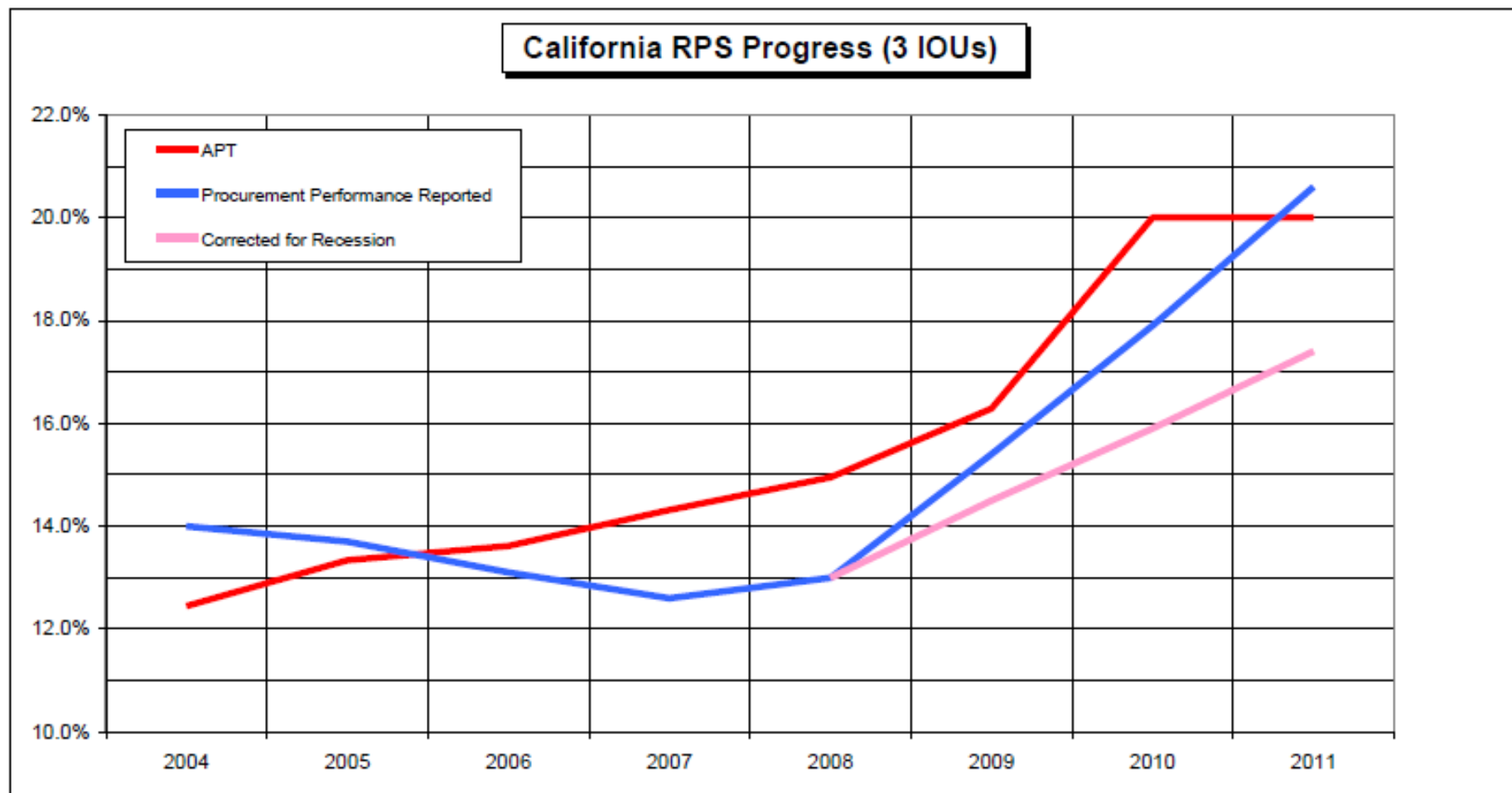
# California Installed RPS Capacity



# Progress Towards 33% RPS



# RPS Progress – Adjusted for Recession



Gregg Morris, Green Power Institute, Nov. 2012

# Need & Opportunity to Correct Course

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## ■ **Transmission:**

- Will we have the ability to reach renewable resource areas and reliably deliver from diverse areas?

## ■ **Energy Supply:**

- Will we have the right mix of resources?

## ■ **Permitting:**

- Will we be able to permit large renewable energy and transmission projects on time, and with less controversy and litigation?

# Progress on Transmission for RPS

Transmission upgrade	Status		Renewable Potential		Expected Online
	ISO	CPUC	MW	TWh/Yr	
1 Carrizo-Midway	Pending LGIA	Not yet filed	900	2.1	2012
2 Sunrise Powerlink	Approved	Under construction	1,700	4.1	2012
3 Eldorado-Ivanpah	LGIA	Pre-construction	1,400	3.6	2013
4 Pisgah-Lugo	LGIA	Not yet filed*	1,750	4.1	2017
5 Valley-Colorado River	Approved	Approved*	4,700	8.6	2013
6 West of Devers	LGIA	Not yet filed			2018
7 Tehachapi	Approved	Under construction	4,500	15.2	2015
8 Tehachapi Wind/Solar Diversity	N/A	N/A	1,000	3.0	2015
9 Cool Water-Lugo	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	Approved	Not yet filed	1,400	3.5	2015
Other-Outside of ISO Grid	N/A	N/A	3,300	8.4	
<b>Total:</b>			<b>22,350</b>	<b>56.8</b>	
<b>TWh/year needed in ISO area to meet 33% goal:</b>				<b>44</b>	

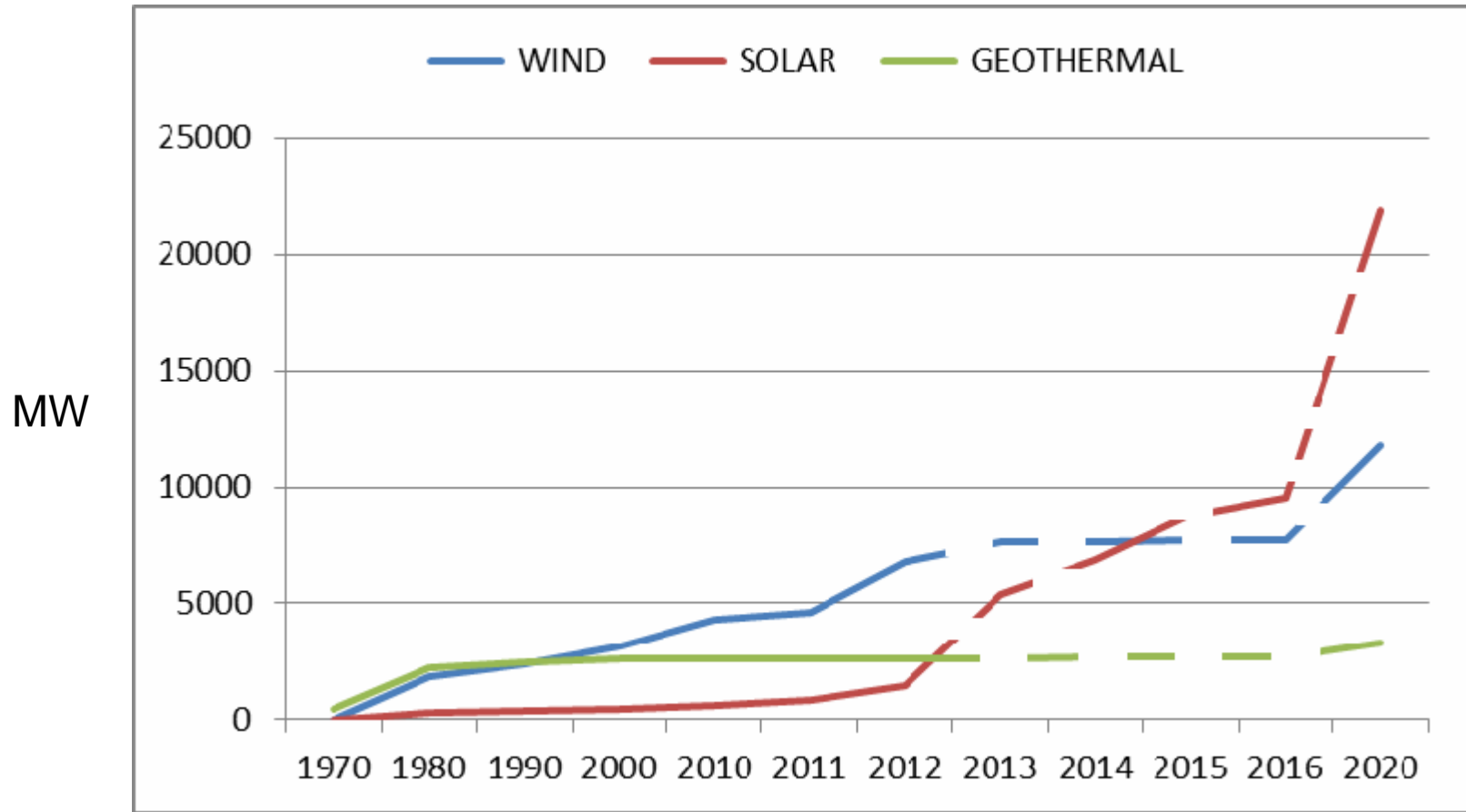


\* Large Generator Interconnection Agreement  
 • Petition to modify CPCN pending.

California Clean Energy Future, Dec. 2011



# RPS Generation Mix

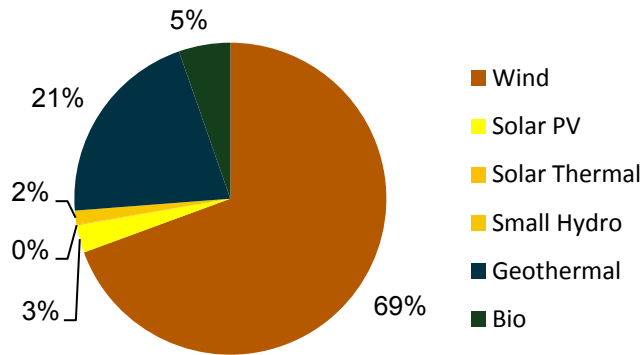


Center for Energy Efficiency & Renewable Technology (CEERT), Oct. 2012

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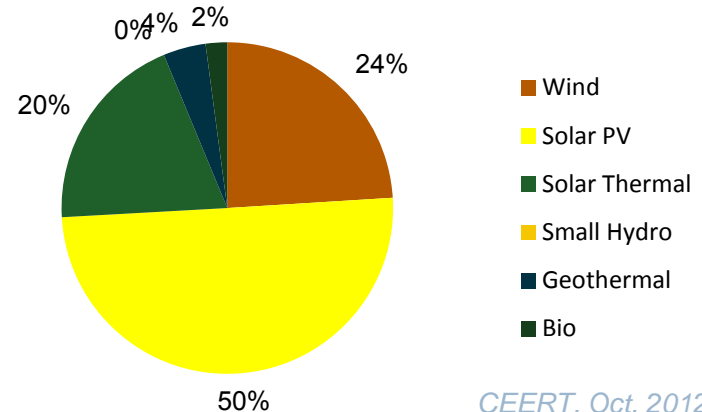
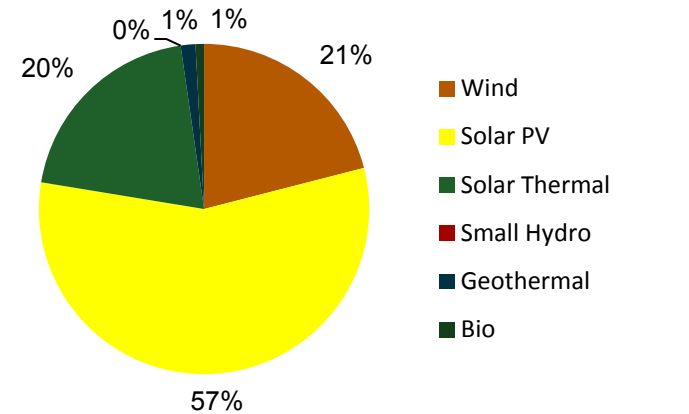
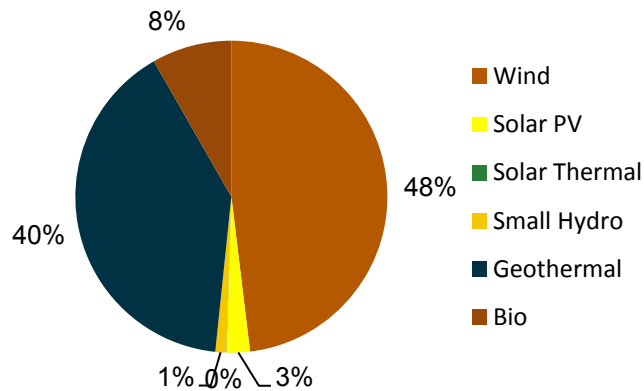
## Approved, Operating Projects

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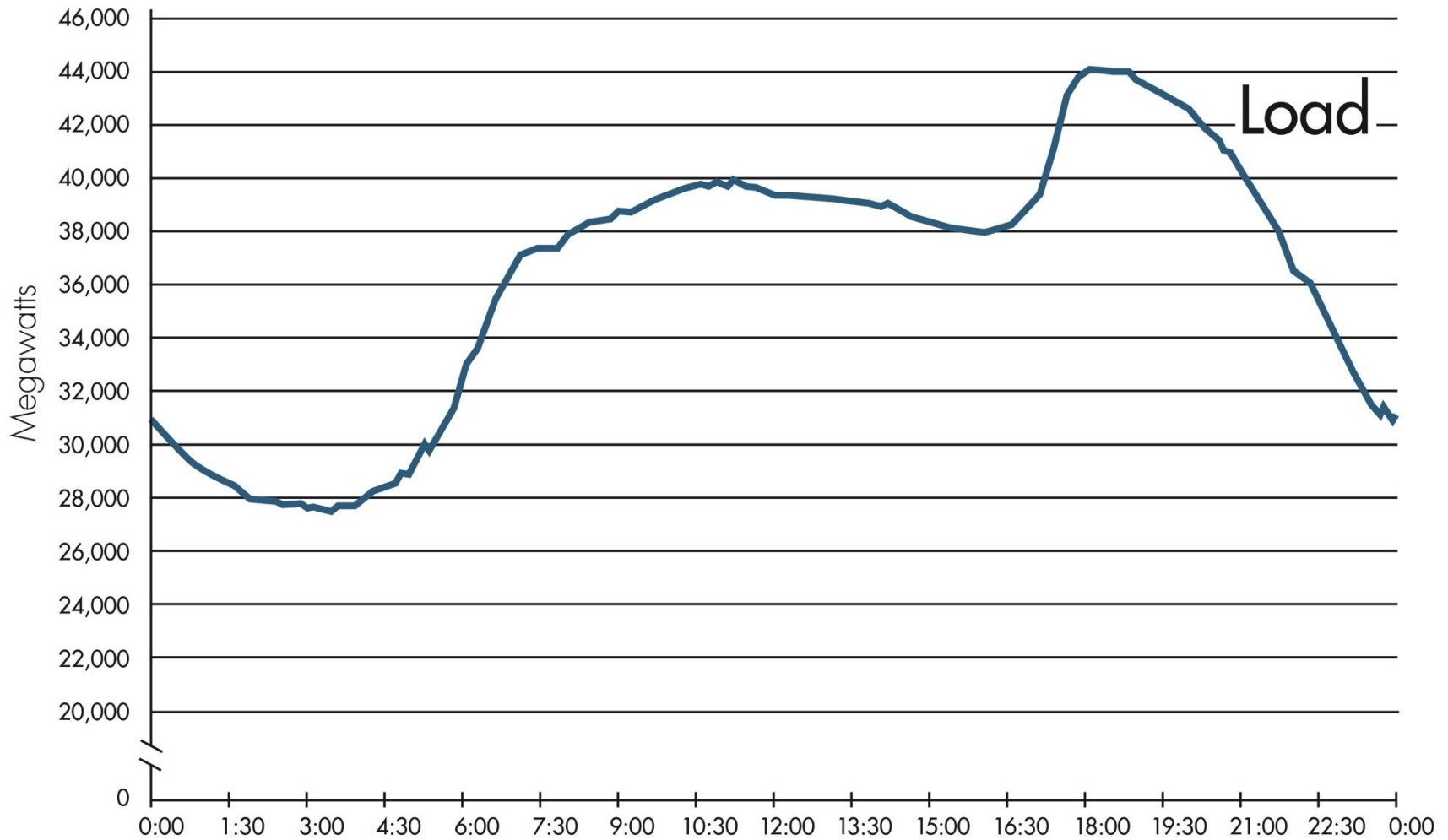


## In Development & Pending

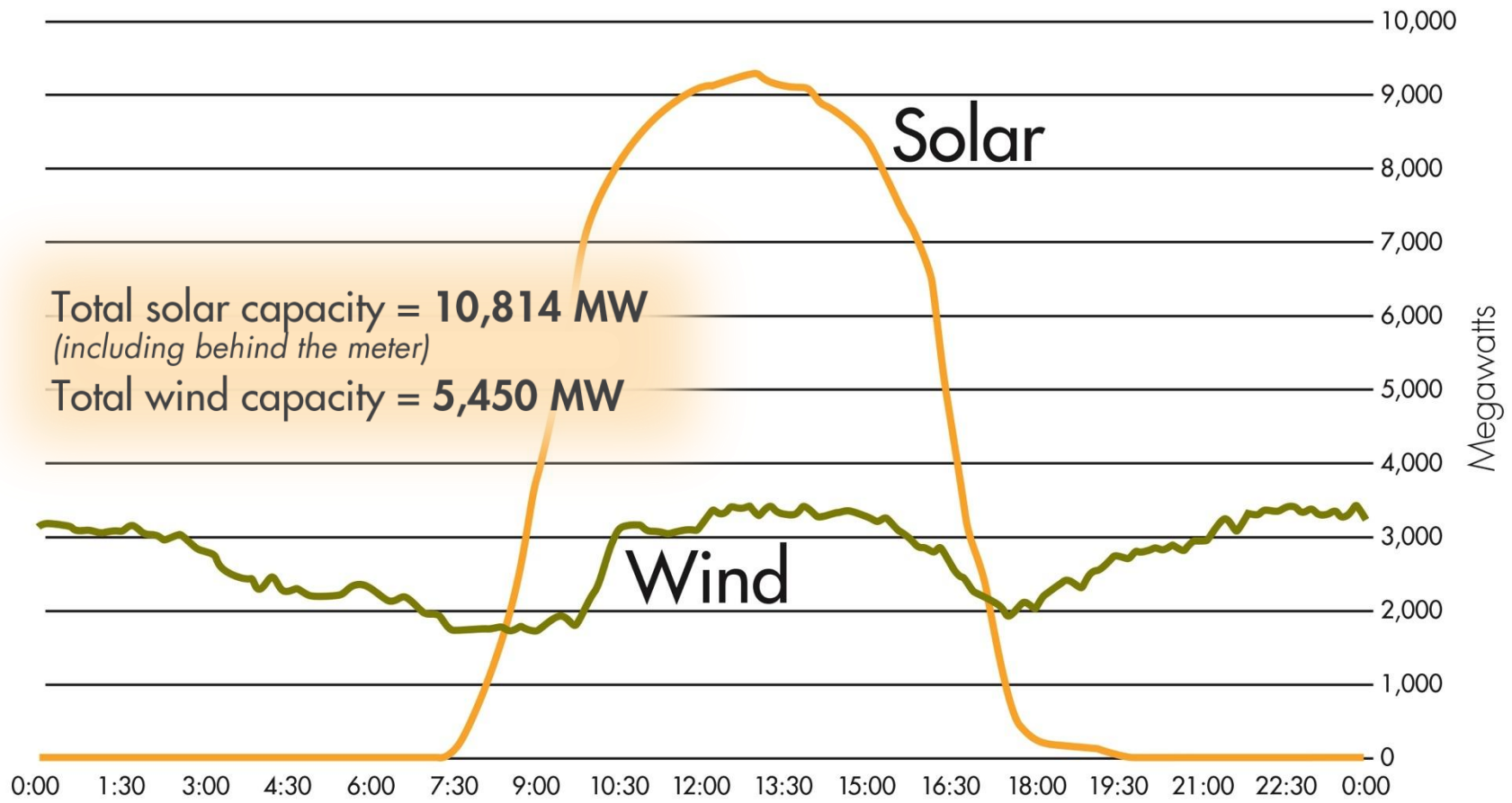
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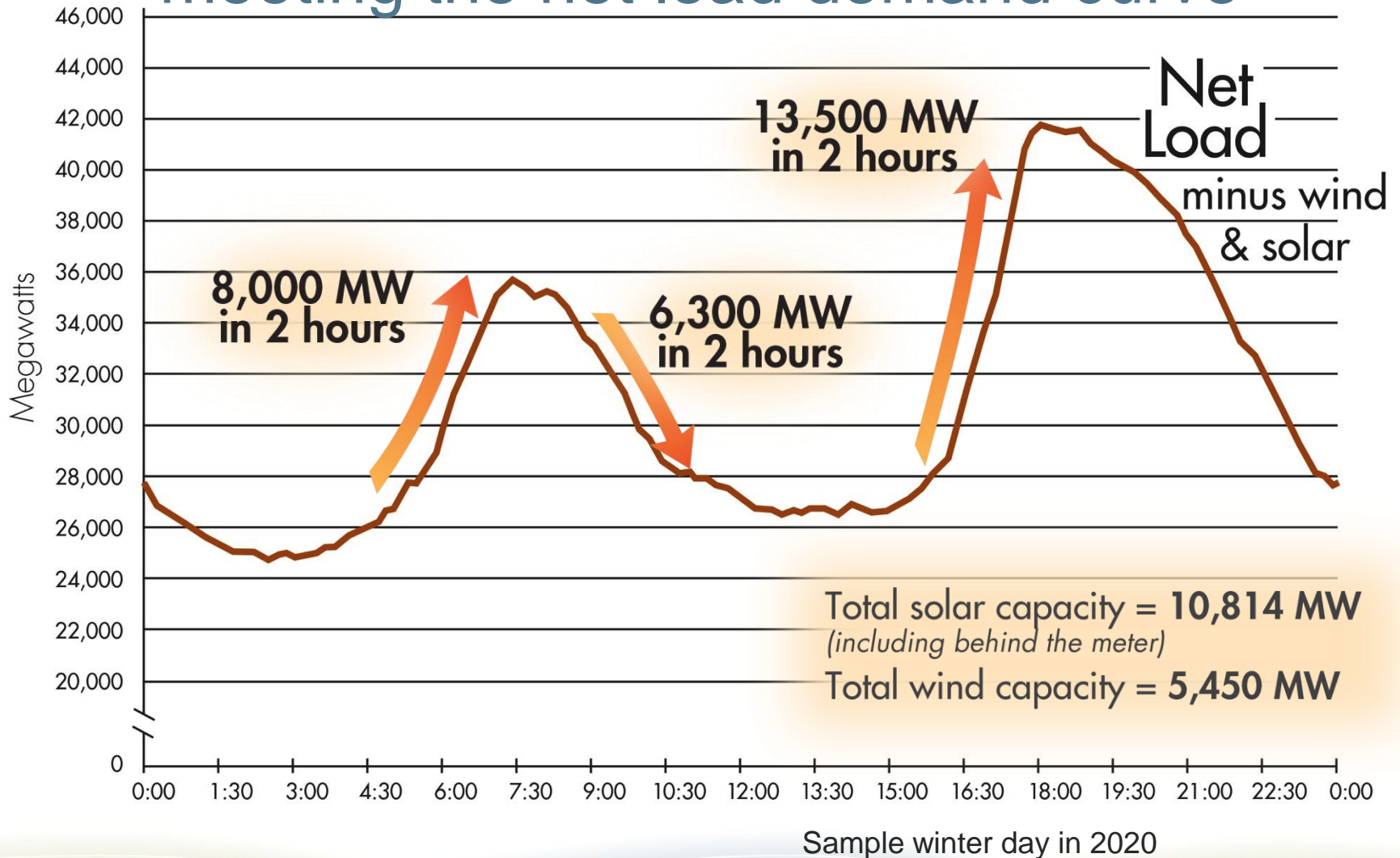
# Load profile — sample winter day in 2020



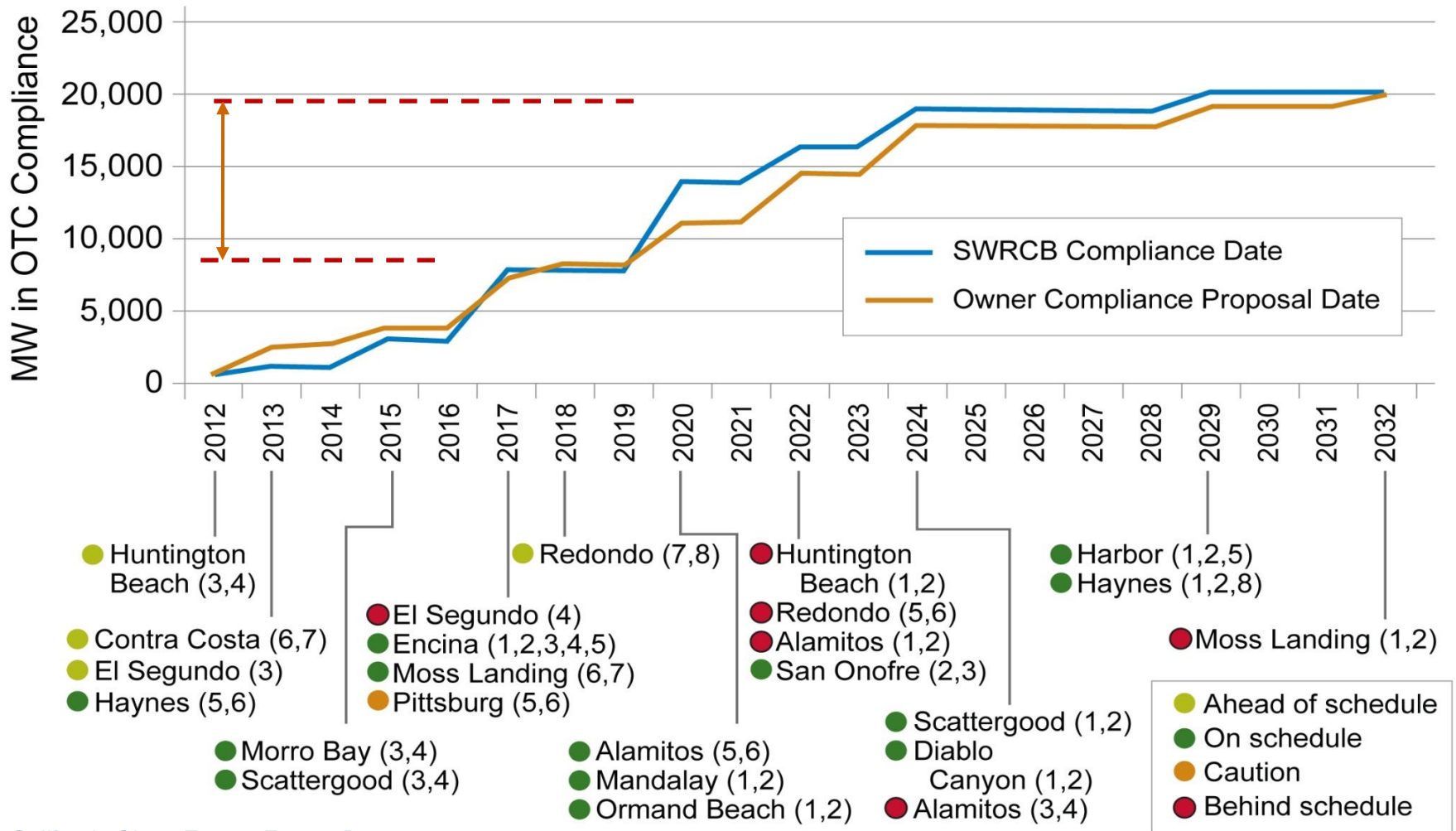
# Wind & solar profiles — sample winter day in 2020



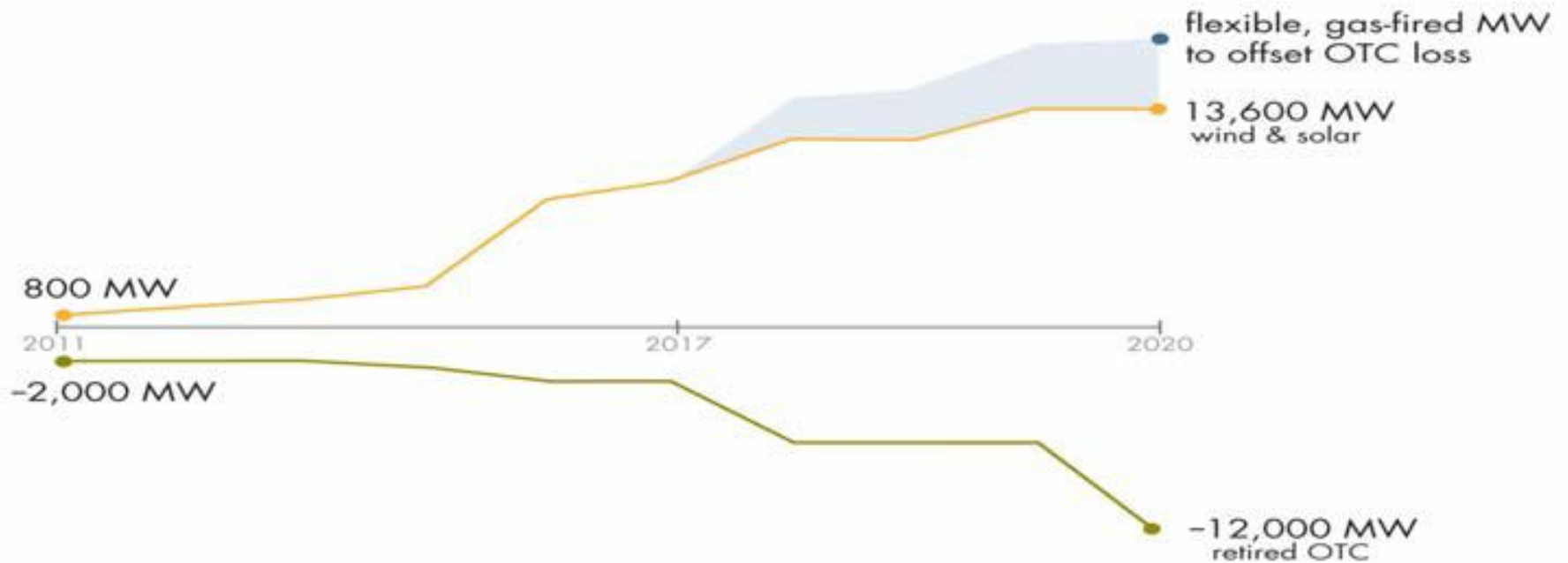
# Flexible resources will be essential to meeting the net load demand curve



# Once-Through-Cooling Phase-out Compliance



# Growing Need Flexible for Capacity



# Assessing Existing & Future Fleet

## Generator Characteristics:

- Ramp rates (not all of existing fleet can efficiently ramp over range)
- Startup, Minimum & Maximum run times
- Power Qualities of Synchronous Generators:
  - Reactive power support
  - Dynamic voltage support
  - Voltage control
  - Inertia response
  - Primary frequency control
  - Frequency and voltage ride-through

## Preliminary Conclusions:

- “Flexibility contributions differ between technologies, and within technologies”
- “The sum of flexibility requirements, rather than a single individual requirement, could be the binding factor”



# Flexible, Dispatchable Renewables: Solar Thermal with Storage

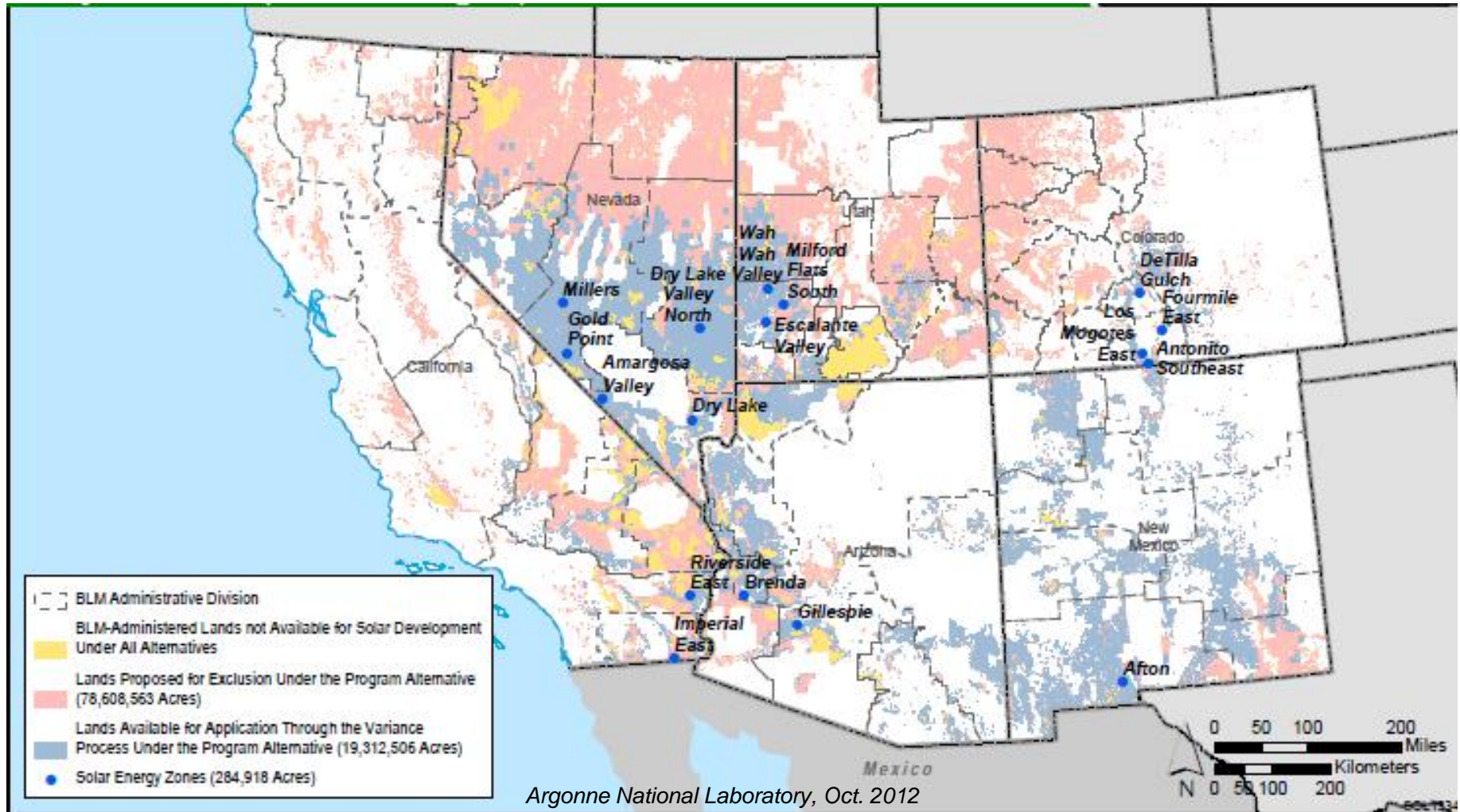
- Dispatchability against wholesale energy market prices
- Provision of Regulation and Spinning Reserves
- Increased and sustained Resource Adequacy Value
- As grid capacity needs change, stored thermal energy can follow
- Reduced system integration costs
- Improved GHG emissions, with dispatchable clean energy displacing cycling conventional back-up
- Other reliability & emissions benefits, such as:
  - Provision of frequency response without dumping solar energy
  - Reduction in criteria air pollutants

# Solar Programmatic Environmental Impact Statement (Solar PEIS)

Solar development plan on Federal Lands in six western states (Arizona, California, Colorado, Nevada, New Mexico and Utah)

- **Establishes priority Solar Energy Zones (SEZs):**
  - 17 SEZs, covering 285,000 acres
  - Transmission and permitting incentives (building on progress made with federal stimulus projects)
- **“Variance” lands:**
  - 19 million acres available for development outside of SEZs
- **Exclusion Areas:**
  - 79 million acres (protected wilderness, slope > 5%, insolation < 6.5 kWh/m<sup>2</sup>/day)
- **“Pending projects” grandfathered**

# Solar PEIS Map



# California Desert Renewable Energy Conservation Plan

- 22 million acre plan for all renewable energy in the California desert
- Programmatic federal & California endangered species permits
- Streamlined permitting of renewable energy generation and transmission projects
  - Transmission upfront funding
  - Regional conservation & mitigation “banks”





Thank you

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