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## **Current Developments in Solar Energy Production in California**

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### California's Renewable Energy Policy and Goals

- Assembly Bill 32: The California Global Warming Solutions Act of 2006
  - ✓ Requires California to reduce its greenhouse gas emissions to or below 1990 levels by 2020
- California Renewable Portfolio Standard (RPS)
  - ✓ Requires all California electricity retailers to meet 33% of their retail sales with renewable energy resources by 2020





#### California's Solar Energy Targets

- Senate Bill 1: California Solar Initiative
  - ✓ Encourage Californians to install 3,000 MW of solar energy systems on homes and businesses by the end of 2016
  - ✓ The program also has a goal to install 585 million therms\* of solar hot water systems by the end of 2017 to displace natural gas heating
- Governor Brown's Clean Energy Jobs (2011)
  - ✓ California should produce 20,000 new MW of renewable electricity by 2020
  - ✓ Including 12,000 MW of distributed generation energy







#### Governor's Clean Energy Jobs Plan

- Peak electricity demand in California is about 65,000 MWh
- California has the ability to produce over 1 million MWh of renewable energy
- By 2020,
  - ✓ Build 12,000 MW of Localized Electricity Generation
  - ✓ Build 8,000 MW of Large Scale Renewables & Necessary Transmission Lines
  - ✓ Deal with Peak Energy Needs and Develop Energy Storage





# Breakdown of Total Electricity Production Capacity by Resource Type (MW)

Comparative Electricity Hourly Production Data at 2pm on Selected Dates

| Date             | Renewables | Nuclear | Thermal | Imports | Hydro | Total  | %<br>Renewable |
|------------------|------------|---------|---------|---------|-------|--------|----------------|
| Aug. 1,<br>2013  | 7,468      | 2,258   | 10,849  | 7,750   | 3,060 | 31,385 | 24%            |
| Oct.1,<br>2013   | 5,534      | 2,262   | 13,909  | 7,156   | 1,444 | 30,305 | 18%            |
| Dec. 1,<br>2013* | 3,907      | 2,241   | 8,452   | 6,711   | 859   | 22,170 | 18%            |

<sup>\*</sup> Weekend day (Sunday)

http://www.caiso.com/market/Pages/ReportsBulletins/DailyRenewablesWatch.aspx





### California's Renewable Electricity Generation Capacity (MW)

Comparative Electricity Hourly Production Data at 2pm on Selected Dates

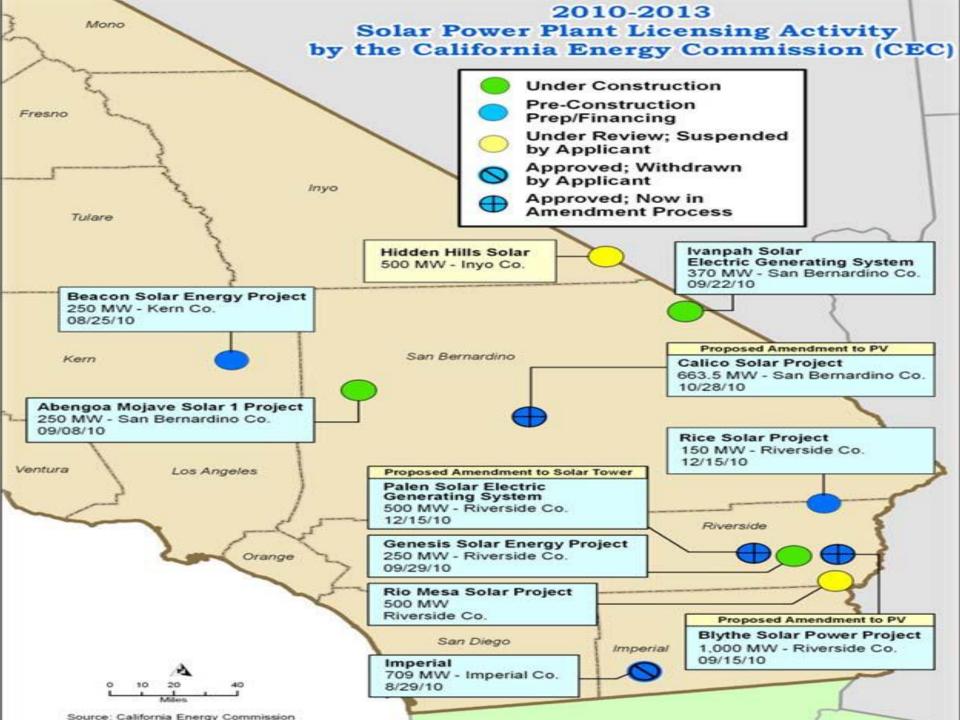
| Date            | Geotherm<br>al | n<br>Biomass | Biogas | Small<br>Hydro | Wind<br>Total | Solar PV | Solar<br>Thermal |
|-----------------|----------------|--------------|--------|----------------|---------------|----------|------------------|
| Aug. 1,<br>2013 | 900            | 351          | 189    | 344            | 3,299         | 2,009    | 377              |
| Oct.1,<br>2013  | 813            | 355          | 196    | 287            | 1,241         | 2,390    | 251              |
| Dec.1,<br>2013* | 821            | 398          | 201    | 130            | 75            | 2,173    | 110              |

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#### 'Brightsource Ivanpah' Facility

- Project: Ivanpah #1 (first of 3 towers)
- Capacity: 370 MW
- Land: 3200 acres (13 km²) administered by the Bureau of Land Management
- Estimated Jobs:
  - ✓ 2,000 construction; 100 permanent
- Cost: \$1.1 billion





#### 'Abengoa Mojave Solar One'

- Project: Abengoa Mojave Solar One
- Capacity: 250 MW
- Land: 1765 acres (7.1 km²) privately owned
- Estimated Jobs:
  - √ 1,200 construction; 70 permanent
- Cost: \$1.2 billion





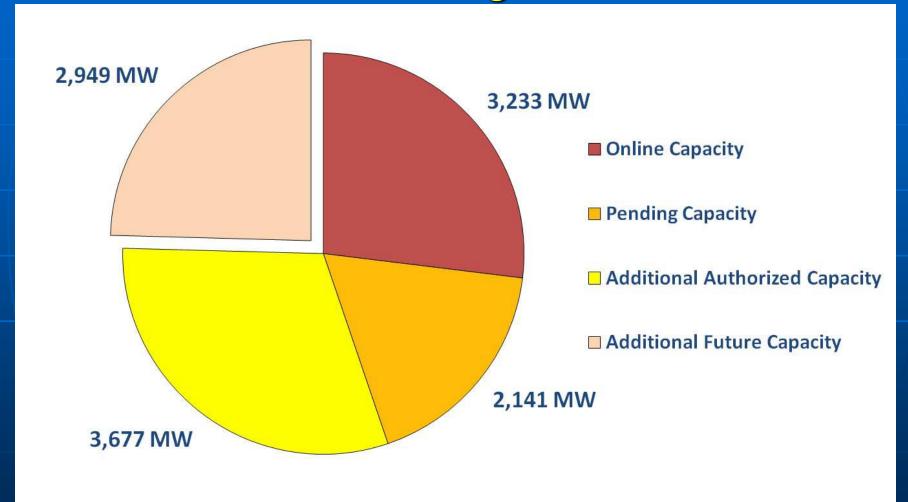
#### 'Genesis Project'

- Project: Genesis
- Capacity: 250 MW
- Land: 1800 acres (7.3 km²) administered by the Bureau of Land Management
- Estimated Jobs:
  - √ 900 Construction; 50 Permanent
- Cost: \$1 billion





### Progress Towards Distributed Generation Target (12,000 MW)







#### Progress in State Buildings

- Memorandum of Understanding among 8 state agencies
- Goal of 2,500 MW (out of 12,000) by 2020
- 60 to 70 MW self-generation projects already underway at
  - ✓ CA Dept. of Corrections and Rehabilitation
  - ✓ CA Dept. of Transportation
  - ✓ CA State Universities (Cal State) and the Universities of CA (UC)





Dept. of Motor Vehicles HQ - 428 kW Solar PV System

UC Davis West Village
- 4,000 kW Solar PV System





### פרמיות לסולארי Adopted 2011 Market Price Referents

(Nominal - dollars/kWh)

| Contract Start Date | 10-Year | 15-Year | 20-Year | 25-Year |
|---------------------|---------|---------|---------|---------|
| 2012                | 0.07688 | 0.08353 | 0.08956 | 0.09274 |
| 2013                | 0.08103 | 0.08775 | 0.09375 | 0.09695 |
| 2014                | 0.08454 | 0.09151 | 0.09756 | 0,10081 |
| 2015                | 0.08804 | 0.09520 | 0.10132 | 0.10464 |
| 2016                | 0.09156 | 0.09883 | 0.10509 | 0.10848 |
| 2017                | 0.09488 | 0.10223 | 0.10859 | 0.11206 |
| 2018                | 0.09831 | 0.10570 | 0.11218 | 0.11572 |
| 2019                | 0.10186 | 0.10928 | 0.11587 | 0.11946 |
| 2020                | 0.10550 | 0.11296 | 0.11965 | 0.12326 |





#### In Summary

- California is well underway in developing its solar power generation capacity
- The choice of solar technology is up to the decision of the solar project proponent
  - Extreme reduction in the cost of solar PV panels is leading several solar thermal projects to revise their applications to switch to solar PV
- The California Governor's 2011 initiative is focused on
  - ✓ Local electricity generation,
  - ✓ Improving and constructing transmission lines,
  - ✓ Enhancing electricity storage capabilities





### Examples of Solar Research Funded by the California Energy Commission

- Developing a Framework for Analyzing Cumulative Biological Impacts for Solar Energy Projects in the California Desert (UC Santa Barbara)
- Developing a Decision Support System to Improve Mitigation and Facilitate Siting Renewable Energy (CSU Fresno)
- Creating Accurate Solar Forecasting Tools and Models (UC San Diego)
- Demonstrating Solar Thermal Technologies in Combined Heat and Power Applications (CIEE)
- Developing Highly Efficiency Thin-Film Solar PV (nLiten Energy Corporation)
- Demonstrating Solar PV in Microgrid Operations (UC San Diego)





#### Thank You for Your Attention

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