



# **EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR REPORT**

**Working Group Update** 

Daniel E Garcia | Executive Director

#### **CONSENT CALENDAR**

#### A. Minutes of the Board of Directors Meeting

• Regular Meeting Minutes: August 15, 2024

#### B. Receive and File:

- 1. Finance Committee Meeting Minutes: August 5, 2024
- 2. Monthly Investment Report: July 2024
- 3. SCPPA A&G Budget Comparison Report: July 2024
- 4. Palo Verde Decommissioning Annual Funding Status Report:

Year 2023

- 5. Palo Verde Report: July 2024
- 6. Magnolia Power Project Operations Report: August 2024
- 7. Federal Legislative Report: August 2024





#### **FINANCE REPORT**

Aileen Ma | Chief Financial & Administrative Officer

Troy Cook | Utility Analyst

# SOUTHERN TRANSMISSION SYSTEM (STS) BOND REFUNDING



- Project Participants: LADWP, Anaheim, Riverside, Pasadena, Burbank, and Glendale
- Outstanding project revenue bonds:

Series	Structure	Outstanding	Optional Redemption	Final Maturity
2015 Series C	Fixed Rate Tax-Exempt	\$89,480,000	January 1, 2025	July 1, 2027

- ► Financing Plan
  - ► Refinance for debt service savings
  - ▶ Issue fixed rate tax-exempt refunding revenue bonds
  - ► Same final maturity of July 1, 2027
  - ▶ Price the bonds via competitive sale



Estimated debt service savings based on rates as of 9/4/2024

		Participant Shares					
Date	Cashflow Savings	LADWP	City of Anaheim	City of Riverside	City of Pasadena	City of Burbank	City of Glendale
	ourgo	59.534%	17.647%	10.164%	5.883%	4.498%	2.274%
7/1/2025	493,235	293,642	87,041	50,132	29,017	22,186	11,216
7/1/2026	1,126,400	670,591	198,776	114,487	66,266	50,665	25,614
7/1/2027	1,131,500	673,627	199,676	115,006	66,566	50,895	25,730
Total	2,751,135	1,637,861	485,493	279,625	161,849	123,746	62,561

- Net present value (NPV) savings equivalent \$2.5 million (2.8% of refunded par)
- > SCPPA Financing Policy 5% minimum NPV savings as a guideline
- > SCPPA Board may make exceptions on a case-by-case basis
- Savings sensitivity

NPV Savings (%)	2.803%	2.000%	3.000%	5.000%
Rate Change (vs. Current)	Current	+ 55 bps	-14 bps	- 147 bps



- ► Finance Committee discussed on August 5<sup>th</sup>
  - Supported the refinancing
  - Recommended approval of initial authorizing Resolution
  - Recommended establishing a minimum savings floor
    - Cover cost of issuance
- Anticipated financing schedule
  - December 19<sup>th</sup> Board approval
  - ▶ January 8<sup>th</sup> Competitive sale
  - ▶ January 23<sup>rd</sup> Closing



#### Recommendation:

Adopt Resolution No. 2024-095 authorizing the preparation of all documents necessary for the refinancing of the Transmission Project Revenue Bonds, 2015 Subordinate Refunding Series C (Southern Transmission Project)



#### **THANK YOU**





# **ASSET MANAGEMENT**

CHARLES GUSS | Senior Asset Manager
GUADALUPE ROBLES | Senior Utility Analyst



# Clean Energy Project (Prepaid PPA) FY 24/25 Budget

Resolution 2024-096



# Clean Energy Project (Prepaid PPA) FY 24/25 Budget

- Clean Energy Project
  - Prepays for two landfill gas PPAs:
    - ▶ Brea Landfill Gas Plant
    - ▶ Bowerman Power Landfill Gas-to-Energy Project
  - > \$598 million prepayment for 1.9 million MWh
  - ▶ 15% savings, over \$5 million annually through 2030
- ► FY 24/25 Project Budget of \$117k includes:
  - \$54k for Working Capital
  - \$63k for Direct A&G
- Resolution 2024-096
  - Project Vote: Anaheim (100%)



#### RESOLUTION NO. 2024-096

# RESOLUTION OF THE SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA PUBLIC POWER AUTHORITY APPROVING THE ANNUAL BUDGET FOR CLEAN ENERGY PROJECT (PREPAID PPA) FOR THE FISCAL YEAR JULY 1, 2024 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2025

BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Directors of the Southern California Public Power Authority (the "Authority") that:

- 1. The budget for the Clean Energy Project (Prepaid PPA) for the Fiscal Year July 1, 2024 through June 30, 2025, submitted to this Board of Directors, is hereby approved. The Executive Director is hereby authorized and directed to place the budget so approved in final form, with such changes as shall be necessary or advisable, consistent with Board Resolution No. 2024-082, and the budget hereby approved, in such final form, shall constitute the Authority's Annual Budget for Fiscal Year July 1, 2024 through June 30, 2025.
  - This Resolution shall become effective immediately.

THE FOREGOING RESOLUTION is approved and adopted by the Authority, this 19th day of September, 2024.





# RECOMMENDATION: Approval of Resolution 2024-096

Authorizes Approval of the Clean Energy Project (Prepaid PPA) FY 24/25 Budget



# Eland Solar & Storage Center, Phase 2 Project FY 24/25 Budget

Resolution 2024-097



# Eland Solar & Storage Center, Phase 2 Project FY 24/25 Budget

- Eland Solar & Storage Center, Phase 2 Project
  - ► 200 MW-ac solar plus
  - ▶ 150 MW/600 MWh storage project
  - Located in Kern County, CA
- ► Test Energy deliver begins October 2024
- COD planned for April 2025
- FY 24/25 Budget Total of \$17.5 million includes:
  - > \$14.4 million in Test Energy and PPA Payments
  - \$3 million for Working Capital
- Resolution 2024-097
  - Project Vote: LADWP (100.00%)

#### RESOLUTION NO. 2024-097

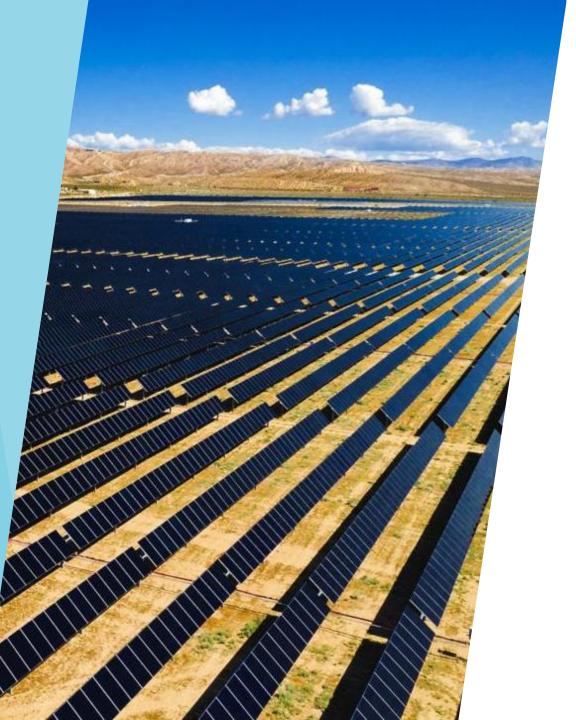
# RESOLUTION OF THE SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA PUBLIC POWER AUTHORITY APPROVING THE ANNUAL BUDGET FOR ELAND SOLAR & STORAGE CENTER, PHASE 2 PROJECT FOR THE FISCAL YEAR JULY 1, 2024 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2025

BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Directors of the Southern California Public Power Authority (the "Authority") that:

- 1. The budget for the Eland Solar & Storage Center, Phase 2 Project for the Fiscal Year July 1, 2024 through June 30, 2025, submitted to this Board of Directors, is hereby approved. The Executive Director is hereby authorized and directed to place the budget so approved in final form, with such changes as shall be necessary or advisable to comply with the Eland Solar & Storage Center, Phase 2 Project Power Sales Contract; and the budget hereby approved, in such final form, shall constitute the Authority's Annual Budget for Fiscal Year July 1, 2024 through June 30, 2025.
  - This Resolution shall become effective immediately.

THE FOREGOING RESOLUTION is approved and adopted by the Authority, this 19th day of September, 2024.





# RECOMMENDATION: Approval of Resolution 2024-097

Authorizes Approval of the Southern Transmission System Project FY 24/25 Budget Revision No. 1



# San Juan Generating Station Stack Implosion



https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=83nlgXnnnPQ



San Juan Generating Station Stack Implosion





#### PROJECT DEVELOPMENT

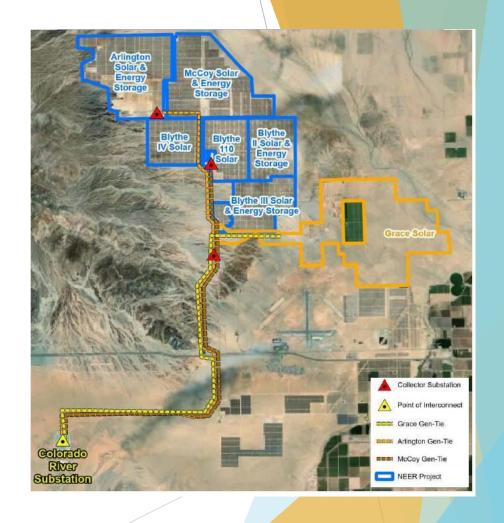
Randy Krager | Sr. Project Development Manager

John Quan | Principal Utility Analyst

Troy Cook | Utility Analyst

# Background

- NextEra Energy Resources (Grace Orchard Solar III, LLC)
- Location: Riverside County, California
- Interconnects to the CAISO grid at Southern California Edison (SCE) Colorado River 230 kV substation
- The 500 MW Grace Orchard Facility is located on privately held and BLM land





## Grace Solar Project

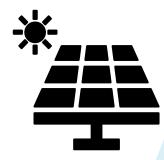
- Participating Members: Anaheim (100 MW), Colton (20 MW), &
   Pasadena (50 MW)
- Contract Capacity: 170 MW (PV)
- Contract Term: 20-Years
- Minimum Contract Price: \$43.71/MWh
- Maximum Contract Price: \$47.46/MWh
- Point of Delivery: Colorado River Substation 230 kV
- Expected Commercial Operation Date (COD): December 1, 2027





#### Price Adjustment Overview

- Anticipation of cost increase
  - ▶ Increase in PV panel costs due to new trade measures or restrictions
- Verification Process
  - Price adjustment subject to verification by an independent evaluator
  - Evaluator report will confirm PV panel cost increase
  - Members can contest only on mathematical errors



#### PV Price:

\$43.71/MWh

Minimum

Maximum



### Next Steps & Approvals

- ► Each Participating Member will present their PSA to their City Councils for approval
  - ▶ If not approved, the PPA can be terminated
- NEER must secure all necessary approvals by November 15, 2024, or pay a \$10,000,000 termination fee



# California Environmental Quality Act ("CEQA") Determination

- SCPPA's approval of the PPA and PSAS and other actions taken in furtherance thereof is not a "project" under the California Environmental Quality Act ("CEQA") as it would not result in a direct or reasonably foreseeable indirect change in the physical environment.
- The proposed action does not have the potential to cause a significant effect on the environment and is thus exempt from CEQA.
- The Power Purchase Agreement ("PPA") requires that the developer obtain necessary permits, including CEQA determinations, required for the construction, operation, and maintenance of the project facility. (PPA Section 12.3)



#### Recommendation

► Approval of Resolution 2024-098

Authorize the negotiation, execution, and delivery of the project Power Purchase Agreement (PPA) with Grace Solar Orchard III, LLC, and Power Sales Agreements (PSAs) with the Cities of Anaheim, Colton, and Pasadena for the Grace Solar Project, and find such action exempt from CEQA





#### **GOVERNMENT AFFAIRS**

MARIO De BERNARDO | Director, Government Affairs

ELISABETH de JONG | Manager, Government Affairs

NATALIE SEITZMAN | Energy Policy Advocate, Government Affairs

#### CEC Com. Noemí Gallardo Visit

- Thursday, August 29
- Morning Session @ Riverside
  - Riverside Resource Center Project
  - Casa Blanca Customer Resource Center
- Afternoon Session @ Burbank
  - Magnolia Power Plant
  - Eco-campus
- Roundtable Discussions
  - Customer Engagement
  - Reliability
  - Clean Energy Planning





## SCPPA: CEC Commissioner Visit

9 SCPPA Members represented:
 Anaheim, Azusa, Burbank, Colton,
 Glendale, IID, LADWP, Pasadena,
 Riverside







# Federal Update

# "Super Bowl of Tax"

- Congress will focus on tax policy in 2025
- \$4.3 trillion worth of tax credits set to expire
- Pressure from \$28.2 trillion federal deficit
- POU Issues: Tax-exempt Muni Bonds, ARBs, and IRA Credits





### Federal Update

### "Built By Bonds" Database

- APPA working with Government Finance Officers Association
- Requesting POUs to submit info on bond financed projects
- Purpose is to show usefulness of municipal bonds
- Goal: At least four projects in every congressional district



### Federal Update

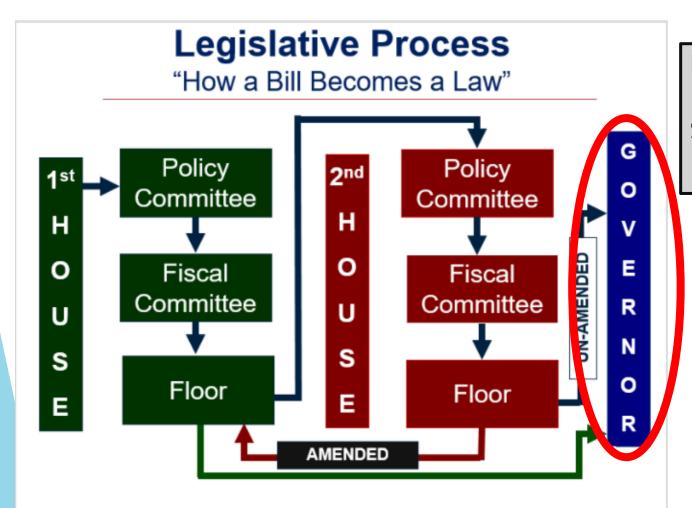
#### **POU Submissions**

- Project with any governmental purpose
- Old or recent projects
- Wouldn't have been built but for muni bonds
- Need info ASAP
- https://www.gfoa.org/built-by-bonds-entry-form





#### State Legislative Calendar



#### **Notable Dates:**

Sep 30 - Last Day for Gov to Sign/Veto Bills



#### Bills on Governor's Desk

- AB 3264 (Petrie-Norris) -- Studies for Reducing Energy Costs
- SB 1420 (Caballero) -- Permit & Judicial Streamlining for Hydrogen
- AB 1834 (Garcia) AB 1373 Clean Up
- AB 2037 (Papan) EV Charger Inspections

Signing Deadline is September 30th





#### Special Session

- Special Session on Stabilizing Gas-Price Spikes
- Assembly Schedule

#### **Committee Hearings**

Wednesday, September 18, afternoon: informational hearing
Thursday, September 19, morning: informational hearing
Thursday, September 26, morning: bill hearing

#### Floor Session

Tuesday, October 1, floor session at 1 p.m.



- Senate pro Tem says Senate will convene if Assembly can pass Gov's proposal
- Governor has only signed one Senate bill since August 31st



## CARB: Cap-and-Trade

#### Rulemaking Status Update:

- Pre-rulemaking: 45-day regulatory package in any day
- CARB Board consideration "late 2024, early 2025"

#### Specific Issues:

- Allowance allocation
- Flexibility for use of allowance value
- Consignment
- Post-2030 Program





### Cap-and-Trade Reauthorization

- Post-2030 Cap-and-Trade Legislation Expected Next Session
- SCPPA Developing Principles
  - Emphasize broader issues
    - POU leadership
    - Duel regulations: C&T and SB 100
    - POU costs to decarbonize (not just C&T compliance)
    - Effects on ratepayers
  - Specific issues: allowances, use of allowances, consignment, and regulatory certainty
- **SCPPA Developing Strategy** 
  - Once principles finalized, meet with energy committee and leadership staff
  - Encourage legislative letter to CARB on POU issues

