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# Wheeling Power to Meet the California RPS

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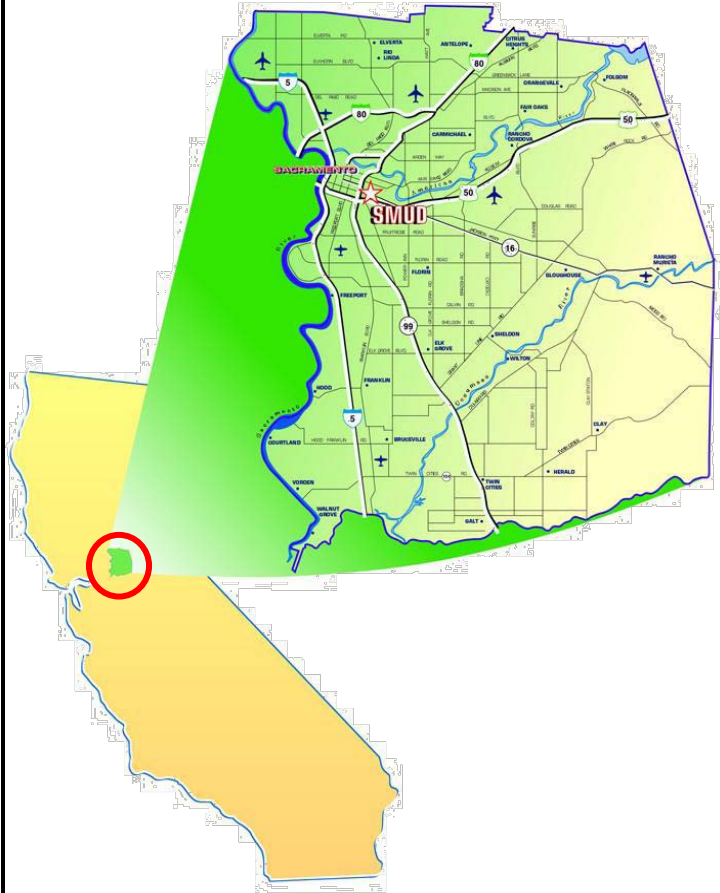
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## Overview:

- SMUD
- Drivers & Renewable Energy Goals
- SMUD's Renewable Energy Mix
- Some Renewable Energy Projects
- Summary

# SMUD

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- Publicly Owned (Sixth Largest in U.S.)
- Service area of 900 square miles, serving 1.4 Million (Sacramento County and parts of Placer)
- Over 595,000 Residential, Commercial and Industrial customers
- Record peak demand-3,299 MW on July 24, 2006
- **1<sup>st</sup> in customer satisfaction survey for the last 9 consecutive years (J.D. Power & Associates Survey)**

# What Is Driving SMUD's Renewable Energy Development?

- **GHG regulations**
  - ✓ Reshaping energy supply
  - ✓ Prompting RE developments
  - ✓ Climate change
- **RPS-driven energy additions**
  - ✓ Pipeline injection
  - ✓ Utilizes existing transmission pipeline infrastructure
  - ✓ Local RE development
- **Other Environmental Concerns**
  - ✓ Local and problem wastes
  - ✓ Health and Safety Issues
  - ✓ Reduce Emissions (NO<sub>x</sub>, H<sub>2</sub>S, etc)
- **Loss of Energy Resources**
  - ✓ Electricity and heat
  - ✓ Transportation fuels
  - ✓ Additional revenue stream for agricultural and other sectors
  - ✓ Productive use of organic waste materials
- ❖ **Board's Strategic Directives & Policy - Sustainable Power Supply**

# Sustainable Power Supply Objective

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**A Sustainable Power Supply reduces SMUD's long-term greenhouse gas emissions from generation of electricity to 10% of its 1990 carbon dioxide emission levels by 2050 (i.e. <350,000 metric tonnes/year), while assuring reliability of the system; minimizing environmental impacts on land, habitat, water quality, and air quality; and maintaining a competitive position relative to other California electricity providers.**

# 2050 LOAD CHALLENGES

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- Thermal/Carbon emitting - ~10%
- Large hydro - ~15-20%
- Other non-carbon resources - ~70-75%
  - Renewables (37% by 2020)
  - New demand-side/energy efficiency programs
  - Carbon sequestration
  - Other non-carbon generation
  - Purchasing carbon offsets

# Other Challenges

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- Resource Availability/Sustainability
- Arduous Permitting Process
- Financing and Availability of Equity/Cost Allocation/Cost Recovery
- Constrained and Insufficient Transmission and Distribution (T&D) Infrastructure
- High Upfront Capital Costs

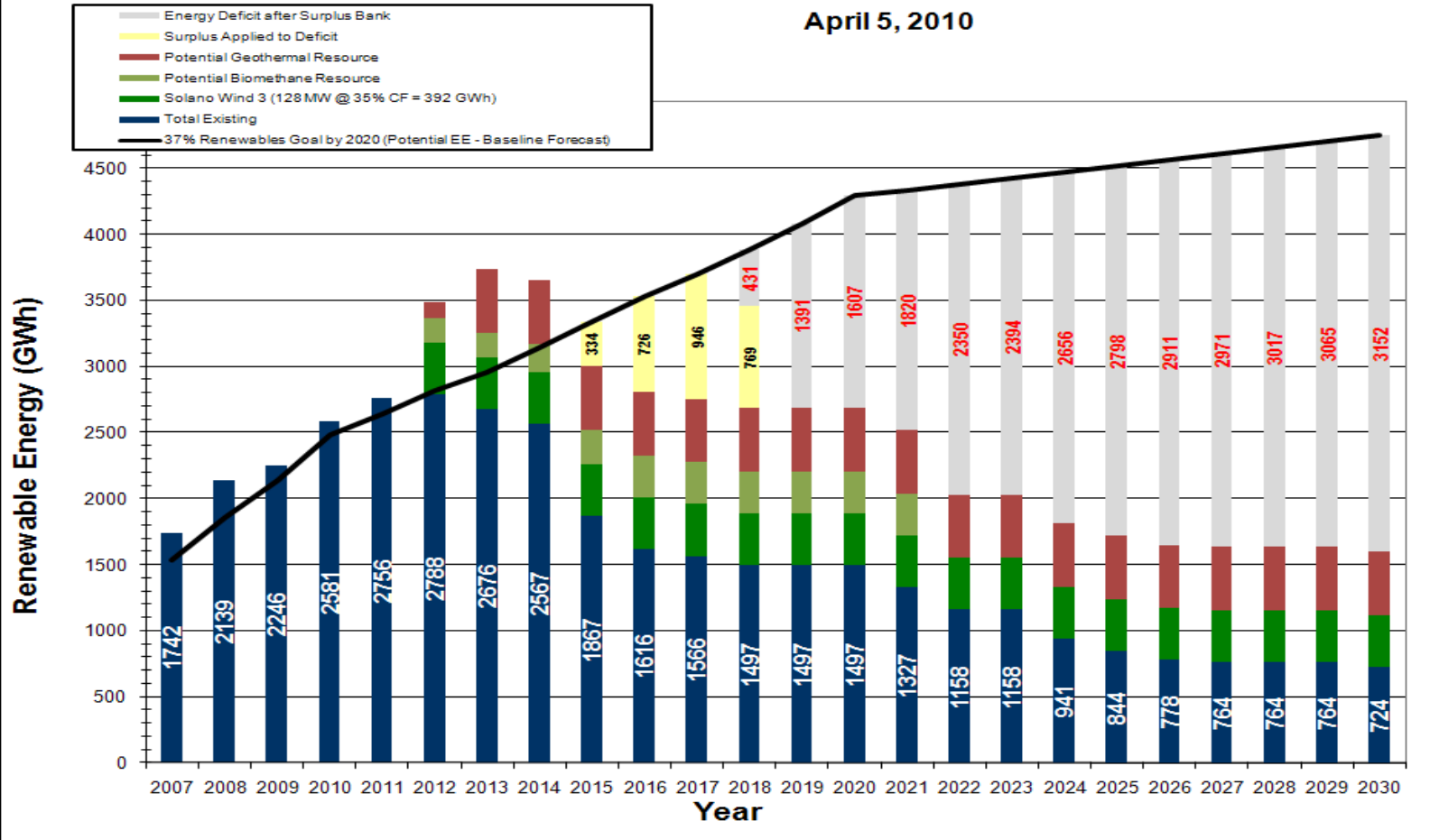
# Renewable Energy Supply Goals

SMUD Renewable Energy Program	2009 Supply Goal	2009 Actual	2010 Goal	2020 Goal
RPS	17.5%	18.8%	20%	33%
Greenergy	3.5%	3.5%	3.9%	4%
Totals	21%	22.3%	23.9%	37%



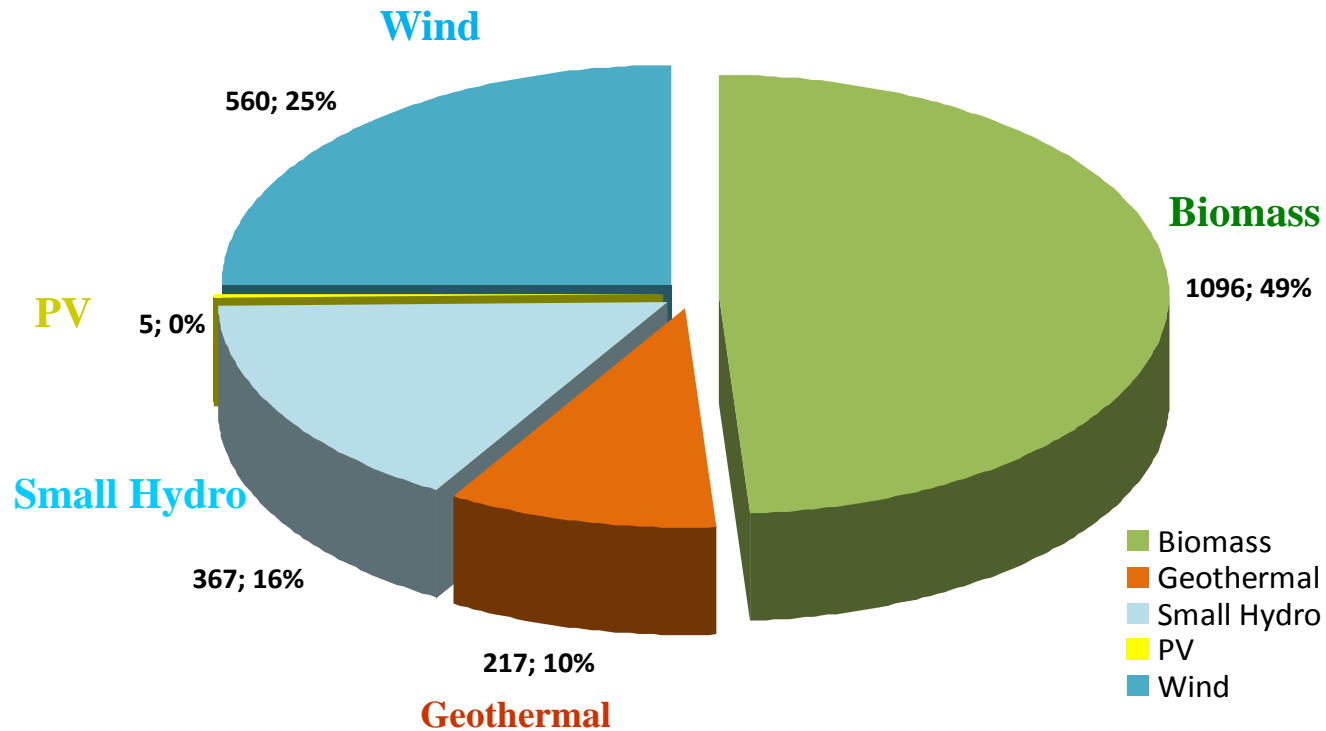
# Renewable Energy Supply vs. Goals

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# SMUD's RENEWABLE ENERGY MIX

## 2009 Renewable Energy Mix

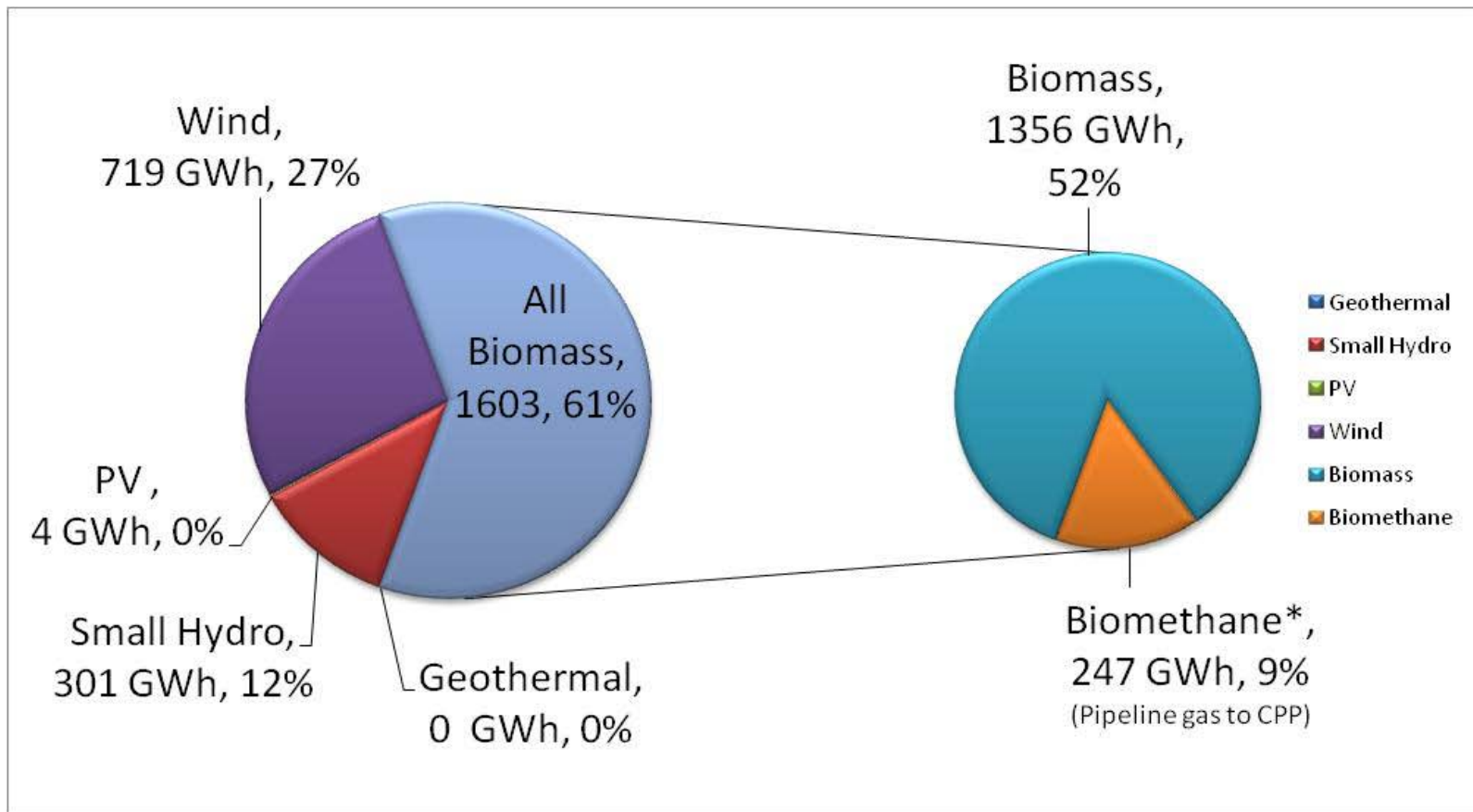


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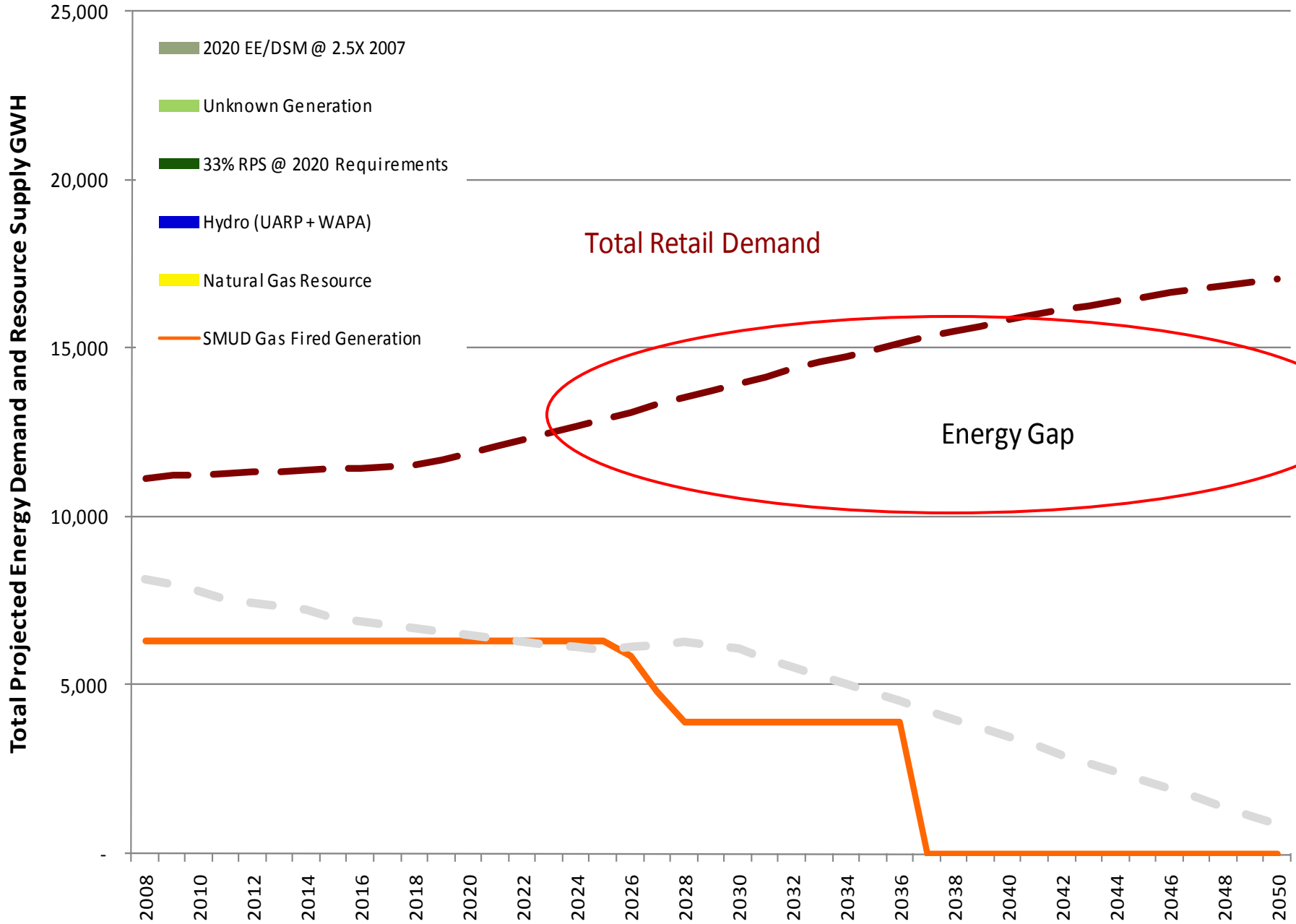
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# SMUD's RENEWABLE ENERGY MIX

## 2010 (2,600 GWh estimated)



# SMUD Projected Resource Mix Through 2050



# Addressing The Gap

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- Actions that reduce GhG emissions
  - Energy Efficiency (Existing & Future)
  - **Renewable Energy (Existing & Future)**
  - Carbon Sequestration & Recycling (Future - R&D)
  - Carbon Offsets (Future - Regulatory)
  - **Research, Development & Demonstration (RD&D)**

# APPROACHES IN BUILDING RENEWABLES

## 1. SMUD Owned & Operated – Large

- Innovative Ownership Options

## 2. Private (IPP) Owned - Renewables

Bidding w/ Cost & Value Ranking

- RFO
- Unsolicited Proposals

## 3. Private (Customer) Owned - Net

Metering (i.e., Retail Rates for Gen)

## 4. Private (IPP) Owned - Feed-In Tariff

(FIT) began 1/1/2010

- Value-Based, No Negotiation Contract (PPA)

## 5. RD&D Innovations



# *Renewable Energy Development*

# ***Biomass***



# Biomass Energy Conversion Pathways



## *Utilization*

### BioPower:

- Electricity
- Heat
- CHP & CCHP

### Pipeline Gas

### Biofuels:

- Ethanol
- Biodiesel
- Methanol
- Hydrogen
- SNG
- Pyrolysis Oil
- Others

### Bioproducts & Chemicals

## *Biomass Resources*

- *Agricultural Residues (Livestock Manure, Food Wastes, etc.)*
- *Forestry Residues*
- *Municipal Solid Waste*
- *Wastewater*

## *Processing & Handling*

- *Separation*
- *Processing*
- *Handling*
- *Transportation*

## *Conversion Processes*

- *Thermochemical (Combustion, Gasification, Pyrolysis)*
- *Biochemical (Anaerobic Digestion, Fermentation, Direct Hydrogen)*
- *Physicochemical (Oil Extraction, Hydrocarbon Extraction)*

## *Gas Cleaning Upgrading*

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- Particles
  - Tar, organics
  - Sulfur, H<sub>2</sub>S
  - NO<sub>x</sub>
  - CO<sub>2</sub>

# Biomass-Derived Methane Gas



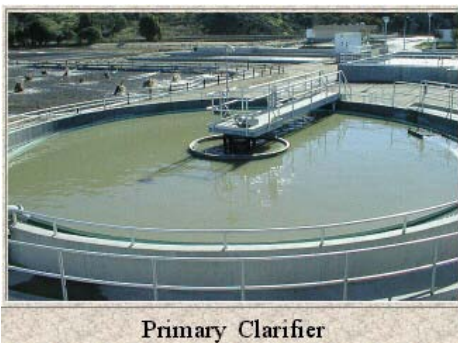
*Landfill Gas From Landfills*



*Digester Gas From AD of Food Wastes*



*Biogas From AD Livestock operations*



*Digester Gas From AD of Wastewater Treatment Plants*



*Producer Gas or Syngas From Gasification of Biomass ?*

# Biogas Opportunities in the Western US

## (Resource Potentials for Pipeline Gas)

	California	Other 12 Western States	Total
	Gross MW*	Gross MW*	Gross MW*
Wastewater Treatment Plants	210	351	561
Landfills	1300	990	2,290
Dairy Manure Digesters	470	566	1,036
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>1,980</b>	<b>1,907</b>	<b>3,887</b>

\* All analysis assumes a heat rate of 6900 BTU/kWh for conversion of biogas to power

***Biomass is making  
a significant contribution  
to  
RPS  
&  
Greenergy  
Goals***

# Existing Biomass Projects – PPA's

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## ● Existing RPS & Greenergy Biomass Projects

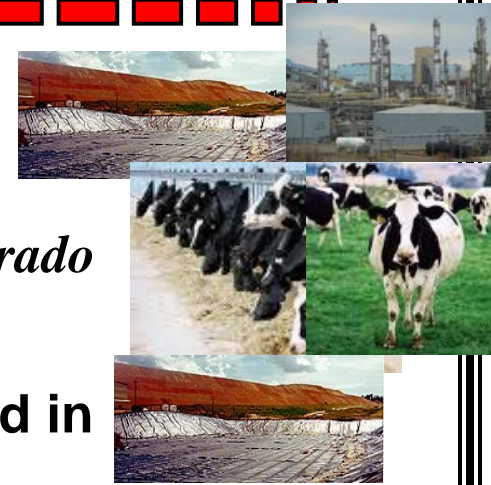
- Carson PP (WWTP) -Digester Gas (adjusted for ~90% nat. gas portion),  
Sacramento, CA
- Kiefer I & II – LES, Sacramento, CA
- Yolo Landfill, Davis, CA
- Avista (75 MW @ ~ 24x7) - WA
- SPI / SCL - Burlington (15 MW @ 90% CF = 118 GWh) - WA
- Simpson (43 MW; 339 GWh; Tacoma, WA)
- GRS - Santa Cruz Landfill, CA (1.5 MW; 12 GWh/yr) –
- Shell Biomethane / Consumnes PP (CPP) (200 to 300 GWh/yr) to CPP-  
Texas
- Snohomish (at full dispatch) (adjusted for 12.5% nat. gas portion) –  
WA – 38.5 MW ---contract expired



# Biogas for Pipeline Injection

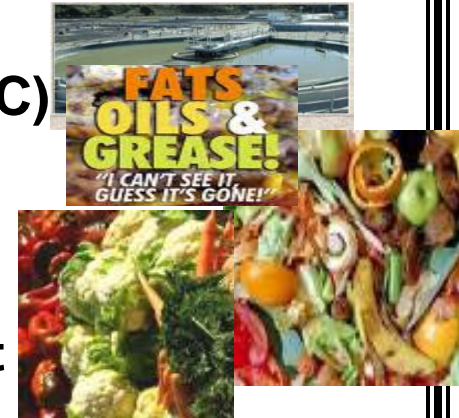
## Current Contracts:

1. *Landfill Gas –Texas (4,500 to 6,000 MMBTu/day)*
2. *Biogas from AD of Dairy Wastes/Co-digestion- Colorado (3,000-7,000 MMBtu/day)*
3. **Another Landfill gas -SMUD's Board Approved in November 2010**

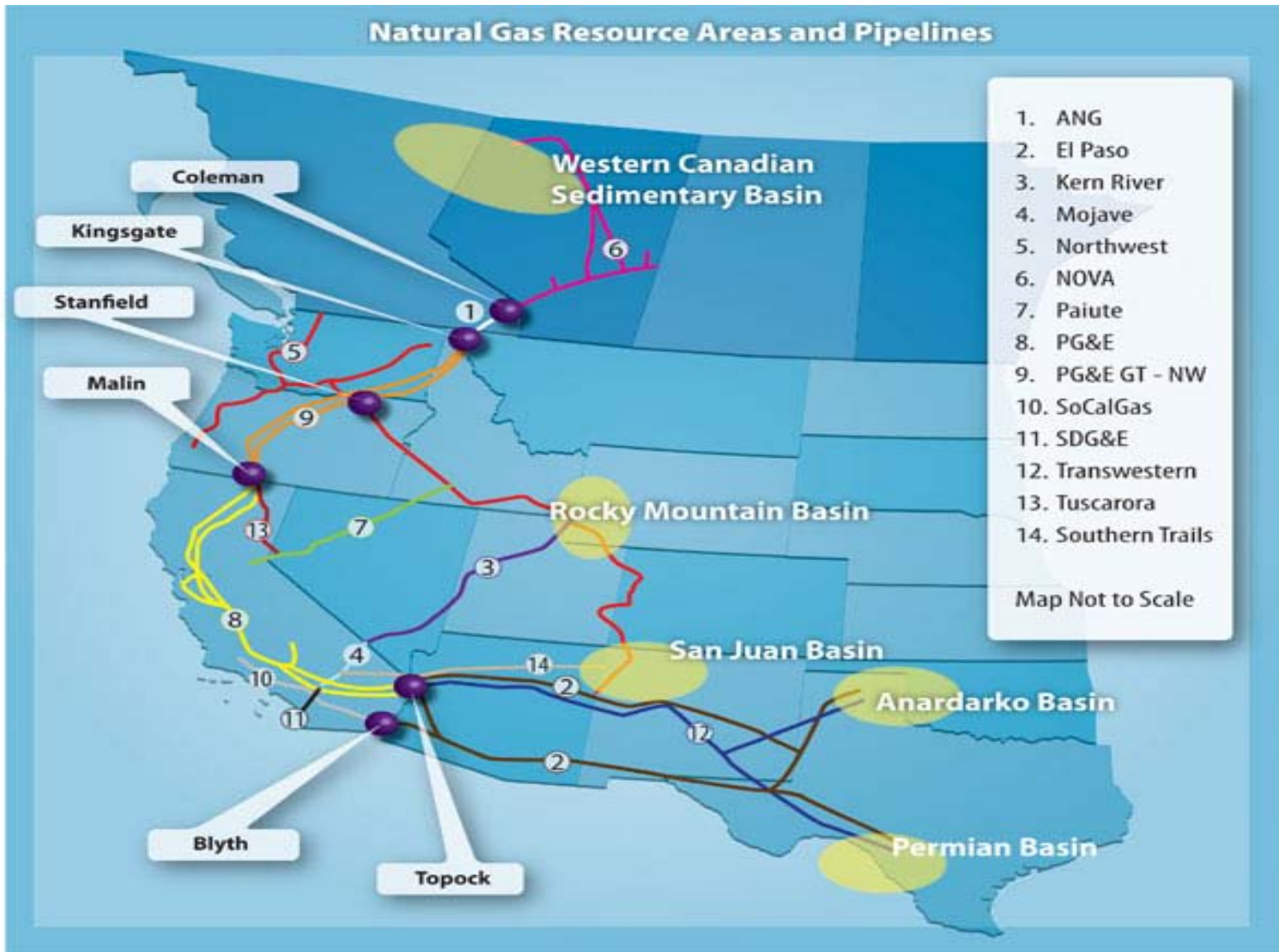


## Deployment Projects (Co-Funded by USDOE & CEC)

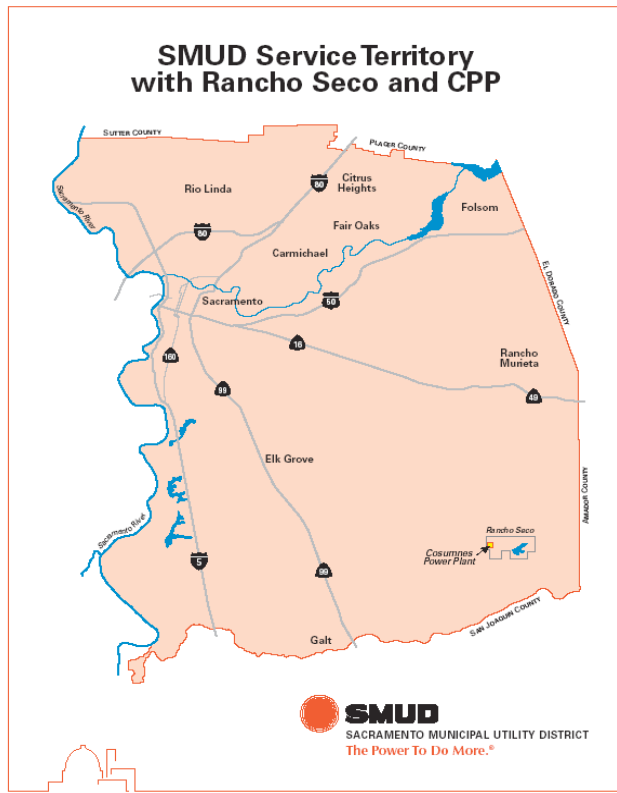
1. **Co-digestion of Food Wastes at Sacramento Wastewater Treatment Plant**
2. **AD of food wastes and other organic wastes at Sacramento Recycling & Transfer Station**



# Common Carrier of Gas Pipelines in CA



# SMUD's Biopower Today



Technology/ Fuel Source	Number of facilities*	GWh
<b>Solid Fuel Combustion</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>1,156</b>
<b>Biogas - Landfill gas-to-energy</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>389</b>
<b>Biogas - Wastewater treatment</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>56</b>
<b>Biogas - Dairy digester</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>2</b>
<b>Totals</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>1603</b>

\* In and outside of SMUD Region



# SMUD Community Renewable Energy Development Project



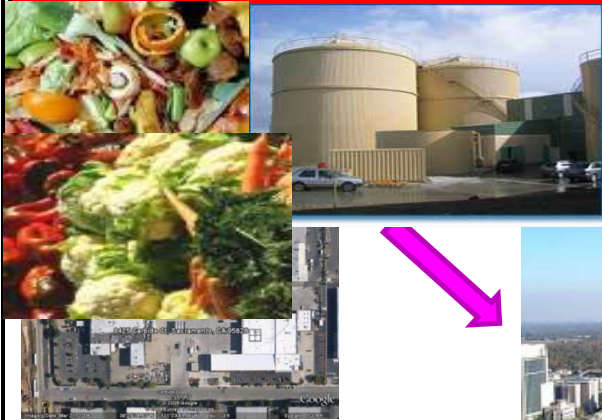
- USDOE ARRA Grant Award (\$5,000,000)
- CEC PIER Grant Award (\$500,000)
- 5 projects
  - Sacramento Solar Highways
  - County Wastewater Treatment Plant - Co-Digestion of Fats, Oils & Grease Waste and other liquid wastes
  - New Hope Dairy Anaerobic Digester
  - Warmerdam Dairy Anaerobic Digester
  - Food Wastes Anaerobic Digester



# SMUD CRED

## Community Renewable Energy Deployment Projects

### Food Wastes AD at BLT

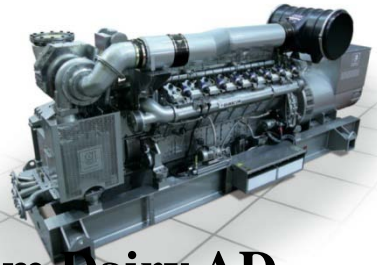


### Solar

### New Hope Dairy AD



### Dairy



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### Warmerdam Dairy AD

### SRCSD Co-Digestion of FOG



# Sacramento Solar Highways

- Project in planning stages
- **Two phases of feasibility study complete**
- **Environmental study is underway**



- Large number of technical and safety criteria
- Initial site survey resulted in **East Sacramento** in **“Midtown”** Sacramento and Rancho Cordova site selection

# Sacramento Solar Highways Technology

“Traditional” flat-plate photovoltaic modules



Advanced, concentrator photovoltaic panels with dual-axis tracking





From Southend 48th O.C. (east side); view to -East, of freeway; PV location is north slope (left)



From T St, ~60<sup>th</sup> St at fence; view -North, of north side freeway, east of overcrossing, proposed PV location.

# Co-Digestion of FOG & other Liquid Wastes at Sacramento Regional County Sanitation District

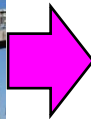
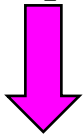
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- Successful Pilot Tests
- Next Step – Commercial Demo - \$1.5M award as part of SMUD-CRED
  - Validate feedstock availability assumptions
    - Updated food processing waste survey December 2009
    - SRCSD in discussions with specific generators
  - Continue seeking additional funding
  - Finalize Business Case and seek approval for permanent, full-scale facility
    - SMUD planning a pipeline injection to make more efficient use of the renewable biogas



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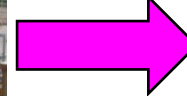
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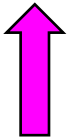
Biogas Clean-Up



Pipeline  
quality gas



Wastewater



# BLT-AD Project

## Desired Outcome:

- Install above ground and complete mix digester that will utilize food processing wastes and other organic wastes
- Biogas will be used for pipeline injection



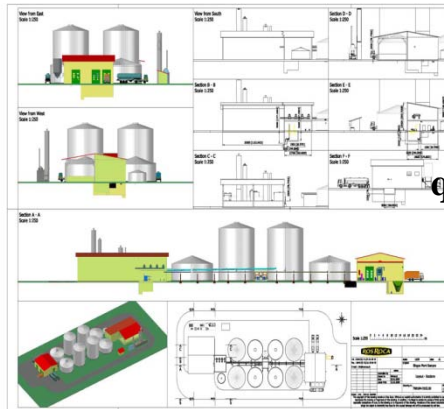
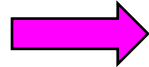
## Partners:

- Sacramento Recycling & Transfer Station, Real Energy, NatureWise Technology, Clean World Partners

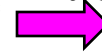


# BLT-AD Project

Food wastes & other organic wastes



Pipeline quality gas



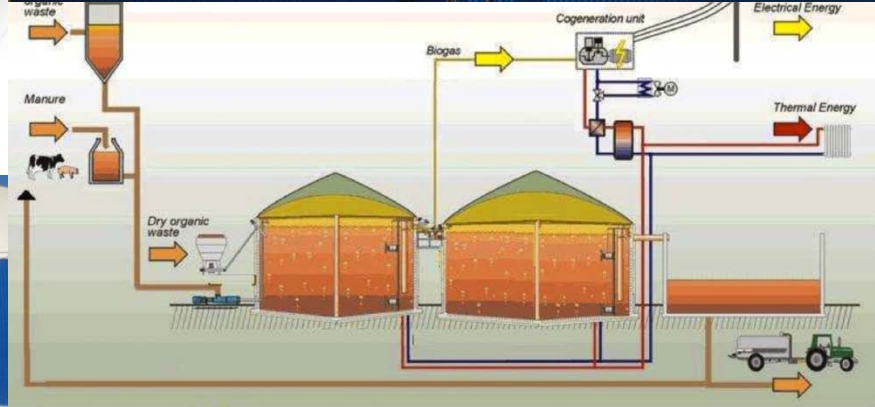
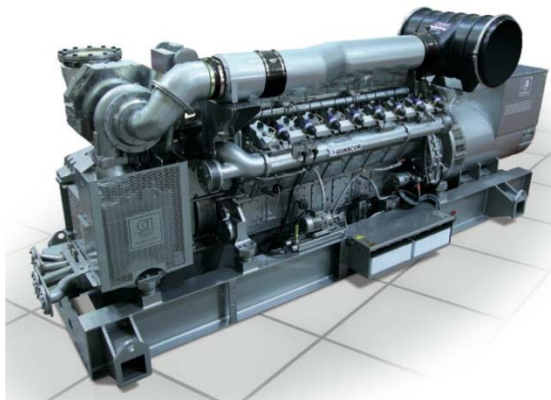
# New Dairy Digesters in Development

Objective: Demonstrate and deploy new and advanced digesters that will employ above ground & complete mix digesters and **low NOx engines** at New Hope Dairy and Warmerdam Dairy both for CHP applications.

	New Hope Dairy	Warmerdam Dairy
<b>Milking Cows</b>	1,050	1,100
<b>Engine Size</b>	500 kW	800 kW
<b>Type of Prime Mover</b>	Low NOx Greenguard™ Engine	Guascor + SCR
<b>Expected Start of Operation</b>	Q4 2011	Q4 2011
<b>Digester Type</b>	Complete Mix (above ground)	Complete Mix (above ground)
<b>Partners</b>	USDOE, CEC, SMUD, Williams Engineering, CalBio, New Hope Dairy	USDOE, CEC, SMUD, Innate Energy, Warmerdam Dairy

# Warmerdam Farm AD & GenSet

## Innate Energy California, LLC



# New Hope Dairy Farm AD Project



WEA, CalBio







# ***SMUD's Solano Wind Project***

# Phase 1 Project (1999-2004)

- Vestas V47 (660 kW)
- Single WTG installed in 1999 for evaluation
- 15 WTGs added in 2003 at 50-meter hub height
- 7 WTGs installed in 2004 at 65-meter hub height
- Total Phase 1 capacity: 15 MW
- 21kV overhead collection system – 3.2 miles
- 230kV interconnection





# Phase 2 Project (2005-2007)

- Vestas V90 (3 MW)
- Phase 2A: 8 WTGs installed in May 2006 (24 MW total)
- Phase 2B: 21 WTGs installed in December 2007 (63 MW total)
- Total Phase 2 capacity: 87 MW

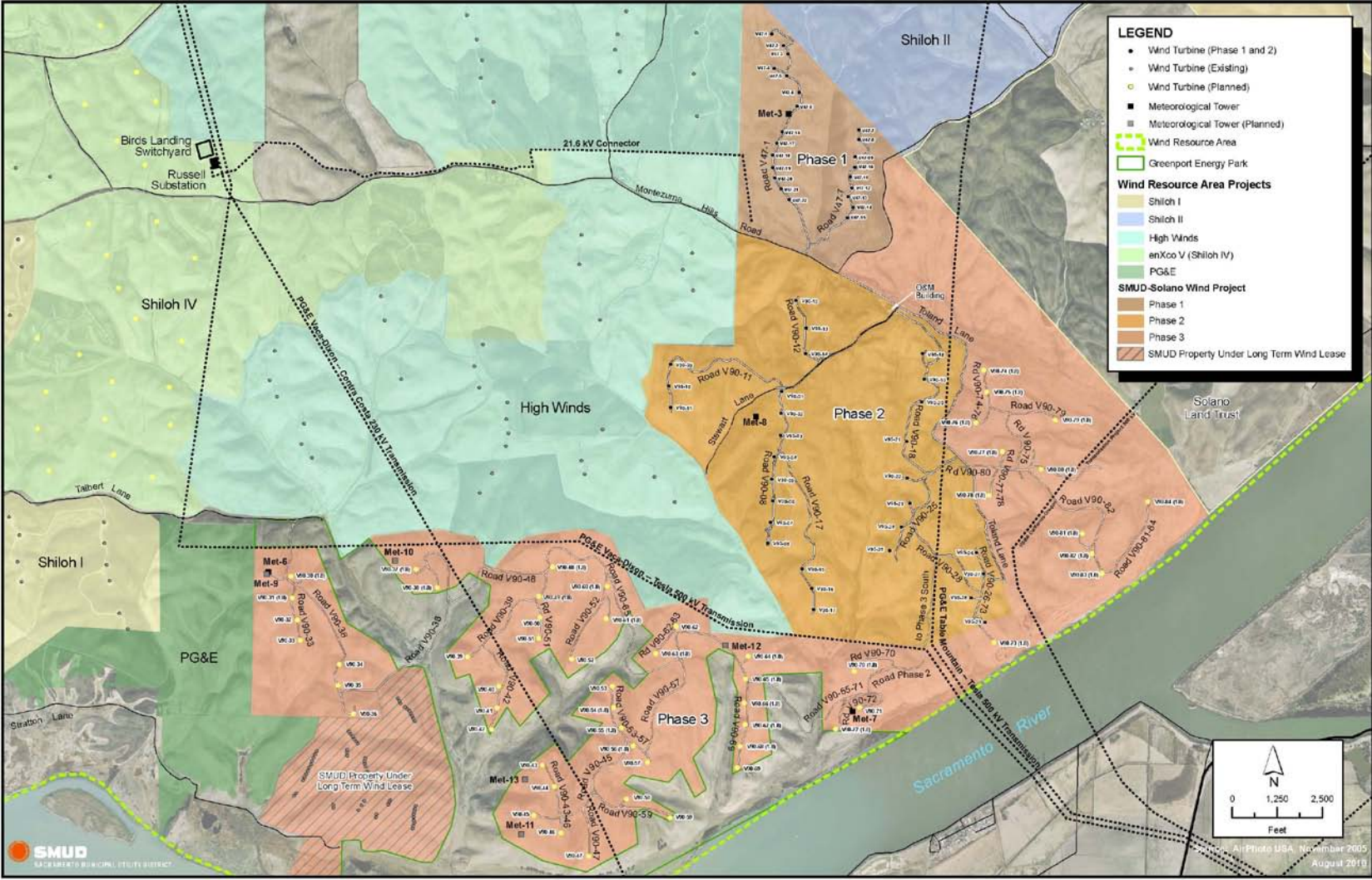


# Solano Wind Phase 1 & 2





# Phase 3 Project



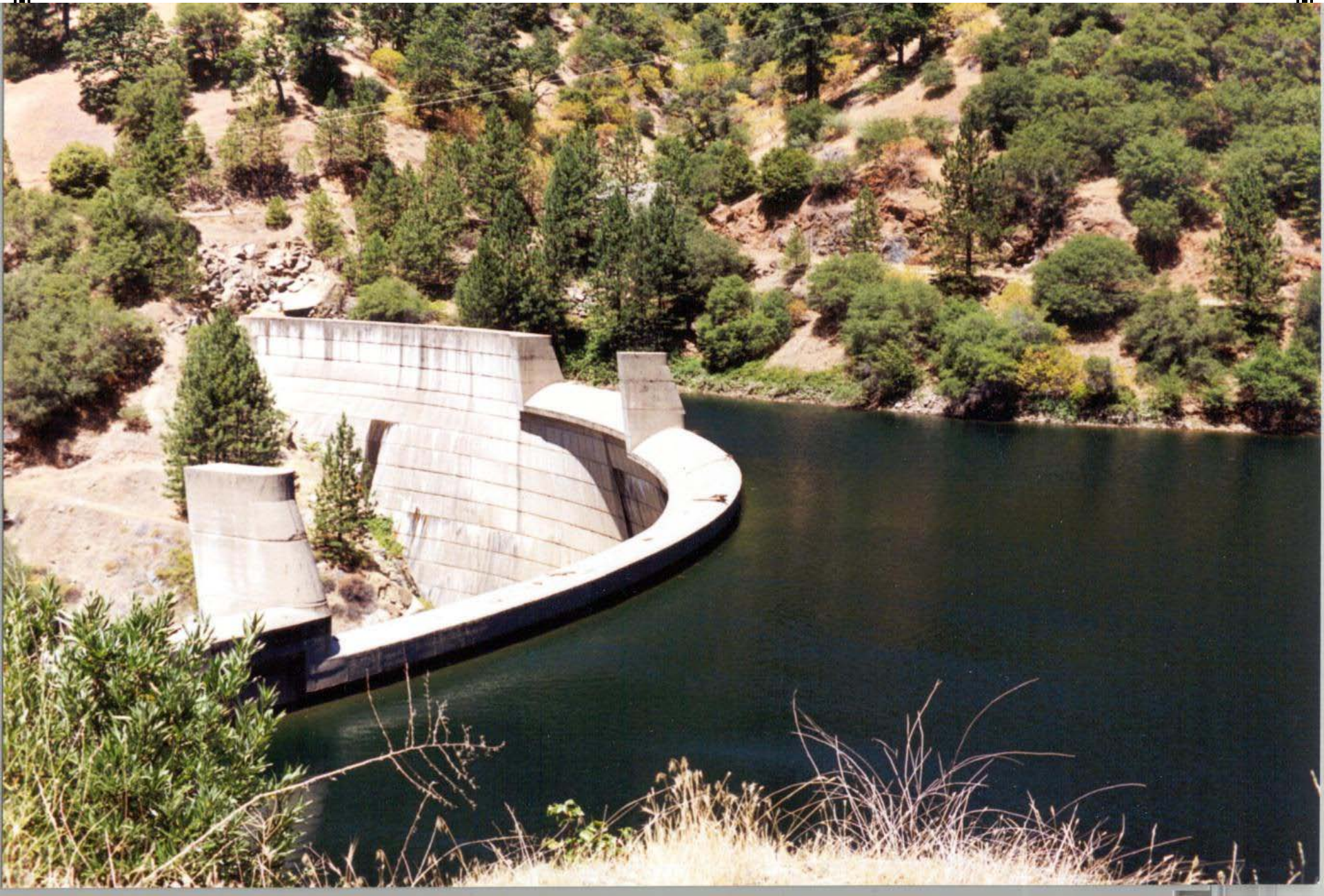
# Phase 3 Project

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- **EIR adopted**
- **Contracts awarded to Vestas (EPC and O&M)**
- **24 V90-3.0MW and 31 V90-1.8MW turbines (55 total = 128 MW)**
- **Construction schedule:**
  - **Break ground June 2011**
  - **Commercial online date February 2012**
- **Interconnection agreement in place**
- **Additional collection system and generation step-up transformer capacity required**
- **Includes expansion of existing O&M building**



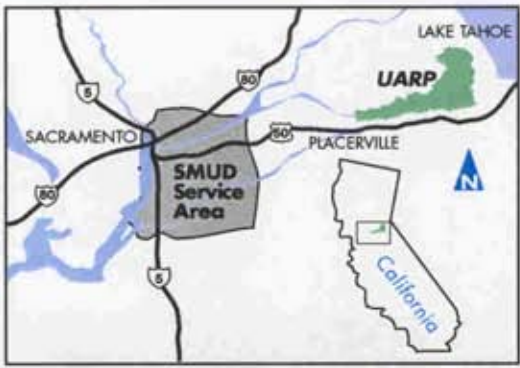
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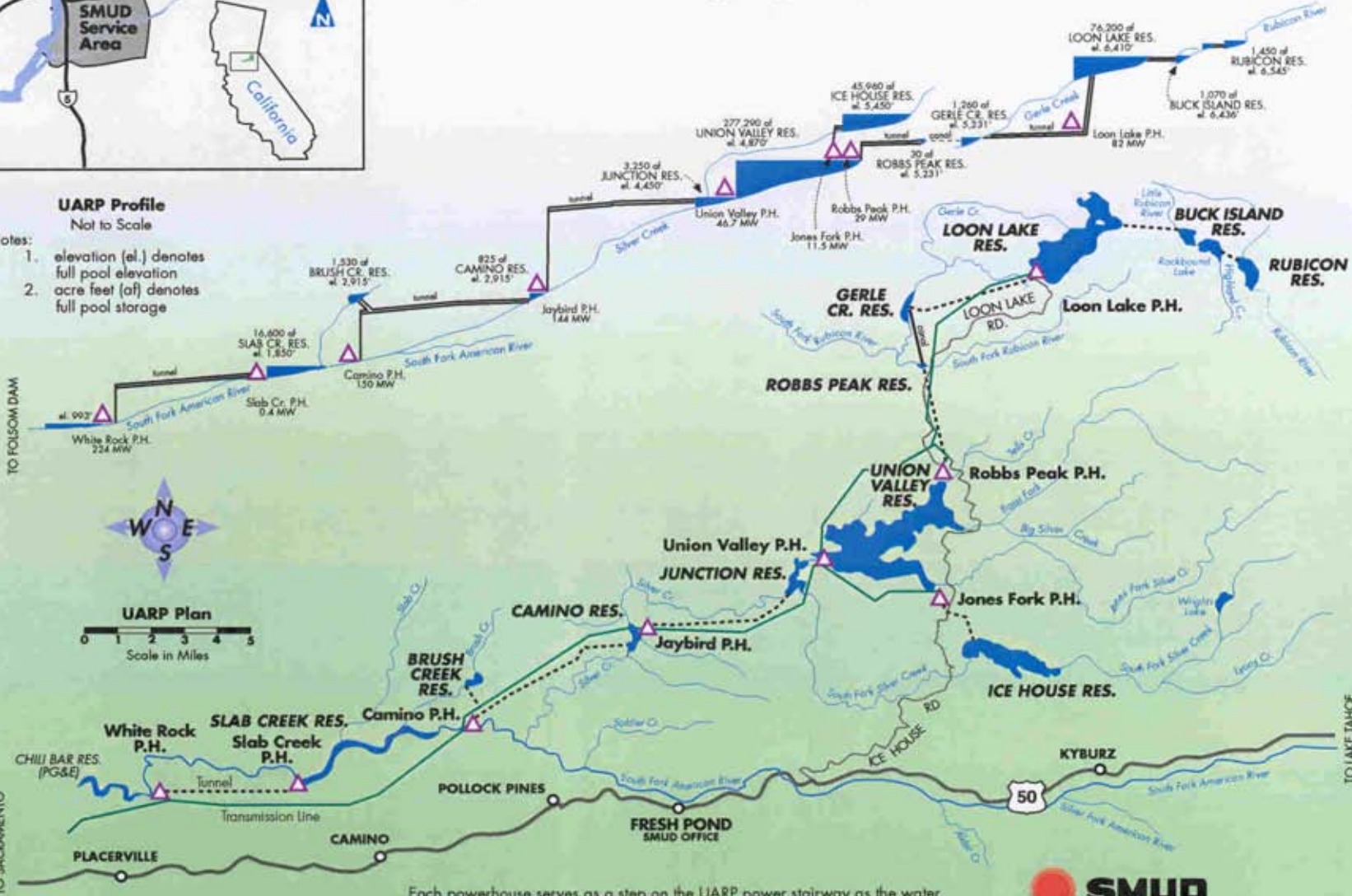
# SACRAMENTO MUNICIPAL UTILITY DISTRICT Upper American River Project

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission Project No. 2101



**UARP Profile**  
Not to Scale

Notes:  
1. elevation (el.) denotes full pool elevation  
acre feet (af) denotes full pool storage



Each powerhouse serves as a step on the UARP power stairway as the water drops one mile in elevation over a 53-mile course, beginning at Rubicon Reservoir (6,545 feet elevation) and ending at White Rock Powerhouse (993 feet elevation).





# SMUD'S PV Portfolio

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- Consistent Leadership for over 25 years
- Utility designed, owned & operated to incentives
- Currently approximately 20 MW<sub>AC</sub>
- Over 1000 installations
- Residential, Commercial and Utility Scale



# SolarSmart<sup>SM</sup> Homes



- Partnership with homebuilders to build SolarSmart new homes
- Builders get incentive
- Homes include
  - PV systems
  - Energy efficient features



**Premier Gardens, Rancho Cordova, CA**  
<http://www.bira.ws/projects/premier-gardens.php>

# SMUD's Pumped Hydro Project

## Key Features of Iowa Hill

- New development added to existing hydro system
- 400-MW Pumped-storage facility
- New 6,400 ac-ft reservoir atop Iowa Hill
- Existing Slab Creek Reservoir as lower reservoir
- Underground water conveyance and powerhouse
- 2.5-mile transmission tie-in connects to existing UARP transmission line

## Benefits

- Helps meet load growth
- Enables firming capacity of intermittent, non-dispatchable renewables
- Supports load following, improves system reliability, provides voltage control and spinning reserves



# Summary

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- > **SMUD is on track to become the first California utility to receive 20 percent of its energy from renewable resources**
- > **SMUD is demonstrating that its possible to deliver non-polluting, renewable energy at an affordable rate without compromising reliability**



# Summary

- > **GHG/RPS goals/regulation driving SMUD to more renewables and other low carbon solutions**
- > **SMUD is planning for sustainable energy supplies by 2050**
- > **Transmission constraints driving SMUD to local solutions**
- > **Local renewables for SMUD means biomass and solar**
- > **Continue RD&D innovations and better define strategic values**

# Thank You

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