

# Item 4: Information item on Current Activities of the Long Duration Energy Storage (LDES) Program

June 16, 2023, Business Meeting

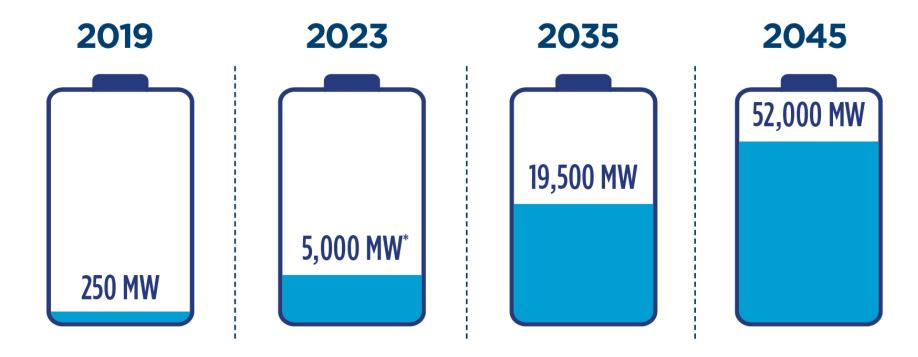
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# **Benefits to California**

#### California's growing battery storage capacity

captures the state's abundant renewable resources



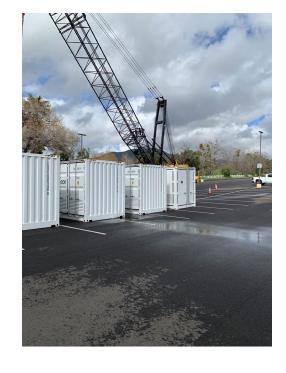
<sup>\*</sup>Projected as of June 1, 2023 based on California ISO interconnection queue.

# **EPIC Program has Over a Decade of Experience Funding Energy Storage Technologies**







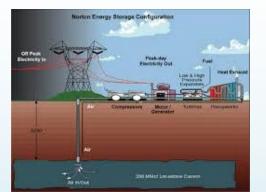














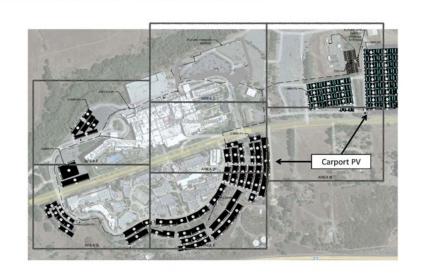
#### **State Investments in Non-Lithium-Ion Solutions**

- \$140M in 2022-23 for non-lithium-ion long-duration energy storage
- 3 projects in development:
  - 1. Viejas Band of Kumeyaay Indians Microgrid in San Diego
    - 60MWh hybrid system (flow battery and Zinc hybrid system)
  - 2. Paskenta Band of Nomlaki Indians Microgrid in Northern CA
    - 20MWH flow battery energy storage systems
  - 3. PG&E Front-of-the-meter System in Bay Area
    - First-of-its-kind 5MW / 100Hr Iron-Air Technology System
- \$190M currently programmed for in 2023-24 State Budget



# Viejas Band of Kumeyaay Indians Microgrid

- 35MWH in Fall of 2023, 60MWH in 2024
- Demonstrate LDES performance and reliability
- Bring down the overall installed cost of LDES.
- Demonstrate islanding/seamless utility grid support.
- Support under-resourced communities
- Help accelerate interconnection timelines







## Paskenta Band of Nomlaki Indians Microgrid

- 20 MWH flow battery system with 3MWs solar
- Support extended tribal operations during grid outages
- Expanded emergency services operations
- Provide key services to grid
- Reduce tribal energy expenditure over 50%

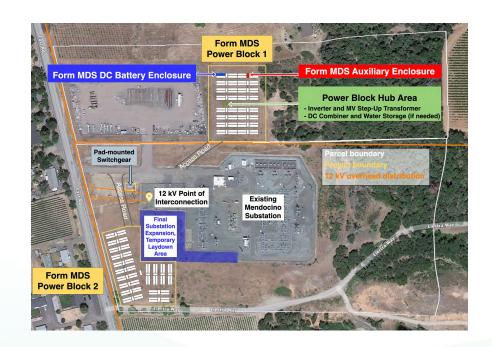






#### Front-of-the-Meter System in PG&E Territory

- 100-hour, 5 MW, iron-air system
- Demonstrate benefit of 100 hours LDES
- Demonstrate cost and performance improvements of LDES
- Participated in ISO markets



Source: Form Energy, Inc.



#### **Investments in Different Technical Solutions**

- Four Non-Lithium-Ion technologies in initial field demonstrations
  - Zinc hybrid
  - Vanadium redox flow battery
  - Zinc bromine flow battery
  - Iron air
- Future LDES program will add 4-6 additional technologies
- Initial system 20-40 MWHs with desire to advance to 200-400 MWHs



### **Funding Technical Analysis Research**

- Defining what LDES energy storage duration mix is needed
  - o 8hrs, 24hrs, 48hrs. 100hrs, seasonal energy storage
- Developing new proposed tariffs to ensure future financial stability
- Developing metrics on performance, safety and costs improvements
- Addressing first responder training due to introducing unfamiliar technologies



# **LDS Program Implementation**

- Demonstrating early field success
- Maximizing federal cost share opportunities DOE proposals
  - \$120M in LDES funds
  - \$240M in DOE funds received
  - Over \$500M in business value to California
- Competitive solicitation to open access to other promising technologies
  - RFP in late Fall 2023 (\$60M to \$80M)
- Working on first 100MW / 800 MWH non-LI system in CA