



# **Item 6: Order Instituting Rulemaking to Improve Implementation and Expand Participation Under the Load Management Standards**

*April 8, 2026, Business Meeting*

Scott McCarthy, Load Management Compliance Analyst  
Efficiency Division, Load Management Standards Unit



# Load Management Standards (LMS) Background

- Objectives of LMS
- 2022 Regulatory Update
- Requesting OIR to review potential updates before we start a formal rulemaking process



*Source: CEC website*



# OIR Objectives [Pre-Rulemaking]

This OIR will open a rulemaking to investigate:

1. Data Access Gaps
2. Interoperability
3. Repeal Obsolete LMS Regulations
4. Review the Single Statewide Standard Tool regulations 1623(c)



# Potential Benefits of this Rulemaking

1. Increases the quantity of load flexibility available to the electrical grid
2. Reduces electricity bills and improves affordability
3. Decreases need to build new grid infrastructure
4. Extends the lifetime of grid infrastructure



# Pre-Rulemaking Next Steps

1. Workshop
2. Review Stakeholder Input and Comments
3. Staff Draft Report





# Requested Action

- Approve OIR to begin the pre rulemaking process;
- ***NOTE: No fiscal impact at this stage.***



**Thank you!**