

### Demand Response Workshop: Overview of California ISO

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# Shaping the industry

The ISO, a nonprofit public benefit corporation, maintains the constant and reliable flow of electricity for the health, safety and welfare of consumers

#### How?

- Delivering electricity to 80% of California consumers
- Facilitating fair and transparent wholesale electricity market
- Performing comprehensive transmission planning
- Clearing the way for clean, green resources to access the grid





## Who oversees us?



We are governed by a governor appointed/ Senate confirmed Five Member Board

FERC Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

**NERC** North American Electric Reliability Corporation

WECC Western Electricity Coordinating Council



# California ISO by the numbers



- 60,703 MW of power plant capacity (net dependable capacity)
- 50,270 MW record peak demand (July 24, 2006)
- 27,589 market transactions per day
- 26,024 circuit-miles of transmission lines
- 30 million people served
- 307 million megawatts of electricity delivered annually

California energy and environmental policies drive renewable integration and transmission needs.

- Greenhouse gas reductions to 1990 levels by 2020
- 33% of load served by renewable generation by 2020
- 12,000 MW of distributed generation by 2020
- Ban on use of once-through cooling in coastal power plants
- Limits on availability of air emission credits for replacement generation



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### Growing need for flexibility starting 2015



# The Net-load shape Continuously Changes.



Market products, design, and mechanisms to encourage flexibility and how DR/DER can participate

Real-time operations



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Market products, design, and mechanisms	DR/DER
Regulation energy management (existing)	
Pay-for-performance regulation - FERC Order 755 (existing)	$\checkmark$
Non-generator resources in ancillary services (existing)	
Flexible ramping constraint (existing)	$\checkmark$
Lowering bid floor (Spring 2014 implementation)	
Flexible ramping product (ongoing)	
• FERC Order 764 and variable energy resource decremental bidding (Spring 2014 implementation)	
Flexible resource adequacy capacity requirements (ongoing)	
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#### Mismatch between Net Load and Rates

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Summer (August 2020) and Winter (January 2020) Net Load vs. Illustrative Summer and Winter TOU Rates

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