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# List of Acronyms and Initialisms

**BTM** – Behind-the-meter

**BUGL** – Burbank and Glendale

**CAISO** – California Independent System Operator

**DG** – Distributed Generation

**dGen** – Distributed Generation Market Demand Model

**DER** – Distributed Energy Resource

**DF** – Demand Flexibility

**IID** – Imperial Irrigation District

**IOU** – Investor-Owned Utility

**LADWP** – Los Angeles Department of Water and Power

**LESR** – Limited Energy Storage Resource

**MW** – Megawatt

**NBT** – Net Billing Tariff

**NCNC** – Northern California Non-California ISO

**NEM** – Net Energy Metering

**PA** – Planning Area

**PG&E** – Pacific Gas and Electric

**POU** – Publicly Owned Utility

**PV** – Photovoltaics

**SCE** – Southern California Edison

**SDG&E** – San Diego Gas & Electric

**SMUD** – Sacramento Municipal Utility District



# Objective and Key Takeaway

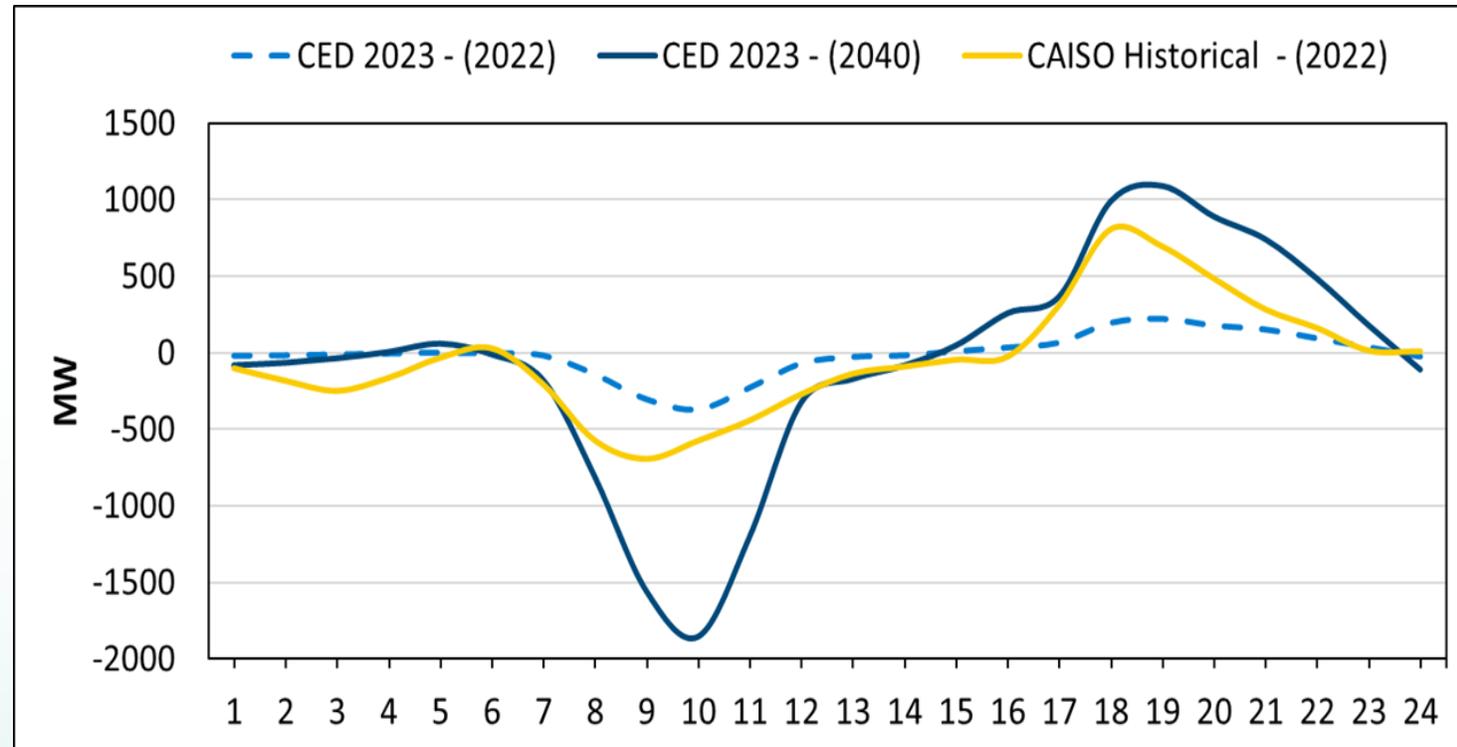
- **Objective:**
  - Quantify the amount of additional BTM storage capacity that will be paired with existing BTM solar PV to support the Augmented DER/DF scenario developed for SB100.
- **Key Takeaway:**
  - Over **4,300 MW** of BTM energy storage capacity could be retrofitted from NEM service turnover by 2042.
    - There's long-term potential to increase load flexibility in California if electricity customers choose to retrofit BTM energy storage to their existing BTM PV systems.



# Behind-The-Meter Storage Relevance

- BTM storage is a flexible demand-side resource capable of
  - Storing electric generation during periods of low electric demand and excess solar generation
  - Discharging energy and reducing stress on the electric grid during peak periods
- Chart compares average BTM storage profiles to historical average Front-of-the-meter CAISO LESR profile in 2022.

## CAISO Storage Profiles: Average Weekday in September

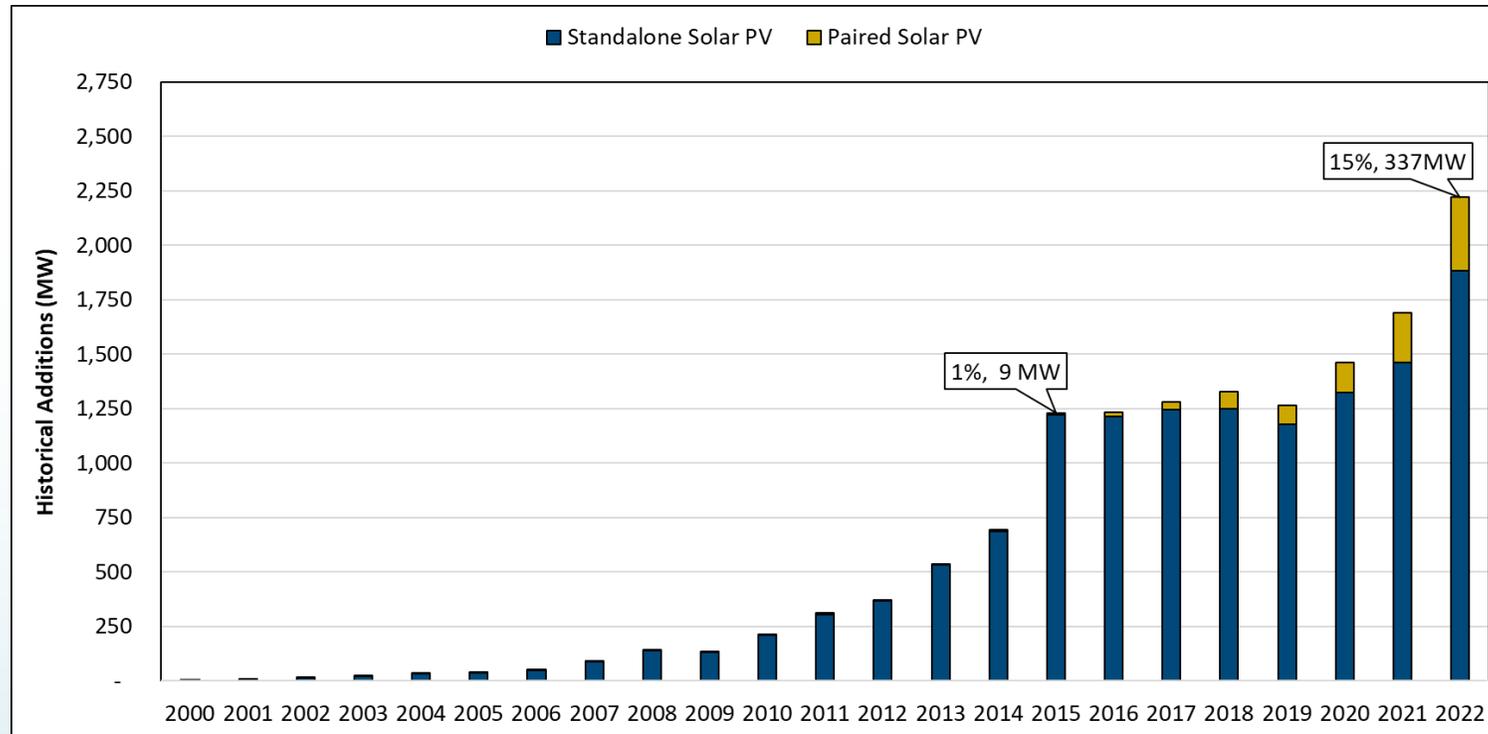


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# Background: Historical Adoption

- BTM PV + storage adoption continues to increase in California.
  - In 2022, **15%** of installed BTM PV capacity was paired with BTM energy storage.
- While BTM PV + storage adoption is increasing, CEC staff estimate there was **13,395 MW** of standalone BTM PV in California by 2022.
- Labels in the chart below include shares and MW of PV capacity paired with storage (Share, Added PV capacity ).



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# Background Cont.

- CPUC’s NEM 2.0 decision (D.16-01-044) states NEM 1.0 and NEM 2.0 service expires **20 years** from the customer’s interconnection date.
  - All NEM BTM PV moves to NBT by calendar year 2043.
- CPUC’s NBT decision (D.22-12-056) states:

“The updated billing structure is designed to optimize grid use by the tariff’s customers and incentivize the adoption of combine solar and storage systems.”

  - Changes to the tariff encourage first-time tariff customers to purchase paired systems and NEM customers to retrofit storage when transitioning to NBT.
  - CEC demand forecast tools capture PV + storage adoption for new tariff customers, but don’t capture storage attachment for existing NEM customers.



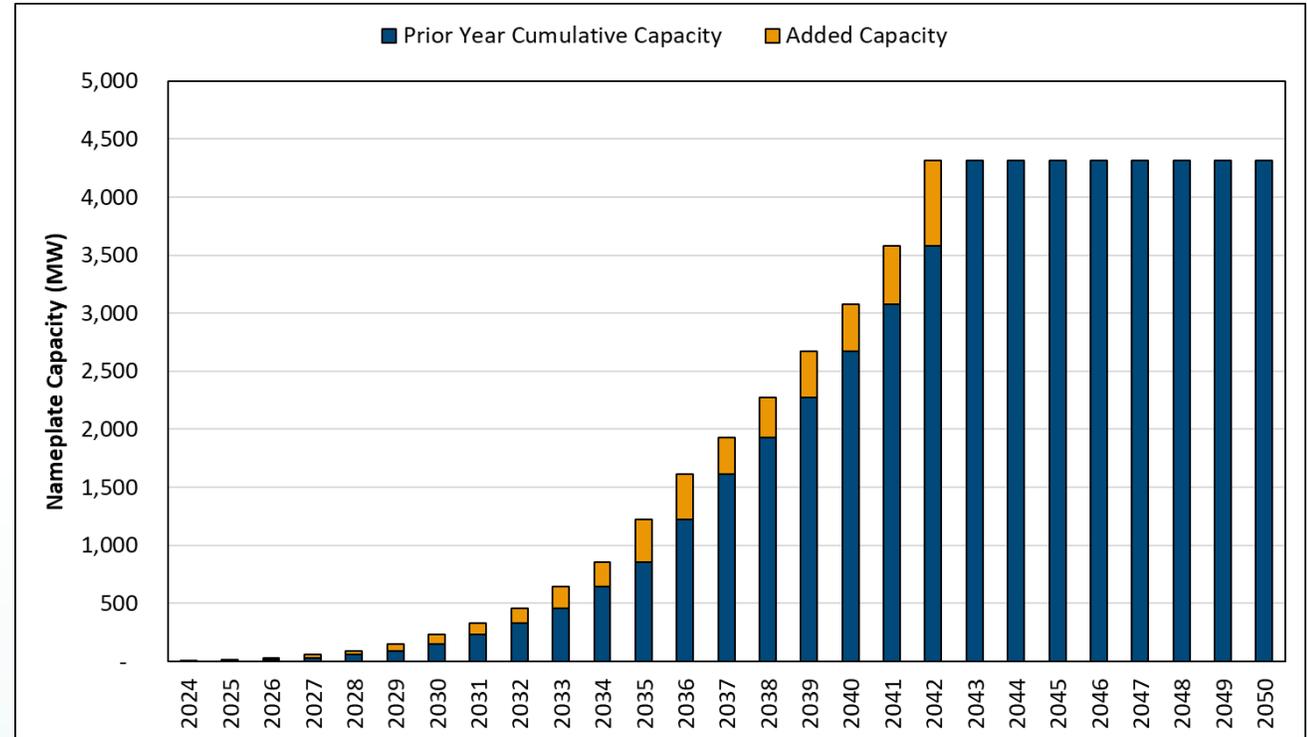
# Methodology

1. Quantify standalone BTM PV capacity added in each historical year from interconnection data (CEC form 1304b)
2. Calculate total standalone BTM PV capacity taking service under NBT based on 20-year NEM service term
  - a. Assuming POU customers' tariffs expire in 20 years to mitigate complexity with regards to tracking solar programs
3. Use dGen forecast results to assign the percent of customers that will retrofit BTM energy storage to existing PV
4. Calculate total nameplate storage capacity using storage sizing factors derived from historical interconnection data



# NEM Contract Turnover: BTM Energy Storage Results

- Over **4,300 MW** of BTM energy storage capacity could be retrofitted from NEM service turnover by 2042.
- **80%** of standalone BTM PV capacity in California was installed from 2017-2022.
  - In result, there's a lack of near-term growth in BTM energy storage retrofits from NEM service expiration.



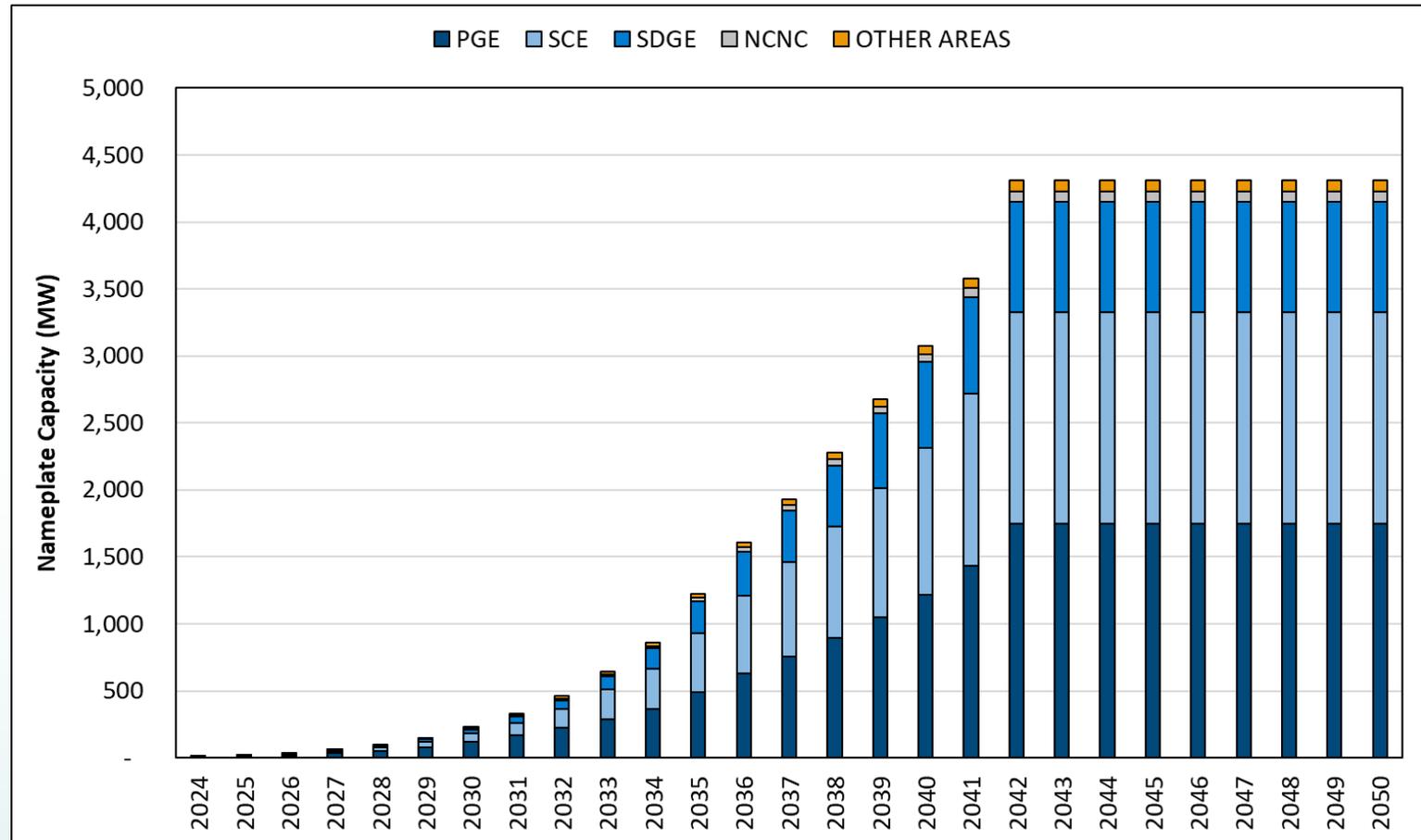
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# BTM Energy Storage Results by Planning Area

- As of 2022, approximately **92%** of BTM PV in California is interconnected within IOU PAs.
  - In 2042, about **96%** of forecasted BTM energy storage additions from NEM expiration are within IOU PAs.

Year	PG&E	SCE	SDG&E
2030	119	62	32
2035	487	446	234
2042	1,744	1,581	823



\*Values are MW nameplate capacity

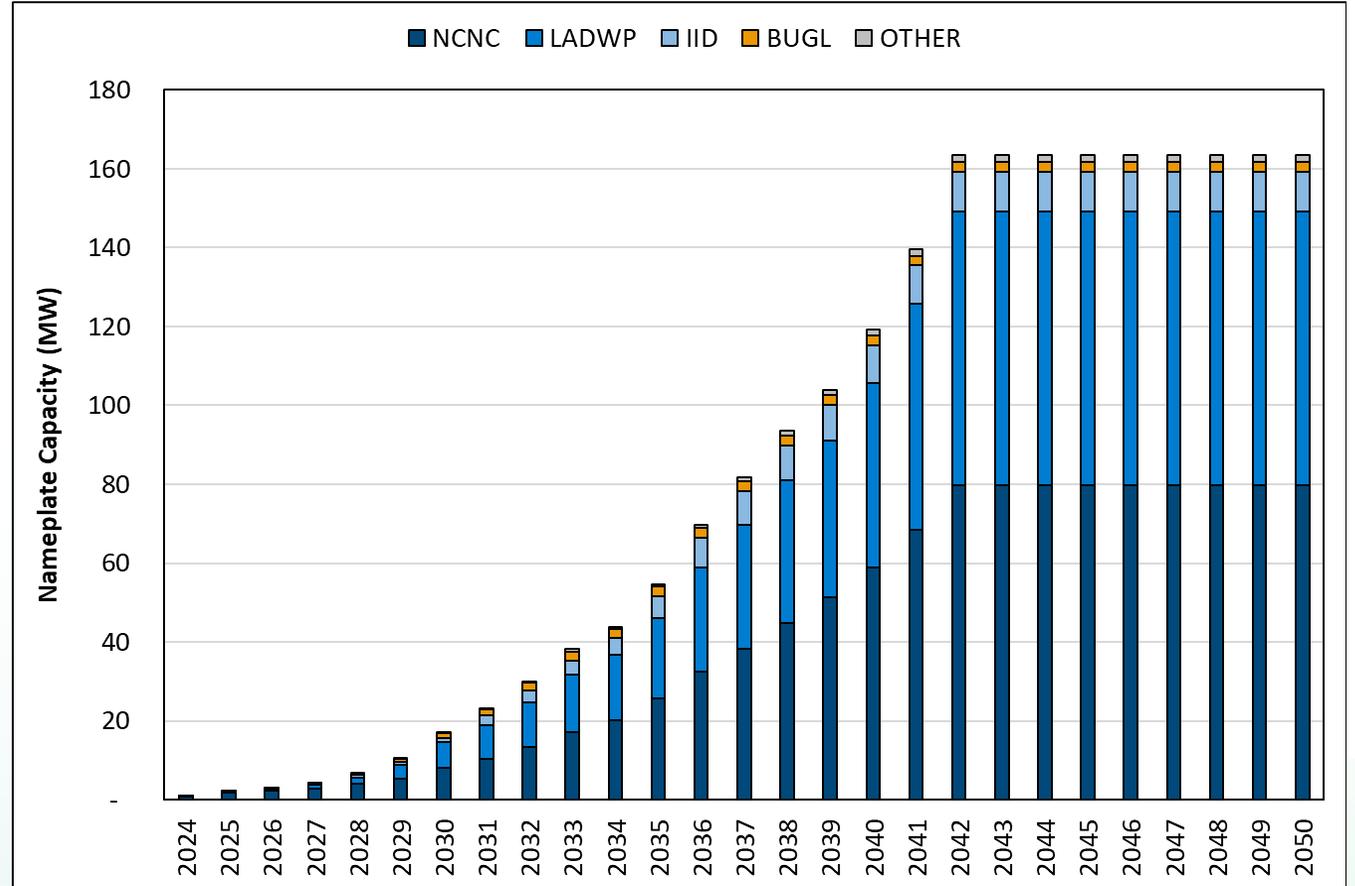
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# BTM Energy Storage Results by POU Planning Area

- In 2042, **90%** of forecasted POU PA energy storage capacity is in NCNC and LADWP planning areas.
  - 77%** of NCNC energy storage capacity is attributed to SMUD service territory.

Year	NCNC	LADWP	IID	BUGL
2030	8	7	1	1
2035	26	20	6	2
2042	80	69	10	2



\*Values are MW nameplate capacity

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**Thank you!**

