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A CAISO Bulk Energy Storage Case Study

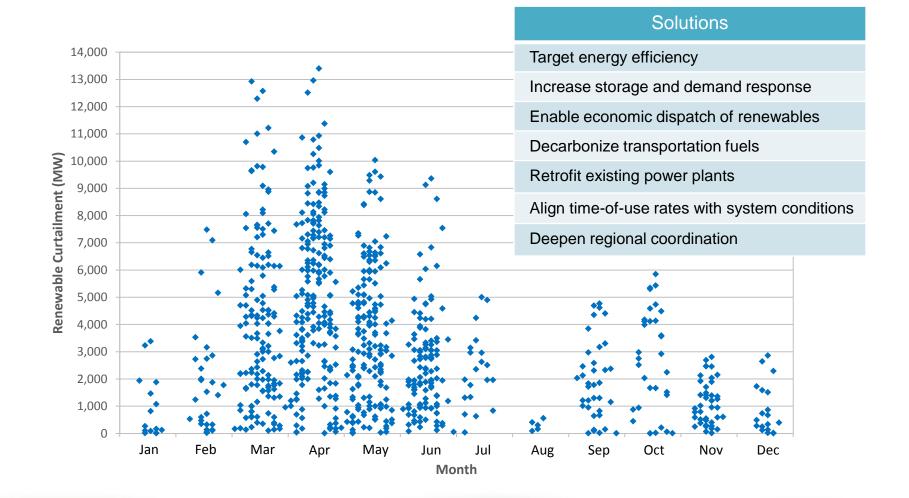
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Shucheng Liu Principal, Market Development About the 2014 Long-Term Procurement Plan (LTPP) study conducted by the CAISO

- The study follows the CPUC 2014 LTPP Planning Assumptions and Scenarios
- In 2014, the CAISO studied four scenarios and one sensitivity
 - Trajectory scenario
 - High Load scenario
 - Expanded Preferred Resources scenario
 - 40% RPS in 2024 scenario
 - Trajectory without Diablo Canyon sensitivity case



The study identified large quantity of renewable curtailment in the 40% RPS in 2024 scenario.

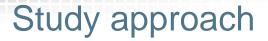




Purpose of the CAISO bulk energy storage case study

- To explore solutions to curtailment of large quantity of renewable generation
- To assess a bulk storage resource's ability to reduce
 - production cost
 - renewable curtailment
 - CO2 emission
 - renewable overbuild to achieve the 40% RPS target
- To analyze the economic feasibility of the bulk storage resource
 - More comprehensive analyses will be performed with 50% RPS





- Based on the 2014 LTPP 40% RPS in 2024 Scenario with renewable curtailment remaining unlimited
- Analyses will compare two renewable build baselines, with and without the new bulk storage resource:
 - No overbuild of renewable resources
 - Overbuild renewables to achieve the 40% RPS target
- Overbuild of renewable with solar or wind
 - Demonstrate the benefits of more diversified RPS portfolios



Definition of the study cases and expected takeaways

No Renewable With Overbuild to Overbuild Achieve 40% RPS Without Bulk Storage C: A + Solar Overbuild A: 40% RPS Scenario D: A + Wind Overbuild E: B + Solar Overbuild B: A + a Bulk Storage F: B + Wind Overbuild With Bulk Storage

This study quantifies

- reduction of production cost renewable curtailment and CO2 emission,
- quantity and cost of renewable overbuild
- cost and market revenue of the bulk storage

It does not quantify

transmission impact

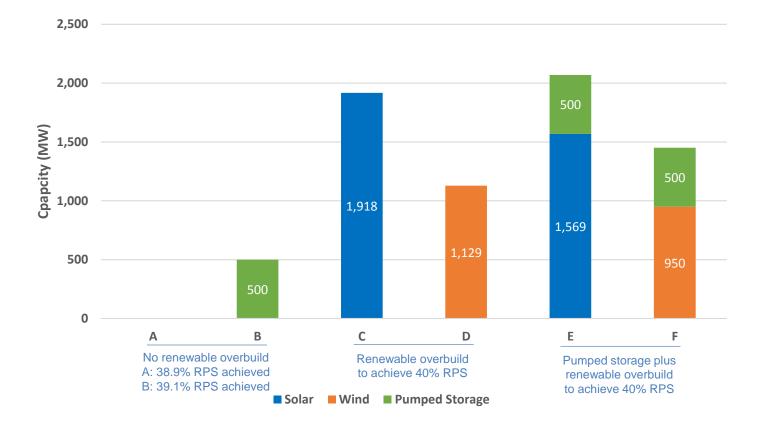


Assumptions of the new pumped storage resource

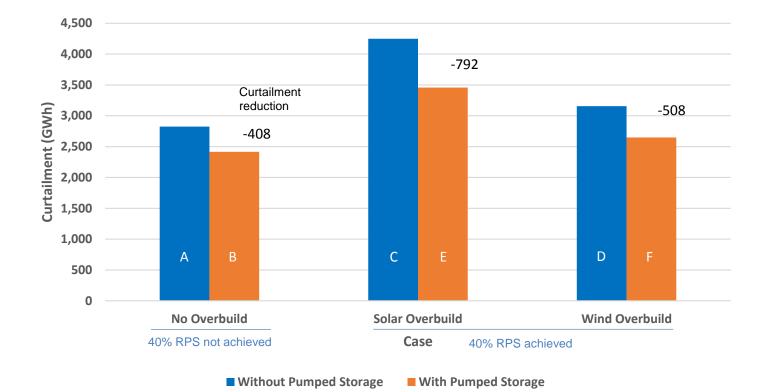
Item	Value		
Number of units	2		
Max pumping capacity per unit (MW)	300		
Minimum pumping capacity per unit (MW)	75		
Maximum generation capacity per unit (MW)	250		
Minimum generation capacity per unit (MW)	5		
Pumping ramp rate (MW/min)	50		
Generation ramp rate (MW/min)	250		
Round-trip efficiency	83%		
Maintenance rate	8.65%		
Forced outage rate	6.10%		
Upper reservoir maximum capacity (GWh)	8		
Upper reservoir minimum capacity (GWh)	2		
Interval to restore upper reservoir water level	Monthly		
Pump technology	Variable speed		
Reserves can provide in generation and pumping modes	Regulation, spinning and load following		
Reserves can provide in off modes	Non-spinning		
Location	Southern California		



Capacity of renewable overbuild to achieve the 40% RPS target



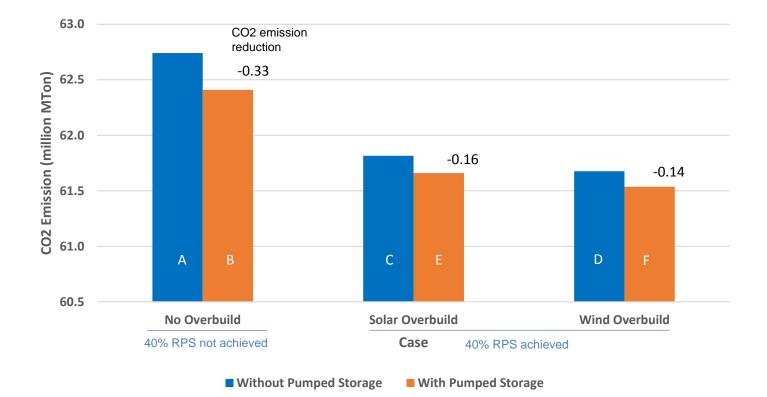
California renewable generation curtailment



* Renewable generation is curtailed at -\$300/MWh market clearing price (MCP).



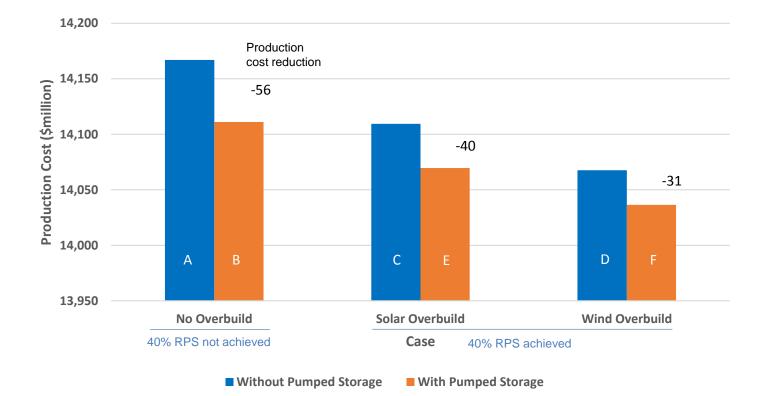
California CO2 emission



** California CO2 emission includes the emission from energy net import.



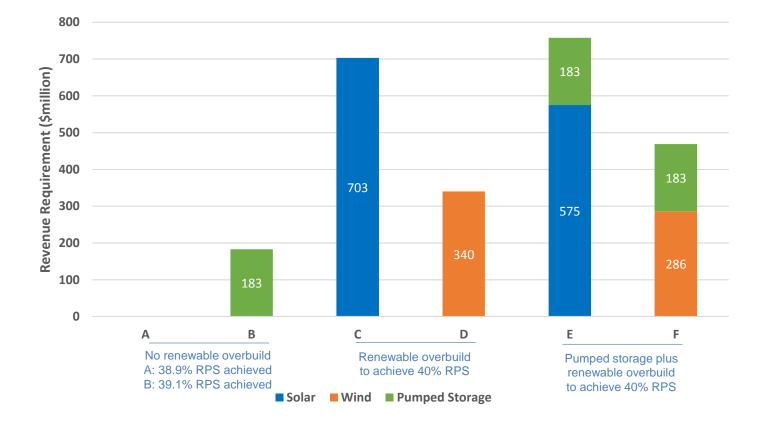
WECC annual production cost



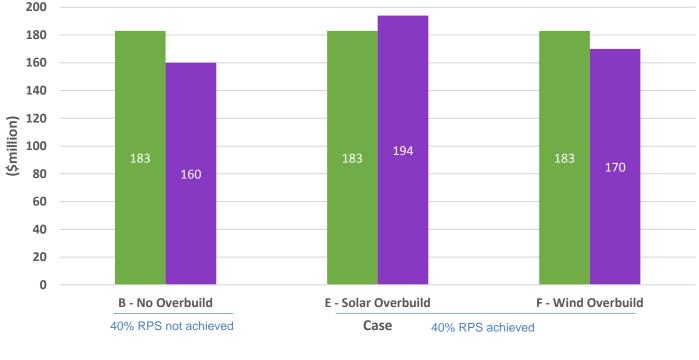
**** Production cost includes start-up, fuel and VOM cost, not CO2 cost.



Renewable overbuild and pumped storage levelized annual revenue requirements



Pumped storage levelized annual revenue requirement and net market revenue of 2024



Levelized Annual Revenue Requirement Net Market Revenue

***** Net revenue is revenue from generation, reserves and load following minus cost of operation and energy consumed.



Some observations

- Original 40% RPS portfolio is solar-dominant (53% in capacity)
- Wind overbuild increases diversity of the RPS portfolio and shows more benefits than solar overbuild
 - Requires less overbuild than solar due to less incremental curtailment from the overbuild
 - Has lower CO2 emission and production costs than solar due to less steep ramping



Some observations (cont.)

- Bulk storage brings benefits in all cases
 - Reduced curtailment, CO2 emission, production costs and overbuild of renewables to achieve the 40% RPS target
- Bulk storage is better utilized with solar-dominant RPS portfolio than wind
 - Capturing more renewable curtailment in midday
 - Moving more energy to the evening and morning
 - Reducing more production cost and CO2 emission



Some observations (cont.)

- Bulk storage benefit to cost ratios dependent on
 - Storage costs
 - Mix of renewable resources
 - Renewable curtailment price
 - Other assumptions



Next steps

- Perform additional analysis with following model updates:
 - A 50% RPS portfolio from the RPS Calculator v6.1
 - 2025 Load and DG PV forecast from the 2014 IEPR forecast
 - A frequency response requirement replacing the 25% minimum local generation requirements
 - Allowing renewable to provide a portion of load following-down
 - Increased net export capability
- Continue to collect information and refine economic analysis of the bulk storage



Preliminary results by case

	Without Pumped Storage			With Pumped Storage					
Case	А	С	D	В	E	F			
Renewable Curtailment (GWh)*	2,825	4,249	3,157	2,417	3,457	2,649			
CA CO2 Emission (Million Ton)**	62.74	61.82	61.68	62.41	61.66	61.54			
CA CO2 Emission (\$ mil)***	1,460	1,438	1,435	1,452	1,435	1,432			
Production Cost (\$ mil)****									
WECC	14,167	14,109	14,068	14,111	14,070	14,037			
CA	3,866	3,826	3,795	3,803	3,779	3,751			
Renewable Overbuild and Pumped Storage Capacity (MW)									
Solar		1,918			1,569				
Wind			1,129			950			
Pumped Storage				500	500	500			
Levelized Annual Revenue Requirement of Renewable Overbuild and Pumped Storage (\$ mil)									
Solar		703			575				
Wind			340			286			
Pumped Storage				183	183	183			
Pumped Storage Net Market Reven		160	194	170					

* Renewable generation is curtailed at -\$300/MWh market clearing price (MCP)

** Includes the CO2 emission from net import.

*** Calculated using \$23.27/m-ton price.

**** Includes start-up, fuel and VOM cost, not CO2 cost.

***** Net revenue is revenue of energy, reserves and load following minus cost of energy and operation.

