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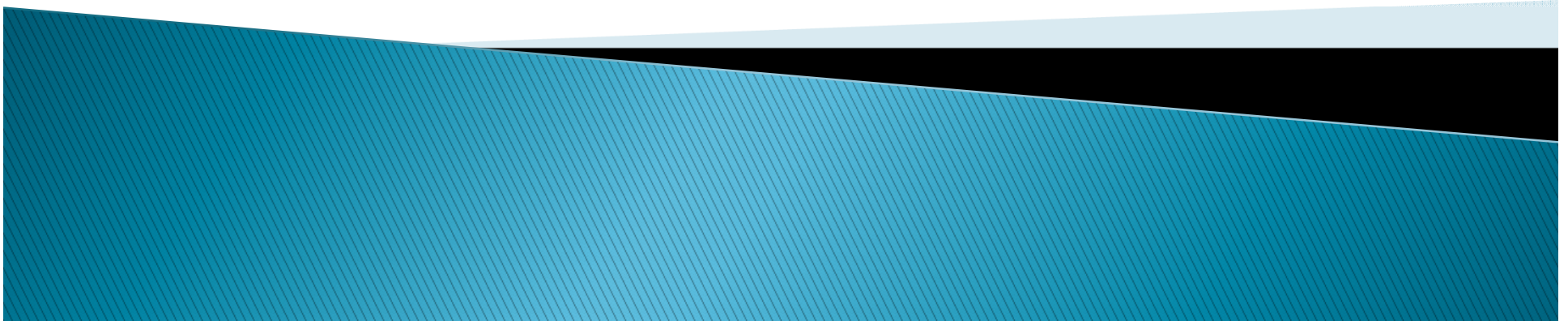
# 2017 IEPR Commissioner Workshop

## Natural Gas Market Trends and Outlook

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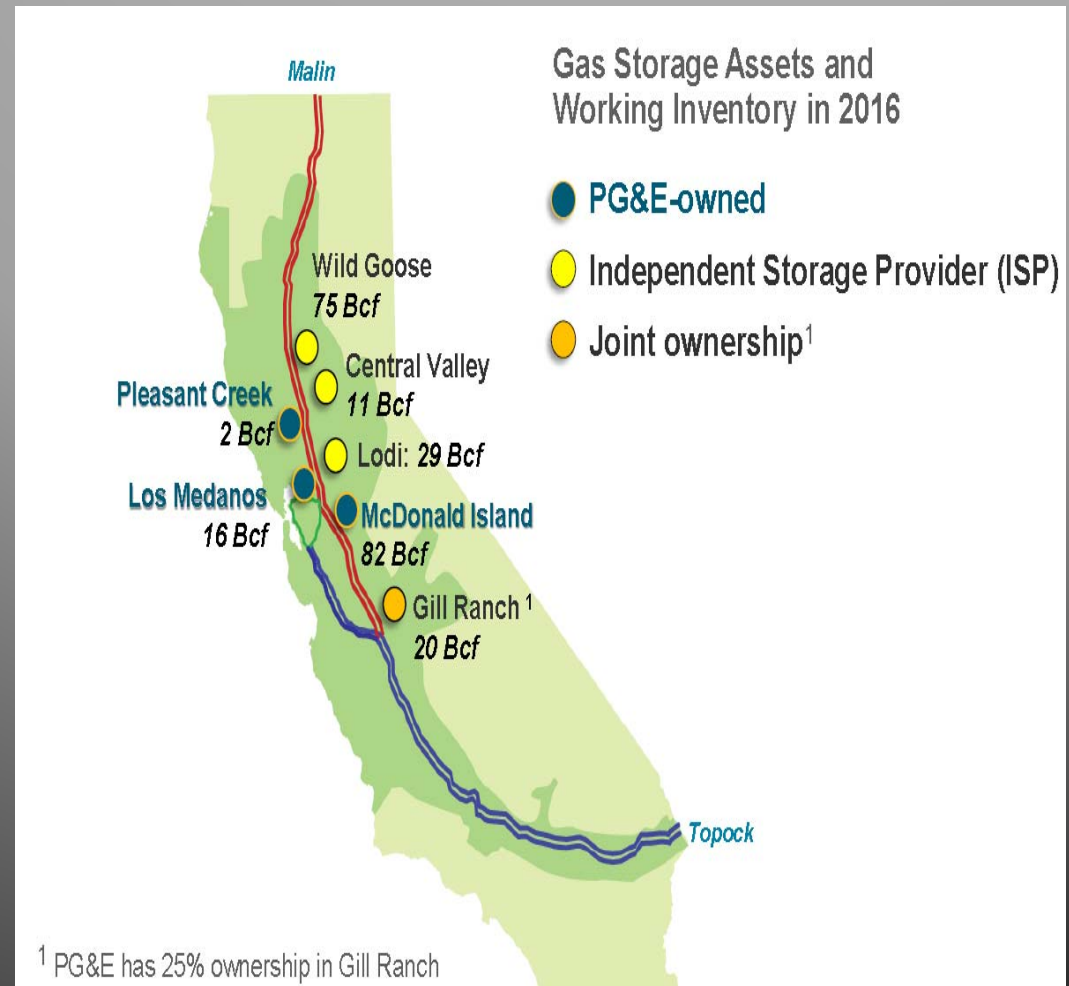
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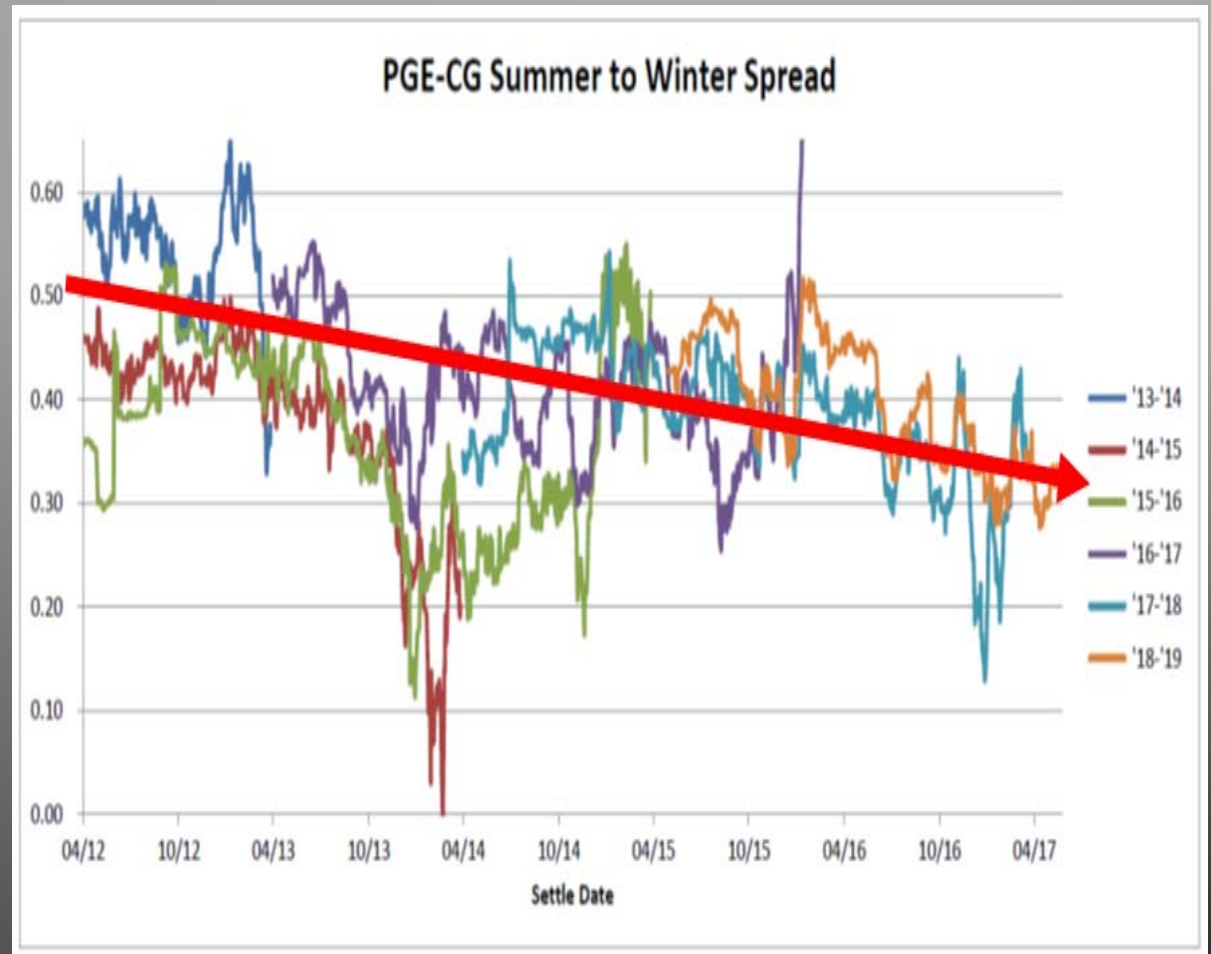
# Northern California Gas Storage

- Current storage capacity of 235 Bcf with deliverability of 4.6 Bcf/d
- New ISP storage assets highly flexible depleted reservoir fields
- Wells purpose built for gas storage operations
- Built to modern safety standards
- Designed for long term operations



# Forward Natural Gas Storage Spreads

- Traditional seasonal storage spreads remain low
- Today most storage value comes from operational capabilities
- Ability to quickly replace lost renewable generation sources
- Ability to respond to large temperature based demand swings
- Safe, modern, high deliverability, high availability gas storage wells



# Natural Gas Storage Outlook

- PG&E and SoCal are both projecting significant decreases in demand for gas-fired power generation
  - Return of hydro to normal levels
  - Rapid pace of non-hydro renewable generation, particularly on SoCal's system
  - Natural gas storage best suited to balance the new load variability in the market
- Storage asset decommissioning and derates to decrease storage availability
  - PG&E proposing to decommission or sell Los Medanos and Pleasant Creek (18 Bcf capacity / 400 Mmcfd deliverability)
  - Projections of up to 1.4 Bcf/d of deliverability reduction related to well compliance requirements
- New regulations will add compliance costs and impact storage deliverability
  - Well integrity tests to be performed
  - Tubing on packer well configuration
- Going forward natural gas and natural gas storage needs to be an integral part of California energy policy
  - Low emission bridge fuel for electric generation until energy storage viable
  - Natural gas transmission and storage infrastructure already in place
  - Lower emission alternative for home heating and non-renewable electric generation