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## **TRL of R&D investments, local industry**

As indicated during the webinar, the goal of the R&D road map is to advance technologies in their TRL towards commercial readiness.

We want to point out that wave energy technologies have matured to TRL 6-7 being commercially field tested around the world as highlighted by this report  
<https://report2018.ocean-energy-systems.org/>

Commercial utility scale test sites are operational globally and under development in the US:  
<https://www.energy.gov/eere/water/pacwave>

Next to TRL advancement, the US DOE has identified several early adopter markets for ocean energy:

<https://www.energy.gov/eere/water/powering-blue-economy-exploring-opportunities-marine-renewable-energy-maritime-markets>

Thus, we'd be glad to ask why low TRL is being used as a criteria to exclude R&D for a sector that offers a significant resource for California as well as an opportunity for a local industry compared to micro improving mature technologies that are being manufactured predominantly overseas?