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SB100 Stakeholder Presentation Panel

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The California Independent System Operator (CAISO) has several roles

- Balancing Authority
 - Balance supply and demand, maintain reserves, plan for outages, ensure system security
- Regional Transmission Planner
 - Transmission planning across investor owned utilities, municipal utilities, independent transmission owners
- Market Operator
 - The only wholesale energy market operator in the western United States
 - Operator of the Western Energy Imbalance Market
- Reliability Coordinator
 - For majority of California and soon will cover 87 percent of the load in the western United States



The CAISO is NOT:

- Load serving entity
 - Does not procure resources to serve load or meet resource adequacy requirements
- Transmission or generation owner
 - Not responsible for performing physical switching and maintenance
- Distribution system owner or planner
 - Not responsible for performing physical switching and maintenance or expansion planning
- Utility regulator



The CAISO supports California's clean energy goals while maintaining reliability

33% RPS achieved ahead of 2020 target

78%

highest load level served by renewable energy

98.7%

highest load level served by carbon-free resources

34% Reduction in GHG Emission associated with serving ISO since 2014





The CAISO is uniquely positioned to address reliability and already works closely with state agencies



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The CAISO recommends the SB100 process consider:

- Forward looking, least regrets planning should incorporate reliability checks to ensure prudent use of rate payer monies
- The lowest cost today may not yield maximum benefits tomorrow → diversify fleet and ensure preferred resources align with needs (*e.g.*, addressing load after sunset)
- Strategically maintain gas fleet as alternatives develop and are proven to meet the system operational needs

