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Save Diablo Canyon! We need clean energy

The California Independent System Operator (CAISO) just updated their generation shortfall estimate for California in light of higher temperatures increasing the California air conditioning load - and decreasing west-wide large hydroelectricity production as a consequence of our region's protracted drought. CAISO is projecting a 2,000 MW shortfall by 2025, the planned shutdown year for Diablo Canyon.

I am calling you as a concerned citizen and would like to express my concerns regarding plans to close the Diablo Canyon Power Plant. Closing the Diablo Canyon Power Plant, which produces 10% of the state's entire energy portfolio without emitting emissions, will take us backward in our fight against climate change. California is not on track to develop and deploy sufficient renewables + backup to replace Diablo Canyon's power generation. That will inevitably lead California to turn to energy sources that create emissions like natural gas.

In a recent study from Stanford and MIT, it found that even delaying the retirement of Diablo Canyon to 2035 would reduce California power sector carbon emissions by more than 10% from 2017 levels and reduce reliance on gas, saving \$2.6 Billion in power system costs, and bolster system reliability to mitigate brownouts. If operated to 2045 and beyond, Diablo Canyon could save up to \$21 Billion in power system costs and spare 90,000 acres of land from use for energy production.

Please support the proposed legislation that would ensure the continued operation of Diablo Canyon past 2025. To ensure California's clean energy future for both humanity and our planet, we need Diablo Canyon.

We need clean energy and more energy. Think not of the consequences you'll see by shutting down Diablo Canyon, but also your children and your grandchildren.