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## **Shut down Diablo Canyon**

A whole lot of work went into the decision to shut down Diablo Canyon: deep costbenefit analysis and detailed planning. We demand that you stick with that, and with a fast path to clean, reliable energy.

Baseload power creates a mismatch between cheaper, cleaner wind and solar energy, and a more difficult-to-manage system. Big chunks of inflexible power do not address peak usage problems, which are better addressed by responsive storage and shifting demand.

Nuclear is a dangerous source of power, especially in earthquakes, war, accidents, and hot weather. Spreading radioactive power is a catastrophe (see Chornobyl and Fukushima)! Not stabilizing the grid, Diablo Canyon reduces the power available during peak times because system operators need to reserve power sources in case the facility has to shut down. It will cost taxpayers and ratepayers BILLIONS to keep Diablo Canyon online. This money must be spent on 21st-century technologies. Our future depends on renewable energies.