

# **2023 Integrated Energy Policy Report (IEPR)**

LADWP's Long-term Transmission Roadmap

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## LADWP's Strategic Long-Term Resource Plan



LADWP has been an industry leader in comprehensive planning for our energy future since the 2000 Integrated Resource Plan (IRP) to chart the course for a cleaner, more reliable power future.

In 2017, SLTRP replaced LADWP's traditional IRP, which is now a regulatory requirement and submitted to the California Energy Commission once every 5 years to comply with Senate Bill 350.

Updated yearly; extensive stakeholder engagement every 2 years.

Paused after 2017 until completion of LA100 Study and re-started in 2022.

The Strategic Long-Term Resource Plan (SLTRP) is a roadmap to meet L.A.'s future energy needs and regulatory mandates while maintaining reliable service and reduce emissions in a cost-effective manner.



## LA100: THE LOS ANGELES 100%

RENEWABLE ENERGY STUDY

### EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

# LA100 STUDY

Final Report was Released on March 24, 2021

#### OVERVIEW

- **Technically achievable** through multiple pathways, including by 2035
- Building and transportation electrification required for air quality improvements & affordability
- Investment of approx. \$57-87B in addition to existing obligations (e.g. PSRP)
- Significant job creation (9,500 jobs)

There are **common investments** across all pathways to 100%

## **2022 SLTRP Recommended Case**



#### Cost

(based on net present value)

- <u>Fixed Cost</u>
  Debt service, Capital, Fixed O&M,
  Power Purchase Agreements, etc.
- <u>Variable Cost</u>
  Fuel, GHG allowances, NOx credits,
  Variable O&M, etc.

#### **Firm Generation**

- LA100 determined that in all scenarios firm, **dispatchable generation** was required by 2035.
- LADWP expects to minimize use of inbasin green hydrogen turbines to provide only **backup power** in case of transmission loss (e.g. wildfire) or low renewable energy output.
- Firm generation provides resiliency during outages and supports development of new transmission pathways.

#### **Build Rates**

- Average build rate from 2018 to 2021 has been **200 MW per year**
- Includes both utility and customersided clean energy resources

#### Bulk Power Resources include:

- Utility Scale RPS
- Utility Scale Energy Storage
- In-Basin Hydrogen

#### Distributed Energy Resources include:

- Distributed Solar
- Distributed Energy Storage
- Demand Response



## **Caveats & Challenges**

#### Challenges in Achieving LADWP's Decarbonization Goals in an Affordable, Equitable, and Reliable Way



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# **DWP's Transmission Planning Overview:** Ten Year Assessment

The Transmission Planning Process Provides a Comprehensive Approach To Identify LADWP Grid Needs

#### What Are The Key Inputs? What Is Transmission Planning? A process of assessing LADWP's Transmission planning considers transmission systems and its ability load growth forecast, plans for to deliver electricity safely, reliably new generation capacity, LADWP's and efficiently over a ten year generator retirement, and outlook. interconnection analysis. Transmission Planning What Is The Outcome? Who Are The Stakeholders? 4 Approach Develop recommendations for Internal: Resource Planning, Grid Ops, system upgrades to meet load Transmission engineering, Station Design, forecast and reliability needs. The Financial Service Organization, and **Ten Year Transmission Distribution Engineering Assessment Plan**, is performed External: Regional planning agencies, annually and is a regulatory neighboring utilities, and the general public. requirement.



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## DWP's Transmission Planning Overview: Ten Year Assessment (Cont'd)

### Transmission Planning Reliability Assessment Framework



#### **Develop Base Case Scenarios**

Compile historical profiles of load, generation resources, and demandside resources to develop power flow cases by season.



#### **Analyze Each Scenario**

List all plausible contingencies to probabilistically assess reliability of each scenario with and without upgrade options to identify the best system reinforcement solutions.



#### **Recommend Transmission Upgrades**

Includes overhead transmission, underground transmission, and transmission facilities/equipment upgrades required for system reliability.



## DWP's Transmission Planning Overview: Strategic Transmission Plan

## Transmission Is a Big Piece of the Puzzle As Acknowledged in LA100

- LA100 Study identified transmission need, but did not specify projects
- "Chicken or the egg" relationship between transmission and resources
  - Resource plans depend on availability of transmission
  - Transmission investment depends on location of resources
- The LADWP's Strategic Transmission Plan study is intended to identify transmission necessary to make LADWP's Strategic Long-Term Resource Pan (SLTRP) achievable





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## **DWP's Transmission Planning Overview:** Strategic Transmission Plan (Cont'd)



### Current State of LADWP's Transmission System

### **Transmission System Limitations**

- Major transmission path constraints
- Limited in-basin transmission capacity
- Current planning horizon is for 10 years or less

### **Necessary Measures**

- Develop a Strategic Transmission Plan with a 15-20 year horizon
- Relieve existing transmission constraints
- Expand transmission capacity
- Meet anticipated load increase

## DWP's Transmission Planning Overview: Generator Interconnection

### Generator Interconnection Is a Critical Aspect of DWP's Transmission Planning Process.

### LADWP's Generator Interconnection Study Process:

- Is a serial "first come, first served" process
- It involves connecting new large-scale generators to the existing grid
- This process ensures safe, reliable, and cost-effective interconnection
- This process is part of the transmission planning process which includes:
  - System Impact Study (SIS)
  - Facility Study (FS)
  - Interconnection agreement negotiation



## **DWP's Transmission Planning Overview:** Generator Interconnection (Cont'd)

### LADWP's Generator Interconnection Process Reform

### LADWP Is Currently Reforming its Interconnection Process Due To:

- Large volume of Interconnection Requests
- Significant delays from SIS Re-Study and drop outs
- Inefficiencies in serial "first come, first served" study process approach

### Moving Forward, LADWP Will:

- Eliminate the serial "first-come, first-served" study process currently in place
- Instead use a "first-ready, first-served" cluster study process
- Require customers to satisfy additional financial commitments and readiness requirements

### Anticipated Start of Cluster Study Process: Spring 2024



# Transmission Plan Summary: Strategic Transmission Plan Projects Under Consideration



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### Transmission Plan Summary: Strategic Transmission Plan (Cont'd)

- Joint Transmission Projects Collaboration
  - Accelerated delivery of transmission projects
  - Geographic diversity
  - Resiliency
  - Operating Agent
  - Mitigation of financial and schedule risks
- Collaboration with U.S. Department of Energy
  - National Transmission Planning



# **Questions?**

