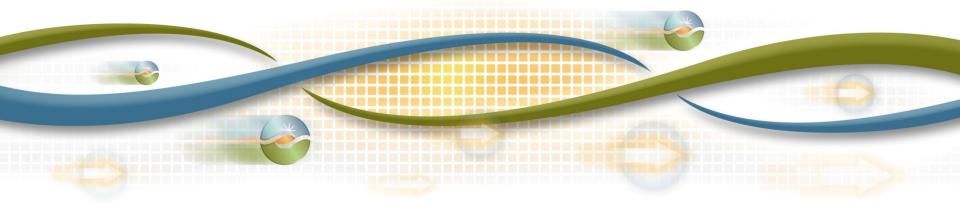


## Decision on reliability must-run designation for Metcalf Energy Center

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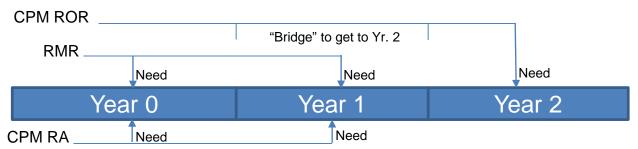


# Calpine has identified that the 602 MW Metcalf Energy Center will be unavailable in 2018 absent a capacity contract

- Calpine cited timing concerns with CPM mechanism due to capital outlay and resource planning requirements, in part due to major maintenance currently planned for spring 2018
- ISO undertook the necessary studies to confirm whether these units would create unacceptable reliability impacts

### The attributes needed affect how capacity is procured.

Element	RMR	CPM RA Showing Deficiency	CPM Risk of Retirement
Reliability Need	Local	Local and system	Local and system
Timing of Need	Near-term (yr. 0, yr. 1)	Near-term (yr. 0, yr. 1)	Longer term (yr. 2)
Timing of Procurement	Any time of year	Year-ahead or month-ahead	Year-ahead
Term of Procurement	Annual contract, with extension provisions	Annual or monthly, maximum of 12 months	Annual or monthly, maximum of 12 months
Compensation	Cost-of-service pricing	Market pricing	Market pricing (propose cost-of- service pricing)
Compensation for Major Capital Expenditures	Yes, and can be over several years	Yes – limited to CPM term	Yes – limited to CPM term
Acceptance of Procurement	Mandatory	Voluntary	Voluntary (propose mandatory)

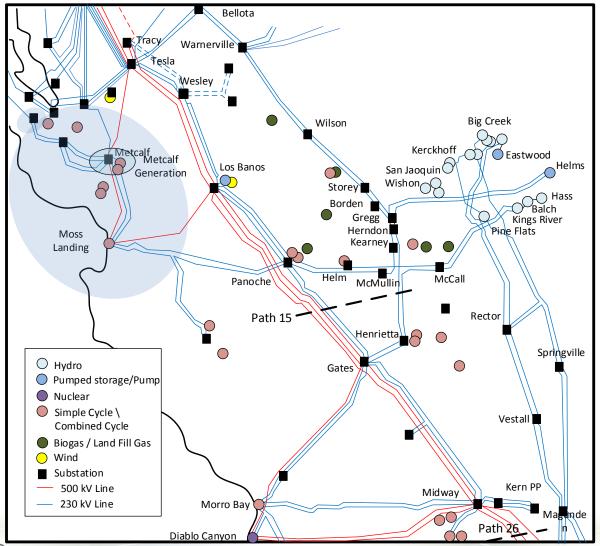


ROR = Risk of retirement



## Metcalf is located in the Greater Bay local capacity area and the South Bay-Moss Landing sub-area

South Bay-Moss Landing Sub-area



### The ISO's assessment confirmed the reliability need for the Metcalf Energy Center

- Current local capacity requirements in the South Bay-Moss Landing sub-area of the Bay Area local area are met with the Metcalf generation as a part of the generation in the area
- The entire plant is required to mitigate potential overloads and provide voltage support under contingency conditions
- The sub-area will be local capacity requirement deficient without Metcalf Energy Center

### Numerous contingencies are of concern in the subarea without the Metcalf Energy Center

- The most critical contingency is the outage of the Tesla-Metcalf 500 kV and Moss Landing-Los Banos 500 kV
  - Key limitation is thermal overloading of the Las Aguillas-Moss Landing 230 kV
  - Secondary limitation is low voltage and potential voltage instability
- Other reliability concerns in the area include:
  - Thermal overloading of Newark-Los Esteros 230 kV line (for L-1-1)
  - Thermal overloading of Trimble-San Jose B 115 kV line (for L-1-1)
  - Thermal overloading of Metcalf #12 500/230 kV transformer (for T-1-1)
  - Thermal overloading of Metcalf #13 500/230 kV transformer (for T-1-1)



#### Stakeholder call held on September 26

- Questions at the stakeholder session focused on:
  - The timing of the RMR designation, which was clarified in the call
  - Suggestions that the ISO should study all sub-areas to determine solutions to the identified resources capacity needs prior to retirement requests.
  - The reliability criteria used, operational dispatch of RMR resources and Bay Area electric reliability reliance on combined cycle power plants
- Stakeholder comments were due October 6:
  - Raised larger concerns with the overall resource adequacy program and its implementation,
  - PG&E opposes the ISO's proposed RMR designation on procedural grounds, did not challenge technical need



# Management requests Board authorization to designate the Metcalf Energy Center for reliability must run:

- Calpine would then be expected to develop its proposed cost of service.
- ISO staff would then work with Calpine along with the responsible utility and the CPUC to review Calpine's proposed cost of service, including any proposed capital investments.
- The RMR agreement would likely be filed with FERC in Q4 2017.