# Decision on Location Constrained Resource Interconnection Policy



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### The history of this initiative

- Removing Barriers for Efficient Transmission Development
  - October 2006 Concept approved by the Board of Governors
  - January 2007 Filed Petition for Declaratory Order with FERC
  - April 2007 FERC Order approving the conceptual design
- Next Steps
  - By October 31 File Tariff Language with FERC for approval



### Why is this needed?

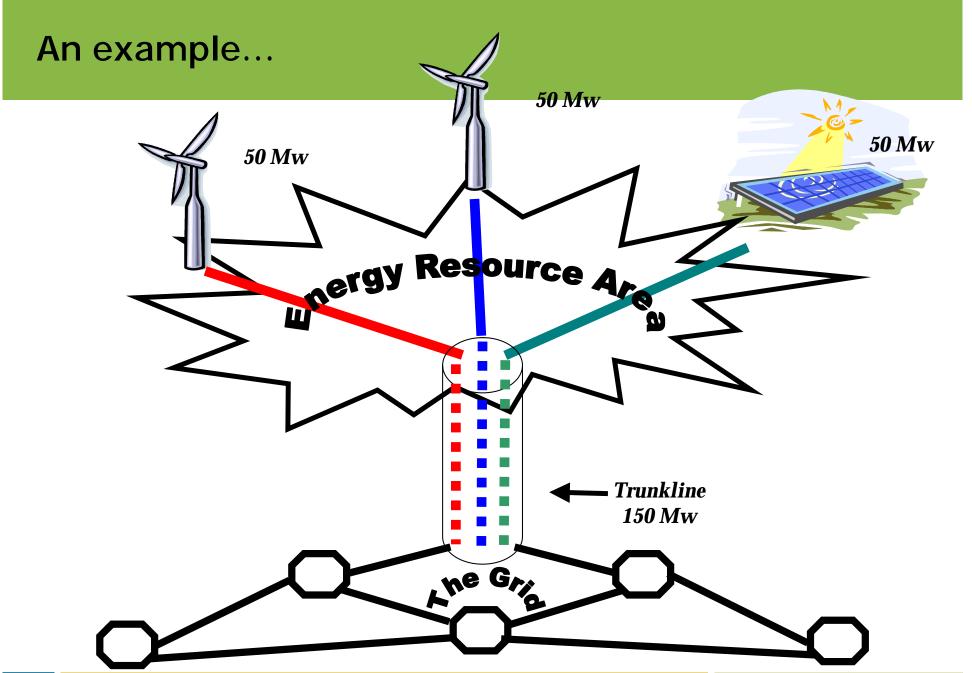
- Currently, the cost of transmission interconnection facilities constitutes a significant barrier to the development of location constrained resources in remote areas
- It is a key initiative to enable California to meet its Renewable Portfolio Standard goals



# What is the purpose of this initiative?

- Provide a financing mechanism for the construction of interconnection facilities to connect location constrained resources to the grid
  - Participating Transmission Owners will finance the cost of the interconnection through their revenue requirement
  - Generators would become responsible for their pro rata share of these costs as they come on line and use the facilities







# Seven Eligibility Principles

- Not network facilities
- 2. Access area where there is potential for significant energy resources that are not transportable
  - CEC/CPUC to designate Energy Resource Areas
  - Interim Process
- 3. Turned over to the CAISO operational control
- 4. Serve multiple power plants
- Be cost effective as evaluated within CAISO transmission planning process
- 6. Limited TAC rate impact (<15%)

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- Also:
  - 7. 60% of the line has demonstrated adequate commercial made up of :
    - Firm Commitments 25% in executed agreements
    - Additional Interest PPA, Monetary Deposit

Result of balancing stakeholder concerns including:

- Lower bound for firm commitment requirement
- More stringent requirements for additional interest showing
  - PPA added minimum contract term of 5 years, or
  - Monetary Deposit = minimum amount of \$ to complete LGIP
- Ensuring process facilitates commercial interest showings

