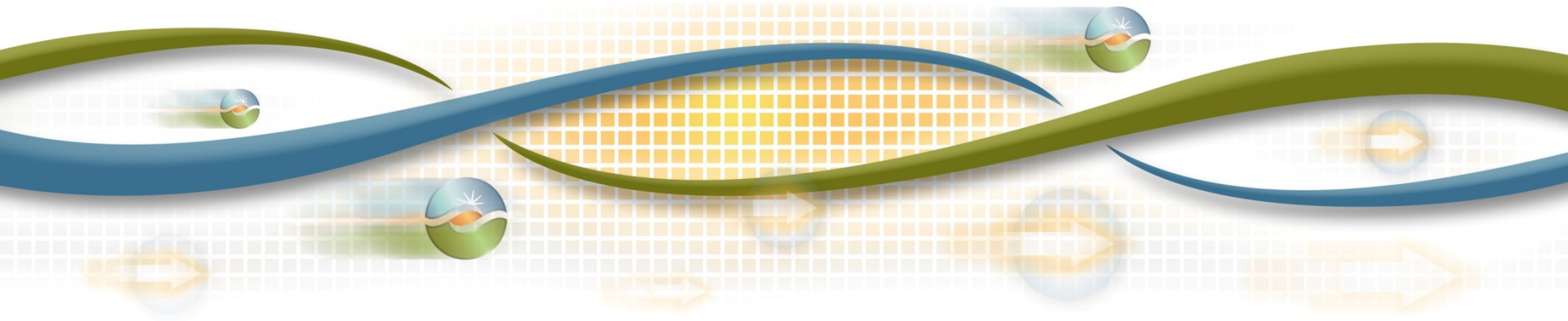


# Briefing on Imperial Valley Area Policy Driven Transmission Elements

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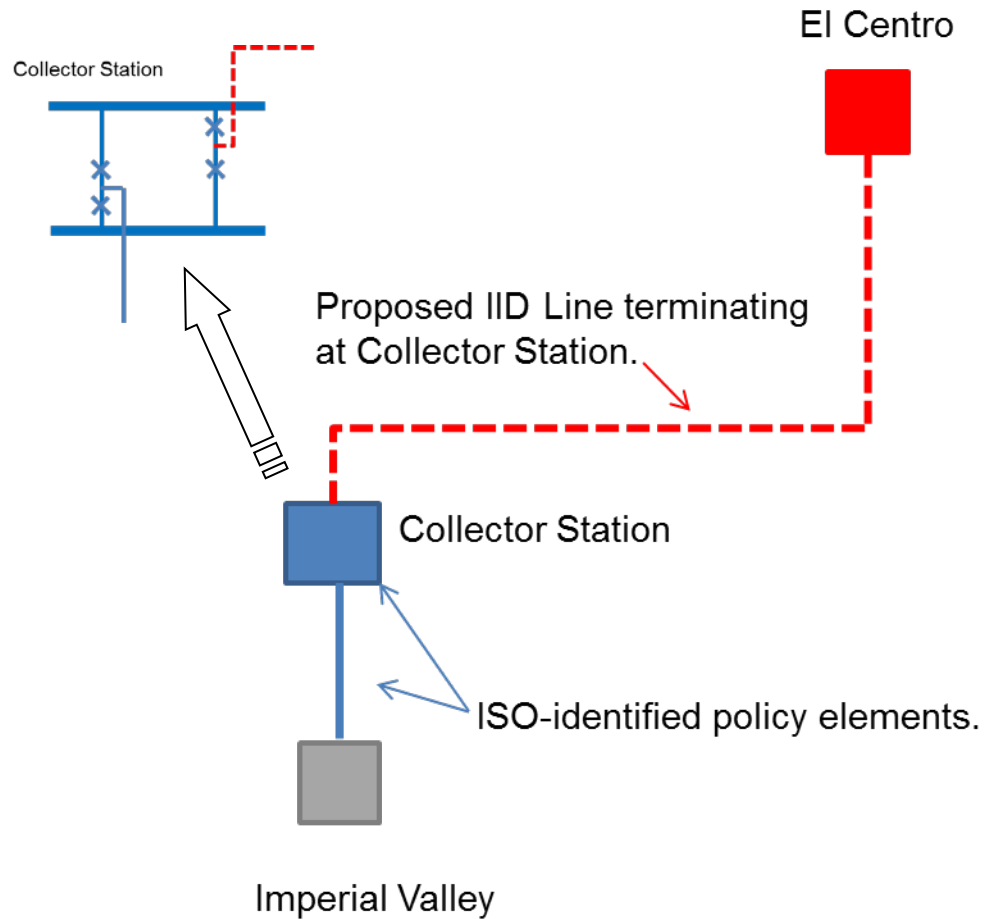
# The ISO has identified a solution to a particularly challenging aspect of state renewable policy:

- Achieving state policy direction to enable renewable generation development in the Imperial Valley
- Enabling prompt action to avoid impacting viable projects
- Addressing Imperial Irrigation District's concerns:
  - Number of crossings of key irrigation canals
  - Effective management of transmission development into IID's service area
- Working collaboratively with the Imperial Irrigation District

# Management is proposing to approve policy driven transmission elements costing less than \$50 million:



# Proposed policy driven transmission elements and coordination with Imperial Irrigation District:



# This proposal supports policy direction received from the CPUC and CEC.

- The CPUC and CEC have recommended that the ISO evaluate additional transmission reinforcements into the Imperial Irrigation District region (May 16, 2012)
- Previous steps taken by the ISO to support Imperial Valley development included:
  - Incorporating allowances for 1400 MW of IID import capability into the annual transmission planning process.
  - Adjusting the import capability calculation methodology so that the imports could be effectively utilized in the resource adequacy program.

## A stakeholder process was conducted:

- November 20 Paper released
- November 28 Stakeholder call
- December 5 Comments from stakeholders
- December 12 Responses to stakeholder comments
- December 14 Briefing to ISO Board of Governors

## Stakeholder written comments were limited but followed four primary themes:

- The need for “policy driven” reinforcement and the need for urgency;
- Basis for cost estimates;
- Impact on the 1400 MW import allowance from IID preserved in transmission planning; and
- Impact on other transmission development in other areas of the state.

# Next Steps

- Management approval of proposed Imperial Valley Area Policy Driven Transmission Elements
- ISO to initiate a competitive solicitation process for the development of the approved policy development elements