

Power Watch

Stage 1 Emergency

Consumers are urged to reduce their use of electricity voluntarily to avoid severe conditions.

Stage 2 Emergency

Voluntary interruption of service to select customers is possible to avoid more severe conditions.

Stage 3 Emergency

Consumers are advised that involuntary interruptions of service have begun and will continue until the emergency has passed.



Powerful Habits

- **Set thermostat at 82 degrees or higher**
- **Cool with fans**
- **Draw the drapes**
- **Turn off unnecessary lights and appliances**
- **Use big appliances in early morning or late at night**

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Today's Energy Usage = Third Record in Eight Days

Continued Conservation Needed Tuesday, PowerWatch Extended

The California Independent System Operator (California ISO) continues to deal with record electricity usage -- the amount of growth forecast to appear five years from now. Today, July 24, 2006 another record peak was set at 50,270 megawatts at 2:44 pm. This breaks the record of 49,036 megawatts set just last Friday, July 21. Stage One and Two Emergencies were called today in order to meet this record demand.

Conservation is making a difference and the California ISO would like to thank consumers as well as participants of the ISO Voluntary Load Reduction Program and the utilities' Interruptible customers -- all of which contributed greatly to today's ability to keep the lights on.

24-Hour Ahead Outlook for Tuesday, July 25

California ISO Continues Power Watch Day

Temperatures statewide are expected to decrease slightly as a high-pressure system sitting over the Western region begins to move out. The build up of residual heat, from more than a week of high temperatures, is great and tomorrow's demand for energy is expected to be high again.

- **Stage 1: Likely Stage 2: Possible Stage 3: Unlikely**
- Forecast peak demand: 50,547 megawatts around 4:00 p.m.

Please monitor the California ISO website at www.caiso.com for updated information about the electricity supply. The *Systems Condition* page provides the current demand on the Grid and an hour-by-hour forecast of the day's electrical surplus/shortfall is available in *Today's Outlook*.

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