

Hydrogen Storage and Use

Electrolytic H₂ – Direct Injection vs Methanation

“BIG” Energy Storage: Priorities and Pathways to Long-Duration Energy Storage Workshop
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SoCalGas



- Largest natural gas distribution utility in the US
- An active part of the community for more than 140 years
- Serve 12 counties and 22 million people
- Employ more than 8,000 Californians
- 130 Bcf of geological storage, 18 TWh (if converted to electricity at 44% efficiency)

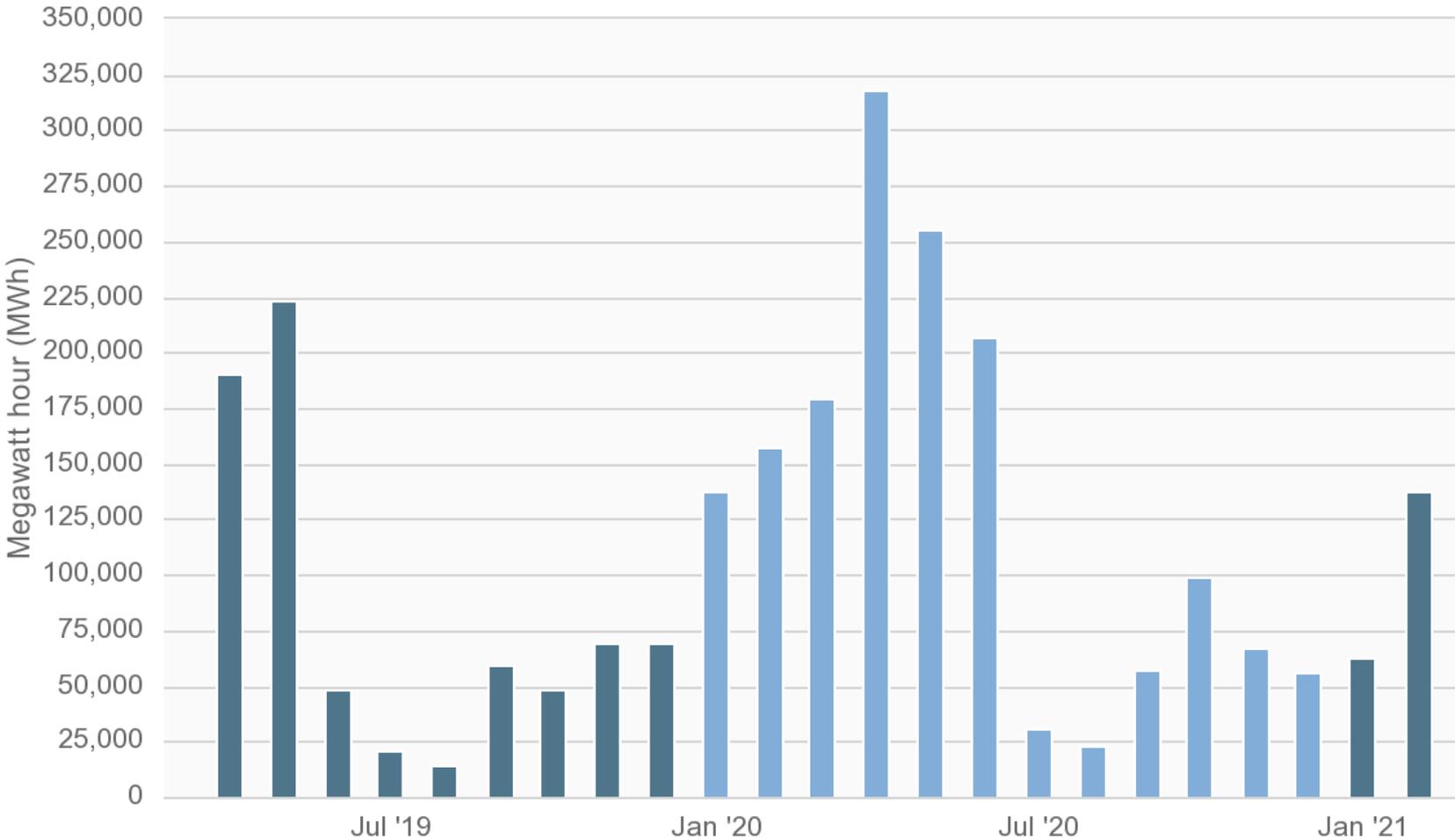
Natural Gas Storage Capacity

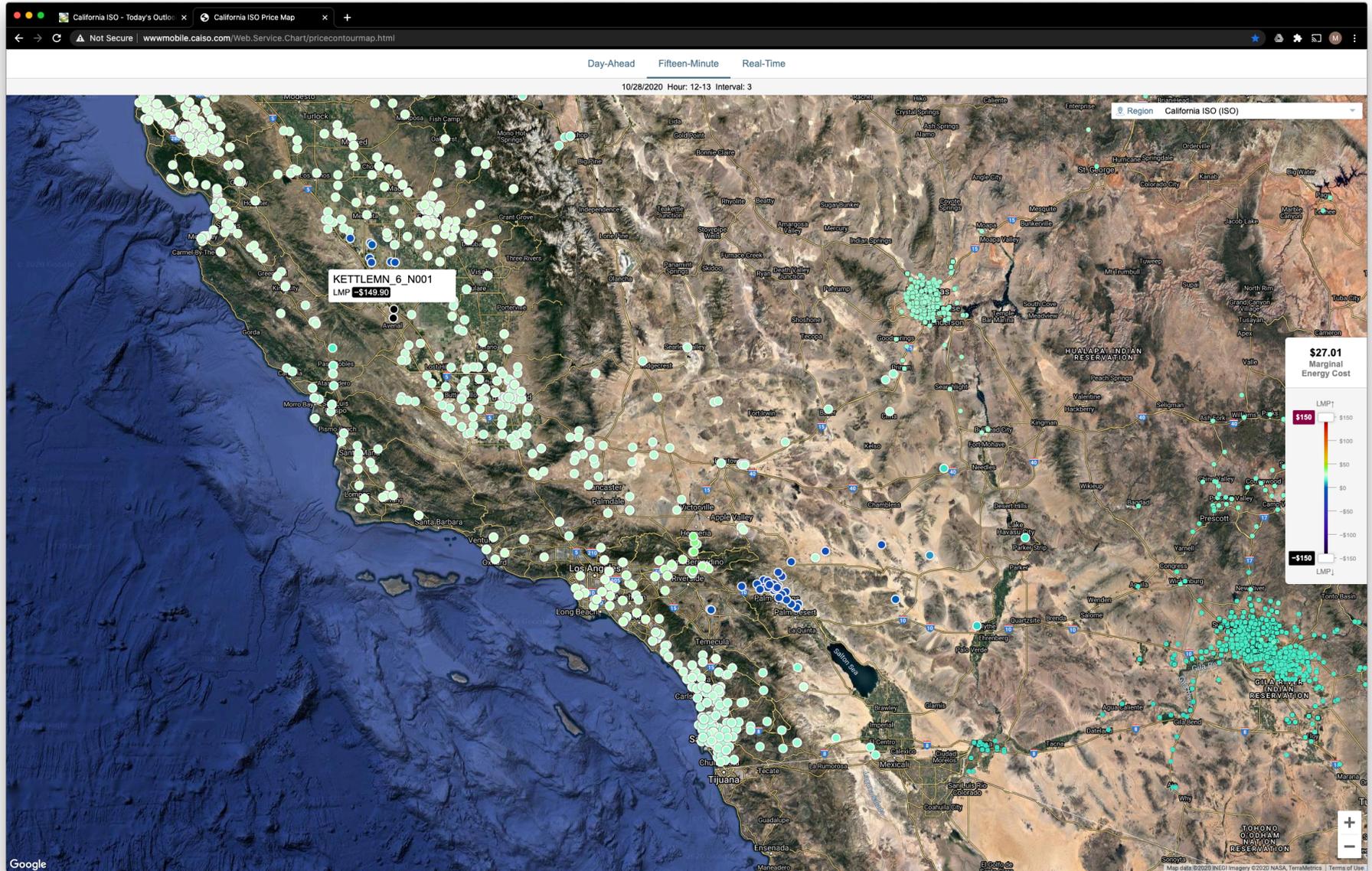
Region	NG Storage (BCF)	NG Storage (TWh)	NG Storage % Annual Power Consumption California	NG Storage % Annual Power Consumption Lower-48
Lower 48 States	4261	571		15
California	476	64	25	
SoCalGas	135	18	7	

CAISO Curtailments

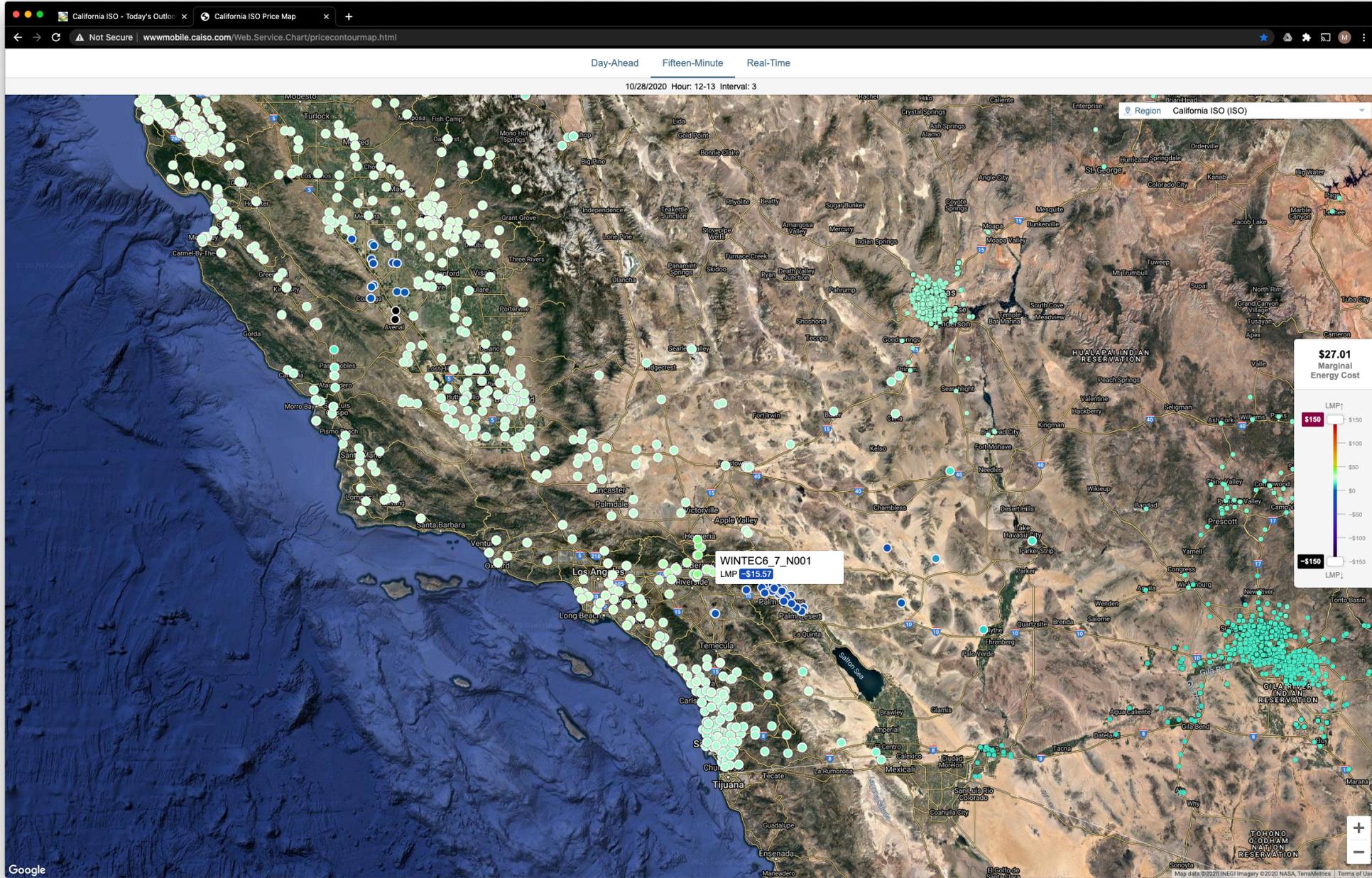
2020 Jan-Sept Curtailments: 1.6 TWh

Wind and solar curtailment totals by month





California ISO



SunLine Electrolyzer Facilities

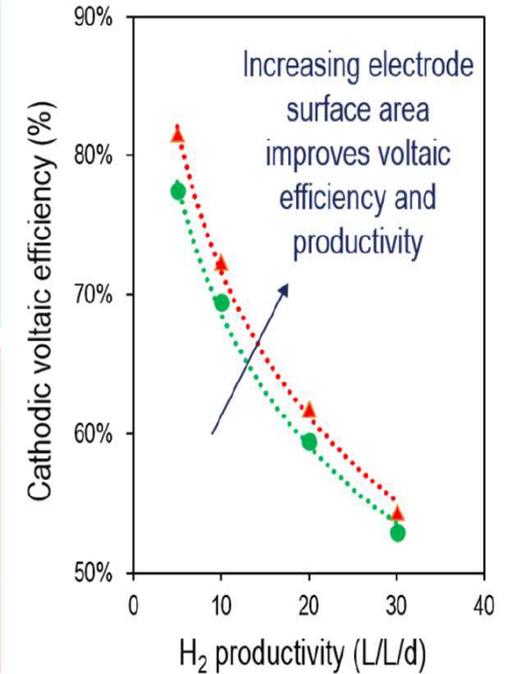
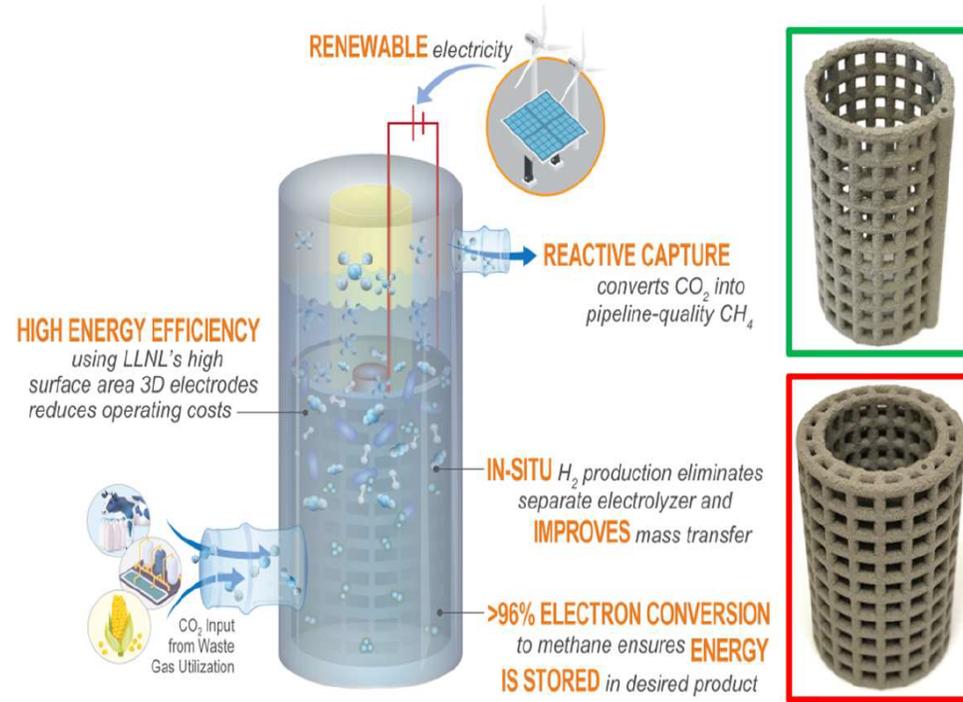
- 2.4 MW
- ~900 kg H₂/day
- Still under commissioning by NEL
- Currently generating ~300 kg/day to meet daily fleet demand



High Efficiency Power-to-Gas in a Modular Hybrid Electrobioreactor

Advanced Manufactured Electrobioreactors Enable Long-term Energy Storage through High Selectivity CO₂ Conversion to CH₄

- Advanced manufacturing of optimal reactor topology improves energy efficiency
- Reactive capture (selective CO₂ utilization) couples electrolysis with bioconversion
- Produces pipeline-quality CH₄, readily integrated into existing national infrastructure



STARS Compact Electric Induction Heated SMR

