

LONG DURATION STORAGE AND CALIFORNIA COMMUNITY POWER

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CALIFORNIA COMMUNITY POWER: A CCA JOINT POWERS AUTHORITY

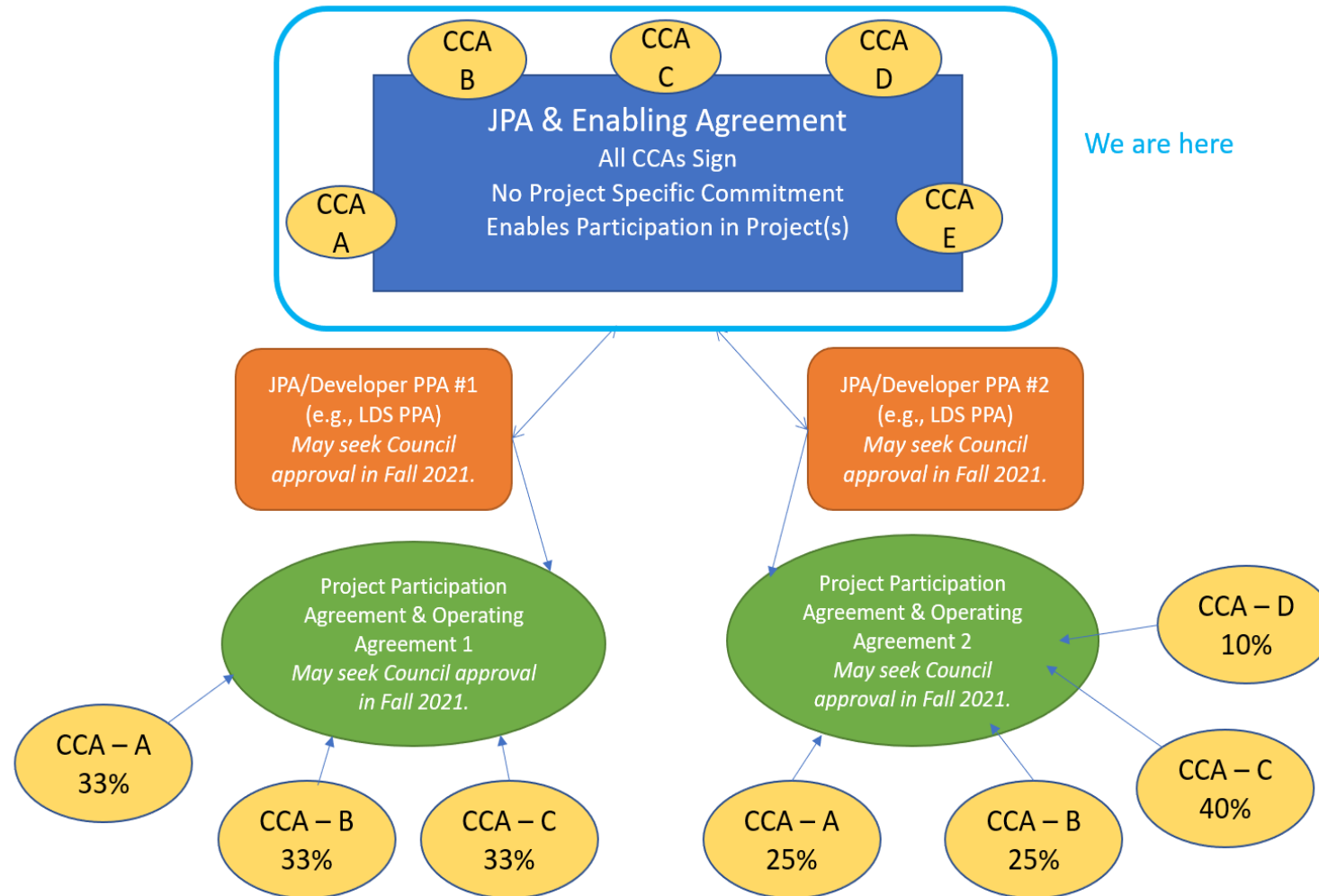
- CCAs formed a Joint Powers Authority (JPA) called California Community Power, or 'CC Power' to jointly contract for large projects.
- Forming CC Power addresses concerns that individual CCA's are too small to contract for large infrastructure projects.
- Initial focus is on projects that ensure grid reliability.
 - long-duration storage (more than 8 hours)
 - could assist with RA requirements



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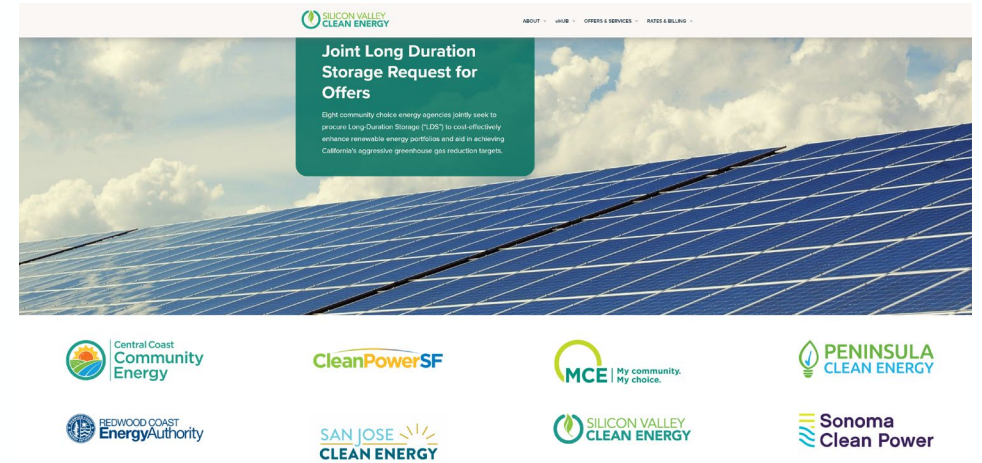


COMMITMENT ILLUSTRATION



1ST PROJECT: LONG DURATION STORAGE (LDS)

- **Goal:** Target up to 500 MW of LDS that charges from the grid
 - Estimated value ~\$2 Billion
- **Online date:** June 2026 or sooner
- Issued in mid-October 2020
- Bid evaluation still underway, shortlist announcement under consideration
- Only CCAs that join CC Power may contract for submitted bids
- Must be cost effective and have market and strategic value
- Issued prior to CC Power formation, but now slides under CC Power umbrella



LDS RFO RESPONSE

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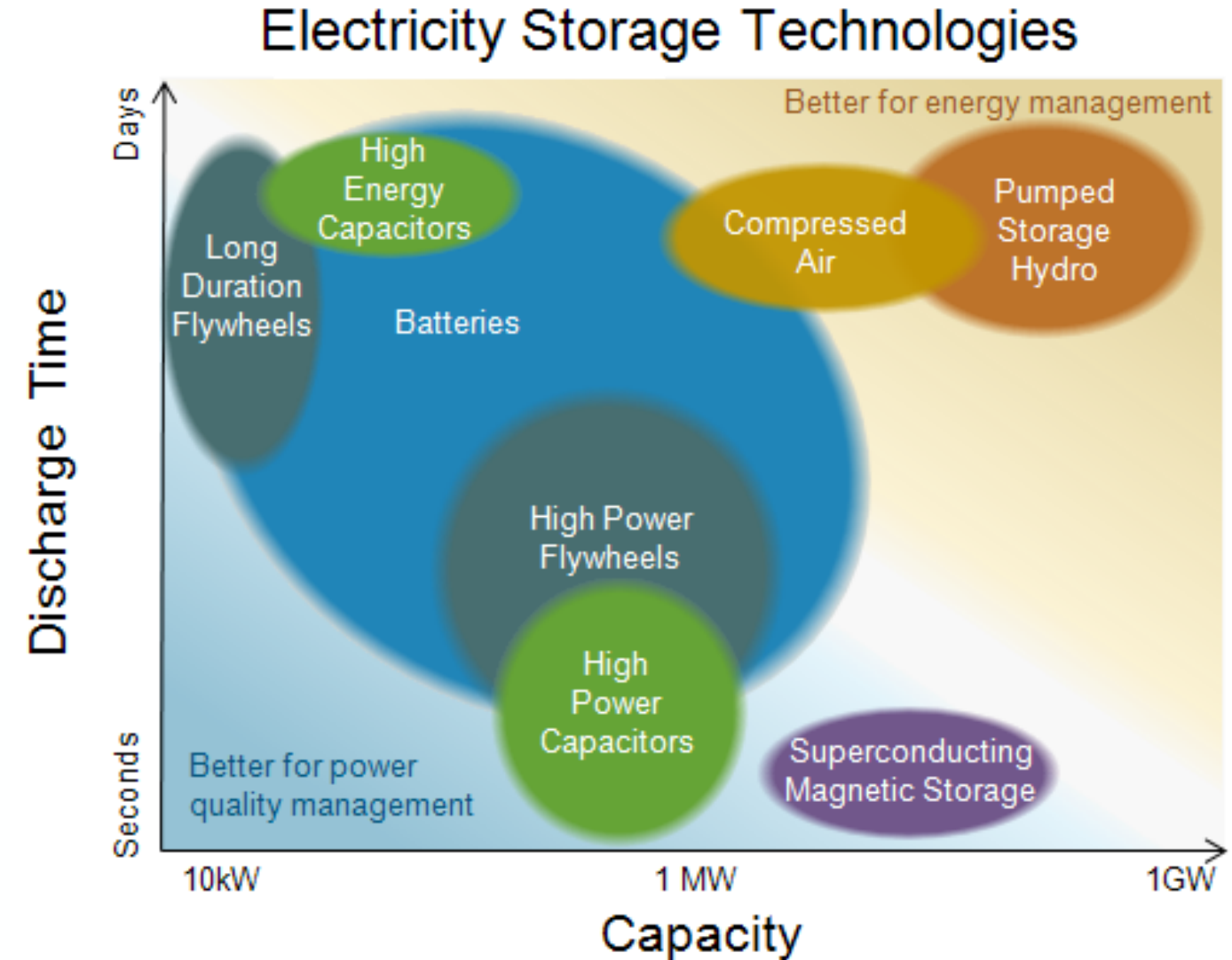
REGULATORY & LEGISLATIVE CONSIDERATIONS

- CPUC
 - Mid-term reliability analysis for R.20-05-003 likely to require LDS specifically
 - LDS RFO and CC Power puts us out in front of this ruling
- Federal
 - ITC for standalone storage moving closer to reality, could reduce costs
 - ITC for storage paired with renewables likely to be extended (currently phasing out over next few years)



INTRO TO ENERGY STORAGE

- Many forms: chemical batteries, pumped hydro, kinetic, thermal, and more
- Different types better suited for different use cases



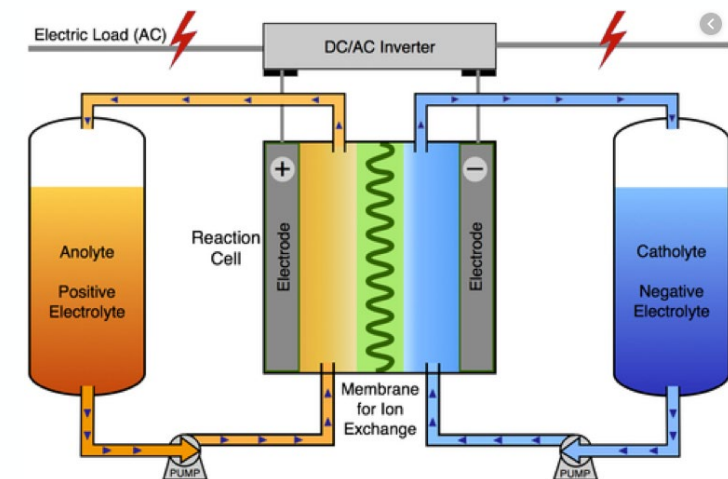
TECH OVERVIEW – CHEMICAL BATTERIES

- Lithium-ion

- Most advanced from R&D related to EVs and electronics
- New safety concerns due to thermal runaway in Arizona
- Flooding the market

- Flow

- Two chemical components dissolved in fluids that are separated by a membrane
- Larger and heavier, which is no problem for utility scale energy storage
- Longer duration, possibly less rare earth minerals, but not currently commercially available, but maybe close?



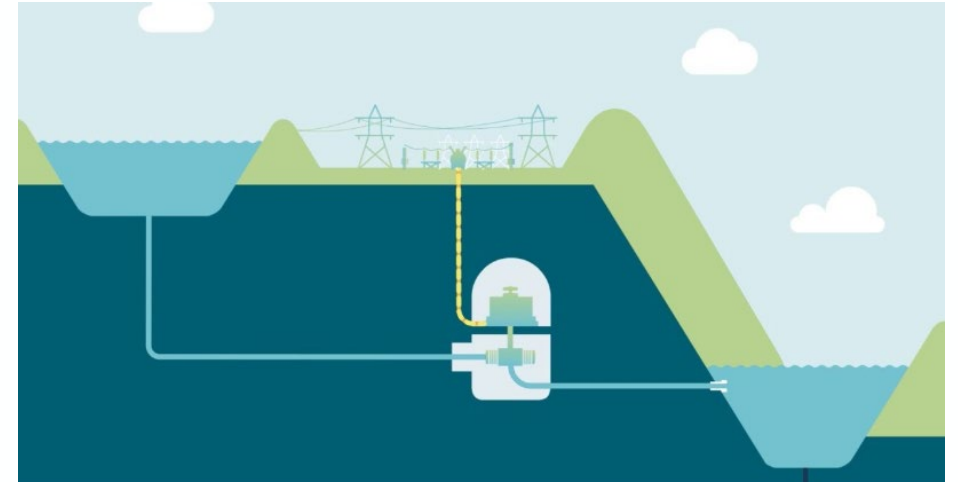
TECH OVERVIEW - GRAVITATIONAL

- Pumped Hydro

- 22 GW of pumped hydro installed in the U.S. as of 2017
- Great at long duration, 6-20 hours, but...
- Expensive, so possibly needs a leg mandate
- Few potential new sites on the horizon

- Energy Vault

- stacking concrete blocks to form a tower, and lowering them to release the potential energy when needed
- 30-40 year lifespan with 90% round-trip efficiency, but...
- Gigantic! 30 stories tall, so siting will be challenging
- Watch [vid](#) if time allows



TECH OVERVIEW - THERMAL

- Molten salt
 - Has been paired with Concentrated Solar Power (CSP)
 - Salt can continue to generate electricity after sun goes down, improving the shape
 - Labor intensive, Nevada site is under contract dispute and some say this tech can't compete with current cheap traditional solar
- Cryogenic
 - Liquid air or nitrogen to store thermal energy
 - Low degradation, ~30 year asset life
 - Relatively simple to increase duration
 - ~60% round-trip efficiency
 - HighView Power is gaining attention from renewable developers and signing 50 MW contracts
 - HighView Power responded to our RFI; suggested it could offer an option to increase duration from 4 to 8 hours at a later date



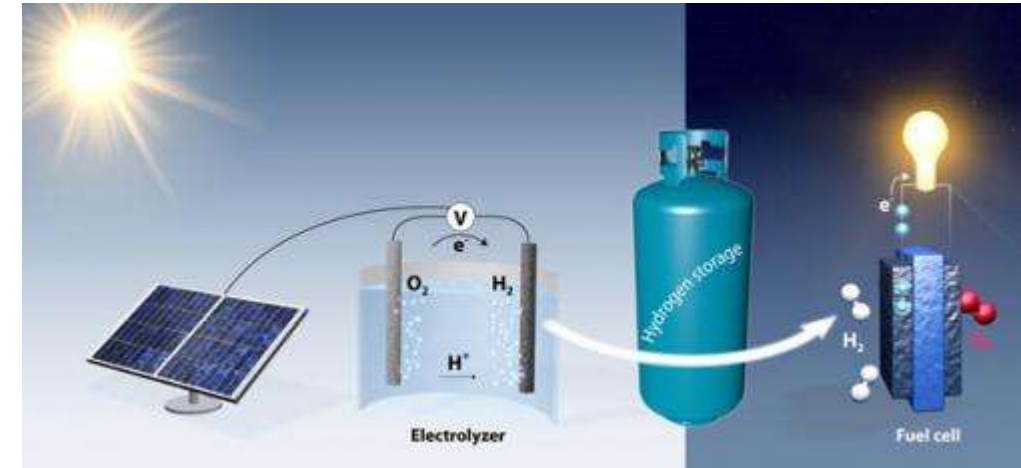
TECH OVERVIEW – RENEWABLE GAS

- Renewable Gas

- Many sources such as dairy farms, landfills
- CA has major biomass feedstock which can be converted to gas
- Not without carbon footprint, but has value

- Green hydrogen

- Creation of storable hydrogen using renewable energy
- E.g. excess solar during curtailment paired with electrolyzer to produce H₂, then paired with storage, pipeline, vehicles, fuel cell, or engine
- Can help solve the duck curve



CC POWER OVERVIEW

- Joining CC Power gives SJCE an opportunity to participate in large projects that may not otherwise be possible
- Costs: SJCE's share expected to be **\$10,000-\$30,000/year**
- **Joining CC Power does not commit an organization to participate in any specific projects or purchase any services**
 - Preserves the option to jointly procure if benefits outweigh risks
 - Majority of costs are related to participating in a project
- Joint Projects require additional agreements to address the sharing of costs, risks, and benefits
 - Requires future Council Approval (likely Fall 2021)

