

# CPS ENERGY CONSIDERATIONS FOR LONG DURATION ENERGY STORAGE

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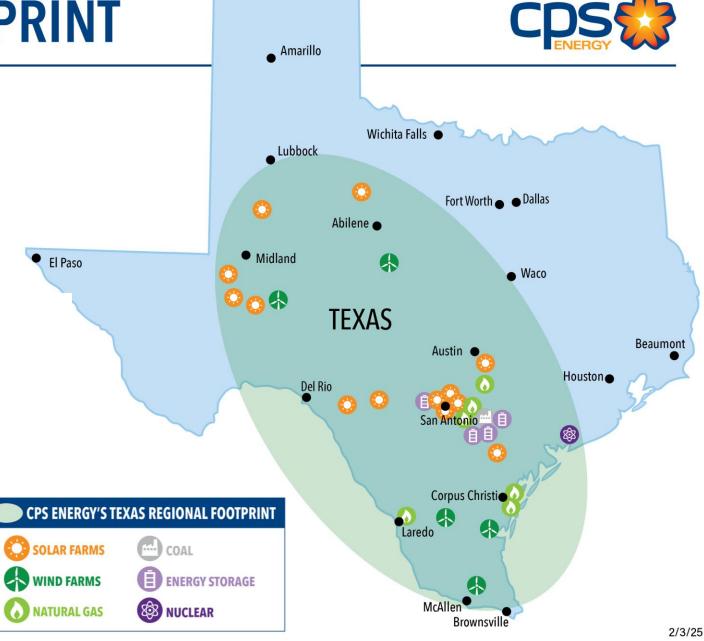
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## **TEXAS REGIONAL FOOTPRINT**

<b>Existing Capacity (Operational &amp; Contracted)</b>					
	MW	%			
Solar	1,294	12%			
Wind	1,067	10%			
Natural Gas	4,814	46%			
Coal	1,345	13%			
<b>Battery Storage</b>	530	5%			
Nuclear	1,100	11%			
Landfill Gas	4	0.04%			
<u>Market</u>	<u>200</u> 2				
Total	10,354	100%			

Operational Capacity	9,493	
Average ELCC	<u>82%</u>	
<b>ELCC Adjusted Capacity</b>	7,827	
Historical Peak Load	5,858	
Reserves over Historical Peak	34%	



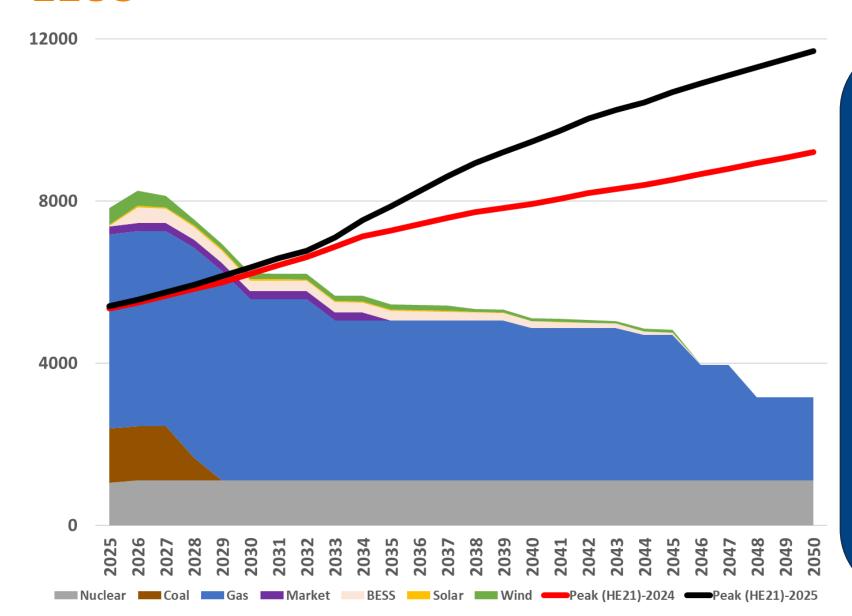
### **GENERATION PLAN KEY CONSIDERATIONS**



Plan Frequency	Annually: Updated by Staff, Vetted and Approved by CPS Leadership as part of budget process; Every 3 years: Additional external involvement with reviews/approvals by CPS Board		
Native Load Demand	Datacenters & other large loads are influencing much higher demand outlooks		
Wholesale Commitments	Existing long-term wholesale deals may be considered in our buildout		
Reserve Margin Targets	Target minimum annual reserves of 13.75%		
Capacity Accreditations (ELCCs)	With growing intermittent resources in our portfolio, ELCC estimates are having growing impacts.		
Regulatory Requirements	Less federal stringency under Trump. Evolving ERCOT rules/proposals		
Company goals	Reliable, affordable, emission reduction goals, clean goals, others		
Technology Options	Costs for all technologies are trending higher		
Generation Diversity	Integrate diverse resources to improve efficiency, mitigate exposure, and help meet established requirements and goals.		
Market Prices	To understand how our Portfolio compares and project dispatch		

## EXISTING RESOURCES VS HE21 PEAK DEMAND (MW) CDS

#### **ELCC**

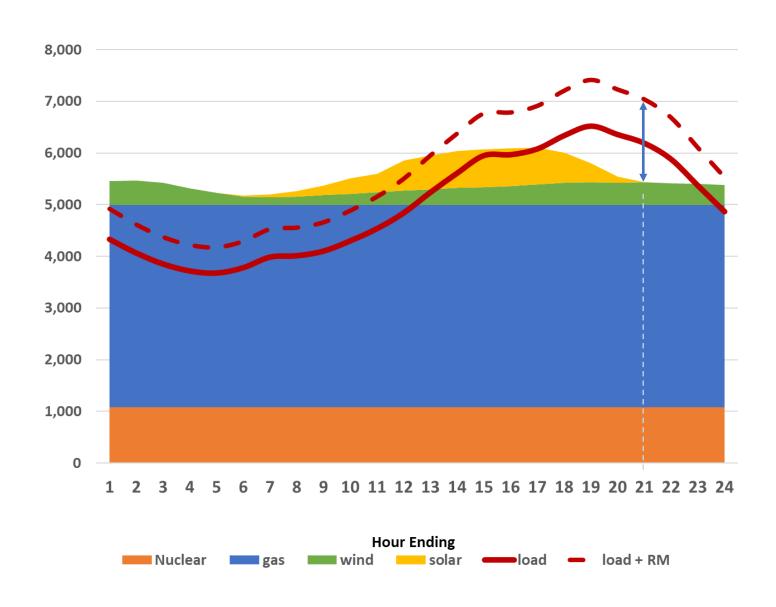


- Demand outlooks are bullish, with datacenters and other large loads as biggest impact.
- The area between existing resources and demand plus targeted reserves needs to be filled with new resources.

### **EXISTING RESOURCES VS DEMAND (MW)**



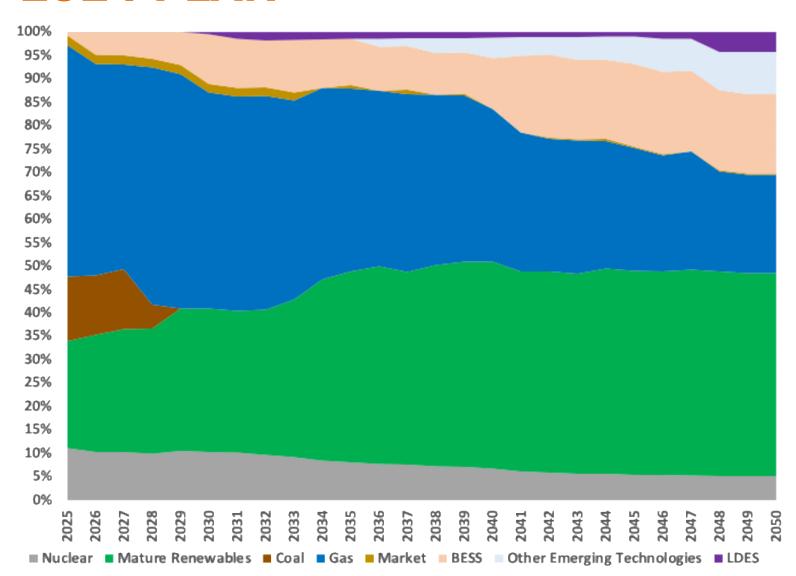
#### CY2029 - TYPICAL PEAK SUMMER DAY



As solar becomes a larger part of our portfolio our planning hour shifts to later hours.

# LDES IN RESOURCE MIX 2024 PLAN



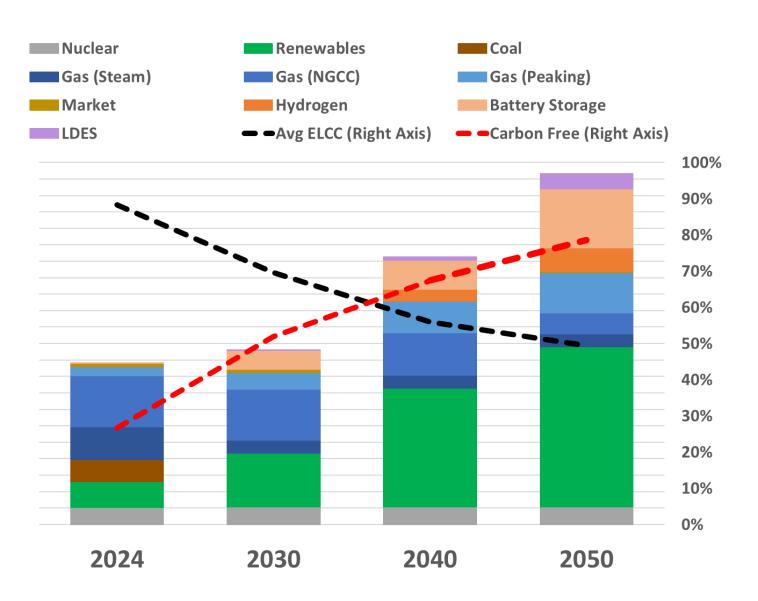


- LDES and other emerging Technologies serve as placeholders in the Plan.
- LDES 1<sup>st</sup> entered our 2024
   Plan in 2031.
- LDES and other emerging technologies represented about 13% of our Portfolio by 2050.
- Options are being evaluated and considered for the 2025 Resource Plan Update.

## 2024 RESOURCE PLAN BY DECADE (MW)



#### **NAMEPLATE**



Clean: Carbon-free resources expand to nearly 80% by 2050.

**Dispatchability:** Average ELCC of Portfolio Resources decreases to less than 50% by 2050.

### **TECHNOLOGY CONSIDERATIONS**



	Resource Options	Dispatchable	Clean	Afforable	Commercially Available
Gas Options	RICE	Х		х	х
	CTs (aero, frame)	Х		Х	Х
	NGCC	Х		Х	Х
Conventional Renewables	Solar		х	х	х
	Wind		Х	х	х
BESS	Battery Storage (various durations)	partially	depends	uncertain	х
	LDES Options	Х	х		
	Hydrogen	Х	х		
Emerging Options	Advanced Geothermal	Х	х		
	Advanced Nulcear	Х	Х		
	Coal with CCS	Х	Х		
	NGCC with CCS	Х	Х		

- More Dispatchable/Clean Resources needed to meet long-range environmental goals, while maintaining reliability
- Emerging Options are not currently affordable or commercially available

Significant amounts in 2024 Plan
Small amounts in 2024 Plan as placeholders

# WHAT'S NEEDED TO HELP LDES BECOME AFFORDABLE & COMMERCIALLY AVAILABLE



- Better Analysis Tools
- Policy Support
- Proven Demonstrations at Utility-Scale
- Use Case Strategies
- Reduced Cost
- Lower Cost Solar & Wind



## **THANK YOU**