

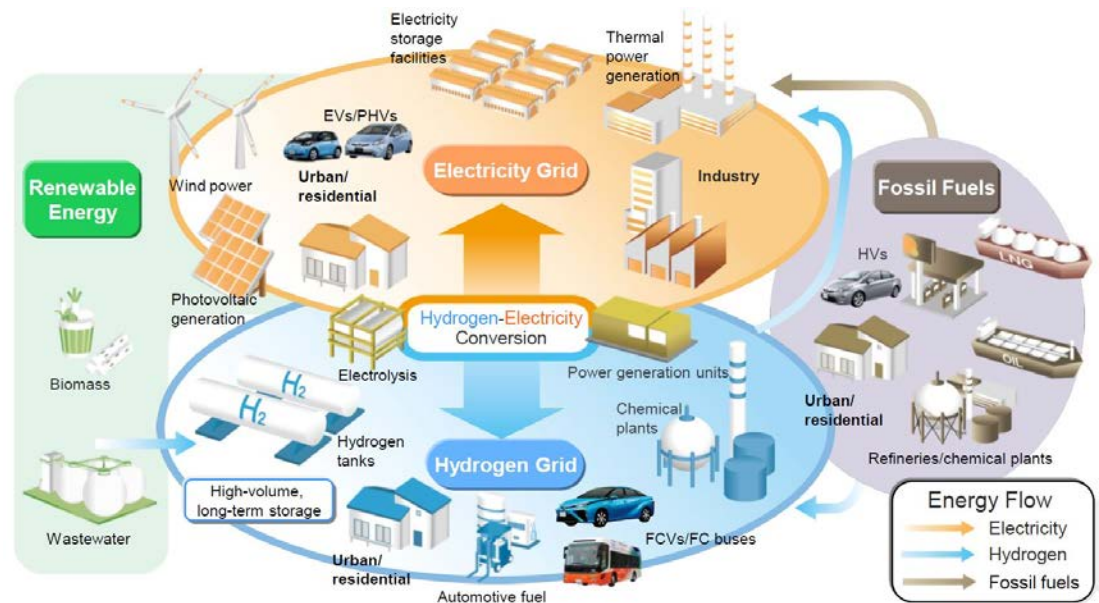
# PERSPECTIVES ON HYDROGEN POLICY

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# THE CALIFORNIA HYDROGEN BUSINESS COUNCIL

- Respected Advocate for Hydrogen and Fuel Cell Technology
- 120+ Members Strong Representing a Broad Cross Section of the Industry
- Growing the Industry through Enabling Policy across Market Segments
- Industry Networking, Education & Collaboration



*THE CHBC ADVOCATES ON BEHALF OF OUR MEMBERS IN MOST EVERY SEGMENT OF THE HYDROGEN VALUE CHAIN*

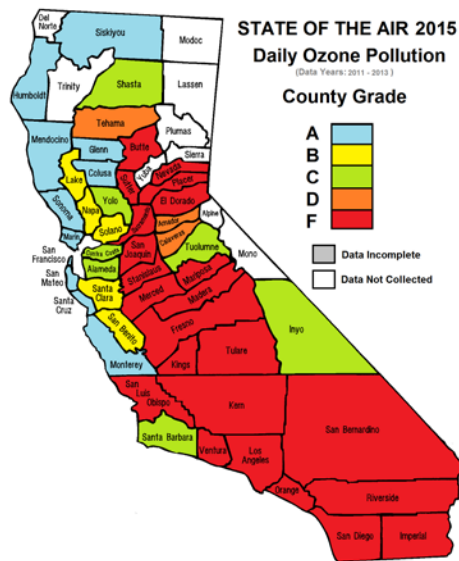
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## VISION, MISSION, PRINCIPALS AND OBJECTIVES

- **Our Vision:**
  - CHBC is committed to advancing the commercialization of hydrogen in the energy and transportation sectors to achieve California’s climate, air quality, and decarbonization goals.
- **Our Mission:**
  - Provide clear value to our members and serve as an indispensable and leading voice in promoting the use of hydrogen in the utility and transportation sectors in California and beyond.
- **Our Principals:**
  - Leadership, Integrity, Teamwork and Inclusion.
- **Our Objectives:**
  - Enhance market commercialization through effective advocacy and education of policymakers and policy influencers
  - Be “the” trusted “go to” resource on Hydrogen and Fuel Cell technology for policymakers and policy influencers
  - Accelerate market growth via networking opportunities and information exchange for the industry and its customers

# CALIFORNIA CHALLENGES PRESENT OPPORTUNITY

- Air Quality
  - Worst in the Nation
  - Progress has been slow
- Carbon Reduction Goals
  - 80% Reduction from 1990 baseline
  - Aggressive posture across the State's Economy
- Hydrogen Provides Opportunity and will Play a Role in California's Future



## CALIFORNIA CARBON EMISSIONS BY SCOPING PLAN SECTOR

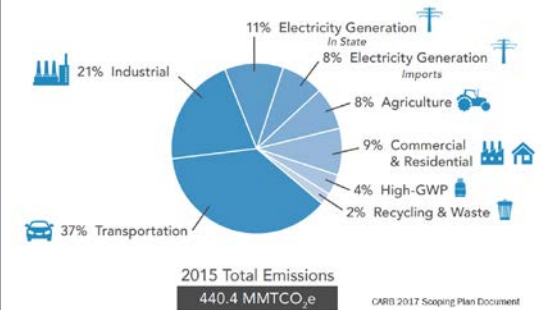
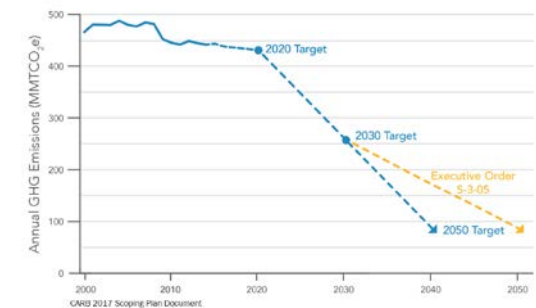


FIGURE 5: PLOTTING CALIFORNIA'S PATH FORWARD



# ACTIVE CALIFORNIA POLICY VENUES AND PROCEEDINGS



## TRANSPORTATION

- Vehicle and Infrastructure Incentives
- Cap and Trade Allocations - Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund (GGRF)
- Zero Emission Vehicle Regulations
- Low Carbon H2 Pathways for Transportation Fuel
- Optimizing the Low Carbon Fuel Standard (LCFS) for H2



## GAS & ELECTRIC MARKET DESIGN

- Grid Modelling
- Integration of Renewable H2 (RH2) into State Resource Planning
- RH2 Generation
- Long-term / Seasonal Energy Storage
- Direct Access for RH2 Production
- RH2 Pipeline Blending
- Building Decarbonization



## DECARBONIZATION PLANNING

- Legislative Support for Decarbonization Program Funding
- Joint Agency Low/Zero Carbon Power Plan (SB 100)
- CARB Scoping Plan for Point Sources, Vehicles and Infrastructure
- CEC Integrated Energy Policy Report

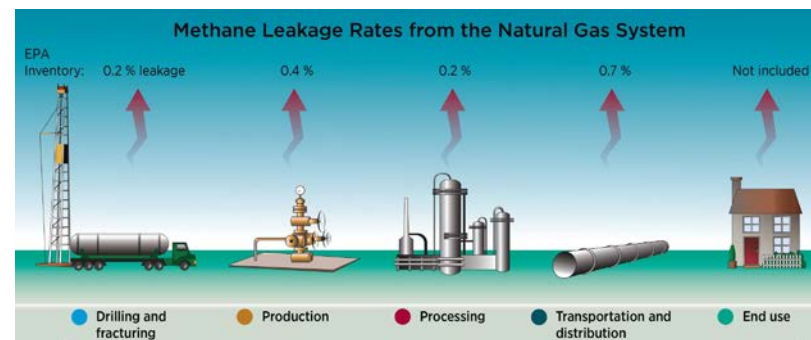
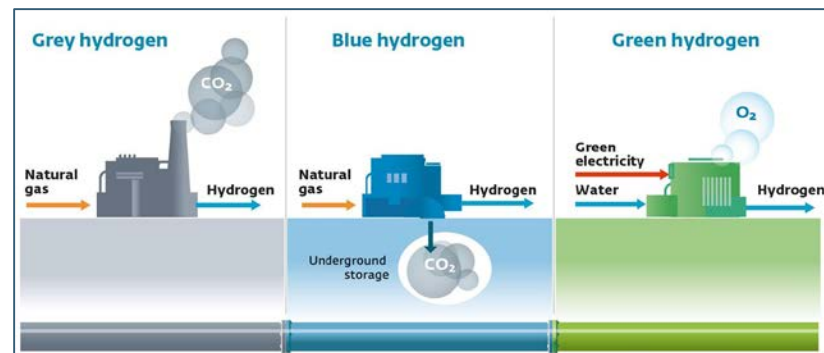


# **POLICY CHALLENGES**

- Green and Renewable Hydrogen
- Coordination Across Sectors and a Path to Scale
- Leveraging Resources
- Coalition Building and Gaining Consensus

# GREEN AND RENEWABLE HYDROGEN

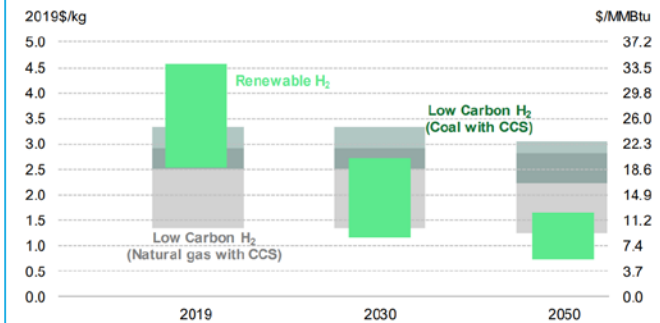
- “Green Hydrogen” – defined as Hydrogen produced from “renewable resources” such as Solar and Wind
- “Renewable Hydrogen” has no formally accepted definition
- Hydrogen produced using “RNG” has a relatively low carbon score – how renewable or green is it?
- Policy Challenges of “Renewable Hydrogen”
  - Gas Pipeline and RNG Production Facility Integrity & Leakage
  - RNG as a Feedstock to Produce Renewable Hydrogen
- Environmental NGOs, some California Policy Makers and some Industry Participants are sensitive to these issues
- Policy approach involves coordination, a path to 100% renewable and measurable industry progress on system integrity



## COORDINATION ACROSS SECTORS AND A PATH TO SCALE

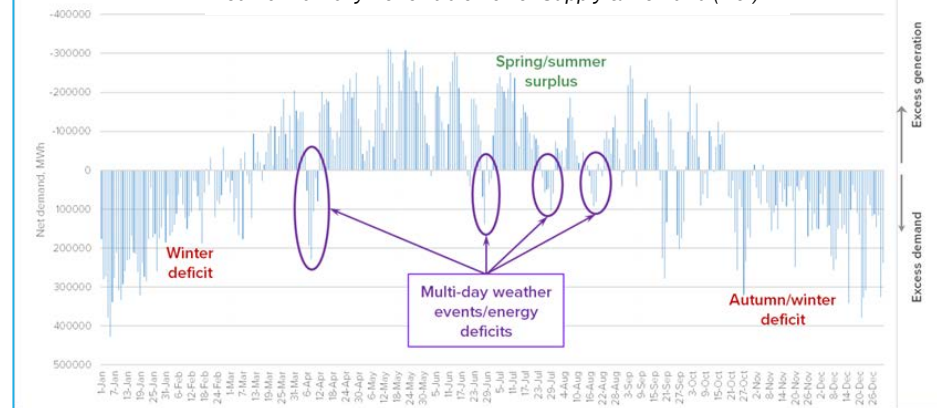
- Scale involves several sectors working together
  - Power Grid
  - Gas Grid
  - Transportation
- Effective Policy brings scale & lowers costs – i.e. Solar, Wind
- Well coordinated approach in California across agencies, in multiple venues and inclusive of multiple market participants

Figure 3: Forecast global range of levelized cost of hydrogen production from large projects



Source: BloombergNEF. Note renewable hydrogen costs based on large projects with optimistic projections for capex. Natural gas prices range from \$1.1-10.3/MMBtu, coal from \$30-116/t.

California Daily Renewable Power Supply & Demand (Net)



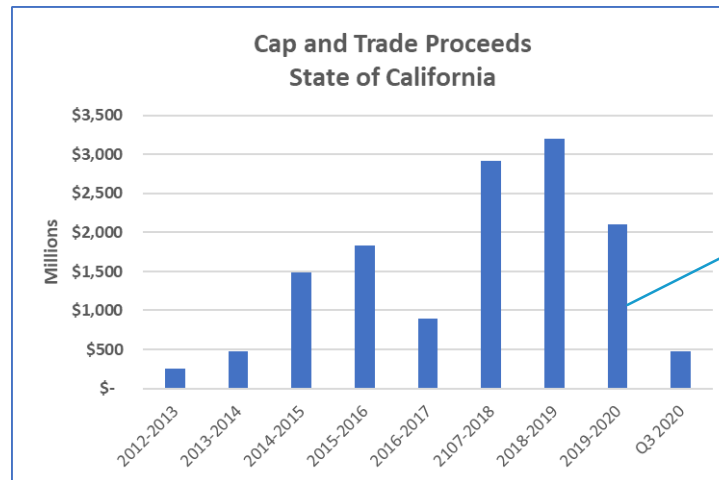
Source: CAISO and Straten Analysis



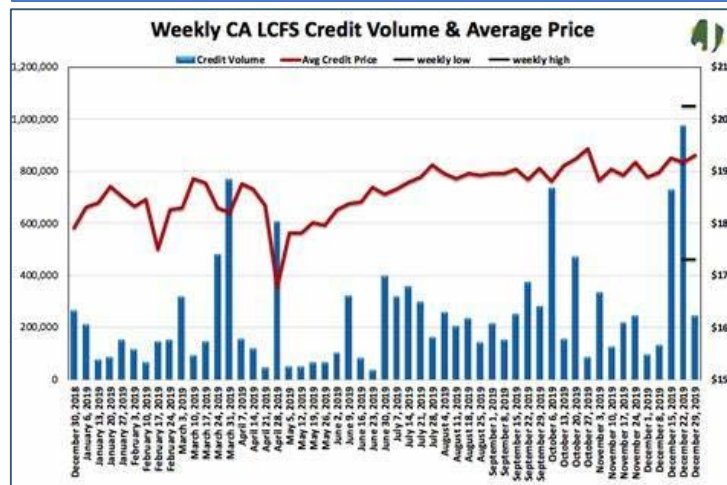


# LEVERAGING RESOURCES

- Effective Policy can Leverage Resources & Market Scale
- California's Approach to Hydrogen to date:
  - Cap and Trade Transportation Funds
  - Low Carbon Fuel Standard (LCFS)
  - Dedicated Funding for Zero Emission Transportation Programs
  - Evaluate Utility Investments
- Zero Emission Transportation has been a success, more is needed
- Ratepayer/Utility Backed Investments has proven successful for RPS, BEVs, RNG



\$492 MM to Low Carbon Transportation



## COALITION BUILDING AND GAINING CONSENSUS

- Gas & Electric Utilities
- Ratepayer Advocates
- Industrial Gas Producers
- Vehicle & Truck OEMs
- New Market Entrants
- Environmental NGOs
- Community Organizations
- Policymakers



The background of the slide is a photograph of the California State Capitol building in Sacramento, California. The building is a large, white, neoclassical structure with a prominent central dome and a portico supported by columns. The sky is blue with some light clouds. In the foreground, there are some trees and a few people walking on a path.

**THANK YOU!**

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