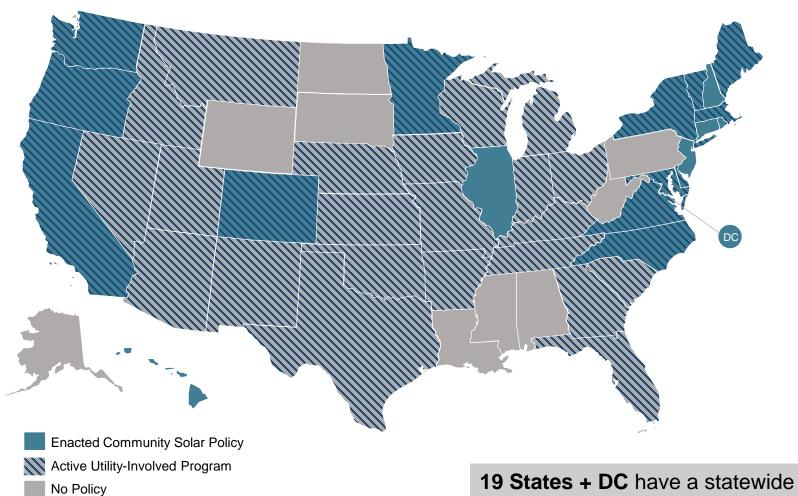
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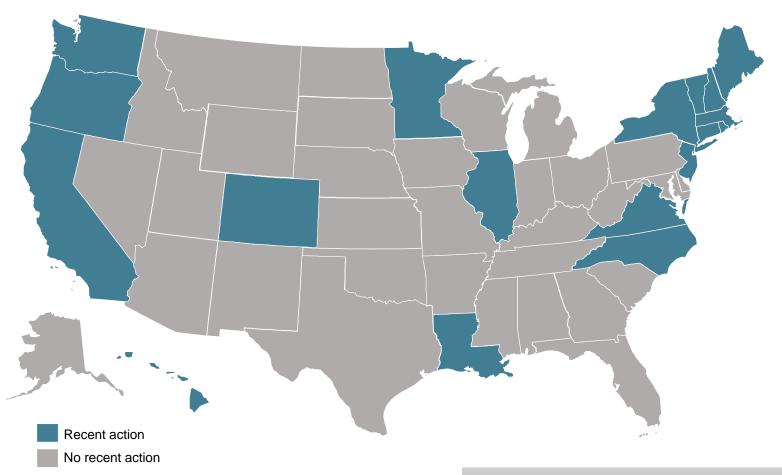
#### **Community Solar Policies and Programs**





19 States + DC have a statewide community solar policy

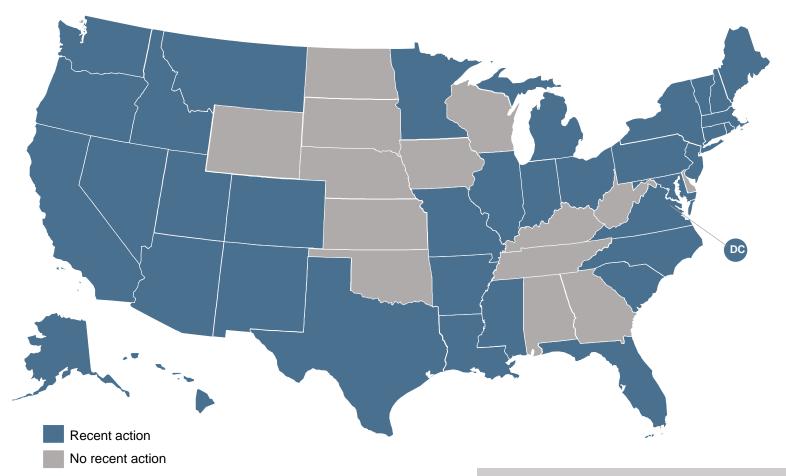
#### **Action on Community Solar Policy July 2017 – June 2018**



**18 States** took action on community solar policy during the past year



#### **Action on Energy Storage July 2017 – June 2018**





**36 States + DC** took action on energy storage during the past year

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## Innovations in Renewable Energy Policy

Lori Bird, Principal Energy Analyst NARUC Summer Policy Summit July 15, 2018

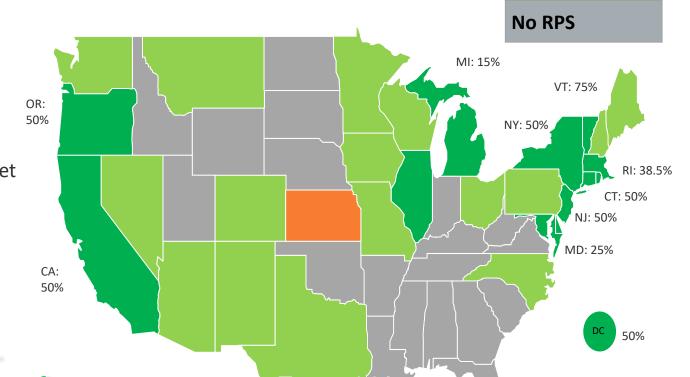
#### States are Increasing their RPSs

100%

29 states + DC have **RPSs** 

12 states + DC have expanded their RPS targets; only 1 state has repealed its target

- 7 states + DC have targets at 50% or greater
- Pending actions to increase RPS in multiple states, including Arizona, California, Nevada, and Massachusetts



MA: offshore wind and PV carve out increase

IL: "Fixed" the RPS structure

**Increase** 

Repeal

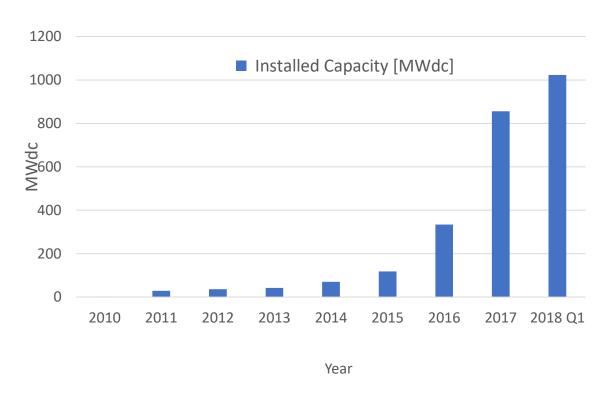
activity

No significant

## Community Solar Growing Rapidly

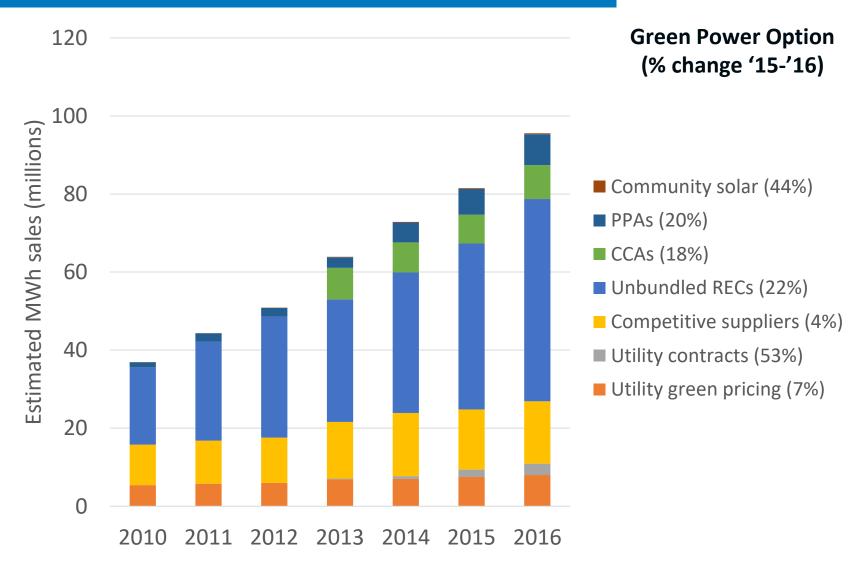
- Community solar exists in most states
- Mandates and enabling polices drive deployment (e.g., MN, MA)
- Community solar now represents almost 2% of all deployed solar in the U.S.
- Several states requiring low-income customer participation (e.g., 10%)

#### **U.S. Community Solar Cumulative Capacity and Growth**



Source: GTM Research 2018

## Many Options for Renewable Purchasing Exist; All Grew in 2016



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# The Future of Arizona Sustainability and Changing Grid Conditions

Kent Walter July 15, 2018



**GIGAWATTS** ~50%

TOTAL
RENEWABLE
CAPACITY

~80,000

INTERCONNECTED DG SYSTEMS

CLEAN ENERGY RESOURCES

1.3
GIGAWATTS

TOTAL SOLAR CAPACITY

INNOVATIVE
UTILITY-OWNED
DG PILOTS

10 MEGAWATT
STUDY
OF SYSTEM
BENEFITS

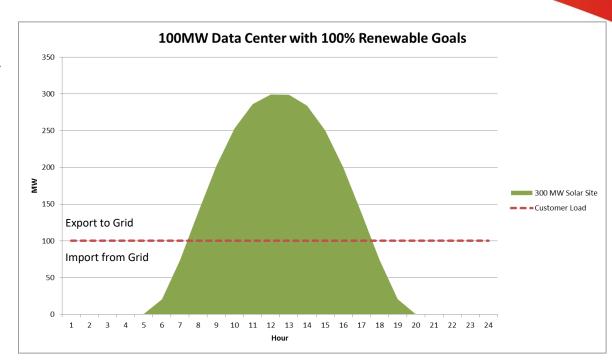
NATIONALLY RECOGNIZED ADVANCED RESEARCH SOLAR R&D
GRID
MODERNIZATION
STORAGE
INTEGRATION





#### **Renewable Generation**

- Grid used to manage import & export energy flow
- Utility must balance the grid to maintain reliability
- Typical DG customer uses less than half the production produced onsite



### Solar Generation

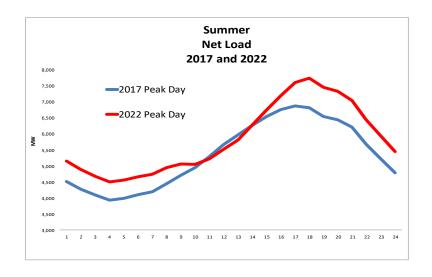
- Renewable goal increases mid-day production in excess of customer load
- Use of grid during all hours for load service or export

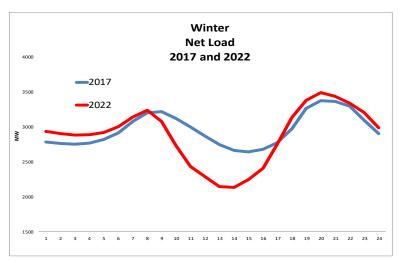


### **Arizona Resource Needs are Changing**

#### Long-term resource needs are changing

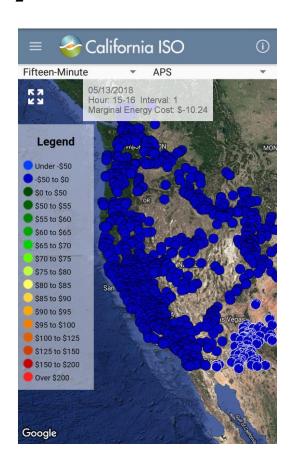
- Significant seasonal variations of resource need
  - Continued evening growth during high load, summer periods
  - Continued reduction in net load during the daytime, non-summer seasons
- Energy value differences throughout day
  - Low or negatively priced energy during mid-day with expensive prices during ramp periods



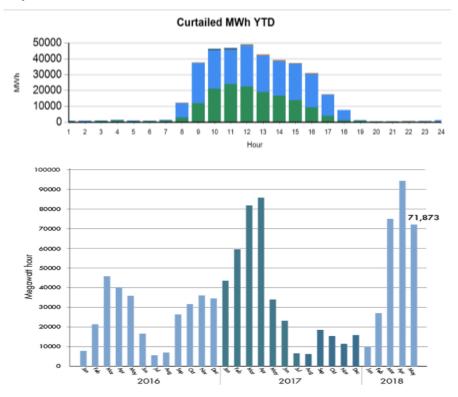




### Low Demand for Electricity During the Day Can Result in Solar Curtailment



The following charts show hourly year to date wind and solar curtailment by category, if any.





#### **Modern Rates Benefit Customers**

- Modern rates provide customer value for use that aligns to low cost time-periods of service
  - Demand components
  - On-Peak time periods high price energy time periods
  - Off-Peak time periods lower price energy time periods
  - Super Off-Peak time periods super low price energy time periods
- Modern rates support the integration of existing otherwise curtailed renewable energy
  - Lower energy prices encourage customer shifting demand
  - Smarter use of energy to integrate more renewable resources
- Provides opportunity for customer value using technology, behavioral modifications, and/or smarter use of energy while better integrated solar resources

APS Rate Periods

Super Off-Peak Off-Peak On-Peak

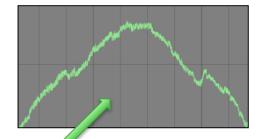
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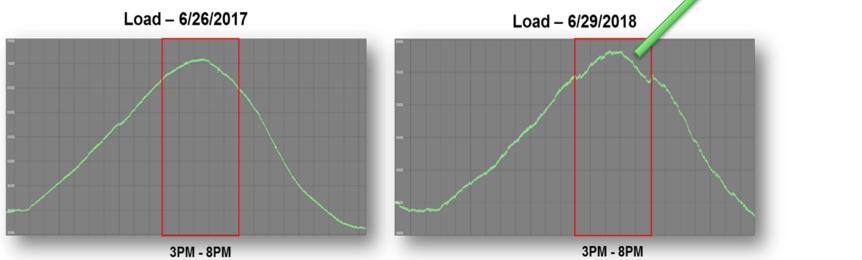


## Customers usage responding positively to new rates

- Residential rate migration completed April 2018
- Hopeful to see continued response during nonsummer periods to better integrate renewables

Response at system load level in less than two months after rate migration





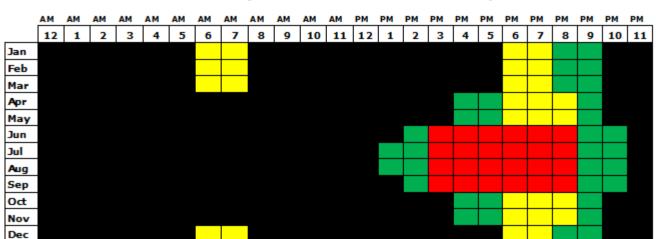


## **Developing Partners for a Sustainable Future**

- Working to align customer resource preferences to system needs
  - Continued resource needs create opportunities for adding clean resource
  - Customers can influence resource by partnering for new resources

#### Time of Day Relative Net Load Heat Map





## Questions?

