

Communication from Public

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Comments for Public Posting: Dear Members of the Energy, Climate Change, Environmental Justice and River Committee, Thank you for moving up the date for Los Angeles to get to 100% Clean Energy to 2035. I would like to see our city get there even earlier, by 2030. Reading the NREL LA 100 report, I strongly suggest you direct staff to look at a path forward that does not include Renewable Energy Credits or Biofuels. We absolutely must get gas out of our energy portfolio as methane is 80 times more potent a greenhouse gas than CO2. The fastest and most cost effective way to get to 100% Renewable Energy is by investing in local resilience: local solar (over every parking lot! over every reservoir!) , local energy storage, energy efficiency, retrofits and demand response. These investments can preclude the need for peaker plants, save the grid during heatwaves, and create jobs. I see in the report that all suggested scenarios see a limited role for green hydrogen, as storage and in combustion turbines. LADWP currently is looking to run three local gas plants and the new gas plant in Utah on green hydrogen by 2045, to prop up the gas industry--an expensive and also highly polluting proposition as H2 has enormous NOx emissions when burned. The renewable projects that would be required to create all that hydrogen should instead be used to feed energy straight into the grid/storage. Let's definitely make use of the strengths of the NREL report.