

Innovation

2020 WORKSHOP

Research, Development, & Demonstration (RD&D) Program

April 24, 2020

Meeting Notes

- Each session concludes with time for questions and comments. **There will be a dedicated 30-minute session at the end of the day** for questions and comments not addressed earlier.
- The recording will be made available after the workshop
- Workshop registration link:
<https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/5145566390058790414>
- Please submit questions and comments in the GoToMeeting questions box.
- If you would like to make a comment verbally, please raise your hand in the GoToMeeting controls. If called upon, we are limiting responses to one minute.
- Participants are encouraged to provide written comments after the workshop. **Written comments should be submitted by Friday, May 1st** to RDDinfo@socalgas.com.

Presentation Objectives and Structure

**Provide results
from 2019**

- I. RD&D Overview and Structure
- II. 2019 in Review

**Give an update
on 2020**

- III. Status and Changes for 2020

**Seek input
for 2021**

- IV. RD&D Plan Development
- V. Low Carbon Resources
- VI. Clean Transportation
- VII. Clean Generation
- VIII. Customer End-Use
- IX. Gas Operations

Agenda

	Start Time	Duration (mins) Total (presentation/Q&A)	Topic
Section 1 90 mins	9:30am	60 mins (45 pres. + 15 Q&A)	Overview, Status, & Updates (I. → IV.)
	10:30am	30 mins (15 pres. + 15 Q&A)	Low Carbon Resources (V.)
11:00am		15 mins	BREAK
Section 2 60 mins	11:15am	30 mins (15 pres. + 15 Q&A)	Clean Transportation (VI.)
	11:45am	30 mins (15 pres. + 15 Q&A)	Clean Generation (VII.)
12:15pm		45 mins	LUNCH
Section 3 95 mins	1:00pm	30 mins (15 pres. + 15 Q&A)	Customer End-Use Applications (VIII.)
	1:30pm	30 mins (15 pres. + 15 Q&A)	Gas Operations (IX.)
	2:00pm	35 mins (5 pres. + 30 Q&A)	Wrap-up + Q&A
2:35pm			ADJOURN

I. RD&D Overview



SoCalGas

**A Partner in the fight
against climate change**

**The RD&D Program supports this fight through cutting
edge innovation and technology development.**

The RD&D VISION is to foster breakthrough innovation for clean energy technology.

The RD&D MISSION is to develop energy solutions that are affordable, reliable, and increasingly renewable.

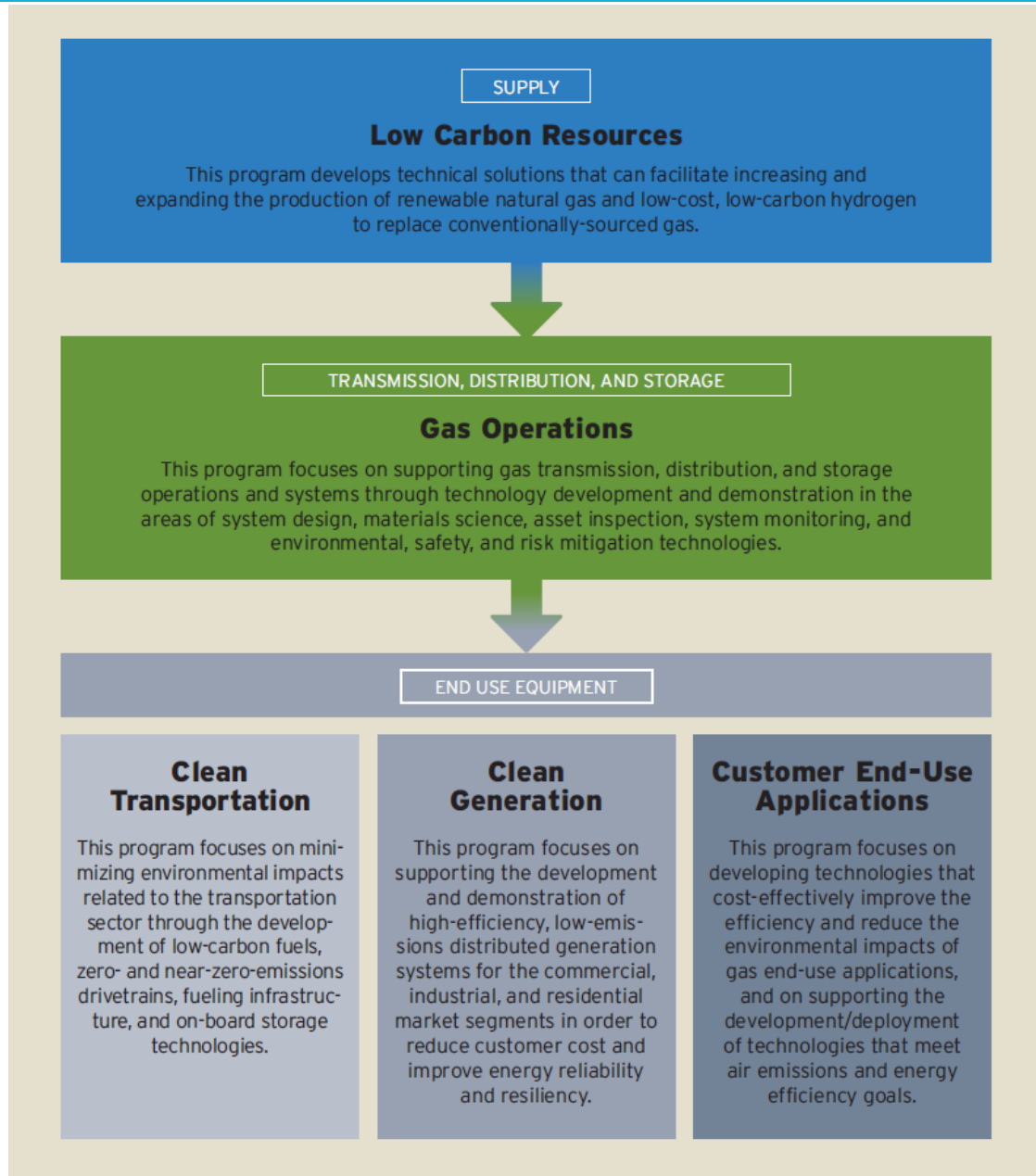
RD&D GOALS

Identify, test, and develop new products and technologies for the gas delivery system that:

- Reduce GHG emissions
- Maintain or improve safety and reliability
- Increase the affordability of energy

RD&D

Program Areas



How do we get there?

To best achieve these goals and to select projects with the best chances of having an impact, the RD&D Program:

- Utilizes **significant resources and capabilities**
- Implements a **rigorous project selection process**
- Leverages **complementary and supplementary programs**
- Fosters **key collaborations**

Significant Resources and Capabilities

Resources

- SCG is the Largest US gas distribution utility with more than 21 million customers
- Large list of collaborators

Capabilities

- Expertise in energy, environmental policy, project management, industrial engineering, chemistry, pipeline design, biofuels, and more

Differentiator

Broad expertise, combined with access to the needs of suppliers, vendors, and end-users provides the RD&D team with a unique perspective.

Rigorous Project Selection

PUC 740.1 Guidance

- Provides guidance for project selection
- Select projects where a customer benefit is reasonably probable
- Minimize unnecessary duplication of efforts by other research orgs

RD&D Program Criteria

- Strong team with access to facilities & resources
- Opportunity to leverage outside funding
- Research aligns with RD&D priorities
 - E.g. Policy drivers, corporate drivers, & feedback process
- Affordability to rate payers, especially today

Rigorous Project Selection

Value to Ratepayers

- SoCalGas is an operating utility with access to a diverse set of market participants, both up- and down-stream of their operations.
- RD&D can prioritize projects based on real-time inputs and opportunities to provide value to existing and future customers

A Nimble Process

- Rolling admissions for funding promising ideas and developing new projects as they arise
- Develop and maintain a growing pipeline of potential projects and collaborators
- Identify opportunities to complement and supplement outside efforts

Complementary and Supplementary Programs

Amplify

Build momentum for successful projects to ensure eventual commercial success.

Leverage

Identify opportunities to co-fund RD&D projects and/or build collaborations to fully fund large projects.

Target Gaps

SoCalGas RD&D funds projects at every stage of development and can do so where gaps exist in other funding opportunities or R&D programs.

Key Collaborations



Voices From the Lab

SCAQMD

- Joe Impullitti, Program Supervisor, Technology Advancement Office

National Renewable Energy Laboratory (NREL)

- Kevin Harrison, Ph.D., Senior Engineer

Gas Technology Institute (GTI)

- Ron Snedic, SVP, Corporate Development
 - President, OTD
 - President, UTD

South Coast AQMD Technology Advancement Office



- » Established in 1988
- » Co-Funds Projects to Develop, Demonstrate, and Commercialize Clean Air Technologies
- » Program Organization:

Tech. Implementation



- Incentives
- Commercial Tech.
- Contact: Vicki White (vwhite@aqmd.gov)

Tech. Demonstrations

- Research
- Development >100 on-going projects
- Demonstration Contact: Joseph Impullitti (jimpullitti@aqmd.gov)
- Deployment

Key SoCalGas-South Coast AQMD Clean Air Partnerships



Natural Gas ICE Projects

- » **CWI:** 8.9 & 12 liter certified low NOx engine
- » **Ford:** 7.3-liter Low NOx engine for Class 4-7 trucks (Agility & Landi)
- » **WVU:** Comprehensive NGV maintenance cost study

Advanced Natural Gas Vehicle Demonstrations

- » **Southwest Research:** 5.4L CNG Isuzu engine demonstrated in a hybrid electric medium-duty truck in partnership with DOE
- » **BAE/Kenworth:** CNG range extender drayage truck with catenary (ZECT II) in partnership with DOE

Fuel and Emissions Studies

- » **UCR/WVU:** 200 vehicle in-use emissions study in partnership with CEC and CARB
- » **UCR:** Assessing emissions impact of hydrogen-natural gas fuel blends

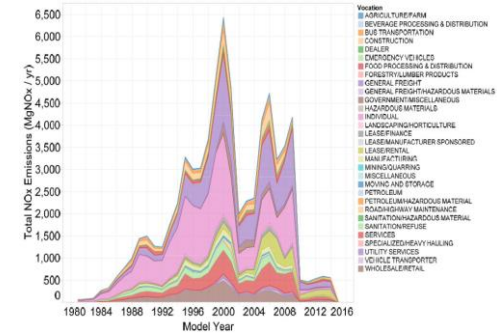


Key SoCalGas-South Coast AQMD Clean Air Partnerships



Studies/Research/Demonstration

- » **NREL/Ricardo ComZEV:** technology and economics roadmap for adoption of advanced ZE and NZE commercial vehicle technologies
- » **KORE Infrastructure:** Pyrolysis/Thermochemical conversion of organic solids to syngas and renewable transportation fuels, e.g. RNG and RH2
- » **UCR RNG Center:** Study RNG potential in California via Thermochemical technologies and Power-to-Gas potential
- » **CNGVP (CA NGV Partnership):** Advancing information and the role that natural gas vehicles play with respect to fuel security, air quality, and renewable, low carbon intensity transportation
- » **UCI:** Assess the Emission Impacts of Renewable Fuel Blending in the Natural Gas System



Producing RNG by Recycling CO₂ from Biogenic Sources

- » First-of-its-kind pressurized bioreactor in the United States
- » SoCalGas, Electrochaea and NREL
- » *by Kevin Harrison, NREL*



Bioreactor located at NREL in Golden, CO



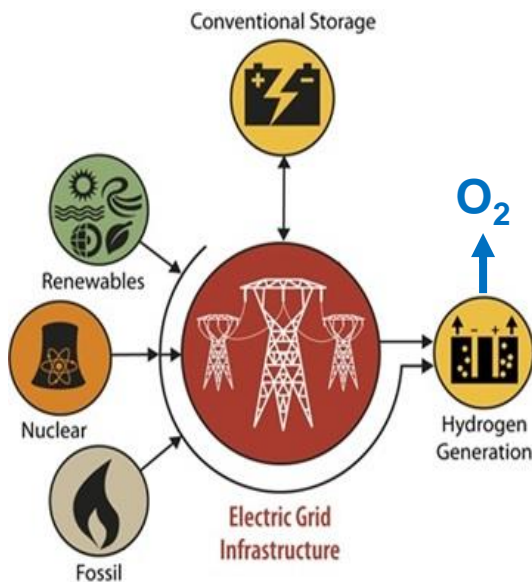
8/13/19: Bioreactor dedication ceremony

The National Renewable Energy Laboratory (NREL) is transforming energy through research, development, commercialization, and deployment of renewable energy and energy efficiency technologies.

Two-step biological process to produce RNG

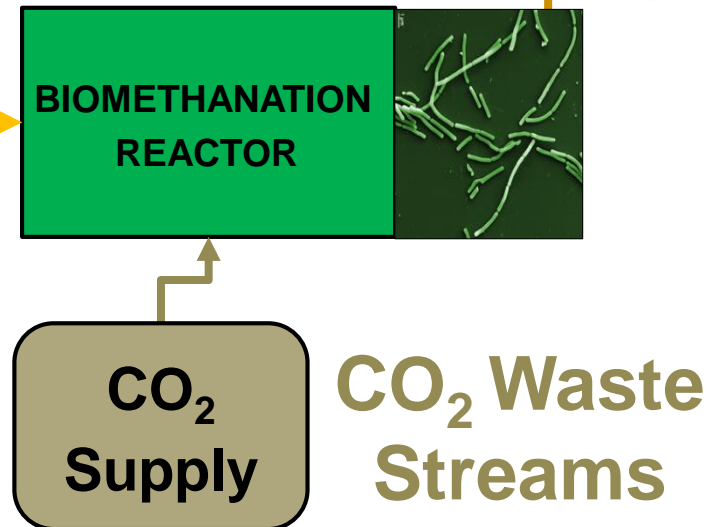
- 1) Produces hydrogen (H_2) from renewable electricity and water
- 2) Micro-organisms convert $H_2 + CO_2 \rightarrow RNG$

Electricity Network



NG Network

RNG is a drop-in replacement meeting pipeline quality standards



Benefits of Power-to-RNG

- » Enables more wind and solar energy production
- » Recycles CO₂
- » Decarbonizing NG network
- » Drop-in replacement fuel that utilizes existing NG network

“SoCalGas is a pioneer in power-to-gas technology and have accelerated the science of CO₂ utilization with their investment. And other utilities and stakeholders have noticed.”

-- *Nancy Dowe & Kevin Harrison,
NREL*

GTI: 79-Year History of Turning Raw Technology into Practical Energy Solutions

FOR A STRONG ECONOMY AND A CLEANER ENVIRONMENT

SUPPLY

CONVERSION

DELIVERY

UTILIZATION



RESEARCH & DEVELOPMENT



PROGRAM MANAGEMENT



TECHNICAL/ ANALYTICAL



CONSULTING



TRAINING



COMMERCIALIZATION



EMPLOYEES



World-class RD&D facilities headquartered in Chicago area

Ron Snedic, SVP Corporate Development GTI & President OTD/UTD
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OTD and UTD – Collaborative RD&D Organizations

Identify, Select, Fund and Oversee Research Projects

Membership spanning coast to coast, urban, suburban and rural systems – supporting more than 60 million gas consumers

Stand-alone, 501c(6) not-for-profit, member-controlled companies where gas utilities work together to develop technology solutions to common issues



- Over \$12 million in annual dues
- 27 utility members

www.otd-co.org



- Over \$5 million in annual dues
- 20 utility members

www.utd-co.org



Why Collaborative RD&D Programs?

Address consumer and member needs including:

- Safety
- Environmental
- Affordability
- Efficiency
- Resiliency

- Highly cost effective by leveraging member, state and federal funding sources.
- Members drive RD&D agenda and influence product/process development to address the needs of their consumers.
- Leverages collective intelligence and experience of member company experts to develop the best possible solutions.
- Provides opportunity for field demonstrations within member's service territory, enabling acceptance by utility personnel, consumers, channel partners, trade allies and regulators.
- Positions member utility to become an early adopter of new technologies and efficient processes.

II. 2019 Year in Review

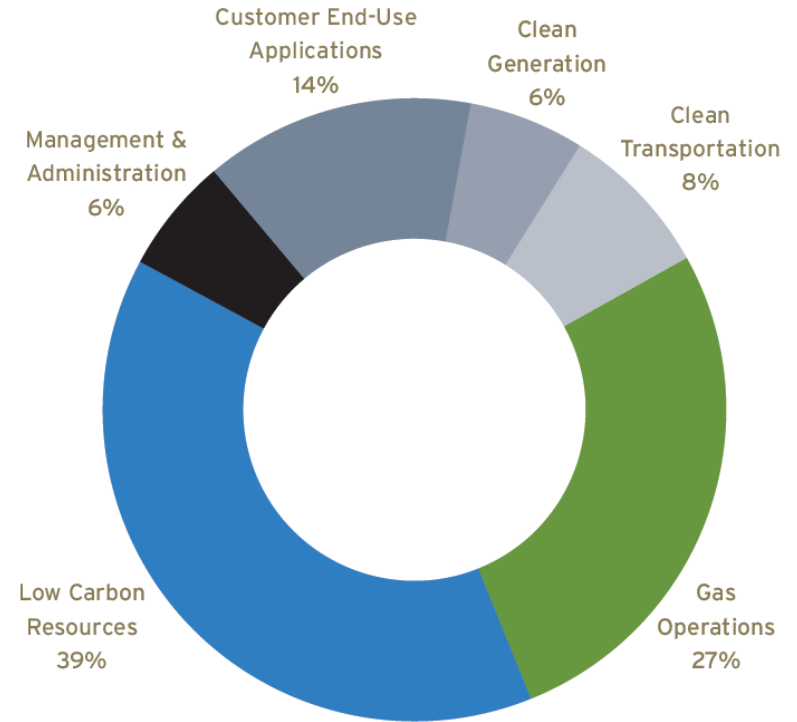
“In 2019, we partnered with research facilities, universities, national labs, and entrepreneurs to support more than 300 RD&D projects in California and beyond. Our investment helps these organizations **develop innovative technologies that can lower GHG emissions, improve air quality, and increase the safety of our state’s gas networks.**”

~Maryam Brown, President SoCalGas

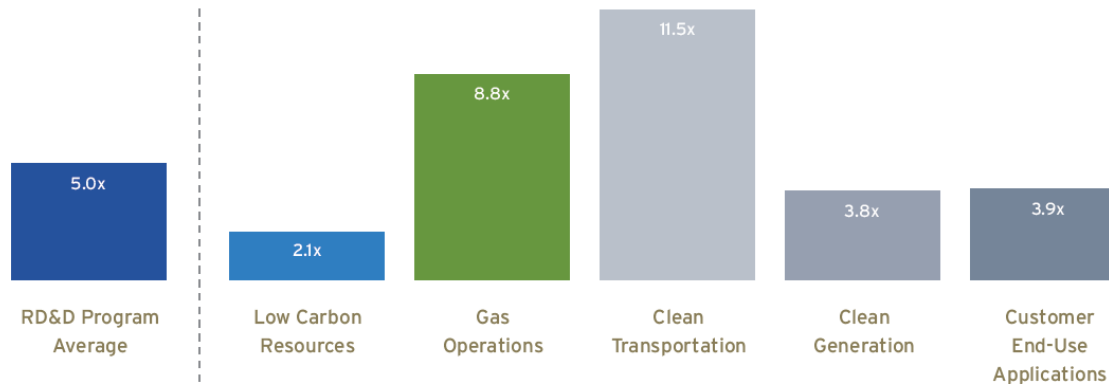
2019 Highlights

\$13,142,010
In spent funds






2019 FUNDING ALLOCATION BY PROGRAM AREA AND ADMINISTRATIVE COSTS



RATIO OF OUTSIDE FUNDING TO SOCALGAS FUNDING



Spotlight Projects

-  Reducing GHG emissions
-  Improving air quality
-  Safety
-  Reliability
-  Improving affordability/cost reduction

SPOTLIGHT

Low Carbon Resources

Project Team

Genifuel

Hyperlight Energy

California Energy Commission

Harnessing the sun to create carbon-negative fuel

Waste-to-energy system uses novel concentrated solar power technology to convert dairy manure into RNG

The RD&D Program supported the design, fabrication, installation, and operation of a small-scale, waste-to-energy bioenergy system integrating a hydrothermal processing system from Genifuel and a concentrated solar power technology developed by Hyperlight Energy.

Results:

- Extracted $\leq 80\%$ of the energy in the dairy manure in far less time than a digester
- Produced low-carbon biocrude for use by refineries and RNG for pipeline injection.
- Achieved temperatures in excess of 300°C .

Next Steps

Genifuel is now pursuing two larger waste-to-energy demonstrations at waste-water treatment plants Contra Costa County, CA. and Vancouver, Canada.



TOTAL PROJECT COST	\$2,503,456
SoCalGas	\$1,008,720
CEC	\$1,494,736

Benefits:



SPOTLIGHT

Clean Transportation

Project Team

University of
California, Riverside
Cummins Westport,
Inc.

California Energy
Commission

Nation's first low-NOx medium-duty engine compliant with HD OBD requirements

New natural gas engine complies with heavy-duty on-board diagnostics requirements to reduce NOx and GHG emissions

The RD&D Program supported the design, development, and demonstration of the first HD OBD-compliant, low-NOx natural gas engine for medium-duty (Class 5 to 7), commercial transportation applications.

Results:

- Engine maintained low emissions over range of realistic duty cycles.
- Reduced NOx emissions by >50% from federal standard for HD on-road vehicles.
- Engine is now commercially available

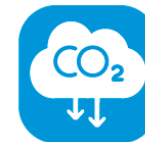
Next Steps:

HD-OBD technology will be integrated into current and future medium- and heavy-duty CNG engines.



TOTAL PROJECT COST:	\$2,651,018
SoCalGas:	\$134,375
CEC:	\$1,000,000
Cummins Westport:	\$1,516,643

Benefits:



SPOTLIGHT

Clean Generation

Project Team

University of
California, Irvine

Microsoft

Cleaner, more reliable power for data centers

SoCalGas, UC Irvine, and Microsoft team up to integrate fuel cells for low emissions, reliable electricity at power-thirsty data centers.

In 2019, the SoCalGas RD&D Program, UC Irvine, and Microsoft joined forces to develop a greater understanding of how fuel cells could provide power to data centers and other critical infrastructure with sufficient reliability and resiliency.

Goals:

- Characterize typical power, energy, and demand dynamics for data centers.
- Integrate data into existing reliability models.
- Develop techno-economic analyses of real-world use-cases to determine market potential.

Next Steps:

UCI is pursuing \$6M in DOE H2@Scale grant funding demonstrate integration of fuel cells with renewable hydrogen for reliable zero-emissions power at data centers



TOTAL PROJECT COST:	\$540,000
SoCalGas:	\$190,000
Microsoft:	\$350,000

Benefits:



SPOTLIGHT

Customer End-Use Applications

Project Team
Gas Technology
Institute

Utilization
Technology
Development

Wilson Engineering

California Energy
Commission

Reducing food processing GHG emissions

SoCalGas and Gas Technology Institute develop breakthrough industrial drying technology

In 2019, SoCalGas collaborated with the Gas Technology Institute, Utilization Technology Development, Wilson Engineering, and the California Energy Commission to field-demonstrate a new high-efficiency drying technology.

Results:

- Reduced natural gas consumption by 65%.
- Lower electricity utilization by 40%.
- Recover substantial quantities of process water.

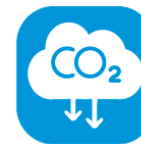
Next Steps:

SoCalGas RD&D is identifying follow-on demonstration sites and coordinating with GTI to adapt to other applications, particularly textile manufacturing



TOTAL PROJECT COST	\$3,240,000
SoCalGas:	\$400,000
CEC:	\$2,600,000
UTD:	\$160,000
Wilson Engineering:	\$80,000

Benefits:



SPOTLIGHT

Gas Operations

Project Team

Pipeline Research
Council

International

Interstate Natural
Gas Association of
America

INGAA Foundation

American
Petroleum Institute

Team develops comprehensive dataset and assesses dispersion model performance

Industry collaboration builds robust dataset to gauge accuracy of exhaust plume air dispersion modeling tool

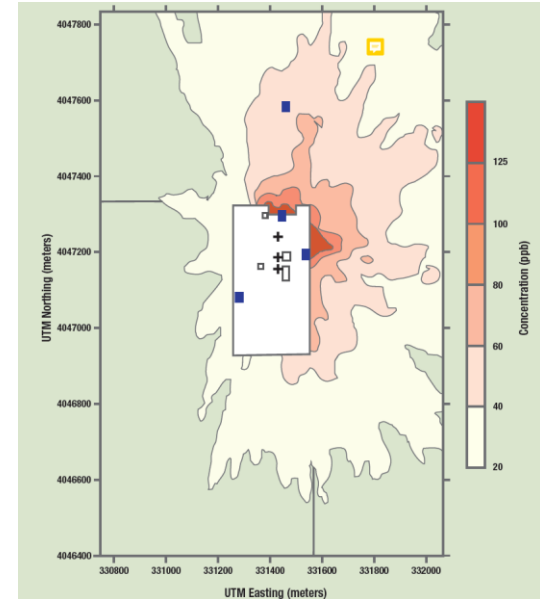
PRCI, in collaboration with SoCalGas and industry trade associations, evaluated the performance of AERMOD to better understand model bias or inaccuracies. Work with EPA continues to review analyses and develop a path to improve the model discrepancies identified.

Results:

- Defined alternatives to simulations assuming continuous emissions.
- Identified where AERMOD overpredicts NO₂ formation in plume.

Next Steps:

The team will write a paper with alternatives for sources that do not operate continuously, improve Downwash models and participate in modeling workshop, and develop a path with EPA to modify models.



TOTAL PROJECT COST \$3,172,000

PRCI: \$2,003,000

SoCalGas: \$354,000

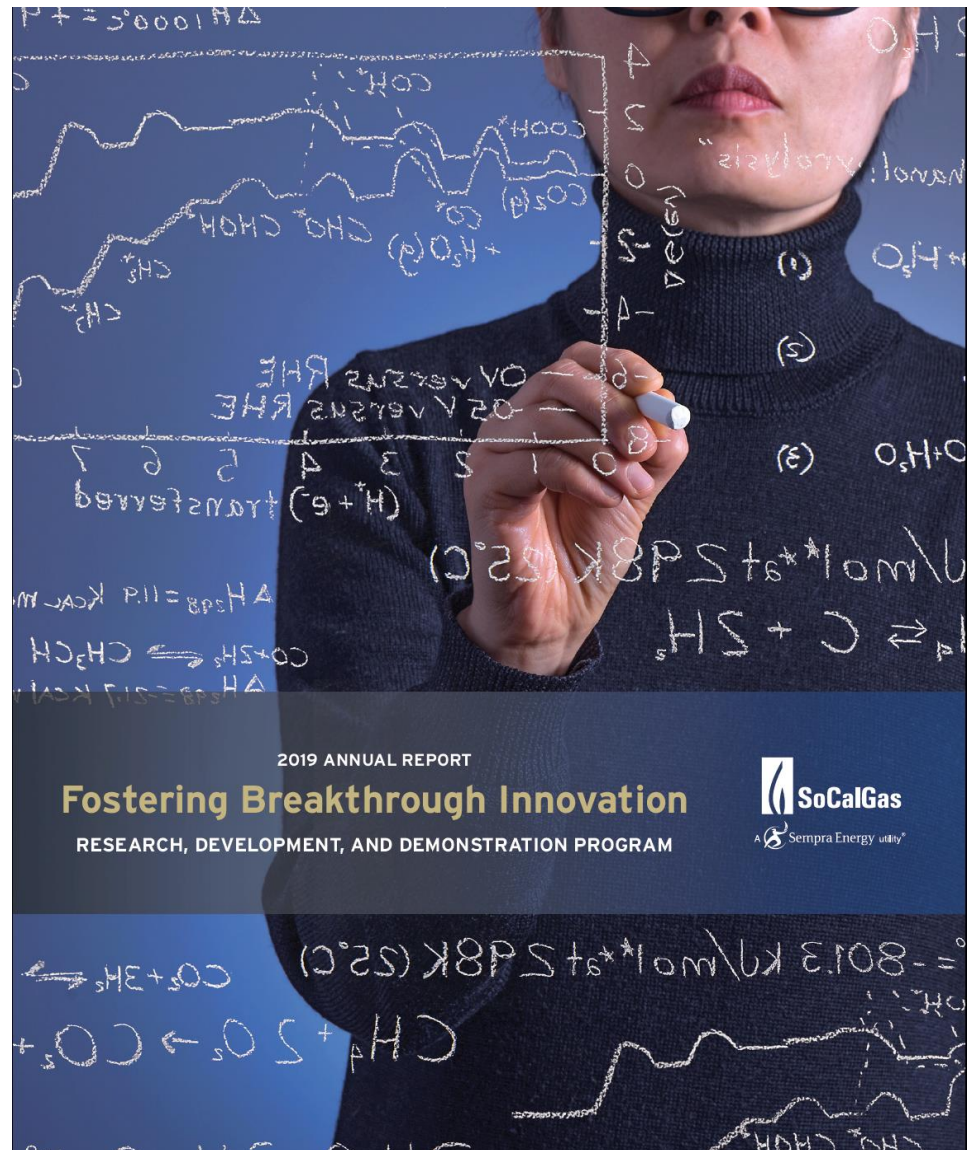
Others: \$815,000

Benefits:



2019 Annual Report

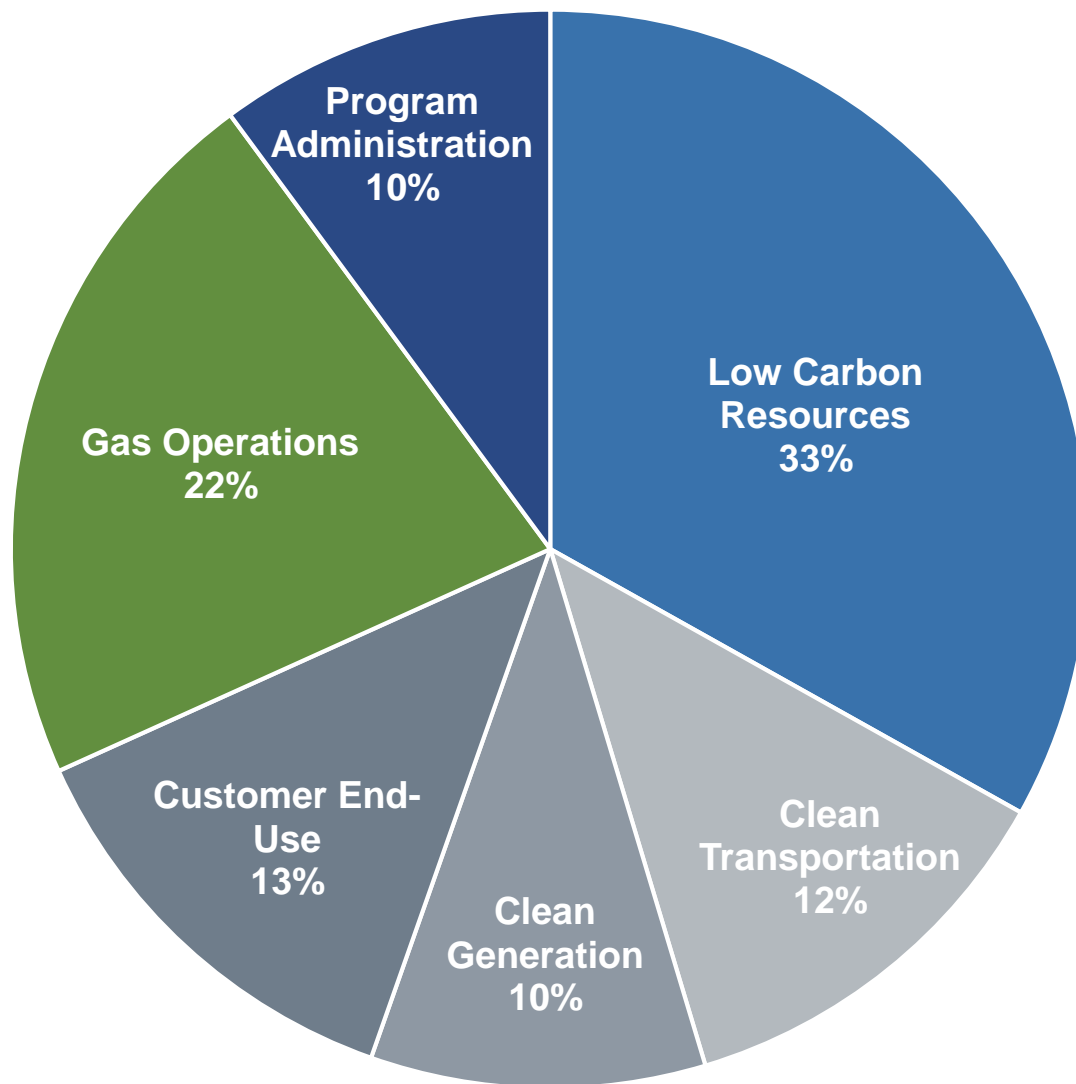
For more detailed information,
see the 2019 Annual Report.



III. Status and Changes for 2020

Planned 2020 Funding Allocation

**\$15,820,900 in
planned funding**



Important New Projects in 2020

» **Low Carbon Resources:**

- HyET Hydrogen -- Electrochemical Hydrogen Compression and Purification

» **Gas Operations:**

- Subsurface Multi-Utility Asset Location Detection (PHMSA/OTD 5.20.a)

» **Clean Transportation:**

- UC Riverside Hydrogen Blended CNG Engine Emissions and Durability Test

» **Clean Generation:**

- Lawrence Berkeley National Lab Metal-Supported Solid Oxide Fuel Cell Development

» **Customer End-Use Applications:**

- GTI Residential Gas Heat Pump Water Heater Large-scale North America Field Demonstration

COVID-19 Update

COVID-19 continues to have an impact on several RD&D sponsored projects and collaborations.

- Funding for delayed projects will be retained, with flexibility to shift it to next year.
- The RD&D team is working with project managers and collaborators to identify areas where COVID-19 impacted project schedules need to be adjusted to continue work.
- Unprecedented events such as COVID-19 can offer opportunities to conduct new research to improve system safety, reliability, etc.

Sub-Program Modifications: Evergreen Names

The sub-program structure was changed in 2020 to achieve the following outcomes going forward:

- Establish broad enough sub-programs to encapsulate potential new research areas
- Create stable sub-program areas to make comparison and analysis easier from year to year
- Allow enough flexibility within sub-programs that future additions will not require sub-program name changes or additions.

Modifications to Sub-Program Categories

Program	Previous Sub-Programs	New Sub-Programs
Low Carbon Resources	Biomass Processing & Conversion Power-to-Gas (P2G) Artificial Photosynthesis Carbon Capture & Use Hydrogen Production from Methane	Renewable Gas Production Low Carbon Gas Conversion Low GHG Chemical Processes
Gas Operations	Environmental & Safety Operations Technology System Design and Material System Inspection & Monitoring	Environmental & Safety Operations Technology System Design and Material System Inspection & Monitoring
Clean Transportation	Compression & Refueling Fuel Systems & Storage Near Zero Emissions Engines Compressed NG & Hybrid Vehicles Off Road Applications	On-Road Off-Road Refueling Stations Onboard Storage
Clean Generation	DG-CHP-MicroCHP Engines & Turbines Fuel Cells Waste Heat Recovery	Integration and Controls Distributed Generation
Customer End-Use	Zero Net Energy for Residential Appliance & IAQ Commercial Cooking & Food Service Solar Thermal Heating & Cooling Boilers & Process Heating	Commercial Food Service Residential Applications Commercial Applications Industrial Process Heat Advanced Innovation

Some specific areas we would like feedback

- Do the new Sub-Program names accurately describe the goal and purpose of each sub-program, while also providing flexibility to add new technologies in the future?

Equity and Inclusion

Environmental and Social Justice Action Plan

In February 2019, after months of development and public consultation, CPUC adopted an Environmental and Social Justice Action Plan (ESJ Action Plan) to serve as a roadmap to expand public inclusion in Commission decision-making and improve services to targeted communities across California. The final ESJ Action Plan is available for download [here](#).

Environmental justice is the fair and equitable involvement of all people in development, implementation, and enforcement of environmental policies that impact their lives and surrounding communities. CPUC can use its regulatory authority to address environmental justice concerns across the energy, telecommunications, and transportation sectors. CPUC can engage directly with communities to gather more information about the concerns they face and communicate those concerns to the Commission.

The Commission must effectively, the Commission must face higher barriers in accessing safe and reliable services. The ESJ Action Plan acknowledges that the Commission must act in a way that helps address those inequities. The Commission is making decisions and programs that strive to provide every Californian with the same level of protection and other benefits. The ESJ Action Plan represents a commitment to the Commission but does not bind the Commission legally to any specific outcomes or process.

The ESJ Action Plan is a living document. The Commission intends to review and update it every two years. Outside of this biennial cycle, the Commission will update the ESJ Action



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<https://www.cpuc.ca.gov/CPUCNewsDetail.aspx?id=6442461331>

- The SCG RD&D Program considers Equity and ESJ in its program today, and it is considering formalizing this approach as an official part of the project selection process.

Equity and Inclusion



Examples of projects benefiting Disadvantaged Communities (DACs)

Brawley, CA (SDSU Satellite Campus)

- Low-cost concentrated solar (Hyperlight Energy)
- Hydrothermal processing dairy waste-to-energy (Genifuel Corp)
- Solar thermal advanced reactor system (STARS Technology Corporation)

Kern County Hwy-99 corridor

- Carbon negative energy from biomass gasification with carbon capture and sequestration with Clean Energy Systems
- GTI biomass gasification FEED study

Tulare, CA

- Secured CEC Food Production Investment Program (FPIP) funding for a Hyperlight solar thermal project at the Saputo cheese plant

Mariposa, CA

- CEC funded Mariposa Biomass Projects utilizing Cortus Energy's biomass gasification technology

Corona, CA

- Demonstration of a new high-efficiency drying technology



Some specific areas we would like feedback

- How can the RD&D Program best address the needs of Disadvantaged Communities (DACs)?
- How best can the RD&D Program incorporate ESJ principles and benefits into their project selection process?

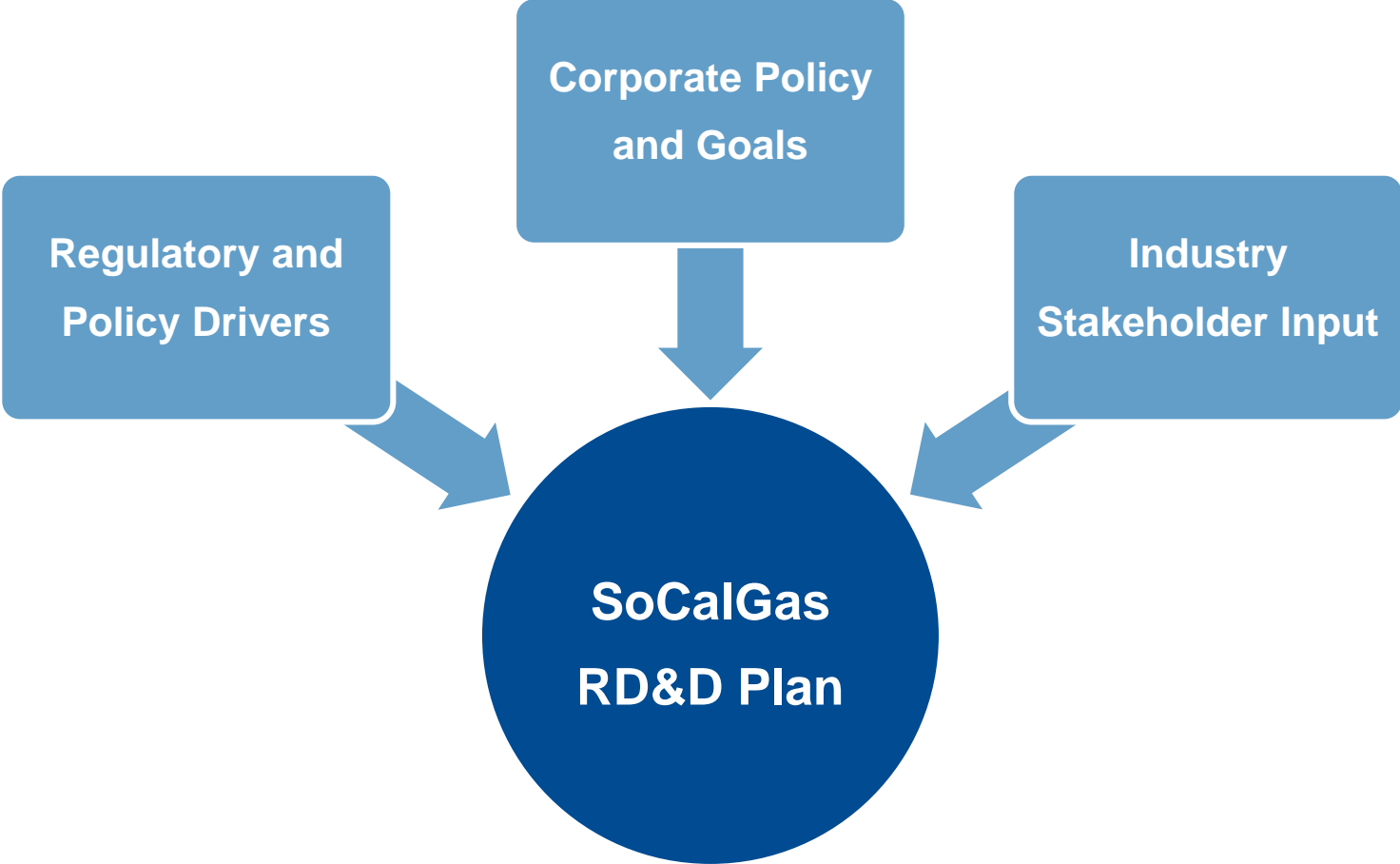
IV. RD&D Plan Development for Future RD&D

The RD&D Plan for 2021 and Beyond

To build the RD&D Plan, program staff consider multiple factors, including:

- Regulatory and policy drivers
- Corporate policy and goals
- Input from knowledgeable industry stakeholders
 - Universities, national labs, research consortia, public agencies, and businesses

The RD&D Plan for 2021 and Beyond



Regulatory Considerations

Category	Regulations & Policy Drivers
GHG Emissions	<p>AB32: Reduce CO2 emissions 40% below 1990 levels by 2030</p> <p>SB 100: Zero carbon electricity by 2045</p> <p>EO B-55-18: Carbon-neutral California economy by 2045</p> <p>AB 3232: Building decarbonization</p>
Pipeline Safety	<p>CPUC General Order 112F: Rules governing design, testing, operation, and maintenance of gas transmission and distribution systems</p> <p>DOT CFR 49 Part 192: Federal pipeline safety regulations</p> <p>AB 1900: Biomethane quality standards</p>
Local Air Quality	<p>Clean Air Act: Air quality standards for NOx and PM</p> <p>AB 617: Pilot communities for air quality improvements</p>
Methane Emissions	<p>SB 1383: Reduce methane emissions from decomposition of organic wastes</p> <p>CARB Oil and Gas Rule: Requires new monitoring and repairs to reduce methane emissions</p> <p>Natural Gas STAR Program: Encourages adoption of methane-reducing technologies and practices</p> <p>EPA Methane Challenge Program: Recognizes oil and gas companies that take comprehensive action to reduce methane emissions</p>
Clean Transportation	<p>ARB Implementation Plan: Low-NOx standard for trucks</p> <p>AB 8: Development of 100 hydrogen fueling stations in California</p> <p>EO B-32-15: Sustainable freight action plan</p> <p>EO B48-18: 200 hydrogen refueling stations by 2025</p> <p>LCFS: Reduce carbon intensity of fuels by 10% by 2020</p> <p>SB 1275: One million zero-emission and near-zero-emission vehicles by 2023</p>
Equity	<p>CPUC ESJ Action Plan: Increase investment in clean energy resources to benefit environmental and social justice communities, especially to improve local air quality and public health</p>

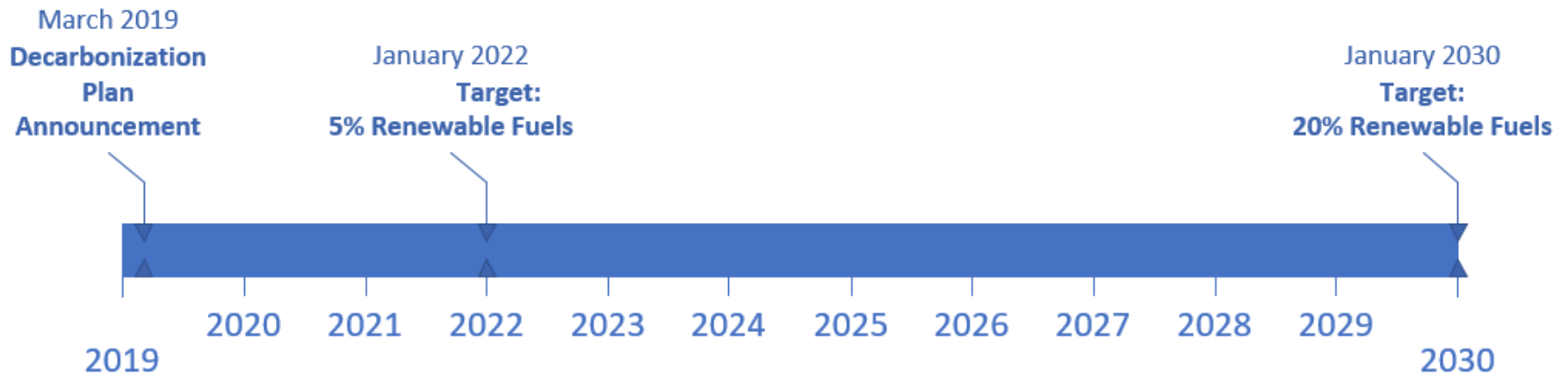
Let's get there together!

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Corporate Policy and Goals → Decarbonization

- SoCalGas's planned decarbonization targets for 2022 and 2030



Corporate Policy and Goals → Project Prioritization

SoCalGas 7 Critical Pathways inform RD&D planning efforts and will play a pivotal role in the state's transition to carbon neutrality by 2045.

	 Natural Gas	 GHG Emission Reduction	 Renewable Natural Gas (RNG)	 Distributed Energy (DE)	 Hydrogen	 Liquefied Natural Gas (LNG)	 Carbon Capture Utilization (CCU)
Description	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Needed for decades – provides affordability + complements renewables 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Continuous system improvement through targeted programs 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Partnership with agriculture waste stream sectors for RNG pipeline delivery 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Use fuel cells as wildfire mitigation measure + in transportation 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Hydrogen infrastructure ▪ Electrolysis ▪ Hydrogen blending into pipeline system 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Deployment of LNG facility at port of Los Angeles/Long Beach for transportation sector 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Capture waste carbon dioxide ▪ Deploy in carbon-utilizing industries such as manufacturing
Progress	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Continued safety enhancement investments 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Repaired multiple non-hazardous leaks since late 2018 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Goal to deliver 5% RNG by 2022 and 20% by 2030⁽²⁾ ▪ Two fuel cell projects expected to be completed at SoCalGas facilities by mid-2020 ▪ Engineering and commercial progress underway; expect to launch demonstration hydrogen projects in 2020 + larger scale projects in 2022 – 2023 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Exploring opportunities 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Research, development + demonstration projects ▪ Exploring partnerships to commercialize technologies 	

Stakeholder Outreach

- SoCalGas reached out to the stakeholder community to elicit their opinions and get feedback on the RD&D Program
- Interviewed 20+ people at 10+ organizations



Stakeholder Feedback – Technology Development

Feedback Area	Key Take-Aways
Renewable and Low-Carbon Solutions	<ul style="list-style-type: none">➤ Significant support for Hydrogen being a major part of the RD&D Plan➤ Decarbonization requires multi-faceted development, including carbon neutral operations, biogas from landfills, NG system for H2, etc.
Resiliency Solutions	<ul style="list-style-type: none">➤ Significant support for prioritizing resiliency and storage solutions, which is driving a shift in Clean Generation to look more at microgrids.
Air Pollution	<ul style="list-style-type: none">➤ Emissions reduction was mentioned by a number of stakeholders, and it remains a key driver for stationary and transportation RD&D.
Safety & Health	<ul style="list-style-type: none">➤ Hydrogen integration for appliances will be critical to H2 adoption and decarbonization. Must ensure equipment behaves safely with H2 blends.➤ Driving many GasOps priorities, including impacts of subsidence

Stakeholder Feedback – Program Recommendations

Feedback Area	Key Take-Aways
Public Communication	<ul style="list-style-type: none">➤ Increase amount of outreach information provided by SoCalGas to help inform stakeholders and the public at large regarding the RD&D Program➤ Target national and international, as well as local, state, and regional stakeholders
Policy Considerations	<ul style="list-style-type: none">➤ Consider how to support disadvantaged and / or low-income communities throughout the RD&D Program.➤ Strong support for RD&D's increased emphasis on decarbonization
Other Input	<ul style="list-style-type: none">➤ Technology transfer efforts are paramount, and should continue to be, or become an expanded element, of the SoCalGas RD&D Program➤ SCG RD&D should leverage proximity to customers to speed deployment of new innovations.

The Result of These Inputs?

Regulatory and policy drivers, corporate policy and goals, and input from knowledgeable industry stakeholders has led the RD&D team to establish 3 Key RD&D Initiatives:

Hydrogen

GHG Emissions Reduction

Safety and Reliability

- Cross-cutting across Programs and Sub-Programs
- Provide the primary lens through which RD&D selects projects and prioritizes research

3 Key RD&D Initiatives

Hydrogen

- Zero-carbon fuel that's efficient and renewable
- Potential to form the basis for multi-faceted, multi-benefit scenarios
- Benefits to ratepayers through using SoCalGas existing pipeline network

GHG Emissions Reduction

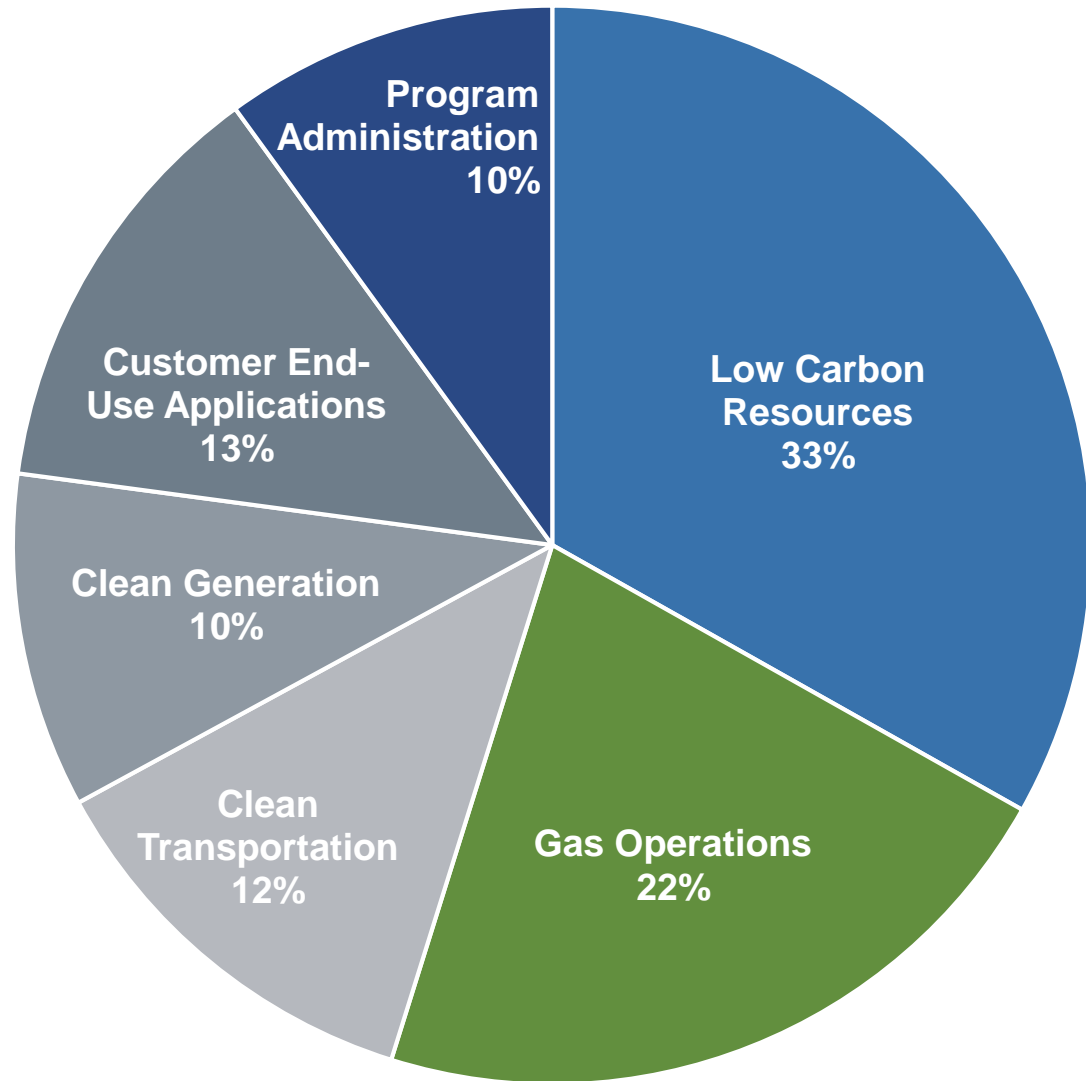
- Focus on meeting CA statutory goal and SoCalGas internal goals
- Target first-in-the-country gas utility advancements toward a decarbonized future
- Requires development, conveyance, and distribution of new renewable energy resources - namely renewable hydrogen and RNG

Safety and Reliability

- Critical across all operations and new development. Includes:
 - Safety specifications for alternative fuels—such as hydrogen
 - Operational and equipment safety and reliability
 - Geotechnical safety and resiliency
 - Support for the development of microgrids and other reliability-oriented technologies
 - Management of hazards associated with climate change

Proposed 2021 Funding Allocation

\$16,180,000 in
total **2021**
funding



Some specific areas we would like feedback

- Do the new Sub-Program names accurately describe the goal and purpose of each sub-program, while also providing flexibility to add new technologies in the future?
- How can the RD&D Program best address the needs of Disadvantaged Communities (DACs)?
- Are there areas of research that we've overlooked?
- Are there other groups we should be speaking with?
- Are there other policy drivers that we should consider in our planning effort?

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V. LOW CARBON RESOURCES

The Low Carbon Resources RD&D Program develops technical solutions that can facilitate increasing and expanding the production of RNG and low-cost, low-carbon hydrogen to replace conventionally-sourced gas.

- Increasing the availability of RNG and hydrogen
- Facilitating the adoption of decarbonization solutions using cost-effective technologies
- Diversifying renewable gas production sources to encompass a broad variety of feedstocks and pathways

Example Projects

Methane Pyrolysis for Base-Grown Carbon Nanotubes and CO₂-Free Hydrogen

Total Project Cost	\$1,719,000
Start → Finish	2/2/2018 - 12/31/2019
Participants	DOE, PNNL, W. Virginia University

The project's objective is to develop and demonstrate the economic viability of a new methane pyrolysis process which converts natural gas into carbon-dioxide free hydrogen and solid carbon by-products.

Opus 12 Methane Conversion System – Phase II

Total Project Cost	\$1,025,000
Start → Finish	1/31/2019 - 1/31/2020
Participants	PG&E, JPL, SBIR, DOE

The project aims to develop and optimize an electrocatalytic methanation process can potentially be deployed at biomethane conditioning facilities to upgrade the high CO₂ content of biogas exiting biodigesters into renewable methane.

Example Projects

STARS Solar Microchannel Steam Methane Reformer Commercialization

Total Project Cost \$1,752,653
Start → Finish 11/2/2018 - 12/31/2020
Participants DOE, PNNL

The project advances the development and manufacturing (3-D printing) of a new, high-efficiency, low-cost, distributed H₂ production technology using modular, combustion-free, solar-driven, steam-methane reforming technology.

Joint Center for Artificial Photosynthesis (JCAP) Industry Advisor Membership

Total Project Cost \$2,480,780
Start → Finish 1/12/2016 - 1/12/2021
Participants DOE

Membership on the JCAP Industry Advisor Panel provides insights into sunlight-driven hydrogen production from water splitting, which has reached record conversion efficiency. In 2020, SCG will fund a commercial pilot project.

**Low
Carbon
Resources**

Renewable Gas Production

Low Carbon Hydrogen Production

Low GHG Chemical Processes

- Focuses on the safe, reliable and cost-effective production of renewable and low-carbon gaseous fuels—specifically RNG and hydrogen.

Areas of Focus

- Biomass processing and conversion
- Hydrogen production from renewable sources
- Methanation

Contribute to Reductions in GHG Emissions

- Decarbonize the gas pipeline
- Reduce transportation fuel carbon intensity
- Recycle CO₂
- Improve air quality
- Increase energy affordability

Unique Elements

- ❖ **Methanation (Microbial and Catalytic) R&D.** Develop and scale methanogenesis processes using renewable electricity and biogenic CO₂.
- ❖ **Hydrogen Production via Direct Solar to Water Splitting.** Generate hydrogen via water splitting using high-efficiency solar capture technology.
- ❖ **Biomass Processing and Conversion.** Produce renewable methane from waste sources using emerging new gasification technologies

- Focuses on the production of low carbon hydrogen using various methane feedstocks.

Areas of Focus

- Methane pyrolysis
- Advanced steam methane reforming technologies

- Low carbon / low cost hydrogen production
- Consider both RNG and Methane as feedstocks
- Achieve process efficiency improvements and cost reductions

Unique Elements

- ❖ **Methane Pyrolysis.** SoCalGas is exploring multiple methane pyrolysis pathways. This technology has the potential to reduce the cost of large-scale hydrogen generation while mitigating carbon emissions by co-producing hydrogen and solid carbon for a variety of applications (cement additives, carbon nanotubes, etc.).
- ❖ **Low Cost/Low Carbon Distributed Hydrogen Production.** SoCalGas is working closely with JPL and PNNL on two steam methane reforming projects that have the potential to enhance the efficiency and compactness of the process, while greatly reducing its cost and carbon footprint.

- Focuses on technologies that can help minimize reliance on natural gas combustion, as well as technologies for the capture and conversion of GHG emissions into valuable chemicals.

Areas of Focus

- Application of concentrated solar power technology (CSP) to industrial processes
- Carbon Capture and Utilization (CCU)
- Carbon Capture and Sequestration (CCS)

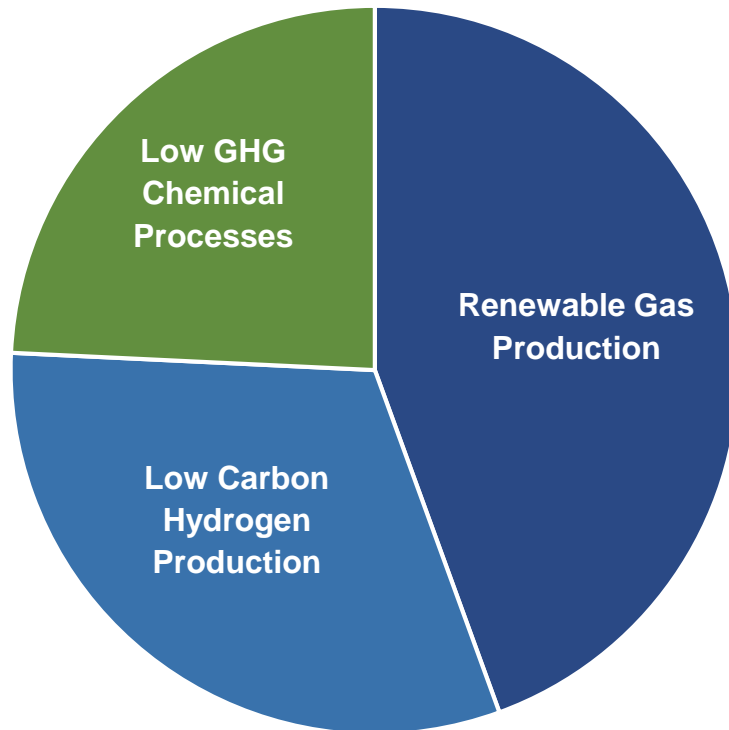
Of Note

CCU is being evaluated to manufacture concrete, solid carbon by-products, liquid chemicals, etc.

Unique Elements

- ❖ **Carbon Capture and Use (CCU):** Challenging research program that explores technologies and processes related to carbon negative cycles, carbon capture sorbents for biogas upgrading, carbon conversion into valuable chemicals such as methanol, DME, concrete, etc.
- ❖ **Carbon Capture and Sequestration (CCS):** Investigating the use of saline aquifers in the San Joaquin Valley to sequester CO₂.
- ❖ **Concentrated Solar Power (CSP):** CSP technology can significantly lower a facility's carbon footprint by minimizing its reliance on NG combustion.

2021 Proposed Funding Allocation



Sub-Program	Allocation
Renewable Gas Production	44%
Low Carbon Hydrogen Production	31%
Low GHG Chemical Processes	24%
Total	\$5,365,857

Some specific areas we would like feedback

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- Are there areas of research that we have overlooked?
- Is the funding allocated appropriately to further programs goals and initiatives?
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VI. CLEAN TRANSPORTATION

The Clean Transportation RD&D Program focuses on minimizing environmental impacts related to the transportation sector through the development of:

- Low-carbon fuels
- Zero- and near-zero emissions engines & vehicles
- Fueling infrastructure
- Advanced on-board storage technologies

Example Projects



Clean Transportation

SCAQMD In-Use Emission Study

Total Project Cost	\$3,285,000
Start → Finish	11/1/2015 - 12/31/2020
Participants	SCAQMD, CEC, CARB

The purpose of this project is to conduct in-use emissions testing, fuel usage profile characterization, and an impact assessment of current technology and alternative fuels on fuel consumption and in-use emissions from heavy-duty vehicles.

GTI CNG Smart Station Demonstration

Total Project Cost	\$1,500,000
Start → Finish	1/31/2019 - 12/31/2021
Participants	GTI, UTD, NREL, University of Texas at Austin

The goal of this project is to develop an advanced control algorithm to eliminate issues associated with underfilling and apply it in a smart compressed natural gas (CNG) station.

Example Projects



Clean Transportation

SCAQMD Ford 7.3 NZE Development

Total Project Cost	\$4,379,747
Start → Finish	11/30/2019 - 12/31/2021
Participants	SCAQMD, Ford, Landi Renzo, Agility Fuel Systems, US Gain

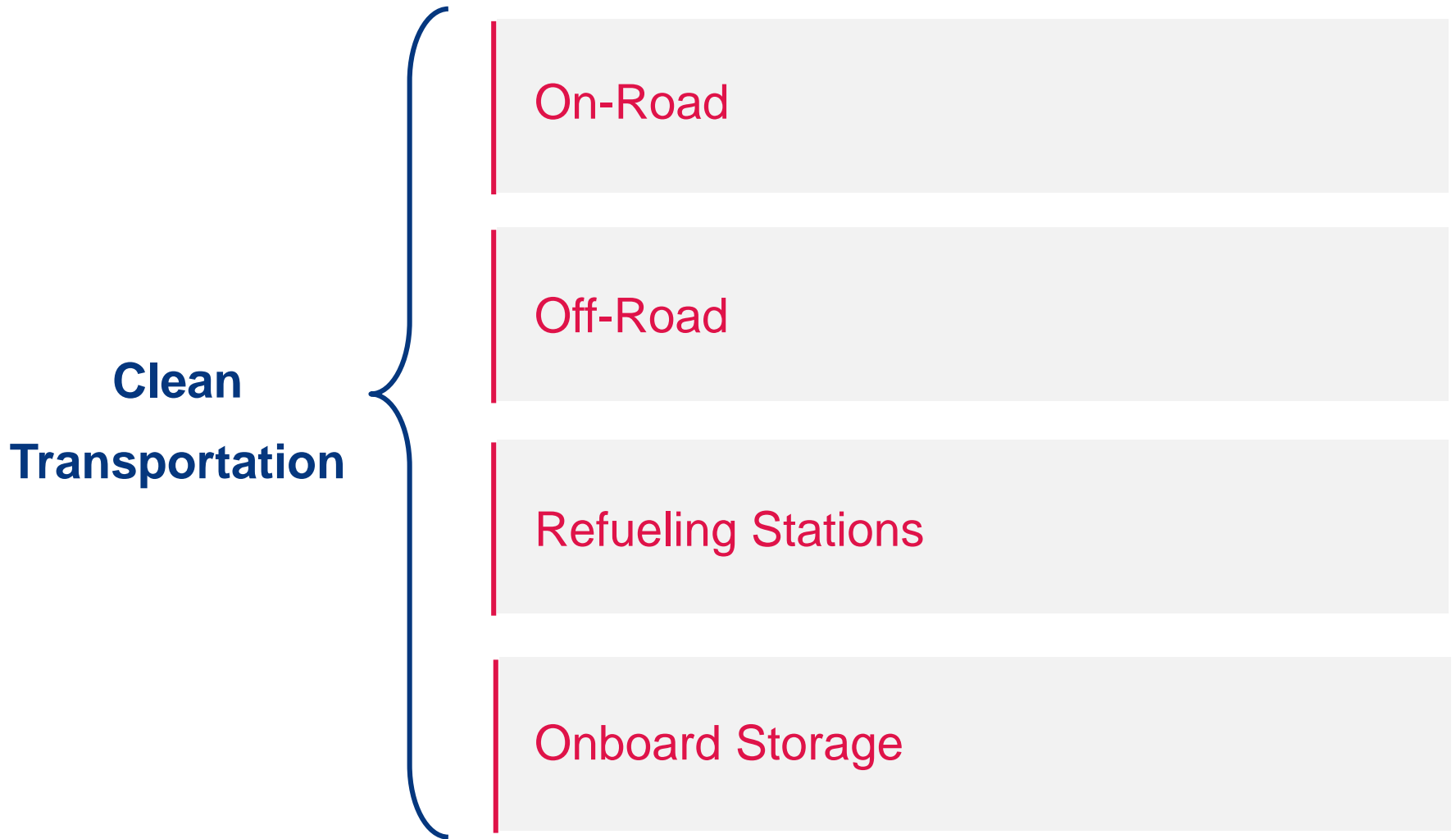
The purpose of this project is to develop and commercialize a CNG NZE variant of the Ford 7.3L CNG engine for medium-duty trucks.

GTI ZANZEFF Hydrogen Fuel Cell Yard Truck Demonstration

Total Project Cost	\$12,055,413
Start → Finish	1/1/2019 - 3/31/2021
Participants	CARB, BAE, REV Group, HTEC, ZEN, Ballard, Port of LA

The objective of this project is to develop and deploy a hydrogen fuel cell yard truck fleet at the Port of Los Angeles. This is a first of its kind project meant to demonstrate reliability, performance, durability, and affordability.

Program Structure



- Targets emissions reductions from medium- and heavy-duty on-road vehicles.

Areas of Focus

- Focus on on-road transportation technologies using Natural Gas, Renewable Natural Gas, and Hydrogen

Critical research area since Medium- and Heavy-Duty Trucks contribute to over 50% of total NOx emissions in the South Coast Air Basin.

Unique Elements

- ❖ **Focus on NOx AND GHG Emissions.** Most research programs focus on one or other, SoCalGas RD&D targets both simultaneously.
- ❖ **Local Collaboration** with SCAQMD and SJVAPCD cover two regions classified as "extreme" non-attainment areas for the NAAQS Ozone Requirements.
- ❖ **Customer Relationships.** SoCalGas works closely with local customers and fleets to develop new technologies that address their challenges while improving air quality and reducing emissions.

- Targets emissions reductions from off-road vehicles such as rail, ocean-going vessels, commercial harbor craft, and cargo handling equipment, where gaseous fuels can reduce emissions.

Areas of Focus

- Focus on developing zero- and near-zero emission off-road transportation solutions using Natural Gas, Renewable Natural Gas, and Hydrogen

Critical research area since Off-road mobile sources contribute over 30% of total NOx emissions in the South Coast Air Basin.

Unique Elements

- ❖ **Focus on NOx AND GHG Emissions + Local Collaboration.** Like On-Road, Off-Road focuses on both NOx and GHG and fosters key local collaborations with SCAQMD and SJVAPCD.
- ❖ **Local Knowledge/National Impact:** Southern California has the 2 largest U.S. ports that handle 30% of all U.S. imports. Improvements here can benefit local air quality for communities and could represent significant GHG reductions for the U.S.

- Targets development, demonstration, and deployment of technologies and systems that support refueling for alternative fuels, including CNG, RNG, and hydrogen.

Areas of Focus

- The program seeks to both identify and manage concerns and issues arising from refueling of gaseous fuels—from storage to safety and standardization—while supporting the deployment of additional gaseous fuel refueling facilities

Unique Elements

- ❖ **Support for New Refueling Station Deployment:** Actively supports the deployment of hydrogen, RNG, and CNG based refueling stations across the Southern California region.
- ❖ **On-Road and Off-Road Refueling:** SoCalGas provides meaningful support for the unique needs of on- and off-road refueling programs.
- ❖ **Experience:** SoCalGas owns and operates a number of CNG fueling stations, and understands the challenges associated with vehicle refueling.

- Targets the development, demonstration, and deployment of technologies and systems that improve onboard storage for gaseous transportation fuels.

Areas of Focus

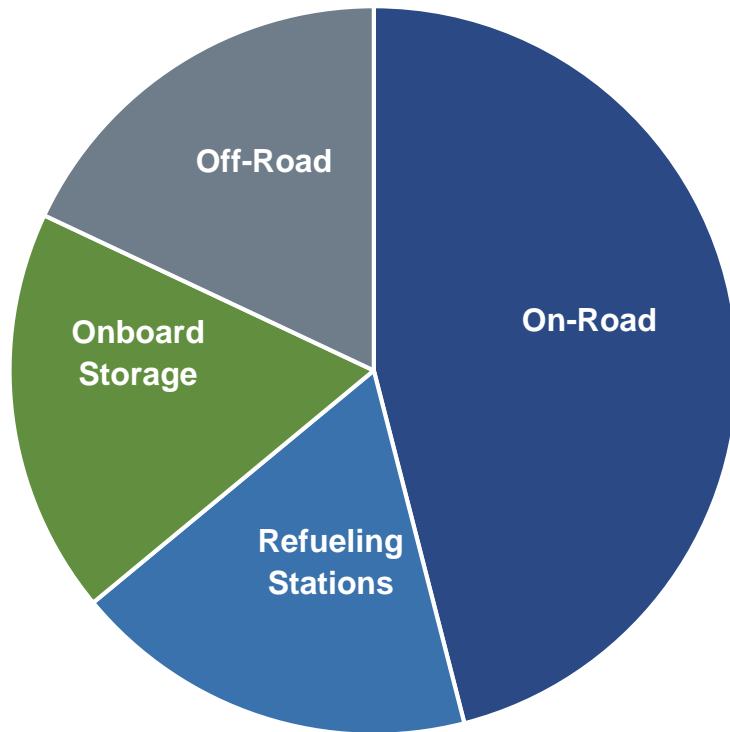
- These include advanced materials, low pressure systems, and conformable tanks for both CNG and Hydrogen.
- Onboard storage, which requires compressed storage and/or the use of advanced adsorption technologies, is a critical element needed for increased utilization of low-carbon, low-emission gaseous fuels.

Unique Elements

- ❖ **Industry Collaboration.** Actively collaborate with CNG and hydrogen end-use customers and manufacturers to understand needs.
- ❖ **Safety & Standardization:** These critical components of commercialization of gaseous alternative fuel vehicles are often overlooked by other funding programs—where funding often targets demonstration but may overlook long term standardization.

2021 Proposed Funding Allocation

 Clean Transportation



Sub-Program	Allocation
On-Road	46%
Off-Road	18%
Refueling Stations	18%
Onboard Storage	18%
Total	\$1,981,708

Some specific areas we would like feedback

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VII. CLEAN GENERATION

The Clean Generation RD&D Program focuses on supporting the development and demonstration of high-efficiency, low-emissions distributed generation systems for the commercial, industrial, and residential market segments in order to:

- Reduce customer cost
- Improve energy reliability and resiliency
- Reduce emissions of distributed generation technologies
- Improve microgrid controls and integration

Example Projects

Blue Frontier Fuel Cell Powered HVAC Development

Total Project Cost	\$540,527
Start → Finish	11/1/2019 - 3/31/2021
Participants	Blue Frontier

This project investigates the integration of a fuel cell with Blue Frontier's Enhanced Liquid Desiccant Energy Storage Air Conditioning. This technology recovers and stores the waste heat from the fuel cell in order to provide on demand cooling.

UCI Integrated SOFC, Solar, and Storage System in Zero Net Energy Residential Nanogrid

Total Project Cost	\$325,000
Start → Finish	10/1/2019 - 9/30/2021
Participants	N/A

The purpose of this project is to design and analyze a residential nano-grid that integrates solid oxide fuel cells, CHP, PV solar, and energy storage and dynamically operate the system in order to meet typical residential heating and power demands.

Example Projects

UCI Fuel Flexible Microturbine Generator Development

Total Project Cost	\$100,000
Start → Finish	5/1/2019 - 9/30/2020
Participants	UC-Irvine

This project demonstrates low-emissions operation of a hydrogen-tolerant microturbine-based CHP system. The project modifies a C-60 microturbine to accept hydrogen-blended fuel.

UTD CHP System with Integrated Particle Thermal Energy Storage

Total Project Cost	\$791,677
Start → Finish	6/16/2017 - 1/31/2019
Participants	DOE, UTD, Thermal Transfer Corporation, PSRI

The objective of this project is to prove the ability of capturing and storing at least 50% of the thermal energy available in micro-turbine exhaust gas for on-demand reuse.

Program Structure

**Clean
Generation**


Integration & Controls

Distributed Generation

- Develop and enhance technologies and control systems that integrate distributed generation resources and thermal loads.

Areas of Focus

- Fuel cell supported microgrids
- Advanced electric and thermal load management of CHP systems



Focuses on enabling low emissions distributed generation and storage technologies to provide **energy resilience and affordability** to customers.


Unique Elements

- ❖ **Hydrogen Integration.** Develop microgrid standards, safety elements, and integration procedures for hydrogen and other gaseous fuels.
- ❖ **Customer Needs.** Microgrids are custom implementations, requiring a strong understanding of customer needs – SoCalGas is able to provide these customer relationships.

- Develop and enhance distributed generation technologies.

Areas of Focus

- Clean alternatives to diesel backup generators
- Modifying existing CHP systems to safely operate on hydrogen
- Utilizing waste heat to generate power

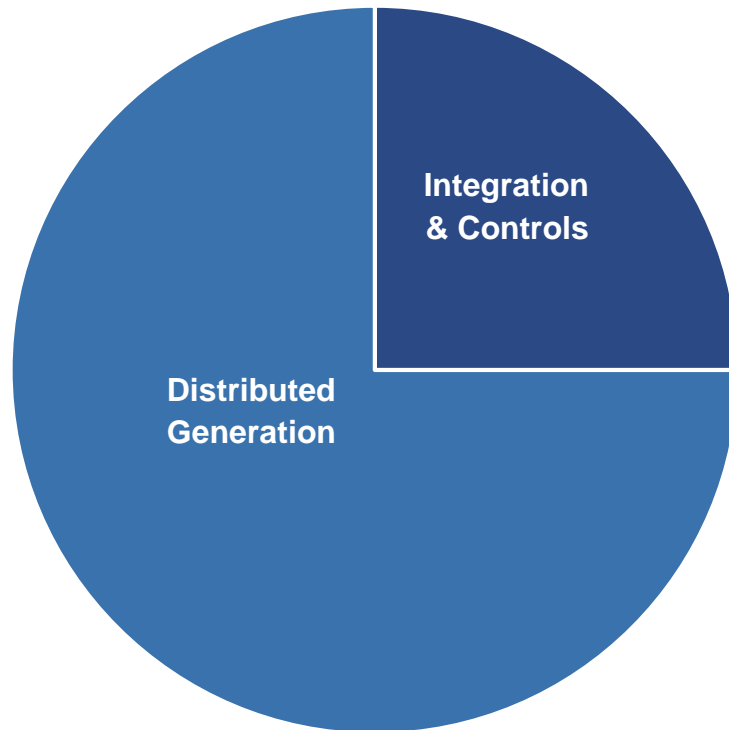


Microgrids and the increasing availability of RNG and hydrogen offer new opportunities for the deployment of low emission and renewable fueled distributed generation technologies

Unique Elements

- ❖ **Low Emissions Backup Generation.** As backup generation becomes increasingly important in California, low emissions backup generation will help to ensure public health even during emergency operations.
- ❖ **Hydrogen Integration.** Develop DG standards, safety elements, and integration procedures for hydrogen and other gaseous fuels.
- ❖ **Local Knowledge.** SoCalGas has the only 2 extreme non-attainment zones in the US in its service territory, requiring generating solutions that meet specific air quality requirements.

2021 Proposed Funding Allocation



Sub-Program	Allocation
Integration & Controls	25%
Distributed Generation	75%
Total	\$1,935,289

Some specific areas we would like feedback

- Do the Sub-Program names accurately describe the goal and purpose of each sub-program, while also providing flexibility to add new technologies in the future?
- Are there areas of research that we have overlooked?
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VIII. CUSTOMER END-USE APPLICATIONS

The Customer End-Use Applications RD&D Program focuses on developing end-use technologies that:

- Cost-effectively improve the efficiency and reduce the environmental impacts of gas end-use applications
- Support the development/deployment of technologies that meet air emissions and energy efficiency goals
- Increase safety and performance while reducing cost

Example Projects

EAC Testing of Hydrogen/NG Blend Impact on Appliances – Phase 2

Total Project Cost	\$24,000
Start → Finish	10/26/2018 - 12/31/2019
Participants	NYSEARCH

The project develops a tool that generates graphical depictions of performance characteristics for appliances with different gas supply composition data with phase 2 incorporating hydrogen and biogas data.

GTI Gas Heat Pump Water Heating and Space Cooling in Restaurants Demo

Total Project Cost	\$1,090,294
Start → Finish	4/17/2019 - 12/31/2020
Participants	CEC, GTI

In this project, Gas Technology Institute (GTI) is conducting a field demonstration of an advanced pre-commercial gas heat pump (GHP) for commercial hot water and space cooling as applied to two restaurants.

Example Projects

UTD High Efficiency Thermo Vacuum Commercial Clothes Dryer – Phase 2

Total Project Cost	\$185,000
Start → Finish	6/1/2017 - 6/30/2019
Participants	UTD, Wilson Engineering Technology, ORNL

The objective for this project is to develop and test a prototype high-efficiency, natural gas-fired thermo-vacuum clothes dryer (TVCD) and demonstrate the technical and economic benefits over the state-of-the-art dryer.

GTI SCAQMD HE/Low-NOx EcoZone Burner Kroger Demonstration

Total Project Cost	\$2,052,000
Start → Finish	11/1/2019 - 1/31/2023
Participants	SCAQMD, Kroger, SoCalGas EE

This project will demonstrate a high-efficiency low-NOx ribbon burner at a commercial baking facility located within an environmental justice area. The goal is to demonstrate at least 25% NOx emission reduction and at least 10% energy savings.

Program Structure

**Customer
End-Use
Applications**

Commercial Food Service

Residential Appliances

Commercial Applications

Industrial Process Heat

Advanced Innovation

- Develop and enhance technologies and advancements related to commercial food service.

Areas of Focus

- Includes restaurants, catering services, and institutional kitchens that primarily rely on fuel supplied by SoCalGas for cooking and water heating

RD&D therefore focuses primarily on these end-uses, to improve energy efficiency, increase safety, and reduce emissions.

Unique Elements

- ❖ **Emissions Characterization.** Measure emission from CFS equipment, identify opportunities for emissions reduction, and prioritize applications for RD&D projects
- ❖ **Advanced Next Generation Burners.** Develop and commercialize advanced burners that reduce pollutant emissions, minimize GHG emissions, and provide safer, more effective heating.

- Develop and enhance technologies and advancements related to gas-consuming appliances in residences.

Areas of Focus

- Relevant appliances include furnaces, hot water heaters, stoves, ovens, and dryers.

Cost-effective decarbonization through extreme energy efficiency increases coupled with integration of low carbon fuels like hydrogen.

Unique Elements

- ❖ **Extreme Energy Efficiency Improvements:** Identify, develop, and commercialize technologies providing extreme efficiency improvement.
 - *For example, gas heat pumps with COP > 1.2*
- ❖ **Hydrogen and RNG Integration:** Safe, efficient, and effective technologies that will enable the use of hydrogen and RNG for residential appliances.
- ❖ **Indoor Air Quality:** Identify, characterize, and address emissions sources including building materials, synthetic fabrics, and insulations.

- Develop and enhance technologies and advancements related to gas consumption and end-uses in the commercial sector.

Areas of Focus

- Relevant applications include commercial HVAC, hot water service, and commercial laundry.

Cost-effective decarbonization through extreme energy efficiency increases coupled with integration of low carbon fuels like hydrogen.

Unique Elements

- ❖ **Commercial Building Equipment:** Uniquely positioned to make an impact, with close contact to a wide array of commercial end-users.
- ❖ **System Integration:** The scale of commercial systems allows for greater integration of applications.
 - *For example: Water heating and space conditioning can be cost-effectively coupled to reduce energy consumption for both.*

- Develop advanced heating technologies and systems for use in the industrial sector.

Areas of Focus

- Relevant applications include food processing, textile drying, chemical processing, and other process heat needs.

The industrial process heat end-use sector represents some of the largest users of gaseous fuels and the most difficult applications to decarbonize.

Unique Elements

- ❖ **Food Processing:** ~\$200 billion of annual economic activity in California. Cost-effective decarbonization may best be achieved through increased efficiency coupled with renewable fuels integration.
- ❖ **Other Process Heating:** Chemical refining, textile production, and industrial cleaning are difficult to decarbonize. Heat pump and other highly efficient technologies developed for the residential and commercial sector could be scaled to address these needs

- New sub-program that seeks to develop new technologies to increase energy efficiency and decrease emissions.

Hardware Areas of Focus

- Building envelope improvements
- Phase change materials
- Heat recovery
- Thermal storage
- Others



Software Areas of Focus

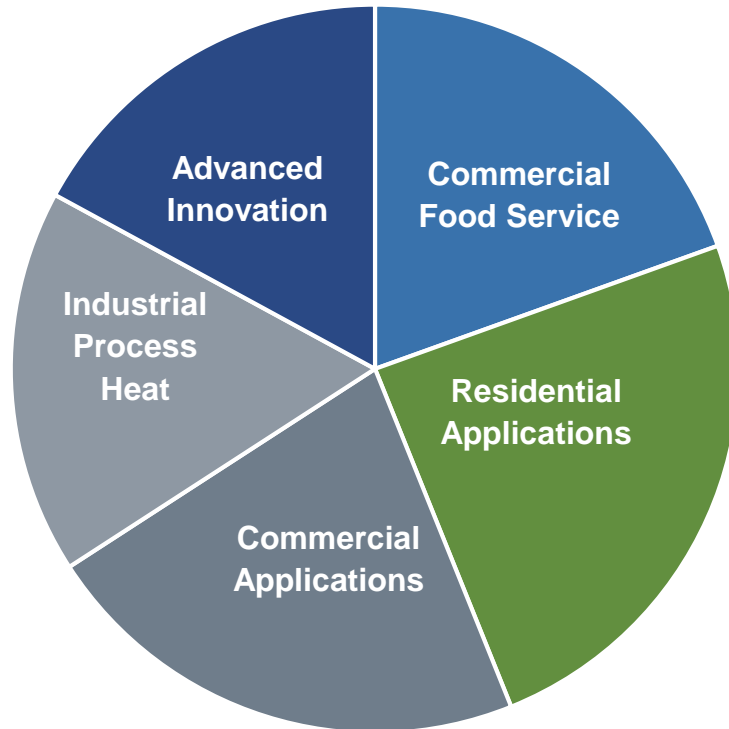
- Smart appliances
- Smart buildings
- Internet of things (IoT)
- Artificial intelligence (AI)
- Others

Unique Elements

- ❖ **Advanced Hardware Technologies:** Energy efficiency remains the least expensive GHG mitigation pathway.
 - *Exploring phase change compounds embedded in building materials and advanced ductwork sealing products*
- ❖ **Exploring Smart Technologies:** Smart Gas Meters transmit usage data through a mesh network that is extremely reliable.
 - *Additional research will investigate how to leverage the meter network and other communications systems to securely connect appliances to smart homes and thermostats for real-time optimization.*

2021 Proposed Funding Allocation

 Customer End-Use



Sub-Program	Allocation
Commercial Food Service	20%
Residential Applications	24%
Commercial Applications	22%
Industrial Process Heat	17%
Advanced Innovation	17%
Total	\$2,083,334

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IX. GAS OPERATIONS

The Gas Operations RD&D Program works across the SoCalGas distribution, transmission, and storage system, leveraging new technologies and advances on existing systems and processes to:

- Improve gas safety and system integrity
- Improve or enhance system reliability
- Advance system design and materials
- Increase operational efficiencies and effectiveness
- Reduce system emissions

Example Projects

InSAR Monitoring of Pipeline Geohazards in Vegetated and Very Large Non-Vegetated Areas

Total Project Cost	\$253,228
Start → Finish	1/1/2019 - 3/20/2020
Participants	PRCI Members

The project demonstrates the recent advances in InSAR (radar satellite imagery) and will develop guidelines for how InSAR can be utilized to monitor pipeline networks for geohazards over large geographic areas.

Automation of the Explorer Series of Robotic Platforms Phase I, II, II-a

Total Project Cost	\$4,212,620
Start → Finish	2/28/2017 - 12/31/2020
Participants	NYSEARCH, Invodane

The project will reduce the operational complexity associated with deployment of the Explorer for internal inspection of pipelines while increasing its overall inspection capability by automating its operation/control.

Example Projects

Subsurface Multi-Utility Asset Location Detection

Total Project Cost \$2,095,383
Start → Finish 1/1/2020 - 12/31/2021
Participants OTD, DOT/PHMSA, Others

The project's goal is to demonstrate an on-pipe electronic marking system using radio frequency markers (RFID) along with a high accuracy GPS system to improve the accuracy of locating PE pipe.

Fault Displacement Hazard Initiative (UCLA)

Total Project Cost \$2,415,000
Start → Finish 11/20/2018 - 12/31/2020
Participants UCLA, PG&E, Caltrans, Others

The project will develop a robust and reliable model, that will accommodate both vintage and new datasets, for forecasting the distribution and magnitude of displacements from surface rupture in order to support risk analysis.

Program Structure



**Gas
Operations**

Environmental & Safety

Operations Technology

System Design & Materials

System Inspection & Monitoring

- Targets improved management of operations and facilities to support environmental compliance and safety targets, including current and anticipated future requirements.

Environmental

Working in Sensitive Habitats & Congested Operating Environments, Site Restoration, Combustion Emissions, Criteria Pollutants, Vented and Fugitive natural gas emissions



Safety

Pipeline safety issues related to customer, public, and worker safety; including pipeline locate-and-mark, damage prevention, and automatic shut-off technologies


Unique Elements

- ❖ Including Environmental & Safety with the RD&D program, alongside other research projects, is a unique advantage to SoCalGas.
- ❖ E&S accelerates deployment of new technologies by screening and testing them – and adapting them as necessary – to meet SoCalGas environmental safety requirements and regulations.

- Seeks to advance and develop techniques for pipeline construction, operation, maintenance, rehabilitation, and testing of gas pipelines and systems that facilitate the continued safe and reliable service.

New Procedures and Devices

- Instruments
- Measurements
- Methodologies
- Related activities



Critically – these are technologies that SoCalGas employees use every day to keep the SoCalGas pipeline system online, safe, and operating optimally.

Unique Elements

- ❖ Unlike state and federal RD&D programs, this sub-program directly targets operational needs of SoCalGas as a utility.
- *Early adoption of the most advanced pipeline operations technologies*
- *Supports safety, resiliency, optimized operation, and regulatory compliance.*

- Engineering, development, and design of the SoCalGas natural gas system and associated materials – research needs continue to evolve, driven by pipeline safety, new materials, and new system solutions.

A Transition to RNG & Hydrogen

These gases may affect legacy and new pipeline systems and their materials, requiring research

High Strength Pipeline Materials

New materials require modeling, infrastructure evaluations, and other research to help minimize incidents

Physical Disruption RD&D

Research informs planning for earthquakes, subsidence, and other physical disruptions to the system

Unique Elements – System Variables

Seismic Threats and Geohazards

Address unique materials concerns for Southern California, exploring new and existing materials and systems.

Machinery Threats

Address unique Southern California threats to underground equipment from heavy loads, mechanical threats, excavation disturbance, etc.

Legacy Infrastructure

Address ongoing maintenance, improvement, and interconnection with contemporary materials and systems impacting the SoCalGas system.

- Leverage sensors and data science (“big data”) to monitor, analyze, and inspect SoCalGas systems to prevent and/or more rapidly respond to system issues.

Technology Solutions to help manage, maintain, and monitor the condition of pipelines

- Artificial Intelligence
- Machine Learning
- Internet of Things (IoT)
- Related data and analysis projects



These efforts help SoCalGas respond proactively to events and changes in conditions.

Unique Elements

Subsidence

Managing subsidence, particularly in the Central Valley, is a considerable challenge with respect to SoCalGas pipelines. Unique RD&D is required to address.

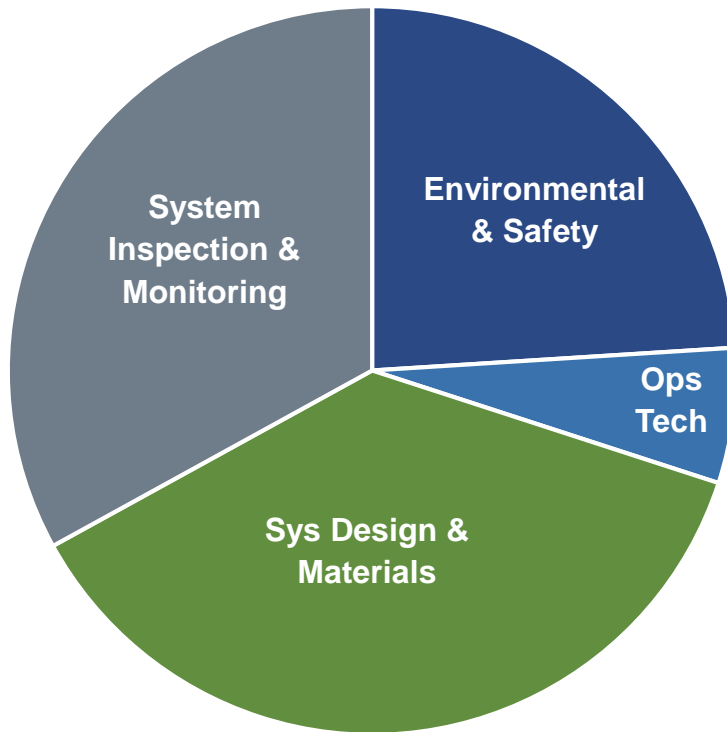
Environmental Challenges

Climate change, sea level rise, increased incidence of wildfires, mudslides, and other environmental challenges all must be weathered by SoCalGas's system and requires area-specific RD&D.

Big Data

This sub-program uniquely leverages extensive data available to SoCalGas to better understand environmental and geohazard challenges, as well as general operations and safety challenges.

2021 Proposed Funding Allocation



Sub-Program	Allocation
Environmental & Safety	24%
Operations Technology	6%
System Design and Material	38%
System Inspection & Monitoring	33%
Total	\$3,505,083

Some specific areas we would like feedback

- Do the Sub-Program names accurately describe the goal and purpose of each sub-program, while also providing flexibility to add new technologies in the future?
- Are there areas of research that we have overlooked?
- Is the funding allocated appropriately to further programs goals and initiatives?
- Are there other groups we should be speaking with?

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WRAP-UP

Presentation Objectives and Structure

**Provide results
from 2019**

- I. RD&D Overview and Structure
- II. 2019 in Review

**Give an update
on 2020**

- III. Status and Changes for 2020

**Seek input
for 2021**

- IV. RD&D Plan Development
- V. Low Carbon Resources
- VI. Clean Transportation
- VII. Clean Generation
- VIII. Customer End-Use
- IX. Gas Operations

Agenda

	Start Time	Duration (mins) Total (presentation/Q&A)	Topic
Section 1 90 mins	9:30am	60 mins (45 pres. + 15 Q&A)	Overview, Status, & Updates (I. → IV.)
	10:30am	30 mins (15 pres. + 15 Q&A)	Low Carbon Resources (V.)
11:00am		15 mins	BREAK
Section 2 60 mins	11:15am	30 mins (15 pres. + 15 Q&A)	Clean Transportation (VI.)
	11:45am	30 mins (15 pres. + 15 Q&A)	Clean Generation (VII.)
12:15pm		45 mins	LUNCH
Section 3 95 mins	1:00pm	30 mins (15 pres. + 15 Q&A)	Customer End-Use Applications (VIII.)
	1:30pm	30 mins (15 pres. + 15 Q&A)	Gas Operations (IX.)
	2:00pm	35 mins (5 pres. + 30 Q&A)	Wrap-up + Q&A
2:35pm			ADJOURN

Meeting Notes

- Remaining workshop time will be used for addressing questions and comments.
- Please submit questions on in the GoToMeeting questions box. Due to time constraints, questions and comments will be limited to 1 minute.
- Participants will have until **Friday, May 1st** to submit written questions and comments to rddinfo@socalgas.com

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QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS

Areas we would like feedback

- Are there other organizations engaged in gas research and development we should be speaking with?
- Are there areas of research or new technologies that we've overlooked?
- Are there any new legislative or policy priorities we should consider in our planning process?
- In what ways should SoCalGas RD&D conduct additional outreach and education with organizations engaged in gas research and development and/or the general public?

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APPENDIX SLIDES

Acronyms & Abbreviations

AB	Assembly Bill	IAQ	Indoor Air Quality
AERMOD	American Meteorological Society/Environmental Protection Agency	INGAA	Interstate Natural Gas Association of America Foundation
API	American Petroleum Institute	JCAP	Joint Center for Artificial Photosynthesis
AR	Augmented Reality	JPL	Jet Propulsion Laboratory
ARPA-E	US Department of Energy's Advanced Research Projects Agency-Energy	kW	Kilowatt
BAE	British Aerospace Systems	LCFS	Low Carbon Fuel Standard
BWAT	Blue Water Area	LLNL	Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory
CalGEM	Geologic Energy Management Division	mins	Minutes
CARB	California Air Resources Board	MTG	Microturbine Generator
CEC	California Energy Commission	NFP	Not For Profit
CFR	Code of Federal Regulations	NG	Natural Gas
CHP	Combined Heat and Power	NREL	National Renewable Energy Laboratory
CNG	Compressed Natural Gas	NYSEARCH	Northeast Gas Association
CPUC	California Public Utilities Commission	NZE	Near-Zero Emission Engine
CRADA	Cooperative Research and Development Agreement	ORNL	Oak Ridge National Laboratory
CSP	Concentrated Solar Power	P2G	Power-to-Gas
CWI	Cummins Westport Inc.	PEMFC	Proton Exchange Membrane Fuel Cell
DAC	Disadvantaged Communities	PG&E	Pacific Gas and Electric
DG	Distributed Generation	PHMSA	Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration
DG-CHP	Distributed Generation/Combined Heat-and-Power Systems	PNNL	Pacific Northwest National Laboratory
DOE	US Department of Energy	PRCI	Pipeline Research Council International
DOGGR	Division of Oil, Gas, and Geothermal Resources	PSRI	Particulate Solid Research Inc.
DOT	US Department of Technology	PVC	Polyvinyl Chloride
E&S	Environmental & Safety	Q&A	Question & Answer
EAC	Engineering Analysis Center	RD&D	Research, Development, and Demonstration
EC	Eddy Current, Electric Charge	REV	REV Group
EO	Executive Order	RNG	Renewable Natural Gas
EPA	US Environmental Protection Agency	SB	Senate Bill
g/bhp-hr	Grams per brake horsepower-hour	SBIR	Small Business Innovation Research
GHG	Greenhouse Gas	SCAQMD	South Coast Air Quality Management District
GHP	Gas Heat Pump	SJVAPCD	San Joaquin Valley Pollution Control District
GRC	General Rate Case	SOFC	Solid Oxide Fuel Cell
GTI	Gas Technology Institute	STARS	Solar Thermochemical Advanced Reactor System
H2	Hydrogen	TVD	Thermal-Vacuum Drying
HD OBD	Heavy-Duty On-Board Diagnostics	UCI	University of California, Irvine
HTEC	Hydrogen Technology and Energy Corporation	UCR	University of California, Riverside
HTP	Hydrothermal Processing	UTD	Utilization Technology Development
HVAC	Heating, Ventilation, and Air Conditioning	ZANZEFF	Zero and Near Zero-Emission Freight Facilities
		ZNE	Zero Net Energy

Selection of 2019 Funding Recipients

Aeris Technologies Inc	Gas Technology Institute (GTI)	RM Myers Corporation
Agileone	Genifuel Corporation	Restek Corporation
Alexanders Mobility Services	Geodetics Inc	Ricardo Inc
Alliance for Sustainable Energy LLC	Gladstein Neandross & Associates	Ricoh Usa Inc
Avineon Inc	ICF Incorporated LLC	Rr Donnelley
Barnett Technical Services LLC	Ingevity Corporation	Sierra Energy
Battelle Memorial Institute	Ips-Industrial Procurement Services	South Coast Air Quality Management District
Black & Veatch Mgmt Consulting LLC	Johnson-Peltier	Southwest Research Institute
Blue Frontier LLC	Kore Infrastructure LLC	Steve Cardiff
Brillio LLC	Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory	Summit Fluid Technologies LLC
Brimstone Energy LLC	Massachusetts Materials Technologies	Susteon Inc
C H Robinson Company	Mcmaster Carr Supply Co	Techcorr Usa Management LLC
California Institute of Technology	Michael Naylor	Stanford University
California State University Long Beach	Microdrones Canada Inc	The Grant Farm
Cherokee Nation Office Solutions	Nemaco Technology LLC	The Sourcium Group
Clean Energy Systems Inc	Northeast Gas Association	Transient Plasma Systems Inc
Cleantech Group	Nv5 Inc	Tri-Pacific Supply Inc
Combined Power LLC	Onboard Dynamics Inc	Trussworks International Inc
Connection	Onesource Distributors LLC	UC Regents - University of California Irvine
Czero LLC	Operations Technology Development (OTD)	UC Regents - University of California Berkeley
DE Solutions	Opus 12 Inc	UC Regents - University of California Davis
DNV GL USA INC	Our Powder Coating Inc	UC Regents - University of California Riverside
Dragonfly Vision	Pacific EH&S Services Inc	University of Southern California
Electric Power Research Institute (EPRI)	Parsons Environment & Infrastructure	USAT Corp
Electrochaea Gmbh	PCPC Direct Ltd	Utilization Technology Development (UTD)
Energy Experts International	Pipeline Research Council Intl Inc	Western Office
Energy Solutions Center	Power and Telephone Supply Company	
Exponent Inc	Quest Integrity Usa LLC	
Fluor Enterprises Inc	Quswami Inc	
Frontier Energy, Inc.		
Gas Machinery Research Council		

Stakeholder Outreach

Organization	Title(s)
CEC	Energy and Fuels Program Manager
DOE	Technology Manager, Building Technologies Office (BTO)
DOE	Program Director, Advanced Research Projects Agency-Energy (ARPA-E)
DOE	Technology Manager, Bioenergy Technology Office (BETO)
GTI	Vice President, Energy Delivery & Utilization
GTI	Managing Director, Energy Delivery
UC Davis	Professor, Department of Mechanical and Aerospace Engineering
UC Davis	Founding Director, Institute of Transportation Studies
UC Irvine	Director, Adv. Power & Energy Program; Nat'l Fuel Cell Research Center; UCI Combustion Lab
UC Irvine	Director, Nat'l Fuel Research Center; Assoc. Dir, Advanced Power and Energy Program
UC Irvine	Director, UCI Combustion Laboratory
SCAQMD	Assistant Deputy Executive Officer
SCAQMD	Program Supervisor, Technology Advancement Office
SCAQMD	Air Quality Specialist
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SJVAPCD	Director of Strategies and Incentives
NYSEARCH	Executive Director
NYSEARCH	Program Manager
PG&E	R&D Innovation Manager – Gas Operations
PG&E	Technical Program Manager - RNG and Hydrogen

Key Collaborations

Industry Research Groups and Consortia

- Northeast Gas Association (NGA)/NYSEARCH
- Operations Technology Development (OTD)
- Pipeline Research Council International (PRCI)
- Sustaining Membership Program (SMP)
- Utilization Technology Development (UTD)

National Labs & Universities

- National Renewable Energy Laboratory (NREL)
- Pacific Northwest National Lab (PNNL)
- Lawrence Berkeley National Lab (LBNL)
- Lawrence Livermore National Lab (LLNL)
- Jet Propulsion Lab (JPL)
- Oakridge National Lab (ORNL)
- Caltech, Stanford, UCI, UCLA, and others.

Government Agencies and Businesses

- CPUC, CARB,
- Air Districts (SCAQMD, SJVAPCD),
- CalGEM (formerly DOGGR)
- EPA, CEC, DOE, DOT, PHMSA, ARPA-E
- DNV-GL, C-FER
- Microsoft, UPS, Walmart, Cummins
- **Many others**