

Aliso Canyon is Important for Our Customers

SoCalGas® operates and maintains the Aliso Canyon natural gas storage facility (Aliso Canyon). The facility is vital to providing reliable, reasonably-priced natural gas service to our customers to heat their homes, cook their food and power their businesses, 24/7. When the wind doesn't blow, or the sun doesn't shine for renewable electric generators, the natural gas from Aliso Canyon helps to fill the gaps. Large and small customers enjoy a consistent supply of natural gas, avoid temporary price spikes, and temporary outages with natural gas from Aliso Canyon.

An Essential Piece of the Electric Grid

Aliso Canyon has a direct and important impact on electric grid reliability. Even with the increased availability of renewables, a majority of the electricity consumed by Southern Californians is still produced by power plants fueled by natural gas; Aliso Canyon is a direct source of supply for a number of those large, natural gas-fired power plants. The loss of natural gas to those stations could ultimately lead to supply shortages and possibly electricity blackouts.

Centrally Located, Ideal to Support Southern California's Needs

Aliso Canyon is centrally located in the Santa Susana Mountains, and the location allows for a quick and effective response to local, real-time energy demands. This is important because, unlike electricity, natural gas travels at relatively slow speeds. If there is a sudden demand for natural gas in the LA Basin, gas stored at Aliso Canyon is ideal to quickly meet the demand where it's needed.

Serving Millions Daily

All customers in the LA Basin and surrounding areas are served by Aliso Canyon. This includes the largest concentration of residential customers and small businesses, schools, hospitals, hotels, aerospace, technology, and other large industries such as numerous electric generation facilities.

Closing Aliso Canyon Isn't Feasible or Helpful

Customers served by Aliso Canyon would face electricity outages, natural gas shortages, and potentially high prices for electric and natural gas use. Without Aliso Canyon, Southern California residents would need to rely heavily on external supplies of natural gas from pipelines outside of our service area, potentially affecting reliability and potential price spikes in the natural gas marketplace.

