# ABAG POWER Board of Directors Meeting

Eyas Abdeen, Principal Program Manager October 24, 2024



# **ABAG AND ABAG POWER**



ABAG supports regional planning and cooperation among the cities and counties of the San Francisco Bay Area.

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- ABAG POWER was formed in 1998 by the Association of Bay Area Governments (ABAG) and local governments to provide aggregated electricity and natural gas procurement for municipal facilities.
- ABAG is the program administrator of ABAG POWER.
- Current offerings include a natural gas aggregation program and renewable natural gas program.
- Goals of price stability and cost savings.

#### **ABAG POWER JPA**

#### **Membership and Governance**

#### **52 Participating Entities**

Each public agency assigns a voting delegate to the Board of Directors which meets annually

#### **4-member Executive Committee**

Meets bi-monthly to oversee

- Budget and operations
- Gas purchasing strategy
- Sustainability initiatives
- Regulatory proceedings





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# **ABAG POWER Programs**

**Natural Gas Program** 

Core (small usage) accounts

Noncore (large usage) accounts

**Renewable Natural Gas Program** 

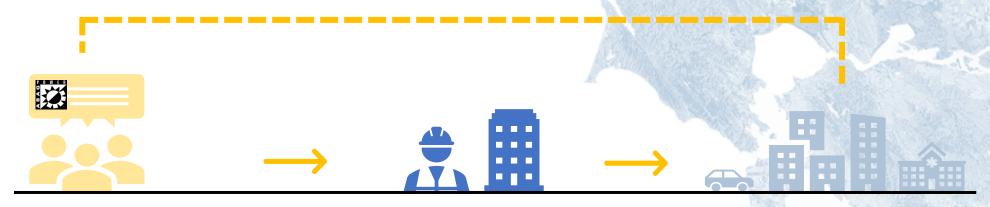
Senate Bill 1383 Compliance

Non-SB 1383 Purposes

Vehicle Fuel



# **ABAG POWER Natural Gas Service Model**



#### **ABAG POWER**

- Develops and implements aggregated purchasing strategy for core & non-core
- Conducts consolidated billing
- Provides value-added activities (customer service, rate analysis, regulatory updates, etc.)

#### PG&E

- Owns and maintains transmission and distribution infrastructure
- Responsible for meter data

#### **PROGRAM PARTICIPANT**

- Receives gas for use in facilities or fueling stations
- Governs ABAG POWER

### **ABAG POWER Benefits**

### **Public Ownership**

- Trustworthy and transparent
- Adaptable to changing energy landscape

# In-house Customer Service

- "CTA Consolidated Billing"
- Usage and cost reporting
- Rate analysis

#### Regulatory Involvement

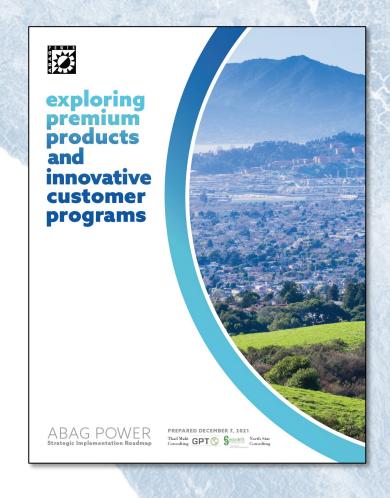
Monitoring, participation, and updates

# Regional Structure

- Knowledge sharing and elevation of local priorities
- Potentially attractive for grant funding opportunities

# Fiscal Year 2024-25 Priorities

- Continuation of ABAG POWER's Strategic Implementation Roadmap which identifies the following focus areas:
  - Vehicle Fuel Credit Management Program
  - Renewable Natural Gas (RNG)
  - Transitional Electrification Incentives
- Managing market volatility
  - Increasing the number of suppliers
  - Maximizing pipeline capacity
  - Maximizing the benefit of storage capacity





## **Natural Gas Cost Drivers**



Supply and Demand

Weather

Production Levels

Storage Levels

Transportation Infrastructure

Global Market Dynamics

Geopolitical Events Regulations and Policies

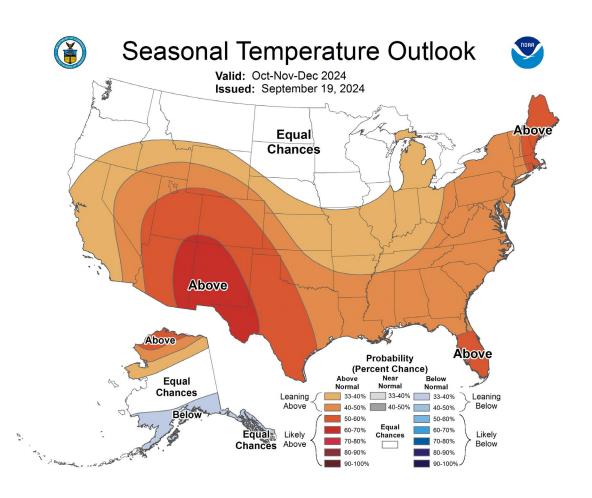
Economic Factors

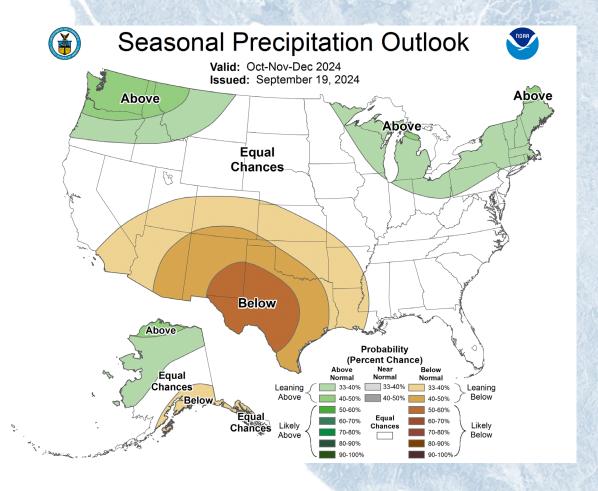
Market Speculation





# Weather – Climate Prediction





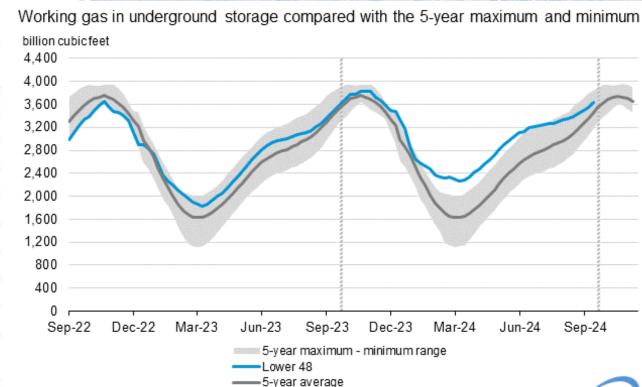


# **Natural Gas Storage Report**

					Historical Comparisons			
	Stocks billion cubic feet (Bcf)				Year ago (10/04/23)		5-year average (2019-23)	
Region	10/04/24	09/27/24	net change	implied flow	Bcf	% change	Bcf	% change
East	873	846	27	27	866	0.8	842	3.7
Midwest	1,041	1,013	28	28	1,012	2.9	1,002	3.9
Mountain	286	283	3	3	243	17.7	216	32.4
Pacific	293	293	0	0	278	5.4	278	5.4
South Central	1,137	1,113	24	24	1,106	2.8	1,116	1.9
Salt	275	261	14	14	265	3.8	273	0.7
Nonsalt	861	852	9	9	841	2.4	843	2.1
Total	3,629	3,547	82	82	3,505	3.5	3,453	5.1

Totals may not equal sum of components because of independent rounding.

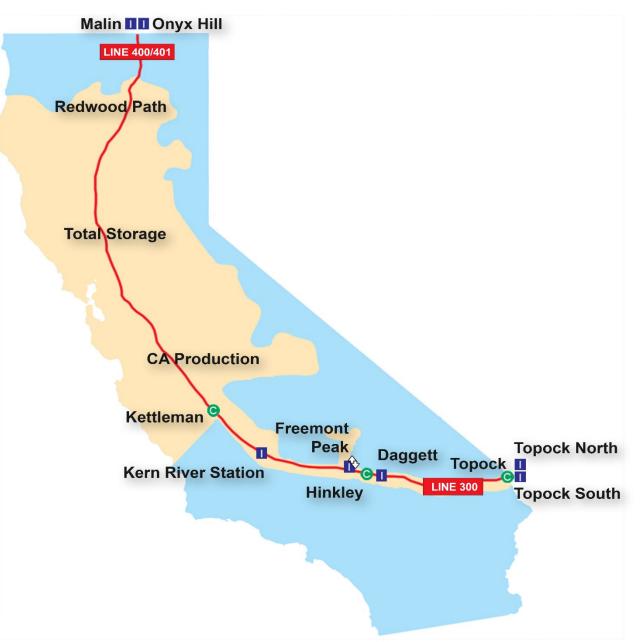
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Data source: U.S. Energy Information Administration

# **Pipeline Capacity**







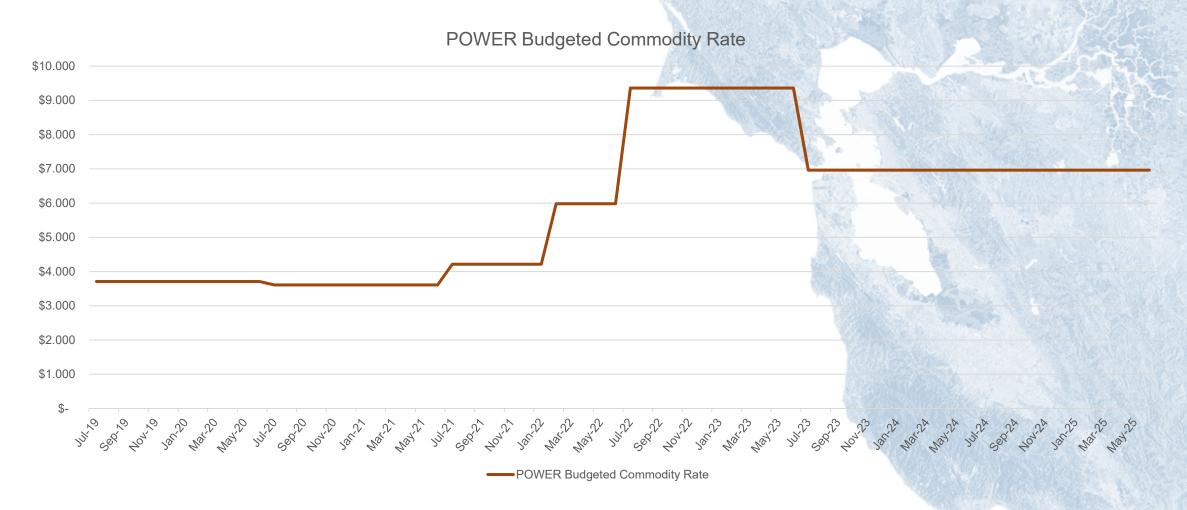
# **NYMEX Natural Gas Monthly Settlement Pricing**



\*All prices in \$ per MMBtu



# **POWER Budgeted Commodity Rate**





# **Anticipated Fiscal Year 2024-25 Budget**

- Staff are finalizing True-up for 2023-2024
- Staff are assessing the current budget and exploring options to reduce mid-year budget amendments.
- Staff will engage with members each quarter to gather gas projections, ensuring accuracy and optimizing gas purchases.

# Q&A

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