The Energy Efficiency Foundation in Integrated Demand-Side Management

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What is a Microgrid?



"A group of interconnected loads and distributed energy resources with clearly defined electrical boundaries that acts as a single controllable entity with respect to the grid and can connect and disconnect from the grid to enable it to operate in both grid connected or island mode."



Microgrid Configuration Categories

(1) Single-customer facility

Description

- Customer-side of the meter
- Military bases, universities, prisons, commercial facilities/campuses, schools, hospitals

Key Drivers

- Customer reliability & resiliency
- Sustainability
- Avoided customer outage costs

Example

• Santa Rita Jail (operational)

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(2) "Remote" community

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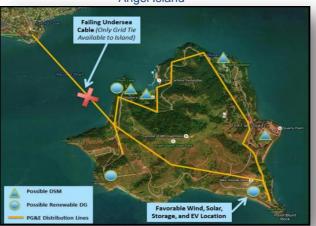
Key Driver

 Potential T&D alternative in remote locations

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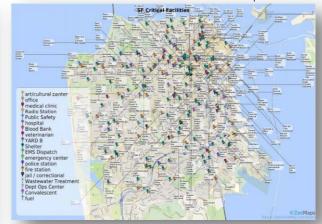
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San Francisco Critical Facilities Map





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Background

- State Park
- Peak Demand of ~100kW
- History of investing in "1st gen" DERs











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Situation

- PG&E-owned on-Island distribution system
- Submarine cable failure and deterioration







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Progress to date

- Large Integrated Audit (LIA) and microgrid feasibility assessment (May-Sept 2015)
- Filed as DRP demonstration pilot (July 2015)
- Revised Preliminary Planning Report (Sept 2015)

Next steps

- DRP workshops (ongoing)
- EE plan implementation
- EO planning
- State DPR coordination

