



LIGA LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

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FEDERAL UPDATES

2023 Key Updates

- **ARCHES Hub Awarded**
 - California was awarded \$1.2B for the development of a Hydrogen Hub, which combines customers, suppliers and conveyors into a single compelling ecosystem worthy of federal investment.
 - Negotiations on specific projects are ongoing with DOE.
 - LADWP stands to gain millions for the Scattergood Hydrogen-ready plant
- **GRIP Grant Awarded**
 - DOE awarded LADWP \$48M from the Grid Resilience and Innovation Partnerships program for the implementation of DERs in disadvantaged (i.e. Justice40) Communities
 - The grant requires a 1:1 match, so there will be a \$96M+ program to support



STATE UPDATES



- CEQA Reforms
 - Shot clock for Litigation Challenges to critical climate change resilience projects, including water, renewable energy and energy transmission projects.
- CWWAPP Extension
 - Provides \$143 million in funding to eliminate customer pandemic arrears from June 15, 2021 to December 31, 2022 using remaining federal COVID relief funds.

LOCAL UPDATES



- Scattergood Hydrogen Modernization Approved
 - Currently in EIR Process and will be critical for the achievement of the LADWP's decarbonization and renewable energy objectives.
- Water Supply Resiliency Focus
 - The Council's Energy and Environment Committee has put a focus on completing planning for Operation NEXT and ensuring that we maximize recycling and the use of our local water storage.

2024 STATE LEGISLATIVE SESSION



- Hydrogen
 - Special Committee
 - Defining Clean/Green
 - Conformance with IRS incentives
- Water Conservation Standards

