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# Microgrid Services Tariff (MST) Phase 2: Working Group Meeting #7

Docket No. 2018-0163

September 28, 2022

# Agenda

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- 1:00 – 1:05      Review of Objectives & Ground Rules
- 1:05 – 1:35      Guest Speaker: Rosanne Ratkiewich, California Public Utilities Commission
- 1:35 – 2:05      Utility Operated Hybrid Microgrid Case Study: North Kohala Microgrid
- 2:05 – 2:10      BREAK
- 2:10 – 2:50      Discuss Draft Working Group Report Outline
- 2:50 – 2:55      HSEO IIJA Webinar recap
- 2:55 – 3:00      Confirm Next Meeting/Topics



# MST Phase 2 Objectives

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## PUC Phase 2 Objectives:

1. Continue development of the Tariff
  - ❖ Promote self-sufficiency and resiliency among microgrid project operators
  - ❖ Streamline MST
2. Enhance Tariff to support broader use of microgrids in non-emergency situations
  - ❖ At minimum, enable voluntary islanding
3. Further explore opportunities to support resilience through microgrid development
  - ❖ Encourage development of microgrids that can provide power to remote communities and critical facilities such as schools, shelters, and hospitals
4. Identify grid services that can be provided by microgrids
  - ❖ Explore ways related exchanges between the utilities and microgrid operators could happen

## Working Group Objectives:

1. Coordinate and align with other Dockets to leverage resources and streamline efforts
2. Focus on resiliency
  - ❖ Microgrids and/or other tools/programs
  - ❖ “Low-hanging” fruit, with such considerations as Act 200 goals, practical implementation, “real-world” goals, technical, costs, etc.
3. Understand how the tariff could support microgrid operations in non-emergency situations
  - ❖ Existing microgrid operations
4. Keep costs to all customers in mind (cost equity)
  - ❖ Compensation (e.g., rates, standby rates, exit fees, etc.)
5. Encourage development of grid services



# Meeting Objectives

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- ◆ Understand how California is approaching the ‘Value of Resiliency’ for microgrids
- ◆ Review the North Kohala Energy Storage RFP as a case study for a utility-operated Hybrid Microgrid
- ◆ Discuss the draft outline for the Working Group Final Report and identify any remaining open issues



# Ground Rules

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- ◆ Members will maintain an open mind and be respectful of all views
- ◆ Members will review meeting agenda in advance and complete any pre-reads prior to the meeting
- ◆ Discussion will be kept on agenda topic



Guest Speaker: Rosanne Ratkiewich

California Public Utilities Commission

*Topic: Value of Resiliency*





# Utility Operated Hybrid Microgrid Case Study: North Kohala Microgrid<sup>1</sup>

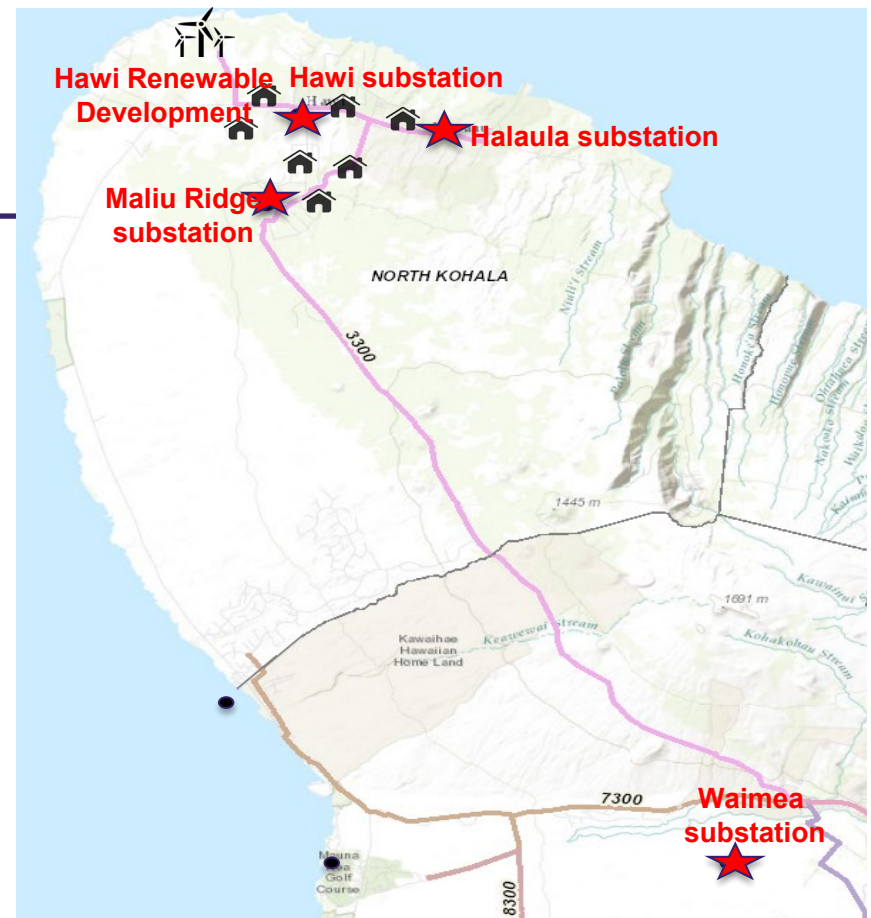
*Presented by:*

*Kale Nakata, Hawaiian Electric*

<sup>1</sup> This case study discussion is virtual, hypothetical development of a Microgrid for North Kohala, generally based on HE's pending North Kohala Energy Storage RFP as detailed in open Docket No. 2022-0012, but not meant to inform or otherwise in any way be related to that RFP or docket.

# North Kohala

- ◆ ~2,000 customers out of ~89,000 total HELCO customers
- ◆ 3300 Line built in 1950s
- ◆ ~24 miles between Waimea and Halaula/Hawi
- ◆ Line capacity 13MVA
- ◆ Transformer capacity 10MW





# Objectives

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- ◆ To improve reliability and resilience for customers in North Kohala by providing energy when 3300 line is out
  - 3300 Line Rebuild Needed (requires outage)



# Options Considered



## OPTION 1

- New 2<sup>nd</sup> line and transformer



## OPTION 2

- Microgrid with Diesel Generators



## OPTION 3

- Microgrid with Battery Energy Storage System (BESS)

# Community Outreach and Engagement



## COMMUNITY

- Major land owners
- Hawi Renewable Development
- Residential and business customers
- Non-profit organizations
- Schools and churches



## GOVERNMENT

- Briefings with Hawai'i Island Legislators
- Town halls with elected officials
- Focus groups with community leaders



## PARTNERSHIPS

- Hawaii Energy
- North Kohala Community Development Plan Action Committee
- County of Hawai'i first responders (Civil Defense, police, fire, hospital)

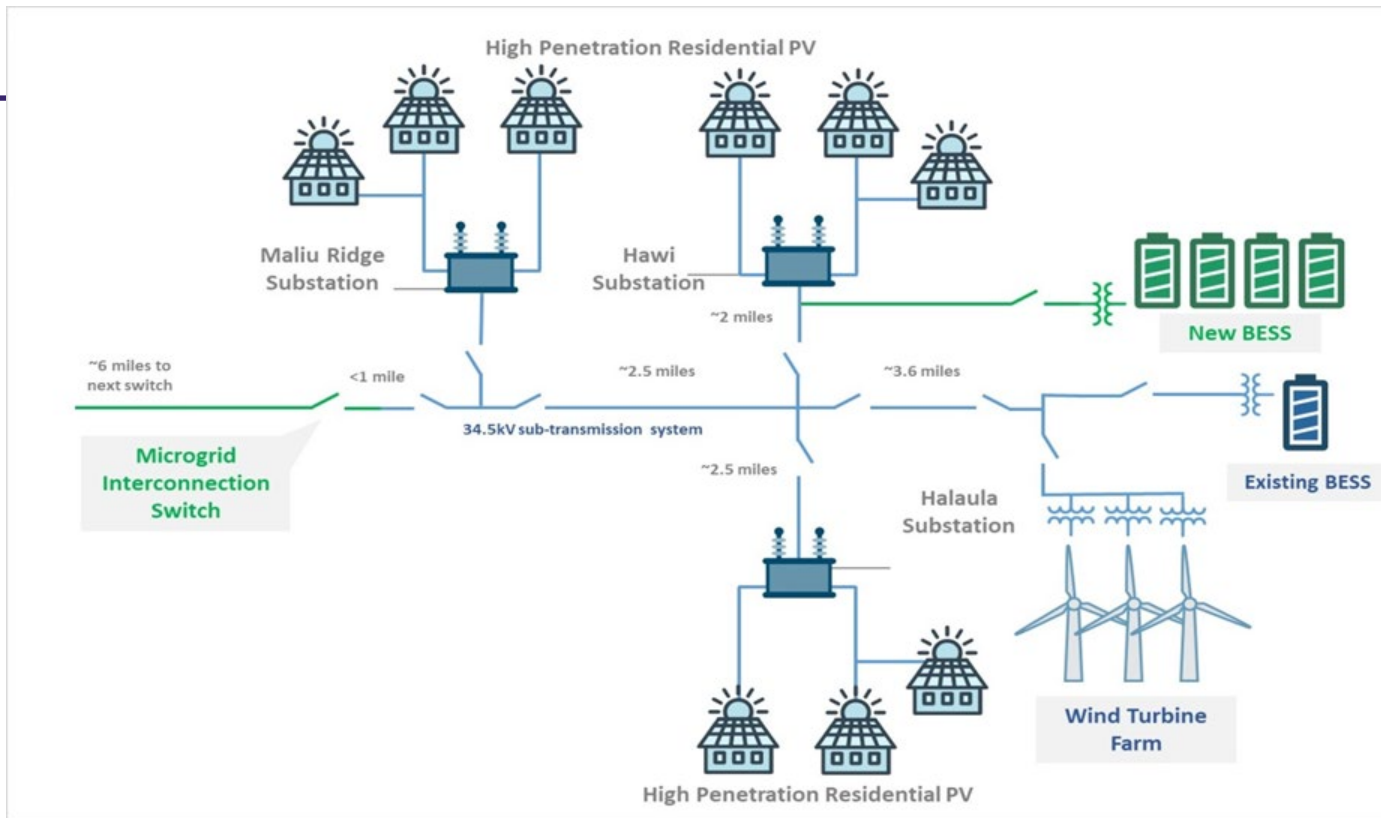


## EVENTS

- Resilience and Sustainability Forum
- Fairs and festivals
- Community association meetings
- Virtual community meeting



# North Kohala Microgrid Concept Drawing



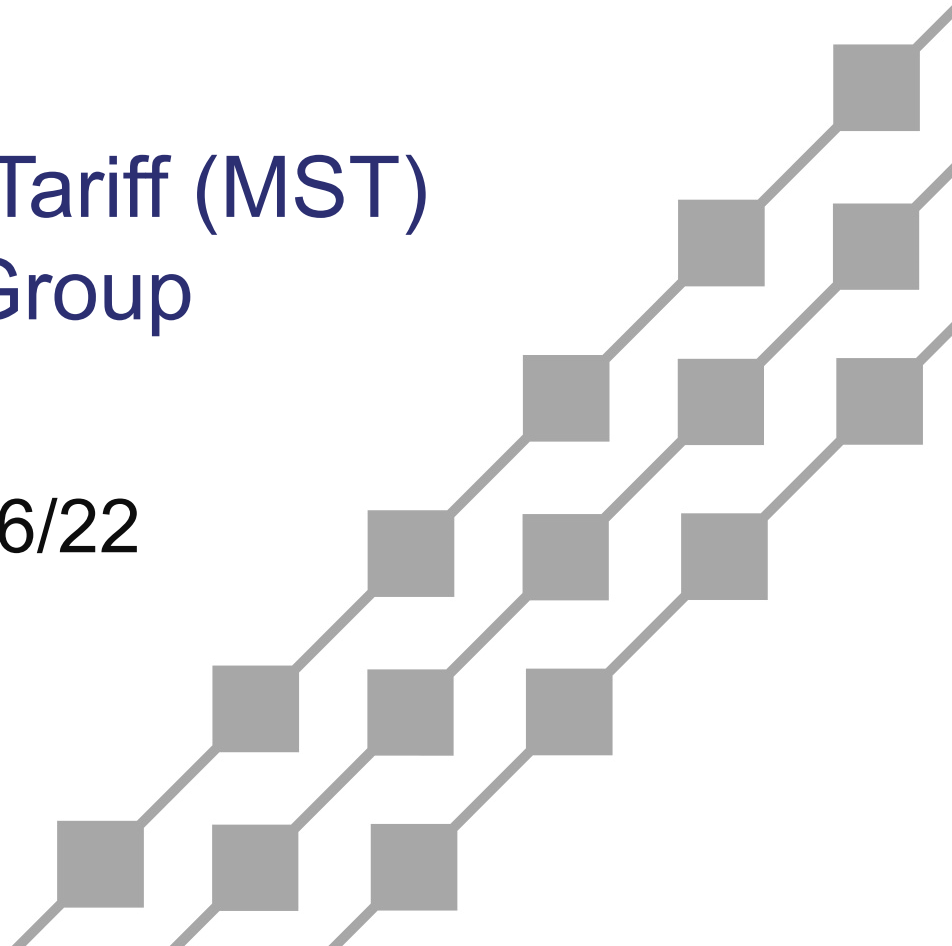


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Return at 2:18 PM

# Microgrid Services Tariff (MST) Phase 2: Working Group Report

Draft Outline as of 9/26/22



Foundational Assumption	Working Group Learnings
<p>1) The overall purpose of Phase 2 of this MST proceeding was to explore <b>how microgrid development could be increased</b> in Hawaii through the tariff <b>to achieve greater grid resiliency</b> per Act 200. Unlike Customer Microgrids, Hybrid Microgrids have varying factors (e.g., technical, geographic, etc.) differences that make each Hybrid Microgrid unique. (see below)</p> <p><i>- PUC prioritized third-party operated Hybrid Microgrids first, then utility-operated Hybrid Microgrids, and Customer Microgrids last</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Due to the specific nature of each Hybrid Microgrid, it is <b>unclear how third-party Hybrid Microgrids would be developed and operated in Hawaii</b>, so it is difficult to identify how to encourage their development</li> <li>• May need to focus in on clearer definition(s) of the different types of Hybrid MGs structures</li> </ul>
<p>2) Microgrids are <b>DER resources</b></p> <p><i>- Customer MGs are DER resources that are individually interconnected to the grid and operate as an aggregation that has islanding capability</i></p> <p><i>- Hybrid MGs that are utility-owned/operated would have utility infrastructure and may incorporate existing DER owned by MG participants</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Existing compensation, grid services, and customer protections developed in MST Phase 1 and DER Docket are sufficient</b> for Customer and Hybrid MGs</li> </ul>
<p>3) Microgrids are <b>not built to meet 100% of load</b> due to high costs</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Islanding during non-emergency conditions is <b>not technically and practically feasible</b></li> </ul>
<p>4) Hybrid MGs are <b>economically and financially difficult to develop and maintain</b> due to their <b>complex and unique</b> nature</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The <b>resiliency value of each microgrid is project-specific</b></li> <li>• <b>Implementation would be slow</b> (3-5 years for development cycle based on current interconnection, permitting, and construction timelines)</li> </ul>
<p>5) <b>California is a leader of microgrid policy</b></p> <p><i>- Note that California has different and more urgent needs due to wildfires risk and frequent public safety power shut-off events, and that California microgrids, especially community microgrids, are owned and operated (directly or indirectly) by the utility and incorporate DER of participants in the microgrid</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• California is still working through <b>open issues related to equity, safety, technical operations, and customer protections</b> in their Microgrid Incentive Program</li> </ul>
<p>6) Microgrids are <b>one tool of many</b> to support resiliency goals</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The IGP Resilience Working Group will cover the identification of critical facilities, community needs, and holistic resilience planning along with the Company’s Resilience Program Application</li> <li>• There should be <b>clear needs</b> identified to be met by the MG, and resulting <b>goals and criteria established before ratepayer funds are utilized and tariffs are updated</b> to ensure effectiveness and equity, especially when subsidizing or incenting a small</li> </ul>

Phase 2 Objectives	Docket Parties Areas of Consensus
<p>1. <i>Continue development of tariff</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><i>Promote self-sufficiency and resiliency among microgrid project operators</i></li> <li><i>Streamline MST</i></li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>The current MST rule</b> and changes to the interconnection operating agreement addressed in Phase 1 appear sufficient to <b>enable Customer and Hybrid MG development</b> in the Company's service territory</li> <li><b>The Parties don't believe any changes to the MST are necessary at this time</b></li> </ul>
<p>2. <i>Enhance Tariff to support broader use of microgrids in non-emergency situations</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><i>At minimum, enable voluntary islanding</i></li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>Customer microgrids may voluntarily island during normal conditions at any time under current rules.</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- If a large customer were to island during normal conditions, it could create <b>operational issues and service quality (e.g., voltage issues) problems</b> for other customers.</li> </ul> </li> <li>As customers of Hybrid MGs are utility customers during normal conditions, <b>Hybrid MGs should not be allowed to island voluntarily during normal conditions</b> because it-could:           <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1) Create a <b>significant service quality issue</b> for other customers</li> <li>2) Require <b>customer load shedding</b> that could be disruptive to their lives/business</li> </ol> </li> </ul>
<p>3. <i>Further explore opportunities to support resilience through microgrid development</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><i>Encourage development of microgrids that can provide power to remote communities and critical facilities such as schools, shelters, and hospitals</i></li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Promoting microgrid development is best addressed through:           <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1) <b>Resilience planning</b> and <b>microgrids as a potential solution</b> to identified needs</li> <li>2) <b>Potential program(s) designed to address urgent and specific societal needs</b>, and related criteria, as identified in state policy and has been pursued in other states</li> </ol> </li> </ul>
<p>4. <i>Identify grid services that can be provided by microgrids</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><i>Explore ways related exchanges between the utilities and microgrid operators could happen</i></li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Customer and Hybrid MGs are <b>eligible for all current and future grid services</b> as applicable during normal conditions under the MST and related operating agreement</li> <li>There are <b>practical limits to the services</b> that may be provided by the microgrid to the power system while in island mode and thus disconnected from the grid</li> </ul>





Phase 2 Priority Issue	Docket Parties Areas of Consensus
<p><i>a. Microgrid Compensation and Grid Services</i></p> <p><i>i. Harmonization with other programs' grid services mechanisms</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><i>Fair compensation for grid services</i></li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>There are <b>no existing conflicts</b> with the MST and grid service mechanisms and tariffs and programs</li> <li>Microgrids may receive the same compensation as other DER for grid services under existing applicable tariffs, and rules</li> </ul>
<p><i>ii. Customers with existing DER/DR grid service agreements</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><i>Relationship to related contractual obligations</i></li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>Microgrid participants with DER/DR would be under utility tariffs/programs or PPA</b> for front of the meter resources or DER aggregations</li> <li>There are <b>no issues during normal conditions and the tariff/program/PPA should remain intact</b>, except for those specific services that are interrupted when the microgrid is in island mode and thus disconnected from the grid.</li> </ul>
<p><i>iii. Resilience services and compensation, including societal and environmental value, to inform development of a resilience tariff</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><i>Contribution of microgrid to resilience</i></li> <li><i>Include resiliency services with MST</i></li> <li><i>Revise MST to include resiliency, or develop separate resiliency tariff</i></li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Value of Resilience (VOR) may be approached in two ways: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1) <b>a value to society</b> related to the extended loss of load and related customer and community's adverse economic and financial impacts that is used in a planning process to assess cost-benefits of measures to mitigate those risks, in large part by guaranteeing power to microgrid participants during an emergency condition requiring the microgrid to effect an island mode, and</li> <li>2) <b>an administrative value</b> that provides a program incentive or compensation for a resilience service (i.e., guaranteeing a prescribed level of power during island mode)</li> </ul> </li> <li>Methods for assessing an administrative value of resilience are at an <b>early stage of research and development</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- National labs are working on potential solutions but may not be ready until 2024 (see EPRI report)</li> <li>- California has recognized this issue and is not addressing VOR in a planning context until Track 5 of their Resilience and Microgrid proceeding (expected to start Jan 2023)</li> <li>- Other parties (e.g., Clean Coalition) have calculated and use a resiliency adder equal to about 15-20% of the facility's electricity bill, which guarantees delivery of a prescribed level of energy to the microgrid participant during island mode</li> </ul> </li> </ul>



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<p><i>b. Utility Compensation</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><i>Consider standby charges, exit fees, other charges, re equitable allocation of grid costs across all ratepayers, avoid cross-subsidies and non-participating customers to customers with microgrids</i></li> <li><i>Consistency of messaging to customers re these charges</i></li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Based on the other areas of consensus, there are <b>no practical issues related to standby charges, exit fees for microgrids</b> in Hawaii. If voluntary islanding is allowed, standby charges, as well as customer protections will need to be reviewed. Based on the current operations of microgrids in Hawaii, exit fees is not an issue. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Some of the issues raised in Phase 1 were related to commercial and institutional customer microgrids in other jurisdictions that use natural gas based combined heat and power systems to serve substantially all the operational load with high availability and have very different rules and retail competition</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
<p><i>c. Customer Protection and Related Considerations</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><i>Are existing customer protections sufficient for new microgrids?</i></li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>Based on the other areas of consensus, sufficient customer protections were established</b> for Hybrid MGs under the current MST and operating agreement. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>If indiscriminate independent voluntary islanding of Hybrid MGs were allowed, customer protection issues are raised as the level of service is impacted to customers as these microgrids are not designed to meet 100% of the load.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
<p><i>d. Interconnection</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>There have been <b>no issues raised regarding interconnection of microgrid DER</b> in Phase 2, beyond those issues that may have been raised in the Interconnection docket.</li> <li>Any unique issues related to interconnection of microgrid related DER should be addressed in the <b>Interconnection Docket</b> (2021-0024)</li> </ul>



Priority Issue	Docket Parties Areas of Consensus
<p><i>e. Coordinate with related microgrid and resilience initiatives at HECO and government agencies:</i></p> <p><i>i. Identifying critical facilities</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Identify disadvantaged community's (with HECO)</li> <li>- Propose how HECO should define and identify critical facilities, disadvantages areas and customers that could benefit from microgrids</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The Parties recommend that identifying critical facilities should be through the following existing venues: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- <b>Hawaiian Electric’s Resilience Working Group</b> (part of IGP) will identify critical facilities that will include a broad range of community interests’</li> <li>- <b>HSEO currently leading an effort in conjunction with federal Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA) grant program</b> to identify resilience objectives and criteria that include disadvantaged communities</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
<p><i>ii. Identify funding mechanism for microgrids, including state, federal funds to support pilots and/or demonstration projects</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• There are significant funding mechanisms available for DER developers: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Recent federal government legislation (e.g., <b>IIJA and Inflation Reduction Act</b>) provide funding for resilient MG development for disadvantaged communities along with pre-existing federal DER loan programs and tax credits</li> <li>- Existing <b>battery storage incentives, DER bill credit</b> tariff programs, and <b>grid services opportunities</b> (Battery Bonus, Grid Supply Plus, Smart Export, Demand Response, etc.). Battery Bonus establishes upfront and monthly incentives, in addition to the compensation associated with the DER program.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• <b>The Parties recommend the PUC evaluate the result of the federal funding opportunities before considering any further ratepayer funds</b> to promote MGs</li> </ul>
<p><i>iii. Identifying community needs</i></p> <p><i>-discuss current processes, methods to identify community needs, propose improvements or alternative strategies where appropriate</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The <b>HSEO effort</b> related to the federal IIJA funding opportunity is identifying these community needs</li> <li>• <b>Hawaiian Electric’s resilience planning effort</b> including the Resilience WG continue to examine in more detail the implications and solutions for the electric grid, including MGs <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- The planning effort includes a proposed utility-operated hybrid MG procurement in North Kohala and a Hybrid MG mapping study in partnership with NREL (ETIPP)</li> </ul> </li> </ul>



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<p><i>iv. Better understanding barriers to microgrid development and what would make the microgrid tariff more attractive for developers</i></p> <p><i>-discuss existing barriers</i></p> <p><i>-discuss, propose incentives, policies, and/or programs to make MST more attractive to developers</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Based on information provided by developers, <b>no barriers were identified to customer or hybrid microgrid development in Hawaii under the current MST</b>, pro-forma operating agreement, DER tariffs, programs and grid services contracts</li> <li>• The issues for hybrid microgrid development involve primarily three issues:             <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1) <b>Technology Costs:</b> Costs for control and monitoring systems to operate microgrids are currently very expensive. This is especially true for microgrids using renewable generation resources, which are very challenging to economically and financially justify due to the lower capacity factor of the generation resource and the size of the battery storage (kWh) to support long-duration outages (i.e., 24-96 hours). Note that most Mainland microgrids using wind or solar generation coupled with energy storage also have backup generation, usually diesel or natural gas.</li> <li>2) <b>Land Costs:</b> MGs often require relatively large space for its generation resources, energy storage, and possible substation requirements. This is especially true for renewable-based Hybrid MGs, which require a relatively large space for the solar, storage, switchgear and balance of system controls building (approx. 400x space compared to diesel)</li> <li>3) <b>Lifecycle Costs:</b> The full lifecycle costs typically involve a targeted needs assessment, conceptual study, feasibility study, engineering designs and interconnection studies, permitting, construction, testing and ongoing operations over a 10-20 year life. The focus to-date has been on addressing incentives/compensation for part of the engineering and construction costs (first costs), but significant development issues arise well before engineering and construction and afterwards. Preliminary studies for a hybrid microgrid can cost \$100,000 to \$1 million that are often beyond the reach of communities. Also, post construction operational costs over the 10–20-year life of a project are often not addressed.</li> </ol> </li> <li>• All of these considerations are very complex and specific to each potential hybrid microgrid project. As such, these issues cannot be effectively addressed in a MST. These require a more detailed discussion of what specific costs may be suitable for an incentive under specific criteria aligned to statute or regulation. California’s Microgrid Incentive Program is an example of the thoughtful consideration that is required to implement public policy and regulation.</li> </ul>
<p><i>v. Customer education and outreach</i></p> <p><i>-offer proposals for customer education and outreach strategies to help reduce barrier</i></p> <p><i>-consider speaker program, PUC staff</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Unclear if customer education and outreach would reduce barriers</b> to MG development             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Customer awareness of various solutions is already high with commercial technology firms actively marketing residential and commercial customer solutions</li> <li>- MGs are a more expensive solution that fits a narrow set of customers as described by MG developers</li> <li>- Hybrid MGs may be independently developed, but more often are done in conjunction with the utility</li> </ul> </li> <li>• <b>ETIRP effort will include community outreach</b> (to be led by HNEL)</li> </ul>

# HSEO IJA Aug 30 Webinar Recap

## (Hawaii State Energy Office Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act)

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- ◆ \$2.5B formula/\$2.5 competitive funding administered by the U.S. Department of Energy for building resilience in the electric grid
  - Competitive funds **pending further guidance** from US DOE
- ◆ **HSEO** is the designated sole entity for the state to apply for, receive, and distribute **formula** funds
  - Eligible projects include microgrids, but must “**mitigate a disruptive event**...which operations of the electric grid are disrupted, prevented shut off, or cannot operate safely due to extreme weather, wildfire, or a natural disaster”
  - Requires HSEO to submit a plan to US DOE (*original due date September 30, 2022 extended to March 31, 2023*)<sup>1</sup>
- ◆ Hawaii to receive **\$3M annually** for the next **five years**
  - Years 1-2: Oahu (Advance Assistance project)
  - Years 3-5: Kauai, Maui, Hawaii
  - HSEO anticipates being able to fund 1-2 projects each year
- ◆ HSEO currently receiving public comment on preliminary objective, metrics, and selection criteria
  - HSEO intends to issue a competitive solicitation for project proposals pending US DOE approval of plan and allocation of funding to states



<sup>1</sup>Section 40101(d) Formula Grants to States & Indian Tribes | [netl.doe.gov](https://netl.doe.gov)

# HSEO IJA Timeline

## (Hawaii State Energy Office Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act)

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- ◆ **July 6, 2022:** Funding Opportunity Announcement Issued by US DOE for IJA Section 40101(d) Formula Funds
- ◆ **August 30, 2022:** HSEO Public Stakeholder Briefing on Grid Resilience Funds Plan
  - Recording: [Resilience Project Funding - IJA Section 40101\(d\) - Hawai'i State Energy Office \(hawaii.gov\)](#)
  - Presentation: <https://energy.hawaii.gov/wp-content/uploads/2022/08/HSEO-Grid-Resilience-Funding-Plan-Stakeholder-Briefing-8-30-2022.pdf>
- ◆ **September 30, 2022:** Deadline for Public Comment on HSEO Grid Resilience Funds Plan
  - Comment Form: <https://energy.hawaii.gov/40101d-comment-form>
- ◆ **March 31, 2023:** Due Date to U.S. Department of Energy for Grid Resilience Funds Plans



# Remaining Work Plan

Meeting / Deadline	Date	Priority Issues
WG Mtg #8	Wednesday, Oct 19, 2022 10AM-12PM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>Identifying critical facilities</b> – <i>Hawaiian Electric update on Resilience Application Filing / IGP RWG Next Steps</i></li><li>• Review and discuss draft report and tariff revisions</li></ul>
Status Conference	Thursday, Oct 27, 2022 Time TBD	
WG Mtg #9	Wednesday, Nov 9, 2022 10AM-12PM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Discuss open items for WG report and tariff revisions</li></ul>
Parties to file Phase 2 WG Report	Wednesday, Nov 23, 2022	
Technical Conference	Thursday, Dec 8, 2022 Time TBD	





Mahalo for your time.

Any questions?



# Case Study Evaluation Framework

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- ◆ Motivation for Hybrid Microgrid
  - Situational context for initiating microgrid study
  - What were the primary factors? (e.g., resilience, economics, research, other)
- ◆ Proposed Hybrid Microgrid Scope
  - Number of critical facilities
  - Number of customers
  - Disadvantaged population
- ◆ Proposed Hybrid Microgrid Design
  - Generation resources
  - Storage resources
  - Microgrid Controller (who owns, controls?)
  - Configuration
  - % load served when islanded and duration capability
- ◆ Ownership Model (examples below)
  - Private owner/operator – City/County or Customers resilience service counterparty
  - Private owner/operator – Utility resilience service counterparty
  - City/County owner/3<sup>rd</sup> party operator - Customers resilience service counterparty
  - City/County owner/3<sup>rd</sup> party operator - Utility resilience service counterparty
  - Utility owner/3<sup>rd</sup> party operator - Utility resilience service counterparty



# Case Study Evaluation Framework

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## ◆ Economics (as available)

- Revenue Model(s)
  - Energy sales
  - Avoided retail tariff charges (e.g., demand charges)
  - Bulk power and distribution grid services
  - Resilience service contract between microgrid operator (third party or utility) with customers
  - Resilience service contract with grid operator (third party or utility)
- Expenditures (lifecycle)
  - Project development (incl. feasibility studies and preliminary design)
  - Project Implementation (incl. equipment & installation, land acquisition, system testing, operational training, etc.)
  - Microgrid Operations (incl. ongoing maintenance and operations)
- Funding
  - Project Revenue
  - 3<sup>rd</sup> Party Financing
  - Federal & State Grants
  - City/County funds

## ◆ Enabling Regulatory Mechanisms

- Applicable tariffs, rules, markets, programs
- Barriers identified

## ◆ Decision Considerations & Outcomes

- Key considerations for Hybrid MG decision makers (developer/owner/off-takers)
- Proposal outcome(s)

## ◆ Applicability to Hawaii

- Relevant takeaways for Hawaii & MST Ph2 issues
  - Are there any tariff improvements that would further support this project?
  - Is there a benefit for voluntary islanding during non-emergency situations?
  - How could the tariff further promote resiliency for remote communities and critical facilities?
  - What grid services are being provided?



# Open Questions

Phase 2 Priority Issue	Questions
a. Microgrid Compensation and Grid Services	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Who should get compensation and why?</li> <li>Aside from resilience service, are there any energy and grid services not already available to MGs through PPA, tariff or program?</li> </ul>
c. Customer Protection and Related Considerations	<p>For Hybrid MGs that may island voluntarily:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Who is protecting the customer if 100% of load not met during blue-sky conditions (MGs typically are not designed for 100% of load, or long duration if renewable energy based)?</li> <li>What is the benefit of voluntary islanding for customers and how does this support the original intent of Act 200 to promote microgrids for resiliency purposes?</li> </ul>
e. ii. Identifying a variety of funding mechanisms for microgrid development, including possible state and federal funds that can be leveraged to support pilots and/or demonstration projects	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>State access to IIJA funding potential for hybrid MG, what is the potential? Also, DOE's Loan Program Office funding potential.</li> <li>How much funding would be needed to support Hawaii's community resilience goals (how many projects)?</li> <li>Should there be a focus on disadvantaged and vulnerable communities at risk to address equity issues?</li> <li>How to address preliminary engineering, implementation costs and ongoing operational costs for a third party owned &amp; operated Hybrid MG?</li> </ul>
e. v. Customer education and outreach	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>What types of Customers are interested in Customer MGs or Hybrid MGs and why?</li> </ul>
Overall	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>What are the "low-hanging fruit" that can result in a tangible Hybrid MG project to help critical infrastructure and vulnerable communities as soon as possible?</li> </ul>

# Procedural Timeline

