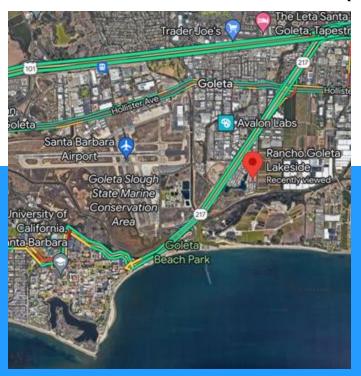


Rancho Goleta Lakeside (RGL) Community Microgrid





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<u>Mission</u>

To accelerate the transition to renewable energy and a modern grid through technical, policy, and project development expertise.

Renewable Energy End-Game

100% renewable energy; 25% local, interconnected within the distribution grid and ensuring resilience without dependence on the transmission grid; and 75% remote, fully dependent on the transmission grid for serving loads.

RGL Community Microgrid overview



- 200 mobile homes, many ready for replacement, in disadvantaged area of Goleta.
- Single master meter with SCE and privately submetered at each home.
- Private underground distribution grid that is significantly constrained with upgrades needed to enable significant electrification, including EV adoption.
- Solar to be distributed across the homes and combined with a single central battery to create a solar-driven microgrid to deliver a trifecta of economic, environmental, and resilience benefits.
- Perfect opportunity to showcase the importance of Master Metering for optimizing economics from solar and resilience from microgrids.



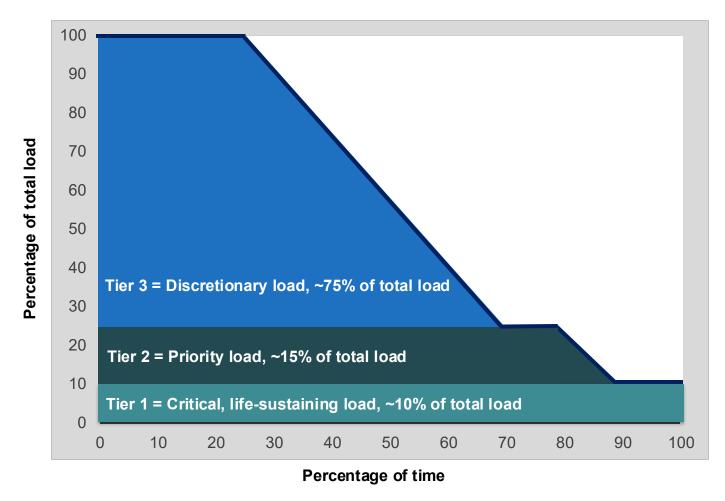
RGL layout of 200 mobile homes



Typical RGL mobile home

Solar-driven resilience is unparalleled

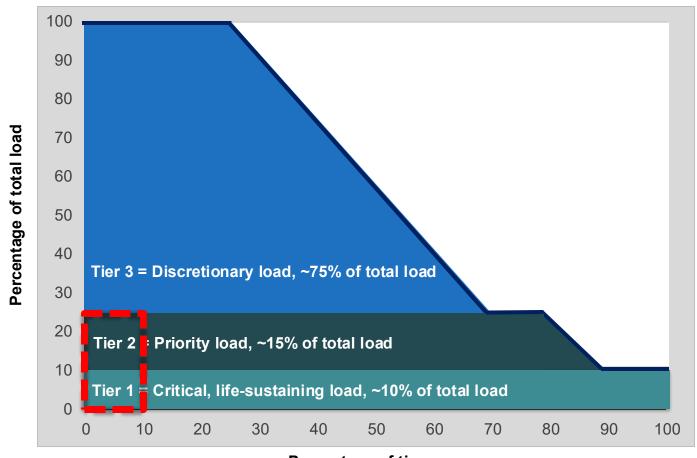




Percentage of time online for Tier 1, 2, and 3 loads for a Solar Microgrid designed for the University of California Santa Barbara (UCSB) with enough solar to achieve net zero and 200 kWh of energy storage per 100 kW solar.

Diesel generators are designed for limited resilience





Percentage of time

A typical diesel generator is configured to maintain 25% of the normal load for two days. If diesel fuel cannot be resupplied within two days, goodbye. This is hardly a solution for increasingly necessary long-term resilience. In California, Solar Microgrids provide a vastly superior trifecta of economic, environmental, and resilience benefits.

RGL is in the disaster-prone Goleta Load Pocket

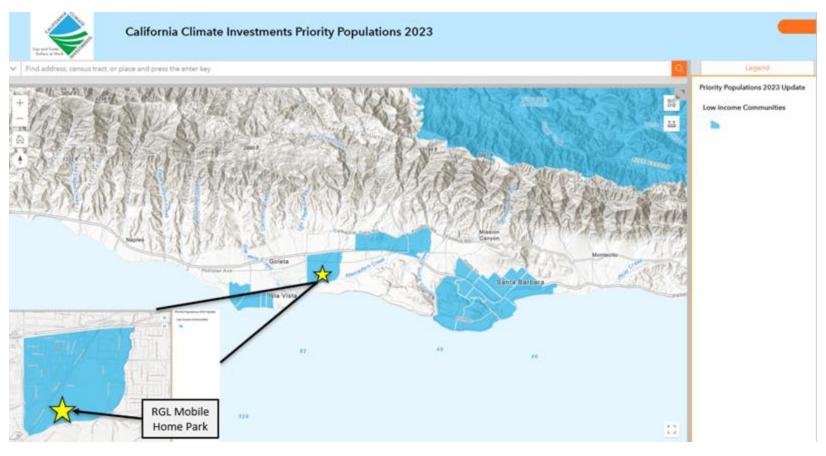




Map of the Goleta Load Pocket, showing the RGL location and high fire threat areas (shaded in red and yellow).

RGL in the only disadvantaged area of Goleta





RGL is in one of the few disadvantaged communities (shaded in blue) within the Goleta Load Pocket.

RGL is perfect for showcasing Master Metering



Master Metering is currently illegal for Multi-Unit Housing (MUH) facilities in California, unless grandfathered in. This needs to change, because the only way to provide solar-driven resilience and economic optimization for MUH facilities is by sharing solar across the homes.

Southern California Edison's 16kV Wasp Feeder (1) Transformer 500 kVA, 16kV delta to 480Y/277 Master Meter (1) Service Panel 1600A, 480V/3P 3W (6) Two-pole breakers feed (6) substation transformers (6) Substation Transformers 200 kVa, 480W 3P to 120/240 1P (each) (6) Substation Panels 900A, 120/240 3W (each) (10) 2-pole breakers feed (10) distribution panels (1) Substation panel typically serves (10) distribution panels (60) Distribution Panels 200A, 120/240 3W (each) Distribution panel typically serves (4) private submeters, (1) private submeter serves (1) home (10) Distribution panels for communal lighting/buildings (10) Distribution panels for Private Private communal loads Submete

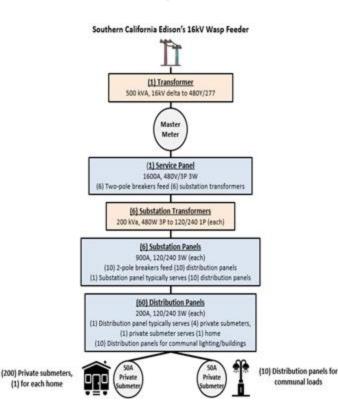
(200) Private submeters, (1) for each home

Diagram of RGL electrical infrastructure

RGL Community Microgrid challenges



- Two miles of private underground distribution grid that is significantly constrained and blocking electrification measures, including EV charging.
- Solar design that needs to distributed on the verandas across the 200 home sites. This will require new verandas to ensure structural integrity, and the homes need to be easily detachable from the verandas to accommodate home replacements.
- \$150k in funding to conduct a robust feasibility study (engineering, policy, and economic).







Typical RGL mobile home

(1) for each home

RGL Community Microgrid benefits



- Trifecta of economic, environmental, and resilience benefits to RGL, a MUH showcase in the most disadvantaged area of Goleta.
- Blueprint for MUH facilities to electrify, including EV charging.
- Evidence for policymakers to understand the importance of Master Metering to MUH, for optimizing economics from solar and resilience from microgrids.



Key needs now



- \$150k in funding for the comprehensive RGL Community Microgrid feasibility study.
- Legislative champion in Sacramento to resurrect SB 1148 (2023) and lead the way to re-establishing Master Metering in California.