## SCL 2026-2027 Conservation Target RES

Sustainability, City Light, Arts & Culture Committee

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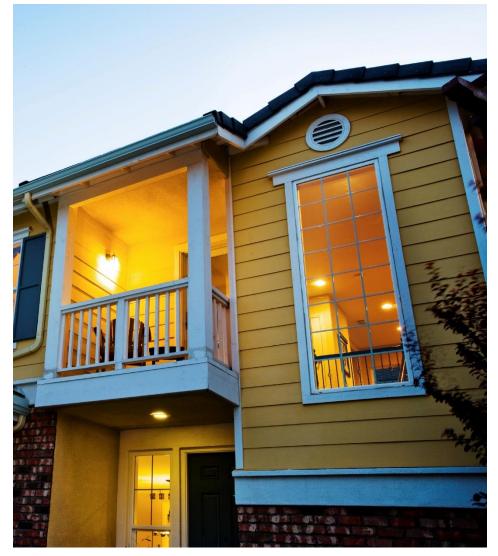




## What is Energy Conservation?

Energy conservation is a reduction of the total amount of energy consumed over a year

Also known as energy efficiency



#### Conservation Examples

#### Residential

- ENERGY STAR washers and dryers
- Wall insulation
- Heat pumps
- Heat pump water heaters

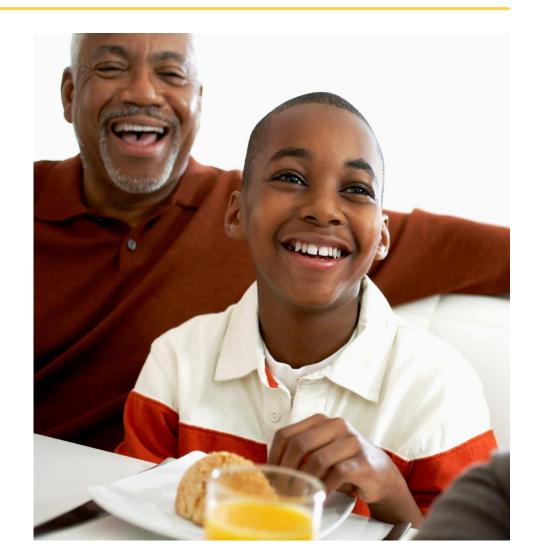
#### **Commercial**

- Triple glazed windows
- Building automation systems
- HVAC retrocommissioning



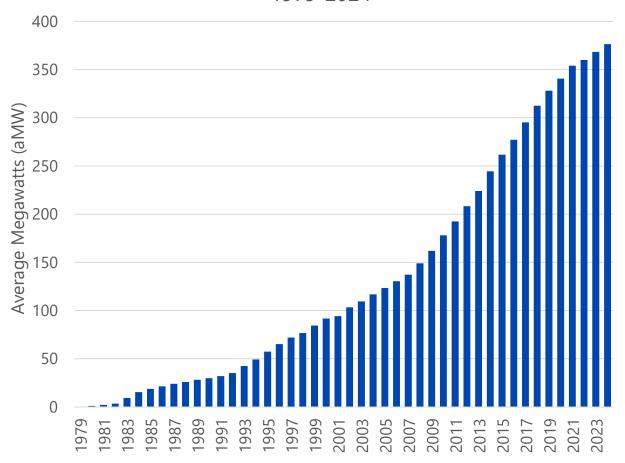
#### Conservation at City Light

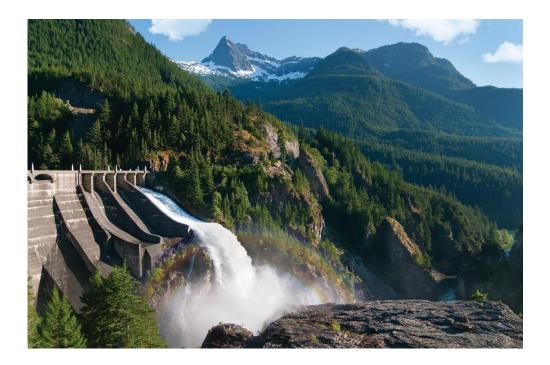
- A top resource choice
  - Lower cost
  - Lower risk
  - Low environmental impact
  - Avoids transmission constraints



#### **Our Conservation Legacy**

Cumulative Energy Savings from Conservation 1979-2024





#### Energy Conservation Targets – State Law

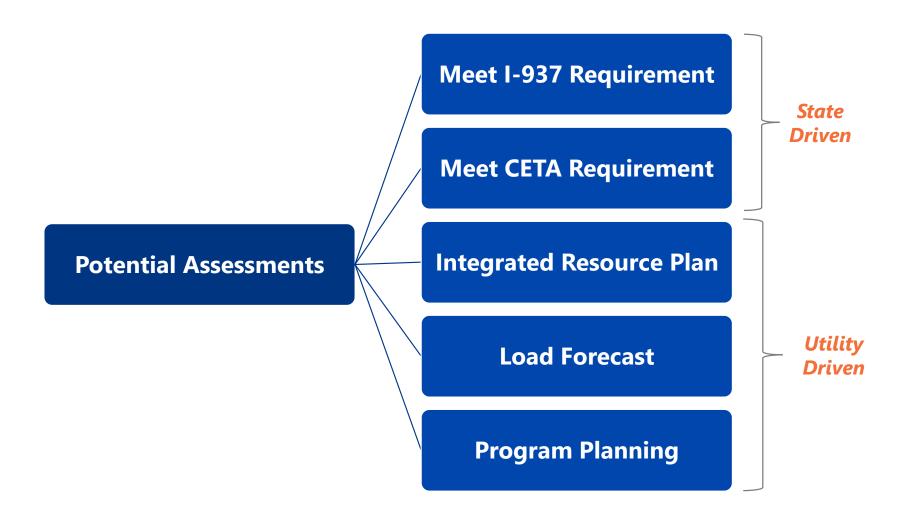
- Required by Washington Energy Independence Act (I-937) and the Clean Energy Transformation Act (CETA)
- Utilities must
  - Pursue "all available conservation that is cost-effective, reliable, and feasible"
  - Set 2-year conservation target, 10-year conservation target, every two years
  - Collect enough conservation to meet the 2-year target

#### How We Calculate Energy Conservation Targets

#### **Potential Assessment Study**

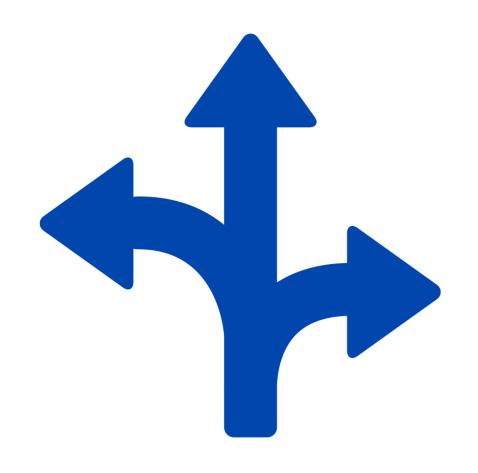
- Identifies the amount, timing, and cost of conservation
- Specific to our service territory
- Weighs against supply-side resources
- Identifies amount of conservation that is 'least-cost'
- Methodology is set by state law

#### Why We Do Potential Assessments



CETA = Clean Energy Transformation Act

## Conservation Targets Change Over Time



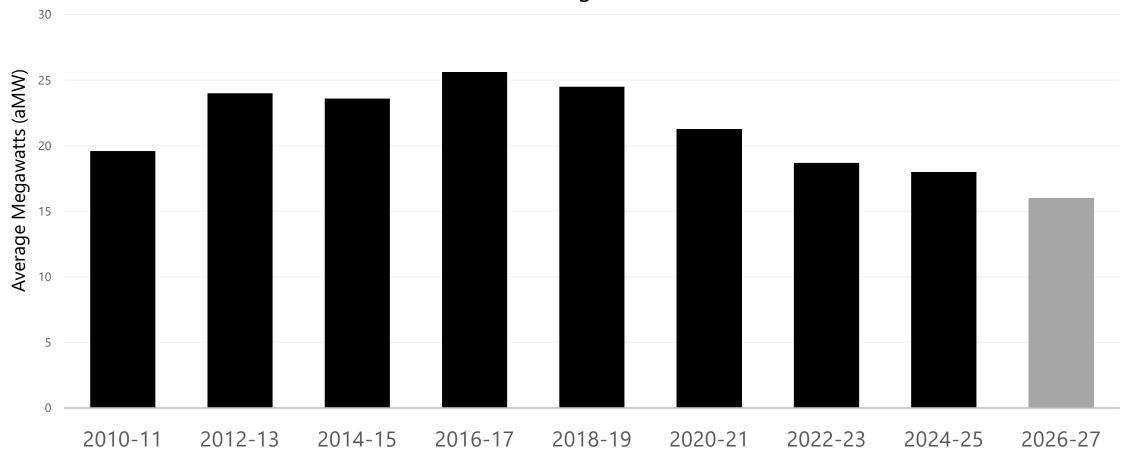
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#### **Drivers of change**

- Market transformation
- Local market conditions
- Government policies

## Conservation Targets Over Time





## Conservation Targets and Achievement Over Time



#### Request: Approve Conservation Targets

#### We request adoption of:

- 2026-2035 (ten-year) conservation target: 78 aMW
- 2026-2027 (two-year) conservation target: 16 aMW
  - (Equivalent energy to ~9,500 homes annually)

		2-Year aMW (2026-2027)
Commercial	62	12
Industrial	6	1
Residential	9	2
Total	78	16



# THANK YOU

