

# **State Experience in Hydrogen Infrastructure in California**



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Hydrogen Infrastructure Market Readiness  
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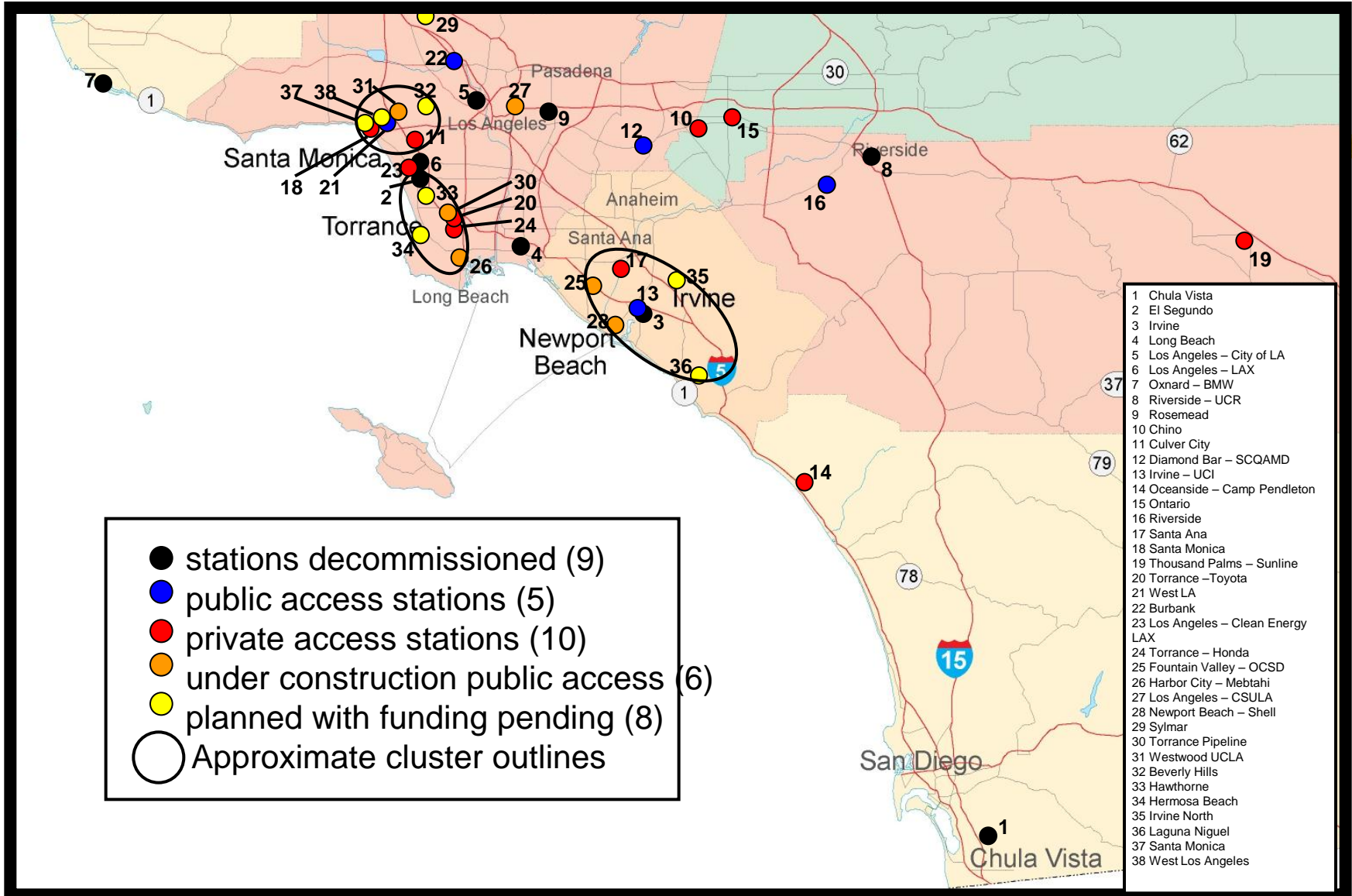
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# Agenda



- California Station History
- Approach for State Solicitations
- Stations under Construction
- Recently Awarded
- Learnings
- Other Considerations that Impact Hydrogen Infrastructure

# Southern California Hydrogen Highway Network Historical Region/Cluster Station Development



# California's Approach to Hydrogen Infrastructure

- Phase I: Focus on major population centers (LA, Bay Area, Sacramento)
- Phase I ideals
  - Match infrastructure to size of vehicle and bus fleets
  - Meet consumer expectations
  - Service centers (economy of scale)
  - Outreach to:
    - Permitting officials
    - Trained first responders
    - Public education

# Solicitations Considerations



- Meets renewable and environmental requirements (averaging allowed)
- Retail like settings 24/7 operation
- Goal of J-2601 700/350 Bar fills
- 60 – 100 kg/day upgradable minimum capacity
- Automakers written statement of specific location support

# **Solicitation Bonus Consideration**



- Greater Capacity
- Greater Performance
- Exceed Renewable Requirement
- Multiple technologies encouraged -extra scoring points for fuel cell energy station integrated w/fueling
- Greater Demand
- Accelerated Construction Timeline

# Current State Funded Stations

| Station Proposer & Location                                      | State Funds (Millions) | Total Cost Estimated (Millions) | Capacity Kg H2/ day | Unique Features  |
|--|------------------------|---------------------------------|---------------------|--|
| <b>Newport Beach - Shell Hydrogen</b>                            | \$1.7                  | \$4.0                           | 100                 | First large capacity, dual pressure fully retail station on West Coast, on-site SMR<br>Multiple simultaneous fuelings  |
| <b>Fountain Valley - APCI, Orange Count Sanitation District</b>  | \$2.7                  | \$8.2                           | 100                 | Co-generating electricity & fuel cell quality hydrogen using high temperature fuel cell<br>Demonstration of waste to electricity & hydrogen<br>100 percent renewable from digester gas |
| <b>Harbor City - Mebtahi Station Services, APCI</b>              | \$1.7                  | \$2.5                           | 100                 | First independent branded (Chevron) station<br>High pressure delivered H2  |
| <b>Los Angeles - UCLA</b>  | \$1.7                  | \$4.3                           | 140                 | Research focused, on-site SMR<br>Will provide needed back up for Santa Monica  |
| <b>Los Angeles – CSULA</b>                                       | \$2.7                  | \$4.4                           | 60                  | 100% renewable station, on-site electrolyses<br>Applied engineering focus  |
| <b>San Francisco Airport - SFO, Linde</b>                        | \$1.7                  | \$2.4                           | 120                 | Mixed use, medium duty airport shuttle and light duty vehicle station<br>Liquid delivery, Includes HCNG  |
| <b>Emeryville – Alameda-Contra Costa County Transit District</b> | \$2.7                  | \$5.6                           | 60                  | First mixed use heavy duty transit/light duty station, on-site electrolysis<br>Light duty is 100% renewable PV   |

**Burbank** – Co-funded continued operation

# Current Awards - Continued

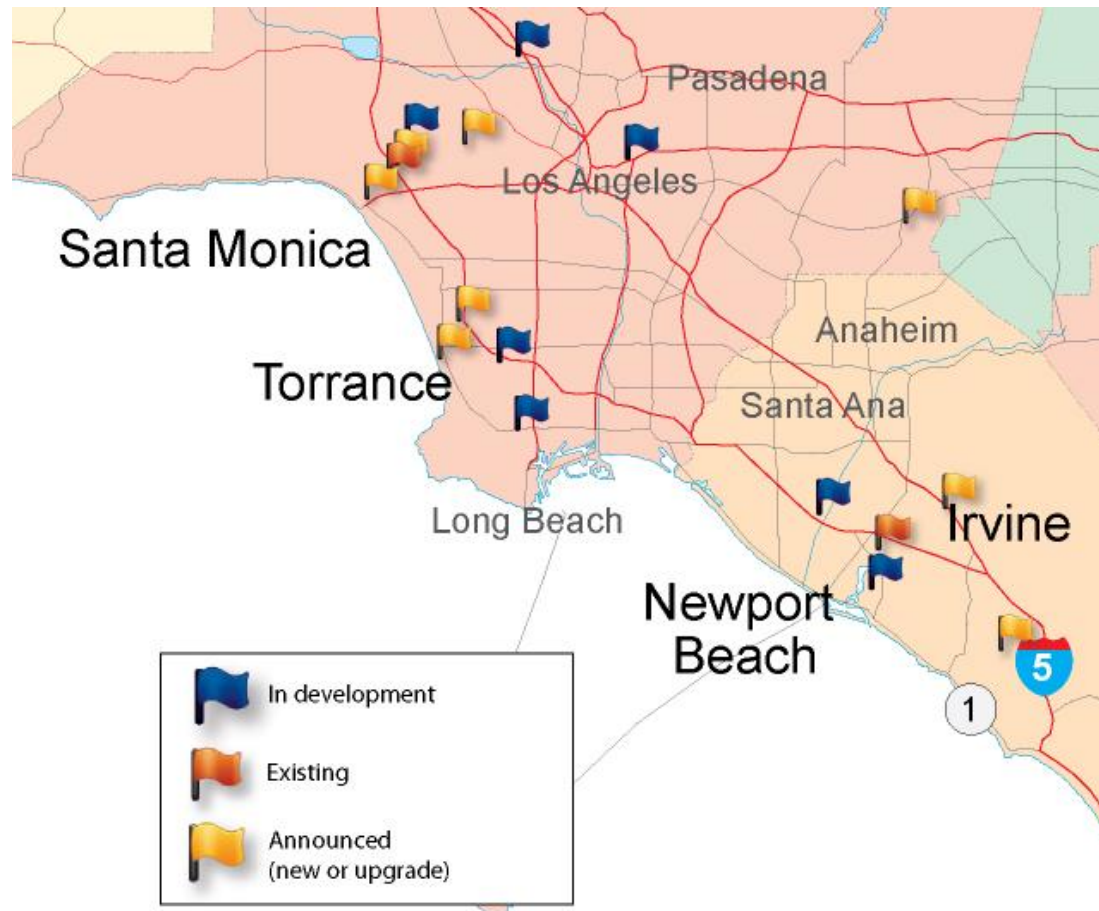
## CEC New Station Awards

| Applicant | Location         | Award  | % Eligible Cost Share |
|-----------|------------------|--------|-----------------------|
| APCI      | N. Irvine        | \$1.4M | 70                    |
| APCI      | Santa Monica     | \$1.5M | 76                    |
| APCI      | Beverley Hills   | \$1.3M | 65                    |
| APCI      | West Los Angeles | \$1.3M | 65                    |
| APCI      | Hermosa Beach    | \$1.5M | 76                    |
| APCI      | Hawthorne        | \$1.2M | 60                    |
| Linde     | W. Sacramento    | \$1.9M | 76                    |
| Linde     | Laguna Nigel     | \$2.0M | 76                    |

Upgrades of U.C. Irvine, Diamond Bar, SFO



# Integrated Infrastructure/Vehicle Rollout Strategy



Map from  
2011  
CaFCP  
Progress  
and  
Actions  
Document

# Learnings and Developments



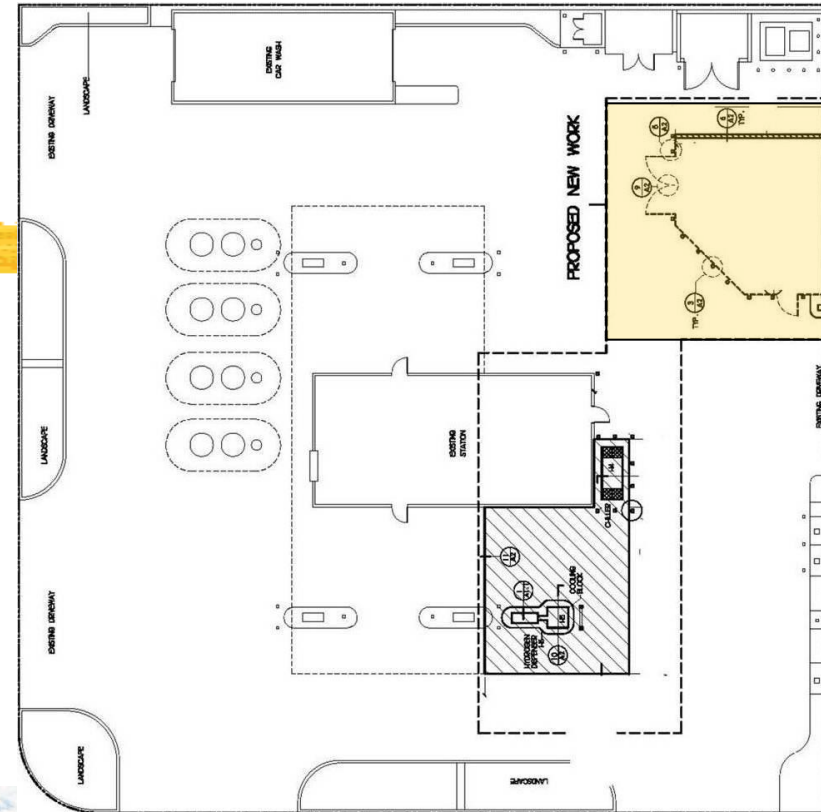
- Two DOE/ARB co-funded stations feature hydrogen pressure vessels, manufactured by FIBA Technologies a design pressure of 15,000 psig.
- 48 months of R&D lead to ASME certification, high pressure storage and quicker fills
- This is a clear example of the process undertaken to move this technology forward in into the forecourt.

# Learnings and Developments Continued



- At least two sites will use commercially available card reader/service (Broadlux) for station access
  - Creates a point of sale system
  - Can play video for training (similar to CNG)
  - Researching use of traditional gasoline dispenser shell for customer familiarity

# Harbor City



## Mebtahi-Chevron

- 100kg/day added to existing station
- Delivered high pressure hydrogen gas = less compression on site
- 350 & 700 bar dispenser
- APCI small footprint for storage & compression (shaded area)



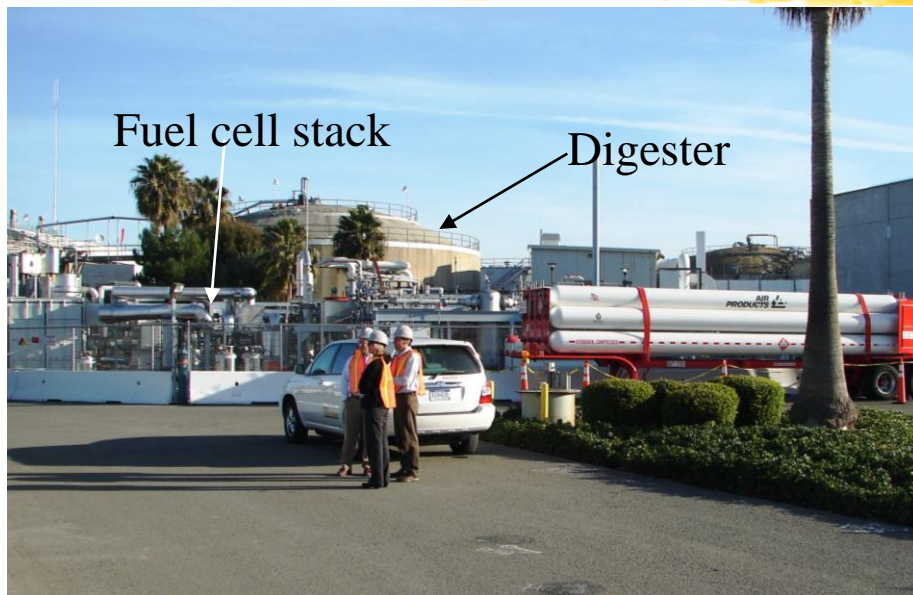
# San Francisco Int'l Airport Modular Hydrogen Station



- Linde delivered liquid/dispensing
- 100+ kg/day medium/light duty fueling
- 20 kg/hour
- 350 & 700 bar hydrogen + Hythane
- ¼ mile off of Highway 101



# Orange Co. Sanitation District Renewable Hydrogen Fueling Station



- Main partners, DOE, ARB, AQMD, FCE and APCI
- Fuel Cell Energy DFC 300 Molten Carbonate FC
- Mode hydrogen fuel, heat (used internally) and power (used on site)
- 100 kg/day minimum/day from ADG or NG
- FC and Station finished, building ADG skid
- FC has run successfully on NG producing H<sub>2</sub> and electricity
- Operational on ADG est. Spring 2011

# Hydrogen Quality and Quantity Standards

- Division of Measurements and Standards (Dept. of Food & Ag) with National Institute of Standards and Technology and Society of Automotive Engineers to develop:
- Dispenser Type approval
  - Develop testing and evaluation practices
  - NIST Handbook 44 (section 3.39) in development
  - General Code A.3 in interim use
- Fuel Quality Standards
  - Develop sampling techniques and test methods

(AB-118 funding from California Energy Commission)

# Summary – California FCEV Rollout from Survey data

| Region/year    | 2011 | 2012 | 2013 | 2014  | 2015-17 |
|----------------|------|------|------|-------|---------|
| All California | 253  | 312  | 430  | 1,389 | 53,000  |
| SCAQMD         | 197  | 240  | 347  | 1,161 | 34,230  |
| LA County      | 104  | 125  | 149  | 484   |         |
| Orange County  | 93   | 115  | 198  | 677   |         |