

ONGOING UTILITY COORDINATION ACTIVITIES

While it is premature to submit preliminary service requests for the divisions in the LADWP service territory, staff provided updated load demand forecasts to LADWP's Distribution Planning team in July. The estimates presented three indicative scenarios that describe future electrified division power needs:

- Unregulated scenario, which does not account for charge management and represents the maximum anticipated site load
- Minimum scenario, which accounts for charge management and represents the lowest possible utility limit for viable operation
- Efficient scenario, which accounts for charge management and represents the least monthly utility cost to Metro.

LADWP staff are reviewing the latest power forecasts.

Staff will continue to closely coordinate with LADWP to identify opportunities to accelerate upgrade timelines, mitigate capacity needs, and minimize the cost of upgrades. Regarding the latter, staff have advocated for LADWP to develop a Charge Ready Transport (CRT)-like incentive program (currently operated by SCE), which covers some of the costs of utility capacity upgrades and charging equipment. Metro has enrolled in SCE's CRT program and expects that the program will deliver \$12.6 million in incentives for Division 9 and El Monte Transit Center alone.

Furthermore, Metro is engaged with LADWP across all departments and levels as working groups negotiate terms for a Master Utility Cooperative Agreement (MUCA). Staff expect the MUCA to be executed in June 2025 and that it will support Metro's efforts to convert the bus fleet to zero-emissions.

Staff are also collaborating with the Los Angeles Mayor's Office, the Los Angeles Cleantech Incubator (LACI), LADWP, SCE, and other local stakeholders to prioritize site planning and grid interconnection for transportation electrification initiatives that support the 2028 Olympic and Paralympic Games. This work is ongoing under the Games Energy Council (GEC) Mobility Electrification Working Group. While many sites and their respective needs remain to be determined, the regional approach will ensure that needs, synergies, and actions support collective efforts and deliver legacy infrastructure.