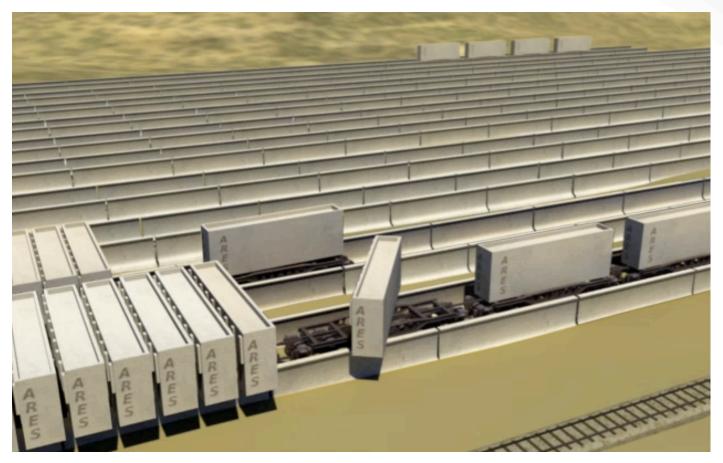


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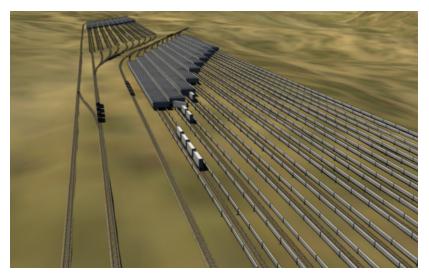
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#### **ARES Overview**

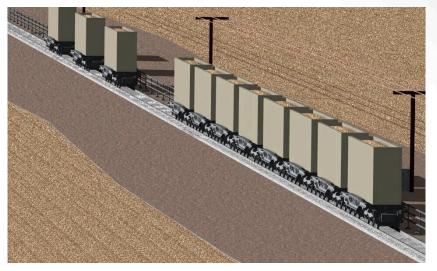


- Breakthrough utility-scale energy storage
- Uses electric trains and masses to store/release potential energy
- ARES stores off-peak energy and releases it when needed
- ARES provides stability to an increasingly unstable electrical grid

#### ARES Energy Storage Technologies



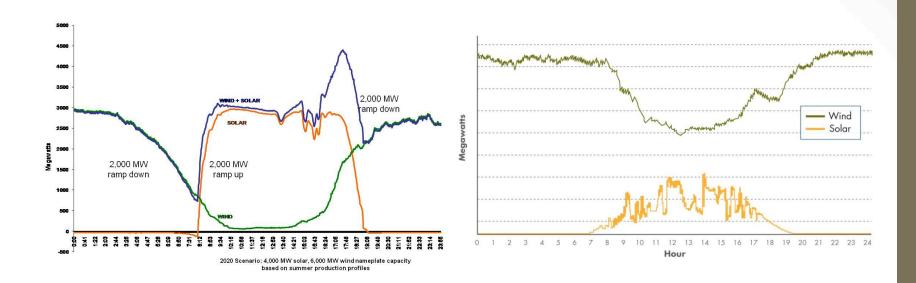
ARES 668MW Energy Storage Facility in SCE Territory



ARES Single Track 50MW Ancillary Services System

ARES is a scalable rail-based energy storage technology which integrates proven state-of-the-art equipment to economically provide grid scale energy storage and ancillary services.

#### ARES Can Solve Difficult Problems



Existing Storage Requirements + Expanding Renewables Integration =

Increasing Need for Energy Storage and Ancillary Services

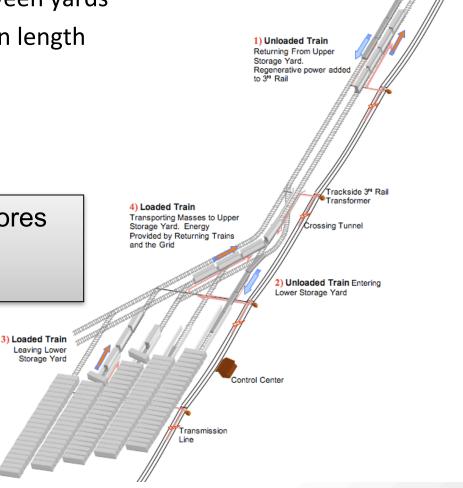
#### How ARES Performs Storage

(333MW with 8 hours storage)

- 2 rail storage yards
- 3 interconnecting tracks between yards
- Track grade of 7.5%; 8 miles in length
- 70 Energy Shuttle Trains

Each Energy Shuttle Trip stores approximately 2 MWh of potential energy

Design will be unique to each site and project/utility requirements



### ARES Energy Storage Performance

Scalability	100 – 3,000 MW
Storage Duration	2 – 24 hours
Response Time (0 to 100% rated power)	5 Seconds to Full Charging 25 Seconds to Full Discharging
Round-Trip Energy Efficiency	~78%
Time from Full Charge to Full Discharge	~30 seconds
Standby Storage Losses	None
System Life	40 years +

#### ARES Fast Response Ancillary Services



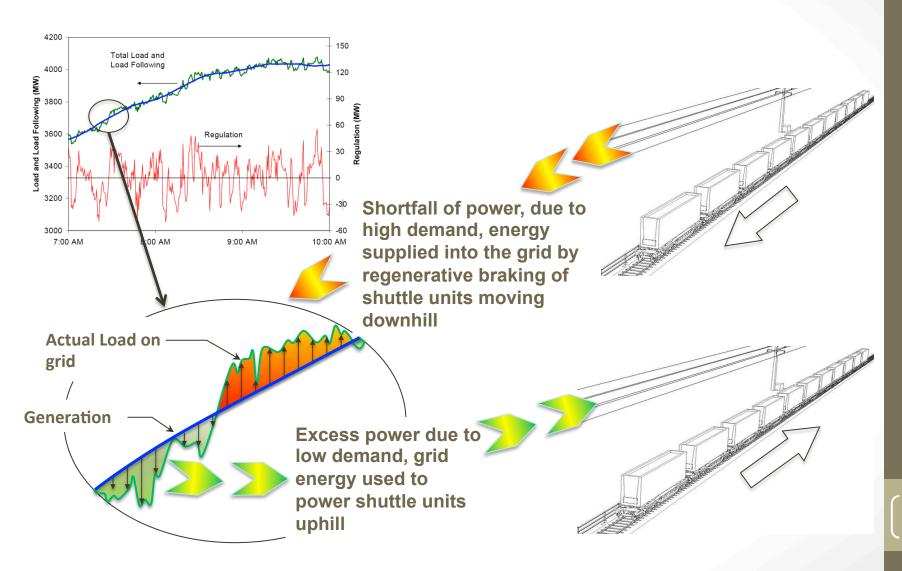
- Ancillary Services are critical gridsupport functions provided by energy storage systems
- They provide short-duration stability to the grid allowing larger and slower responding generation units time to respond to power fluctuations

ARES can provide stand-alone Ancillary Services to stabilize the electric grid:

Voltage, frequency, inertia, etc.



#### How ARES Performs Frequency Regulation



#### ARES 50MW Fast Response Ancillary Services Facility

- Estimated Capital cost ~\$40,000,000 approximately \$780/kW
- 2,000 foot elevation at 9% grade
- Mass travel length 3.6 miles
- 8 4-car shuttle-trains with a maximum speed of 16 mph
- Both power and discharge duration may be increased by adding additional shuttle-trains

### ARES Ancillary Services Performance

Scalability	10 – 200 MW
Storage Duration	15 – 60 minutes
Response Time 0 to 100% Reg-Up Power	< 10 seconds
Response Time 0 to 100% Reg-Dn Power	< 4 seconds
One-way Efficiency	> 93%
Time from Full Charge to Full Discharge	<13 seconds
System Life	40 years +
Standby Storage Losses	None

## ARES Significant Advantages

- **Scalability** -- ARES Energy Storage facilities are scalable from 100MW storage capacity up to large 2-3GW regional energy storage systems.
- Extensive site options -- ARES sites are abundant in in the arid regions coincident with wind and solar resources -- maximizing transmission resources by providing storage at the point of intermittent generation.
- Variable Output at a Constant Efficiency -- An ARES system operates at a constant high-efficiency over its full range of power output regardless of discharge state
- Higher Efficiency -- ARES round-trip energy storage efficiency is ~78%
- Lower Capital Cost -- ARES cost is approximately 60% of an equivalent power pumped-hydro facility
- Lower Operating Cost -- ARES has the lowest operating cost per kWh of comparable technologies
- No Use of Water

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#### ARES 668MW System Animation/Movie



**ARES-Technology** 

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