

# **Austin SHINES Project Update**

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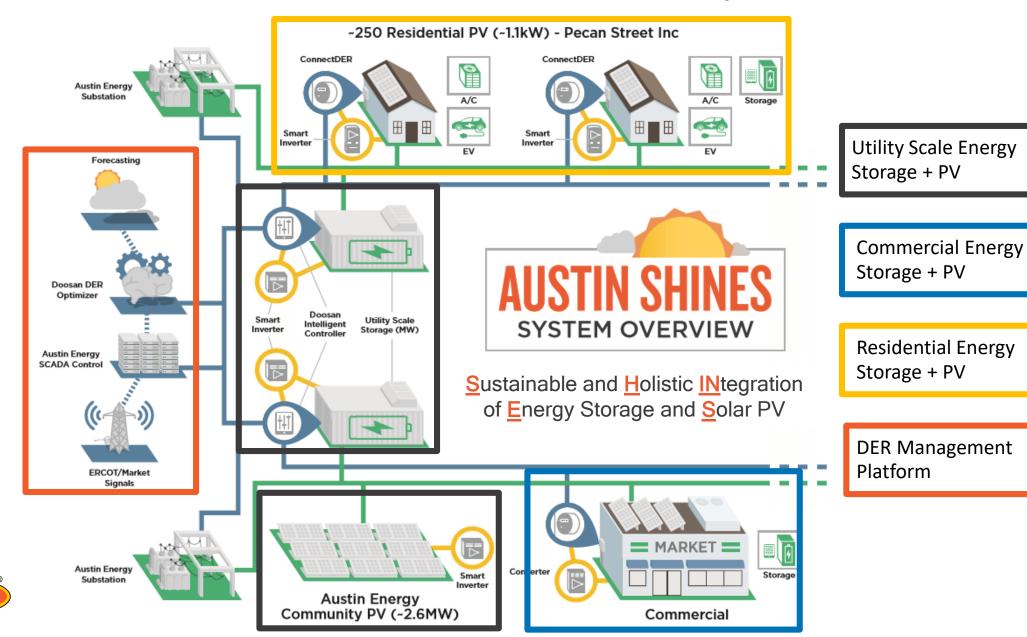
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# Project Description



## The Austin SHINES Concept



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### **Austin SHINES Assets**

#### **Grid Scale**

- Kingsbery Energy Storage System
- Mueller Energy Storage System
- La Loma Community Solar Farm

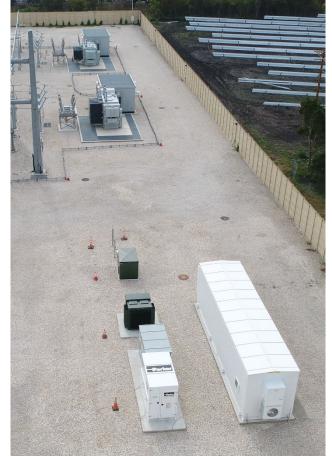
#### **Commercial Scale**

3 Aggregated batteries + existing solar PV

#### **Residential Scale**

- 6 Aggregated batteries + existing solar PV
- 1 Electric Vehicle installed as Vehicle-to-Grid (V2G)
- 12 Utility-Controlled PV Smart Inverters
- 6 Autonomously-Controlled Smart Inverters









# **DER Value Strategies**

Value Streams	Use Case	
Energy Market	Utility Peak Load Reduction	Lower transmission cost obligation
	Day-Ahead Energy Arbitrage	Realize economic value through price differential
	Real-Time Price Dispatch	Realize economic value from real-time price spikes
Grid Reliability —	Voltage Support	Reduce losses and increase solar generation
	Distribution Congestion Management	Increase local grid reliability
Utility Customer —	Demand Charge Reduction	Lower customer bills and realize system benefit



# SHINES Asset 'Value Stack'

DERO Application (application benefit)		Kingsbery ESS (grid-scale)	Mueller ESS (grid-scale)	Agg. PV/ESS (commercial)	Agg. PV/ESS (residential)	Solar PV (residential)
ECONOMIC	Utility Peak Load Reduction (Lower transmission cost obligation)			- <del>;</del> Ö;-	- <del>Ö</del> -	
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# Findings To Date



# **Technical Lessons**



**INTEROPERABILITY:** Lack of industry wide standards for communication & system integration protocols

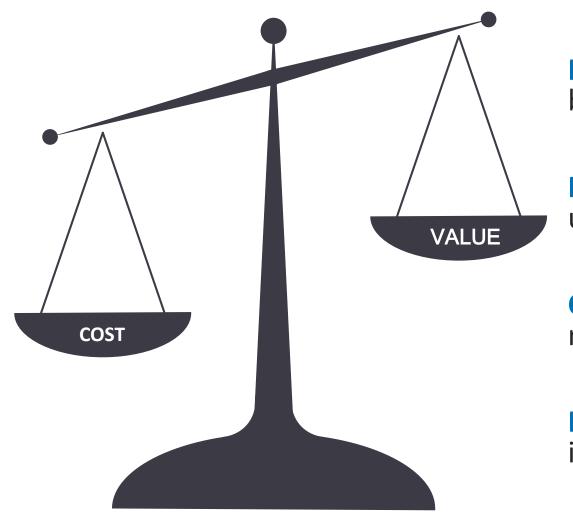
**SIZING:** Optimal system design highly dependent on value application and grid location

**SITING:** Building codes & permitting processes unable to keep pace with DER

**SAFETY:** Development & deployment of emerging technologies can outpace present day safety measures



## **Economic Lessons**



**HOLISTIC CONTROL:** "Value stacking" is possible but prioritization of use cases is critical

**RELIABILITY:** Highly dependent on location and the underlying characteristics of the interconnected grid

**COST vs VALUE:** The value of battery storage does not yet outweigh the costs

LOAD MANAGEMENT: Load management can be impacted utilizing DER, but may not be economical



# Tipping Points Investing at scale in DER and DER Integration







#### **Economic Imperative**

A primary determinant

Deployment costs decrease

Deployment value increasing

Many combinations of variables

#### **Technical Requirements**

A wide range of technology benefits

Should be considered compared to
traditional alternatives

#### Policy Imperatives

Regulatory changes may dictate that storage is the best option

Market changes

Mandates or Incentives





Safety Guidelines



## Where Do We Go From Here?

**Comm Standards** 



Intentional Islanding

Market Development



DERMS Integration

Reliability Value



DER Roadmap



Vendor Partnerships



**Cyber Security** 



#### **Austin SHINES Grant Reporting**

https://austinenergy.com/ae/green-power/austin-shines/final-deliverable-reports

- System Levelized Cost of Electricity (System LCOE)
   Methodology
- 2. Software Platform Product Description
- 3. Optimal Design Methodology
- Ownership and Operation Models for DER System Performance
- 5. Economic Modeling and Optimization
- 6. Fielded Assets









## **DER Whitepaper**

https://austinenergy.com/ae/about/reports-and-data-library/generation-resource-planning-update/euc-resource-planning-working-group

- Written in September 2019
- Used in development of Austin Energy's 2019 Generation
   Resource Plan update
- Summarizes lessons learned & next steps based upon the to date completed SHINES work
- Will serve as an input to DER Roadmap for Austin Energy

