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Hawaii s strong photovoltaic energy storage



Overview

What is Kapolei energy storage?

Plus Power has started operating its Kapolei Energy Storage (KES) facility on Oahu, Hawaii, helping the state in its transition from fossil fuels to solar and wind. The KES project adds 135 MW/540 MWh to the Hawaiian Electric grid, with an additional 50 MW/25 MWh of additional “fast frequency response” to support grid stability.

How many battery energy storage plants will plus power operate in 2024?

By June 2024, Plus Power aims to operate seven large-scale battery energy storage plants, totaling 1325 MW / 3500 MWh, across Arizona and Texas. Mark B. Glick, Hawai'i's Chief Energy Officer, highlighted the project's alignment with the state's commitment to a cleaner, more reliable, and affordable energy system.

What is the 185 MW / 565 MWh battery storage project?

The 185 MW / 565 MWh battery storage project provides load shifting and fast-frequency response services to Hawaiian Electric, enhancing grid reliability and accelerating the integration of readily available renewable energy. KES received approval from the Hawai'i Public Utilities Commission in May 2021.

Could a large grid-scale energy storage project reduce renewables output?

A large grid-scale energy storage project in Hawaii, featuring Tesla Megapacks, could potentially minimize the curtailment of renewables output. Plus Power has started operating its Kapolei Energy Storage (KES) facility on Oahu, Hawaii, helping the state in its transition from fossil fuels to solar and wind.

Are Kes batteries a good investment for Hawaiian Electric?

The KES batteries play a crucial role in reducing the curtailment of renewable energy by 69%, allowing Hawaiian Electric to integrate 10% more new utility-

scale renewables than previously projected. Additionally, the project is estimated to save customers money, reducing electric bills by an average of \$0.28 per month over a 20-year contract life.

What does the Kes battery project mean for Oahu?

Brandon Keefe, Executive Chairman of Plus Power, hailed this achievement as a “landmark milestone in the transition to clean energy.” The KES battery project, spread across 8 acres near Honolulu, brings a total power capacity of 185 megawatts and 565 megawatt-hours of electricity, serving as an electrical “shock absorber” for Oahu’s power grid.

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Kapolei Energy Storage (KES) is ideally located on roughly eight acres of land in Kapolei on the island of Oahu, where it interconnects at a critical Hawaiian Electric substation. The 185 MW / 565 MWh battery storage project provides ...

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