

An aerial photograph of the Salton Sea region. The sea is on the left, with a large solar farm and a power plant situated along its shore. The solar farm consists of numerous rectangular panels, some of which are dark, indicating they are active. The power plant has several smokestacks emitting white plumes. To the right of the solar farm, there are several large, rectangular basins of water, some of which are a deep reddish-brown color, likely due to the presence of halophilic microorganisms. The background shows a vast, flat landscape with distant mountains under a clear blue sky.

# Renewable Energy at the Salton Sea

# Benefits of Geothermal at the Salton Sea

- Air Quality



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- Climate





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- Air Quality
- Climate
- Economic



# Barriers to new geothermal at the Sea



# Task Force Recommendation (1)

*“As part of the implementation of the Clean Energy and Pollution Reduction Act of 2015 (SB 350), the California Energy Commission and the Public Utilities Commission will evaluate how renewables at and around the Salton Sea will further the goals of the integrated resources plans, including a balanced resource mix and the minimization of localized air pollutants.”*



## Task Force Recommendation (2)

*“Within the next year, as part of planning to meet the 2030 greenhouse gas goals, the Public Utilities Commission, the Energy Commission and the Independent System Operator will consider renewable energy opportunities at and around the Salton Sea and the region, and any additional transmission that may be needed for the near term or long term. “*