

RPS Policy

Developments: 2013 and Beyond

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 - Incentives API
 - Incentives Search Widget
 - Incentive Update Alerts
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DISCUSSION OUTLINE

- **Briefing on 2013 Initiatives**
- **Major Enactments/Developments**
- **Looking Forward to 2014**

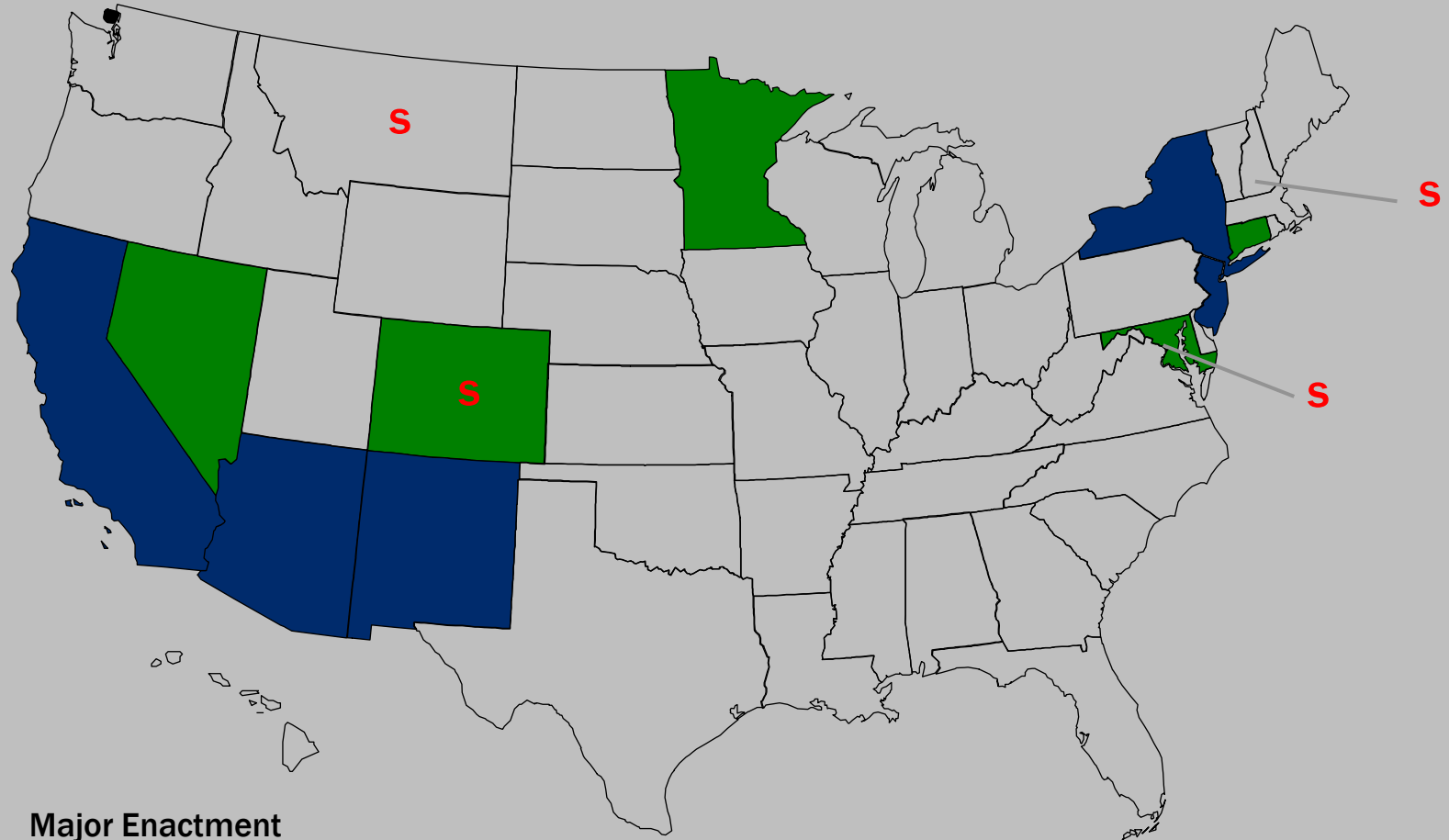
CATEGORIZING 2013 PROPOSALS

Not for the faint of heart...

- **Strengthen vs. Weaken**
- **Demand vs. Supply-Side**
- **Major Categories**
 - **Loosen Hydro Restrictions (14)**
 - **Establish New Standard (17)**


For further details, see our [April 2013 White Paper](#)

2013 HIGH LEVEL ACTION

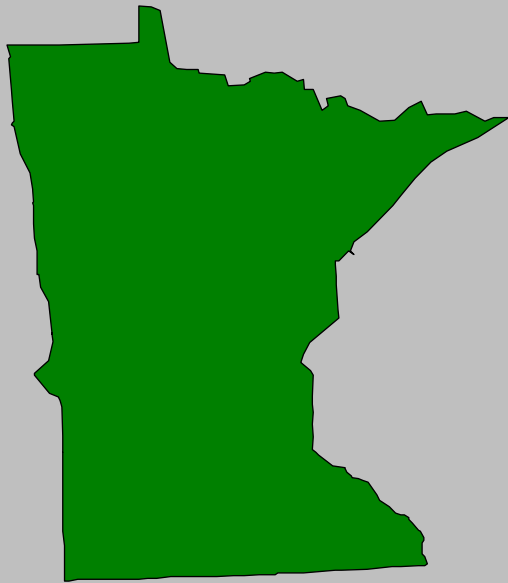


 Major Enactment

 Major Regulatory Proceeding

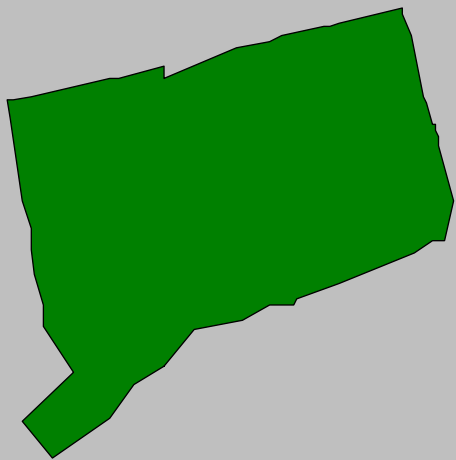
 RPS Study Enactment

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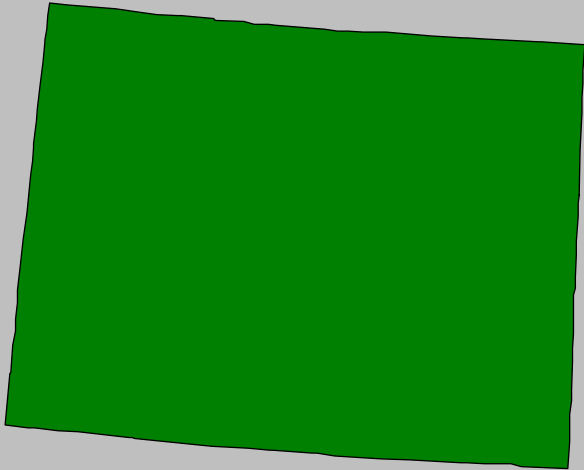
- **1.5% Solar by 2020 (IOUs)**
- **10% from 20 kW or smaller**
- **Supporting programs**
- **REC ownership & eligibility**

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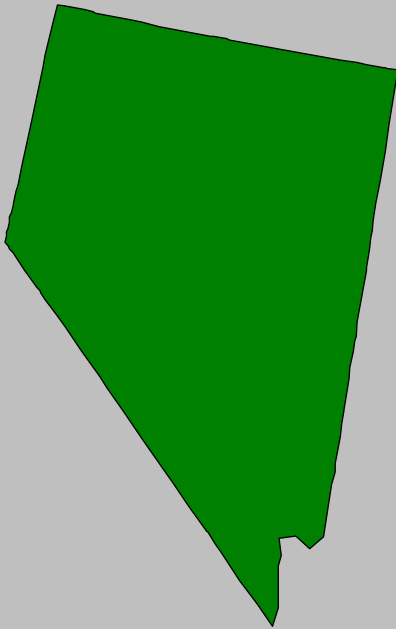
- Hydro limits
- Existing biomass
- Long-term contracts
- REC double-counting
- Large hydro off ramp

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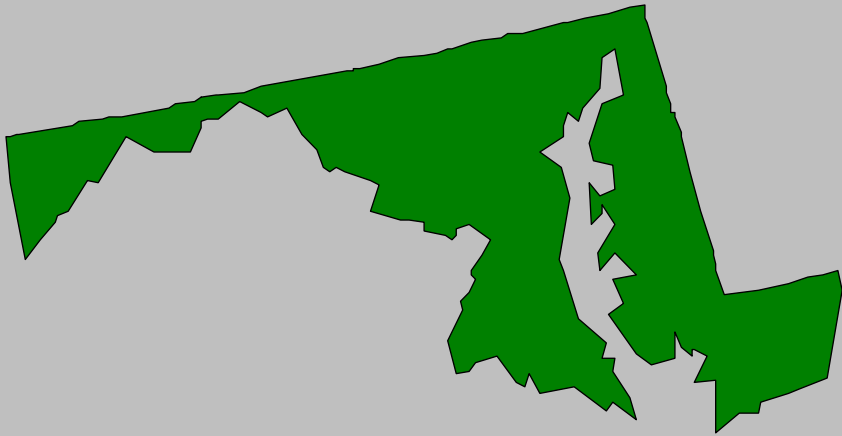
- From 10% → 20% by 2020 for coops
- 0.75% or 1% DG carve-out
- Eliminates in-state preferences
- Coal mine methane

NEVADA



- Lower EE allowances
- Surplus REC sales

MARYLAND



- Offshore wind carve-out of up to 2.5% in 2017
- Associated cost caps

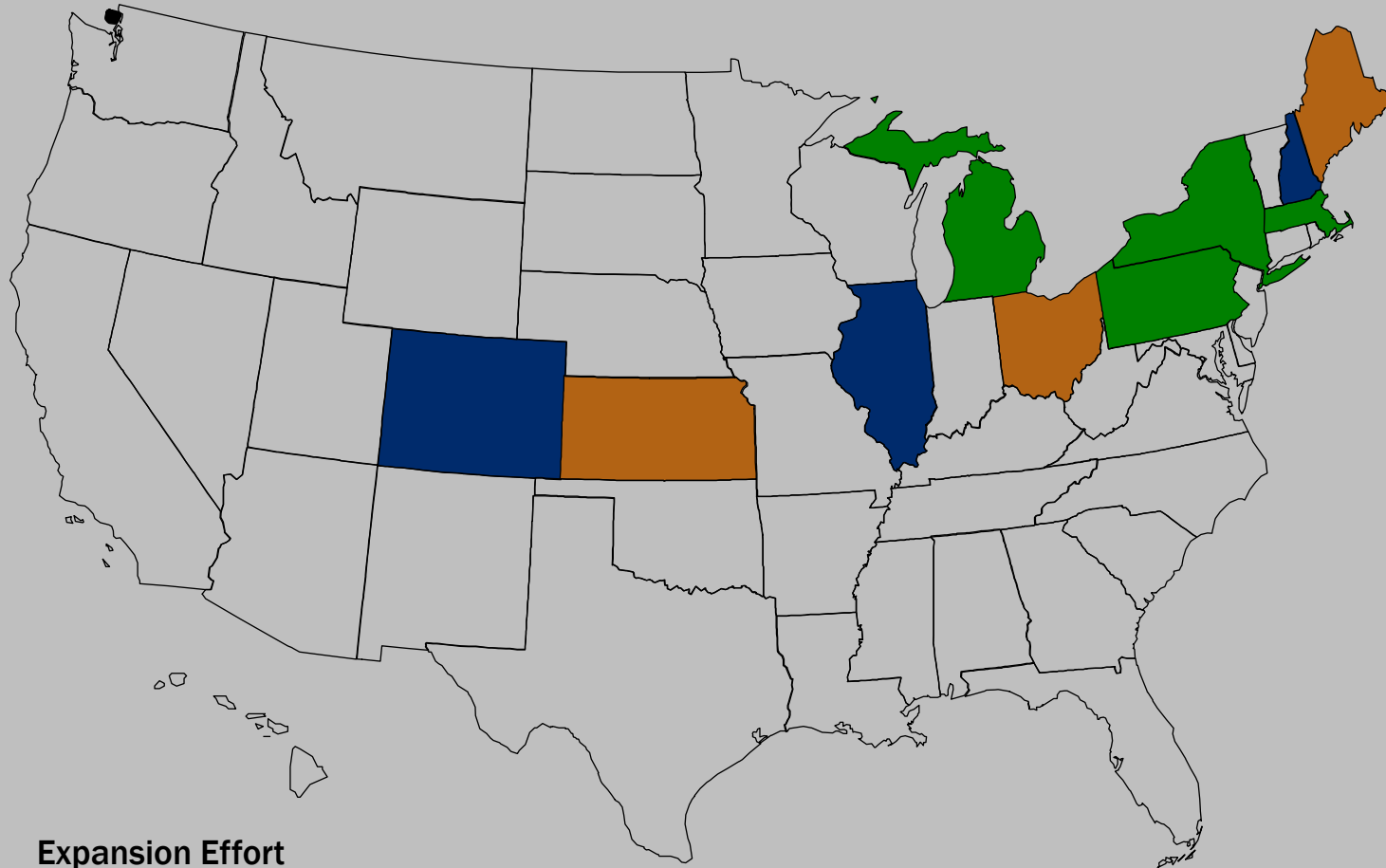
NEW STUDIES


- **Colorado: Executive Order(s) convening coop working group**
- **Maryland: Thermal RE task force**
- **Montana: Broad cost/benefit analysis via legislative council committee**
- **New Hampshire: Future ACP rates, general RPS impacts**

REGULATORY ACTIVITY

- **Arizona: REC transactions, i.e., Track and Record**
- **California: Procurement Expenditure Limits**
- **New Mexico: Resource Diversity Requirements**
- **New Jersey: RPS Obligation Responsibility**
- **New York: NY-SUN; Main Tier Planning**

2014 EXPECTED ACTIVITY



 Expansion Effort

 Repeal/Loosen Requirements

 Fix/Redesign

CONCLUSIONS

- Trend remains towards increased requirements and measured revisions
- Some uncertainties remain for 2013 impacts
- 2014 likely less active than 2013
- Studies may drive further changes
- Costs & cost caps remain key considerations
- Hydropower en vogue

Long term...DG/net metering discussions could be pivotal

QUESTIONS?

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