



Quarterly Technology Area Report (Q3 2024)



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Portfolio Information

A summary of the number of project submissions the program has received between July and September 2024 (Q3), and what project stage and technology area each submission represents can be found in Table 1 below. Also illustrated are the program cumulative totals in each category since the program began in May 2022. Please see the program [Technology Priority Maps](#) (TPMs) to learn more about the technology areas. The latest HVAC, Water Heating, and Whole Buildings TPMs were published on September 1, 2024 and the rest will be published on January 1, 2025. The Lighting TPM will be replaced with the new Portfolio Enhancement TPM.

Overall, during Q3, the team saw a decrease in project submissions from Q2 2024 (9 submissions in Q3 versus 17 submissions in Q2) The “deferred” project classification means these projects will not move forward at this time but will be revisited intermittently to reassess if they meet future program needs and priorities.

Table 1: Project Submission Status Summary by Technology Area

	Q3 vs Cumulative (C)	Number of Projects at Project Stage					Projects Deferred	Project Submissions	
		Completed	Reporting	Implementation	Project Planning	Scanning & Screening			
Technology Areas	Whole Building	Q3	1	1	2	0	0	1	1
		C	9	11	16	0	0	6	67
	HVAC	Q3	0	3	1	0	2	0	3
		C	11	11	28	0	2	7	81
	Water Heating	Q3	1	2	0	1	0	0	1
		C	7	5	12	2	0	3	42
	Process Loads	Q3	0	7	3	2	0	1	3
		C	6	14	18	3	0	9	70
	Plug Loads and Appliances	Q3	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
		C	1	3	5	0	0	2	20
	Lighting	Q3	0	0	1	0	0	1	0
		C	0	0	1	0	0	3	7
	Portfolio Enhancement	Q3	0	0	0	0	1	0	1
		C	0	0	0	0	1	0	1
	Total	Q3	2	13	8	3	3	3	9
		C	34	44	41	5	3	30	288

Figure 1 gives a breakdown of where this quarter’s project and idea submissions came from, classified by submitter type.

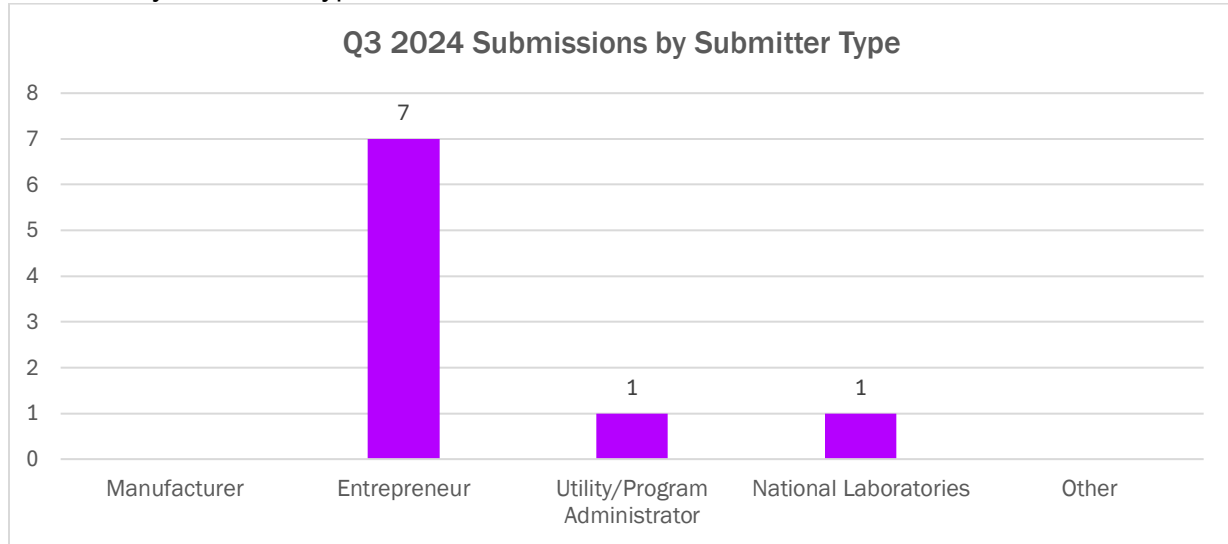


Figure 1: Program participant type

A summary of the number of projects that were selected to move forward, organized by TPM technology area, can be found in

Table 2. Included in this table are the count of projects for this quarter, broken out between technology development research (TDR) and technology support research (TSR) projects.¹

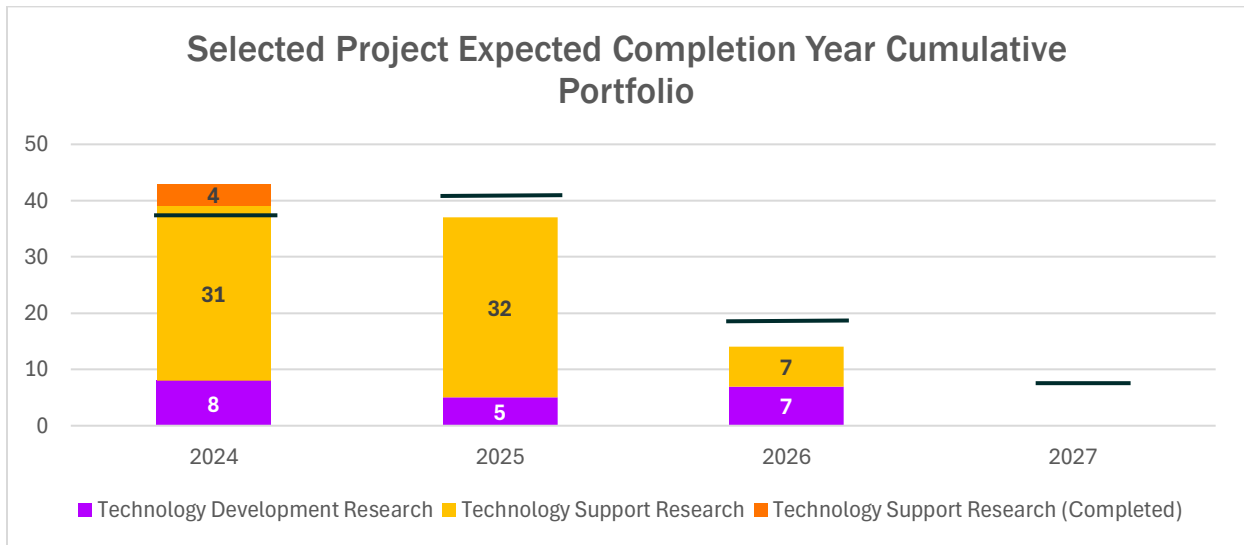
Table 2: Submissions Selected in Q3 by Project Type

Technology Area	Count of Projects by Project Type	
	TDR	TSR
Whole Building	0	0
HVAC	0	0
Water Heating	0	1
Process Loads	0	2
Plugs & Appliances	0	0
Lighting	0	0
Total	0	4

¹ Project type definitions can be found [here](#).

Figure 2 displays a pipeline of projects that CalNEXT expects to be completed in each year of the program based on projects that have been selected for the program portfolio. This figure includes any projects that have been completed. As the figure shows, the program has 43 expected and four completed projects in 2024, 6 more than the required amount to meet 2024’s program targets. The program also needs just 4 additional TDRs with 2025 completion dates to meet 2025’s targets. All final project reports from 2024 and before can be accessed [here](#).

Figure 2: Selected project expected completion year (target number reflected as line)



are over three-quarters of the way to their target.

Table 3 illustrates that by the end of Q3, the 2024 Committed Projects are over three-quarters of the way to their target.

Table 3: Results of 2024 Committed Research Project Portfolio

Research Type	2024 Target	Planned	Actualized	Awaiting Approval*	Percent Actualized
TDR	8	8	7	1	88%
TSR	32	33	30	3	94%
Focused Pilot	3	3	0	3	0%
Total	43	44	37	6	86%

*Projects are selected from both program partner and public submission.

Technology Area Information

Table 4 identifies attributes associated with each of the selected projects from Q3. This includes which TPM technology area and with which subcategory the project aligns, as well as whether the project submission included information about energy efficiency (EE) benefits, disadvantaged communities (DAC) and/or hard-to-reach (HTR) customer benefits, decarbonization (decarb) benefits, and load shifting.

Table 4: Q3 Selected Projects by TPM Subcategory and Attributes

TPM	Submission Name	TPM Subcategory	EE Benefit	DAC/HTR Benefit	Decarb Benefit	Load Shifting
Water Heating	Commercial Kitchen Hot Water System	Commercial Duty Water Heaters	X	X	X	-
	Decarbonization Market Needs Study					
Process Loads	Datacenter Liquid Cooling Market Characterization	Data Centers and Enterprise Computing	X	X	-	X
	Scaling use of R290 in HTR Businesses	Refrigeration, Commercial	X	X	X	-

Table 5: Projects Benefiting DAC and HTR Customers

Project Type	Project Name
TDR	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Advanced Multifamily EV Load Management System Aerosol Sealing of Existing Attics and Crawlspace Hybrid RTU Market Potential for Heat Pump Assisted Hot Water Systems in Food Service Facilities Mobile and Manufactured Housing Market Characterization Study Residential Multi-Function Heat Pump: Laboratory Testing - UC Davis WCEC Residential Multi-Function Heat Pumps: Heat Exchanger Improvement - UC Davis Residential Multi-Function Heat Pumps: Project Search* Solar Assisted HVAC Market Study

Project Type	Project Name
TSR	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 120V Induction Stoves with Battery Back-Up • All-Electric Commercial Kitchen Electrical Requirements Study • Central Heat Pump Water Heating Control Optimization • Comfort Impacts of Partial Coverage ASHPs • Commercial and MF CO2 based Heat Pump Water Heater Field Demonstration • Commercial Kitchen Hot Water System Design Guide • Compressed Air End-Use Air Management System • Cooling and Dehumidification for Indoor Farming • Double Duct Packaged Terminal Heat Pump Field Demonstration • Electric Infrastructure Upgrades Alternatives Study for Manufactured Housing • Emergency Replacement Heat Pump Water Heater Market Study • Enhanced Normalized Metered Energy Consumption Analysis with Rapid Interventions • Field demonstration of electric clothes dryer controller • Harvesting Mid-size Industrial BRO Savings • HVAC Capacity Controller • HVAC Thermal Energy Storage System (TESS) • Increasing Heat Pump Water Heater Deployment • Integrated HVAC RTU Remote Monitoring Systems • Lab Research of Electric Conveyor Ovens • Low-Income Multifamily Housing Characteristics Study • Market Study of Household Electric Infrastructure Upgrade Alternatives for Electrification • Master Mixing Valve Field Study • Multifamily Domestic Hot Water Recirculation Survey • Multifamily In-Unit Heat Pumps • New CFS Measure Prioritization • Overcoming Key Barriers to Electrification of Foodservice Hot Water in California • Packaged Central CO2 Heat Pump Water Heater Multifamily Demonstration • ProGreen R744 Chiller System • Refrigeration Capacity Load Matching • Residential Housing Characteristics Study • Restaurant Field Monitoring • Smart Controls for Data-Driven Indoor Agriculture Field Evaluation • Variable Refrigerant Flow (VRF) Refrigerant Management Market Assessment • Wastewater Treatment SB1383 Compliance Characterization

Table 5 above includes the projects from the program lifetime, broken down between TDR and TSR, that have been identified as benefiting DAC and HTR customers.

The goal of publishing this report is to provide transparency into the CalNEXT portfolio and summarize the program’s key focus areas. Future quarterly reports will be updated to show the progress being made from quarter to quarter. Updates to TPMs or the program priorities and future requests for information will be published on the [CalNEXT website](#).