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STATE HITS RECORD FOR CLEAN ENERGY



Shiloh Wind Power Plant turbines are bathed in red light by the sun in the Montezuma Hills of Solano County. Solar, wind, hydropower and other carbon-free sources hit a new mark in 2023, according to a state panel. **JOSE CARLOS FAJARDO — STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER**

Solar, wind, other renewable sources at 67% of retail electricity supply

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California has hit a new record for clean energy.

Solar, wind, hydropower and other carbon-free sources made up 67% of the state’s retail electricity supply in 2023, the most recent year that data is available, according to new statistics released Monday by the California Energy Commission.

The total is up from 2022, when it was 61%. It exceeds the prior record of 64%, set in 2019.

Under a state law signed by former Gov. Jerry Brown in 2018 aimed at reducing air pollution and greenhouse gas emissions that are contributing to climate change, California is required to reach 100% renewable and carbon-free electricity by 2045.

Solar, wind, geothermal, large hydropower, biomass and nuclear energy are allowed to count under the law.

“This is a major milestone on our journey to a 100% clean energy future” said David Hochschild, chairman of the California Energy Commission. “Two-thirds

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STATES SEEK \$6 BILLION

California sues for education funding

Bonta says government’s freeze hurting summer schools and migrant kids

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California Attorney General Rob Bonta joined officials from 23 other states and the District of Columbia in suing the federal government Monday for the release of more than \$6 billion in federal education funding that they say never arrived, including \$939 million for California.

Bonta, a Democrat, filed the legal challenge in the U.S. District Court for the District of Rhode Island, he said in an announcement with attorneys general from Colorado, Massachusetts and Rhode Island.

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50-DAY PEACE DEADLINE

U.S. threatens Russia with steep tariffs

Trump also says U.S. will up its Ukraine weapons supply

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WASHINGTON — President Donald Trump on Monday threatened Russia with steep tariffs and announced a rejuvenated pipeline for American weapons to reach Ukraine, hardening his stance toward Moscow after months of frustration about unsuccessful negotiations for ending the war.

The latest steps reflect an evolving approach from the Republican president, who promised to swiftly resolve the war started by Russian President Vladimir Putin when he invaded Ukraine three years ago. Trump once focused his criticism on Ukrainian President Volodymyr Zelenskyy, whom he described as unwilling to compromise, but more recently has expressed growing irritation toward

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MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL

Pitching staff has Giants in the hunt entering second half

Staff keeping team afloat while the offense looks to pick up pace at the plate

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SAN FRANCISCO — It was after the Giants swept the Houston Astros in early April that Landen Roupp delivered a message to the baseball world.

“If you don’t know by now, we’re pretty good,” Roupp said, “and we’re going to be good.”

That was before they started the season 8-1, racing out to their best start since 2003.

That was before president of base-

ball operations Buster Posey shook up the roster amid an offensive cold spell.

That was before Posey made a shocking move weeks before the trade deadline by acquiring Rafael Devers from the Boston Red Sox — and inheriting nearly \$250 million worth of salary.

That was before Heliot Ramos’ walk-off Little League home run and Patrick Bailey’s walk-off inside-the-park homer and Wilmer Flores’ three-homer barrage.

There are many ways to describe the Giants’ first half. Boring does not apply. “We’ve put ourselves in a position where, starting in the second half, our objective and where we want to go is still attainable,” manager Bob Melvin said.

The Giants enter the All-Star break

with a 52-45 record and sit in third place in the National League West. They’re six games behind the Los Angeles Dodgers for first place in the division and a half game behind the San Diego Padres for the NL’s third and final wild card. San Francisco is outperforming preseason expectations, and a run at the postseason is well within the realm of possibility.

This team has been anchored by its pitching staff. The Giants’ 3.50 earned-run average ranks first in the National League and third in all of baseball. Their bullpen’s 3.14 ERA is the best in the game. It should come as no surprise, then, that the Giants’ three All-Stars — Logan Webb, Robbie Ray and Randy

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Willy Adames douses Giants teammate Heliot Ramos as they celebrate a 9-5 victory over the Boston Red Sox on June 22. **JOSE CARLOS FAJARDO — STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER**

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