Megawatt by megawatt, Moran’s projects reduce reliance on coal and the byproducts that contribute to climate change. “Ninety-nine megawatts can power a neighborhood in L.A. A megawatt will go a long way,” Moran said. “So each time you add one MW, you are chipping away at the carbon, so it’s meaningful.”

He recently represented JP Morgan Chase & Co. in a $75 million investment in Sustainable Power Group for 10 separate solar projects to be funded over an eight-month period. Together, they will generate over 80 MWs of capacity for Southern California Edison and Pacific Gas & Electric.

The deal is unique and one of the first of its kind because it involves investing in smaller utility facilities.

“They were small utility diversified type facilities with two to five MWs. For utility-scale, that’s small,” Moran said. “But it’s actually attractive because it diversifies the risk with respect to the location and the power purchaser.”

One industry trend Moran is most excited about is the merger of the technology and energy sectors.

“I actually think this is an explosive space to be in and [Wilson Sonsini] is right in the middle of it,” he said. “We have so much great innovation in California and Silicon Valley as folks focus on delivering power in a cost efficient manner and without carbon. That’s where we see opportunity, and growth, and excitement and solutions.”

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