# CAEECC Quarterly Meeting #37

February 22, 2023 | 11:30 AM - 1:30 PM PT

Hosted by California Energy Efficiency Coordinating Committee (CAEECC)

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## Agenda

11:30	Welcome, Agenda, Introductions & Housekeeping
11:35	Session 1: 2023 CAEECC Planning
12:35	Session 2: Wrapping Up Main Assembly
12:45	Session 3: Optional Assembly: Relevant Updates
1:30	Adjourn

We will be asking for Member input and/or approval on the following:

- 1. Evolving CAEECC WG (slides 32-34)\* input & approval on scope priority & sequence, and approval to launch the WG regardless of compensation (slide 35)\*
- Meeting locations (slides 37-40) input

Topics with an \* represent those that we will also open up for Public input.

## **Meeting Goals**

1

Provide update on **CAEECC membership** and activities

2

Discuss planning for **Evolving CAEECC WG** 

3

Provide update on other relevant proceedings and activities

#### **Introductions**

What's something that inspires you?

In the chat, please introduce yourself with your:

- Name and pronouns
- Organization
- Answer to the Icebreaker question

## Housekeeping

- Zoom etiquette
- Public Input
- Meeting Norms and Ground Rules
- Facilitator Emails

## **Zoom Etiquette**

#### Before meeting starts

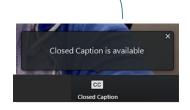
- Log on a few minutes early, if possible, to ensure your technical connection is working.
- CAEECC Members will be promoted to panelists; all other attendees will be in listen-only mode but able to raise their hand to speak when invited.
- o **Rename** your Participant Name to include your Organization & Pronouns
- Share your video if possible this fosters engagement and helps mimic an in-person meeting setting (will only be available for panelists).

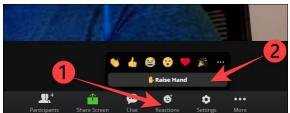
#### Throughout meeting

- Mute yourself when you're not speaking.
- Members: Raise your hand to enter the queue to speak—then wait for the Facilitator to call on you.
- Closed captioning available

#### When to use the chat

- Chat everyone: "+1", share resources, ask non-substantive questions,
- Chat Suhaila: share anonymous concerns
- CAEECC Members asked to raise their hand and speak if they have substantive input





## **Public Input**

#### Welcome Members of the Public!

You can participate by sharing feedback at any point in the meeting via the chat.

- Facilitators will elevate public feedback as and when appropriate.
  - One dedicated Public input opportunities as indicated on the agenda: Session 1 Topic 4 (Evolving CAEECC WG Updates)
  - Email <u>susan@raabassociates.org</u> with subject line "Public comment" before 10:45am so
     Susan can unmute you and add you to the queue

#### **CAEECC's Ground Rules**

- Attend all meetings (or send designated alternate)
- Do your homework (complete pre-and post-meeting work to ensure productive meetings and that a complete deliverable is finalized)
- Facilitation team posts materials 5 days before the meeting
- If there are recommendations you don't agree with, propose alternatives or think creatively to try to bridge the gap

See Goals, Roles & Responsibilities for the full list of Ground Rules:

https://www.caeecc.org/caeecc-info

## **Meeting Norms**

- Make space, take space (share the mic).
- Stories shared here stay here; what is learned here leaves here.
- Share your unique perspective: share your unpopular opinion.
- Generative thinking: "yes, and" instead of "yes, but".
- Listen from the "We", speak from the "I".
- Offer what you can; ask for what you need.
- Be inquisitive.
- Assume best intent and hold each other accountable.
- Be empowered to share impact.

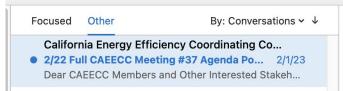
Creating a space of inclusion and diversity

## **Facilitator Emails**

Quick tutorial to ensure CAEECC emails don't get overlooked by gmail or outlook settings

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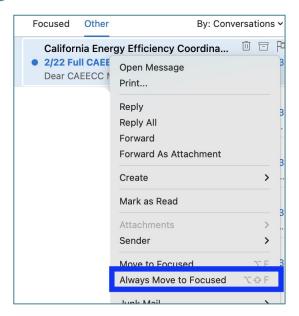
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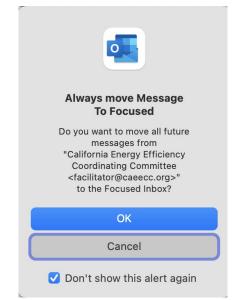
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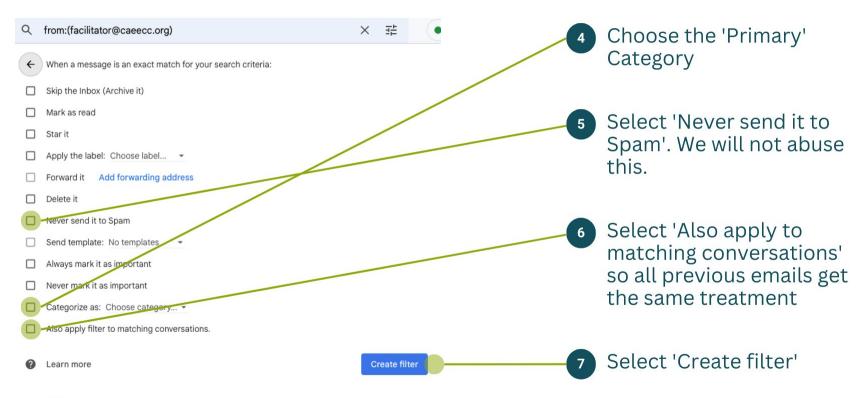
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Updates
Updates
Forums (15 new)

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Feb 1

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Optional. If you're an organization junkie, add a label like 'CAEECC' so it will always be tagged through the 'Apply the label' feature

## Session 1: 2023 CAEECC Planning

Goals: Provide update on CAEECC membership and activities; Discuss planning for Evolving CAEECC WG

- 1. Membership update: CARB and CalPA
- 2. 2022 Annual Evaluation Summary
- 3. Compensation Pilot update
- 4. Evolving CAEECC WG update & discuss scope priority & sequence\*
- Discuss next steps/planning based on results of zoom poll on option of hybrid meetings with north and south locations
- 6. Summarize Next Steps

\*Public input opportunity

## **CAEECC Membership Update**

#### CalPA and CARB

California Air Resources Board (CARB) has joined CAEECC as an ex-officio! We are excited to have such an intersectional, interagency representation on CAEECC!

CalPA is taking a "sabbatical" for 2023. In the interim, they will serve as an interested public stakeholder. We are thankful for all of CalPA's continued contributions and participation

#### What does this mean for CAEECC?

CAEECC now has 21 Members, including 10 PAs, 5 government entities, 5 implementers, and 4 advocates

As agreed upon in November 2022, new membership is on pause for 2023.

# Composition So

## Facilitation Team

Birch Road Consulting, Common Spark Consulting

#### Advocates - 4

- 1. Small Business Utility
  Advocates
- Natural Resources Defense Council
- Labor Management Cooperation Committee
- 4. Sheet Metal Workers Local 104

#### **Implementers - 5**

- California Energy Efficiency +
   Demand Council
- 2. Center for Sustainable Energy
- 3. CodeCycle
- 4. San Joaquin Valley Clean Energy Organization
- 5. The Energy Coalition

#### **Co-Chairs**

1 PA: PG&E 1 Non-PA: NRDC

## Program Administrators (PA) - 10

- Investor-owned Utilities (4):
   PG&E, SCE, SDG&E, SoCalGas
- Regional Energy Networks (4):
   3CREN, BayREN, I-REN,
   SoCalREN
- Community Choice Aggregators (2): MCE, RCEA

#### **Government - 5**

- 1. San Francisco Environment
- 2. Local Government Sustainable Energy Coalition

#### Ex Officio

- 1. California Air Resource Board
- 2. California Public Utilities Commission
- 3. California Energy Commission

## **2022 Annual Evaluation Summary**

#### **About Evaluations**

#### **Notes**

- Facilitator scope of work calls for Facilitator to "Conduct annual feedback survey to determine opportunities for improvement"
- Although this is an annual evaluation, the CAEECC Facilitation Team switched mid-year and the new contract began in August 2022
- Focus was on digesting the rich responses from existing surveys
- Below is the rating scale used in the evaluations



## 2022 Lookback

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Question	11/29	10/19	6/22	4/12	3/17	Average
Overall, this Full CAEECC meeting was successful.	5.0	5.0	5.1	4.6	4.9	4.9
Objectives of the meeting were clearly articulated on the agenda.	5.3	5.3	5.3	4.9	5.3	5.2
Objectives of the meeting were accomplished.	5.1	5.1	5.1	4.5	4.8	4.9
Presentations and background documents were clear and helpful.	5.3	5.3	5.2	5.1	5.0	5.2
CAEECC Members (including PAs) were flexible in seeking outcomes that were potentially mutually agreeable, where applicable.	5.0	5.0	5.2	4.7	4.9	5.0
The facilitators were effective in running the meeting (e.g., fostering a constructive and efficient forum, being impartial, and making sure no one dominated discussions).	5.5	5.5	5.4	5.3	5.1	5.4
Overall, the online meeting format (WebEx) was smooth and effective.	5.2	5.2	5.3	4.9	4.9	5.1

## Q1: Meeting Objectives

Question(s)	Average Across 5 Mtgs	Range Across 5 Mtgs
Objectives of the meeting were clearly articulated on the agenda.	5.2	4.9 - 5.3
Objectives of the meeting were accomplished.	4.9	4.5 - 5.1

- Virtually everyone who commented felt that the meeting objectives were clear.
- However, some felt that on occasion, the objectives were overly ambitious for the timeframe and weren't fully achieved.
- In particular, some were frustrated that there was insufficient time for thorough discussions on certain issues/topics.
- A few also commented that on certain issues/topics, while the objectives in the agenda may have been clear, the objectives seemed to shift during the course of the meeting

## Q2: Presentations & background documents

Question	Average Across 5 Mtgs	Range Across 5 Mtgs
Presentations and background documents were clear and helpful.	5.2	5.0 - 5.3

- Most of the comments on this question were that presentations and background documents are generally clear, comprehensive, and helpful.
- However, there were two exceptions for some commenters
  - o some felt that the PA presentations on Biz Plans were not sufficiently detailed to be useful; and
  - one felt that ED's presentation on CAEEC's future with greater JEDI focus could have been clearer.
- Numerous people also commented that slides were often too wordy, and the slides should be more dynamic.

## Q3: Member flexibility (including PAs)

Question	Average Across 5 Mtgs	Range Across 5 Mtgs
CAEECC Members (including PAs) were flexible in seeking outcomes that were potentially mutually agreeable, where applicable.	5.0	4.7 - 5.2

- The most common comment was that when a meeting topic (and sometimes entire meeting) did not have a clear objective of agreement/solution seeking that there wasn't a need for Members to demonstrate flexibility (so the question was really not applicable).
- Generally when there was a topic/issue where agreement was being sought, most of those who commented generally felt that Members were open-minded, listened, and were constructive.
- However, some felt that certain Members seemed dug in and inflexible (e.g., weren't going to agree to anything with an incremental cost or had strong emotional feelings about an issue)

### **Q4: Facilitation**

Question	Average Across 5 Mtgs	Range Across 5 Mtgs
The facilitators were effective in running the meeting (e.g., fostering a constructive and efficient forum, being impartial, and making sure no one dominated discussions).	5.4	5.1 - 5.5

- Many members expressed appreciation for facilitation open-mindedness, flexibility, and objectiveness
- Many felt facilitators do a good job keeping the meetings on schedule and task, but some commented that facilitator may need to cut some people off at times
- Some stated that the hand-off between facilitators at meetings, and with the new facilitation team has gone relatively smoothly
- Suggestion to shorten background info (in meeting intro and each topic) participants are supposed to come prepared

## **Q5: Online meeting format**

Question	Average Across 5 Mtgs	Range Across 5 Mtgs
Overall, the online meeting format (Zoom) was smooth and effective	5.1	4.9 - 5.3

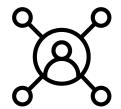
- Many remarked that they prefer Zoom over WebEx
- Some expressed their desire to meet in person, while others expressed their appreciation for online meetings
- Despite some technical glitches, overall no major concerns with Zoom platform

### **Meeting success**

Question	Average Across 5 Mtgs	Range Across 5 Mtgs
Overall this Full CAEECC meeting was successful	4.9	4.6 - 5.1

- Some commented that meetings were successful, especially considering often "ambitious objectives, and often diverging perspectives"
- Recommendations included being clearer about both objectives for each topic and for next steps, as well as continuing to seek ways to increase engaged within CAEECC and with the public

## **Overall suggestions**







#### **Engagement**

- Seek ways to get quiet people to speak up including round robin in alphabetical order;
- Use polls to get more universal input on topic

#### **Timing**

- Have "less stuff [on agenda] but more depth [on each topic]"
- Include breaks at least every
   90 min even just for 5 min
- Make solicitation update as slides only not walkthrough
- Break up meetings into smaller chunks to increase attendance

#### **Scheduling**

Further out from large filings (unclear if this means mtgs related to Biz Plan/applications should be further before filings, or if filings in general make CAEECC mtg attendance challenging)

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## **Overall suggestions**





Ask parties if they have known issues based on distributed materials so can better allocate meeting time (note we sort of do this but maybe worth discussing)



#### **Audience**

Think about what's helpful to each type of member vs stakeholders/public



#### **Technology**

Encourage a "unified approach to participant videos"

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## **Compensation Pilot Update**

## What's happening with the Compensation Pilot

## Funding Authorization Pending

Possible update Q1 2023

## **Application Review Cohort**

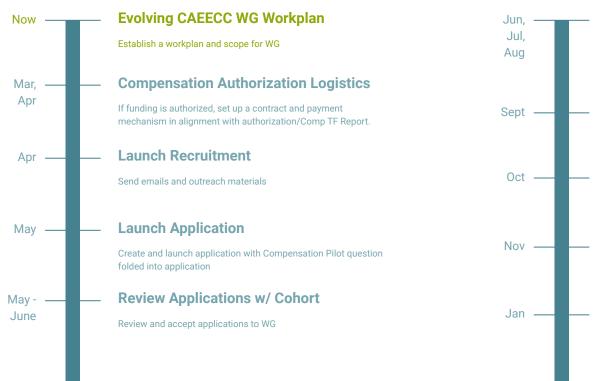
The Facilitation Team
plans to pursue the
recommended
outreach for the
Evolving CAEECC WG
membership

## Member Application + Recruitment

The Facilitation Team will work to finalize the Evolving CAEECC WG application in such a way that an application for Compensation could be easily added in the future

## **Evolving CAEECC WG**

## What's next with Evolving CAEECC WG (tentative)





#### What's next with E



## **Discuss Scope Priority & Sequence**

As discussed at the 11/30/2022 CAEECC meeting, we are soliciting feedback from CAEECC Members and the Public on the sequence of topics (from the Prospectus) that the Working Group covers. Feedback from today's discussion will be shared with Working Group members for their input and consideration.

Prospectus is available here: <a href="https://www.caeecc.org/11-30-22-full-caeecc-mtg">https://www.caeecc.org/11-30-22-full-caeecc-mtg</a>

#### Phase I

1. Purpose, Objectives, Scope of CAEECC

#### Phase II

- Composition/Representation and Eligibility (CAEECC and WGs)
- Compensation
- Competency Building
- Recruitment & Retention

#### Phase III

- Facilitation
- Accountability & Reporting
- Additional Topics as needed

## Public Input and CAEECC Discussion

- 1. Any input on WG Scope Priority & Sequence?
- 2. If the CPUC hasn't yet indicated through a Proposed Decision that it will authorize the Compensation Pilot funding by March 17<sup>th</sup> (or if they reject such compensation), do we have CAEECC member approval to launch the Evolving CAEECC WG anyway? The Facilitation Team and Co-chairs would create a plan to engage as many of the voices as we sought to include through the Compensation Pilot through alternative means such as workshops, focus groups, and public input.

## **CAEECC Meeting Location**

Suhaila Sikand, CAEECC Facilitation Team

#### Should CAEECC Meet In-person w/ Online Video?

#### What does hybrid mean?

CAEECC would have the option to meet in person with an online video conferencing option for Full CAEECC Quarterly Meetings.

WG Meetings and other workshops will remain virtual-only for now.

Thanks for filling out the survey about CAEECC going hybrid!

**View Survey Results** 

#### **Survey Results - Time and Place (top results)**

**Start time:** 43% voted for 10am, 18% unspecified, 18% for 9am. Remaining answers were a range between 9am-12pm.

Facilitation team proposal: 10am start time for meetings with in-person options

#### Location\*:

- 6/21: 38% Fully Virtual, 32% Bay Area; 17% LA
- 9/20: 36% Fully Virtual, 36% Bay Area; 15% LA
- 11/29: 43% Fully Virtual; 29% Bay Area; 20% LA
- Other Locations: Irvine/SNA Airport; 3CREN
   (SLO)/Central Coast; Inland; San Diego; Humboldt

#### **Facilitation team proposal: Location**

- 6/21 Fully virtual
- 9/20 NorCal (Bay Area) in person with virtual video conferencing option
- 11/29 Fully virtual
- In-person options are for CAEECC Members only

<sup>\*</sup>The location question allowed for multiple locations to be selected per date. Other locations were noted either generally or per meeting date.

#### **Survey Results - COVID Verifications**

	COVID Verifications	#	%
	Location meeting room is well ventilated and/or has open windows	20	25%
	Attendee has shown no covid symptoms for the past 5 days	16	20%
	Attendee has COVID Proof of Vaccination (at least 2 shots of Pfizer/Moderna; 1 shot of J&J)	14	17%
	Attendee tests negative within the past 2 days (PCR or Antigen)	8	10%
*	Masks recommended	7	9%
*	Masks mandatory	6	7%
	No preference	5	6%
	No attendee verifications	4	5%
	Others		
	May be ok with masks recommended b/c I would still wear one even if others don't	1	1%

<sup>★</sup> Amended during meeting to accurately reflect Facilitator Proposal

This question allowed for multiple verifications to be selected. Options in bold blue are facilitator proposals

#### **Survey - Suggestions and Accessibility**

#### Suggestions

- Test and adapt
- Learn from CAEECC Member organizations who've run hybrid meetings before
- Keep it virtual as much as possible.
- Provide food, even if just a snack
- Continue to care for virtual attendees the same way we care for them in a fully-virtual environment
- 'Time to get back to pre-covid'

#### **Accessibility**

- Pay special attention to the microphones accompanying in-person attendees/facilitators to better support virtual participants
- Consider providing travel stipends

## CAEECC Member Input & Discussion

Facilitation Team would further build out a plan based on the discussion

#### Session 2: Wrapping Up Main Assembly

Goal: Evals and next steps

- Next Steps for 2023 CAEECC Planning
- 2) Q4 '22 Mtg Evaluation Results
- 3) Q1 '23 Mtg Evaluation Link
- 4) Live Meeting Evaluation

#### **Proposed Topics**

- Main Assembly
  - Update on Evolving CAEECC WG and Compensation Pilot
  - Update on Business Plans and Applications (if applicable)
- Optional Assembly
  - PA Solicitations
- Other Ideas?

#### **Next Steps**

- Meeting summary will be posted in 5 business days
- Annual Evaluation: Facilitators to incorporate feedback in 2023 meeting design
- Compensation Pilot: Pending authorization from CPUC
- Evolving CAEECC WG: begin launching 3/17 regardless of whether the CPUC approves, denies, or has yet to address authorization of Compensation Pilot funding by March 17, 2023
- CAEECC Meeting Location: Facilitators to build a plan based discussion today

#### 11/30/22 Full CAEECC Meeting Evaluation Survey Results

Question	Avg. Score
Objectives of the meeting were clearly articulated on the agenda	5.3
Objectives of the meeting were accomplished	5.1
Presentations and background documents were clear and helpful	5.3
CAEECC Members (including PAs) were flexible in seeking outcomes that were potentially mutually agreeable, where applicable	5.0
The facilitators were effective in running the meeting (e.g., fostering a constructive and efficient forum, being impartial, and making sure no one dominated discussions)	5.5
Overall, the online meeting format (Zoom) was smooth and effective	5.2
Overall, this Full CAEECC meeting was successful	5.0

- 1) Scores are 1-6 scale, where 1 is "strongly disagree" and 6 is "strongly agree"; and 3.5 is mid-point of 1-6 scale
- 2) Scores based on responses from 18 members and 3 stakeholders
- 3) Facilitation Team and Co-Chairs reviewed and debriefed comments from respondents

#### 2/22/23 Full CAEECC Meeting Evaluation



Evals will be sent by Susan Rivo (susan@raabassociates.org)



Complete evals **today**, latest by March 1, 2023 COB

#### **Live Meeting Evaluation**

#### Do you feel this was an inclusive and trusting environment?

Not at all safe ...... Very safe

#### Do you feel the meeting was effective?

Not at all effective ...... Very effective

What worked well? How can we improve?

# Optional Assembly: Relevant Updates

Goal: updates on PA solicitations; updates on relevant proceedings

- Relevant highlights from Decision on Third Party and Data Access
- Program Administrator Solicitations
- Market Transformation
   Administrator (CalMTA)
- 4) California Public Utilities
  Commission Community Based
  Organization (CPUC CBO)
  Compensation pilot

## Relevant highlights from Decision on Third Party Solicitations and Data Access

Jeorge Tagnipes and Justin Galle, CPUC

### CAEECC Presentation on D. 23-02-002

February 22, 2023



#### **Third-Party Solicitations Process**

California Public Utilities Commission

### Third-Party Processes Addressed In Decision 23-02-002

Two stage solicitations are no longer required to be the predominant approach

Performance assurances are no longer a standard, non-modifiable term in third-party contracts Final installation deadline for summer reliability market access program extended to March 31, 2024

EE Confidentiality Matrix is adopted PRG shall be informed of contract extensions, performance of existing programs, and certain contract requirements

SEM programs can be offered beyond the industrial sector

California Public Utilities Commission

#### CEDARS, CATALENA, Data Sharing

California Public Utilities Commission 5

#### Other Issues Addressed In Decision 23-02-002

#### Commission Database Tools

IOUs will fund CEDARS, CET and other tool developmen t

Can use up to 40% of EMV funds

Shall hire coordinator

File advice letter by 6/30/2023 There will be a CET technical subgroup

#### Other Issues Addressed In Decision 23-02-002

## California Analysis Tool for Locational Energy Assessment

CPUC will partner with CEC to implement the tool

IOUs must provide program participation data to CEC 120 days

IOUs must file advice letter to fund CATALENA in 60 days

\$2 million will go to CEC once MOU is executed

#### Other Issues Addressed In Decision 23-02-002

#### Data Sharing for EE Programs

IOUs are required to provide disaggregated data 10 days after requested.

This applies to RENs, Third party implementers and Market Access. Requestor must meet minimum requirements for cyber security and sign an NDA among other things

IOUs must file advice letter with infrastructure costs 90 days



## California Public Utilities Commission

#### **Program Administrator Solicitations**

Matt Braunworth, PG&E

### THIRD PARTY PROGRAMS SOLICITATIONS UPDATE

CAEECC Quarterly Meeting February 22, 2023











#### **SCE Solicitation Timeline**

	Year 2021																																			
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SCE	Local Customer Programs	Strategic Energy Management (SEM)																																		
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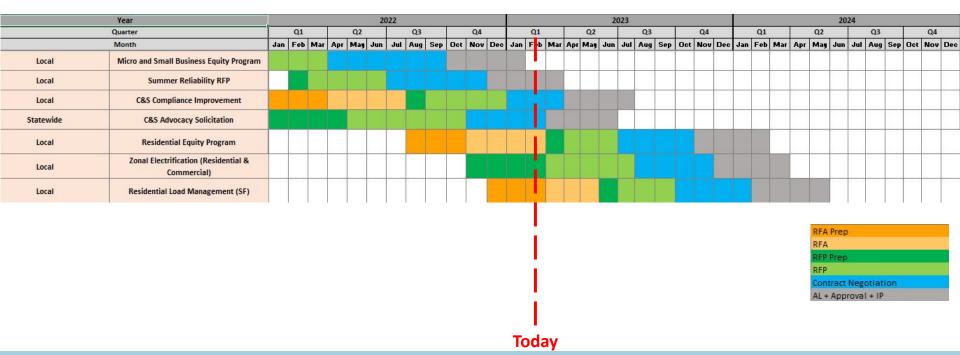








#### **PG&E Solicitation Timeline**











#### SDG&E Solicitation Timeline

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Local Cross Cutting	Non-Residential Behavior																														
Local Cross Cutting	Workforce Education & Training (WE&T) / Integrated Energy Education Training (IEET)																														
Residential	Residential Equity (SF & MF)																														
Local Commercial	Small Business Outreach																														
Local Commercial	Groceries, Restaurants, Food Storage																														
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#### SoCalGas Solicitation Timeline



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## Market Transformation Administrator (CalMTA)

Margie Gardner, Resource Innovations

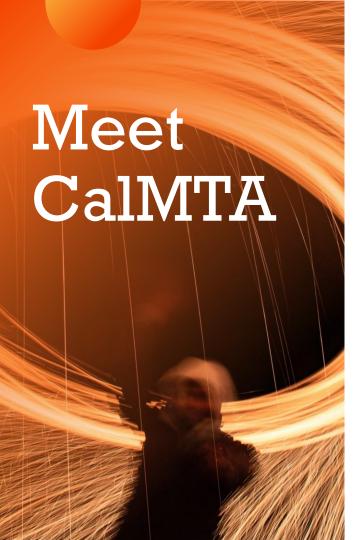
# Market Transformation in California

New opportunities for advancing energy efficiency

Margie Gardner
VP of Market Transformation | CalMTA







- CPUC D.19-12-021 established a Market Transformation Framework
- Resource Innovations named as MT Administrator
- Supported by additional expert firms
- CalMTA develops and manages MT Initiatives with MT Advisory Board (MTAB) oversight
- Responsibilities eventually transition to a nonprofit



#### What we're about

- MTIs use key leverage points and market interventions to remove barriers to sustained efficiency
  - Brings other clean energy and climate benefits
  - Coordinate with existing EE efforts to avoid duplication and for faster scale
  - Support other goals for CA MT efforts: GHG reduction, WE&T, and an equity lens on MTIs







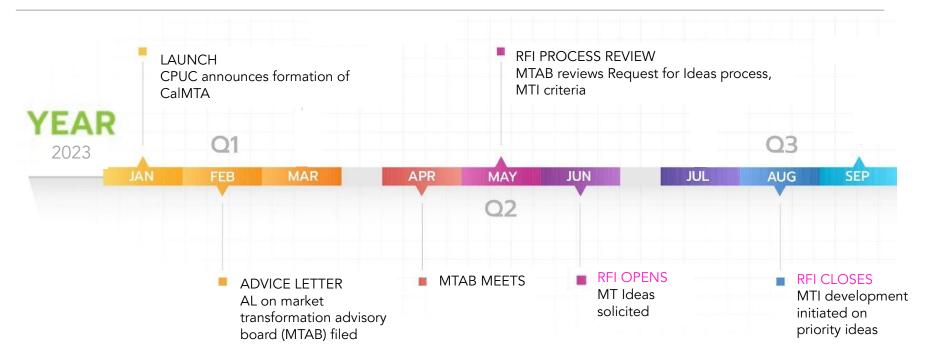






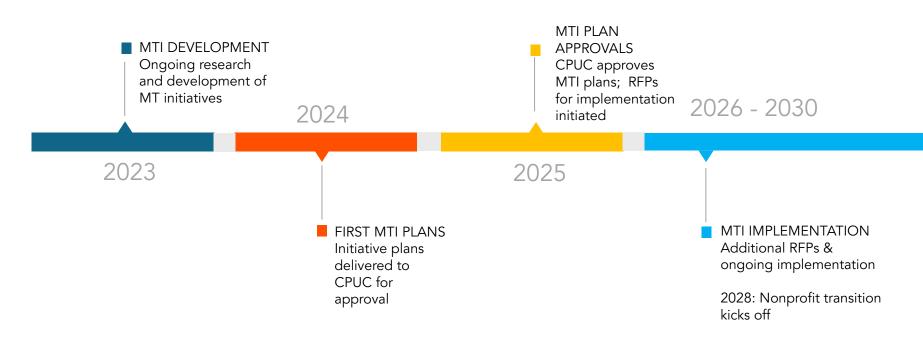


#### Timeline milestones 2023





#### Timeline milestones 4Q of 2023 through 2030



# Come along with us Sign up at calmta.org/get-in-touch

#### **Questions?**

Margie Gardner

VP of Market Transformation CalMTA

mgardner@calmta.org



## California Public Utilities Commission Community Based Organization (CPUC CBO) Compensation Pilot

Jesus Torres, CPUC

#### California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC)



#### **Equity Initiatives and Clean Energy Access Grant Program**

February 22, 2023



#### **Background**

## **Background**

- AB 179 (Ting) signed by Governor Gavin Newsom appropriates \$30,000,000 in funding to expand the scope of public participation to include community-based organizations that have not historically engaged with matters before the California Public Utilities Commission.
- The purpose of the funding is to increase the breadth and depth of voices providing input on issues affecting state residents, especially those in diverse and low-income communities, hard to reach customers, individuals with access and functional needs, and frontline communities experiencing the impact of climate change.
- The funds shall be available for encumbrance or expenditure until June 30, 2025, and shall be available for liquidation until June 30, 2027.

## **Equity Initiatives and Clean Energy Grant Programs**

#### The grant programs are:

- 1. Public Participation Grants
- 2. Equity, Engagement, and Education Grants
- 3. Clean Energy Access and Community Project Grants

Summary of Proposed Funding				
Category	Maximum Award	Total Available		
Public Participation Grants	\$15,000	\$2,500,000		
Equity, Engagement, and Education Grants	\$100,000	\$8,000,000		
Clean Energy Access Initiatives and Community Project Grants	\$1,250,000	\$17,000,000		
Tribe Dedicated		\$1,000,000		
Administration		\$1,500,000		
Total		\$30,000,000		

<sup>\*</sup> applicable to California Native American Tribes

## **Eligible Applicants**

Applicants eligible to apply for the CPUC's Equity Initiatives and Clean Energy Grant Program include:

- A California community-based organization holding a current tax-exempt status under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code;
- A California Native American Tribe. For the purposes of this grant, this includes all Federally Recognized Tribes, and other California Native Americans, as defined by Public Resources Code Section 21073 "California Native American tribe" means a Native American tribe located in California that is on the contact list maintained by the Native American Heritage Commission for the purposes of Chapter 905 of the Statutes of 2004.
- Tribal entities organizations incorporated under tribal law and wholly owned be the tribe, Tribal Section 17 Corporations, Tribal utilities and authorities operated under tribal law.

## **Public Participation Grant Program**

## 1. Public Participation Grants

Total proposed funding: \$2,500,000

Maximum grant award: \$15,000

**Application and funding cycle**: Rolling

- Grants up to \$15,000 per CBO to participate in defined and discrete activities. e.g. speaking on a workshop panel, service on working group or participation in other decision-making processes.
- Provides prompt payment for these discrete engagements.
- Applications accepted on a rolling basis. Total funding for the Public Participation Grants portion of this program will be \$2.5 million. Payments dispersed after completion of activities identified in approved application.
- Awardees for these grants will not be eligible for Intervenor Compensation for the same activities.
- Similar to the Intervenor Compensation program, successful applicants will be expected to demonstrate that they will bring a unique contribution that is beneficial to the communities they represent.

#### **Public Participation Grants**

# **Proposed Eligible Activities**

#### Activity participation compensated at \$150/per hour

Activity	Description
Working Group Meeting	Working Groups are given a specific scope of work to discuss topics ranging from broad policy goals to details on program implementation. Usually part of a proceeding.
Focus Group	Focus Groups are used by CPUC staff to test proposed program implementation concepts, ideas, and rules.
Workshop/event Panelist	CPUC staff form a panel on specific topics to receive feedback and educate other stakeholders on certain policies, programs, or service already in place.
Workshop/event Featured Speaker	Featured speaker may be invited to speak to discuss their unique experience or offer best practices on programs/services.
Advisory Board/Committee Member	Appointed roles that advise on program development, implementation or administration.
En Banc Meeting Panelist	Featured speaker may be invited to speak to discuss their unique experience or offer best practices on programs/services.

DISCUSSION DRAFT ONLY - Final plan subject to Commissioner approval.

## Overlap with CAEECC Compensation Pilot

	Public Participation Grant	CAEECC Compensation Pilot
Budget/Max Award	\$2.5M/ \$15,000	\$185k/\$15,800
Funding Source	One-time state budget allocation	via R.13-11-05 (unspent EE Budget Funds)
Activities Funded	WGs, board, panels, focus groups, etc	JEDI-focused Working Group and other CAEECC related activities
Applicant Eligibility	501c3 Orgs/Tribes	Individuals/Orgs
Hourly Rate	\$150/hr	\$150/hr
Per Diem	No	Yes

# Equity, Engagement, and Education Grants

## 2. Equity, Engagement and Education Grants

Total proposed funding: \$4,000,000

Per-grant proposed funding: \$5,000 to \$100,000

**Application and funding cycle**: Awards in Summers of 2023, 2024, and 2025

- This program will provide grants up to \$100,000 for the purposes of building CBO, Tribal, and community capacity to understand and engage with CPUC decision-making processes.
- Activities in this category may include hiring consultants or technical experts, community engagement and outreach related to CPUC proceedings, education, training and curriculum development, and partnership and coalition development.
- Method of distribution of grants to be determined (example payments dispersed by completion of project milestones identified in approved application).

#### Equity, Engagement, and Education Grants

### **Grant Period**

#### **Round one All**

Grant Applications open May 22, 2023. All Applications closed June 23, 2023

#### **Round Two**

Grant Applications open April 1, 2024 All Applications closed June 1, 2024



Funds available for encumbrance or expenditure until June 30, 2025 Funds available for liquidation until June 30, 2027

# Clean Energy Access Initiatives and Community Project Grants

### 3. Clean Energy Access and Initiatives Grants

Total proposed funding: \$17,000,000

**Per-grant proposed funding**: \$100,000 to \$1,250,000

**Application and funding cycle**: Award Agreement with Third-Party Administrator in Early

2024, Awards to CBOs and Tribes through June 2027

- This program will provide grants up to \$1.25 million for the purpose of developing equity initiatives and clean energy access opportunities for eligible applicants
- Provides funding to develop plans and bridge gaps in clean energy access programs at the community level such as the Microgrid Incentive Program (MIP) and the income-qualified battery backup program of the Self-Generation Incentive Program (SGIP).

Examples of potential projects include:

- o Programs that improve awareness, participation and enrollment in existing clean energy programs
- o Projects that improve the affordability of utility services for the communities as well as provide local economic opportunities.
- Program does NOT pay for infrastructure buildout. i.e. hardware or equipment.

#### **Clean Energy Access Grants**

# How Grant Funding Gets to CBOs and Tribes

CPUC will award a master grant to technical assistance (TA) provider(s).

Tribes or CBOs request assistance from TA provider(s) for microgrid or SGIP projects.

Designated TA provider
evaluates these
requests and provides
technical assistance
and funding to
conduct work.

TA provider provides metrics and reports on work completed to the CPUC.

Additional details will be developed with grant award to TA provider(s).



# **Program Development Timeline**

Grant Program Public Webinar	February 15
10-Day Comments on Draft Program Due	February 27
Draft Resolution Available for Public Comment	Late March
Public Application Workshop	Mid-May
Round One Applications Open	Late May

## Thank You!



# California Public Utilities Commission

## **Optional Assembly Evaluation**

Was the Optional Assembly valuable to you/your organization?

Not valuable......Very valuable

How likely are you to join the Optional Assembly in future Full CAEECC Meetings?

Not likely......Very likely

What worked well? How can this Assembly improve?

# THANK YOU.

Next Meeting 6/21/23 Fully Virtual!