



Item 5: Equitable Building Decarbonization Tribal Direct Install Program Guidelines

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Benefits to Californians



Reduce Greenhouse Gas Emissions from Buildings



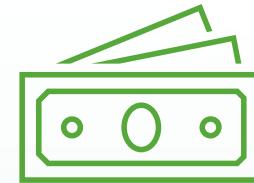
Advance Energy Equity



Improve Resiliency to Extreme Heat



Improve Air Quality



Improve Energy Affordability



Support Grid Reliability



Support the Local Workforce



Building Decarbonization and Equity



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Building decarbonization must prioritize low-income, disadvantaged, and tribal communities, who bear the highest energy burden and have suffered the most from historical environmental injustices, economic disparities, and the current climate crisis.

- Equitable Building Decarbonization Statewide Direct Install Program Guidelines



Equitable Building Decarbonization Program Budget

Statewide Direct Install Program

\$339.25 million
(State funds)

+

\$154.25 million
(Federal HOMES funds)

Tribal Direct Install Program

\$30 million
(State funds)



Statewide Incentive Program

\$20 million
GoGreen Financing
(State funds)

+

\$290 million
(Federal HEEHRA funds)



Stakeholder Engagement

December 2022: Initial EBD scoping workshop

May 2023: Two tribal listening sessions

August 2024: Two tribal listening sessions

September 2025: Draft Tribal Direct Install Program Guidelines released

September 2025: Public workshop

October 2025: Two tribal listening sessions





Program Structure

- All California Native American tribes will have the opportunity to participate
- Equal base allocation of **\$75,000** per tribe
- Tribes may request additional funds pending availability

Participating tribes will choose to:

Receive direct grant and implement the program

OR

Receive services via a third-party implementer



Eligible Buildings



Building Ownership/Location

- Owned/managed by a tribe or tribal organization
OR
- Owned by a tribal member
- Not required to be located on tribal lands, but must be in California



Building Fuel Types

- Must use natural gas or propane for space heating or water heating (to be replaced by efficient electric equipment)



Eligible Building Types

- Single-family homes
- Multifamily buildings
- Manufactured/mobile homes
- Existing buildings only



Recommended Criteria

- Tribes are strongly encouraged to prioritize low-income households
- Other recommended criteria:
 - High energy burden
 - Vulnerability to extreme heat/cold
 - Homes occupied by vulnerable tribal members



Eligible Measures



Heating and Cooling

- **Electric heat pump**
- Duct testing/sealing
- Smart thermostat
- Ceiling fan, whole-house fan

Water Heating

- **Heat pump water heater**
- Low-flow showerheads and faucets

Cooking and Laundry

- Induction range or cooktop
- Electric clothes dryer

Air Quality and Lighting

- Air filtration
- LED lights

Building Envelope

- Insulation
- Air sealing
- Solar window film

Electrical Upgrades and Remediation

- Electrical wiring and panel upgrades
 - Solar-ready
- Remediation and safety



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Next Steps

| Quarter | Milestone |
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| Q2 2026 | CEC releases an application for tribal participation |
| Q1 2027 | CEC releases a competitive solicitation for third-party program implementer |
| Q1-Q2 2027 | Tribal grant agreements to CEC Business Meetings |
| Q3-Q4 2027 | Home retrofits begin (estimated) |



Staff Recommendation

- Approve staff's determination that action is exempt from CEQA
- Approve Resolution to adopt Equitable Building Decarbonization Tribal Direct Install Program Guidelines