



# California Energy Commission and

**California Public Utilities Commission** 

## En Banc Meeting Revised Agenda

March 2, 2023 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

### In Person at:

(Wheelchair Accessible)

California State Polytechnic University, Humboldt<sup>1</sup>
Native American Forum
(BSS 162, Map<sup>2</sup> location 15H)
1 Harpst Street
Arcata, CA 95521

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The California Energy Commission (CEC) and California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) will hold a joint convening of the Commissions (En Banc) to discuss tribal affairs.

During this first-of-its-kind event, California Native American Tribal Leaders will come together with Commissioners from both agencies to share perspectives and priorities on advancing clean energy.

The CEC and the CPUC aim to begin the En Banc promptly at the start time and the end time is an estimate based on the agenda proposed. The En Banc may end sooner or later than the time indicated depending on various factors.

There will be an open public comment period after opening remarks. There will also be a dedicated public comment period for the CEC Tribal Energy Sovereignty Resolution Item. Public comments will be limited to three minutes or less per speaker depending on

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> https://www.humboldt.edu/sites/default/files/campusaccessmap.pdf

the number of speakers and time allotted. Information and instructions on how to participate and comment appear below, after line items.

# THE CEC AND CPUC WILL CONSIDER AND MAY TAKE ACTION ON THE FOLLOWING:

### 1. Welcome and Opening Remarks (1 hour 15 minutes).

- a. Opening Ceremony
- b. Cal Poly Leadership (5 minutes)
- c. Regional Administrator for the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Region 9 Pacific Southwest, Martha Guzman (5 minutes)
- d. CEC and CPUC (20 minutes)
  - i. CEC Chair Hochschild
  - ii. CPUC President Reynolds
  - iii. CEC Vice Chair Gunda
  - iv. CPUC Commissioner Houck
  - v. CEC Commissioner McAllister
  - vi. CPUC Commissioner Shiroma
  - vii. CEC Commissioner Monahan
  - viii. CPUC Commissioner Douglas
  - ix. CEC Commissioner Gallardo
  - x. CPUC Commissioner Reynolds
- e. Tribal Leaders (20 minutes)

#### 2. Public Comment.

Pursuant to the Bagley-Keene Open Meeting Act, any person may make an oral comment on any agenda item. Public comments will be limited to three minutes or less per person depending on the number of speakers.

#### 3. Information Item - Klamath Dam Removal.

The Karuk Tribe and Yurok Tribe will discuss the Klamath Dam Removal. (Presentation 15 minutes) Yurok Tribe Presenter: Frankie Myers, Vice Chairman of the Yurok Tribal Council will provide a high-level overview of Klamath River dam removal, Water Rights and Tribal resiliency. Discussion on Klamath River water resources, cultural practices, climate change and what the Klamath dam removal means for Klamath Basin people. Karuk Tribe Presenter: Toz Soto, Fishery Program Manager Karuk Tribe, Department of Natural Resources will present on the Karuk Tribe's efforts to remove the Klamath Dam entitled "Bring the Salmon Home."

# 4. Information Item – Achieving the First Proven Carbon Sequestering Region in the United States.

Blue Lake Rancheria will present an overview of their effort to become the first proven carbon sequestering region in the United States through clean energy and climate initiatives. Contact: Jana Ganion (Presentation:10 minutes)

### 5. Information Item - Yurok Tribe Carbon Offset Projects.

The Yurok Tribe will present an overview of Yurok Tribe Carbon Offset Projects in California. (Presentation: 10 minutes) Javier I. Kinney, Carbon Projects Manager for the Natural Resources Division for the Yurok Tribe will provide insights regarding the strategic Nation Building Natural Resources Management Portfolio to address and resolve the Climate Crisis. This includes engagement in the compliance carbon sequestration markets, Land Acquisition, Climate Finance, Renewable Energy and inherent International Diplomatic Missions.

# 6. Information Item – Advanced Renewable Energy Microgrids Serving Tribal Community Needs.

Three Tribal nations along the Mid-Klamath and Lower Trinity River -- Hoopa Valley, Yurok Tribe, and Karuk Tribe -- live with some of the least reliable electricity service in California. This presentation will describe opportunities for resilient, nested renewable energy microgrids to better serve community needs and be a model for addressing statewide energy challenges related to decarbonization, resilience, and equity. Contact: Professor Peter Alstone and Director Arne Jacobson, Schatz Energy Research Center (Presentation: 15 minutes)

### 7. Information Item – CEC Overview and Tribal Engagement.

CEC will provide a brief overview of its mission, jurisdiction, and high-level items of interest for tribes. Contact: Katrina Leni-Konig (Presentation: 8 minutes)

### 8. Information Item – CEC GRIP Funding Application to DOE.

CEC will present an overview of the CEC tribal-focused application to the Department of Energy's (DOE) Grid Resilience and Innovation Partnerships (GRIP) Funding Opportunity Announcement (FOA). The application will bring together a portfolio of tribal energy resilience projects in coordination with the CPUC, tribes, utilities, and project developers. Contact: Alex Horangic (Presentation: 8 minutes)

### 9. CEC Tribal Energy Sovereignty Resolution.

Proposed resolution committing to support California tribal energy sovereignty, encourage and support opportunities for tribal access, use, and co-management of lands, and to direct the development of a CEC Tribal Energy Sovereignty Policy in consultation with California tribes. Contact: Chair Hochschild (Presentation: 15 minutes)

### 10. Information Item – CPUC Overview and Tribal Engagement.

CPUC will provide a brief overview of agency mission, jurisdiction, and discussion of high-level items of interest for tribes (e.g., Tribal Order Instituting Rulemaking [OIR],

Tribal Land Transfer Policy [TLTP], Tribal Consultation Policy, Energy Division Updates). Contact: Commissioner Houck (Presentation: 10 minutes)

- a. Tribal Order Instituting Rulemaking (OIR). Contact: Judge Valerie Kao
- b. Energy Division Updates. Contact: Rosanne Ratkiewich.
- c. Tribal Land Transfer Policy (TLTP). Contact: Mike Rosauer
- d. Tribal Consultation Policy. Contact: Kenneth Holbrook, CPUC Tribal Advisor

# 11. Information Item – CPUC Public Participation and Capacity Grant Pilot Program.

- a. CPUC will provide a brief overview of the CPUC Tribal-Community-Based Organization Public Participation and Capacity Assistance Program. Contact: Stephanie Green (Presentation: 5 minutes)
- b. CPUC will provide a brief overview of the CPUC public participation process.
   Contact: Eric Sawyer (2 minutes)

### 12. Tribal Leadership Exchange (1 hour 30 minutes).

This time is for Tribal Leadership discussion, comments, and questions. Discussion with CEC and CPUC Commissioners is welcomed during this time as well.

#### Please Note: There will be a 1 hour lunch break.

A lunch break is planned to occur at approximately 12 pm - 1 pm, but this time is an estimate and the break could occur earlier or later in the program.

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