

Notice of Tribal Listening Session Concepts for a Zero-Emission Vehicle Infrastructure Tribal Funding Opportunity

May 4, 2023 9:00 a.m. –10:30 a.m.

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The California Energy Commission (CEC) will host a Tribal Listening Session on accelerating electric vehicle (EV) adoption open to all California Native American Tribes.

The CEC aims to begin promptly at the start time posted and the end time is an estimate based on the scheduled presentations and proposed topics for discussion. The session may end sooner or later than the posted end time.

Background

The California Energy Commission (CEC) wants to accelerate electric vehicle (EV) adoption among California Native American Tribes by offering a dedicated, tribal-focused funding opportunity for EV infrastructure construction and installation. Through this initiative the CEC intends to collaborate with interested California Native American Tribes to support the deployment of reliable, resilient EV infrastructure in tribal communities.

The purpose of the listening session is to hear directly from California Native American Tribes to understand the tribal community's vision for zero-emission transportation and seek input on needs and priorities for investments in tribal communities. Feedback received will be used in the development of a funding solicitation for reliable, resilient tribal EV infrastructure that the CEC plans to release in 2023.

Overview

Presentations from Agency Staff

• Background on the CEC Clean Transportation Program and what can be funded through the Clean Transportation Program.

 Overview of the proposed tribal-specific funding opportunity concepts and timeline.

Guiding Questions for Discussion

- 1. Do you have questions or comments about the Clean Transportation Program?
- 2. What are tribal priorities for EV infrastructure funding?
- 3. How can the CEC support reliable EV infrastructure in tribal communities?
- 4. Do tribes want funding for EV planning studies and tribal workforce development?
- 5. How should the CEC include considerations for cultural and tribal cultural resources in developing this funding opportunity?
- 6. How can CEC staff best engage tribes during the development and administration of funding opportunities?

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- Government-to-Government Consultation: If your Tribe would like to engage in direct consultation, please contact CEC Tribal Liaison, Katrina Leni-Konig at <u>katrina.leni-konig@energy.ca.gov</u> to set up an initial consultation.
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