CALIFORNIA ENERGY COMMISSION

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Notice of Tribal Energy Summit March 18, 2025

8:30 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

In-Person Only

California Natural Resources Agency Building
715 P Street
First Floor, Auditorium
Sacramento, CA 95814
(Wheelchair Accessible)

See Attendance Instructions below.

The California Energy Commission (CEC) will host an in-person Tribal Energy Summit on March 18, 2025 at the California Natural Resources Agency building in Sacramento. All California Native American tribes are invited to join CEC leadership and staff for this event.

The public can participate in the Tribal Energy Summit consistent with the attendance instructions below. The CEC aims to begin promptly at the start time posted and the end time is an estimate based on the proposed agenda.

This is an in-person only event and advance registration is requested. The panel discussions will be recorded.

Agenda

The CEC Tribal Energy Summit will uplift tribal voices in the energy space and highlight current approaches to state partnerships with California Native American tribes and other entities on clean energy policies, planning, and project development.

From 8:30 am to 9:00 am, attendees are invited to enjoy coffee with CEC Commissioners in the first floor lobby near the auditorium entrance.

The panel discussions will begin in the auditorium at 9:00 am and topics will include tribal energy funding; examples of utility partnerships, including tribal utilities, with California Native American tribes; tribal cultural resource protection and energy development; clean energy policy and planning with California Native American tribes; and CEC engagement and partnership opportunities.

Tribal organizations, state agencies, energy businesses, and others are invited to provide informational materials at tables on the first floor lobby near the auditorium entrance for the duration of the event. Please contact tribalaffairs@energy.ca.gov to request a table or for more information on tabling.

The Summit will include an opportunity for public comment.

A detailed agenda will be posted prior to the Summit at https://www.energy.ca.gov/event/meeting/2025-03/tribal-energy-summit.

Background

The CEC's Tribal Program helps the CEC conduct effective government-to-government cooperation, collaboration, communication, and other activities with California Native American tribes.

The program has many functions, including:

- Ensuring effective consultation between the CEC and tribes to advance the CEC's mission and provide meaningful tribal input into the development of regulations, rules, policies, plans, and activities that may affect them.
- Conducting outreach to tribes on topics such as impacts of California energy planning on tribes and tribal resources, tribal energy funding, and tribal cultural resources assessments.
- Partnering with tribes on tribal cultural resources assessments such as climate change assessments related to traditional ecological knowledge and studies on cultural landscapes.
- Assisting in administering energy research and project funding opportunities eligible to tribes.
- Hosting or sponsoring tribal energy events to promote collaboration and relationship building between the CEC and tribal leaders and their staff.

Attendance Instructions

This Summit will be held **in-person only** at the California Natural Resources Agency building in Sacramento, and recordings for the panels will be available online after the Summit ends. Registration is free and is requested for all attendees. The registration form can be found at this Microsoft Forms link at https://forms.office.com/g/eesq8DV5jW. Space at the Summit is limited, so it is recommended that attendees arrive early.

Public Comment

Oral comments will be accepted at the Summit. Instructions will be provided at the Summit during the public comment period(s). Comments may be limited to two minutes or less and one speaker per organization.

Contacts

Public Advisor. The CEC's Public Advisor assists the public with participation in CEC proceedings. To request assistance, interpreting services, or reasonable modifications and accommodations, call (916) 957-7910 or email publicadvisor@energy.ca.gov as soon as possible but at least five days in advance of the Summit. The CEC will work diligently to meet all requests based on availability.

Media Inquiries. Email <u>mediaoffice@energy.ca.gov</u> or call (916) 654-4989.

General Inquiries: Email <u>tribalaffairs@energy.ca.gov</u> or call (916) 269-9595.

Availability of Documents: Documents and presentations for this meeting will be available at https://www.energy.ca.gov/event/meeting/2025-03/tribal-energy-summit. When new information is posted, an email will be sent to those subscribed to the Tribal Program. To receive these notices or notices of other email subscription topics, visit Subscriptions, at https://www.energy.ca.gov/subscriptions.

Dated: March 5, 2025 at Sacramento, California.

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