

Thursday, December 5, 2025 | Morongo Conference Center

8:30am - 9:20am **Registration, Coffee and Networking**
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9:20am - 9:35am **WELCOME AND INTRODUCTION**
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- **Angela Hacker** | Statewide Best Practices Coordinator, CCEC
 - **Sean Kennedy** | Deputy Director of Energy Investments, CA Strategic Growth Council
 - **Brian Lugo** | Council Member, Morongo Band of Mission Indians
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9:35am - 10:00am **OPENING PANEL DISCUSSION: Characterizing Energy, Land Use, and Climate Landscape in the Inland Region**
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- **Angela Hacker** | Statewide Best Practices Coordinator, CCEC
 - **Sean Kennedy** | Deputy Director of Energy Investments, CA Strategic Growth Council
 - **Karen Woodard** | Realty/Planning Administrator, Morongo Band of Mission Indians
 - **Casey Dailey** | Director of Energy and Environmental Programs, Western Riverside Council of Governments
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10:00am - 10:25am **INTERACTIVE ACTIVITY: Characterizing the Stakeholder and Assistance Provider Landscape in the Inland Region**
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- **Angela Hacker** | Statewide Best Practices Coordinator, CCEC
 - **Sean Kennedy** | Deputy Director of Energy Investments, CA Strategic Growth Council
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10:25am - 10:40am

BREAKOUT INTRODUCTIONS

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- Angela Hacker | Statewide Best Practices Coordinator, CCEC
- Sean Kennedy | Deputy Director of Energy Investments, CA Strategic Growth Council
- CA Strategic Growth Council
- Governor’s Office of Land Use and Climate Innovation
- CA Department of Housing & Community Development
- CA Business, Consumer Services and Housing Agency
- CA Air Resources Board
- CA Public Utilities Commission
- Go-Biz
- California Energy Commission

10:40am - 10:45am

Transition into Breakouts

10:45am - 11:40am

STATE-LED KNOWLEDGE EXCHANGE BREAKOUTS (4)

1. Aligning State & Regional Goals at the Nexus of Housing & Climate

Owl

- CA Strategic Growth Council
- CA Department of Housing & Community Development
- CA Business, Consumer Services and Housing Agency
- Governor’s Office of Land Use and Climate Innovation

2. State Climate Assessment and Resilience Resources

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- Governor’s Office of Land Use and Climate Innovation
- CA Strategic Growth Council

3. Climate Action Planning at the State and Local Level

Hummingbird

- CA Air Resources Board
- Governor’s Office of Land Use and Climate Innovation

4. Regional Challenges to Renewable Energy Deployment

Hawk

- Go-Biz
- CA Public Utilities Commission

11:40am - 11:50am

Transition into Breakouts

11:50am - 12:45pm

REGION-LED KNOWLEDGE EXCHANGE BREAKOUTS (4)

1. Clean Transportation

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- Kara Crohn | Director, Transparency & Insights, Center for Sustainable Energy
- Norah Kyassa | Clean Mobility Program Specialist, GRID Alternatives
- Lindsey-Paige McCloy | Director, City of Palm Springs, Office of Sustainability

2. The Real Drivers of the Energy Affordability Crisis

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- Casey Dailey | Director of Energy & Environmental Program, Western Riverside Council of Governments
- Patrick Welch | Senior Legislative Manager, San Diego Community Power
- Marc Costa | Director of Policy and Planning, The Energy Coalition
- Jessica Sutorus | Environmental Conservation Supervisor, City of Colton Electric Utility

3. Decarbonizing Homes and Buildings

Hummingbird

- Frederick Chung | Program Manager, Internal Services Department, Los Angeles County
- Heather Farr | Planning and Rules Manager, South Coast AQMD
- Ariel Tolefree Williams | Housing Services Administrator, City of Palm Springs

4. Community and Energy Resilience

Hawk

- Karen Woodard | Realty/Planning Administrator, Morongo Band of Mission Indians
- Daniel Soltero | Program Manager, Energy, Western Riverside Council of Governments
- Alejandro Espinosa | Chief of Community Engagement, Desert Healthcare District

12:45pm - 1:45pm

Lunch (provided)

Marketplace

1:45pm - 3:45pm

PLENARY DISCUSSION: Streamlining and Improving Engagement, Technical Assistance and Funding to Communities

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- Angela Hacker | Statewide Best Practices Coordinator, CCEC
- Sean Kennedy | Deputy Director of Energy Investments, CA Strategic Growth Council
- Ian Gabriel | Director of Data, Policy & Planning, Lift to Rise
- Esmeralda Vazquez | Director of Special Projects, Inland Empire Labor Institute
- Matthew Mena | Executive Director, IEGO
- Natalie Kuffle | Deputy Director of Planning & Climate Policy, Governor's Office of Land Use and Climate Innovation
- Nicole Enright | Manager, California Air Resources Board

3:45pm - 4:05pm

ASSISTANCE LOUNGE INTRODUCTION

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- Angela Hacker | Statewide Best Practices Coordinator, CCEC

4:05pm -

Networking Reception and Assistance Lounge (appetizers provided, cash bar)

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