

Local Energy Resources Network



Meeting 41
May 13, 2025



Welcome!

Purpose

Interactive 1-hour meetings designed to be a regular space where local governments - and those who work with them - can help each other learn about (and possibly inform) available opportunities to advance their energy and climate goals.

TODAY'S AGENDA

- Opportunity Roundtable
- Spotlights
 - CA Solar for All
- NRDC on AB 306
- Facilitated Policy Updates Discussion
- Update on CCEC Forum + SLECC
- Bonus Breakout



Opportunity Roundtable

Need/Have
Board

View all
Opportunities

Policy Drives Investment



Agencies Scope/ Design Assistance Programs & Gather Input



Applicants Apply to Funding Solicitation

State

- FY 24-25 Budget - May revise
- State agency proceedings
- EO on Energy Affordability
- GGRF CCI Reauthorization
- SB 864 Polluters Pay Climate Superfund Act
- Proposition 4 Climate Bond
- Governor's 2025-2026 State Budget

(highlights)

Federal

- Executive Transition
 - Funding freeze - EPA, DOE, FEMA, etc
 - Staffing cuts
- Congress
 - Continuing Resolution (CR)
- FY - 25-26 Budget: House Reconciliation

Funding

- CEC: Developing Next Generation, All Electric Heat Pumps Using Low Global Warming Potential Refrigerants - May 15, 2025
- SGC: Affordable Housing & Sustainable Communities - May 28, 2025
- CEC EPIC: Retrofitting Existing Residential Buildings with Innovative Envelope Solutions - June 30, 2025
- CEC: Charging Interoperability and Collaboration Yard - June 4, 2025
- OPC: SB 1 Sea Level Rise Adaptation Planning Grant - TA Available, Next rolling deadline: July 3, 2025
- DOC: Sustainable Agricultural Lands Conservation Program (SALC) Capacity and Project Development Grants - July 5, 2025
- CEC: Depot Charging & Hydrogen Refueling Infra. for Zero-Emission Med/Heavy-Duty Vehicles - July 11, 2025
- CEC: Round 2 Community Energy Reliability and resilience Investment (CERRI) Program - Workshop May 21, Aug 29, 2025
- DOE: Technical Assistance for the Adoption of Building Energy Codes - Rolling
- CCEJ: Thriving Communities Grant (Region 9 Subawards) - Rolling
- USDA: Community Facilities Program Disaster Repair Grants - Available Until Funds are depleted
- State Water Resources Control Board - Clean Water State Revolving Fund Water/ Energy Audit - Rolling
- CEC: Building Initiative for Low-Emission Development (BUILD) - Rolling

Other Assistance

- CEC: HEEHRA Phase I Program - TECH CC stackable SF/MF rebates (up to \$8,000)
- Center for Sustainable Energy: Fast Charge California Project 1 - July 8, 2025 (first come, first-served)
- CEDMC: Spring Symposium - May 15th (Costa Mesa)
- Federal Energy and Climate Funding Updates and Resources - as needed

Input Opportunities

- CPUC/CEC: Solar for All regional listening sessions TBD
- SF Bay Area Catalyst Convening - July 8
- SLECC - July 9

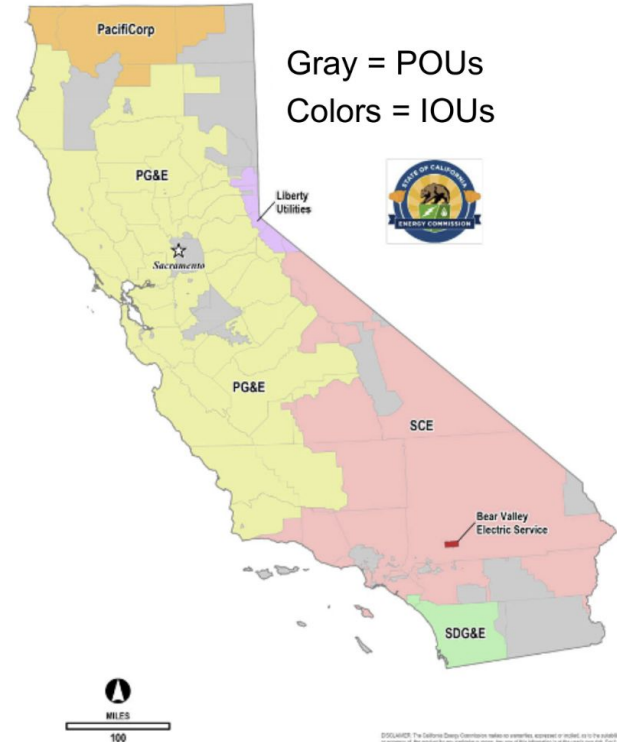


Opportunity Spotlight - CA Solar for All

The IRA created a \$27 billion Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund and includes \$7 billion for grant awards through the Solar for All competition for states, territories, tribal governments, municipalities, and nonprofits to develop programs that enable low-income and disadvantaged communities to deploy and benefit from distributed residential solar. The State of California received just under \$250 million to develop and implement new California Solar for All programs (CA-SFA).

- CPUC (\$210.4M): IOUs, Tribes
 - \$190.2M Community Solar - determined via proceeding
 - \$9.7M SOMAH
- CEC (\$30.2M): POUs, Tribes
 - \$25M community solar, MF/SF rooftop solar/storage in POU territories -
 - Regional workshops and public comments pending
 - Solicitation expected in 2025
- EDD (\$9.2M): Workforce development

[Learn more](#)





Featured Speaker - NRDC on AB 306



*Please add questions
in the chat*

Merrian Borgeson
Policy Director, California, Climate & Energy
Natural Resource Defence Council



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Q&A and Discussion

- How would AB 306 impact your local energy and climate initiatives?
- What opportunities are you aware of to engage or collaborate?



Facilitated Policy Updates Discussion

Policy Updates

4/8/2025



This is intended to be a place to crowd-source relevant climate and energy policy information from our network. Please add information about policies you are tracking below.

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[Other policies relevant to local and place-based climate & energy Initiatives](#)

[Building regulations: state building standards \(AB 306\)](#)

[Residential heat pump systems: water heaters and HVAC: installations \(AB 282\)](#)

[Electricity: mandatory rate reduction \(AB 286\)](#)

Policies relevant to climate & energy investments

The State of California appropriates billions of dollars for programs related to clean energy, climate mitigation and adaptation on an annual basis. As federal funding disappears, sources like those identified below account for the majority of dollars available for local and place-based energy and climate initiatives.

EXISTING/RECURRING INVESTMENTS

California 2025-2026 Budget

- Governor Gavin Newsom released his [proposed 2025-26 California state budget](#) on January 10, projecting a small positive balance of \$363 million after two years of state budget deficits ([source](#))
 - Budget Act of 2025 introduced in [Assembly](#) and [Senate](#) - referred to budget committees

Join Us here

<https://docs.google.com/document/d/16jADY2TRkZBRztjOSOfrZ67EWNQxdFqulhaDINo3w-A/edit?tab=t.0#heading=h.hz9o7pr71q7p>

BPC Workshop

Topic: Discussion



- **July 8 @ 9am-5pm (Signia San Jose) - SF Bay Area Catalyst Convening (registration pending):** Led by SGC/LCI with planning support from CCEC. Aims to offer a streamlined and hands-on opportunity for key state and community-serving stakeholders in the San Francisco Bay Area region to collaborate more closely to elevate and catalyze energy, land use, and climate progress.
- **July 9 @ 9-11am (Signia San Jose) - [Quarterly SLECC meeting](#) (registration open):** This is a quarterly meeting that we do in person once a year with local and state government representatives.
- **July 9-10: [16th Annual CCEC Forum](#) (registration open)**

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What's Next?

- Bonus Breakouts up next!
- Next meeting **June 10**
 - Tentative: CA GGRF reauthorization
- Share [invitation](#) with others

See you next time!



Optional: Bonus Breakouts

Thanks for joining us!

This is a space for informal discussion among the LERN network. Feel free to:

- Offer an announcement, success story, or opportunity
- Share a need for information, collaborators, or advice
- Raise a suggested topic or speaker for future LERNS

If you need an in-depth discussion, you can pitch a specific bonus breakout topic and invite others to join you (today or we can plan ahead for next month)



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