# Local Energy Resources Network

## Meeting 58

**November 10, 2026**

# 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 + Budget
- Opportunity Spotlights
  - ICLEI Local Business Financing Webinar (Angie)
  - CEC Distributed Energy Backup (Yadira)
  - DOC MLRP guidelines and other coming grants (Kelsey)
  - EPA Community Change Grant updates (Rosheil)
  - State-local coordination research (Chris Moore)
- Featured discussions:  CCEC Input
  - CCEC Survey (Kelsey)
  - Gathering funding access priorities for next CA administration  (Angie)
- Bonus Breakout

# Opportunity Roundtable

View all Opportunities

**Policy Drives Investment** → **Agencies Scope/ Design Assistance Programs & Gather Input** → **Applicants Apply to Funding Solicitation**

### State

- FY 2026-2027 State Budget
LAO 2026-2027 California Spending Plan - Natural Resources & Environmental Protection
- CCEC Legislative Tracker

### Federal

- FY 2025-2026 Federal Budget (HR. 1) - tax credits guidance for solar/win
- H.R. 3699 "Energy Choice Act"
- OMB's Proposed Regulation for Federal Financial Assistance - National Council of Nonprofits Comments
- Controller General Findings on EPA Community Change Grant

### International

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## Funding

- CAL FIRE: FY 26-27 Forest Health Research CCI Grants - November 18, 2026
- DOE: Energy Technology Innovation Partnership Project - November 18, 2026
- CEC: CAs National Electric Vehicle Infrastructure Formula Program – Solic. 6 Community Charging - November 20, 2026
- CEC: Innovations in Open Data & Modeling for a Climate- and Wildfire-Resilient Electricity System - November 20, 2026
- CEC: Food Production Investment Program - December 17
- State Coastal Conservancy: Grants Pre-Applications and Technical Assistance - rolling
- CEC: Homes Pay for Performance Statewide Implementer RFP - January 22, 2027
- CEC: Distributed Energy Backup Assets (DEBA) DERS for Grid Reliability - January 26, 2026

***On the horizon***

- DWR: Watershed Resilience Grant Program - anticipated release in 2027
- DOC: Regional Forest and Fire Capacity Program - anticipated final guidelines release in fall 2026

## Other Assistance

- ICLEI: Webinar - Closing the Gaps on Support and Financing for Local Businesses to Go Green - November 19
- LCI: CA 5th Climate Assessment - partially live
- LCI: General Plan Guidelines Update (including guidance on AB 39) - Open House Draft open for review next summer
_ CARB: CalFleet technical assistance
- L4GG: Data Center Model Policy Guide

## Input Opportunities

- DOC: Mult-Benefit Land Repurposing Grant (MLRG) - comments due Dec 7
- CEC: Non-Energy Impacts (NEI) Informational Proceeding - open docket
- CEC: Integrated Energy Policy Report (IEPR) Update Workshop on Load Modifier Inputs & Assumptions - Nov 12, 2026
- CCEC: Next SLECC Meeting - December 3, 2026

# CA State 2026-2027 Budget Summary - Climate & Energy

## Planned 2026-27 GGRF Allocations Pursuant to SB 840

*(In Millions)*

| | | Amounts |
|---|---|---|
| **Tier 1 Appropriations** | Manufacturing tax exemption | $148 |
| | State operations | 113 |
| | State Responsibility Area Fee backfill | 92 |
| | Legislative Counsel Climate Bureau[a] | 3 |
| | **Subtotal, Tier 1** | **($356)** |
| **Tier 2 Appropriations** | High-speed rail project | $1,000 |
| | Discretionary set aside[b] | 1,000 |
| | **Subtotal, Tier 2** | **($2,000)** |
| **Tier 3 Appropriations[c]** | Affordable housing (up to $560 million) | $132 |
| | Transit and Intercity Rail Capital Program (up to $400 million) | 95 |
| | Community air protection (up to $250 million) | 59 |
| | Sustainable communities and agricultural land conservation (up to $240 million) | 57 |
| | Low Carbon Transit Operations Program (up to $200 million) | 47 |
| | Healthy and resilient forests (up to $200 million) | 47 |
| | Safe & Affordable Drinking Water Program (up to $130 million) | 31 |
| | Subtotal, Tier 3 | **($468)** |
| | **Total** | **$2,824** |

[a]Expenditures for the Legislative Counsel Climate Bureau are contingent on it being created in statute, which has not yet occurred.

[b]In addition to the $1 billion discretionary set aside in SB 840 shown here, the budget allocates $715 million of additional GGRF monies—from the entering fund balance and estimated GGRF interest earnings—outside of SB 840's framework.

[c]These amounts represent estimates based on the Department of Finance's GGRF auction proceed estimates as of August 2026. The actual amount of funding for Tier 3 programs will depend on how much revenue the state receives from cap-and-invest program auctions in 2026-27.

GGRF = Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund and SB 840 = Chapter 121 of 2025 (SB 840, Limón).

**2026-27 CA Spending Plan - Natural Resources & Environmental Protection (Oct. 5, 2026)**
(https://lao.ca.gov/Publications/Report/5207)

## Natural Resources Expenditures Summary

*(In Millions)*

| | 2024-25 Actual | 2025-26 Estimated | 2026-27 Enacted |
|---|---|---|---|
| **Totals** | **$14,215** | **$20,465** | **$13,564** |
| **By Department** | | | |
| Forestry and Fire Protection[a] | $4,891 | $5,015 | $4,786 |
| Water Resources[b] | 3,426 | 4,654 | 2,875 |
| Energy Commission | 1,417 | 2,816 | 457 |
| General obligation bond debt service | 1,315 | 1,519 | 1,614 |
| Parks and Recreation | 936 | 1,964 | 1,032 |
| Fish and Wildlife | 734 | 816 | 706 |
| Wildlife Conservation Board | 273 | 876 | 375 |
| Coastal Conservancy | 230 | 579 | 160 |
| Conservation | 224 | 454 | 380 |
| Natural Resources Agency | 219 | 764 | 498 |
| Conservation Corps | 181 | 224 | 214 |
| State Lands Commission | 70 | 93 | 47 |
| Other resources programs[c] | 301 | 691 | 421 |
| **By Funding Source** | | | |
| General Fund | $7,617 | $7,051 | $5,286 |
| Special funds[a,b] | 5,315 | 7,346 | 5,495 |
| Bond funds | 666 | 4,264 | 2,232 |
| Federal funds | 617 | 1,804 | 551 |

[a]Includes reimbursements CalFire receives from work it does on behalf of other entities.

## Environmental Protection Expenditures Summary

*(In Millions)*

| | 2024-25 Actual | 2025-26 Estimated | 2026-27 Enacted |
|---|---|---|---|
| **Totals** | **$5,278** | **$6,865** | **$6,087** |
| **By Department** | | | |
| CalRecycle | $2,002 | $2,086 | $2,159 |
| State Water Resources Control Board | 1,627 | 2,665 | 1,969 |
| Air Resources Board | 1,004 | 1,375 | 1,306 |
| Toxic Substances Control | 448 | 505 | 427 |
| Pesticide Regulation | 143 | 171 | 166 |
| Other departments[a] | 54 | 63 | 60 |
| **By Funding Source** | | | |
| Special funds | $4,030 | $5,374 | $4,692 |
| Federal funds | 731 | 624 | 635 |
| General Fund | 456 | 285 | 291 |
| Bond funds | 60 | 583 | 470 |

[a]Includes the Environmental Protection Agency, Office of Environmental Health Hazard Assessment, and general obligation bond debt service.

CalRecycle = California Department of Resources Recycling and Recovery.

# Spotlight: ICLEI Financing Webinar

**Closing the Gaps on Support and Financing for Local Businesses to Go Green**

*Nov 19, 10:30 - 11:30 A.M. PST*

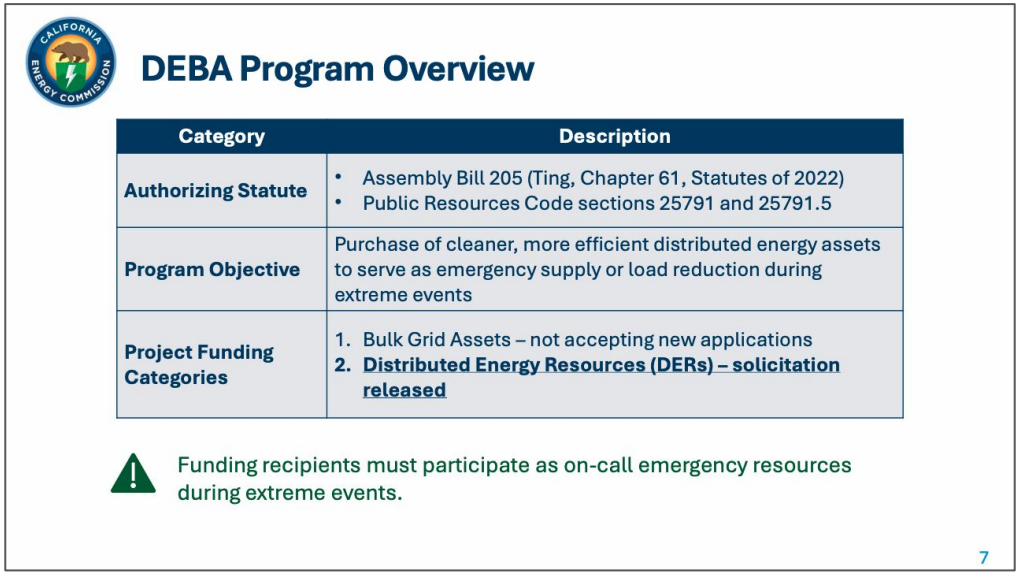
**Register today** to hear how CAGBN, ICLEI USA, and GoGreen Financing can help turn the sustainability goals for your business community into action.

Communities across California have ambitious climate and sustainability goals, but for many businesses and multifamily property owners, access to the tools and capital to be greener remain key barriers to implementation.

Join us for an upcoming webinar that brings together the know-how of California Green Business Program (CAGBN), local government financing guidance from ICLEI- Local Governments for Sustainability USA, and the financing resources of the State of California's GoGreen Business & Multifamily programs, all designed to **help small businesses and commercial and multifamily property owners access the tailored resources and financing they need to achieve community climate resilience and emissions reduction objectives**. The webinar will provide an overview of CAGBN's support services, ICLEI USA's resources, and GoGreen's financing options and highlight ways local governments and sustainability organizations can connect stakeholders with these valuable resources.

# Spotlight: CEC Distributed Energy Backup Assets

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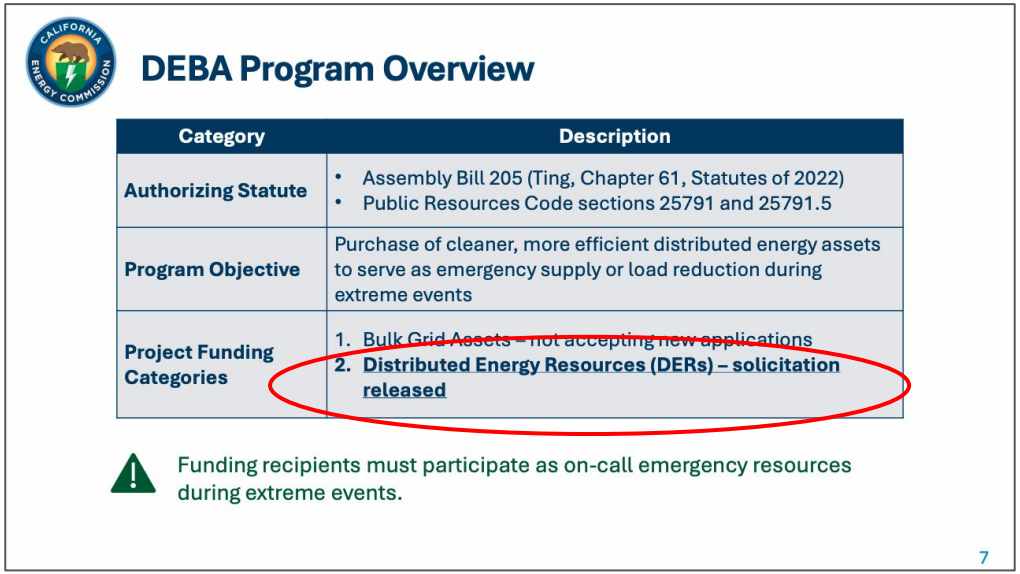
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**DER Solicitation website:** https://www.energy.ca.gov/solicitations/2026-10/gfo-26-503-distributed-electricity-backup-assets-program-distributed-energy

**DEBA Program Website:** https://www.energy.ca.gov/programs-and-topics/programs/distributed-electricity-backup-assets-program

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# Spotlight: CEC Distributed Energy Backup Assets

## Solicitation Highlights

- Competitive solicitation focused on:
  - Deployment of new, commercially available, zero-emission DERs that **increase supply** or **reduce (or shift) load**
  - Provide **new capacity** that is **incremental** to the State's Resource Adequacy supplies and existing Strategic Reliability Reserves and improves grid reliability
- Proposed projects **must be located in California**
- Development and operations must also occur in California, with the finished asset connected to the **distribution grid**
- Successful projects are expected to begin deploying DER resources quickly to meet statutory deadlines
- Parallel **GRIP cost-share award process**, per SB 105

Section I.A. "Purpose of Solicitation"

# Spotlight: CEC Distributed Energy Backup Assets

## Eligible Technologies

Must be new, zero-emission (no GHGs or criteria pollutants)

1. **Energy Storage**
   - Battery Energy Storage System (BESS), thermal energy storage (TES)
   - Other mechanical or gravitational storage equipment, such as pumped hydro
   - Stationary storage as part of VGI infrastructure, excluding vehicle equipment
2. **Load Flexibility Enabling Technologies.** Controllers added to equipment to enable load flexibility.
   - Smart thermostats and other HVAC controllers
   - Water heater controllers
   - Advanced motor controls like variable frequency drives
   - VGI infrastructure used for bidirectional charging, excluding vehicle equipment
3. **Zero-Emission Distributed Generation (DG) Technologies**
   - Waste heat-to-power
   - Fuel cell and linear generators using green hydrogen fuel in a non-combustion process to generate electricity
4. **Microgrids.** Equipment necessary to manage and coordinate BTM loads and generation resources in grid-tied or island mode.
   - Microgrid controller

# Spotlight: CEC Distributed Energy Backup Assets

## Location and Site

- Both behind-the-meter (BTM) and front-of-the-meter (FTM) DERs are eligible at existing or new facilities
- Must be connected to the distribution grid of a California utility
- Non-residential and aggregated residential sites are eligible
- Single site or multiple distinct sites allowed
- Verified site control documentation is required for each site,* including, but not limited to:
  - Executed lease agreement or host site agreement
  - Recorded easement
  - Proof of property
  - Letter of Commitment from project partner, if applicable

** Applications for aggregated residential sites are not subject to this criterion at the time of application submission.*

Section II.B.1. "Location and Site"

# Spotlight: CEC Distributed Energy Backup Assets

## Available Funding

Total grant funding of $23.1M to $46.1M is anticipated for competitive awards

| Available CEC Funding | Minimum Award | Maximum Award | Minimum Match Funding (% of CEC funds requested) |
|---|---|---|---|
| **$23.1-46.1 million** | $2,000,000 | $8,000,000 | 25% (or 10%)* |

*For applications proposing to demonstrate meaningful and direct benefits to vulnerable populations and (severely) disadvantaged communities, minimum match funding is 10%.

- Minimum match funding example (25%): A project requesting $8,000,000 in CEC funding must contribute an additional minimum of $2,000,000 in match funds.
- Match funding may be cash or in-kind
- Must submit commitment letters **at the time of application**
- Up to 5 preference points are available for exceeding minimum match funding

Section I.E. "Funding"

# Spotlight: CEC Distributed Energy Backup Assets

**Who Can Apply:**Public agency, local agency, nonprofit organization 501(c)(3) nonprofits, special district, joint powers authority, Tribe, public utility (includes investor-owned utility), local publicly owned utility, or mutual water company.

**Multiple Applications:** Eligible applicants may submit multiple applications if each application is for:

- A different combination of eligible technologies; or
- Different project sites with distinct locations

| Preferences | Equity Allocations |
|---|---|
| • Projects leveraging other funding sources to produce the greatest public benefit.<br>• Applications using the CCC or certified community conservation corps.<br>• Projects receiving federal funding that supports critical infrastructure, such as water utilities, if federal funding is secure and in place (SB 105) | • At least 40% of funds allocated for projects providing meaningful and direct benefits to:<br>○ Vulnerable Populations (Tribes included)<br>○ Disadvantaged Communities (DACs)<br>○ Severely Disadvantaged Communities (SDACs)<br>• Mapping tools are available |

# Spotlight: CEC Distributed Energy Backup Assets

## Update on CCEC Network Comments

| Draft Solicitation | Final Solicitation |
|---|---|
| **Maximize program funding for DERs over Cost-Share** | **No less than 12.5M for GRIP cost-share awards. -> Range of funding for DERs remained as 23.1M-46.1M** |
| **Reduce/eliminate 25% match requirement** | **Reduced match requirement from 25% to 10% for projects providing meaningful benefits to vulnerable populations/SDACs** |
| Consider not-ready-for-construction projects | Successful projects are expected to begin deploying DER resources quickly |
| Eliminate requirements that undermine Tribal sovereignty | Tribes must submit waiver of tribal sovereign immunity |
| Provide Technical Assistance | Does not fund pre-development technical assistance, capacity building, or grant writing |
| **Allow solar PV costs** | **Solar PV costs not allowed** |
| Factor seismic/disaster resilience into project eval criteria | No mention |

# Spotlight: CEC Distributed Energy Backup Assets

## Key Activities and Dates

| Activity | Anticipated Date |
|---|---|
| **Solicitation Release** | October 23, 2026 |
| Pre-Application Workshop | November 5, 2026 at 1:00 p.m. |
| **Deadline for Written Questions** | **November 13, 2026 at 5:00 p.m.** |
| Anticipated Distribution of Questions and Answers | Week of December 14, 2026 |
| Support for Application Submission in ECAMS | January 26, 2027 at 5:00 p.m. |
| **Deadline to Submit Applications (competitive and cost-share)** | **January 26, 2027 at 11:59 p.m.** |
| Anticipated Notice of Proposed Award (NOPA) posting | Week of April 19, 2027 |
| Anticipated CEC Business Meeting award approval | August 2027 |
| Anticipated Agreement Start Date | September 2027 |
| **Prop 4 Encumbrance Deadline (grant funds must be awarded)** | **June 30, 2028** |
| **Project Online Deadline and Deadline to Submit CEC-Reimbursable Invoices** | **March 31, 2030** |
| **Prop 4 Liquidation Deadline (grant funds must be spent)** | **June 30, 2030** |

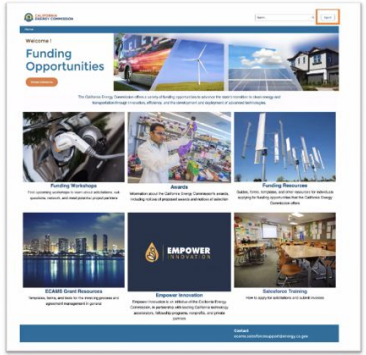
Section I.D. “Key Activities and Dates”

# Spotlight: CEC Distributed Energy Backup Assets

## Application Submission Requirements

ECAMS is the only method for submitting applications

- **Applications must be submitted through the Energy Commission Agreement Management System (ECAMS) at: https://ecams.energy.ca.gov/**
- Applicants must have or must create a user account to submit a solicitation application
- **To create an account, please see User Registration Instructions at: https://www.energy.ca.gov/media/7893**
- Note: one account manager per organization, but users can be added by the account manager




Section III.B "Method for Delivery"



## Additional Questions

**Please send all questions related to GFO-26-503 to:**

**Enrico Palo**
**Commission Agreement Officer**
**715 P Street, MS-18**
**Sacramento, CA 95814**
**enrico.palo@energy.ca.gov**

**Deadline to submit questions:**
**November 13, 2026**



More Information: **CEC Distributed Energy Backup Assets**

# Spotlight: DOC MLRP guidelines

Draft guidelines available for updating the Multibenefit Land Repurposing Program (MLRP) to administer $200 million in funds made available to the program in the Climate Bond.

> The Multibenefit Land Repurposing Program seeks to improve regional capacity to increase groundwater sustainability through projects that repurpose agricultural land while reducing groundwater use, supporting implementation of the Sustainable Groundwater Management Act and providing community health, economic wellbeing, water supply, habitat, or climate benefits. Block grants to regional partnerships and grants for Tribal groundwater resilience will be the primary tools used to achieve these goals.

Block Grants between $1 million and $17 million
The draft guidelines are available **here** (PDF, via our File Request server).
**Public comment period open now through Dec 7th.**

**Eligibility:** Eligible regional block grant applicants are: Groundwater Sustainability Agencies; California Tribes (federally recognized, or NAHC-listed with an environmental nonprofit); public/local agencies; 501(c) nonprofits; special districts; JPAs; public utilities; mutual water companies implementing an adopted GSP or alternative.

Eligible applicants that are not Groundwater Sustainability Agencies must partner with at least one Groundwater Sustainability Agency to submit an application for a block grant.

Public Workshop 2: November 16, 2:00 – 3:30 pm. Registration Link: https://us06web.zoom.us/meeting/register/TFQEGdTzTKCXsmpA-_-J5Q

# Spotlight: DOC other coming grants

The Department of Conservation:
Regional Forest and Fire Capacity Program: provides funding to regional and statewide organizations to help reduce fire risk in communities and landscapes. Through grants that assist with capacity-building, project development, and strategy implementation, RFFC helps improve ecosystem health, community wildfire preparedness, and fire resilience.

**Eligibility:** block grants to both regional and statewide block grantees, who then coordinate on a statewide, regional, and local level to distribute funds and implement work, prioritizing broad and inclusive outreach across California. Current block grantees partner heavily with state, federal, tribal, and local governments as well as resource conservation districts, fire safe councils, water agencies, and other nonprofits.

**Timeline:**

- June 5, 2026: Draft Guidelines released for public comment
- June-July 2026: Workshops and public engagement events to receive input on draft language.
- July 21st, 2026: Public comment period closes
- July-August 2026: DOC reviews comments and incorporates edits where feasible
- October 2026: Second public comment period
- Fall 2026*: Final Guidelines released
  *Date subject to change



# Spotlight: EPA Community Change Grants Update

## Comptroller General Determines that EPA's Termination of the Community Change Grant Program Violated the Impoundment Control Act

- **What is the Community Change Grant (CCG) Program?**
  - Under Inflation Reduction Act, $1.5 billion administered by EPA to support local projects that address pollution and enhance community resilience against climate change.
- **What happened to CCG?**
  - The EPA issued official termination notices to grant recipients in **May 2025**
- **What did the Comptroller General (CG) decide?**
  - On Oct. 7th, CG issued a legal opinion finding that EPA violated the Impoundment Control Act (ICA), finding that EPA failed to comply with congressional direction in 42 U.S.C. 7438 to use Inflation Reduction Act appropriations to implement the CCG program. View the decision here
  - CG's ICA opinion **does not require EPA to restart the CCG program,** it does provide support for CCG recipients whose grants were improperly terminated to engage in congressional and public outreach to counter the Trump administration's refusal to adhere to the rule of law.
- **Want to know more? Have questions?**
  - View the decision and read the full report via the L4GG website. And join L4GG's regularly scheduled Federal Fund Protection Updates and Office Hours webinar to learn more.

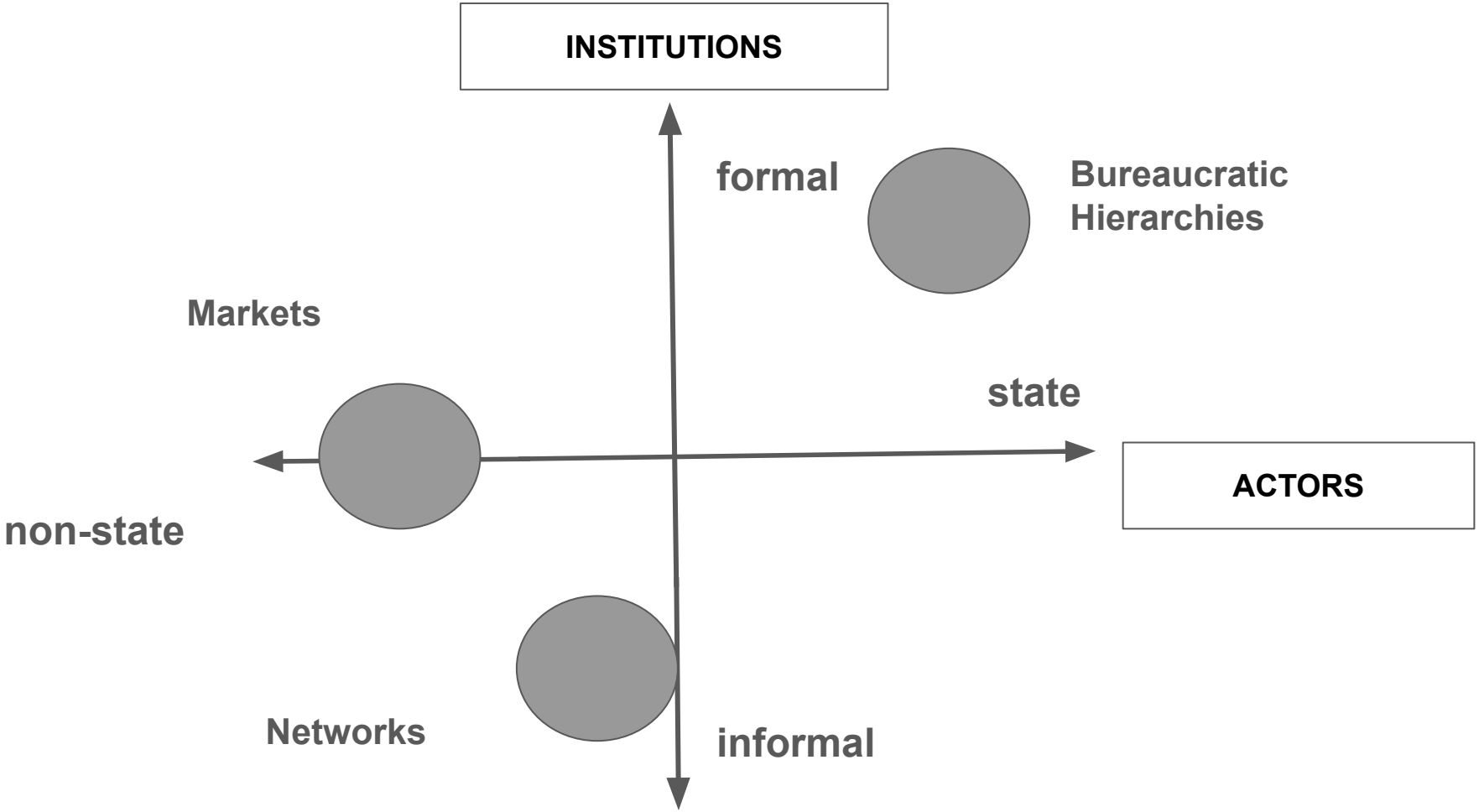
***"We find that EPA violated the ICA when the agency, without submitting a special message to Congress: (1) withheld funds from expenditure for the CCG Program after deciding to terminate the program; and (2) withheld funds from obligation by terminating the CCGs. These withholdings were impoundments subject to the ICA and not programmatic delays."***



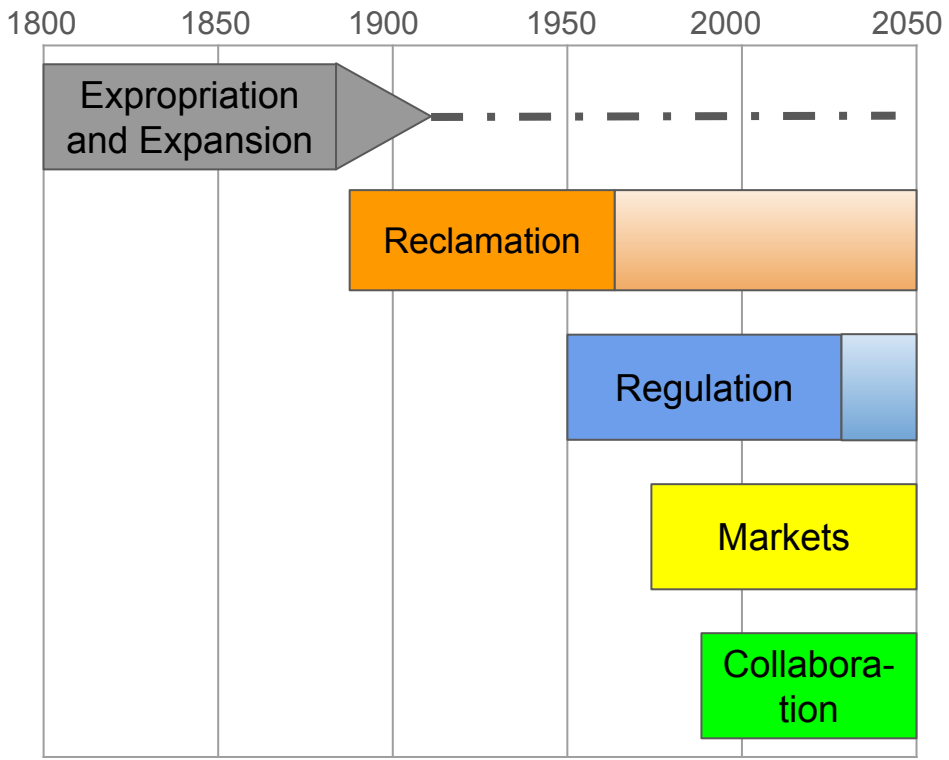
- Summer 2026 in Lower Saxony, Germany
- Internationally recognized on adaptive resource governance.

Funding: Alexander von HUMBOLDT STIFTUNG

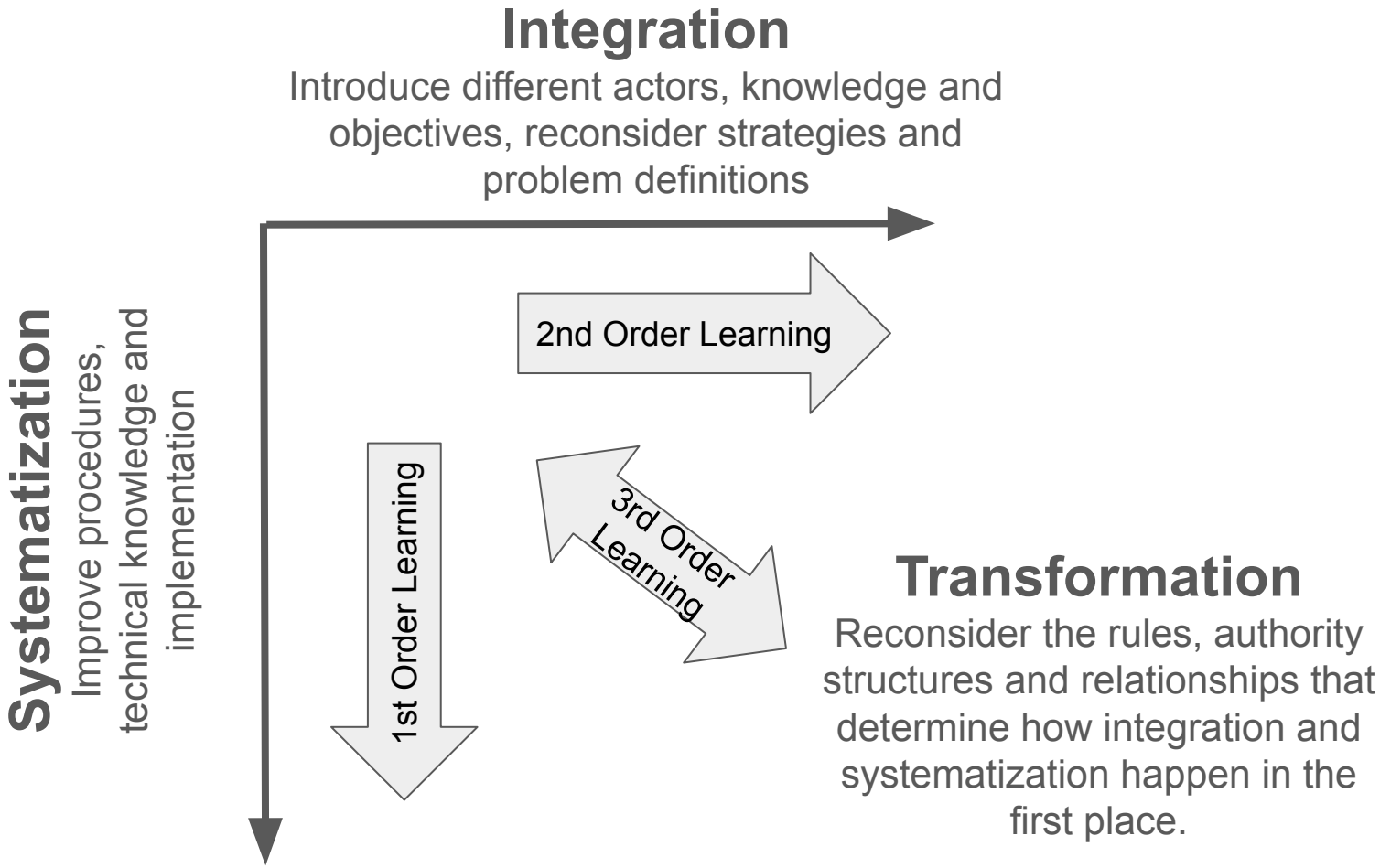
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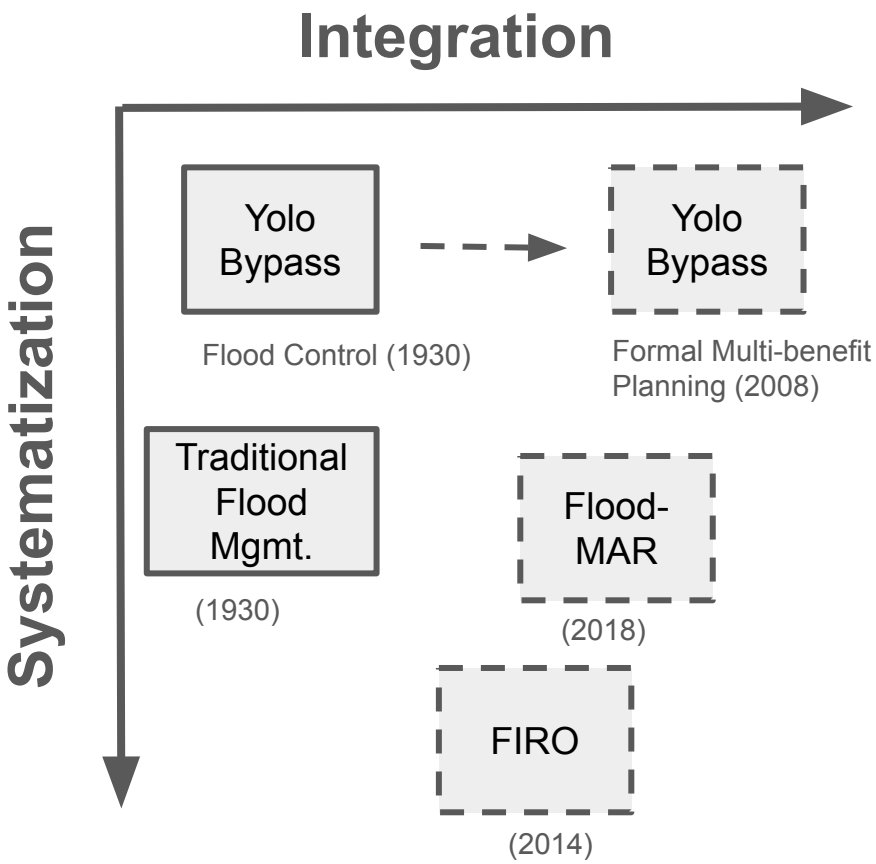

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| Policy Drivers |
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| Territorial expansion, land and resource appropriation |
| Water scarcity, floods, urban and agricultural development |
| Monopolies, pollution, public accountability |
| Efficiency, resource allocation, cost pressures |
| Climate risk, uncertainty, fragmentation, interdependence, equity and social justice |



| Paradigm/Era | Illustrative Water Examples | Illustrative Energy Examples |
| --- | --- | --- |
| Expansion and Expropriation | Spanish and Mexican land and water regimes; settler appropriation of water and land | Resource extraction to support settlement, mining, timber industries, and railroad development |
| Reclamation and Development | Federal Reclamation Act; Hetch Hetchy; Central Valley Project; State Water Project | Large-scale hydroelectric development, transmission infrastructure, and expansion of centralized electricity systems |
| Regulation and Progressive Era | State Water Commission; water rights administration; environmental regulation | CPUC; utility regulation; environmental and reliability standards |
| Market-Oriented Efficiency | Water transfers; water pricing; groundwater markets | Electricity restructuring; wholesale markets; demand response; distributed energy resource incentives |
| Collaboration, Participation, and Adaptive Governance | Integrated Regional Water Management (IRWM); Central Valley Flood Protection Plan (CVFPP); Flood-MAR; Forecast-Informed Reservoir Operations (FIRO); watershed partnerships | Regional Energy Networks (RENs); Community Choice Aggregators (CCAs); community-led resilience; distributed energy coordination, environmental and social justice action plans, Transformative Climate Communities |


Integration
Introduce different actors, knowledge and objectives, reconsider strategies and problem definitions
Systematization
Improve procedures, technical knowledge and implementation
2nd Order Learning
1st Order Learning
3rd Order Learning
Transformation
Reconsider the rules, authority structures and relationships that determine how integration and systematization happen in the first place.




**Transformation:** Emergence of integrated water management

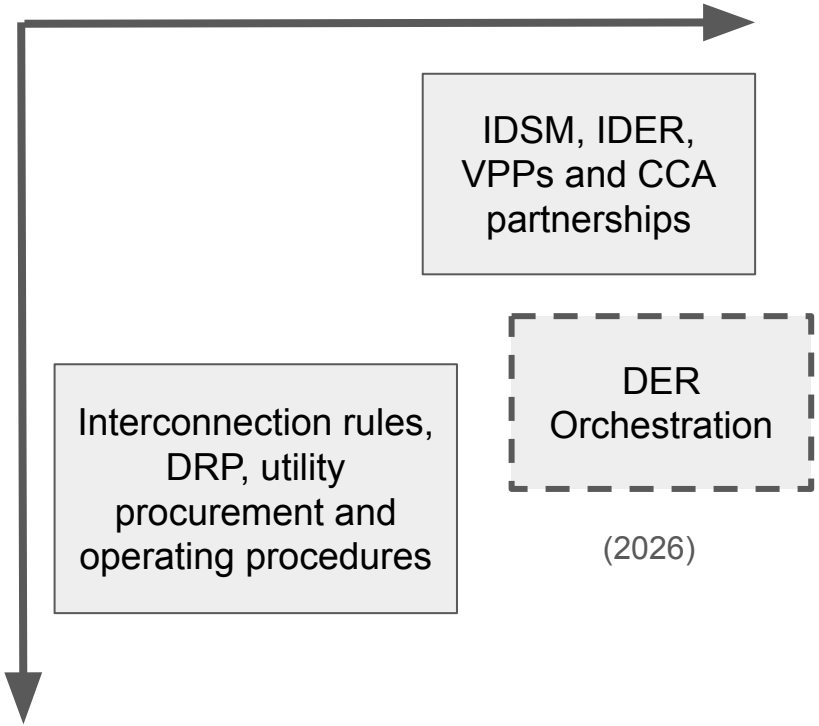
- Policy & institutions: CVPIA (1992); CALFED (1994); IRWM (2002); SGMA (2014).
- Science: Floodplain ecology; groundwater–surface water interactions; ecosystem services; climate adaptation.
- Governance processes: Collaborative networks; regional planning; multi-stakeholder partnerships; adaptive management.

## Integration

Coordinating DER technologies, actors and grid needs to maximize benefits—including resilience, peak reduction, avoided capacity upgrades and system flexibility

**Systematization**

Establishing the standards, rules, data, planning processes and operational frameworks needed to reliably deploy, coordinate, measure and scale DERs.




## Transformation (still needed)

Distribution-level coordination, authority and accountability that allow DERs to function as an integrated system resource.

# Featured Discussion: CCEC Input

## Gathering funding access priorities for next CA administration

- **Welcome Governor Becerra!**
- Organizations are publishing their recommendations for the next administration
  - **CA FWD & RLF** - Building CA's Climate-Smart Economy
  - **GridLab** – Making California's Electricity Cheaper
  - **U.C. Berkeley CLEE)** – Powering Down Prices; Climate and Environmental Policy, Process, and Governance: Advice for California's Next Governor
  - **U.C. Berkeley Possibility Lab** - The Civic Engagement Agenda for California's Next Governor
  - **CalCAN** - Recommendations for the Next Governor and Administration
  - **Union of Concerned Scientists** – California's New Governor, 2027 series; Priorities for the Next Governor
  - **LCI** - Adaptation Funding and Financing Draft Report
- Agreement and Gaps
  - Affordability remains a lead frame, with many calling for utility accountability and regulation
  - Climate funding and governance that calls for lead agency oversight, dedicated multi-year revenues and funding programs, integrated financing, and funding of local and regional capacity
  - **Missing the perspective of local energy and climate implementation practitioners**

***We want your perspective to help us communicate community-driven funding reform priorities***

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## Gathering funding access priorities for next CA administration

***We want your perspective to help us communicate community-driven funding reform priorities***

**A Community-Driven Climate Funding Reform Agenda for California's Next Governor**

1. Issue an executive directive establishing interagency climate funding authority and reform
2. Reduce application burdens through agency-level funding deployment audits
3. Develop a shared project pipeline that connects regional priorities to funding
4. Invest in existing regional and statewide delivery infrastructure
5. Advance a durable climate investment and financing package

What else?

# Featured Discussion: CCEC Input

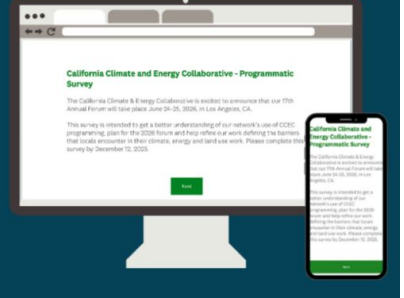



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More Info: www.eecoordinator.info

# Discussion

*Please add questions in the chat*

## Q&A and Discussion

# CCEC Updates

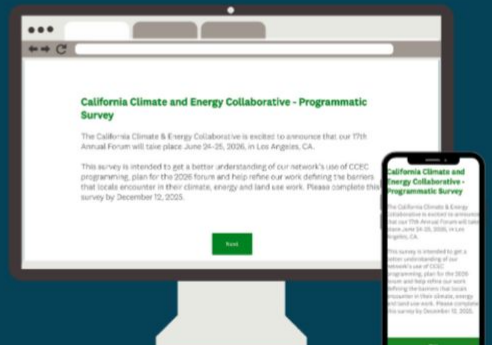



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# What's Next?

- REACH Project Accelerator Study Cohort - monthly meetings starting soon!
- Bonus Breakouts up next!
- Next meeting **December 10th**
- 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)

# CCEC Serves Local Needs

- wEEkly Update
- CURRENTS Quarterly
- Webinars
- Annual Forum




- Technical Assistance
- Technical Assistance Directory
- Local Government Roundtables

- Active Funding Opportunities
- Funding Program Database

- Best Practice Database
- Interviews and Case Studies