

In-Person Climate Adaptation Equity Metrics Workshop Agenda

*Courtyard Room, CPUC Headquarters
505 Van Ness Ave., San Francisco, CA
Remote Webex Option Available
August 27, 2025*

Background

Through its Climate Adaptation Proceeding (R.18-04-019), the CPUC requires the large investor-owned utilities (IOUs) to file a Climate Adaptation Vulnerability Assessment (CAVA) every 4 years with the CPUC. The CAVA is meant to identify vulnerabilities and risks to IOU assets, operations, and services caused by climate change impacts and describe adaptation options to address those vulnerabilities. The CAVA can then inform climate adaptation investment proposals presented in the IOU's subsequent General Rate Case (GRC) or other relevant applications. The CPUC also requires the IOUs to develop and submit a Community Engagement Plan (CEP) one year prior to their CAVA, which is meant to inform IOU engagement with Disadvantaged and Vulnerable Communities (DVCs) as defined in the proceeding, before, during, and after the development of their CAVA. Pursuant to Decision (D).24-08-005, the IOUs are required to publicly present the results of their CAVAs 90 days before submission for public comment.

Agenda

I.	Welcome & Introduction Meghan Cook, California Public Utilities Commission Staff	9:30 – 9:40 AM
II.	Commissioner Opening Remarks Commissioner Darcie L. Houck	9:40 – 9:50 AM
III.	Introduction & Background Meghan Cook, California Public Utilities Commission Staff	9:50 – 10:10 AM
IV.	IOU Roundtable: Identifying and Prioritizing Equity in CAVAs Lessons-learned and Proposals for Refinements	10:10 AM – 12:00 PM
	• IOU Presentation: Refinement to Equity Integration in CAVAs ○ Nathan Bengtsson & Maegan Cowan – PG&E	10:10 – 11:10 AM
	• Break	11:10 – 11:20 AM
	• Facilitated Roundtable Discussion	11:20 – 12:00 PM
V.	Lunch Break	12:00 – 1:30 PM
VI.	Integration of Equity Metrics into CAVA Process	1:30 – 3:05 PM
	• Stakeholder Presentations – Equity Metrics Criteria ○ Peter Alstone & Awbrey Yost – Schatz Energy Research Center ○ Rosanne Ratkiewich – CPUC Staff ○ Kelly Klima – RAND Corporation ○ Elena Krieger – Just Solutions ○ Rachel Sweetnam – Center for Accessible Technology	1:30 – 2:10 PM

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Break and Interactive Activity 	2:10 – 2:25 PM
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Facilitated Discussion 	2:25 – 2:55 PM
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Break 	2:55 - 3:05 PM
	Refinement of Community Engagement Requirement for CAVA Process	3:05 – 3:45 PM
VII.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tribes and Stakeholder Presentations – Community Engagement Criteria <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Ysabelle Yrad – Blue Lake Rancheria ○ Iliana Chevez – California Coalition for Rural Housing ○ Angela Hacker – CivicWell & Prosper Sustainability ○ Sarah Rubin – California Department of Conservation 	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Break and Interactive Activity 	3:45 – 4:00 PM
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Facilitated Discussion 	4:00 – 4:30 PM
IX.	Next Steps & Closing Remarks	4:30 – 4:45 PM
	No Host Networking Post-Workshop Event – (Location TBD)	5:00 - 7:00 PM

Lunch Option Suggestions

- Lenore's Deli Taqueria
- DragonEats Vietnamese Cuisine
- Max's Opera Café
- Outta Sight Pizza
- Golden Era Vegan Restaurant
- Rad Radish Vegan Restaurant