

CPUC Public Agenda 3550

Thursday, August 22, 2024, 11:00 a.m.

Commissioners:

Alice Reynolds, President

Darcie L. Houck

John Reynolds

Karen Douglas

Matthew Baker

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California Public
Utilities Commission

CPUC Mission

We Empower California through:

- Assuring utility services are clean and safe.
- Providing for critical services and infrastructure.
- Designing rates that are fair and reasonable.
- Protecting the interests of consumers and ratepayers

CPUC Core Values



Accountability



Excellence



Integrity



**Open
Communication**



Stewardship

Commissioner Code of Conduct

- I. Commissioners should conduct themselves in a manner that demonstrates respect for the public, for fellow Commissioners, and for Commission staff.
- II. Commission meetings should be opportunities for a full and respectful exchange of ideas and the responsible execution of Commission duties.
- III. Serving on the Commission is an honor and Commissioners should treat their colleagues at the Commission with respect for the varied backgrounds, skills and interests that each one brings.
- IV. Commissioners are public officials who should uphold the integrity of their office at all times.

Public Comment

- Per Resolution ALJ-252, any member of the public (excluding parties and their representatives) who wishes to address the CPUC about matters before the Commission may comment in person at the Commission Meeting or may call in to the toll-free number:



1-800-857-1917

Passcode: 9899501

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- Once called, each speaker has 1 minute at the discretion of the Commission President. If there are a large number of callers wishing to speak, the time limit may be changed to accommodate all callers.
- A bell will ring when time has expired.
- **Written comments on a specific proceeding can be submitted via the CPUC's docket card. Please visit www.cpuc.ca.gov/docket, input the proceeding number, then click on the public comment tab. You can also visit the Public Advisor's Office webpage at www.cpuc.ca.gov/pao for further information.**
- Public Comment is not permitted on the following items:
 - 29, 30

Public Agenda Changes

Items shown on the Consent Agenda will be taken up and voted on as a group in one of the first items of business of each CPUC meeting.

- Items on Today's Consent Agenda 1 are: **1, 3, 4, 5, 6, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 27, 28, 29, 30, 33 and 47.**
- Items on Today's Consent Agenda 2 are: **7, 16, 31, 32, 34, 36, 37, 39, 40, 41, 42, 43, 44, 45, and 46.**
- Any Commissioner, with consent of the other Commissioners, may request an item from the Regular Agenda be moved to the Consent Agenda prior to the meeting.
- **No Item** from the Regular Agenda has been added to the Consent Agenda.
- Any Commissioner may request an item be removed from the Consent Agenda for discussion on the Regular Agenda prior to the meeting.
- **Item 26** has been withdrawn.
- **No Item** has been moved to the Regular Agenda.
- The following items have been held to future Commission Meetings:
Held to 9/12/2024: 2, 15, 25, 35, 38, 48, 50, 50A, 51, and 51A.

Regular Agenda

- Each item on the Regular Agenda (and its alternate if any) will be introduced by the assigned Commissioner or CPUC staff and discussed before it is moved for a vote.
- For each agenda item, a summary of the proposed action is included on the agenda; the CPUC's final decision may, however, differ from that proposed.
- The complete text of every Proposed Decision or Draft Resolution is available for download on the CPUC's website: www.cpuc.ca.gov
- Late changes to agenda items are available on the Virtual Escutia Table; or in paper format or via QR Code at the Commission Meeting site.

Regular Agenda | Energy Orders

Item #49 [22771] – Centralized Procurement of Long Lead-Time Resources

R.20-05-003

Order Instituting Rulemaking to Continue Electric Integrated Resource Planning and Related Procurement Processes.

Ratesetting

Comr. Alice Reynolds - Judge Fitch

PROPOSED OUTCOME:

- Makes an initial need determination under the provisions of Assembly Bill 1373, where the Commission may request that the Department of Water Resources (DWR) procure electricity from diverse long lead-time resources including emerging technologies not already being procured by load-serving entities in significant enough volumes to meet electricity sector greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions reduction goals by 2045.
- Sets policy for how the Commission will allocate the costs and benefits of any DWR procurement and includes a framework for the conduct of competitive solicitations.

SAFETY CONSIDERATIONS:

- Procurement of these resources will assist with GHG emissions reductions, while also supporting a reliable, safe, and affordable electricity system.

ESTIMATED COST:

- Procurement of the resources will be done by competitive solicitation. Costs are yet unknown, but DWR is authorized not to procure any of the resources if the bids prove too expensive. Actual costs will be known at the time the Commission considers whether to approve any recommended contracts.

Regular Agenda | Communication Resolutions and Reports

Item #52 [22731] – Last Mile Federal Funding Account Applications

Res T-17833

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SAFETY CONSIDERATIONS:

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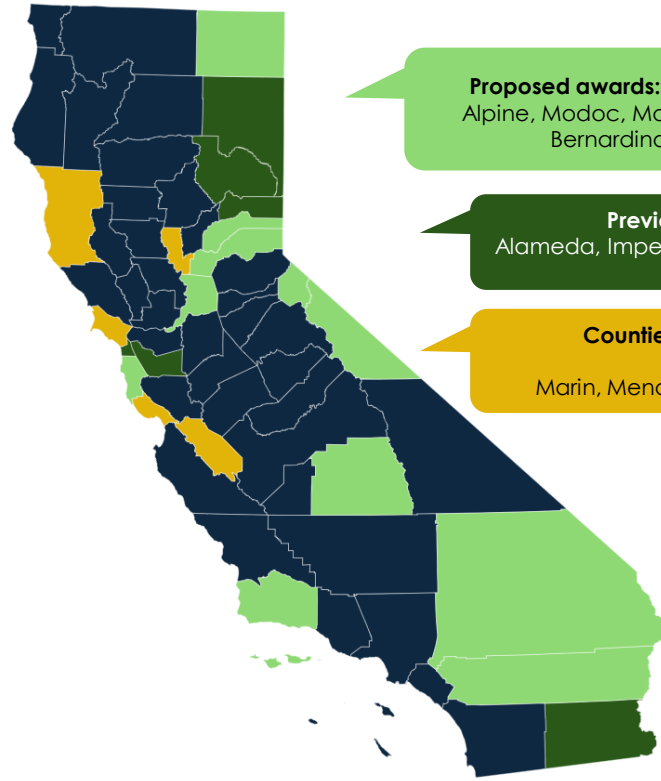
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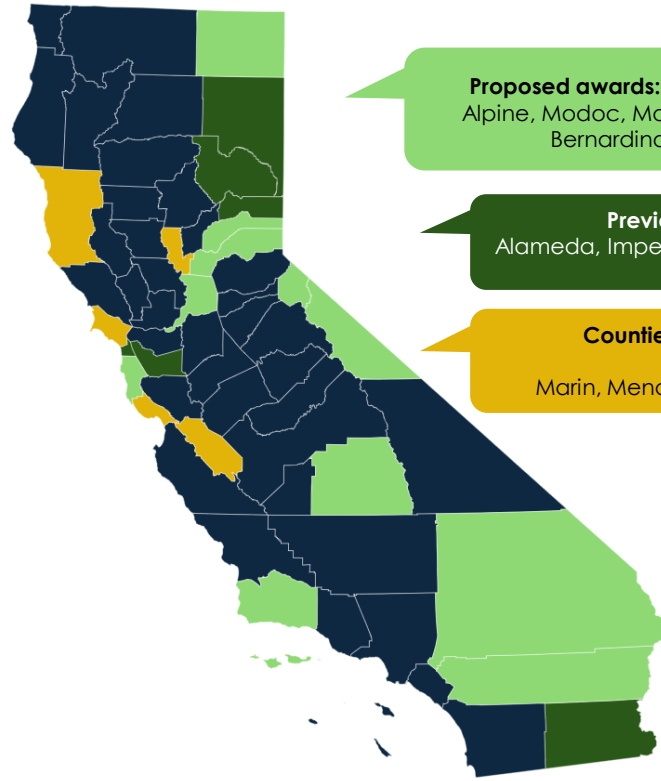
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Management Reports



Regular Agenda- Commissioner Reports

Item #55 [22806]

Reappointment to the Low-Income Oversight Board: Robert Castaneda Jr.

Commissioner's Reports



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Alice Busching Reynolds



Commissioner
Darcie L. Houck



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The CPUC thanks you for participating in today's meeting

The next Public Meeting will be:

September 12, 2024

11:00 a.m.

Sacramento, CA





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