

# CPUC Public Agenda 3558

Thursday, January 30, 2025, 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:



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- ***Para escuchar esta reunión en español, por favor llame: (800) 857-1917, código de acceso: 3799627.***
- 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](http://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](http://www.cpuc.ca.gov/pao) for further information.**
- Public Comment is not permitted on the following items:
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# 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, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 22, 23, 28, and 35.**
- Items on Today's Consent Agenda 2 are: **5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 18, 19, 20, 26, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 36, and 37.**
- 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 25** has been withdrawn.
- **Items 4, 4A, 24, and 27** have been moved to the Regular Agenda.
- The following items have been held to future Commission Meetings:

**Held to 2/20/2025: 2, 17, 21, and 39.**

# 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](http://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 | Orders and Resolutions

## Item #4 [23073] – Golden State Water Company General Rate Case

### A.23-08-010

In the matter of the Application of the Golden State Water Company for an Order (1) Authorizing it to Increase Rates for Water Service by \$87,060,700 or 22.95% in 2025; (2) Authorizing it to Increase Rates by \$20,699,200 or 4.42% in 2026 and Increase Rates by \$22,408,200 or 4.57% in 2027 in Accordance with the Rate Case Plan; and (3) Adopting other Related Rulings and Relief Necessary to Implement the Commission's Ratemaking Policies.

**Ratesetting**

**Comr. Houck - Judge Nojan**

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### **PROPOSED OUTCOME:**

- Adopts Settlement Agreement, resolves remaining issues, and authorizes a general rate increase for Golden State Water Company for 2025, 2026, and 2027.
- Closes the proceeding.

### **SAFETY CONSIDERATIONS:**

- Authorized funding will enable Golden State Water to continue to provide safe, reliable, and clean water service at just and reasonable rates.

### **ESTIMATED COST:**

- Golden State Water Company is authorized general rate increases for 2025, 2026, and 2027, as follows: \$44,239,000 or 10.52% for 2025, \$19,894,700 or 4.26% for 2026, and \$19,883,300 or 4.07% for 2027.



# Regular Agenda | Orders and Resolutions (continued)

## Item #4A [23212] – Commissioner Darcie L. Houck's' Alternate to Item 23073

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**Comr. Houck**

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### PROPOSED OUTCOME:

- Adopts Settlement Agreement, resolves remaining issues, and authorizing a general rate increase for Golden State Water Company for 2025, 2026, and 2027.
- Grants Special Request 3.
- Closes the proceeding.

### SAFETY CONSIDERATIONS:

- Enables Golden State Water to continue to provide safe, reliable, and clean water service at just and reasonable rates.

### ESTIMATED COST:

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# Regular Agenda | Orders Extending Statutory Deadline

## Item #24 [23229] – Orders Extending Statutory Deadline

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**Ratesetting**

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### **PROPOSED OUTCOME:**

- Extends the Statutory Deadline for completion of this proceeding until May 31, 2025.

### **SAFETY CONSIDERATIONS:**

- There are no safety considerations associated with this Order Extending Statutory Deadline.

### **ESTIMATED COST:**

- There are no costs associated with this Order Extending Statutory Deadline.

# Regular Agenda | Communication Resolutions and Reports

## Item #38 [23195] – Last Mile Federal Funding Account Applications

Res T-17873

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### **PROPOSED OUTCOME:**

- Approves three grants for up to \$14,648,581 from the Last Mile Federal Funding Account to provide service to 2,161 unserved locations in Lake County.

### **SAFETY CONSIDERATIONS:**

- There are no adverse safety considerations identified by staff. The recommended projects would provide the public safety benefits of reliable broadband to unserved areas, including households located in High Fire Threat District 2.

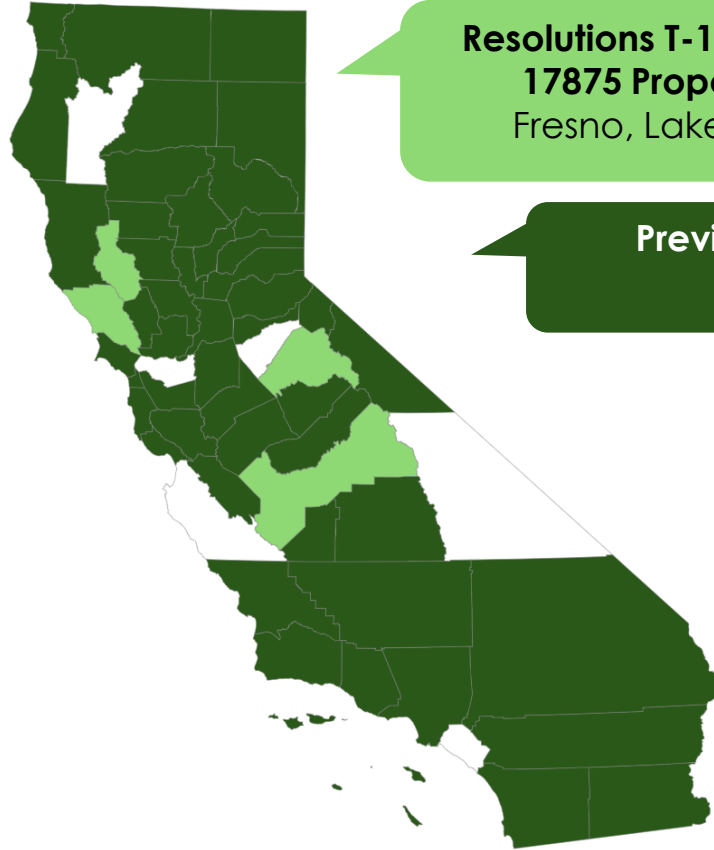
### **ESTIMATED COST:**

- \$14,648,581.

# Federal Funding Account Recommendations and Awards

Resolutions T-17872, T-17873, T-17874, and T-17875 recommend **\$58 million in awards** benefiting an estimated 25,000 Californians.

The CPUC has already awarded \$1.1 billion in 49 counties benefiting an estimated 2 million Californians.



**Resolutions T-17872, T-17873, T-17874, and T-17875 Propose Awards in 4 Counties:**  
Fresno, Lake, Tuolumne, and Sonoma

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# Regular Agenda | Communication Resolutions and Reports (Continued)

## Item #40 [23198] – Last Mile Federal Funding Account Applications

Res T-17872

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### **PROPOSED OUTCOME:**

- Approves three grants up to \$16,599,867 from the Last Mile Federal Funding Account to serve 2,751 unserved locations in Fresno County.

### **SAFETY CONSIDERATIONS:**

- There are no adverse safety considerations identified by staff. The recommended projects would provide the public safety benefits of reliable broadband to unserved areas, including households located in High Fire Threat District 2.

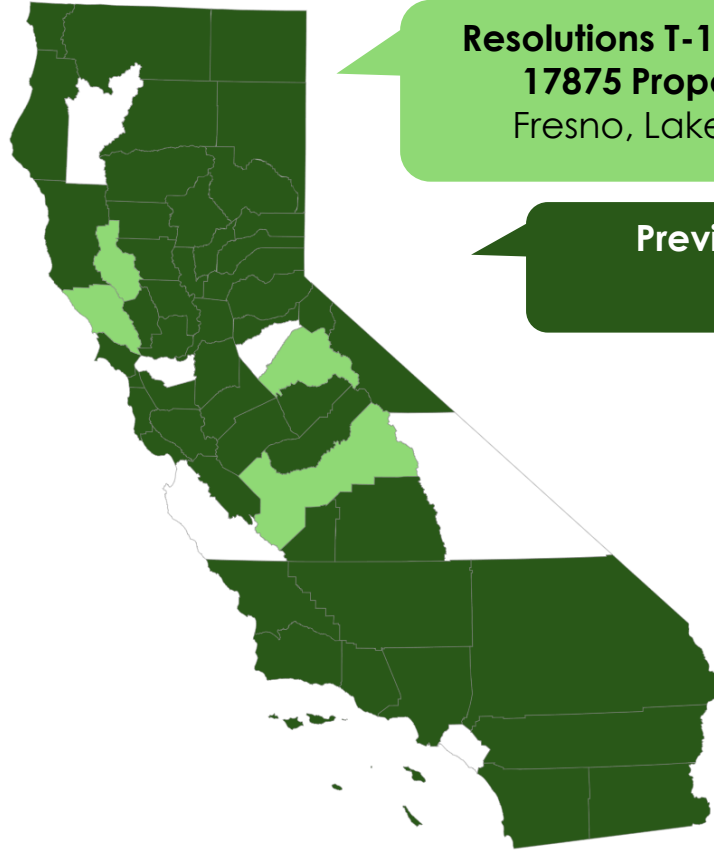
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### **ESTIMATED COST:**

- \$16,599,867.



# Regular Agenda | Communication Resolutions and Reports (Continued)

## Item #41 [23200] – Last Mile Federal Funding Account Applications

Res T-17875

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### **PROPOSED OUTCOME:**

- Approves two grants for up to \$17,010,997 from the Last Mile Federal Funding Account to provide service to 802 unserved locations in Sonoma County.

### **SAFETY CONSIDERATIONS:**

- There are no adverse safety considerations identified by staff. The recommended project would provide the public safety benefits of reliable broadband to unserved areas, including households located in High Fire Threat Districts 2 and 3.

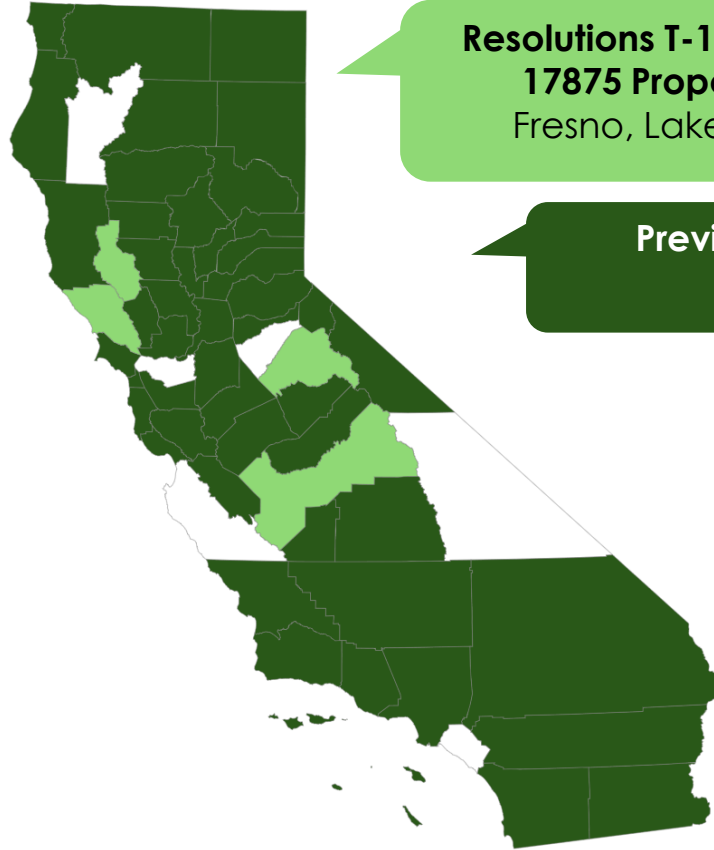
### **ESTIMATED COST:**

- \$17,010,997.

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# Regular Agenda | Communication Resolutions and Reports (Continued)

## Item #41 [23200] – Last Mile Federal Funding Account Applications

Res T-17875

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### **PROPOSED OUTCOME:**

- Approves two grants for up to \$17,010,997 from the Last Mile Federal Funding Account to provide service to 802 unserved locations in Sonoma County.

### **SAFETY CONSIDERATIONS:**

- There are no adverse safety considerations identified by staff. The recommended project would provide the public safety benefits of reliable broadband to unserved areas, including households located in High Fire Threat Districts 2 and 3.

### **ESTIMATED COST:**

- \$17,010,997.

## Regular Agenda | Other Utility Orders

### Item #42 [23210] – Modification of General Order 131-D

R.23-05-018

Order Instituting Rulemaking to Update and Amend Commission General Order 131-D.

Quasi-Legislative

Comr. Douglas - Judge Mutialu – Judge Zhang

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#### PROPOSED OUTCOME:

- Resolves Phase 2 issues.
- Adopts revisions to General Order 131-D and adopts General Order 131-E, reflecting the adopted revisions
- Closes the proceeding.

#### SAFETY CONSIDERATIONS:

- There are no safety considerations associated with this decision.

#### ESTIMATED COST:

- There are no costs associated with this decision.

# Regular Agenda | Orders Extending Statutory Deadline

## Item #27 [23254] – Orders Extending Statutory Deadline

R.23-05-018

Order Instituting Rulemaking to Update and Amend Commission General Order 131-D.

Quasi-Legislative

Comr. Douglas - Judge Mutialu - Judge Zhang

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### PROPOSED OUTCOME:

- Extends the Statutory Deadline for completion of this proceeding until May 31, 2025.

### SAFETY CONSIDERATIONS:

- There are no safety considerations associated with this Order Extending Statutory Deadline.

### ESTIMATED COST:

- There are no costs associated with this Order Extending Statutory Deadline.

# Management Reports



# Commissioner's Reports



President  
Alice Busching Reynolds



Commissioner  
Darcie L. Houck



Commissioner  
John Reynolds



Commissioner  
Karen Douglas



Commissioner  
Matthew Baker

The CPUC thanks you for participating in today's meeting

The next Public Meeting will be:

**February 20, 2025**

**11:00 a.m.**

**Sacramento, CA**







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