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March 8, 2022
Tuesday, 6 - 7:30 p.m.

COMMUNITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING

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COMMUNITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING AGENDA

Agenda Item	What / Action	When
1. Open	<p><u>Roll Call:</u> Norman Bell Roger Hess Elizabeth Burks Richard Johnson Jerome Carman Luna Latimer Colin Fiske Chris Honar Catherine Gurin Ethan Lawton Larry Goldberg, Chair Dennis Leonardi, Pam Halstead Vice Chair Sarah Schaefer, Board liaison Kit Mann</p> <p>Review meeting agenda and goals.</p>	6:00 p.m.
2. Approval of Minutes	Action: Approve minutes of January 11, 2022, CAC meeting.	6:00 - 6:05 (5 min.)
3. Non-Agenda Item Public Comment	This item is provided for the public to address the Committee on matters not on the agenda. At the end of public comments, the Committee will respond to statements, set requests requiring action to a future agenda, or refer requests to staff.	6:05 – 6:10 (5 min.)
4. CAC Chair, Vice-Chair Selection	Action: Appoint a CAC Chair and Vice Chair for Terms from April 12, 2022, to April 11, 2023.	6:10 – 6:20 (10 min.)
5. Q4 CAPE Status Update	Hear RePower Strategic Plan progress update. (Information only)	6:20 – 6:40 (20 min.)
6. 2022 CAC Work Goals	Action: Plan 2022 CAC work, solicit volunteers for work groups	6:40 – 7:15 (35 min.)
7. Net Energy Metering Update	Hear NEM Successor Tariff Update (Information only)	7:15-7:20 (5 min.)
8. Member Reports	This time is provided for Committee members to share information on topics not on the agenda. At the end of member reports, the Executive Director will set requests requiring action to a future agenda or refer requests to staff or the Board.	7:20 – 7:30 (10 min.)
9. Close & Adjourn		7:30 p.m.

NEXT REGULAR CAC MEETING – Tuesday, May 10, 2022, 6 - 7:30 p.m.
Location to be determined.



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COMMUNITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING

DRAFT MINUTES

January 11, 2022 - Tuesday, 6 - 7:30 p.m.

The agenda for this meeting was posted on January 10, 2022. Community Advisory Committee Chair Larry Goldberg called the meeting to order at 6:01 p.m., stating that the meeting was being conducted by teleconference pursuant to revised Brown Act provisions signed into law on September 16. Chair Goldberg stated that the posted agenda outlined instructions for public participation in this meeting.

Members present:

Norman Bell
Elizabeth Burks
Colin Fiske
Larry Goldberg, Chair
Catherine Gurin
Pamela Halstead (left 7:39 p.m.)

Roger Hess (arrived 6:03 p.m.)
Richard Johnson
Ethan Lawton
Dennis Leonardi, Vice Chair
Kit Mann
Jerome Qirazi (arrived 6:10 p.m.)

Members absent:

Christopher Honar

Luna Latimer

Staff and others present:

Jana Ganion, Blue Lake Rancheria
Amy Jester, Humboldt Area Foundation

Aisha Cissna, Reg. and Leg. Policy Mgr.
Matthew Marshall, Executive Director

Eileen Verbeck, Deputy Executive Director
Nancy Stephenson, Comm. Strategies
Mgr.

Lori Taketa, Board Clerk
Summer Sanderson, Customer Svc.
Coord.

Minutes Approval

Motion Johnson, Second Bell: Approve minutes of November 9, 2022, CAC meeting.

The motion passed with a roll call vote. Ayes: Bell, Fiske, Goldberg, Gurin, Halstead, Hess, Johnson, Lawton, Leonardi. Noes: None. Abstain: Burks, Mann. Absent: Honar, Latimer.

Non-Agenda Item Public Comment

Member of the public Martha Walden asked how long the region will rely on biomass, how burning biomass fits into the RePower strategic plan's power mix goal of 100% local, net-zero-carbon-emission renewable sources by 2030 given the Humboldt Sawmill Company contract extension to 2031, and about RCEA's biomass exit plan. Ms. Walden requested continued discussion on biomass reliance. Chair Goldberg stated that the committee will continue to review and research biomass.

As there was no more public comment Chair Goldberg closed the public comment period.

Humboldt Area Foundation – Redwood Region Climate & Community Resilience (CORE) Hub

Amy Jester and Jana Ganion introduced the Humboldt Area Foundation and Wild Rivers Community Foundation's Redwood Region Climate and Community Resilience (CORE) Hub project and explained why it was formed. The CORE Hub is a way to coordinate regional collaboration and provide information to support knowledgeable decision making, without competing with or duplicating existing efforts. The CORE Hub focuses on clean, renewable energy and collaboration in the community. Climate change has caused increased ocean temperatures, extreme weather and sea level rise which puts Humboldt County in jeopardy. Ms. Ganion pointed out that Humboldt County has the highest rate of sea level rise on the California coast along with increased seismic activity. The region also relies on a single 10-inch natural gas supply line, and a tenuous connection to the greater electrical grid, one transmission line with one redundant line. These reasons motivate the CORE Hub to support informed decision-making for projects benefitting the environment and community.

Ms. Ganion discussed how the CORE Hub will reach its goal of Humboldt County becoming the first proven carbon-sequestering rural area in the U.S. by 2030. Offshore wind is a major avenue toward this goal. It will provide benefits including local power reliability, reduced dependence on fossil fuels, and alignment with other regional developments such as eco/tech tourism.

The Committee expressed their appreciation for the CORE Hub's aspirations for the region. Ms. Ganion stated the initiative's funding sources to date have been from in-kind resources from the Humboldt Area Foundation Wild Rivers Community Foundation and the Blue Lake Rancheria for staff time, and from philanthropic donations. The Committee asked for future presentations from the CORE Hub.

Chair Goldberg invited public comment. No member of the public made comment.

Community Advisory Committee 2022 Goals, 2021 Annual Report

Executive Director Marshall presented the 2022 CAC goals drafted at the November meeting. The proposed goals were brought to the Board in December. The Board expressed concerns about the CAC commenting on proposed projects, citing RCEA staff's limited bandwidth to assist in that process. The CAC ad hoc Annual Report Subcommittee modified the goal to state that the CAC will monitor and advocate for implementation of RePower Humboldt Comprehensive Action Plan for Energy goals. Board Chair Woo and Vice Chair Avis offered to meet with the CAC ad hoc Major Projects Subcommittee to discuss the modified goal and their reservations.

No member of the public responded to Chair Goldberg's invitation to comment. Chair Goldberg closed the public comment period.

Motion Qiriaz, Second Mann: Approve 2022 CAC work goals contingent upon a meeting of the ad hoc Major Projects Subcommittee and Board Chair Woo and Vice Chair Avis to clarify goals.

The motion passed with a roll call vote. Ayes: Bell, Burks, Fiske, Goldberg, Gurin, Halstead, Hess, Johnson, Lawton, Leonardi, Mann, Qiriaz, Noes: None. Abstain: None. Absent: Honar, Latimer

North McKay Ranch Project

Executive Director Marshall reported that the ad hoc Major Projects Subcommittee met and compiled comments regarding the North McKay Ranch Project prior to the RCEA December Board meeting, the RCEA Board approved the comments which staff submitted.

No member of the public responded to Chair Goldberg's invitation to comment. Chair Goldberg closed the public comment period.

Net Energy Metering Update

Regulatory and Legislative Policy Manager Aisha Cissna reported that the CPUC will vote on a NEM Successor Tariff proposed decision on January 27. If there are no changes to the current proposed decision the current NEM 2.0 tariff will sunset on May 27, 2022. Solar customers currently on the NEM 2.0 tariff will still receive the same solar service for 15 years past their interconnection date. The key takeaway from the presentation was that people who want to keep the NEM 2.0 tariff should install solar as soon as possible. The CPUC is collecting public comment until the voting date of January 27 and may push the voting date back due to controversy surrounding the proposed decision. Executive Director Marshall shared ways RCEA NEM customers may be affected by the proposed decision and described the complexity of the proposed decision.

No member of the public responded to Chair Goldberg's invitation to comment. Chair Goldberg closed the public comment period.

Member Reports

Member Burks shared that HCAOG's Board will consider adopting the Regional Transportation Plan on January 20, and that the Plan retains the safe and sustainable transportation targets presented at a previous CAC meeting.

Member Fiske pointed out that the January 11 Board of Supervisor's agenda included acceptance of a state grant for a woody feedstock aggregation pilot program in light of Martha Walden's biomass comment earlier in the meeting and stated the need to watch the environmental impacts of this plan closely, and to monitor the RePower plan's goal of not entering into long-term biomass contracts.

Member Qiriaz made a lighthearted comment about Executive Director Marshall's

reference to Members Mann and Fiske as the “Go Rogue” team.* Chair Goldberg adjourned the meeting at 7:55 p.m.

Summer Sanderson
Community Strategies Customer Service Coordinator

* These minutes were approved at the March 8, 2022, CAC meeting with the final sentence of the member reports, a humorous comment, removed.

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**COMMUNITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE
STAFF REPORT
Agenda Item # 4**

AGENDA DATE:	March 8, 2022
TO:	RCEA Community Advisory Committee
FROM:	Summer Sanderson, Customer Service Coordinator
SUBJECT:	Selection of CAC Chair and Vice Chair

BACKGROUND

Following procedure outlined in the Community Advisory Committee Charter, the chair and vice chair are to be selected during the first quarter of each calendar year. The term for each role shall be one year, beginning in April and ending the following April. According to the Charter, no member will serve as chair or vice chair for more than two consecutive terms.

Current Chair Larry Goldberg has served as vice chair for two consecutive terms in 2018 and 2019, and two consecutive terms as chair in 2020 and 2021. Current Vice Chair Dennis Leonardi served in this capacity for two consecutive terms in 2020 and 2021.

The duty of the chair is to:

- Facilitate meetings, or request staff assistance to facilitate meetings
- On an as-needed basis, call special meetings between regularly scheduled meetings
- Encourage participation and help create a civil, collaborative environment
- Make sure each committee members' thoughts and ideas are heard and that input and feedback from the public is fairly considered for each discussion item
- Help group stay focused on task and build agreements.

The vice chair fulfils these roles when the chair is unavailable.

The CAC membership term expiration dates are as follows:

REPRESENTING JURISDICTION	MEMBER NAME	TERM EXPIRATION DATE
ARCATA	Norman Bell	4/11/2023
AT-LARGE	Colin Fiske	4/9/2024
AT-LARGE	Larry Goldberg, Chair	4/9/2024
AT-LARGE	Emily Morris	4/9/2024
AT-LARGE	Jeff Trirogoff	4/9/2024
BLUE LAKE	Kit Mann	4/11/2023
COUNTY 1	Luna Latimer	4/11/2023
COUNTY 2	Christopher Honar	4/11/2023
COUNTY 3	Jerome Qirazi	4/9/2024
EUREKA	Catherine Gurin	4/11/2023

FERNDALÉ	Dennis Leonardi, Vice Chair	4/9/2024
FORTUNA	Elizabeth Burks	4/9/2024
HBMWD	Ethan Lawton	4/9/2024
RIO DELL	Roger Hess	4/9/2024
TRINIDAD	Richard Johnson	4/11/2023

RECOMMENDED ACTION

Accept nominations for, and appoint, a Community Advisory Committee chair and vice chair for terms beginning April 12, 2022, and ending April 11, 2023.



STAFF REPORT
Agenda Item # 5

AGENDA DATE:	March 8, 2022
TO:	RCEA Community Advisory Committee
PREPARED BY:	Matthew Marshall, Executive Director
SUBJECT:	RePower Humboldt Energy Strategic Plan Update

BACKGROUND

The RCEA Board adopted an update to the RePower Humboldt Strategic Plan, RCEA's comprehensive action plan for energy in December of 2019, following approximately nine months of analysis and gathering public input. The plan establishes goals and strategies to guide RCEA's work over the 2020-2030 period, and is available online at:

<https://redwoodenergy.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/06/RePower-2019-Update-FINAL-.pdf>

SUMMARY

Staff intends to provide RePower Humboldt Plan updates every six months to keep the Board and Community Advisory Committee informed on implementation progress. At the meeting staff will provide a presentation on the current status of plan implementation and related activities. This will include updates on the four focus areas of the plan:

1. Regional Planning and Coordination
2. Integrated Demand Side Management
3. Low-Carbon Transportation
4. Energy Generation and Utility Services.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

N/A – Information only.

ATTACHMENTS

Presentation slides will be shared at this meeting.

RePower Humboldt

Strategic Plan Progress Update

March 2022



RCEA's RePower Humboldt Strategic Plan

4 focus areas:



**Regional
Planning &
Coordination**



**Energy
Generation &
Utility Services**



**Integrated
Demand Side
Management**



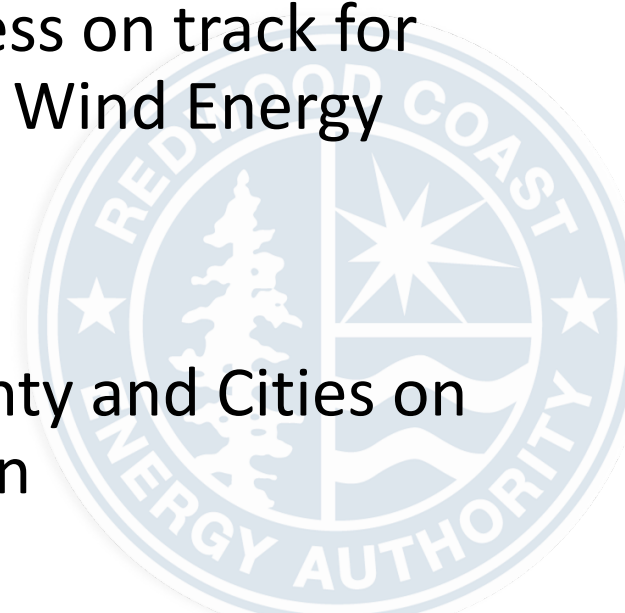
**Low-carbon
Transportation**



**Regional
Planning &
Coordination**

Q1-Q2 2021 activities:

- Redwood Region Climate and Community Resilience Hub (CORE Hub) hosted by the Humboldt Area Foundation launched in September
- BOEM offshore wind process on track for lease auction of Humboldt Wind Energy Area in fall 2022
- Continuing work with County and Cities on regional climate action plan





Low-carbon
Transportation

Q1-Q2 2021 activities:

- Arcata Community Center charging stations began operations; development of airport stations in progress
- Electric vehicle and charging station rebate program continuing to ramp up
- Began work on Medium- and Heavy-Duty Zero Emissions Vehicle Infrastructure planning grant





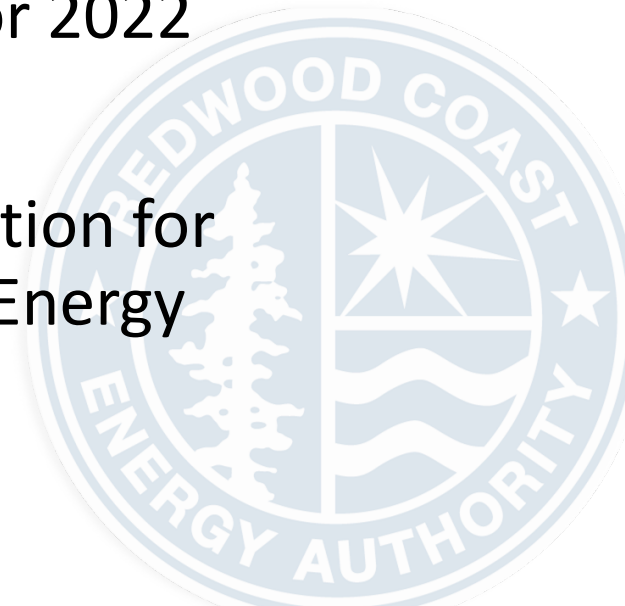
**Integrated
Demand Side
Management**

AKA:

**Customer Energy
Solutions**

Q1-Q2 2021 activities:

- Awarded \$161K grant to expand and enhance building-electrification heat pump rebate program launched in early 2021
- Final development of expanded customer rebate catalog for 2022
- Developed funding application for State-wide Rural Regional Energy Network program



Rural Regional Energy Network

5-year, \$96 million application for energy efficiency programs, financing, and workforce development



Program Administrator

Redwood Coast Energy Authority

Implementing Agencies by RuralREN Region

North Coast

Redwood Coast Energy Authority

Central Coast

Association of Monterey Bay Area Governments

County of San Luis Obispo

San Joaquin Valley

San Joaquin Valley Clean Energy Organization

Sierra

High Sierra Energy Foundation

Sierra Business Council





**Energy
Generation &
Utility Services**

Q1-Q2 2021 activities:

- Airport microgrid construction completed, began commercial operations in December; currently in final stages of testing and commissioning islanding capabilities
- Completed projects with consultant Michael Furniss to investigate local small hydropower potential and alternative uses of forest biomass

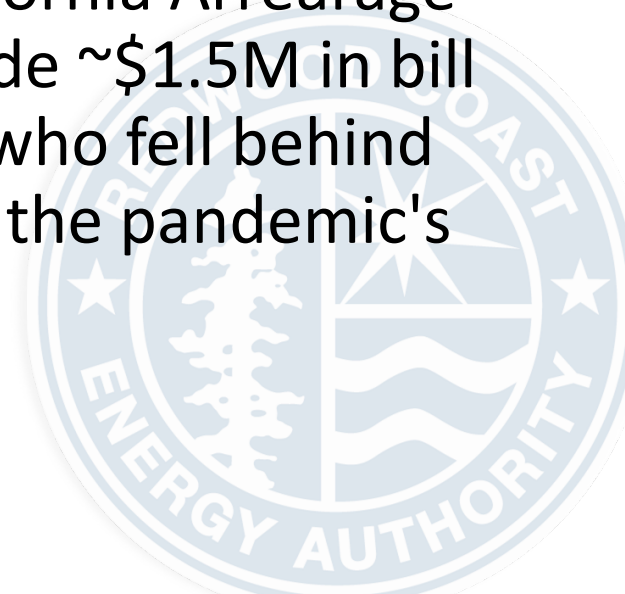




**Energy
Generation &
Utility Services**

Q1-Q2 2021 activities:

- First CA Community Power joint procurement: long-duration storage project brought to the Board's ad hoc committee and then to the full Board for review
- Enrolled in the State's California Arrearage Payment Program to provide ~\$1.5M in bill credits for CCE customers who fell behind on payments as a result of the pandemic's economic impacts



**5MW Tierra Buena
Battery Storage
project under
construction in
Sutter County for
RCEA and Valley
Clean Energy**
(construction 90%
complete as of
December 2021)





**COMMUNITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE
STAFF REPORT
Agenda Item # 6**

AGENDA DATE:	March 8, 2022
TO:	RCEA Community Advisory Committee
PREPARED BY:	Matthew Marshall, RCEA Executive Director
SUBJECT:	2022 CAC Work Planning

BACKGROUND

During the July 2021 Community Advisory Committee, the Committee approved reporting annually to the RCEA Board of Directors the CAC's past year accomplishments and upcoming year's goals. The intent of this annual report is to organize the CAC's work within the framework of RCEA's work goals and to help the Board thoughtfully utilize the committee as a resource to support Board decision-making and agency public engagement efforts. During the February 2022 RCEA Board meeting, the CAC Annual Report Subcommittee presented the annual report, which included the committee's 2022 work goals:

- A. Help guide community outreach and messaging for RCEA programs.
- B. Monitor and advocate for implementation of RePower Humboldt Comprehensive Action Plan for Energy goals and notify staff of community activities and projects that may have significant impact on the ability to reach these goals.
- C. Support and help guide offshore wind energy community outreach.
- D. Provide input on the development of new and expanding RCEA customer programs.
- E. Assist with identifying and prioritizing critical facilities and at-risk communities that would benefit from enhanced energy resilience infrastructure, including future microgrid deployment and/or facility-level renewable back-up power systems.
- F. Finalize recommendations to the RCEA Board and County Board of Supervisors for energy-project bond and/or alternative financing opportunities, support any resulting implementation efforts as appropriate.
- G. Help facilitate community input on the finalization and adoption of the Humboldt Regional Climate Action Plan.

SUMMARY

Staff proposes the following work plan to implement the CAC 2022 work goals:

Goals A, C, D and G – Outreach and Customer Programs

Staff proposes soliciting CAC member volunteers for three (3) Ad Hoc Subcommittees to assist in community education and messaging regarding the different work goal areas. The Ad Hoc Subcommittees will report back to the CAC at regularly scheduled meetings as needed.

RCEA Customer Programs Outreach Ad Hoc Subcommittee – Goal A and D

The RCEA Customer Programs Ad Hoc Subcommittee would focus on outreach for Program Administrator (PA) programs, provide input on Rural Regional Energy Network (RuralREN) programs. This Ad Hoc Subcommittee will have a sunset date in the fourth quarter of 2023 when the agency's Program Administrator contract with PG&E ends. Staff recommends that CAC input and development of new and expanding RCEA customer programs be limited to assistance in developing RuralREN programs (Goal D).

Offshore Wind Outreach Ad Hoc Subcommittee – Goal C

The Offshore Wind Outreach Ad Hoc Subcommittee would advise and assist in implementing outreach around the Bureau of Ocean Energy Management (BOEM) offshore wind lease auction process and sunset after the first quarter of 2023.

Climate Action Plan (CAP) Outreach Ad Hoc Subcommittee – Goal G

The Climate Action Plan (CAP) Outreach Ad Hoc Subcommittee would advise and assist in implementing outreach about the Humboldt Regional Climate Action Plan. The CAC may elect to form a more technically-oriented Ad Hoc Subcommittee after hearing the presentation on a draft CAP. This group's work would end after countywide adoption of the CAP.

Staff recommends if the same CAC member volunteers are interested in all three (3) Outreach Ad Hoc Subcommittees, combining them into one Ad Hoc Subcommittee with a sunset date in the fourth quarter of 2023 (Program Administrator Contract with PG&E ends) or the Countywide adoption of the CAP, whichever is later.

Goal B - RePower Humboldt Comprehensive Action Plan for Energy goals

In addition to hearing biannual progress reports on RePower Humboldt Strategic Plan implementation, staff requests that CAC members notify staff of upcoming projects and planning document updates that may impact regional ability to meet RePower goals, and of opportunities to advocate for RePower Comprehensive Action Plan for Energy goals. The CAC may form additional ad hoc subcommittees on an as-needed basis to address specific projects as they arise.

Goal E - Identifying and Prioritizing Critical Facilities and At-Risk Communities

RCEA staff are still establishing methods to identify and prioritize critical facilities and at-risk communities that would benefit from enhanced energy resilience infrastructure, including future microgrid deployment and/or facility-level renewable back-up power systems. Staff will gather CAC member perspectives through a yet-to-be-determined method.

Goal F - Bond Financing Ad Hoc Subcommittee

The Ad Hoc Bond/Financing Subcommittee will complete their recommendations and present to the CAC for recommendations. The Subcommittee will present these recommendations to the RCEA Board in 2022 for final approval.

RECOMMENDED ACTION

Solicit volunteers for 2022 Outreach Ad Hoc Subcommittees to advise and assist in implementing outreach for RCEA Programs, Offshore Wind, and the Humboldt Regional Climate Action Plan.

ATTACHMENTS

None.

RCEA Community Advisory Committee Meeting

March 8, 2022

Community Advisory Committee 2022 Work Goals:

- a) Help guide community outreach and messaging for **RCEA programs**.
- b) Monitor and advocate for implementation of **RePower Humboldt** Comprehensive Action Plan for Energy goals and notify staff of community activities and projects that may have a significant impact on the ability to reach these goals.
- c) Support and help guide **offshore wind** energy community outreach.

RCEA Community Advisory Committee Meeting

March 8, 2022

Community Advisory Committee 2022 Work Goals:

- d) Provide input on the development of **new** and expanding RCEA **customer programs**.
- e) Assist with identifying and prioritizing **critical facilities** and at-risk communities that would benefit from enhanced energy resilience infrastructure, including future microgrid deployment and/or facility-level renewable back-up power systems.

RCEA Community Advisory Committee Meeting

March 8, 2022

Community Advisory Committee 2022 Work Goals:

- f) Finalize recommendations to the RCEA Board and County Board of Supervisors for **energy-project bond** and/or alternative financing opportunities, support any resulting implementation efforts as appropriate.
- g) Help facilitate community input on the finalization and adoption of the Humboldt Regional **Climate Action Plan**.

RCEA Community Advisory Committee Meeting

March 8, 2022

Community Advisory Committee 2022 Work Goal Planning

Proposed Outreach Subcommittees

Goals:

- a. RCEA programs
- b. RePower goals
- c. Offshore wind
- d. New programs
- e. Critical facilities
- f. Energy project bond
- g. Climate Action Plan

Customer Programs Outreach Ad Hoc Subcommittee

– Goal A, D

- Focus on outreach for Program Administrator (PA) programs
- Provide input on Rural Regional Energy Network (RuralREN) programs.
- Sunset: fourth quarter of 2023 when PA contract with PG&E ends.

Recommendation: CAC input and development of new and expanding RCEA customer programs be limited to assistance in developing RuralREN programs (Goal D).

RCEA Community Advisory Committee Meeting

March 8, 2022

Community Advisory Committee 2022 Work Goal Planning

Goals:

- a. RCEA programs
- b. RePower goals
- c. Offshore wind
- d. New programs
- e. Critical facilities
- f. Energy project bond
- g. Climate Action Plan

Proposed Outreach Subcommittees

Offshore Wind Outreach Ad Hoc Subcommittee – Goal C

- Advise and help implement outreach around the Bureau of Ocean Energy Management (BOEM) offshore wind lease auction process.
- Sunset after the first quarter of 2023.

RCEA Community Advisory Committee Meeting

March 8, 2022

Community Advisory Committee 2022 Work Goal Planning

Goals:

- a. RCEA programs
- b. RePower goals
- c. Offshore wind
- d. New programs
- e. Critical facilities
- f. Energy project bond
- g. Climate Action Plan

Proposed Outreach Subcommittees

Climate Action Plan Outreach Ad Hoc Subcommittee – Goal G

- Advise, help implement outreach about the Humboldt Regional Climate Action Plan.
- CAC may elect to form a more technically-oriented ad hoc subcommittee after hearing the draft CAP presentation.
- Sunset: after countywide adoption of the CAP.

RCEA Community Advisory Committee Meeting

March 8, 2022

Community Advisory Committee 2022 Work Goal Planning

Goals:

- a. RCEA programs
- b. RePower goals
- c. Offshore wind
- d. New programs
- e. Critical facilities
- f. Energy project bond
- g. Climate Action Plan

Proposed Outreach Subcommittees

Note: If there is significant volunteer overlap, the 3 ad hoc subcommittees may be combined into 1. Sunset: fourth quarter of 2023 (end of Program Administrator contract with PG&E) or the Countywide adoption of the CAP, whichever is later.

RCEA Community Advisory Committee Meeting

March 8, 2022

Community Advisory Committee 2022 Work Goal Planning

Goals:

- a. RCEA programs
- b. RePower goals
- c. Offshore wind
- d. New programs
- e. Critical facilities
- f. Energy project bond
- g. Climate Action Plan

Goal B - RePower Humboldt goals

- Hear biannual progress reports on RePower Humboldt Strategic Plan implementation.
- CAC members notify staff of upcoming projects, planning document updates that may impact ability to meet RePower goals, and of RePower goal advocacy opportunities.
- Additional CAC ad hoc subcommittees may be formed as-needed to address projects.

RCEA Community Advisory Committee Meeting

March 8, 2022

Community Advisory Committee 2022 Work Goal Planning

Goals:

- a. RCEA programs
- b. RePower goals
- c. Offshore wind
- d. New programs
- e. Critical facilities
- f. Energy project bond
- g. Climate Action Plan

Goal E - Identifying and Prioritizing Critical Facilities

- Staff are determining ways to identify and prioritize critical facilities and at-risk communities that would benefit from enhanced energy resilience infrastructure, including microgrids and/or facility-level renewable back-up power systems.
- Staff to gather CAC perspectives.

RCEA Community Advisory Committee Meeting

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Community Advisory Committee 2022 Work Goal Planning

Goals:

- a. RCEA programs
- b. RePower goals
- c. Offshore wind
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- f. Energy project bond
- g. Climate Action Plan

Goal F - Bond Financing Ad Hoc Subcommittee

The Ad Hoc Bond/Financing Subcommittee will complete their recommendations and present them to the CAC. The Subcommittee will present these recommendations to the RCEA Board in 2022 for final approval.



**COMMUNITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE
STAFF REPORT
Agenda Item # 7**

AGENDA DATE:	March 8, 2022
TO:	RCEA Community Advisory Committee
PREPARED BY:	Matthew Marshall, Executive Director
SUBJECT:	Net Energy Metering Update

SUMMARY

California's Net Energy Metering ("NEM") program was established in 1997. NEM Allows customers who install small renewable electrical generation facilities (e.g., solar, wind, fuel cell, biogas, etc.) to serve onsite energy needs and receive credits on electric bills for surplus energy sent to the electric grid.

In August 2020, the CPUC initiated a proceeding to develop a successor tariff to replace the current net energy metering tariff. On December 13, 2021, the CPUC issued a Proposed Decision describing the new tariff provisions. Aisha Cissna, Regulatory and Legislative Policy Manager, [presented the CPUC's Proposed Decision](#) at the January 11, 2022, Community Advisory Committee meeting.

On February 3, the judge presiding over the Net Energy Metering proceeding issued the following statement:

"On January 11, 2022, the Commission reassigned Rulemaking 20-08-020 to President Alice Reynolds. The assigned Commissioner has requested additional time to analyze the record and consider revisions to the proposed decision based on party comments. Furthermore, the assigned Commissioner wants to ensure all five Commissioners participate in oral arguments. Accordingly, the oral argument hearing will be rescheduled at a later date. After additional analysis is conducted, I will issue a subsequent ruling providing information on the proceeding schedule and details regarding the oral argument hearing."

RECOMMENDED ACTION

None. (Information only)

ATTACHMENTS

None.