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The *Draft Electrical Transmission Infrastructure Development Guidebook* developed pursuant to Senate Bill (SB) 319 (McGuire, Chapter 390, Statutes of 2023) is available for public review and comment.

SB 319 directs the California Energy Commission (CEC), California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC), and California Independent System Operator (California ISO) to jointly develop an electrical transmission infrastructure development guidebook ("Guidebook"). This Guidebook describes the state's electrical transmission infrastructure planning and permitting processes conducted by these entities, including a description of the different stages of transmission infrastructure development and analysis of average timeframes for planning and permitting. The Guidebook also outlines the roles, responsibilities, and decision-making authority of federal and state agencies, interfaces with federal and state agencies and the timing, sequence, and coordination between reviews under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) and National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA).

In developing the Guidebook, SB 319 requires the CEC, CPUC, and California ISO to make a reasonable and good faith effort to consult with all relevant local, state, tribal, and federal agencies. Additionally, SB 319 requires the CEC, CPUC, and California ISO to provide an opportunity for stakeholder input in the development and communication of the Guidebook as well as an opportunity for public comment on the draft Guidebook.

The draft Guidebook is available on the California Energy Commission [website](https://efiling.energy.ca.gov/GetDocument.aspx?tn=267900&DocumentContentId=104909) at <https://efiling.energy.ca.gov/GetDocument.aspx?tn=267900&DocumentContentId=104909>.

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Written comments for the draft Guidebook may be submitted to the Docket Unit by 5:00 p.m. on January 22, 2026. Written comments, attachments, and associated contact information (including address, phone number, and email address) will become part of the public record of this proceeding with access available via any internet search engine. Written comments may also be submitted by email. Include docket number 23-SB-319 and “SB 319 Draft Transmission Infrastructure Development Guidebook” in the subject line and email to docket@energy.ca.gov.

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