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Clarifying Questions from Proposition 4 Offshore Wind Port

Development Introductory Workshop (March 17, 2026)

Listed below are questions that were submitted to the workshop panelists during the March 17, 2026, Proposition 4 Offshore Wind Port Development Introductory Workshop. Please review the workshop recording available at:

https://energy.zoom.us/rec/share/IW_svSOOKA_ovzEO4jl984u4V7YzED1THR79Qw_3Ed_xCiUg8nTAUXeJrkdJ7Dwo7.yVqOr_0unwskPufM to hear the staff responses. The Questions and Answers portion begins at 49:00 in the recording.

Question 1: Please clarify the matching funds requirement and how much weight will be attached to that? *Jim Haussener (CMANC)*

Question 2: Would it be possible to repeat why emergency regulations are not required? *Alison (Ali) Hahm (NRDC)*

Question 3: PSL has postponed indefinitely its acceptance of the \$3 [million] grant. Major sub recipient has dropped out of project. It is no longer a viable proposal. Why doesn't CEC rescind and allocate to a project that was not allocated funding in that solicitation? *Trish Boaz*

Question 4: It was interesting under the example program that not all of the funds were distributed. Is there any opportunity for those funds to be applied to other applicants or other entities work on OSW at a smaller scale? *Jim O'Toole*

Question 5: Will information from AB 525 strategic plan be used to inform the solicitation? *Ysabelle Yrad*

Question 6: Can you expand on what community engagement/capacity may be part of POPD? *Astrid DuBois*

Question 7: There was no mention of the CPUC low/no wind planning strategy that it recently adopted. How is CEC dealing with this? *Trish Boaz*

Question 8: Why was there no concerns from public workshop listed regarding environmental damage concerns of harbors with protected ESHA such as Morro Bay? Why were there no concerns for the amount of dredging needed listed? Why were there no concerns for placing an industrial port in a tourist town? *Tom Hafer*

Question 9: If the parameters of a grant (i.e., the major subrecipient or the project manager changes) change significantly after grant approval will those grants be nullified or set aside to reassess? *Mandy Davis (REACT)*

Question 10: Our agency has created and had its Board adopt an extensive Workforce and Supply Chain study related to Offshore Wind. I'm wondering what is the best way to have the outcomes of that study reflected in POPD solicitation and the AB3 workforce plan. *Sean Quincey - Humboldt*

Question 11: Can you say any more about this POPD/Prop 4 stipulation of "40% of Prop 4 funds are for meaningful & direct benefits to vulnerable populations or disadvantaged communities" and how that might translate into grant requirements or eligibility? *Molly Croll*

Question 12: Will grants be awarded to proposed projects if there is not a current project manager or viable subrecipient? *Mandy Davis (REACT)*

Question 13: If a public port has completed CEQA since the first round, is it eligible to apply for construction funds in this round? *Mike Bahr*

Question 14: Can you describe where & to what extent in Prop 4 funding you see potential to engage with the environmental and community impacts of port development, including around opportunities for shaping the projects to best fit place-based needs, especially in Humboldt Bay/Wigi? To what extent prop 4 funding & associated proposals can enable ports to appropriately shape the project to meet place-based needs. *Maia Cheli*

Question 15: Please define the term that was just used "California Public Port." Would Diablo Canyon or City of Alameda make the definition as they were pointed out in earlier studies. *Jim Haussener (CMANC)*

Question 16: What kinds of assurances does the indigenous community have that the funding allocated actually goes to all of the regional indigenous stakeholders. Do you have any way to make sure that the grant recipients are actually fulfilling their grant responsibilities? *Mandy Davis (REACT)*

Question 17: Has PSL submitted an amendment to its grant application? *Trish Boaz*

Question 18: Why is Morro Bay being considered eligible for operations and maintenance activities in this program since it is clearly not so designated in the ab525 documents? *Mandy Davis (REACT)*

Question 19: What if the local community doesn't want it? *Tom Hafer*