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**IN THE MATTER OF:*****Geothermal Grant and Loan
Program Workshops and
Discussions*****Docket No. 17-GRDA-01**Workshop
RE: California's Lithium Recovery
Initiative - Symposium

NOTICE OF CALIFORNIA'S LITHIUM RECOVERY INITIATIVE – SYMPOSIUM

The California Energy Commission (CEC) and the Governor's Office of Business and Economic Development (GO-Biz), will jointly host a symposium facilitating presentations and panel discussions on lithium recovery from geothermal brine in California. A quorum of commissioners may attend, but no votes will be taken.

**February 12, 2020
1:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.**

**Stanford University
Frances C. Arrillaga Alumni Center
326 Galvez Street
Stanford, CA 94305-6105
(Wheelchair Accessible)**

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Agenda

The theme for this symposium is introducing California's "Lithium Valley" vision of establishing a world-class lithium industry in the state. A focus is advancing California's unique opportunity to recover lithium from geothermal brine in support of California's clean energy future. The symposium will feature developers, policymakers, stakeholders, and customers involved from all aspects of the lithium supply chain.

To register, visit

<https://www.energy.ca.gov/event/workshop/2020-02/californias-lithium-recovery-initiative-symposium>.

The detailed schedule for this event will be posted prior to the event at <https://efiling.energy.ca.gov/Lists/DocketLog.aspx?docketnumber=17-GRDA-01>.

Background

The demand for lithium is increasing due to a growing demand for batteries in support of transportation electrification and the integration of storage technologies in all scales of renewable energy generation. An increase in demand for lithium coupled with advances in processes and technologies for lithium recovery, may provide California with a unique opportunity to foster a more environmentally-sound lithium product coupled with geothermal electricity production. Increased recovery of lithium from geothermal brine is also expected to generate revenue and local in-state economic development opportunities in an economically-depressed area, and the potential to produce a world-class source of battery-grade lithium within California.

The CEC has a long history of promoting the development of geothermal energy resources and technologies, including funding research projects that demonstrate lithium and other mineral recovery from geothermal brine. At this critical point in time for lithium use and production, CEC staff seek to identify ways to resolve barriers to development and support opportunities for lithium recovery from geothermal brine within California.

Public Comment

Oral comments. The CEC will accept oral comments during the symposium. Comments may be limited to three minutes per speaker and one speaker per organization. If participating via WebEx, use the “raise hand feature” so the administrator can introduce you and unmute your microphone after comments from the floor.

Written comments. Written comments must be submitted to the Docket Unit no later than **February 28, 2020**. Written comments will also be accepted at the workshop.

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Availability of Documents

Documents and presentations for this meeting will be available online at <https://efiling.energy.ca.gov/Lists/DocketLog.aspx?docketnumber=17-GRDA-01>.

Dated: January 14, 2020, at Sacramento, California

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