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Document Title:	Community and Tribal Workshops on the Draft Report of the Blue Ribbon Commission on Lithium Extraction in California
Description:	On behalf of the Blue Ribbon Commission on Lithium Extraction in California (Lithium Valley Commission), staff of the California Energy Commission (CEC) will conduct three in-person workshops from October 18 to 20 in different physical locations in Imperial Valley and Coachella Valley, and a remote-access teleconferenced workshop via Zoom on October 24
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Community and Tribal Workshops on the Draft Report of the Blue Ribbon Commission on Lithium Extraction in California

IN PERSON ATTENDANCE ONLY

October 18, 2022

6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

Grace Smith Elementary School
9 E. 4th Street,
Niland, CA 92257

October 19, 2022

6:00 p.m.– 8:00 p.m.

Desert Recreation District
North Shore Beach and Yacht Club
99-155 Sea View Drive
North Shore, CA 92254

October 20, 2022

6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

West Shores High School
2381 Shore Hawk Ave,
Salton City, CA 92275

(All in-person locations are wheelchair accessible)

TELECONFERENCE ONLY

October 24, 2022

6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

Online Teleconference
Remote Access via Zoom Only

Notice of Workshops

On behalf of the Blue Ribbon Commission on Lithium Extraction in California (Lithium Valley Commission), staff of the California Energy Commission (CEC) will conduct three in-person workshops from October 18 to 20 in different physical locations in Imperial Valley and Coachella Valley, and a remote-access teleconferenced workshop via Zoom on October 24, as described above. Each workshop will have Spanish interpretation available at the physical locations and via Zoom, respectively. Purepecha interpretation available upon two-day advance request. The workshops will begin promptly at the start times specified above. The end times are estimates.

These community and tribal workshops are being held for CEC staff to give a presentation on *the Draft Report of the Blue Ribbon Commission on Lithium Extraction in California* (Draft Report) and solicit comments and discussion on the Draft Report, for later consideration by the Lithium Valley Commission at a public meeting. The discussion on the Draft Report during the community and tribal workshops will be facilitated by CEC staff and third-party facilitators. Members of the Lithium Valley Commission and California Energy Commission, including a quorum of either body, may attend any of the workshops, but will not deliberate or take votes.

Background

Assembly Bill 1657 (Garcia, Chapter 271, 2020) (AB 1657) requires that the California Energy Commission (CEC) establish and convene the Blue Ribbon Commission on Lithium Extraction in California (referred to as the Lithium Valley Commission), which is charged with reviewing, investigating, and analyzing certain issues and potential incentives regarding lithium extraction. Additionally, the Lithium Valley Commission is required to submit a report to the legislature.

The English and Spanish versions of the Draft Report are posted in the Docket No. 20-LITHIUM-01, under [TN 246170](#) and [TN 246248](#), respectively. The Executive Summary was translated into Purepecha and posted under [TN 246344](#). The public comment period on the Draft Report will end on October 28, 2022, thirty (30) calendar days after the Spanish translation of the Draft Report was posted.

More information about the Lithium Valley Commission can be found on the CEC's [Lithium Valley Commission webpage](#) at <https://www.energy.ca.gov/LithiumValleyCommission>.

Community and Tribal Workshops Agenda

- 1) Welcome and Introduction

- 2) CEC Staff Presentation on the *Draft Report of the Blue Ribbon Commission on Lithium Extraction in California*
- 3) Facilitated Discussion on the Draft Report Findings and Recommendations
 - a. Facilitated Small Group Discussions
 - b. Facilitated Discussion Among all Attendees
- 4) Next Steps
- 5) Adjourn

Remote Attendance Instructions

There will be **no** remote attendance available for members of the Lithium Valley Commission or the public at the workshops scheduled for October 18, 19, and 20, 2022.

The **only** workshop with remote attendance or participation available will be held on October 24, 2022 from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. The teleconferenced workshop can be accessed by clicking the Zoom link below or going to [Zoom](https://join.zoom.us), <https://join.zoom.us>, and entering the ID and password listed below. If you experience difficulties joining, you may contact Zoom at (888) 799-9666 ext. 2, or the CEC's Public Advisor at (916) 957-7910 or by email at publicadvisor@energy.ca.gov.

Link to Teleconferenced Workshop:

<https://energy.zoom.us/j/94393589309?pwd=bWRzSGFqK29uU0Z4SDdIM3psU3loUT09>

Meeting ID: 943 9358 9309

Meeting Password: LITHIUM

Use the "raise hand feature" to indicate you want to speak and the event facilitator will indicate when your line is open and ready for you to make comment.

To Participate by Telephone, dial (877) 853-5257 or (888) 475-4499 (USA Toll Free) or (213) 338-8477 (CA Toll). When prompted, enter the ID: **943 9358 9309**. To comment, dial *9 to "raise your hand" and *6 to mute/unmute your phone line.

Zoom's closed captioning service will be enabled for the workshop. The closed captioning is solely available in English. Attendees can use the service by clicking on the "live transcript" icon and then choosing either "show subtitle" or "view full transcript." The closed captioning service can be stopped by exiting out of the "live transcript" or selecting the "hide subtitle" icon. Participants joining by phone do not have the option to deactivate the closed captioning.

Transcript

A transcript of the workshops will be rendered by a professional court reporter, with the

exception of the Small Group Discussions held per Item 3(a) on the Agenda. The transcript will be filed into the Lithium Valley Commission docket and posted on the webpage.

Public Comment

Public comments will be taken during Item 3 on the agenda. Any comments become part of the public record. If participating via Zoom's platform, see detailed instructions above.

Written comments.

Please note that written comments, attachments, and associated contact information (including address, phone number, and email address) will become part of the public record with access available via any internet search engine.

Written comments may be submitted through one of the following three options:

- 1) Submit comments to the CEC's Docket Unit. The CEC uses an electronic commenting system to accept comments. Please follow the instructions below to provide written comments:
 - a. Go to the [CEC's E-Filing webpage](http://www.energy.ca.gov/e-filing/), at <http://www.energy.ca.gov/e-filing/>.
 - b. Click "Comment on a Proceeding" in the Additional Information box.
 - c. Type "20-LITHIUM-01" in the Select a Proceeding field.
 - d. Click "Continue" to add a comment. Commenters are required to input their full name, email address, and comment title.
 - e. Comment title should be formatted as "Jane Doe or Company Name
Comment re: Lithium Valley Commission Workshop."
 - f. Type comments into the "Comment Text" field or upload a document with comments. Comments should be in a downloadable, searchable format such as Microsoft® Word or Adobe® Acrobat®.
 - g. Enter the CAPTCHA that is used to prevent spamming on the website. Then click on "Agree and Submit your Comments."
- 2) Email comments (include the docket number "20-LITHIUM-01 and Lithium Valley Commission Workshop" in the subject line) to the [Docket Unit](mailto:docket@energy.ca.gov) at <https://www.energy.ca.gov/about/divisions-and-offices/chief-counsels-office/docket-unit> (docket@energy.ca.gov).
- 3) A paper copy may be sent to:

California Energy Commission

Docket Unit, MS-4
Re: Docket No. 20-LITHIUM-01
715 P Street
Sacramento, CA 95814-5512

Please note that there may be a delay in the Lithium Valley Commission receiving the comments submitted via paper copy due to the time needed to distribute hard copies to a statewide commission. For that reason, the CEC encourages submission of any comments via e-filing or email.

Public Advisor and Other CEC Contacts

The CEC's Public Advisor assists the public with participating in CEC and Lithium Valley Commission proceedings. To request interpreting services, modifications, or reasonable accommodations, contact the Public Advisor at publicadvisor@energy.ca.gov or by phone at (916) 957-7910. Requests should be made as soon as possible but at least five days in advance. The Public Advisor will work diligently to meet all requests based on the availability of service or resource needed.

Direct media inquiries to mediaoffice@energy.ca.gov or (916) 654-4989.

Direct questions about the workshops to Silvia Palma-Rojas at lithiumvalleycommission@energy.ca.gov or at (916) 980-0813.

Availability of Documents

[Documents and presentations](https://efiling.energy.ca.gov/Lists/DocketLog.aspx?docketnumber=20-LITHIUM-01) for workshops will be available online at <https://efiling.energy.ca.gov/Lists/DocketLog.aspx?docketnumber=20-LITHIUM-01>, as well as the CEC's [Lithium Valley Commission webpage](https://www.energy.ca.gov/data-reports/california-power-generation-and-power-sources/geothermal-energy/lithium-valley) found at <https://www.energy.ca.gov/data-reports/california-power-generation-and-power-sources/geothermal-energy/lithium-valley>.

When new information is posted, an email will be sent to those on the Lithium Valley Commission list subscription. To receive these notices, subscribe on the [Lithium Valley Commission webpage](https://www.energy.ca.gov/data-reports/california-power-generation-and-power-sources/geothermal-energy/lithium-valley), <https://www.energy.ca.gov/data-reports/california-power-generation-and-power-sources/geothermal-energy/lithium-valley>. Manage existing list subscriptions or sign-up for others at [CEC List Subscriptions](https://www.energy.ca.gov/subscriptions), at <https://www.energy.ca.gov/subscriptions>.

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