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NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY

Notice of Availability and Request for Comments on the *Draft 2024 Integrated Energy Policy Report Update*

The lead commissioner for the *2024 Integrated Energy Policy Report Update (2024 IEPR Update)*, Chair David Hochschild, seeks public comment on the draft report. The *Draft 2024 IEPR Update* is available on the California Energy Commission's (CEC's) 2024 IEPR Update [web page](https://www.energy.ca.gov/data-reports/reports/integrated-energy-policy-report/2024-integrated-energy-policy-report-update) at <https://www.energy.ca.gov/data-reports/reports/integrated-energy-policy-report/2024-integrated-energy-policy-report-update>.

Background

Public Resources Code (PRC) Section 25301 requires the CEC to prepare an Integrated Energy Policy Report (IEPR) every two years that includes assessments and forecasts of all aspects of energy industry supply, production, transportation, delivery and distribution, demand, and prices. The CEC uses these assessments and forecasts to develop and evaluate energy policies and programs that conserve resources, protect the environment, ensure energy reliability, enhance the state's economy, and protect public health and safety. Further, PRC Section 25302(c) requires the CEC to prepare an update in alternate years to report on issues raised in the biennial IEPR or to identify new energy issues that have arisen during the intervening year. The 2024 IEPR Update will fulfill that requirement.

PRC Section 25302(e) directs state government entities to use the information and analyses contained in the adopted IEPR or IEPR Update to carry out their energy-related duties and responsibilities. The CEC has coordinated closely with other agencies to ensure consistency in the underlying information used to develop this report.

The IEPR lead commissioner issued a [scoping order](https://efiling.energy.ca.gov/GetDocument.aspx?tn=255866&DocumentContentId=91717), available at <https://efiling.energy.ca.gov/GetDocument.aspx?tn=255866&DocumentContentId=91717>, on April 22, 2024, identifying topics for the report. As detailed in the scoping order, the *Draft 2024 IEPR Update* addresses:

- An updated 15-year electricity demand forecast with the latest demographic and economic data. The updated forecast will include scenarios that estimate the potential impacts of the state’s decarbonization strategies and other sources of load growth, such as increases in the number of data centers in the state.
- SB 605 (Padilla, 2023), which requires the CEC, in consultation with other state agencies pursuant to Public Resources Code, section 25996(a), to:
 - Evaluate factors that may contribute to the increased use of wave and tidal energy in California.
 - Provide findings on latest research about the technological and economic feasibility of deploying offshore wave and tidal energy off the coast of California in state and federal waters.
 - Evaluate wave and tidal energy project potential transmission needs and permitting requirements.
 - Evaluate wave and tidal energy project economic and workforce development needs.
 - Identify near-term actions related to investments and workforce for wave and tidal projects, to maximize job creation and economic development, while considering affordable electric rates and bills.
 - Identify a monitoring strategy to gather sufficient data to evaluate impacts to marine and tidal ecosystems and inform adaptive management.

Further, the CEC will consult with California Native American tribes pursuant to the CEC Tribal Consultation Policy on this evaluation related to wave and tidal energy.

The CEC held six workshops between May and November 2024 (one more workshop is scheduled in December) on the topics identified in the scoping order. Information from the workshops and public comments were key inputs in developing the *Draft 2024 IEPR Update*. All workshop documents including agendas, background material, transcripts, presentations, and public comments, are available on the CEC’s 2024 IEPR Update [web page](https://www.energy.ca.gov/data-reports/reports/integrated-energy-policy-report/2024-integrated-energy-policy-report-update) at <https://www.energy.ca.gov/data-reports/reports/integrated-energy-policy-report/2024-integrated-energy-policy-report-update>. The webpage contains Docket No. 24-IEPR-01 and related docket proceedings.

Under the direction of the lead commissioner, the CEC will carefully review comments on the *Draft 2024 IEPR Update* and make changes as needed in response to comments. The report will also be updated to include forecast results and to reflect market updates. The final draft is expected to be available by late January 2025 for possible adoption at the CEC’s February 2025 business meeting.

Public Comment

Written comments must be submitted to the Docket Unit by 5:00 p.m. on **December 12, 2024**.

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.

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Written comments may be submitted by email. Include docket number 24-IEPR-01 and Draft 2024 IEPR Update in the subject line and email to docket@energy.ca.gov.

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