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Meeting Schedule: **IEPR Commissioner Workshop on Centering Equity and Environmental Justice Throughout CEC Efforts**

**Wednesday, June 29, 2022**
10:00 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.

**Primary Physical Location**
Imperial Valley College
Building 2700, Floor 1, Room 2734
380 E. Aten Road Imperial, CA 92251
(Wheelchair Accessible, Includes Spanish Interpretation Services)

**Additional Publicly Accessible Location**
Warren-Alquist State Energy Building
Rosenfeld Hearing Room, First Floor
1516 Ninth Street, Sacramento, California 95814
(Wheelchair Accessible)

**Remote Option via Zoom™**
https://zoom.us/, webinar ID: 968 9721 2989 and passcode: IEPR2022
(Includes Spanish Interpretation Services via Zoom)

(Listed times are a general guideline)
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**Introduction (10:00–10:05)**
Heather Raitt, California Energy Commission (CEC), Director of Policy Development

**Morning Session Opening Remarks (10:05–10:15)**
Representative of Imperial Valley College
Siva Gunda, CEC Vice Chair & Lead Commissioner for 2022 Integrated Energy Policy Report (IEPR) Update
J. Andrew McAllister, CEC Commissioner (participating from Sacramento)
Moisés (Moy) Moreno-Rivera, Assistant Secretary for Equity and Environmental Justice, California Natural Resources Agency

**1. Keynote Speaker (10:15–11:00)**
Dr. Manuel Pastor, Distinguished Professor of Sociology and American Studies & Ethnicity at the University of Southern California.

Discussion between commissioners and Dr. Pastor (10:30-10:45)
Questions from attendees, Dorothy Murimi, CEC, to moderate online attendees, Katrina Leni-Konig, CEC, to moderate in person attendees (10:45–11:00)

**2. Introduction to the Integrated Energy Policy Report (IEPR) and CEC’s focus on energy equity and environmental justice (11:00–11:10)**
Noemí Gallardo, CEC

Questions from attendees to panelists, Dorothy Murimi to moderate online attendees
3. **Equity Indicators** (11:10–11:20)
   Hilary Poore, CEC

4. **Localized Indicators** (11:20–12:15)
   A. Silvia Paz, Executive Director, Alianza Coachella Valley
   B. Dr. Chris Benner, Professor, Chair and Director of the Everett Program, and Institute for Social Transformation
   Discussion between commissioners and speakers (11:40–11:50)
   Questions from attendees to speakers, Dorothy Murimi, CEC, to moderate online attendees, Katrina Leni-Konig, CEC, to moderate in person attendees (11:50–12:00)

**Public Comment** (12:15-12:25)

**Closing Remarks** (12:25-12:30)

**Break** (12:30–1:30)

**Welcome Back** (1:30–1:35)
Heather Raitt, CEC

**Afternoon Session Opening Remarks** (1:35–1:40)
Siva Gunda, Vice Chair and Lead Commissioner for 2022 IEPR Update

5. **Regional Engagement Model** (1:40–2:30)
   A. Maria Lemus, Executive Director, Vision y Compromiso
   B. Promotoras Comunitarias
   Discussion between commissioners and speakers (2:00–2:15)
   Questions from attendees to speakers, Dorothy Murimi to moderate online attendees, Katrina Leni-Konig to moderate in person attendees (2:15–2:30)

6. **Building Community Connections** (2:30–3:45)
   Attendees are encouraged to participate in facilitated small group discussions (2:30–3:15)
   All attendees will reconvene in Room 2734 for small group representatives to share key takeaways of small group discussions (3:15–3:45)

**Public Comments** (3:45–4:15)

**Closing Remarks and Adjourn** (4:15–4:30)

**Save the Date for Upcoming Events:**

**July 20, 2022:** CEC Equity Regional Workshop, Kern County, with location details to follow

**August 31, 2022:** CEC Equity Regional Workshop, Oxnard, at the Oxnard Performing Arts Center, further details to follow

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About the Speakers

**Dr. Manuel Pastor**
Dr. Manuel Pastor, the Distinguished Professor of Sociology and American Studies & Ethnicity and the Director of the Equity Research Institute at the University of Southern California, will provide keynote remarks.


**Silvia Paz and Dr. Chris Benner**
Silvia Paz, the Executive Director of Alianza Coachella Valley (Alianza), and Dr. Chris Benner, Professor of Environmental Studies and Sociology at the University of California, Santa Cruz and the current Director of the Everett Program for Technology and Social Change and the Institute for Social Transformation, will provide a joint presentation about the localized indicators work they are conducting in the Salton Sea region that takes a “solidarity economics” approach to address widening income inequality, rising economic insecurities, and growing social and racial fragmentation while also promoting innovation and economic growth.

Dr. Benner’s research examines the relationships between technological change, regional development, and the structure of economic opportunity, focusing on regional labor markets and the transformation of work and employment. He has authored or co-authored seven books and more than 75 journal articles, chapters and research reports. Learn more about Dr. Benner at https://chrisbenner.sites.ucsc.edu/.

Alianza (ah-lee-ann-zah) is a union of people and/or organizations working together for a common goal. Alianza is the only alliance in the Coachella Valley bringing together community members, nonprofits, and government to lead efforts for a thriving region. Previously known as Building Healthy Communities, its expanding work is built around leadership development and an understanding that healthy and economically prosperous communities exist only when the population is represented in all decisions impacting daily lives. That is why Alianza works to make people active players in the processes shaping policies and public funding priorities. Learn more about Alianza at https://www.alianzacv.org/staff/silvia-paz/.

**Vision y Compromiso (VyC)**
Maria Lemus, the Executive Director of VyC, and several VyC Promotoras will present their “promotor model,” that enables promotores and community health workers as liaisons between their communities and health and social service providers. After the presentation, the promotoras will participate in a discussion with the audience exploring the benefits of regional engagement and effective local approaches.
VyC is committed to creating and sustaining a statewide, consumer-driven approach to promoting the health and well-being of Latinos/as and their families by supporting Promotores, leaders, community health workers and others who serve the community in ways consistent with the values and scope of practice of the Promotor model. Created by promotores, VyC represents the collective voice of Promotores and responds to the ideas, needs and priorities they identify in their communities. By investing in Promotores as leaders of change, VyC strengthens their collective voice and increases their ability to advocate for policies and practices to improve individual and family well-being and create lasting community change. Learn more about Vision y Compromiso at https://visionycompromiso.org/.