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#	Question	Asker Name	Answer
1	Good morning, if we have any questions do we reserve them until the end or can we ask at the presentation is going along?	Ericka Flores (she/her) N	Hi Ericka! After the presentations we'll have Q&A discussion.
2	It's a bit hard to hear; can presenters please speak into the microphone? thanks.	Ericka Flores (she/her) N	We'll remind them. Thanks for letting us know.
3	Is nuclear hazardous waste considered/mapped in Cal Enviro Screen 4.0?	Claire Warshaw	live answered
4	Also, it might make sense to eventually map cell towers, and related antennae.	Claire Warshaw	live answered
5	Does CalEnviroScreen or other tools incorporate impacts of emerging tech like green hydrogen, biogas digestors, etc?	Fatima Abdul-Khabir	live answered
6	Lucas needs to speak up. Very hard to hear him	Ericka Flores (she/her) N	Thanks! We switched mic; hope that makes a difference.
7	How much of the current electricity need for this weekend's local power draw in Ventura County can be met by those gas peakers? How much of those power plants output is being transported to be sold out of state?	Dave Shukla	live answered
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8	Will the battery storage sites when they retire, also be considered hazardous waste sites, or will the sites be able to recycle the components in healthy ways?	Claire Warshaw	live answered
9	So... can we talk today about transmission pathing for offshore wind?	Dave Shukla	Hi Dave. Not today because the commissioner leading the offshore wind effort is not here.
10	I don't have a question, but would like to compliment the panelists on the quality and content of that series of presentations. Outstanding!	Gabriel Petlin	Thank you, Gabriel. Much appreciated. I will let panelists know.

11	Thank you for answering those questions and mention the cell tower/antennae mapping! I am sad to learn that the Santa Susana Salt Reactor plant, which apparently had a nuclear disaster back in the 1950s, may not be on Cal Enviro Screen. [I learned about that more recently than I would expect.]	Claire Warshaw	Hi Claire. Thank you for participating.
12	Are military wastes tracked in any fashion? Classified information may not be available and unknown to the larger community. For example tribal knowledge is aware of bomb explosions in Mono Lake as part of Navy testing in Mono Lake.	Dean Tonenna	Hi Dean. Thank you for that question/suggestion. We cannot bring it up now due to time constraints and will share it with our colleagues/panelists.
13	{No one needs to mention this, {chat is disabled] but pollution made on the coast still probably drifts into valleys, where the smog more sits, compared to the coast. What part of the coast does with large air polluting plants, probably affects the San Fernando Valley and other similar valleys.]	Claire Warshaw	Thanks Claire. We'll share with panelists.
14	A crucial feature of the current energy framework that is NEVER questioned is the assumption that private profit streams are inviolable, that a firm like a power plant can capture 100% of the profits for shareholders and execs with no requirement to share the wealth with the people and communities adversely harmed. What if Oxnard received 50% of the profits from the 3 OTC plants, and that money were used to fund community health, affordable housing, clean mobility services, healthy food, schools, etc. We NEVER talk about sharing the profits of toxic enterprises with the harmed communities. Why not?	Lorenzo Kristov	Hi Lorenzo. Thank you for this insight and question. We don't have time to raise it now and will consider this in the development of the CEC's equity/EJ framework.
15	commissioner is on mute	Ian Logan	Thanks, that's by design, we are not using the Zoom audio -- instead we are using the microphones in the room for sound
16	To Comm. McAllister's question right now: Decentralize ownership of energy assets. If communities own the local assets, then the revenue streams can stay in the community.	Lorenzo Kristov	Thank you, Lorenzo. We will share this insight with the commissioner and will consider for the IEPR.
17	Can one mention who is the commissioner for offshore wind now that Commissioner Karen Douglas has moved to another position with the Governor?	Claire Warshaw	Commissioner Vaccaro

	<p>Ok... going to try asking another question germane to both Lucas Zucker's excellent presentation, and the fact that for the past 25 years, since deregulation / decoupling of generation and transmission in electricity, I've lived directly across the street from the Alamitos Generating Station (now rebranded...), which, like Puente, we know today we could replace today with renewables, but have various institutional pressures against... can the Commissioners, or Vice Chair Gunda, speak to perverse incentives that cities have to hold onto extant gas plants and other fossil fuel infrastructure tied to things like municipal budgetary dependence on oil and gas drilling...?</p>	Dave Shukla	<p>Hi Dave. Thank you for the question. We can't answer that now due to time constraint. We will share this with the commissioner and consider this insight for the IEPR.</p>
18	<p>Can Josh Simmons expand on what percentage of the Oxnard/Ventura area population is considered tribal or what portion of that area's land is considered tribally owned?_____ I might assume that tribes are considered one of California's smallest minorities to be respected equally and be more aware of. That assumption might be incorrect due to various Californian individual ancestral lineages.</p>	Claire Warshaw	live answered
20	<p>Thanks!</p>	Claire Warshaw	Thank you for participating!
21	<p>Would be nice to see more Oxnard/Ventura folk there. Can be a nice area to be. Hopefully there are many online?!</p>	Claire Warshaw	Thanks
22	<p>It would be useful to have a technical advisory team work with tribes to assess their needs and aspirations and help communicate what assistance programs would be most suitable. We tribes have difficulty in keeping up with the information, as survey data shows.</p>	Dean Tonenna	live answered
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