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*IN THE MATTER OF:**Equitable Building Decarbonization Program*

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NOTICE OF REMOTE-ACCESS
WORKSHOPRE: Equitable Building Decarbonization
Program**Notice of Staff Workshop on Draft Equitable Building
Decarbonization Direct Install Program Guidelines
Wednesday, May 17, 2023**

10:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

Remote Access via Zoom™:<https://energy.zoom.us/j/85466506983?pwd=b25jOHlqdURSTGNaSEt4WkF6cExnZz09>

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The California Energy Commission (CEC) will host a workshop to present the draft guidelines for the Equitable Building Decarbonization Direct Install Program. The CEC seeks feedback and recommendations on the draft guidelines.

A quorum of commissioners may participate, but no votes will be taken. The public can participate in the workshop consistent with the attendance instructions below. The CEC aims to begin promptly at the start time posted and the end time is an estimate based on the proposed agenda. The workshop may end sooner or later than the posted end time.

Agenda

Staff will provide an overview of the Equitable Building Decarbonization Program and present the draft guidelines for the direct install portion of the program. The presentation will cover topics including proposed funding allocations, household and property eligibility requirements, eligible measures, cost caps, coordination with other programs, tenant protections, and workforce standards and development. There will be an opportunity for the public to ask questions and provide comments on the draft guidelines.

A detailed agenda will be posted prior to the workshop on the [CEC Event Calendar](https://www.energy.ca.gov/event-calendar), <https://www.energy.ca.gov/event-calendar>, and in the Equitable Building Decarbonization Docket [22-DECARB-03](https://efiling.energy.ca.gov/Lists/DocketLog.aspx?docketnumber=22-DECARB-03), <https://efiling.energy.ca.gov/Lists/DocketLog.aspx?docketnumber=22-DECARB-03>.

Background

The State of California is committed to a just and equitable transition to carbon neutrality by 2045. Residential and commercial buildings account for about 25 percent of California's greenhouse gas emissions, so the decarbonization of buildings is essential to achieving the state's carbon neutrality goal.

The CEC advances building decarbonization through numerous programs, including building efficiency standards, appliance efficiency standards, flexible-demand appliance standards, and load management standards; advancing research to support building decarbonization; implementing incentive and energy programs; and developing policy recommendations. Based on the results of the *2021 Building Decarbonization Assessment*,¹ the CEC recommended in the *2021 Integrated Energy Policy Report*² that the state adopt a goal of 6 million heat pump installations by 2030 and direct funding toward building decarbonization retrofits in low-income and disadvantaged communities, recognizing that the participation of all California communities will be needed for the state to achieve its climate and energy goals. The goal of 6 million heat pumps by 2030 was further articulated by Governor Gavin Newsom in July 2022 and is included in the California Air Resources Board's 2022 Scoping Plan.

In September 2022, Governor Newsom signed Assembly Bill 209 (Committee on Budget, Chapter 251, Statutes of 2022), which directs CEC to develop and implement the Equitable Building Decarbonization Program. The program will include two components: a direct install program focused on low-income and moderate-income households, and a statewide incentive program to accelerate deployment of low-carbon building technologies. The direct install program will give preference to buildings located in underresourced communities and to buildings owned or managed by California Native American tribes, tribal organizations, and tribal members.

In December 2022, the CEC released a Request for Information and held an initial workshop to solicit input on key topics related to the design of the Equitable Building Decarbonization Program. Public input received at the December workshop and in written comments was used to develop the draft guidelines that will be presented at this workshop.

In addition to this workshop, the CEC will be concurrently conducting outreach to California Native American tribes and related partners to solicit input on the program, including the tribal-specific funding component.

Input Requested

¹ Kenney, Michael, Nicholas Janusch, Ingrid Neumann, and Mike Jaske. 2021. [California Building Decarbonization Assessment](https://www.energy.ca.gov/data-reports/reports/building-decarbonization-assessment). California Energy Commission. Publication Number: CEC-400-2021-006-CMF, <https://www.energy.ca.gov/data-reports/reports/building-decarbonization-assessment>.

² Kenney, Michael, Jacob Wahlgren, Kristina Duloglo, Tiffany Mateo, Danuta Drozdowicz, and Stephanie Bailey. 2022. [Final 2021 Integrated Energy Policy Report, Volume I: Building Decarbonization](https://www.energy.ca.gov/data-reports/reports/integrated-energy-policy-report/2021-integrated-energy-policy-report). California Energy Commission. Publication Number: CEC-100-2021-001-V1, <https://www.energy.ca.gov/data-reports/reports/integrated-energy-policy-report/2021-integrated-energy-policy-report>.

The CEC seeks input on the Draft Equitable Building Decarbonization Direct Install Program Guidelines. Prior to the workshop, staff will provide a list of questions to guide input, which will be posted to the [Equitable Building Decarbonization Program Docket Log](https://efiling.energy.ca.gov/Lists/DocketLog.aspx?docketnumber=22-DECARB-03) at <https://efiling.energy.ca.gov/Lists/DocketLog.aspx?docketnumber=22-DECARB-03>. Stakeholders and the public are invited to provide written comment on the offered questions, the Draft Equitable Building Decarbonization Direct Install Program Guidelines, and any other topic related to the Equitable Building Decarbonization Program.

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Public Comment

Written and oral 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.

Oral comments will be accepted during the workshop. Comments may be limited to three minutes or less per speaker and one person per organization. To comment via Zoom, use the "raise hand" feature so the administrator can announce your name and unmute you. To comment via telephone, press *9 to "raise your hand" and *6 to mute/unmute.

Written comments may be submitted to the Docket Unit by 5:00 p.m. on **June 30, 2023**. The CEC encourages the use of its electronic commenting system. Visit the e-commenting page for this docket [22-DECARB-03](https://efiling.energy.ca.gov/EComment/EComment.aspx?docketnumber=22-DECARB-03) at <https://efiling.energy.ca.gov/EComment/EComment.aspx?docketnumber=22-DECARB-03>. Enter your contact information and a subject title that describes your comment. Comments may be included in the "Comment Text" box or attached as a downloadable, searchable document consistent with title 20 of the California Code of Regulations, section 1208.1. The maximum file size allowed is 10 MB.

Written comments may also be submitted by email. Include docket number 22-DECARB-03 and Equitable Building Decarbonization Program in the subject line and email to docket@energy.ca.gov.

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Docket Unit, MS-4
Docket No. 22-DECARB-03
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Availability of Documents: Documents and presentations for this meeting will be available at [Docket 22-DECARB-03](https://efiling.energy.ca.gov/Lists/DocketLog.aspx?docketnumber=22-DECARB-03), at <https://efiling.energy.ca.gov/Lists/DocketLog.aspx?docketnumber=22-DECARB-03>.

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Dated: May 3, 2023, at Sacramento, California.

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