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*IN THE MATTER OF:**Climate Innovation Program*

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NOTICE OF REMOTE WORKSHOP

RE: Climate Innovation Program Update
Workshop**Notice of Climate Innovation Program Update Workshop
November 2, 2023**

9 a.m. – 12 p.m.

Remote Access Only

See Attendance Instructions.

The California Energy Commission (CEC) will host a workshop to provide an update on development of the Climate Innovation Program, present potential funding topics, and gather public input on solicitation design.

The public can participate in the workshop consistent with the attendance instructions below. The CEC aims to begin promptly at the start time posted. The end time is an estimate based on the proposed agenda. The workshop may end sooner or later than the posted end time.

Agenda

This workshop will include staff presentations on the development of the CEC Climate Innovation Program, including proposed program objectives, proposed areas of investment, eligibility requirements for future funding opportunities, and selection criteria for solicitation topics. Staff will be seeking public input on these topics in anticipation of releasing funding opportunities from this program in 2024.

A more detailed agenda will be posted prior to the workshop on the [Climate Innovation Program web page](https://www.energy.ca.gov/programs-and-topics/programs/climate-innovation-program) at <https://www.energy.ca.gov/programs-and-topics/programs/climate-innovation-program>.

Background

California's Climate Innovation Program, created by Assembly Bill 209 (Statutes of 2022) and codified in Public Resources Code Section 25625¹, was created to "provide financial incentives to California-headquartered companies for developing and commercializing technologies that provide technological advancements that either help California meet its greenhouse gas reduction targets and achieve its climate goals on an accelerated timeline and at a lower cost, or enable the state to be more resilient to the impacts of climate change such as drought and wildfire."² These technologies can include, but are not limited to, "zero-emission transportation, lithium processing, manufacturing, recovery, regenerative agriculture, and drought and wildfire prevention."³ An awardee is required to repay awarded funds if, within ten years of the end of an agreement, the awardee experiences a liquidity event or leaves California.

Drawing from extensive research and initial public comments, CEC staff have drafted a set of objectives that aim to address the goals outlined in statute and provide a basis for creating solicitations. CEC is seeking public feedback in this workshop and in written comments to help determine the topics and technology areas to prioritize in the upcoming solicitations.

Attendance Instructions

Remote participants may join via Zoom or phone.

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Public Comment

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

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https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/codes_displayText.xhtml?lawCode=PRC&division=15.&title=&part=&chapter=7.2.&article=

² Public Resources Code section 25625.2(a).

³ California Public Resources Code Section 25625.

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Written comments are encouraged as soon as possible, and must be submitted to the Docket Unit no later than 5:00 p.m. on November 16, 2023. All comments, attachments, and provided contact information (including address, phone number, and email address) will become part of the public record. The CEC encourages the use of its electronic commenting system. Visit the e-commenting page for this docket at <https://efiling.energy.ca.gov/EComment/EComment.aspx?docketnumber=22-ERDD-02>. 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 in Microsoft® Word format or PDF. The maximum file size is 10 MB.

Written comments may also be submitted by email. Include docket number 22-ERDD-02 and “Climate Innovation Program Update Workshop” in the subject line and email to docket@energy.ca.gov. A paper copy may be mailed to:

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Availability of Documents: Documents and presentations for this meeting will be available at <https://www.energy.ca.gov/programs-and-topics/programs/climate-innovation-program> or at <https://efiling.energy.ca.gov/Lists/DocketLog.aspx?docketnumber=22-ERDD-02>.

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Dated: October 19, 2023, at Sacramento, California.

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