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IN THE MATTER OF:	
Zero-Emission Vehicle Infrastructure	DOCKET NO. 24-TRAN-01
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	RE: Pre-Solicitation Workshop for Zero- Emission Vehicle Infrastructure Grant Application Technical Assistance

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# Notice of Pre-Solicitation Workshop for ZEV Infrastructure Grant Application Technical Assistance Funding March 7, 2024

9:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m. (PST) Remote Access Only

The California Energy Commission (CEC) will host a remote-access workshop to discuss and receive feedback on a draft funding concept to provide technical assistance for applications pursuing state and federal funding for zero-emission vehicle (ZEV) infrastructure. The proposed solicitation is intended to support potential applicants including California Native American Tribes, low-income, and disadvantaged communities access funding for ZEV infrastructure.

The pre-solicitation workshop will inform a future solicitation to select a third-party who will provide technical assistance in applying for state and federal ZEV infrastructure grants. The beneficiaries are intended to be communities and applicants that may face challenges such as limited staff resources or limited experience identifying and seeking grant funding. The third-party may also help applicants execute successful awarded projects.

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

The workshop will include:

- Welcome and introduction
- CEC staff presentation on technical assistance funding concept

Gavin Newsom, Governor

- Panelist feedback and discussion
- Question and answer and public comment
- Next steps and close

A detailed meeting schedule will be posted prior to the workshop within <u>CEC Docket Log 24-TRAN-01</u>.

#### Background

<u>The Clean Transportation Program</u><sup>1</sup> was established by Assembly Bill 118 (Núñez, Chapter 750, Statutes of 2007), which took effect January 1, 2008. Assembly Bill 8 (Perea, Chapter 401, Statutes of 2013) extended the program through January 1, 2024. The Clean Transportation Program was extended again in 2023 by Assembly Bill 126 (Reyes, Chapter 319, Statutes of 2023) until July 1, 2035.

The Clean Transportation Program has an annual budget of approximately \$100 million. The primary goals of the program are to develop and deploy zero-emission technology and fuels including through related activities such as workforce development and training.

The most common funding mechanism for the Clean Transportation Program is via competitive <u>solicitations</u><sup>2</sup> for grants, known as "grant funding opportunities" (GFOs). CEC staff reviews, scores, and ranks project proposals submitted for each solicitation using the evaluation criteria developed for the solicitation.

However, underserved communities often face greater barriers in identifying or applying for competitive funding opportunities. For example, these communities may lack the staff capacity, partnerships, or dedicated resources to apply for and secure competitive funding opportunities and thereafter implement successful projects. Technical assistance can be pivotal in helping level the playing field so more clean transportation investments are made in and benefit communities that need them the most.

### **Attendance Instructions**

**Remote** participants may join via Zoom by internet or phone.

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- **To join by telephone.** Call toll-free at (888) 475-4499 or toll at (669) 219-2599. When prompted, enter the Webinar ID 842 8213 7938 and passcode 945144.

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https://www.energy.ca.gov/programs-and-topics/programs/clean-transportation-program

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> https://www.energy.ca.gov/funding-opportunities/solicitations

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**Zoom Difficulty.** Contact Zoom at (888) 799-9666 ext. 2, or the CEC Public Advisor at <u>publicadvisor@energy.ca.gov</u>, or by phone at (916) 957-7910.

### **Public Comment.**

**Oral comments** will be accepted at the end of 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 April 18, 2024. 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. Written comments may also be submitted by email. Include docket number 24-TRAN-01 and "Technical Assistance" in the subject line and email to docket@energy.ca.gov.

## The CEC encourages use of its electronic commenting system.

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**Availability of Documents:** Documents and presentations for this meeting will be available at the <u>CEC Docket Log for 24-TRAN-01</u>, or at

https://efiling.energy.ca.gov/Lists/DocketLog.aspx?docketnumber=24-TRAN-01.

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