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**IN THE MATTER OF:**

*2025 California Building Energy Action
Plan*

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NOTICE OF REMOTE-ACCESS
WORKSHOP

RE: 2025 California Building Energy Action
Plan

**Notice of Staff Workshop on the
Draft 2025 California Building Energy Action Plan
January 29, 2026**

1:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Remote Access Only

See Attendance Instructions

The California Energy Commission (CEC) will host a staff workshop to review the contents of the draft 2025 California Building Energy Action Plan (Action Plan) and solicit feedback on the draft Action Plan and proposed recommendations.

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

This workshop will provide an overview of the draft Action Plan, highlighting the overall recommendations made, along with a discussion on key areas of analysis. The CEC is soliciting public feedback on the draft Action Plan. Staff strongly encourages that any verbal comments be supplemented by written comments provided to the docket identified and linked below.

The workshop will begin with opening remarks from Commissioner Andrew McAllister, followed by a CEC staff presentation providing an overview of the draft Action Plan and its executive summary. CEC staff will then present updates on the state's progress toward the energy efficiency goals of Senate Bill (SB) 350 (De León, Chapter 547, Statutes of 2015), and progress in reducing greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions aligned to Assembly Bill (AB) 3232 (Friedman, Chapter 373, Statutes of 2018). The workshop will continue with a series of discussions where different technical topics described in the Draft Action Plan will be introduced, with time allowed for asking questions on each of the technical issues. Staff will wrap up with an overview of recommendations included in the report. The workshop will conclude with a public comment period and closing remarks.

A detailed meeting schedule will be posted prior to the workshop at the [docket 23-DECARB-03](https://efiling.energy.ca.gov/Lists/DocketLog.aspx?docketnumber=23-DECARB-03) at <https://efiling.energy.ca.gov/Lists/DocketLog.aspx?docketnumber=23-DECARB-03>.

Background

The CEC originally published the California Existing Building Energy Efficiency Action Plan in 2015 as required by Assembly Bill 758 (Skinner, 2009), with the goal of *“implement[ing] a comprehensive program to achieve greater energy savings in California’s existing residential and nonresidential building stock.”*

The Action Plan was subsequently updated in 2016, 2019, and, most recently, in 2022 (in the Integrated Energy Policy Report as Volume 1: Building Decarbonization). Additional contextual information can be found in the 2021 Building Decarbonization Assessment which was published to fulfill the requirements of AB 3232 (Friedman, Chapter 373, Statutes of 2018). That report contains a detailed quantitative assessment of potential decarbonization strategies to achieve a 40 percent reduction in GHG emissions for California’s buildings by 2030.

New statutory requirements and emerging issues, such as energy affordability, electrification, energy equity, appliance-level load management, refrigerant management, and community engagement, have resulted in an evolving focus for each Action Plan update. The 2025 Action Plan provides a statewide, multi-agency perspective on how to achieve greater decarbonization of existing buildings through improved energy efficiency, reduced overall energy consumption, and supporting strategies, such as load flexibility.

The Draft 2025 Action Plan addresses statutory requirements established by four legislative bills:

- AB 758 (Skinner, Chapter 470, Statutes of 2009), which directs the CEC to publish and periodically update strategies to conserve energy in existing buildings.
- SB 350 (De León, Chapter 547, Statutes of 2015), which requires the CEC to update its existing buildings strategies in furtherance of achieving a doubling of energy efficiency savings by 2030.
- AB 3232 (Friedman, Chapter 323, Statutes of 2018), which directs the CEC to analyze pathways for California’s buildings to achieve a 40 percent reduction in GHG emissions from the state’s building stock compared to 1990 levels.
- SB 306 (Caballero, Chapter 387, Statutes of 2023), which requires the CEC to report on progress in decarbonizing households through the Equitable Building Decarbonization Direct Install Program.

Previous Action Plans, the 2021 Building Decarbonization Assessment, and the 2021 Integrated Energy Policy Report volume on Building Decarbonization can be found on the [Energy Efficiency in Existing Buildings web page](https://www.energy.ca.gov/programs-and-topics/programs/energy-efficiency-existing-buildings) at <https://www.energy.ca.gov/programs-and-topics/programs/energy-efficiency-existing-buildings>.

Attendance Instructions

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Public Comment

The CEC encourages the use of its electronic commenting system. Visit the e-commenting page for [docket 23-DECARB-03](https://efiling.energy.ca.gov/Lists/DocketLog.aspx?docketnumber=23-DECARB-03) at <https://efiling.energy.ca.gov/Lists/DocketLog.aspx?docketnumber=23-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 in Microsoft® Word or Adobe® Acrobat®. The maximum file size allowed is 10 MB.

Oral comments will be accepted at 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 February 20, 2026. 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 23-DECARB-03 and 2025 California Building Energy Action Plan 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](https://efiling.energy.ca.gov/Lists/DocketLog.aspx?docketnumber=23-DECARB-03) for this meeting will be available at <https://efiling.energy.ca.gov/Lists/DocketLog.aspx?docketnumber=23-DECARB-03>.

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Dated: January 15, 2026, at Sacramento, California