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Notice of Compliance Initiatives Workshop September 28, 2026

[1:00 p.m.] – [4:00 p.m.]

In-person at:

California Natural Resources Building
Room 02-201 (Media Room)
715 P St, Sacramento, CA 95814

Remote Access via Zoom™

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Remote participation instructions are below.

The California Energy Commission (CEC) will host a workshop to review progress on a range of Energy Code compliance initiatives; host a panel discussion with industry experts; and seek public discussion and feedback on compliance processes, challenges, and opportunities. 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

CEC staff will present a brief overview of compliance improvement efforts, including brief presentations on ongoing compliance program oversight and enforcement efforts, collaboration with local and statewide enforcement agencies, and an update on a CEC-led Compliance Rates Study. These program updates will be followed by a panel discussion with experts from an Energy Code Compliance (ECC) Rater Company, a local building department, a Regional Energy Network, and a representative of the Institute of Heating and Air Conditioning Industries.

Background

As California's primary energy policy and planning agency, the California Energy Commission (CEC) is responsible for adopting and implementing the state's Building Energy Efficiency Standards, including mandatory requirements in the Energy Code (Title 24, Part 6) and voluntary efficiency

measures in CALGreen (Title 24, Part 11). These standards apply to all newly constructed residential and nonresidential buildings, as well as additions and alterations. Voluntary CALGreen measures provide a framework for local governments interested in exceeding the minimum requirements of the Energy Code. Together with appliance efficiency standards, California's Building Energy Efficiency Standards have saved residents more than \$200 billion in energy costs over the past five decades.

California's Building Energy Efficiency Standards are central to reducing wasteful, inefficient, and uneconomic energy consumption statewide, forming a core pillar of the state's long-standing climate, affordability, and equity strategy efforts to achieve California's climate, affordability and equity mandates and goals. These standards deliver substantial public benefits—including billions in energy savings, major reductions in greenhouse gas emissions, and support for clean technologies like high-efficiency heat pumps—while ensuring that buildings are designed and constructed to cost-effective, technically feasible requirements to be cost effective and technically feasible. Updated every three years through a transparent, data-driven rulemaking process, the standards help protect consumers, strengthen grid reliability, and maintain California's national leadership in energy efficiency and long-term climate planning, long-term climate resiliency and responsibility.

The Energy Code delivers its full benefits only when projects comply. For this reason, the CEC is focused on advancing its leadership in building standards by improving statewide code compliance. The CEC defines full compliance as meeting both process-based and energy-based criteria: process-based compliance ensures projects obtain required permits, complete all inspection and documentation steps, and follow procedures from design through completion; energy-based compliance focuses on actual performance, requiring buildings to meet or exceed the efficiency levels intended by the Energy Code. When both criteria are satisfied, California can fully realize the affordability, reliability, and environmental gains embedded in each code cycle.

To support improved Energy Code compliance, the CEC has held numerous workshops, including the Energy Code Compliance Workshops on December 18, 2024, and on March 22, 2022, where issues around Energy Code compliance have been discussed. The CEC continues to seek feedback from stakeholders to help guide development of compliance initiatives and programs to support the compliance process. Based on prior feedback, as well as staff research, staff have been developing programs to better analyze and provide solutions to Energy Code compliance statewide. The CEC continues to develop these solutions and seeks regular collaboration with, and feedback from, the public.

Attendance Instructions

In-person participants may join the meeting at Room 02-201 (Media Room), 715 P St, Sacramento, CA 95814.

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Public Comment

Written comments may be submitted through the CEC's electronic commenting system. Visit the e-commenting page for this docket [24-BSTD-05: Energy Code Compliance Initiatives](https://efiling.energy.ca.gov/EComment/EComment.aspx?docketnumber=24-BSTD-05) at <https://efiling.energy.ca.gov/EComment/EComment.aspx?docketnumber=24-BSTD-05> 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 California Code of Regulations, title 20, section 1208.1, such as Microsoft® Word or Adobe® Acrobat®. The maximum file size allowed is 10 MB. If you need assistance with submitting comments, please contact the Docket Unit at docket@energy.ca.gov or (916) 654-5076.

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 October 13, 2026. All information submitted will become part of the public record of this proceeding with access available via any internet search engine; please do not include any personal contact information.

A paper copy may be mailed to:
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Availability of Documents: Documents and presentations for this meeting will be available at [the](#) CEC docket [24-BSTD-05: Energy Code Compliance Initiatives](#), at <https://efiling.energy.ca.gov/Lists/DocketLog.aspx?docketnumber=24-BSTD-05>. When new information is posted, an email will be sent to those subscribed to the Building Energy Efficiency Standards, or Efficiency Topics subscription lists. To receive these notices or notices of other email subscription topics, visit [Subscriptions](#), at <https://www.energy.ca.gov/subscriptions>.

Dated: September 15, 2026, at Sacramento, California.

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