

California Energy Commission

Economic Stimulus & Recovery E-NEWS Blast

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REMINDER - SEP GUIDELINES WORKSHOPS

July 28, 29 and 31, 2009 - 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. **Various locations**

The Energy Commission staff has scheduled three public workshops to discuss the ARRA State Energy Program preliminary guidelines and schedule for fund distribution. The workshop will focus on the three specific program areas for funding opportunities: Municipal Financing District Program (AB 811-type programs); California Comprehensive Residential Building Program; and Municipal and Commercial Building Targeted Measure Retrofit Program. Up to \$96 million will be available through a solicitation progress.

All three workshops will be webcast over the Internet by WebEx.

Preliminary SEP Guidelines Workshops - Same agenda for all workshops

Tuesday, JULY 28, 2009 Stockton (1 p.m. - 3 p.m.)

San Joaquin Council of Governments, Board Room

For WebEx information - https://energy.webex.com/energy/onstage/g.php?d=923296068&t=a

Wednesday, JULY 29, 2009 San Francisco (1 p.m. - 4 p.m.)

California Public Utilities Commission, Auditorium

For WebEx information - https://energy.webex.com/energy/onstage/g.php?d=928917458&t=a

Friday, JULY 31, 2009 San Diego (1 p.m. - 4 p.m.)

Environmental Service Department, 1st Floor Auditorium

For WebEx information - https://energy.webex.com/energy/onstage/q.php?d=922587773&t=a

The <u>Preliminary SEP Guidelines</u> are posted at [<u>www.energy.ca.gov/recovery/meetings/</u>].

For more information regarding these workshops and how to participate by WebEx, please see the meeting notice at: [www.energy.ca.gov/recovery/meetings/].

WORKSHOP ON FINAL PROPOSED EECBG PROGRAM GUIDELINES

The Energy Commission staff Final Proposed Guidelines for the Energy Efficiency and Conservation Block Grant (EECBG) Program will be discussed at a staff workshop.

Monday, AUGUST 3, 2009 10 a.m. to Noon California Energy Commission 1516 Ninth Street, Sacramento

For WebEx webcast information - https://energy.webex.com/energy/onstage/q.php?t=a&d=926609761

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A detailed agenda and the Commission staff's final proposed guidelines will be available online soon at: [www.energy.ca.gov/stimulus/documents/]

COMING SOON - CLEAN ENERGY SUMMIT

Save the date for workshops to discuss the Clean Energy Workforce Training Program and leveraging state and federal workforce development funding for the clean energy industry. Same agenda for both workshops. Stay tuned for your next e-blast news with more information.

Monday, AUGUST 10, 2009 West Sacramento (9 a.m.) Ziggurat Building

For WebEx information - https://energy.webex.com/energy/onstage/g.php?t=a&d=928151137

Wednesday, AUGUST 12, 2009 Diamond Bar (9 a.m.) South Coast Air Quality Management District

CONSIDER A LOW-INTEREST LOAN

Budgets are shrinking, energy costs are increasing. If you're a public entity, now is the best time to invest in energy efficiency and energy generation projects for your community with a low-interest loan from the Energy Commission. Consider leveraging ARRA funding with a low 3 percent interest rate loan to maximize your energy project. Excellent terms and technical assistance available. For more information [http://energy.ca.gov/efficiency/financing/] or e-mail: pubprog@energy.state.ca.us

DOE ARRA SOLICITATIONS and ANNOUNCEMENTS UPDATE

Wind Energy: Three California companies will receive a total of \$595,385 of ARRA and non-ARRA funds for wind energy projects.

- Alpha Star Corporation Long Beach (\$200,383 ARRA)
- Analatom, Inc. Sunnyvale (\$200,000 ARRA)
- V&R Energy Systems Research LA (\$195,002 non ARRA)

For more information: [http://apps1.eere.energy.gov/news/daily.cfm/hp_news_id=186]

NON-ARRA FUNDING ENERGY ANNOUNCEMENTS UPDATE

Biofuels Production: Joint awards by the DOE and the U.S. Department of Agriculture for up to \$6.3 million for four projects. The U.S. Department of Agriculture/Agricultural Research Service - Western Regional Research Center in Albany, California, received the largest award of \$1.3 million over three years to continue biofuels research on certain crop plants that are cheaper to produce and grow on poorer quality land. [http://genomicsgtl.energy.gov/research/DOEUSDA/DOEUSDA0709pressrelease.pdf] (PDF file).

ENERGY PROGRAMS SUMMARY

Looking for a thumbnail update on the ARRA energy-related programs? Check out the weekly updated Funding Summary at www.energy.ca.gov/recovery/documents/FUNDING_SUMMARY.PDF (PDF file).

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