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ITEM 6

CPUC staff provides update about the Draft of the Environmental Social Justice Action Plan

CPUC Environmental & Social Justice Action Plan

Draft Version 2.0

Disadvantaged Communities Advisory Group (DACAG)
Friday October 15, 2021



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About the ESJ Action Plan

- Operating framework with which to integrate ESJ considerations throughout the agency's work.
- Version 1.0 was adopted in February 2019.
- Consists of:
 - 9 overarching goals
 - Clear objectives
 - 95 concrete action items (Draft 1.0) to ensure agency-wide collaboration, accountability, and forward movement in meeting ESJ principles.



Update Process

- February 2021 workshop to collect feedback from stakeholders through moderated discussions and issue specific breakout rooms.
- Additional feedback from a number of proceedings and ongoing engagement with stakeholders.



Overview of Changes in Version 2.0

- **All Action Items and Objectives have been updated to reflect present-day priorities and efforts.**
- Updated Goal 7 (Workforce Development): **“Foster high road employment opportunities and career paths for residents of ESJ communities.”**
- Equitable distribution of Action Items across all CPUC Industry Divisions.
- **Appendices include resource documents** to assist CPUC staff and stakeholders in incorporating ESJ issues into their work. These include:
 - Examples of ESJ in proceedings and programs;
 - A guide of definitions and terminology related to ESJ concepts; and
 - Key documents for use in implementing the ESJ Action Plan.

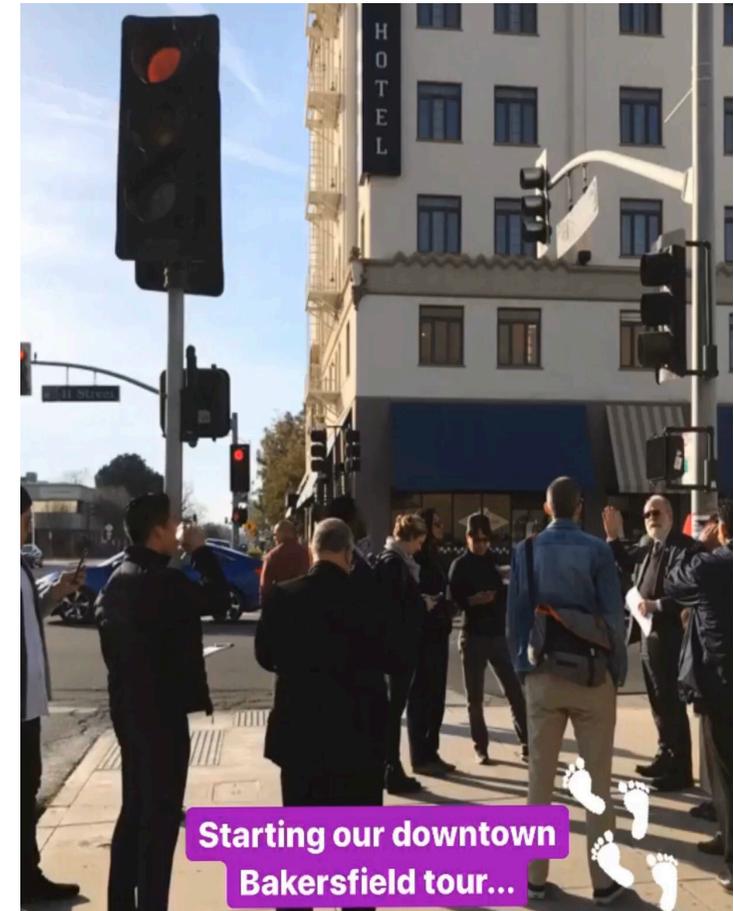
Action Items: Equity & Alignment

- 1.1.1 ESJ Impacts in CPUC Processes
- 8.1.1 Division-Specific Training on Incorporating ESJ Issues into Proceedings
- 1.1.5 ESJ Definitions: Catalogue and Assess Opportunities for Mutual Eligibility
- 2.1.1 Alignment & Coordination Across Marketing, Education & Outreach (ME&O) Plans
- 8.2.1 Alignment with Upcoming Racial Equity Action Plan



Action Items: Community-Based Organizations

- 1.2.1 Evaluation of Intervenor Compensation Program
- 1.2.2 Pilot Program for Participation of Community Based Organizations
- 1.2.5 Host Regular "Participate in CPUC" Sessions
- 5.2.2 Leverage CBOs for CPUC Workshops and Community Engagement



Action Items: Enforcement

- 6.2.3 Expand Opportunities to Leverage Enforcement Action Settlements for ESJ Purposes
- 6.3.1 Develop an ESJ Lens for New CPUC Enforcement Policy



Action Items: Training & Metrics

- 8.1.2 ESJ Session at New Employee Orientation (NEO)
- 8.2.2 Community Engagement Training for CPUC Staff
- 8.2.4 Meeting Facilitation Training for Staff
- 9.1.1 Metrics to Measure Impact, Community Outreach & Engagement
- 9.2.1 Metrics to Measure Satisfaction, Comprehension, and Experience



Tracking & Accountability

- Action Items have a 3-year time horizon
 - Tentatively 2022-2025
- Mid-Point Status Report, offering latest information on implementation of all 91 Action Items, to be published in 2023
 - ESJ Liaisons will provide key support in drafting Status Report
 - Include public presentation to Commissioners and DACAG

Tentative Timeline & Next Steps

Presentation to Low Income Oversight Board (LIOB)	Wednesday September 29
Presentation to Disadvantaged Communities Advisory Group (DACAG)	Friday October 15
Post Draft Version 2.0 for Public Comment	Wednesday October 20
<i>Business & Community Outreach (BCO) Webinar</i> <u>Register Here</u>	<i>Wednesday November 3</i> <i>10:00 – 11:45 AM</i>
Public Comment Deadline	Friday November 19
Post Final Version	TBD
Commissioner Voting Meeting for Adoption	TBD

Comment Letters

Full Draft ESJ Action Plan available at:
www.cpuc.ca.gov/ESJActionPlan

Comments Due:

Friday November 19, 2021

Submit Comments to:

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THANK YOU!

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