



REGULAR MEETING of the Community Advisory Committee of the Clean Power Alliance of Southern California

Thursday, February 17, 2022

1:00 p.m.

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CALL TO ORDER

WELCOMING REMARKS

GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT

CONSENT AGENDA

1. [Approve Minutes from January 20, 2022, Community Advisory Committee](#)

REGULAR AGENDA

2. [Oral Update from the Executive Director on CPA Operations](#)
3. [Update on Net Energy Metering and Options for CAC Action](#)
4. [Approve CAC Workplan Updates](#)

COMMITTEE MEMBER UPDATES, ACCOMPLISHMENTS, OR WORK IN-PROGRESS

ITEMS FOR FUTURE AGENDAS

ADJOURN – NEXT MEETING ON MARCH 17, 2022

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REGULAR MEETING of the Community Advisory Committee of the
Clean Power Alliance of Southern California

Thursday, January 20, 2021

1:00 p.m.

The Community Advisory Committee conducted this meeting in accordance with California Governor Newsom's Executive Order N-29-20 and COVID-19 pandemic protocols.

CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

Chair Haake called the meeting to order at 1:12 p.m. and Karla Velazquez, Clerk for the Community Advisory Committee, conducted roll call.

East Ventura/West LA County	Angus Simmons (Vice-Chair)	Remote
East Ventura/West LA County	Jennifer Burke	Remote
East Ventura/West LA County	Debbie West	Absent
San Gabriel Valley	Richard Tom	Remote
San Gabriel Valley	Kim Luu	Remote
West/Unincorporated Ventura County	Lucas Zucker	Absent
West/Unincorporated Ventura County	Vern Novstrup	Absent
South Bay	David Lesser	Remote
South Bay	Emmitt Hayes	Absent
Gateway Cities	Jaime Lopez	Absent
Gateway Cities	Genaro Bugarin	Remote
Westside	Cris Gutierrez	Remote
Westside	David Haake (Chair)	Remote
Unincorporated Los Angeles County	Neil Fromer	Remote
Unincorporated Los Angeles County	Kristie Hernandez (Vice Chair)	Remote

All votes are unanimous unless otherwise stated.

GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT

Lauren Von Klan, Climate Action Santa Monica gave public comment regarding the pending net energy metering (NEM) 3.0 decision at the CPUC.

CONSENT AGENDA

1. Approved Minutes from November 12, 2021, Community Advisory Committee Retreat
2. Workplan Update
Motion Committee Member Fromer, ULAC
Second Motion Committee Member Tom, SGV
Vote The minutes were approved by a roll call vote

REGULAR AGENDA

3. Oral Update from the Executive Director on CPA Operations

Executive Director Ted Bardacke informed the CAC that Sherita Coffelt, Senior Director of External Affairs would be departing from CPA; Gina Goodhill, Policy Director, will be stepping in as Interim Director for External Affairs. Mr. Bardacke provided updates regarding the state utility bill relief funds that will soon be distributed. CPA will provide almost 16 million dollars of financial assistance to cover customer debts accumulated from March 2020 through June 2021. Mr. Bardacke provided updates that the cities of Hawthorne and Claremont would consider a change in default rates to 100% Green next week. Mr. Bardacke noted that CPA will have a strong competitive rate position in March due to the change in the PCIA.

Mr. Bardacke also discussed potential CPA expansion to other communities. Expansion priorities include increasing geographic and economic diversity and there are about 40 cities that are potential candidates. Cities that express interest in learning more about CPA may want to speak with community members about their experiences and perspectives, and CPA staff may reach out to CAC members individually.

Chair Haake inquired about the potential cost of renewable energy increasing due to demand and CPA's ability to serve three new cities which have defaulted to 100% green rates. He also inquired about CPA's stance on NEM 3.0. Mr. Bardacke stated that prices for renewable energy that are newly built are slightly increased due to supply chain issues. In terms of CPA's ability to serve these new cities, there is no foreseeable issue.

Gina Goodhill, Policy Director, spoke about CPA's position on NEM 3.0. Ms. Goodhill provided context on CPA's decision regarding NEM 3.0 and referenced the board presentation in July of last year. CPA decided not to take a position on NEM 3.0 at the time because CCAs set their own rates, which could result in CPA having a separate NEM rate than the rate set by the CPUC. There will be some potential impacts on the energy delivery cost, but the energy generation rate will be set by CPA. Once a decision is made by the CPUC, CPA will take action to supplement the decision on the delivery cost or make other unique changes to the customer base. There is interest in incorporating the feedback that was received during the July board

meeting, which includes: ensuring that low-income customers are able to continue to adopt rooftop solar, ensuring solar plus storage is incentivized, and ensuring all efforts tie to grid and reliability needs.

Responding to Chair Haake's inquiry that CPA customers may not be subject to the access charge that is being proposed in NEM 3.0. Ms. Goodhill clarified that there is a potential impact on the delivery cost, but the compensation rate will be set by CPA. In response to Committee Member Lesser's inquiry about the CAC's role during this process, Ms. Goodhill stated that providing feedback to the board on the community priorities, concerns, and goals would be helpful to CPA as CPA develops its own rate. Committee Member Gutierrez commented that the NEM discussion at the CPUC is a high-profile energy issue in the state, and that as a large energy provider, CPA should take a position on the issue. Responding to comments from Vice-Chair Simmons, Committee Member Fromer, and Committee Member Gutierrez Mr. Bardacke indicated that the Board was united on the principles but there was no consensus at the Board level about how to apply those principles to the CPUC proceeding.

4. Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Update

Senior Advisor for Strategy Karen Schmidt provided an oral update on the Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion efforts, and discussed the suggested activities and initiatives for the upcoming CAC 2022 workplan update. In November, CPA staff developed a draft Diversity, Equity and Inclusion plan that addressed internal equity and inclusion goals and objectives regarding programs and community investments as well as initiatives and goals regarding supplier diversity. In December, CPA launched an RFP to bring in a consultant that will support the development of the implementation plan and build capabilities and tools for internal and external engagement on these issues. The consultant will work on the implementation of the Diversity, Equity and Inclusion plan, a Diversity, Equity and Inclusion audit to assess CPA internal and external factors relative to goals and aspirations and will be involved with planning out a series of workshops for staff to learn and engage with these issues. This is expected to begin towards the end of February, when CPA staff will meet for an in-person retreat. Based on the feedback and discussions with the CAC, CPA staff have ideas and recommendations for the ways the CAC and individual members can support CPA initiatives. The items that were identified would include potentially forming or consolidating the workplan working group to review and expand the community engagement portion of the Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion plan. CPA understands the importance of being present and represented in communities and has discussed utilizing and leveraging CAC members to engage and build relationships with community organizations relative to CPA's Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion goals. For CAC members who are interested, this would include building relationships; identifying organizations within their communities; and being present at local and ethnic chambers of commerce and business associations, environmental justice organizations, and other community-based organization in underserved areas. CPA will also engage with CAC and other stakeholders to conduct surveys and interviews. Further initiatives include the community grants program and having CAC members participate in the process of designing those programs and participating in the panels to review grant submissions.

Chair Haake thanked Ms. Schmidt for the relevance and importance of the Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion work that is being done at CPA. He stated that it is important to understand the path forward to engage with communities as expansion occurs with unincorporated Los Angeles County and others. Vice-Chair Hernandez also commented on CPA's ongoing Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion efforts and the need to continue to engage with communities on these subjects.

COMMITTEE MEMBER COMMENTS

Committee Member Fromer inquired about the upcoming workplan working group meeting date. Christian Cruz, Community Outreach Manager, noted that notifications have been sent to members of the working group and a follow-up email with the meeting date will be sent out to the group on January 21, 2022.

Committee Member Gutierrez commented that regarding the discussion on NEM 3.0 she would encourage the CAC to make a comment to the board and would like to see the matter agendaized or a status update and next steps.

Vice-Chair Simmons commented that he agreed with Committee Member Gutierrez's comments regarding the NEM 3.0 discussion.

ITEMS FOR FUTURE AGENDA

Chair Haake and Committee Member Lesser suggested having a NEM 3.0 agendaized for discussion, with an update on where the matter stands and the pathway for the CAC to provide feedback.

Mr. Cruz stated that there will likely be a workplan review and adoption regarding the working group recommendations at the February 17th CAC meeting.

Vice-Chair Hernandez commented on incorporating more K-12 educational outreach, by identifying an educator in that area of study and having them assist the CAC with brainstorming a curriculum or outreach plan.

Committee Member Gutierrez requested an update on Power Share which Mr. Cruz was able to provide.

ADJOURN

Chair Haake adjourned the meeting at 2:20 pm.



Staff Report – Agenda Item 2

To: Community Advisory Committee

From: Ted Bardacke, Chief Executive Director

Subject: Oral Update from the Executive Director on CPA Operations

Date: February 17, 2022

The Executive Director will provide an oral report on CPA operations.



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Staff Report – Agenda Item 3

To: Clean Power Alliance (CPA) Community Advisory Committee

From: CC Song, Director of Regulatory Affairs

Approved by: Ted Bardacke, Chief Executive Director

Subject: Net Energy Metering 3.0

Date: February 17, 2022

The Director of Regulatory Affairs will provide a presentation on Net Energy Metering and discuss options for CAC action.



Revisiting Net Energy Metering

February 17, 2021



Presentation Overview

- Summary of July 2020 Presentation, including CPA Goals and Objectives
- CPUC Proposed Decision
- Is the CPUC Proposed Decision Aligned with CPA Goals and Objectives?
- Discussion and Possible Next Steps for CAC



Review: July 2020 Discussion

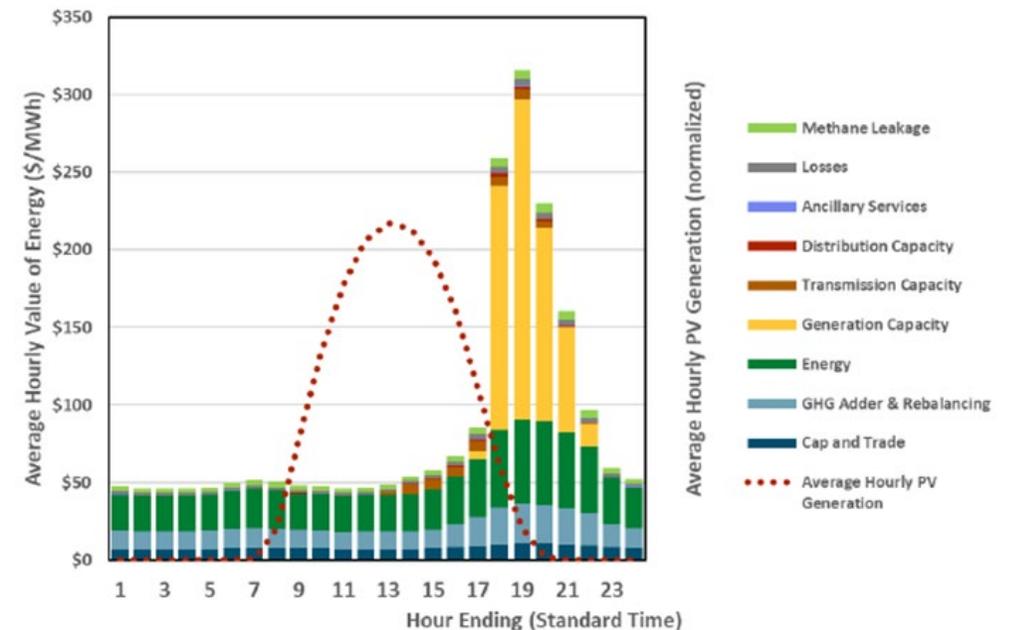
CPA's NEM Objectives and Goal Alignment	Support Grid Reliability	Invest in Energy Storage	Expand Access for Low-Income Customers
Legacy Treatment: Existing NEM customers should maintain their rates for 20 years from interconnection date. Existing NEM customers would be eligible for storage rebates, and in turn default to the new NEM tariff.	X	X	
Export Compensation: For new NEM customers, the compensation schedule should be set based on the value of customer-sited generation's contribution to the grid, at the time of export.	X	X	X
Non-bypassable and Fixed Charges: Customers should continue to pay other non-bypassable charges; a cost-of-service based distribution/transmission charge may be assessed.	X	X	X
Low-Income Incentives: Maintain a more generous compensation schedule for customers from underserved communities for the first 10 years to incentivize distributed energy resource adoption.		X	X

- ⚡ The existing NEM program has played a strong role in driving the growth of California's rooftop solar industry, and decreasing the cost of rooftop solar
- ⚡ Because of the decline in solar costs, export compensation level may not need to be as generous. Further, the compensation has not led to the same level of growth in low-income communities.
- ⚡ As the electricity grid needs continue to evolve, other distributed energy resources may need more incentives to grow, such as storage, demand response, electric vehicles, and energy efficiency.
- ⚡ Staff developed the goals and objectives based on the adopted CPA policy platform

CPUC Proposed Decision

- **Legacy Treatment:** Legacy period for NEM 1.0 and 2.0 customers reduced from 20 years to 15 years from the date of interconnection. CARE customers would transition to NEM 3.0 within 15 years of interconnection date. Existing NEM 2.0 customers who transfer to NEM 3.0 tariff would receive \$0.20/kWh storage rebate for the first 4 years.
- **Export Compensation:** Based on hourly Avoided Cost Calculator (ACC) values averaged across days in a month, differentiated by weekdays and weekends.
- **Low-income Incentives:** In addition to staying on a more generous export compensation rate, being exempt from the Grid Participation Charge, and the market transition credit, an Equity Fund with an annual cap of \$150 million would be established to increase rooftop solar adoption in low-income households and disadvantaged communities.

Figure 4. 2020 Hourly Average Avoided Costs and Solar Generation, Annual Averages



Proposed Grid Participation Charge (GPC)

- **Grid Participation Charge:** \$8/kW per month for residential customers, and low-income and commercial customers are exempt.
- **CPUC Reasons for GPC:** All NEM customers are interconnected to the grid and therefore utilize grid services. Customers pay for grid services through delivery rates. Because NEM customers receive credits netted against their delivery charges in addition to the credits for the energy they generate, NEM customers pay a lot less for the delivery services they utilize. A GPC would offset some of the credits NEM customers receive to pay for their share of grid services.
- **Level and structure of a GPC:** If a GPC is appropriate, what is a reasonable amount and the right structure? Many parties have different opinions on this question.
- **Market Transition Credit:** Created for residential customers, applied for 10 years from interconnection. The credit for residential customers is \$3.59/kW, and low-income customers would receive \$5.25/kW. The credit amount will be decreased by 25% every year. This is intended to offset partially offset the GPC for new NEM customers.

CPUC Stakeholder Positions

Grid Participation Charge Should be Eliminated*

- Solar industry
- Walmart
- Silicon Valley Leadership Group
- Sierra Club
- Joint CCAs

Grid Participation Charge Should be Varied

- The Utility Reform Network (TURN)
- Joint IOUs
- IEP

Extending/Expanding Transition Glidepath for New NEM Customers

- Small Business Utility Advocates (SBUA)
- Sierra Club
- Joint CCAs
- California Energy Storage Alliance (CESA)

Changes to Export Compensation Rate Structure Should be Delayed

- Solar industry
- Sierra Club

Legacy Treatment of Existing Customers Should be Unchanged

- Independent Energy Producers (IEP)
- California Farm Bureau Federation
- Center for Sustainable Energy (CSE)
- CESA

Storage and Low-Income Incentives Should be More Generous

- CESA
- SBUA
- Public Advocates' Office
- Grid Alternatives, Sierra Club, Vote Solar
- Natural Resources Defense Council
- TURN

*Parties have proposed other fixed charges to be implemented, including time-differentiated charges associated with rates



Proposed Decision Alignment with CPA Objectives

CPA Objectives	CPUC Proposed Decision	Alignment
<p>Legacy Treatment: Existing NEM customers should maintain their rates for 20 years from interconnection date. Existing NEM customers would be eligible for storage rebates, and in turn default to the new NEM tariff.</p>	<p>Legacy Treatment: Existing NEM customers would maintain their rates for 15 years from interconnection date. NEM 2.0 customers would be eligible for storage rebates if default to the new NEM tariff.</p>	<p>Aligned on storage incentives, but not aligned on shortening the length of legacy treatment.</p>
<p>Export Compensation: For new NEM customers, the compensation schedule should be set based on the value of customer-sited generation's contribution to the grid, at the time of export.</p>	<p>Export Compensation: New NEM customers' compensation schedule would be based on the Avoided Cost Calculator hourly values, which measures based on the generation resource's contribution to the grid.</p>	<p>Aligned on principle in terms of utilizing ACC values, but CPA staff need more time to evaluate the feasibility of implementing ACC values on an hourly basis.</p>
<p>Non-bypassable and Fixed Charges: Customers should continue to pay other non-bypassable charges; a cost-of-service based distribution/transmission charge may be assessed.</p>	<p>Non-bypassable and Fixed Charges: Customers will continue to pay other non-bypassable charges. A Grid Participation Charge is assessed at \$8/kW, offset by a Market Transition Credit</p>	<p>While CPA staff suggested that a cost-of-service based charge on the T&D side may be appropriate, we have not evaluated whether the proposed GPC amount is aligned with CPA objectives.</p>
<p>Low-Income Incentives: Maintain a more generous compensation schedule for customers from underserved communities for the first 10 years to incentivize distributed energy resource adoption.</p>	<p>Low-Income Incentives: Customers will maintain a more generous compensation schedule for 15 years, are exempt from the Grid Participation Charge, and are provided with a Market Transition Credit. Creation of the Equity Fund capped at \$150 million per year, funded through the Public Purpose Program Charge.</p>	<p>Generally aligned.</p>

Next Steps and Discussion

- CPUC delayed its deliberation on the Proposed Decision and the proceeding has been reassigned to the new CPUC President
 - An oral argument will be scheduled
 - If an alternate proposed decision is issued, parties will have another opportunity to provide comments
- CPA staff is working with technical consultants to assess the cost of serving NEM customers, and the impact on CPA's overall financial health
 - CPA staff plan on presenting various pathways to serve NEM customers after the completion of the assessment, and once the CPUC has reached a final decision
- Potential next steps
 - The CAC can recommend specific policy positions to the Board of Directors of CPA. Once policy positions have been adopted by the Board, CPA staff could use the policy positions to pursue several advocacy strategies.
 - The CAC can recommend specific policy positions to the Board of Directors to inform CPA's own NEM tariff development.



Questions



Staff Report – Agenda Item 4

To: Clean Power Alliance (CPA) Community Advisory Committee
From: Christian Cruz, Community Outreach Manager
Approved by: Ted Bardacke, Chief Executive Officer
Subject: CAC 2022-23 Final Draft Workplan
Date: February 17, 2022

RECOMMENDATION

Adopt CAC 2022-23 CAC Workplan Updates

DISCUSSION

Staff will provide a presentation on the updated CAC 2022-23 CAC Workplan, which will highlight key updates, edits, and inclusions by the CAC workplan working group.

ATTACHMENTS

- 1) [2022- 23 CAC Workplan \(redline\)](#)
- 2) [2022-23 CAC Workplan Presentation](#)
- 3) [2022 Working Group Workplan Sign-Ups](#)

Clean Power Alliance of Southern California Community Advisory Committee 2022-23 Workplan

Adopted XX, 2022

Clean Power Alliance (CPA) believes in a clean energy future that is local, where communities are empowered, and customers are given a choice about the source of their energy. We are Southern California's locally operated electricity provider across Los Angeles and Ventura counties, offering clean renewable energy at competitive rates.

In furtherance of its mission and goals, CPA's Joint Powers Agreement establishes a Community Advisory Committee (CAC) to provide a venue for ongoing community support and engagement in the policy direction of the organization.

The CAC is comprised of a total of 15 members representing customers or key stakeholders residing or working in seven (7) geographical regions comprising CPA's service territory, as follows:

- A. Three (3) members from the East Ventura/West Los Angeles County Region.
- B. Two (2) members from the West/Unincorporated Ventura County.
- C. Two (2) members from the Westside region in Los Angeles County.
- D. Two (2) members from the South Bay region in Los Angeles County.
- E. Two (2) members from the Gateway Cities region in Los Angeles County.
- F. Two (2) members from the San Gabriel Valley region in Los Angeles County.
- G. Two (2) members from the Unincorporated Los Angeles County.

~~In 2020, the CAC undertook a visioning process to identify priority issues and activities for 2020-2021. This process resulted in development of the 2020-2021 CAC work plan. In November 2021, the CAC held its annual retreat, and during a productive discussion on the updates to the 2020-2021 workplan the CAC members requested that a working group of a subset of CAC members be convened to focus on updating and expanding the CAC workplan based on discussion and feedback from the retreat. The working group met in January 2022 and provided revisions and updates to the CAC workplan.~~

The work-plan is intended to guide CAC member activities over the coming year and serve as a tool for CAC, CPA staff, and CPA Board communication, collaboration, and impact assessment. It will also inform the development of more detailed individual CAC members and region-specific objectives and work-plans ~~for this time period~~. The work-plan organizes CAC-related activities into three categories: 1) CPA Commitments to Support the CAC; 2) CAC Member Commitments; and 3) Opportunities for Expanded CAC Engagement; and outlines planned activities and timelines for each.

1. CPA Commitments to Support the CAC

- Present key CPA Board items to the CAC for review and input with ample time in advance of Board decision making, including:
 - Long-term clean energy/storage requests for offers (RFOs)
 - Rate setting
 - Legislative and regulatory platforms
 - Annual budget and budget amendments

- Local program design and evaluation
- Workforce development
- Support CAC chair, co-chairs, and individual members in development of individual and region-specific objectives and work-plans
- Support the convening of CAC working groups as needed to define ~~2021~~ objectives and activities for priority topics/initiatives identified in the CAC work-plan
- Develop and deliver targeted educational materials and trainings for CAC members ~~including an orientation manual and video tutorials~~ on CPA and energy topics
- ~~Develop~~Maintain CAC master list of community/stakeholder groups and contacts with input from CAC members
- Facilitate communication and alignment between the CAC and the Board of Directors.
- Develop and maintain a CAC matrix that tracks region-specific accomplishments
- Ensure CAC meeting agendas provide opportunity for CAC members to report on specific accomplishments, in-progress work, and regional member agency best practices
- Provide quarterly member agency and dashboard reports for each region
- Assist in cross regional communication between CAC members
- CPA staff will actively engage with CAC members for input during the development of the CPA Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion (DEI) plan

2. CAC Member Commitments

- Solicit stakeholder input as needed and provide input and feedback to the CPA Board on key policy and planning topics, including:
 - Long-term clean energy/storage requests for offers (RFOs)
 - Legislative and regulatory platforms
 - Rate setting
 - Annual budget and budget amendments
 - Local program design and evaluation
 - Workforce development
- Work with CAC co-chairs and CPA staff to develop individual member and region-specific objectives and work-plans
- Participate in CPA-organized outreach activities in their respective regions (e.g., Earth Day events)
- Build relationships with community leaders and organizations in impacted and hard to reach communities
- Follow CPA on social media and engage as needed/appropriate to raise awareness of CPA in community and region
- Respond to community questions/comments and alert CPA staff to community commentary that may warrant staff engagement
- Engage in CAC ~~training~~training and review of CAC materials
- Work with staff to identify community stakeholders in all regions and provide contact lists for development of master CAC list
- Convene a working group on community outreach/education to identify objectives and activities for ~~2022~~and beyond
- Participate in annual CAC retreat to establish 2023~~1~~-2024~~2~~ goals and priorities.
- Report on specific accomplishments, ~~or~~ in-progress work ~~or sub-~~ regional member agency best practices to the CAC via email or during the CAC monthly meetings

3. Opportunities for Expanded CAC Engagement

Beyond the minimum and ongoing commitments listed in the sections above, CAC members identified the following priorities for deeper engagement ~~in 2020-2021~~:

- Education on CPA, energy, and climate relevant issues in partnership with ~~K-12 institutions~~ educational institutions and youth groups, and organizations. Including CPA staff will organize a working group with a subset of the CAC members and identified partners that work in education by 3rd quarter in 2022.
- Addressing community resilience needs and opportunities around demand response
 - ~~Developing a list of current green energy jobs and promoting them through various platforms.~~

CAC co-chairs and CPA staff will work with CAC members to convene working group(s) as needed starting in Q4 2020 to develop specific objectives and work-plans for each of the priority areas identified above and bring recommendations back to the full CAC for review. Potential activities to be detailed in the workplans may include:

- Pursue deeper and/or more frequent engagement with ~~Board~~ the Board on key topics:
 - Provide regular (quarterly, ~~semi-annual~~ semi-annual, or annual) reports to Board members in their region
 - Help organize meetings with community stakeholders and/or elected officials in their region to solicit input on specific topics or issues
 - Research and develop recommendations to the Board on key items of interest (e.g., metrics on workforce development or program impact, legislation, CPUC California Public Utilities Commission hearings)
- Pursue deeper and/or broader community engagement
 - Recruit and partner with educational institutions, community organizations, interns or volunteers on specific projects or campaigns (e.g., an “opt up” social media campaign, a series of local program enrollment events)
 - Actively post about CPA on social media and write op-eds or letters to the editors
 - Work with CPA staff to develop and communicate key metrics on CPA programs and impacts
 - Represent the CAC and CPA at local and ethnic chambers of commerce, resident councils, business associations, and councils of government
 - Host workshop (s) to raise awareness in the community on relevant programs, renewable energy, and other impactful CPA initiatives
 - Identify and connect with three (3) key Community Based Organizations within each region to partner with, with the intent of developing a strong relationship with those that have strong energy goals

3B. Opportunities for Expanded CAC Engagement – Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion

CAC members conveyed their support for CPA’s ongoing DEI efforts, for the continuation and extension of CPA’s internal cross-functional DEI team, and for the engagement of external DEI expertise. The CAC expressed strong interest in playing an active role in CPA’s DEI initiatives, particularly in the areas of community and stakeholder engagement. Based on CAC input, staff have identified the following recommended priorities for CAC engagement and support on DEI initiatives:

- Identify, meet, and build relationships with specific community organizations around DEI goals in collaboration with CPA staff, e.g.,

- Local and ethnic chambers of commerce, resident councils, business associations, and councils of government
- Environmental justice organizations
- Neighborhood councils in low-income and underserved neighborhoods.
- Participate in stakeholder surveys and interviews as part of CPA's DEI assessment and plan implementation process.
- Review and provide input to staff and Board on DEI plan, goals, metrics, and outcomes.
- Identify and support the implementation of one or more annual community DEI projects/initiatives in collaboration with community organizations and CPA staff.
- Provide input on the design of future community grant programs and participate in grant review panels.
- Work with CPA staff to ensure that the DEI plan includes components that create and foster a culture of inclusivity within the agency.

The CAC will review and modify this work-plan as needed based on evolving CPA needs, community priorities, and Board recommendations and requests.

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Item 4.2

Approval of 2022-2023 Workplan

February 17, 2022



Where we are in the process

- ⚡ Final draft of the CAC Workplan is submitted to the CAC for approval today
 - ⚡ Staff gathered input from committee members during the November 12th CAC Retreat
 - ⚡ During the retreat, a working group of a subset of CAC members was requested to further refine the updates to the workplan
 - ⚡ The CAC working group met on January 27th and included the following CAC members:
 - ☐ Chair David Haake
 - ☐ Vice Chair Kristie Hernandez
 - ☐ Committee Member Cris Gutierrez
 - ☐ Committee Member Genaro Bugarin
 - ☐ Committee Member Neil Fromer
 - ⚡ Based on the discussion staff incorporated edits and feedback to the draft CAC workplan, within the following sections:
 1. CPA Commitments
 2. CAC Member Commitments
 3. Opportunities for Expanded CAC Engagement

CPA Staff Commitments to CAC – Key Workplan Updates

- ⚡ Develop and maintain a CAC matrix to track region-specific accomplishments
- ⚡ Ensure CAC meeting agendas provide opportunity for CAC members to report on specific accomplishments, in-progress work, and region member agency best practices
- ⚡ Provide quarterly member agency and dashboard reports for each region
- ⚡ Assist in cross region communication between CAC members
- ⚡ CPA staff will actively engage with CAC members for input during the development of the CPA Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion (DEI) plan



CAC Member Commitments – Key Workplan Updates

- ⚡ Report on specific accomplishments, in-progress work or region member agency best practices to the CAC via email or during the CAC monthly meetings
- ⚡ Convene a working group on community outreach/education to identify objectives and activities for 2022 and beyond
 - ☐ This includes utilizing region and member agency best practices
- ⚡ Participate in annual CAC retreat to establish 2023-2024 goals and priorities.

Opportunities for Expanded CAC Engagement – Key Workplan Updates

- ⚡ Represent the CAC and CPA at local and ethnic chambers of commerce, resident councils, business associations, and councils of government
- ⚡ Host workshop (s) to raise awareness in the community on relevant programs, renewable energy, and other impactful CPA initiatives
- ⚡ Identify and connect with three (3) key Community Based Organizations within each region to partner with, with the intent of developing a strong relationship with those that have strong energy goals

Opportunities for Expanded CAC Engagement – Key Additions (DEI)

- ⚡ Identify, meet, and build relationships with specific community organizations around DEI goals in collaboration with CPA staff, e.g.,
 - ❑ Local and ethnic chambers of commerce, resident councils, business associations, and councils of government
 - ❑ Environmental justice organizations
 - ❑ Neighborhood councils in low-income and underserved neighborhoods.
- ⚡ Participate in stakeholder surveys and interviews as part of CPA’s DEI assessment and plan implementation process.
- ⚡ Review and provide input to staff and Board on DEI plan, goals, metrics, and outcomes.

Opportunities for Expanded CAC Engagement Key Additions (DEI) Cont.

- ⚡ Identify and support the implementation of one or more annual community DEI projects/initiatives in collaboration with community organizations and CPA staff.
- ⚡ Provide input on the design of future community grant programs and participate in grant review panels.
- ⚡ Work with CPA staff to ensure that the DEI plan includes components that create and foster a culture of inclusivity within the agency.

Next Steps

- ⚡ Adopt CAC 2022-2023 CAC workplan updates and edits
- ⚡ Work with CAC Chair, Vice Chairs and committee members on plan implementation



Thank You! Questions?





2022 CAC Workplan Development- Working Group Sign Up

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