



**Meeting of the Community Advisory Committee (CAC)
of Valley Clean Energy Alliance
Thursday, April 22, 2021
5:00 P.M.
Via Video/Teleconference**

Pursuant to the Provisions of the Governor’s Executive Orders N-25-20 and N-29-20, which suspends certain provisions of the Brown Act and the Orders of the Public Health Officers with jurisdiction over Yolo County, to Shelter in Place and to provide for physical distancing, all members of the Community Advisory Committee and all staff will attend this meeting telephonically. Any interested member of the public who wishes to listen in may join this meeting via Zoom video/teleconference, as set forth below.

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Committee Members:

Christine Shewmaker (Chair), Cynthia Rodriguez (Vice Chair), Yvonne Hunter, Marsha Baird, Gerry Braun, Mark Aulman, Lorenzo Kristov, David Springer, Christine Casey, Jennifer Rindahl, Peter Meyer



5:00 P.M. CALL TO ORDER

- 1. Welcome**
- 2. Approval of Agenda**
- 3. Public Comment:** This item is reserved for persons wishing to address the CAC on any VCE-related matters that are not otherwise on this meeting agenda or are listed on the Consent portion of the agenda. Public comments on matters listed on the Regular agenda shall be heard at the time the matter is called. As with all public comment, members of the public who wish to address the CAC are customarily limited to two minutes per speaker, electronically submitted comments should be limited to approximately 300 words. Comments that are longer than 300 words will only be read for two minutes. All electronically submitted comments, whether read in their entirety or not, will be posted to the VCE website within 24 hours of the conclusion of the meeting. See the information under **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION** at the conclusion of this agenda about how to provide your public comment.
- 4. Brief VCEA Staff and Advisory Task Group Reports (≈ 15 minutes)** - Representatives of VCE staff and active Task Groups will provide updates on on-going staff and Task Group work. Task Group recommendations requiring Committee attention require a regular agenda item. Summaries of written reports received by the Committee in advance of the meeting will receive a time allocation of up to ten minutes. Otherwise, the time allocation will be five minutes, including questions and answers. The Committee may decide to allocate additional time at the end of the regular agenda.
 - A. Task Group Reports**
 - B. 4/8/21 Board Meeting Summary**
 - C. Staff Report**

CONSENT AGENDA (≈ 5 minutes)

- 5. Approval of March 25, 2021 Meeting Minutes.**
- 6. Receive Customer Enrollment update as of April 14, 2021.**
- 7. Receive list of Legislative Bills.**
- 8. Receive Sacramento Area Council of Governments (SACOG) Electrify Yolo Grant project update.**

REGULAR AGENDA

- 9. Presentation by VCE general counsel on Assembly Bill 992 and the Brown Act. (Informational) (≈ 15 minutes)**
- 10. Presentation by Sacramento Municipal Utility District on its 2030 Zero Carbon Plan. (Informational/Discussion) (≈ 45 minutes)**
- 11. 2020 and 2021 Power Content Update. (Informational) (≈ 15 minutes)**
- 12. Strategic Plan Update. (Informational) (≈ 10 minutes)**



13. **Receive and update Community Advisory Committee 2021 Long-Range Calendar. (Discussion) (≈ 5 minutes)**
14. **Advisory Committee Member and Announcements. (≈ 5 minutes)** Action items and reports from members of the Advisory Committee, including announcements, reports on meetings, and information which would be of interest to the Committee or the public.
15. **Adjournment:** The next Community Advisory Committee meeting has been scheduled for Thursday, May 27, 2021 via Zoom video/teleconference at 5 p.m.

The Valley Clean Energy Board has scheduled a regular meeting for Thursday, May 13, 2021 at 5:00 p.m. via Zoom teleconference. Please note 5 p.m. start time.

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VALLEY CLEAN ENERGY ALLIANCE

Staff Report - Item 5

TO: Community Advisory Committee

FROM: Alisa Lembke, Board Clerk/Administrative Analyst

SUBJECT: CAC March 25, 2021 Meeting Minutes

DATE: April 22, 2021

Recommendation

Receive, review and approve the attached March 25, 2021 meeting minutes.



**MINUTES OF THE VALLEY CLEAN ENERGY ALLIANCE
COMMUNITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE
MEETING
THURSDAY, MARCH 25, 2021
VIA TELECONFERENCE**

Chair Christine Shewmaker opened the Community Advisory Committee of the Valley Clean Energy Alliance in a meeting on Thursday, March 25, 2021 beginning at 5:02 p.m. via video/teleconference pursuant to the Provisions of the Governor’s Executive Orders N-25-20 and N-29-20, which suspends certain provisions of the Brown Act and the Orders of the Public Health Officers with jurisdiction over Yolo County, to shelter in place and to provide for physical distancing.

Welcome and Roll Call

Committee Members Present: Christine Shewmaker (Chair), Cynthia Rodriguez (Vice Chair), Yvonne Hunter Marsha Baird, Gerry Braun, Lorenzo Kristov, Jennifer Rindahl, Peter Meyer (telephonically), David Springer (arrived at approximately at 5:41 p.m.)

Committee Members Absent: Christine Casey, Mark Aulman

Approval of Agenda Yvonne Hunter made a motion to approve the March 25, 2021 meeting Agenda, seconded by Lorenzo Kristov. Motion passed with Springer, Aulman and Casey absent.

Public Comment / Introductions There were no written or verbal public comments.

Brief task Group and VCE staff Reports **Task Group Reports**

Leg/Reg Task Group: Yvonne Hunter informed those present that the Task Group continues to meet every other week. At their last meeting, outreach methods were discussed for potential partners, organizations, and agencies to support the CalCCA sponsored bill on power charge indifference adjustment (PCIA).

Outreach Task Group: Chair Mark Aulman was absent. Ms. Hunter informed those present that the Task Group held a special meeting to discuss how best to reach out to Customers to get their input. VCE Staff Rebecca Boyles shared the different calls that come into Customer Service, how they are categorized, and the best way to retain a customer when they would like to opt out of VCE. The Customer Service Team aim to educate the customer so that the customer can make an informed decision when they are considering opting out. The Task Group also previewed new website material and Staff’s process of getting the website updated.



Programs Task Group: Marsha Baird informed those present that Staff will be giving an update later in the agenda.

Rates Task Group: Lorenzo Kristov informed those present that the Task Group had a meeting on March 4th to discuss the possibility of engaging a consultant to do an analysis on rate options. The Task Group worked on drafting a scope of work and how to structure it. Staff have sent a draft for the Group's review and comments. Their next meeting is scheduled for April 1st to have a follow up discussion.

Carbon Neutral Task Group: Cynthia Rodriguez informed those present that the Task Group has been meeting every other week. They have been working on a draft plan to assess the ability to meet both carbon neutral by 2030 and carbon free hour by hour by 2030 goals. The Group has been working on honing down on the definitions of renewable carbon free and carbon neutral hour by hour. Staff has laid out a timeline for completing the draft plan which includes large obligations for Staff and the Task Group. At their last meeting, VCE Staff Gordon Samuel shared the first draft statement of work for a contractor to help design draft portfolios and work is ongoing. Recent work from SMUD, Los Angeles and other agencies should help form this work as work on this subject is being worked on throughout the State.

3/11/2021 Special Board meeting summary: Interim General Manager Mitch Sears provided highlights of the March 11, 2021 Board meeting: ratification of VCE's support of Senate Bill 612 (SB 612) and Assembly Bill 843; Board adoption of building electrification statement as recommended by Staff and the CAC; and, per VCE's rate policy, considered PG&E's March 2021 rates and supported VCE's continuation to match PG&E's generation rates.

Staff Report: Mr. Sears informed those present that later in the agenda, Staff will talk about SB 612 legislation and looking for support. There are regulatory items in play right now: PCIA settlement agreement, restructuring resource adequacy (RA) market, and NEM 3.0 proceeding. A preliminary draft fiscal year 2021/2022 operating budget is being prepared to be presented to the Board at their April meeting, with further discussion at their May meeting, and final Board adoption at their June meeting. There are pending reappointment of CAC Members, 2 out of the 3 appointments will be seeking reappointment by the Board at their June meeting. Outreach efforts will be made regarding CAC seat availability. Mr. Sears informed those present that VCE's application for membership to the CC Power JPA, is scheduled to be considered by CC Power JPA's Board at their April meeting. Mr. Sears anticipates that our membership request will be accepted.

There were no written or verbal public comments.

Consent Items

Chair Shewmaker informed those present that there were a few corrections made to the February 25, 2021 meeting minutes: 1) on page 2, Carbon Neutral Task Group and



2) on page 4, legislative bill number and name. These corrections have already been communicated to the Board Clerk. Ms. Hunter made a motion to approve the March 25, 2021 Consent Agenda items with corrections to the February 25, 2021 meeting minutes, seconded by Marsha Baird. Motion passed with Aulman, Casey and Springer absent. The following items were:

1. approved February 25, 2021 meeting Minutes as amended; and,
2. received customer enrollment update as of March 17, 2021.

There were no written or verbal public comments.

Item 7: Progress update on draft 3-Year Customer programs Plan (Discussion)

Mitch Sears introduced this item. VCE Staff Rebecca Boyles provided a progress update on the development of the 3-year programs plan. Ms. Boyles reviewed the background, structure and outline of the draft plan, plan phases, and overview of those phases. VCE Staff Tessa Tobar reviewed the customer programs survey. Ms. Boyles would like the CAC's feedback on the draft and offered to answer any questions.

(David Springer arrived at approximately at 5:41 p.m.)

Questions and comments were provided regarding: specific programs, such as dual heat pumps, switching fuel sources from gas/propane to electricity, within phases; before implementing an electrification program, it was suggested to look at the audience (commercial, residential, agriculture); concentrate on programs that are low cost to implement; add to the programs criteria, the benefits to the customer; programs should be developed and implemented that benefit disadvantage communities; and, ways to prioritize programs.

A verbal public comment was provided by Connor Gorman. He supports developing programs for marginalized communities; and, asked that when programs are developed to take into account economics, low income customers, and programs that require no up front monies.

There were no written public comments.

Item 8: Senate Bill 612 - Rate Payer Equity: Discuss VCE outreach opportunities related to 3/11/21 Board action to support the legislation. (Discussion)

Chair Shewmaker introduced this item and reiterated that Staff are seeking input from CAC Members on organizations that could potentially provide SB 612 (ratepayer equity) support letters. Mark Fenstermaker of Pacific Policy Group, VCE's lobbyist consultant, was present and summarized that this statewide bill is in regards to customers, specifically CCA customers, that are charged for "power charge indifference adjustment" (PCIA) but do not receive the attributes of the energy procured. He provided an overview and status of this bill sponsored by California Community Choice Association (CalCCA). Mr. Fenstermaker informed those present that two hearings are set: April 12th and April 26th; he anticipates that SB 612 will be on the April 26th hearing agenda.



Staff and CAC Members discussed process, the purpose of letters of support, and ideas of what types of organizations could be pursued for support.

Mr. Sears asked that suggestions on organizations to contact for support be sent to him via email. Staff can determine the best suited person to reach out to the organization(s) for support. There were no written or verbal public comments.

Item 9: Long Range Calendar

Chair Shewmaker asked if any of the Task Groups wanted to hold a date for their report on the calendar. Ms. Hunter informed those present that today's item on SB 612 should be considered the Legislative/Regulatory Task Group report. Chair Shewmaker noted that at the CAC's April meeting, Sacramento Municipal Unified District (SMUD) will provide a presentation on SMUD getting to carbon free by 2030. She also noted that on SMUD's website there are webinars on their plan, which provide background and information.

Chair Shewmaker also noted that CalCCA has *tentatively* scheduled their annual meeting for November 29th through December 1st to be held in San Jose. This has been added to the calendar and that this meeting will be a "hybrid" meeting, in person and via video/teleconference.

There were no written or verbal public comments.

Advisory Committee Member and Announcements

Ms. Hunter announced that she is looking for specific types of photographs for VCE: solar photovoltaic (pv) buildings/residences located within Yolo County and electric and/or hybrid vehicles driven by CAC Members. If anyone has suggestions of solar pv locations, please send her an email.

Gerry Braun informed those present that he has joined another Community Choice Aggregate (CCA) Community Advisory Committee located in the state of Virginia, said CAC will moving forward on doing a technical study.

Chair Shewmaker asked if a list of legislative bills that Staff and Leg/Reg Task Group are "tracking" could be shared with the CAC. Ms. Hunter informed those present that the list is long, but an abbreviated list could be shared.

Adjournment to Next Meeting

The meeting adjourned at 6:56 p.m. The next regular CAC meeting is scheduled for Thursday, April 22, 2021 at 5 p.m. via videoconference.

Alisa M. Lembke
Board Clerk/Administrative Analyst

VALLEY CLEAN ENERGY ALLIANCE

Staff Report – Item 6

TO: Community Advisory Committee
FROM: Rebecca Boyles, Director of Marketing & Customer Care
SUBJECT: Customer Enrollment Update (Information)
DATE: April 22, 2021

RECOMMENDATION

Receive the Customer Enrollment update as of April 14, 2021.

Attachment:

1. April 14, 2021 Customer Enrollment update

Item 6 - Enrollment Update

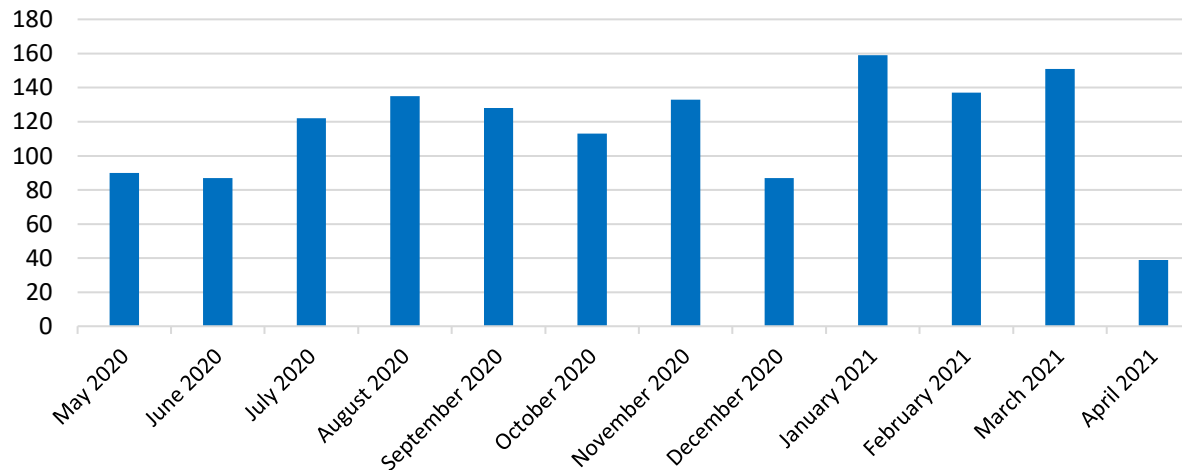
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VCEA customers	27,728	20,699	2,221	10,735	61,383	53,301	6,095	6	1,893	9,933	51,450
Eligible customers	29,016	23,657	2,396	12,220	67,289	58,394	6,638	6	2,147	10,794	56,495
Participation Rate	96%	87%	93%	88%	91%	91%	92%	100%	88%	92%	91%

There are currently 324 Winters customers not included in this table. NEM will enroll throughout 2021.

% of Load Opted Out

Residential	Commercial	Industrial	Ag	Total
9%	8%	0%	12%	9%

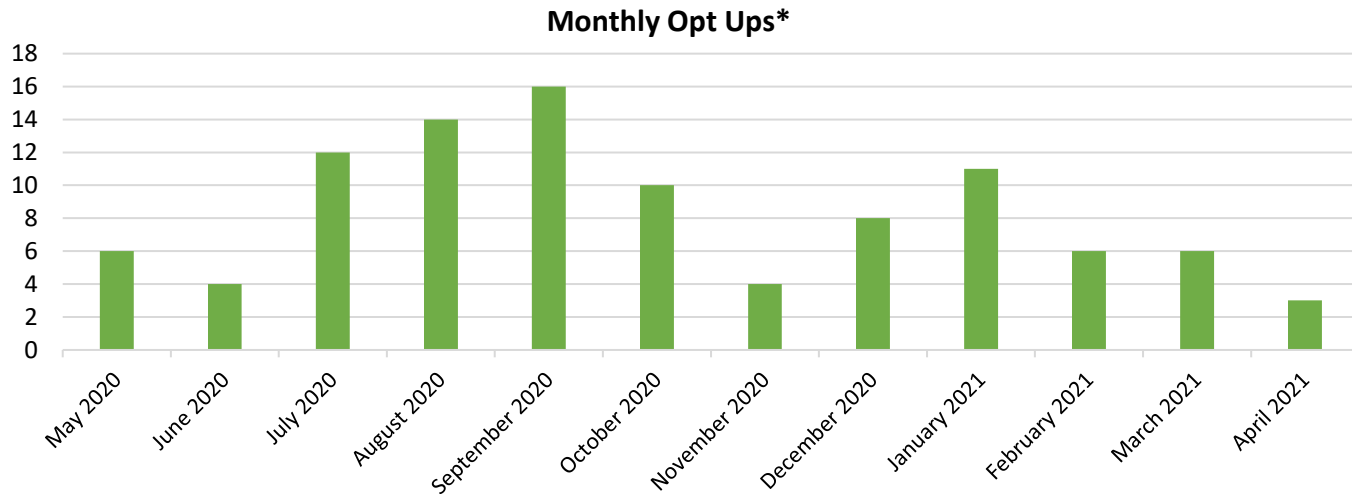
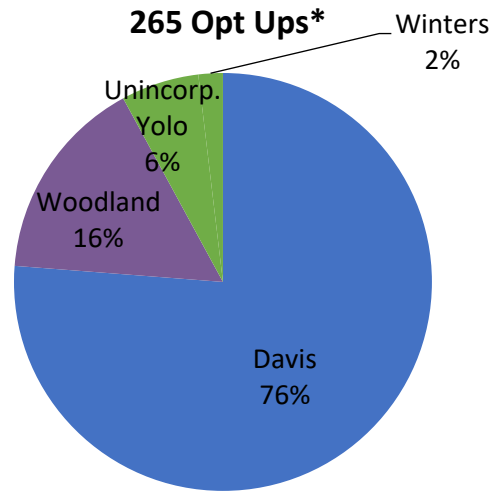
Monthly Opt Outs



Status Date: 4/14/21

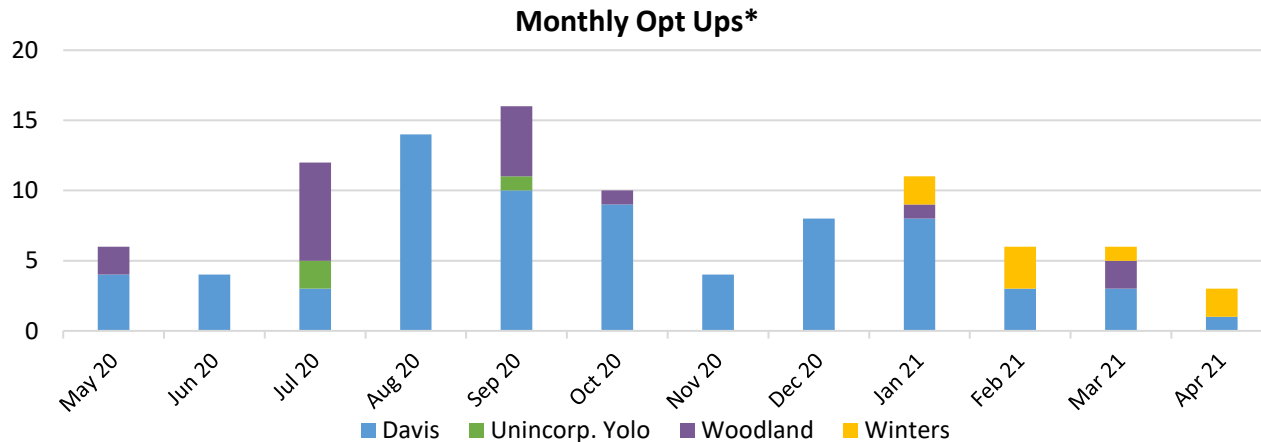
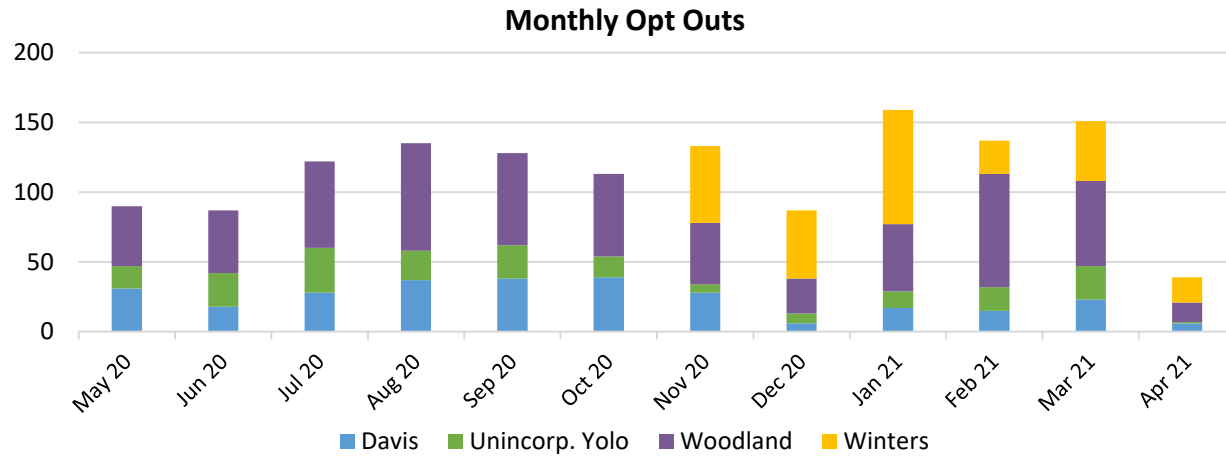


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* The numbers in the pie chart represent opt ups for customers who are currently enrolled. The numbers in the bar graph represent opt up actions taken regardless of current enrollment status.

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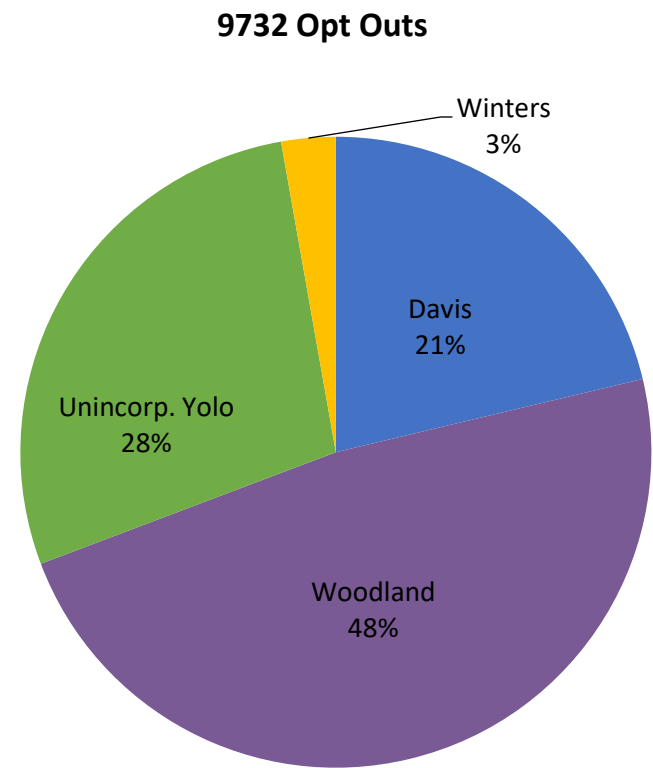
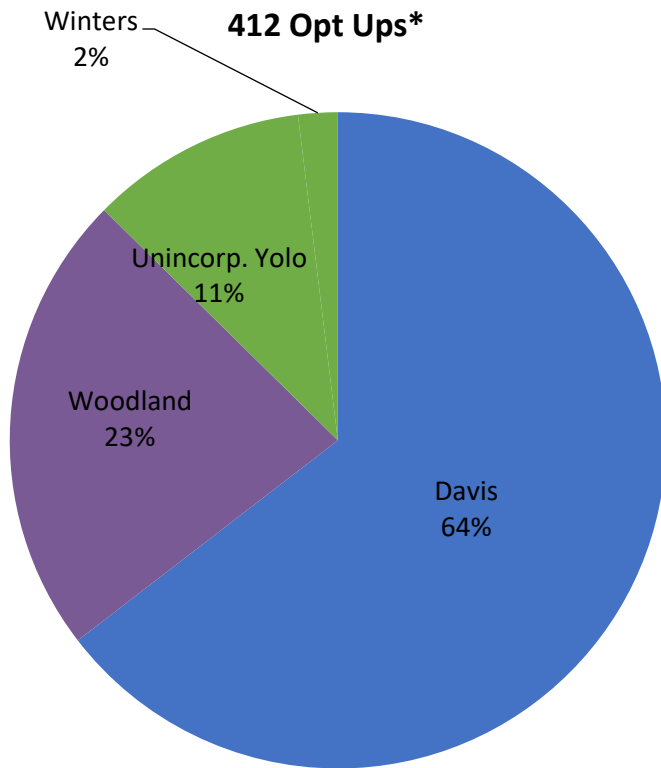


* These numbers represent all opt up actions ever taken regardless of current customer enrollment status.

Status Date: 4/14/21



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VALLEY CLEAN ENERGY ALLIANCE

Staff Report – Item 7

To: Community Advisory Committee

From: Mitch Sears, Interim General Manager

Subject: List of Legislative Bills

Date: April 22, 2021

Pacific Policy Group, VCE's lobby services consultant, continues to track and work with Staff and the CAC's Legislative - Regulatory Task Group on several legislative bills. Below is a summary:

[SB 612](#) ([Portantino D](#)) **Electrical corporations and other load-serving entities: allocation of legacy resources.**

Current Text: Amended: 4/13/2021 [html](#) [pdf](#)

Summary:

Would require an electrical corporation, by July 1, 2022, and not less than once every 3 years thereafter, to offer an allocation of each product, as defined, arising from legacy resources, as defined, to its bundled customers and to other load-serving entities, defined to include electric service providers and community choice aggregators, serving departing load customers, as defined, who bear cost responsibility for those resources. The bill would authorize a load-serving entity within the service territory of the electrical corporation to elect to receive all or a portion of the vintaged proportional share of products allocated to its end-use customers and, if so, require it to pay to the electrical corporation the commission-established market price benchmark for the vintage proportional share of products received.

Position: Support

[AB 64](#) ([Quirk D](#)) **Electricity: long-term backup electricity supply strategy.**

Current Text: Amended: 3/23/2021 [html](#) [pdf](#)

Summary: Would require the PUC, Energy Commission, and State Energy Resources Conservation and Development Commission, in consultation with all balancing authorities, to additionally develop a strategy, by January 1, 2024, that achieves (1) a target of 5 gigawatthours of operational long-term backup electricity, as specified, by December 31, 2030, and (2) a target of at least an additional 5 gigawatthours of operational long-term backup electricity in each subsequent year through 2045. The bill would require the commission, by January 1, 2024, to submit the strategy developed in a report to the Legislature, and by January 1 of each 4th year thereafter, through January 1, 2044, would require the commission to submit a report to the Legislature detailing the progress made toward achieving the targets of the long-term backup electricity supply strategy.

[AB 339](#) ([Lee D](#)) **Local government: open and public meetings.**

Current Text: Amended: 4/15/2021 [html](#) [pdf](#)

Summary: The Ralph M. Brown Act, requires, with specified exceptions, that all meetings of a legislative body of a local agency, as those terms are defined, be open and public and that all

persons be permitted to attend and participate. Under existing law, a member of the legislative body who attends a meeting where action is taken in violation of this provision, with the intent to deprive the public of information that the member knows the public is entitled to, is guilty of a crime. This bill would require all meetings to include an opportunity for members of the public to attend via a telephonic option and an internet-based service option. The bill would require all meetings to include an in-person public comment opportunity, except in specified circumstances during a declared state or local emergency. The bill would require all meetings to provide the public with an opportunity to comment on proposed legislation in person and remotely via a telephonic and an internet-based service option, as provided, and would specify requirements for public comment registration.

[AB 361](#) ([Rivas, Robert D](#)) **Open meetings: local agencies: teleconferences.**

Current Text: Amended: 4/6/2021 [html](#) [pdf](#)

Summary: Would authorize a local agency to use teleconferencing without complying with the teleconferencing requirements imposed by the Ralph M. Brown Act when a legislative body of a local agency holds a meeting for the purpose of declaring or ratifying a local emergency, during a declared state of emergency or local emergency, as those terms are defined, when state or local health officials have imposed or recommended measures to promote social distancing, and during a declared local emergency provided the legislative body makes certain determinations by majority vote. The bill would require legislative bodies that hold teleconferenced meetings under these abbreviated teleconferencing procedures to give notice of the meeting and post agendas, as described, to allow members of the public to access the meeting and address the legislative body, to give notice of the means by which members of the public may access the meeting and offer public comment.

[AB 427](#) ([Bauer-Kahan D](#)) **Electricity: resource adequacy requirements.**

Current Text: Introduced: 2/4/2021 [html](#) [pdf](#)

Summary: Current law requires that the resource adequacy program achieve specified objectives, including to establish new or maintain existing demand response products and tariffs that facilitate the economic dispatch and use of demand response that can either meet or reduce an electrical corporation's resource adequacy requirements, as determined by the PUC. This bill would require the PUC, by July 1, 2022, and in furtherance of the above-described objective, to (1) establish rules that allow demand response programs and resources procured by a load-serving entity to meet the load-serving entity's resource adequacy requirements regardless of whether the program is integrated into the wholesale market overseen by the ISO, (2) adopt a baseline methodology that treats the charging of energy storage as load in baseline calculations for demand response programs, (3) allow customer-sited distributed eligible renewable energy resources and energy storage systems participating in a demand response program, or product developed pursuant to (1), to deliver electricity to the grid for purposes of providing resource adequacy, and (4) establish a capacity valuation methodology for customer-sited energy storage resources and customer-sited hybrid resources, as defined, in consultation with the ISO and the State Energy Resources Conservation and Development Commission, and ensure that the capacity valuation applies to demand response resources coupled with customer-sited hybrid or customer-sited storage resources for the 2023 resource adequacy year.

[AB 843](#) ([Aguiar-Curry D](#)) **California Renewables Portfolio Standard Program: renewable feed-in tariff: Bioenergy Market Adjusting Tariff program: community choice aggregators.**

Current Text: Amended: 4/12/2021 [html](#) [pdf](#)

Summary: The California Renewables Portfolio Standard Program requires every electrical corporation to file with the Public Utilities Commission a standard tariff for electricity generated

by an electric generation facility, as defined, that qualifies for the tariff, is owned and operated by a retail customer of the electrical corporation, and is located within the service territory of, and developed to sell electricity to, the electrical corporation. The commission refers to this requirement as the renewable feed-in tariff. This bill would provide that the renewable feed-in tariff would apply to a qualifying electric generation facility that is developed to sell electricity to the electrical corporation or, for a bioenergy electric generation facility, to an electrical corporation or a community choice aggregator within the electrical corporation's service territory.

Position: Support

[AB 1088](#) ([Mayes I](#)) California Procurement Authority.

Current Text: Introduced: 2/18/2021 [html](#) [pdf](#)

Summary: Would establish the California Procurement Authority as a central procurement entity to ensure that load-serving entities collectively have adequate electrical resources, both in the short run and long run, as are necessary to ensure resource adequacy and to achieve the purposes of the integrated resource planning process. The bill would require the Public Utilities Commission, in consultation with the Independent System Operator and the Office of the Ratepayer Advocate, to develop an implementing framework for the authority through a public process by January 1, 2023, and would require the commission to ensure that the authority is operational by January 1, 2024.

[AB 1161](#) ([Garcia, Eduardo D](#)) Electricity: eligible renewable energy and zero-carbon resources: state agencies: procurement.

Current Text: Amended: 4/13/2021 [html](#) [pdf](#)

Summary: Would enact the Clean Economy and Clean Jobs Stimulus Act of 2021 and would require the Department of Water Resources to procure newly developed eligible renewable energy resources or zero-carbon resources, and energy storage associated with those resources, in an amount that satisfies 100 percent of the electricity procured to serve all state agencies by December 31, 2030, as provided

[SB 67](#) ([Becker D](#)) Clean energy: California 24/7 Clean Energy Standard Program.

Current Text: Amended: 3/3/2021 [html](#) [pdf](#)

Summary: Current law establishes as policy of the state that eligible renewable energy resources and zero-carbon resources supply 100% of retail sales of electricity to California end-use customers and 100% of electricity procured to serve all state agencies by December 31, 2045. This bill would revise that policy to establish a goal that 100% of electrical load be supplied by eligible clean energy resources, as defined. The bill would establish the California 24/7 Clean Energy Standard Program, which would require that 85% of retail sales annually and at least 60% of retail sales within certain subperiods by December 31, 2030, and 90% of retail sales annually and at least 75% of retail sales within certain subperiods by December 31, 2035, be supplied by eligible clean energy resources, as defined.

[SB 99](#) ([Dodd D](#)) Community Energy Resilience Act of 2021.

Current Text: Amended: 4/12/2021 [html](#) [pdf](#)

Summary: This bill, the Community Energy Resilience Act of 2021, would require the commission to develop and implement a grant program for local governments to develop community energy resilience plans and expedite permit review of distributed energy resources. The bill would authorize a community choice aggregator or other regional energy collaborative to apply for funding and prepare a community energy resilience plan on behalf of one or more of the local governments it serves upon request of that local government. The bill would set forth guiding principles for plan development, including equitable access to reliable energy, as

provided. The bill would require plans to be consistent with the city, county, or city and county general plan and other local government planning documents.

Position: Support

[SB 204](#) ([Dodd D](#)) **Electricity: demand response.**

Current Text: Amended: 3/23/2021 [html](#) [pdf](#)

Summary: Current law requires the Public Utilities Commission to establish rules for how and when backup generation may be used within a demand response program and to establish reporting and data collection requirements to verify compliance with those rules. Pursuant to current law, the commission has authorized the state's 3 largest electrical corporations to offer reliability-based demand response programs, including the base interruptible program, which is available to qualifying nonresidential customers of an electrical corporation. This bill would require that the base interruptible program be available to qualifying commercial and industrial customers regardless of the load-serving entity that is that customer's supplier of electricity. The bill would require that the minimum incentive levels for program participation for the 2023 calendar year be those applicable within the service territory of each electrical corporation during 2018, adjusted for inflation using a price index determined by the commission to be appropriate.

VALLEY CLEAN ENERGY ALLIANCE

Staff Report – Item 8

TO: Community Advisory Committee

FROM: Mitch Sears, Interim General Manager
Rebecca Boyles, Director of Customer Care and Marketing

SUBJECT: Electrify Yolo Update

DATE: April 22, 2021

REQUESTED ACTION

Informational item. The purpose of this report is to give an update on the status of the Electrify Yolo (SACOG grant) project.

BACKGROUND

In December 2018, the Sacramento Area Council of Governments (SACOG) authorized the award of a Green Region grant in the amount of \$2,912,000, representing the regional “Electrify Yolo” project, with the purpose of installing publicly accessible electric vehicle (EV) charging stations. Originally, only VCE and the City of Davis were involved, but Woodland, Winters and unincorporated Yolo County joined the project prior to submitting the grant application in August 2018.

In December 2019, SACOG approved the fund exchange agreement with the City of Davis Transportation I-80 project. The City of Davis had the responsibility of distributing funds to each entity once the Memoranda of Understanding (MOUs) were approved by each jurisdiction. All projects are to be finished by December 31, 2023.

Approved funding allocations (based on individual jurisdictional commitments to matching funds):

- Davis \$1.9 M
- Yolo County \$700,000
- Woodland \$150,000
- VCE (for Winters) \$150,000

UPDATE

EV charger installations have been subject to some delays, including finalizing the MOU with the City of Davis (it took more time than expected to get the fund exchange in place), then COVID-19 brought the project to a standstill for several months. As of April 2021, all MOUs have been signed (Davis, VCE/Winters, Woodland, unincorporated Yolo County), and some installation projects have begun. The City of Winters is furthest along, with two chargers to be

installed in July/August 2021. Seven sites are under assessment for installation by Chargepoint in unincorporated Yolo County. We expect updates from Woodland and Davis by the end of Q2 2021.

Staff is working with each jurisdiction to design banners to be hung at each charging station with logos of all project partners. These banners will inform members of the public that there will be EV chargers coming soon in that location and aim to increase the public's brand association with VCE and electric vehicles.

VALLEY CLEAN ENERGY ALLIANCE

Staff Report - Item 9

TO: Community Advisory Committee

FROM: Alisa Lembke, Board Clerk/Administrative Analyst

SUBJECT: Presentation by VCE general counsel on AB 992 and the Brown Act

DATE: April 22, 2021

This is an information item.

This staff report provides a copy of a memorandum dated December 17, 2020 from VCE legal counsel Harriet Steiner of Best Best & Krieger (BBK) summarizing Assembly Bill (AB) 992, which deals with the Brown Act and social media platforms. AB 992 became effective on January 1, 2021, which applies to Board Members and the CAC. Ms. Steiner will be presenting a summary of AB 992 and the Brown Act at this meeting.

Attachments:

1. Memorandum dated 12/17/2020 re: AB 992 and the Brown Act
2. AB 992

Memorandum

To: Valley Clean Energy Alliance Board of Directors and Community Advisory Committee

From: Harriet A. Steiner

Date: December 17, 2020

Re: Social Media: AB 992, New Brown Act Restrictions on Both Elected and Appointed Members of Boards and Commissions, Including the VCE Board and the Community Advisory Committee

Over the last ten or more years, use of social media by both elected and appointed members of local agency boards and commissions has raised legal concerns under the Brown Act, California’s Open Meeting law. The concerns revolved around if, or how, board and commission members may interact on social media regarding issues that are within the subject matter jurisdiction of their boards or commissions.

AB 992, signed by the Governor on September 18, 2020 and effective January 1, 2021 addresses social media and the Brown Act. This is the first time that the Brown Act has addressed social media. Under this new law, a member of a board or commission is prohibited from directly discussing agency business with any other board member on social media. As discussed below, this prohibition includes even giving another board member’s post a “thumbs up” or a “like.”

Background. As you are all aware, the Brown Act prohibits a quorum (a majority) of a board from discussing business outside of a duly called meeting. Within this prohibition are “serial meetings” which occur when more than a quorum of the board forms a consensus outside of a meeting. However, less than a quorum of a board can meet, talk and communicate on agency business without violating the Brown Act. For example, if a board has five members, a quorum is three; two members are less than a quorum, and these two members may discuss any matter between themselves without violating the Brown Act. For VCE, the Board has eight members, the quorum is five, so four members is “less than a quorum.” The CAC has twelve seats; a quorum is seven and six is “less than a quorum..” This rule continues for face-to-face and for email, phone and teleconferenced meetings that are less than the quorum of the board and are not standing committees.

However, for social media, if a member posts a comment on social media no other board member may respond directly to that comment. Thus, any one board member directly responding will now be an express violation of the Brown Act. The new social media rules are much more stringent than the traditional Brown Act rules, which permit direct communication between or among members so long as it is among less than a quorum of the members, and the members communicating are not a “standing committee” of the board.

AB 992 Prohibition: Direct communication with even one other member of a board on social media is prohibited.

AB 992 provides that “A member of the legislative body shall not respond directly to any communication on an internet-based social media platform regarding a matter that is within the subject matter jurisdiction of the legislative body that is made, posted, or shared by any other member of the legislative body.”

“Discuss among themselves” includes communications made, posted or shared on social media and includes comments or use of digital icons that express reactions to communications. This prohibition includes a mere “like” or use of a digital icon such as an emoji.

Social media is defined as platforms that are “open and accessible to the public.” “Open and Accessible” means that the general public can access and participate, free of charge, without the approval of the platform, including any forum or chatroom, and the user cannot be blocked, except where the platform has determined that an individual has violated its protocols or rules. Social media platforms include Instagram, Facebook, TikTok, Reddit, Snapchat and Twitter.

The new rules affect commenting, retweeting, liking, disliking, use of emoji and/or screenshots and reposting.

What Is Permitted:

AB 992 expressly permits board members to engage “in separate conversations or communications” on social media to:

1. provide information to the public;
2. solicit information from the public; and
3. answer questions

So long as members of the board do not use social media to discuss among themselves a matter that is within the jurisdiction of the board, and there is no direct communication between members, as outlined above.

Questions:

1. Does AB 992 apply to other means of communication such as texting or e mailing?

No. AB 992 only applies to social media platforms. However, emails or other means of communication may raise issues like serial meetings and release of emails under the public Records Act.

2. Can a board member still like a post from the Agency’s own Facebook page, Instagram post or tweet?

Yes. AB 992 does not prohibit a board member from liking or sharing the agency’s post. However, if one board member shares and another board member gives a like this may be deemed a prohibited direct communication on social media. AB 992 does not expressly address this issue.

3. Can a board member retweet or share another board member’s post without comment?

Probably not. Typically sharing or retweeting shows support for the prior post and this may be seen as a direct communication that is prohibited under AB 992. In addition, if a majority of the members retweet or share, even without comment, this may also be seen as a majority of the board “discussing” among themselves a matter within the agency’s jurisdiction and violates the serial meeting rules.

4. Can I post comments on my own Facebook page, or tweet my own comments?

Yes. However, you cannot use your own page to circumvent the “direct communication” prohibition. So whether a second posting close in time with the first posting violated AB 992 would become a question of fact based on the content of the posts and other relevant circumstances.

5. Can I use social media to discuss personal matters or share family pictures and the like?

Yes. The Brown Act, including AB 992, does not prohibit personal or social interactions. Board members may still congratulate each other on personal matters, such as birthdays, milestones, etc.

6. How is AB 992 going to be enforced?

AB 992 does not add any new enforcement rules. Any violation is subject to the enforcement under the existing Brown Act enforcement provisions.

cc: Mitch Sears

Assembly Bill No. 992

CHAPTER 89

An act to amend, repeal, and add Section 54952.2 of the Government Code, relating to local government.

[Approved by Governor September 18, 2020. Filed with
Secretary of State September 18, 2020.]

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 992, Mullin. Open meetings: local agencies: social media.

The Ralph M. Brown Act generally requires that the meetings of legislative bodies of local agencies be conducted openly. That act defines "meeting" for purposes of the act and prohibits a majority of the members of a legislative body, outside a meeting authorized by the act, from using a series of communications of any kind to discuss, deliberate, or take action on any item of business that is within the subject matter jurisdiction of the legislative body.

This bill would provide that, until January 1, 2026, the prohibition described above does not prevent a member from engaging in separate conversations or communications outside of a meeting authorized by this act with any other person using an internet-based social media platform, as defined, to answer questions, provide information to the public, or to solicit information from the public regarding a matter that is within the subject matter jurisdiction of the legislative body, provided that a majority of the members do not use the internet-based social media platform to discuss among themselves, as defined, business of a specific nature that is within the subject matter jurisdiction of the legislative body, and that a member shall not respond directly to any communication on an internet-based social media platform regarding a matter that is within the subject matter jurisdiction of the legislative body that is made, posted, or shared by any other member of the legislative body.

Existing constitutional provisions require that a statute that limits the right of access to the meetings of public bodies or the writings of public officials and agencies be adopted with findings demonstrating the interest protected by the limitation and the need for protecting that interest.

This bill would make legislative findings to that effect.

The California Constitution requires local agencies, for the purpose of ensuring public access to the meetings of public bodies and the writings of public officials and agencies, to comply with a statutory enactment that amends or enacts laws relating to public records or open meetings and contains findings demonstrating that the enactment furthers the constitutional requirements relating to this purpose.

This bill would make legislative findings to that effect.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

SECTION 1. Section 54952.2 of the Government Code is amended to read:

54952.2. (a) As used in this chapter, “meeting” means any congregation of a majority of the members of a legislative body at the same time and location, including teleconference location as permitted by Section 54953, to hear, discuss, deliberate, or take action on any item that is within the subject matter jurisdiction of the legislative body.

(b) (1) A majority of the members of a legislative body shall not, outside a meeting authorized by this chapter, use a series of communications of any kind, directly or through intermediaries, to discuss, deliberate, or take action on any item of business that is within the subject matter jurisdiction of the legislative body.

(2) Paragraph (1) shall not be construed as preventing an employee or official of a local agency, from engaging in separate conversations or communications outside of a meeting authorized by this chapter with members of a legislative body in order to answer questions or provide information regarding a matter that is within the subject matter jurisdiction of the local agency, if that person does not communicate to members of the legislative body the comments or position of any other member or members of the legislative body.

(3) (A) Paragraph (1) shall not be construed as preventing a member of the legislative body from engaging in separate conversations or communications on an internet-based social media platform to answer questions, provide information to the public, or to solicit information from the public regarding a matter that is within the subject matter jurisdiction of the legislative body provided that a majority of the members of the legislative body do not use the internet-based social media platform to discuss among themselves business of a specific nature that is within the subject matter jurisdiction of the legislative body. A member of the legislative body shall not respond directly to any communication on an internet-based social media platform regarding a matter that is within the subject matter jurisdiction of the legislative body that is made, posted, or shared by any other member of the legislative body.

(B) For purposes of this paragraph, all of the following definitions shall apply:

(i) “Discuss among themselves” means communications made, posted, or shared on an internet-based social media platform between members of a legislative body, including comments or use of digital icons that express reactions to communications made by other members of the legislative body.

(ii) “Internet-based social media platform” means an online service that is open and accessible to the public.

(iii) “Open and accessible to the public” means that members of the general public have the ability to access and participate, free of charge, in the social media platform without the approval by the social media platform or a person or entity other than the social media platform, including any

forum and chatroom, and cannot be blocked from doing so, except when the internet-based social media platform determines that an individual violated its protocols or rules.

(c) Nothing in this section shall impose the requirements of this chapter upon any of the following:

(1) Individual contacts or conversations between a member of a legislative body and any other person that do not violate subdivision (b).

(2) The attendance of a majority of the members of a legislative body at a conference or similar gathering open to the public that involves a discussion of issues of general interest to the public or to public agencies of the type represented by the legislative body, provided that a majority of the members do not discuss among themselves, other than as part of the scheduled program, business of a specified nature that is within the subject matter jurisdiction of the local agency. Nothing in this paragraph is intended to allow members of the public free admission to a conference or similar gathering at which the organizers have required other participants or registrants to pay fees or charges as a condition of attendance.

(3) The attendance of a majority of the members of a legislative body at an open and publicized meeting organized to address a topic of local community concern by a person or organization other than the local agency, provided that a majority of the members do not discuss among themselves, other than as part of the scheduled program, business of a specific nature that is within the subject matter jurisdiction of the legislative body of the local agency.

(4) The attendance of a majority of the members of a legislative body at an open and noticed meeting of another body of the local agency, or at an open and noticed meeting of a legislative body of another local agency, provided that a majority of the members do not discuss among themselves, other than as part of the scheduled meeting, business of a specific nature that is within the subject matter jurisdiction of the legislative body of the local agency.

(5) The attendance of a majority of the members of a legislative body at a purely social or ceremonial occasion, provided that a majority of the members do not discuss among themselves business of a specific nature that is within the subject matter jurisdiction of the legislative body of the local agency.

(6) The attendance of a majority of the members of a legislative body at an open and noticed meeting of a standing committee of that body, provided that the members of the legislative body who are not members of the standing committee attend only as observers.

(d) This section shall remain in effect only until January 1, 2026, and as of that date is repealed.

SEC. 2. Section 54952.2 is added to the Government Code, to read:

54952.2. (a) As used in this chapter, “meeting” means any congregation of a majority of the members of a legislative body at the same time and location, including teleconference location as permitted by Section 54953,

to hear, discuss, deliberate, or take action on any item that is within the subject matter jurisdiction of the legislative body.

(b) (1) A majority of the members of a legislative body shall not, outside a meeting authorized by this chapter, use a series of communications of any kind, directly or through intermediaries, to discuss, deliberate, or take action on any item of business that is within the subject matter jurisdiction of the legislative body.

(2) Paragraph (1) shall not be construed as preventing an employee or official of a local agency, from engaging in separate conversations or communications outside of a meeting authorized by this chapter with members of a legislative body in order to answer questions or provide information regarding a matter that is within the subject matter jurisdiction of the local agency, if that person does not communicate to members of the legislative body the comments or position of any other member or members of the legislative body.

(c) Nothing in this section shall impose the requirements of this chapter upon any of the following:

(1) Individual contacts or conversations between a member of a legislative body and any other person that do not violate subdivision (b).

(2) The attendance of a majority of the members of a legislative body at a conference or similar gathering open to the public that involves a discussion of issues of general interest to the public or to public agencies of the type represented by the legislative body, provided that a majority of the members do not discuss among themselves, other than as part of the scheduled program, business of a specified nature that is within the subject matter jurisdiction of the local agency. Nothing in this paragraph is intended to allow members of the public free admission to a conference or similar gathering at which the organizers have required other participants or registrants to pay fees or charges as a condition of attendance.

(3) The attendance of a majority of the members of a legislative body at an open and publicized meeting organized to address a topic of local community concern by a person or organization other than the local agency, provided that a majority of the members do not discuss among themselves, other than as part of the scheduled program, business of a specific nature that is within the subject matter jurisdiction of the legislative body of the local agency.

(4) The attendance of a majority of the members of a legislative body at an open and noticed meeting of another body of the local agency, or at an open and noticed meeting of a legislative body of another local agency, provided that a majority of the members do not discuss among themselves, other than as part of the scheduled meeting, business of a specific nature that is within the subject matter jurisdiction of the legislative body of the local agency.

(5) The attendance of a majority of the members of a legislative body at a purely social or ceremonial occasion, provided that a majority of the members do not discuss among themselves business of a specific nature

that is within the subject matter jurisdiction of the legislative body of the local agency.

(6) The attendance of a majority of the members of a legislative body at an open and noticed meeting of a standing committee of that body, provided that the members of the legislative body who are not members of the standing committee attend only as observers.

(d) This section shall become operative on January 1, 2026.

SEC. 3. The Legislature finds and declares that Section 1 and Section 2 of this act, which amends and adds Section 54952.2 of the Government Code, respectively, impose a limitation on the public’s right of access to the meetings of public bodies or the writings of public officials and agencies within the meaning of Section 3 of Article I of the California Constitution. Pursuant to that constitutional provision, the Legislature makes the following findings to demonstrate the interest protected by this limitation and the need for protecting that interest:

The limitations on the people’s right of access set forth in this act are necessary to ensure the free flow of communications between members of a legislative body of a local agency and the public, particularly on internet-based social media platforms.

SEC. 4. The Legislature finds and declares that Section 1 and Section 2 of this act, which amends and adds Section 54952.2 of the Government Code, respectively, further, within the meaning of paragraph (7) of subdivision (b) of Section 3 of Article I of the California Constitution, the purposes of that constitutional section as they relate to the right of public access to the meetings of local public bodies or the writings of local public officials and local agencies. Pursuant to paragraph (7) of subdivision (b) of Section 3 of Article I of the California Constitution, the Legislature makes the following findings:

This act is necessary to ensure the free flow of communications between members of a legislative body of a local agency and the public, particularly on internet-based social media platforms.

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Staff Report - Item 10

TO: Community Advisory Committee

FROM: Alisa Lembke, Board Clerk/Administrative Analyst

SUBJECT: Presentation by Sacramento Municipal Utility District (SMUD) 2030 Zero Carbon Plan

DATE: April 22, 2021

This is an informational item only.

SMUD will be presenting information on their 2030 Zero Carbon Plan.

The presentation is being provided as it relates to VCE's Strategic Plan Goal 2: Manage power supply resources to consistently exceed California's Renewable Portfolio Standard (RPS) while working toward a resource portfolio that is 100% carbon neutral by 2030 **and** Objective 2.5: Study and present options for achieving a 100% carbon neutral resource portfolio as well as 100% carbon free resource portfolio (carbon free hour by hour) by 2030.

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Staff Report – Item 12

TO: Community Advisory Committee

FROM: Mitch Sears, Interim General Manager
Edward Burnham, Director of Finance & Internal Operations

SUBJECT: VCE Three-Year Strategic Plan Update (Informational)

DATE: April 22, 2021

PURPOSE

The purpose of this report is to inform the general manager and CAC of the summarized progress on the Strategic Plan goals.

BACKGROUND

The Board ratified the VCE Three-Year Strategic Plan at the November 12, 2020 meeting which incorporates the following schedule for status reporting:

- Quarterly Report to VCE Management
Staff will report quarterly to the Interim General Manager on the status of goals, objectives and metrics for which they are responsible.
- Annual Report to Board and CAC
Staff will report annually to the Board and CAC on the status of goals, objectives and metrics, and will recommend any mitigations or amendments as may be necessary for Board approval.

The attached summary is the first quarterly status report which is being shared with the CAC for discussion and feedback.

ATTACHMENTS

1. VCE Strategic Plan 2021 Q1 Status Report



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VCE Three-Year Strategic Plan Update

Q1 2021

VCE Three-Year Strategic Plan Update



Goal 1 - FINANCIAL STRENGTH

Maintain grow a strong financial foundation and manage costs to achieve long-term organizational health.

- Objectives:
- 1.1 - Maintain consistently healthy cash reserves to fund VCE’s mission, vision, and goals.
 - 1.2 - Achieve an investment grade credit rating by end of 2024.
 - 1.3 - Commit to fiscal efficiencies to build a program foundation from which to deliver customer and community value.
 - 1.4 - Manage customer rates to optimize VCE’s financial health while maintaining rate competitiveness with PG&E.

Obj.	Key Developments	Planned Activities
1.1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Board Approved Arrearage Management Plan January 2021 2. Drafting Collections Policy 	Collections Policy submitted for approval Q3 2021
1.2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Participated in CCA educational webinar on establishing credit ratings for CCAs 2. budgeted for financial advisor to support process of establishment of first credit rating 	Development Timeline for credit rating by Q3 2021
1.4	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Updated customer rates in February & March to maintain parity with PG&E 2. CAC Rates Task group to develop additional customer rate option 	RFP in development with issuance in Q3 2021



Goal 2 - PROCUREMENT & POWER SUPPLY

Manage power supply resources to consistently exceed California’s Renewable Portfolio Standard (RPS) while working toward a resource portfolio that is 100% carbon neutral by 2030.

- 2.1 - Continue to identify and pursue cost effective local renewable energy resources.
- 2.2 - Acquire sufficient bundled energy and renewable resources to achieve VCE’s greenhouse gas reduction targets.
- 2.3 - Deploy storage and other strategies to achieve renewable, carbon neutral, resource adequacy, and resiliency objectives.
- 2.4 - Identify and pursue cost effective, local distributed energy (e.g., behind the meter rooftop Solar + storage) resources to help meet reliability needs.
- 2.2 - Study and present options for achieving a 100% carbon neutral resource portfolio as well as 100% carbon free resource portfolio (carbon free hour by hour) by 2030.2
- 2.6 - Optimize the hedging strategy to mitigate risk in accordance with the energy risk guidelines and procurement plan.

Obj.	Key Developments	Planned Activities
2.5	In Q1 2021, executed a 90MW PV +75MW BESS 20 yr. PPA which will provide VCE stable low-cost power and resource adequacy.	
2.5	Carbon Neutral Task Group formed and working on developing a scope of work for an outside consultant	RFO to be released by end of April '21



VCE Three-Year Strategic Plan Update

Goal 3 - CUSTOMERS & COMMUNITY

Prioritize VCE’s community benefits and increase customer satisfaction and retention.

- 3.1 - Develop engagement strategies to increase awareness of, and participation in, local control of VCE’s energy supply and programs with a particular focus on engaging disadvantaged and historically marginalized communities.
- 3.2 - Develop programs and initiatives to better support community goals, including supporting member agency achievement of energy-sector emissions reduction targets.
- 3.3 - Design and implement a strategy to more effectively engage local business and agricultural customers.
- 3.4 - Build awareness and trust of the VCE brand through direct engagement with customers, communities and organizations.
- 3.5 - Develop customer programs and initiatives that prioritize decarbonization, community resiliency and customer savings.
- 3.6 - Measure and increase customer satisfaction, using tools such as surveys and focus groups, while maintaining an overall participation rate of no less than 90%.
- 3.7 - Integrate and address the concerns and priorities of emerging and historically marginalized communities in the design and implementation of VCE's services and programs.

Obj.	Key Developments	Planned Activities
3.1	4 virtual presentations with Spanish translation; new posts on social media in Spanish; programs survey developed/deployed with special attention to equity issues	
3.2	Provided cost analysis for all member jurisdictions to opt up to UltraGreen	Follow up with city staff
3.4	Staff’s goal is to increase website hits by 25% in 2021 (results: 63% increase in sessions; 33% increase in pageviews; 13% increase in Twitter). Initiated a website refresh, integrating feedback. Analyzed Key Accounts spreadsheets for completeness.	Website refresh Completion
3.5	Staff developing a 3-year Programs Plan. Design Criteria and Programs Process Doc in development.	All documents completed and feedback implemented
3.6	First-ever survey for customer feedback developed and deployed. OTG held focus group meeting. Analyzed opt-out process for misinformation vulnerabilities and made changes: customers will now be routed to a CSR to opt out during business hours.	Hold CSR focus group and monitor opt-out trends.
3.7	Operationalized and publicized Arrearage Management Plan (AMP) including new webpage for customers having trouble paying. Finalizing call-out campaign to provide info to customers having trouble paying. Implemented policy of translating all new material into Spanish. Increased Spanish social media posts. Board approved EJ statement, formed Board Subcommittee Working Group. Staff participation in CalCCA Equity Committee.	Monitor AMP participation. Begin call-out campaign Continue posting in Spanish, measure success Dec 2021.



Goal 4 - DECARBONIZATION & GRID INNOVATION

Promote and deploy local decarbonization and grid innovation programs to improve grid stability, reliability, community energy resilience, and safety.

- 4.1 - Working with a variety of local, regional and state partners, develop a grid innovation roadmap for VCE’s service territory that supports community energy resilience and reliability.
- 4.2 - Develop a VCE decarbonization roadmap to guide near and long-term program decisions and offerings.
- 4.3 - Increase participation in VCE’s UltraGreen 100% renewable product.
- 4.4 - Identify external funding sources to support decarbonization and grid-related programs and initiatives.

Objective	Key Developments	Planned Activities
4.1	Worked w/ the CAC on a building electrification statement. The Board adopted a statement supporting and encouraging electrification of new buildings.	



Goal 5 - REGULATORY & LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS

Strongly advocate for public policies that support VCE’s Vision/Mission.

- 5.1 - Work with CalCCA and other partners to proactively engage State regulators, legislators, and other State authorities in developing policy that furthers VCE’s mission and facilitates our contributions to decarbonization, grid reliability, energy resiliency, affordability, local programs and social equity.
- 5.2 - Develop relationships with community stakeholder organizations that foster support for VCE’s mission and vision.
- 5.3 - Optimize regulatory compliance activities.

Objective	Key Developments	Planned Activities
5.2	Identify key stakeholder groups within VCE service territory – in process,2. Attended Winters Chamber of Commerce on 4.12.213. Met with Cool Davis to explore formalizing a relationship to work on shared decarbonization and electrification goals.	Initial Stakeholder list by end of Q2 21 Decision around structure to formalize (e.g. MOU)
5.1	Actively engaged in CalCCA sponsored legislation on PCIA – SB 612 (Portantino) Active support of AB 843 (Aguiar-Curry) – access for CCA’s to BioMat resources3. CAC Leg/Reg Task Group – bi-weekly meeting	
5.3	Plug in specific regulatory goals for 2021 - from CalCCA, Including Regulatory Staffing in FY 21-22 budget proposal	



Goal 6 - ORGANIZATION, WORKPLACE & TECHNOLOGY

Analyze and implement optimal long-term organizational, management, and information technology structure at VCE.

- 6.1 - Develop a roadmap to evaluate and guide future steps toward formation of a local Publicly Owned Utility (POU).
- 6.2 - Evaluate and pursue opportunities for shared services with other CCAs for certain functions.
- 6.3 - Develop an evaluation framework to guide future expansion opportunities beyond the existing service territory.
- 6.4 - Identify optimal management, staffing and contracting structure of VCE in the near and long term; factors include balance of internal staff vs. consultant support services, transition of leadership positions to permanent internal employees.
- 6.5 - Promote diversity, equity and inclusion in leadership, hiring, promotion, and contracting policies.
- 6.6 - Support health, wellness and a productive workplace.
- 6.7 - Create an innovation-focused culture that rewards proactive participation, problem solving, new ideas, and creative use of partnerships.
- 6.8 - Deploy a modernized IT infrastructure that enables knowledge management, analytics and collaboration through robust use of data and information resources.

Objective	Key Developments	Planned Activities
6.1	Engaged Don Dame to prepare process outline – technical steps Outreach to CMUA	
6.2	Joined CC Power – “Super JPA” for joint procurement with other CCA’s Outreach to City of Stockton RE: City’s feasibility study	
6.3	Research other CCA expansion evaluation methods in process.	
6.4	Onboarding Director of Finance & Internal Operations	Budgeted (1) half time regulatory Analyst and (1) Intern for Marketing and Support
6.8	Working with County of Yolo GIS team on developing VCE platform for Dashboarding and GIS Mapping	

VALLEY CLEAN ENERGY ALLIANCE

Staff Report – Item 13

TO: Community Advisory Committee

FROM: Alisa Lembke, Board Clerk/Administrative Analyst

SUBJECT: Board and CAC 2021 Long Range Calendar

DATE: April 22, 2021

Please find attached the 2021 Board and Community Advisory Committee (CAC) Long Range Calendar listing upcoming meetings and proposed topics for discussion. Please make suggestions if there are topics you wish to add.

Attachment:

1. 2021 Board and CAC Long Range Calendar

VALLEY CLEAN ENERGY

2021 Meeting Dates and Proposed Topics – Board and Community Advisory Committee

MEETING DATE		TOPICS	ACTION
January 14, 2021 Special Meeting January 21, 2021	Board WOODLAND	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Oaths of Office for Board Members (Annual if new Members) • Approve Updated CAC Charge (Annual) • Approve 2021 Procurement Plan • Treasurer Function / Investment • GHG Free Attributes • Power Purchase Agreement • Arrearage Management Plan 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Action • Action • Action • Action • Action • Action
January 28, 2021	Advisory Committee WOODLAND	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Formation of 2021 Task Groups (Annual) • Quarterly Power Procurement / Renewable Portfolio Standard Update • Quarterly Strategic Plan update • New Building Electrification • 2021 Marketing Outreach Plan • CA Community Power Agency Joint Powers Authority 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Discussion/Action • Informational • Informational • Informational/Discussion • Action: Recommendation to Board • Action: Recommendation to Board
February 11, 2021	Board DAVIS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Update on SACOG Grant – Electrify Yolo • 2021 Marketing Outreach Plan • CA Community Power Agency Joint Powers Authority • Update on January 2021 Rates • Update on Time of Use (TOU) roll out 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Informational • Action • Discussion/Action • Informational • Informational
February 25, 2021	Advisory Committee DAVIS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Update on SACOG Grant – Electrify Yolo • 2021 Task Groups – Tasks/Charge (Annual) • New Building Electrification • Legislative Bills • Update on Time of Use (TOU) roll out 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Informational • Discussion/Action • Discussion/Action • Discussion/Action • Informational

March 11, 2021	Board WOODLAND	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • New Building Electrification • Legislative Bills 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Discussion/Action • Action
March 25, 2021	Advisory Committee WOODLAND	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Draft Programs Plan 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Discussion
April 8, 2021	Board DAVIS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Preliminary FY21/22 Operating Budget (Annual) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Informational/Discussion
April 22, 2021	Advisory Committee DAVIS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2021 and 2022 Power Content Update • Quarterly Strategic Plan update • SMUD 2030 Zero Carbon Plan - presentation • AB 992 (Social Media)/Brown Act - Best Best Krieger presentation • Update on SACOG Grant – Electrify Yolo 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Informational • Informational • Informational • Informational/Discussion • Informational
May 13, 2021	Board WINTERS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Update on FY21/22 Operating Budget • Update on SACOG Grant – Electrify Yolo 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Informational • Informational
May 27, 2021	Advisory Committee WOODLAND	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Net Energy Metering (NEM) 3.0 and NEM Policy Update • Briefing on preliminary FY21/22 Operating Budget • Power Planning 2022 / Renewable Content • Draft 3-Year Programs Plan (placeholder) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Informational • Informational • Discussion/Action • Action: Recommendation to the Board
June 10, 2021	Board DAVIS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Final Approval of FY21/22 Operating Budget (Annual) • Receive Enterprise Risk Management Report (Bi-annual) • Extension of Waiver of Opt-Out Fees for one more year (Annual) • Re/Appointment of Members to Community Advisory Committee (Annual) • Net Energy Metering (NEM) 3.0 and NEM Policy Update • Draft 3-Year Programs Plan (placeholder) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Approval • Informational • Action • Action • Discussion/Action • Discussion/Action
June 24, 2021	Advisory Committee DAVIS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Prioritizing types of energy (placeholder) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Discussion/Action • Information

July 8, 2021	Board WOODLAND	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SMUD CPI Increase Amendment (Annual) • River City Bank Line of Credit 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Action • Action
July 22, 2021	Advisory Committee WOODLAND	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Quarterly Power Procurement / Renewable Portfolio Standard Update • Quarterly Strategic Plan update • Legislative Bills Update 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Informational • Informational • Informational
August 12, 2021	Board DAVIS	Currently, this meeting is cancelled, but will remain on the long range calendar should the need arise to hold a meeting.	
August 26, 2021	Advisory Committee DAVIS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Update on SACOG Grant – Electrify Yolo 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Informational
September 9, 2021	Board WOODLAND	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Update on SACOG Grant – Electrify Yolo • Approval of FY20/21 Audited Financial Statements (James Marta & Co.) (Annual) • River City Bank Revolving Line of Credit 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Informational • Action • Action
September 23, 2021	Advisory Committee WOODLAND		
October 14, 2021	Board WINTERS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Financial Load Forecast (Annual) • FY2020/2021 Allocation of Net Margin (Annual) • Receive Update on 3 year Strategic Plan (adopted Oct. 2020) • Certification of Standard and UltraGreen Products (Annual) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Informational • Action • Informational • Action
October 28, 2021	Advisory Committee DAVIS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Receive Financial Load Forecast and Allocation of Net Margin information • Update on Power Content Label Customer Mailer • Committee Evaluation of Calendar Year End (Annual) • Quarterly Power Procurement / Renewable Portfolio Standard Update • Quarterly Strategic Plan update 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Informational • Informational • Discussion • Informational • Informational

November 11, 2021 Veterans' Day – Holiday – need to reschedule	Board WOODLAND	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Certification of Power Content Label (Annual) • Update on SACOG Grant – Electrify Yolo 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Action • Informational
November 18, 2021 (3 rd Thursday of the month due to Thanksgiving holiday)	Advisory Committee WOODLAND	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Committee Evaluation of Calendar Year End (Annual) • Review Revised Procurement Guide (Annual) • Update on SACOG Grant – Electrify Yolo • Revise CAC Charge (tentative) (Annual) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Discussion/Action • Action: Recommendation to Board • Informational • Discussion
December 9, 2021	Board DAVIS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Receive Enterprise Risk Management Report (Bi-annual) • Approve Revised Procurement Guide (Annual) • Receive CAC 2021 Calendar Year End Report (Annual) • Election of Officers for 2022 (Annual) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Informational • Action • Receive • Nominations
December 16, 2021 (3 rd Thursday of the month due to Christmas holiday)	Advisory Committee DAVIS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2022 CAC Task Group(s) formation (Annual) • Election of Officers for 2022 (Annual) • Revise CAC Charge (tentative) (Annual) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Discussion • Nominations • Discussion
January 13, 2022	Board WOODLAND	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Oaths of Office for Board Members (Annual if new Members) • Approve Updated CAC Charge (tentative) (Annual) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Action • Action
January 27, 2022	Advisory Committee WOODLAND	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Quarterly Power Procurement / Renewable Portfolio Standard Update • Quarterly Strategic Plan update 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Informational • Informational

Note: CalCCA Annual Meeting 11/29, 11/30 and 12/1 (**tentative**) San Jose