

VALLEY CLEAN ENERGY ALLIANCE

Staff Report – Item 10

TO: Valley Clean Energy Alliance Board of Directors

FROM: Mitch Sears, Interim General Manager

SUBJECT: Community Advisory Committee June 25, 2020 Special Meeting Summary

DATE: July 9, 2020

This report summarizes the Community Advisory Committee's special meeting held on Thursday, June 25, 2020 at 5 p.m.

- A. **New CAC Members:** VCE Members and Staff welcomed new Committee members, Jennifer Rindahl and Peter Meyer, representing the City of Winters.
- B. **Energy Efficiency and Outreach Programs Update (Informational):** VCE Staff Jim Parks reviewed and provided the most recent accomplishments of the Programs Task Group and Staff in developing a Program Plan outline and several programs: Electric Vehicle (EV), Pilot NEM Donation, and Energy Efficiency (EE). With the assistance of VCE Staff Tessa Tobar, the members received an on-line live demonstration of how to access the EV and EE program information on the VCE website. At the conclusion of the presentation, the CAC members thanked Jim for his contributions to VCE and offered their congratulations on his retirement.
- C. **VCE Legislative Platform (Action):** Interim General Manager Mitch Sears, with the assistance of Mark Fenstermaker of Pacific Policy Group, reviewed the draft Legislative Platform. Mr. Sears provided an overview on the process of VCE taking positions on legislative bills. There was a discussion on whether it is appropriate to include the second bullet point of Item 7 as biomass is included in the first bullet point, also the need for VCE to define "local renewable resources", and that there is no mention in the draft to address legislation related to environmental injustice.
 - a. The CAC made a recommendation to the Board to approve the Legislative Platform without the second bullet point in Item 7. (9-0-0)
 - b. The CAC also passed a motion to address how VCE defines local renewable resources at their next meeting. (9-0-0)
- D. **Update on request for offers for local renewable projects and incremental Resource Adequacy (Informational):** VCE Staff Gordon Samuel provided the background on the request for offers and provided a summary of the responses and timeline.
- E. **Long Range Calendar:** The CAC discussed the possibility and frequency of including updates on VCE's power portfolio at future CAC meetings.