

Regular Meeting of the Community Advisory Committee (CAC) of Valley Clean Energy Alliance Thursday, November 20, 2025 at 5:00 p.m. City of Woodland Council Chambers 300 First Street, Woodland, California 95695

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Please note that the numerical order of items is for convenience of reference. Items may be taken out of order on the request of any CAC member with the concurrence of the CAC. Staff recommendations are advisory to the CAC. The CAC may take any action it deems appropriate on any item on the agenda even if it varies from the staff recommendation.

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Committee Members: Rahul Athalye (Chair), Keith Taylor (Vice Chair), Mark Aulman, David Springer, Lorenzo Kristov, Cynthia Rodriguez, Jennifer Rindahl, Diccon Westworth, Danielle Ballard, Ari Halberstadt

5:00 P.M. CALL TO ORDER

- 1. Welcome
- 2. 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 <u>listed</u> 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 below under PUBLIC PARTICIPATION at the conclusion of this agenda about how to provide your public comment.
- 3. Brief Task Group Reports and VCE Staff Report (≈ 15 minutes) Representatives of VCE staff will provide verbal updates on on-going Staff 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.)

CONSENT AGENDA (≈ 5 minutes)

- 4. Approval of October 23, 2025 Meeting Minutes.
- 5. Receive 2025 Long Range Calendar. (Information)

REGULAR AGENDA

- 6. Discuss and seek recommendation to the Board on GHG-Free allocations from large hydro and nuclear resources. (Discussion/Action) (≈ 15 minutes)
- 7. Receive Financial update. (Information) (≈ 20 minutes)



- 8. 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.
- **9. Announcement and Adjournment.** The CAC has scheduled their next meeting for Thursday, December 18, 2025 at the City of Davis Conference Room (inside Community Chambers building), located at 23 Russell Boulevard, Davis, California 95616.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION: <u>Public Comments:</u> Public participation for this meeting will be done electronically via e-mail and during the meeting as described below.

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 - A. If you are attending by computer, activate the "participants" icon at the bottom of your screen, then raise your hand (hand clap icon) under "reactions". When called upon, you will be "unmuted" to allow to speak.
 - B. If you are attending by phone only, you will need to press *9 to raise your hand. When called upon, press *6 to unmute your microphone.

VCE staff will acknowledge that you have a public comment to make during the item and will call upon you to make your verbal comment.

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VALLEY CLEAN ENERGY ALLIANCE COMMUNITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Staff Report - Item 4

TO: Community Advisory Committee

FROM: Alisa Lembke, Board Clerk/Administrative Analyst

SUBJECT: CAC October 23, 2025 Meeting Minutes

DATE: November 20, 2025

Recommendation

Receive, review and approve the attached October 23, 2025 meeting Minutes.

Attachment: October 23, 2025 CAC meeting Minutes



MINUTES OF THE VALLEY CLEAN ENERGY ALLIANCE COMMUNITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING

Thursday, October 23, 2025 at 5:00 p.m.
City of Davis Conference Room
(inside Community Chambers building)
23 Russell Blvd., Davis, California 95616

Vice Chair Taylor established that there was a quorum present and opened the Community Advisory Committee of Valley Clean Energy Alliance in a meeting on Thursday, October 23, 2025 beginning at 5:00 p.m., held at the City of Davis Conference Room, inside the Community Chambers building, located at 23 Russell Boulevard, Davis, California 95616.

Welcome and Roll Call

Committee Members Present: Rahul Athalye (Chair, arrived at 5:32 p.m.), Keith Taylor (Vice Chair), Mark

Aulman, Lorenzo Kristov, David Springer (arrived at 5:05 p.m.), Jennifer Rindahl,

Diccon Westworth, Ari Halberstadt (departed at approximately 6:05 p.m.)

Committee Members Absent: Danielle Ballard, Cynthia Rodriguez

Welcome Vice Chair Keith Taylor welcomed everyone and announced that he would run

the meeting because Chair Rahul Athalye is running late. He reminded everyone that VCE is still seeking candidates to fill the unincorporated Yolo

County CAC seat.

Public Comment / Introductions

There were no verbal or written public comments on items not on the agenda and on Consent Agenda items.

Brief VCE staff Report

Task Group Reports:

(David Springer arrived at 5:05 p.m.)

- Legislative & Regulatory CAC Member Lorenzo Kristov informed those present that the Task Group continues to meet every 2 week scheduled. He informed those present that the Los Angeles Times had an article on SB 541 (Affordability) and bailouts to IOUs for fire liabilities. The Task Group also worked on the draft 2026 Legislative & Regulatory Platform.
- 2. <u>Programs & Outreach</u> CAC Member Diccon Westworth informed those present that the "Charge Your Ride" was finalized and is being presented tonight to the CAC for a recommendation. VCE Staff



Rebecca Kuczynski informed those present that there have been impersonators as VCE employees going door to door, which VCE never does, and this initiated a scam alert on VCE's webpage and the plan to implement a fraud page on the website.

3. <u>Strategic Plan</u> – VCE Staff Edward Burnham announced that the Major Update of the Strategic Plan 2026-2029 was adopted by the Board at their October 14, 2025 Special Meeting.

Staff Report: Mr. Burnham announced that the Board at their October 2025 Special meeting received an end of session legislative update from Mark Fenstermaker of Pacific Policy Group, VCE's Lobbyist consultant; authorized VCE's participation in the Smart Home Energy and Load Flexibility (SHELF) Pilot program with UC Davis California Lighting Technology Center (CLTC) and Panasonic; approved the Large Electric Load Customer Service Policy; and, as mentioned above approved the Strategic Plan Major Update. It was announced that two events are coming up: 1) Davis Downtown Treat Trail on Friday, October 31st (Halloween) in downtown Davis and 2) the Salmon Festival on Saturday, November 11th in Winters. Mr. Burnham announced that VCE received an investment grade credit rating of A- Stable from S&P Global Ratings. Staff explained the benefits and what this means to VCE and informed those present that a Press Release is forthcoming and the A-credit rating is on VCE's website. Lastly, offers have been extended to a few candidates for various positions and Staff are hoping to make some announcements soon.

Agenda

Consent Items

Ari Halberstadt made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda items, seconded by Mark Aulman. Motion passed with Jennifer Rindahl and Ari Halberstadt abstaining specifically from the approval of the September 25, 2025 meeting Minutes. The following items were:

- 4. approved September 25, 2025 Meeting Minutes;
- 5. received Customer Participation Update (3rd Quarter 2025);
- 6. received 2025 Long Range Calendar;
- 7. received copy of Board Staff Report on 2024 Power Content Label (PCL) Certification and 2024 PCL Outreach information;
- 8. received copy of Board Staff Report on legislative update and slides of legislative End of Session update provided by Pacific Policy Group; and,
- 9. made a recommendation to the Board to adopt the 2026 Legislative and Regulatory Platform.



Item 10: Review, provide feedback and make recommendation to the Board to approve Phase 2 of VCE's Electric Vehicle Rebate Program ("Charge Your Ride").
(Discussion/Action)

VCE Staff Rebecca Kuzynski provided an overview of VCE's Electric Vehicle (EV) Rebate Pilot Programs background, timeline, and engagement process leading up to the proposed "Charge Your Ride" (Phase 2) EV program. The Pilot Program's goals, design, budget options, and scenarios were reviewed. In summary, the "Charge Your Ride" program elements include incentives for pre-owned EVs for low income customers, incentives for multi-family charging outlets and stations, and technical support to support multi-family property owners.

(Rahul Athalye arrived at 5:32 p.m.)

The CAC and Staff discussed and provided feedback on many topics, including: outreach efforts regarding the program; program eligibility; data on used EV's; technical support for participants; permitting for multi-family participants; and, flexibility of the program moving forward.

There were no written or verbal public comments.

Motion made by David Springer for the CAC to recommend to the Board to approve Phase 2, Budget Option 2, of VCE's Electric Vehicle Rebate Pilot Program "Charge Your Ride", seconded by Diccon Westworth. Motion passed by the following vote:

AYES: Taylor, Aulman, Kristov, Springer, Rindahl, Westworth, Halberstadt,

Athalye

NOES: None

ABSENT: Ballard, Rodriguez

ABSTAIN: None

Item 11: Discuss formation of a CAC Local Energy Task Group.
(Discussion/Action)

CAC Member Lorenzo Kristov summarized his proposal suggesting that the CAC consider forming a Local Energy Task Group (LETG) by highlighting that his proposal sets the stage, provides background information and lays out goals. Several CAC Members expressed an interest in being on the LETG.

(Ari Halberstadt departed at approximately 6:05 p.m.)

Mr. Burnham pointed out that Mr. Kristov's proposal and the formation of a Local Energy Task Group ties into Goal 2, Objective 2.3 of the Major Update to the Strategic Plan, which focuses on VCE's portfolio. There were no written or verbal public comments.



After a brief discussion, Chair Rahul Athalye made a motion to form a Local Energy Task Group (LETG), seconded by Mark Aulman. Motion passed with Ballard, Rodriguez, and Halberstadt absent.

Item 9: Advisory Committee Member and Staff Announcements Lorenzo Kristov informed those present that Canara Media, which focuses on clean energy, will be holding their Canary Media Live event on November 6, 2025 in Berkeley. He will send the information to VCE. There were no announcements from any of the other CAC members or VCE Staff.

Adjournment to Next Meeting The CAC has scheduled a meeting for <u>Thursday</u>, <u>November 20, 2025</u> (3rd Thursday of the month due to the Thanksgiving Holiday) at the City of Woodland Council Chambers located at 300 First Street, Woodland, California 95695. The meeting was adjourned at 6:29 p.m.

Alisa M. Lembke Board Clerk/Administrative Analyst

VALLEY CLEAN ENERGY ALLIANCE COMMUNITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Staff Report – Item 5

TO: Community Advisory Committee

FROM: Alisa Lembke, Board Clerk/Administrative Analyst

SUBJECT: Receive 2025 Long Range Calendar meeting topics

DATE: November 20, 2025

Please find attached the 2025 Board and Community Advisory Committee (CAC) Long Range Calendar. Please note that it has some added information (coding) to each item for Staff purposes only.

At any time, if you have an item that you would like added, including future topics, please send an email to Chief Financial Officer Edward Burnham, Board Clerk Alisa Lembke, CAC Chair and/or Vice Chair for consideration.

Due to the holidays in November and December 2025, the CAC's meeting dates have been moved to the 3rd Thursday and are as follows:

- November 20, 2025 (3rd Thursday) Woodland
- December 18, 2025 (3rd Thursday) Davis

Attachment:

1. 2025 Board and CAC Long Range Calendar

VALLEY CLEAN ENERGY

2025 Meeting Dates and <u>Proposed</u> Topics Board and Community Advisory Committee (CAC)

(Note: Meeting locations and Topics are subject to change)

MEETING DATE		TOPICS	ACTION
January 9, 2025 (Cancelled)	Board (Woodland)	This meeting was cancelled.	
January 23, 2025 NO QUORUM, ITEMS MOVED TO FEBRUARY 27, 2025 MEETING	Advisory Committee (Woodland)	 2025 CAC Task Group (s) formation (Annual) (R) Customer Participation Update (4th Quarter 2024) (O) 2024 Year in review: Customer Care & Marketing (Placeholder) (R) Strategic Plan (O) 	 Discussion/Action Discuss/Action Information Discussion/Action
February 13, 2025	Board (Davis)	 Oaths of Office for Board Members (Annual - new Members only) (R) Election of Officers for 2025 (Annual) (R) Customer Participation Update (4th Quarter 2024) (O) Receive CAC Year-end Task Group Reports (O) 2024 Year-end review: Customer Care & Marketing (O) Update to VCE Employee Handbook (Placeholder) (R) (historically Jan.) Prepay (Placeholder) (O) Annual Strategic Plan Report (R) (historically Jan.) 	 Action Nominations Information Information Action Information/Discussion Discussion/Action
February 27, 2025	Advisory Committee (Davis)	 2025 CAC Task Group (s) formation (Annual) (R) Customer Participation Update (4th Quarter 2024) (O) 2024 Year-end review: Customer Care & Marketing (Placeholder) (R) Strategic Plan (O) 	 Discussion/Action Information Information Discussion/Action
March 13, 2025	<mark>Board</mark> (Woodland)	This meeting was cancelled.	
March 27, 2025	Advisory Committee (Woodland)	 Approval of 2025 CAC Task Group "Charges" (R) (historically in Jan.) Senate Bill 540 (Pathways Initiative & Regional Organization) 	ActionInformation/Discussion

April 10, 2025	Board (Davis)	 Receive Enterprise Risk Management Report (Bi-Annual) (R) Customer Participation update (1st Quarter 2025) (O) Calendar Year 2024 Audited Financial Statements (James Marta & Co.) (placeholder) (R) Load Management Standards Update (O) Power Charge Indifference Adjustment (PCIA) / Rates Workshop (placeholder) (O) VCE Grant activity update (O) 	 Information Information Action Information Information Information
April 24, 2025	Advisory Committee (Davis)	 Load Management Standards Update (O) 2024 Net Margin Allocation (R) Senate Bill 540 (Pathways Initiative & Regional Organization) Customer Participation update (1st Quarter 2025) (O) Introduction to Strategic Plan Major Update Roadmap/Timeline 	 Information Discussion/Action Discussion/Action Information Information
April 28 - 30, 2025	CalCCA Annual Conference (Irvine)	VCE Staff and some Board and CAC members attending	
May 8, 2025 CANCELLED	<mark>Board</mark> (Woodland)	Meeting cancelled.	
May 22, 2025	Advisory Committee / Strategic Plan Workshop (Esparto)	Strategic Plan Workshop: Focus: Financial Strength/Rates and Procurement & Power Supply	Information/Discussion
June 12, 2025	Board (Davis)	 Re/Appointment of Members to Community Advisory Committee (Annual) (R) Mid-Year 2025 Financial Update (R) 2024 Net Margin Allocation (R) Summer Preparedness outlook (O) Recap of CalCCA April 2025 Annual Conference (O) 	ActionInformationDiscussion/ActionInformationInformation
June 26, 2025	Advisory Committee / Strategic Plan Workshop (UCANR - Davis)	 Summer Preparedness outlook (O) Strategic Plan Workshop: Focus: Customers & Community and Decarbonization and Grid Innovation 	InformationInformation/Discussion

^{*}No meeting unless an urgent matter needs to be addressed

July 10, 2025	Board Woodland	Meeting cancelled.	
July 24, 2025	Advisory Committee (Woodland)	 Review preliminary draft Strategic Plan Major Update and Survey Plan (O) Power Portfolio Update (O) 	Information/DiscussionInformation
August 14, 2025	Board (Davis)	NO MEETING*	
August 28, 2025	Advisory Committee (Davis)	 Review draft Strategic Plan Major update / Seeking recommendation to the Board Large Load Tariff Design Customer Participation Update (2nd Quarter 2025) (O) 	Discussion/ActionDiscussion/ActionInformation
September 11, 2025	Board (Woodland)	 Certification of 2024 Power Content Label (Annual) (R) Capitalization Policy (placeholder) (O) Customer Participation Update (2nd Quarter 2025) (O) AgFIT Pilot Program Update (O) Strategic Plan Major Update Workshop (O) 	 Action Information/Discussion Information Information Discussion/Action
September 25, 2025	Advisory Committee (Woodland)	 Large Load Rate Setting Policy Discuss forming local energy Task Group 	Discussion/ActionDiscussion
October 9, 2025 Cancelled and rescheduled to: Tuesday, October 14 th Special Meeting at 3:30 p.m.	Board (Davis) (Woodland)	 Enterprise Risk Management Update (Annual) (R) Customer Participation Update (3rd Quarter 2025) (O) Legislative End of Session Update (O) Adoption of Strategic Plan Major Update (placeholder) (O) Large Load Rate Setting Policy (O) Residential Dynamic Pricing Pilot Program 	 Discussion/Action Information Information Discussion/Action Discussion/Action Discussion/Action
October 23, 2025	Advisory Committee (Davis)	 2024 Power Content Label Outreach (O) Customer Participation Update (3rd Quarter 2025) (O) Legislative End of Session Update (O) 2026 Legislative & Regulatory Platform Review Phase 2 of EV Rebate Program ("Charge Your Ride") / Seeking recommendation to the Board (placeholder) Discussion of forming local energy Task Group. 	 Information Information Information Action Discussion/Action
November 13, 2025	Board (Woodland)	 2025 Operating Budget update and 2026 Preliminary Operating Budget (R) Approve 2026 Legislative and Regulatory Platform 	Information/DiscussionDiscussion/Action

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		Phase 2 of EV Rebate Program ("Charge Your Ride") (O)	Discussion/Action
November 27, 2025	Advisory	Review CAC Draft 2025 Task Group Year-end Reports (R)	Discussion/Action
November 20, 2025	Committee	GHG Free Attributes (R) (placeholder)	Discussion/Action
(rescheduled to	(Woodland)		
November 20 due to			
Thanksgiving holiday			
on Nov. 27 th)			
December 11, 2025	<mark>Board</mark>	Approve 2026 Operating Budget (Annual) and 2026 Customer	 Discussion/Action
	(Davis)	Rates (R)	
		Receive VCE Grant/Program Annual Report (R)	 Information
		GHG Free Attributes (R) (placeholder)	 Discussion/Action
		Contract Renewals (R) (placeholder)	• Action
December 25, 2025	Advisory	Review and approve CAC Draft 2025 Task Group Year-end	Discussion/Action
December 18, 2025	Committee	Reports (R)	
(rescheduled to	(Davis)	Formation of 2026 CAC Task Group(s) (Annual) (R)	Discussion/Action
December 18 due to		Review and discuss draft Local Energy Task Group "Charge"	Discussion/Action
Christmas holiday on		Power Portfolio Update (R)	 Information
Dec. 25 th)		Election of Officers for 2026 (Annual) (R)	 Nominations
January 8, 2026	Board	Oaths of Office for Board Members (Annual - new Members	Action
	(Woodland)	only) (R) (placeholder)	
		Election of Officers for 2026 (Annual) (R) (placeholder)	 Nominations
		Customer Participation Update (4 th Quarter 2025) (O)	 Information
		(placeholder)	
		2025 Year in review: Customer Care & Marketing (R)	 Information
		(placeholder)	
		VCE Employee Handbook Update (R) (Placeholder)	• Action
		Annual Strategic Plan Report (R) (placeholder)	 Information
January 22, 2026	Advisory	Rates/Budget 2026 Update (O)	Information
	Committee	Customer Participation Update (4 th Quarter 2025) (O)	Information
	(Woodland)	Review and approve 2026 draft Task Group(s) "Charges" (R)	Discussion/Action
		Integrated Resource Plan (IRP) Update (placeholder)	Discussion/Action

PLEASE NOTE: April 28-30, 2025: CalCCA Annual Conference in Irvine, California

CAC PROPOSED FUTURE TOPICS Topics and Discussion dates may change as needed	ESTIMATED MEETING DATE(S)

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VALLEY CLEAN ENERGY ALLIANCE COMMUNITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Staff Report - Item 6

TO: Community Advisory Committee

FROM: Sierra Huffman, Sr. Financial Analyst

SUBJECT: Valley Clean Energy's Policy regarding PG&E allocation of Greenhouse Gas (GHG)-free

(Large Hydro and Nuclear) resources to Community Choice Aggregators

DATE: November 20, 2025

RECOMMENDATION

Recommend that the VCE Board of Directors:

- 1. Accept the 2026 allocation of large hydro GHG-free attributes;
- 2. Accept the 2026 allocation of nuclear power GHG-free attributes;
- 3. Authorize the Executive Officer to enter into an agreement(s) with PG&E to accept the 2026 Large Hydro and Nuclear GHG-free allocations

BACKGROUND and ANALYSIS

PG&E owns or contracts for several GHG-free resources including nuclear from Diablo Canyon Power Plant. PG&E count these resources on its power content label (PCL) to meet its GHG-free targets. Historically load serving entities (LSEs), paid for these same assets through the Power Charge Indifference Adjustment (PCIA), yet did not receive the GHG-free benefits – this included VCE.

In mid-2019, CCAs approached PG&E to discuss whether PG&E would be agreeable to selling energy from their large hydro facilities. PG&E ultimately refused to make sales in 2019 but subsequently approached CCAs and offered to allocate GHG-free resources (nuclear and large hydro) to CCAs and other eligible LSEs. Beginning in 2020, the allocations became available and the VCE Board elected to receive the large hydro attributes.

Prior to 2024, VCE did not elect to receive the PG&E nuclear GHG-free allocation. Last year, regulatory and energy market changes prompted staff to reassess the recommendation. CPUC Decision 23-12-036 and the extension of Diablo Canyon Nuclear Power Plant made it so that all CPUC-jurisdictional LSE customers pay the operational cost of Diablo Canyon (i.e. regardless of whether VCE accepts or rejects the attributes, VCE customers will still pay for it). Additionally, if VCE does not accept the allocations, then PG&E will count VCE's share of the GHG-free energy attributes on its PCL. Given this, many CCAs – including MCE, SCP, PCE, Ava, DCE, Pioneer, RCEA, and SVCE – have elected to accept both the large hydro and nuclear attributes.

There is no obligation to accept the allocation of GHG-free attributes. An LSE can choose to accept neither resource pool, one or the other, or both. The volume that each LSE receives will ultimately depend on the volume of electricity generated by each resource pool and the proportion of PG&E's load served by the LSE.

TENTATIVE SCHEDULE

2026 GHG-Free Energy Sales (Allocation) Tentative Timeline	
Tuesday, November 4, 2025	· Notice and form 2026 Sales Agreement issued.
Friday, November 7, 2025 (ACTION REQUIRED)	· Feedback on form Sales Agreement due to PG&E.
Up to Week of December 15, 2025 (ACTION REQUIRED)	PG&E will provide Eligible LSEs Offers and a final version of 2026 Sales Agreement
	 PG&E and Eligible LSEs will execute 2026 Sales Agreement
January 1, 2026 (pending execution of Sales Agreement)	· Expected start of Delivery Period under 2026 Sales Agreement
Week of June 15, 2026 (approximation)	· First Quarterly Report with estimated Allocation Amount will be distributed
On or about April 15, 2027	· Final Report will be distributed to participating LSEs

Staff's position on both the large hydro and nuclear allocations are consistent with the 2025 recommendation. Key factors include:

- VCE is using capacity from Diablo for resource adequacy (RA); many of VCE's counterparts
 continue to elect to receive nuclear attributes; large hydro and nuclear improve VCE's emission
 rate.
- The monetary value has improved over prior years. The large hydro allocations can be resold, but per the CPUC decision the nuclear attributes cannot be resold.

RECOMMENDATION

Based on these factors, staff believes that VCE is better served by accepting both the hydro and nuclear allocations for 2026. Staff is looking for CAC recommendation to the VCE Board approve the following:

- 1. Accept the 2026 allocation of large hydro GHG-free attributes;
- 2. Accept the 2026 allocation of nuclear power GHG-free attributes;
- 3. Recommend the Executive Officer enter into an agreement(s) with PG&E to accept the 2026 Large Hydro and Nuclear GHG-free allocations.