

# Regular Meeting of the Community Advisory Committee (CAC) of Valley Clean Energy Alliance Thursday, April 27, 2023 at 5:00 p.m. City of Davis Community Chambers 23 Russell Blvd., Davis, California 95616

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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:** Mark Aulman (Chair), Rahul Athalye (Vice Chair), David Springer, Marsha Baird, Cynthia Rodriguez, Gerry Braun, Lorenzo Kristov, Jennifer Rindahl, Keith Taylor, Kristin Jacobs

#### 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 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 below under PUBLIC PARTICIPATION at the conclusion of this agenda about how to provide your public comment.
- 3. Brief VCEA Staff and Advisory Task Group Reports (≈ 20 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) Staff Report

#### **CONSENT AGENDA (≈ 5 minutes)**

- 4. Approval of February 23, 2023 Meeting Minutes.
- 5. Receive CAC 2023 Long Range Calendar listing proposed topics.
- 6. Receive final 2023 Community Advisory Committee (CAC) Programs and Outreach Task Group Charge.
- 7. Receive Quarterly Customer Participation update.

#### **REGULAR AGENDA**

- 8. Gibson Power Purchase Agreement update. (Information) (≈ 30 minutes)
- CAC to consider a recommendation to the Board to approve extension of Phase 1 of VCE's Electric Vehicle (EV) Rebates program and provide feedback on Phase 2 program design elements. (Discussion/Action) (≈ 30 minutes)



- 10. Review, provide feedback and approve 2023 CAC Strategic Plan Task Group Charge. (Discussion/Action) (≈ 10 minutes)
- **11.** 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.
- **12. Announcement and Adjournment.** The CAC's next scheduled meeting is Thursday, June 22, 2023 at 5 p.m., to be held in-person at the City of Davis Community Chambers located at 23 Russell Blvd., Davis, California 95616. The May 25, 2023 meeting will not be held due to a schedule conflict.

**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.

<u>Public participation via e-mail:</u> If you have anything that you wish to be distributed to the CAC and included in the official record, please e-mail it to VCE staff at <a href="Meetings@ValleyCleanEnergy.org">Meetings@ValleyCleanEnergy.org</a>. If information is received by 3:00 p.m. on the day of the CAC meeting it will be e-mailed to the CAC members and other staff prior to the meeting. If it is received after 3:00 p.m. the information will be distributed after the meeting, but within 24 hours of the conclusion of the meeting. Written public comments that do not exceed 300 words will be read by the VCE Board Clerk, or other assigned VCE staff, to the CAC and the public during the meeting subject to the usual time limit for public comments [two (2) minutes]. General written public comments will be read during Item 2, Public Comment. Written public comment on individual agenda items should include the item number in the "Subject" line for the e-mail and the Clerk will read the comment during the item. Items read cannot exceed 300 words or approximately two (2) minutes in length. All written comments received will be posted to the VCE website.

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- 2) <u>If attending remotely via Zoom</u>, there are two (2) ways for the public to provide verbal comments:
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  - 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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#### Staff Report - Item 4

**TO:** Community Advisory Committee

FROM: Alisa Lembke, Board Clerk/Administrative Analyst

**SUBJECT:** CAC February 23, 2023 Meeting Minutes

**DATE:** April 27, 2023

#### **Recommendation**

Receive, review and approve the attached February 23, 2023 meeting minutes.



## MINUTES OF THE VALLEY CLEAN ENERGY ALLIANCE COMMUNITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 23, 2023 VIA TELECONFERENCE

Chair Mark Aulman opened the Community Advisory Committee of the Valley Clean Energy Alliance in a meeting on Thursday, February 23, 2023 beginning at 5:02 p.m. via videoconference pursuant to the Brown Act and Assembly Bill 361 (AB 361). The Board of Directors has authorized the continuation of remote meetings.

#### Welcome and Roll Call

Committee Members Present: Mark Aulman (Chair), Rahul Athalye (Vice Chair), David Springer, Marsha Baird, Christine

Shewmaker, Lorenzo Kristov, Gerry Braun, Cynthia Rodriguez, Kristin Jacobs (arrived at

5:24 p.m.)

Committee Members Absent: Jennifer Rindahl, Keith Taylor

Welcome and Approval of Agenda Chair Aulman welcomed everyone. Motion made by Lorenzo Kristov to approve the February 23, 2023 Agenda, seconded by Rahul Athalye. Motion passed with Rindahl,

Taylor and Jacobs absent.

Public Comment / Introductions

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

Chair Aulman reminded those present that four (4) CAC Member appointments will be expiring in June 2023. Like VCE has done in the past, advertising and soliciting for candidates will commence soon. He reminded those present that one seat from each of the four (4) jurisdictions (unincorporated Yolo County, and cities of Woodland, Davis, and Winters) will be open for reappointment and/or appointment.

### Brief Task Group and VCE staff Reports

#### **Task Group Reports:**

Legislative / Regulatory: Lorenzo Kristov informed those present that the Task Group met two weeks ago and will meet tomorrow. He provided an update on Resource Adequacy (RA) power purchase agreements (PPAs), which are running into interconnection delays. CCA's (like VCE) may potentially be penalized for interconnection delays although not the fault of the CCA or project. VCE Executive Director Mitch Sears informed those present that CalCCA is tracking and collecting information to be presented in both regulatory and legislative settings on this issue. VCE Assistant General Manager and Director of Power Procurement Gordon Samuel informed those present that VCE is in a good position to meet RA power requirements. VCE Staff Yvonne Hunter informed those present that placeholder legislative bills are present that may address interconnection issues relating to schools, hospitals, etc. CalCCA has reached out to the CCAs for examples of projects that have been significantly delayed. Mr. Sears informed those present that VCE has been active in conversations regarding this subject.



Mr. Kristov informed those present on the status of California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) proceedings on the Microgrid Incentive program and Net Energy Metering (NEM) 3.0.

CAC Member Kristin Jacobs arrived at 5:24 p.m.

February 9, 2023 Board in person meeting update: Mr. Samuel provided highlights of the Board's February 9, 2023 meeting: meeting was in person held at the City of Davis Community Chambers with a 30 minute reception, open to the public, prior to the regular meeting; the Board received a presentation from VCE's lobbyist and regulatory consultants; received highlights of proposed changes to the Wholesale Energy Risk Management policy; received the annual Strategic Plan update and provided direction to Staff; approved an agreement with First Principles Advisory for additional portfolio modeling services; and, approved two "swap" Resource Adequacy (RA) agreements with Redwood Coast Energy Authority (RCEA).

Staff Report: Mr. Samuel provided an update: he attended the Yolo County Planning Commission's meeting where they reviewed the Gibson project; VCE Staff have received and processed numerous Electric Vehicle (EV) Rebate program applications; he reminded the Members that if they are interested in attending CalCCA's 2023 Annual Conference to contact the Board Clerk by the end of February; and, reminded those present that the CAC's next meeting will be in person at the City of Woodland Council Chambers. Mr. Sears informed those present that he and Mark Fenstermaker of Pacific Policy Group, VCE's lobbyist consultant, met with legislative offices. As a result, Mr. Sears was asked to speak, along with others, at the Assembly Utilities and Energy Committee hearing about AgFIT, dynamic pricing and energy affordability. He said that the Committee was engaged and asked good questions.

#### **Consent Items**

Marsha Baird informed those present that minor corrections were made to the January 26, 2023 CAC meeting minutes to reflect those who were in attendance and to correct a typo. Vice Chair Athalye asked about Item 6 – 2023 Power Charge Indifference Adjustment (PCIA) and 2023 Rates, and requested that it be pulled from the Consent agenda to the Regular agenda for further discussion.

There were no written or verbal comments as identified above.

Christine Shewmaker made a motion to approve Item 5 - January 26, 2023 meeting Minutes as amended; with Item 6 – PCIA and Rates pulled to the Regular agenda for further discussion; and, receive Item 7 – 2023 long range calendar, seconded by Marsha Baird. Motion passed with Rindahl and Taylor absent. The following items were:

- 5. approved January 26, 2023 meeting Minutes as amended; and,
- 7. received 2023 long-range calendar listing proposed topics.



Item 8: Receive Strategic Plan update. (Information/Discuss ion) VCE Staff Edward Burnham provided a summary of VCE's Strategic Plan accomplishments and reminded the CAC that Staff is asking that the CAC form a Strategic Plan Task Group to provide feedback related to the development of a rolling strategic plan.

Several items were discussed: PCIA and forecasting; status of VCE's credit rating; the effects of VCE adopting several new policies on credit rating; and, whether or not a consultant would be assisting VCE develop a rolling strategic plan. Mr. Burnham informed those present that at this time an outside consultant is not needed. Staff asked for the CAC to review, modify and expand core Strategic Plan goals and objectives. Mr. Burnham added that the first update will require the development of 2024-2025 objectives. The strategic plan objectives for 2026 will be included in the 2024 rolling update. Staff will present the Plan and timeline to the Community Advisory Committee for additional feedback and plan to return to the Board in Quarter 3. There were no written or verbal public comments.

Motion made by Marsha Baird to form a Strategic Plan Task Group (SPTG), seconded by David Springer. Motion passed with Rindahl and Taylor absent.

Chair Aulman asked that a draft Charge be developed and presented to the CAC for review and asked if there were any Member who wished to serve on the SPTG. Marsha Baird volunteered to serve on the SPTG in the short term, ending her service when her appointment expires in June 2023. Chair Aulman asked VCE's Board Clerk to inform CAC Members that this Task Group was formed and to invite additional Members to join.

Item 9: Review draft 2023 Community Advisory Committee Customer Experience Task Group Charge. (Discussion/Action) Mr. Samuel introduced this item. CAC Member David Springer announced that the Task Group name has changed from Customer Experience to Programs and Outreach Task Group (POTG). In addition, he informed those present that CAC Member Keith Taylor will serve as chair and he would serve as co-chair.

Mr. Springer briefly reviewed the draft POTG Charge. The draft Charge was discussed, specifically items 3, 4, and 5, and clarifying revisions were suggested. There were no written or verbal public comments.

Motion made by Marsha Baird to approve the draft POTG Charge as amended, seconded by David Springer. Motion passed with Rindahl and Taylor absent.

Item 10: Inflation Reduction Act (IRA): overview and items of interest to VCE Customers. (Information) VCE Staff Yvonne Hunter presented a high-level overview of the Inflation Reduction Act (IRA) and provided highlights of the act that may be of interest to VCE Customers. David Springer informed those present that he received notification from the Department of Energy State & Community Energy Program regarding a Request for Information (RFI) that they are receiving comments on State programs. In addition, he received information on two state rebate programs that are being well funded: Homeowner Managing Energy Savings (HOMES) and HEEHRA (point of sale rebates for qualified high-efficiency electric appliances, such as heat pumps for space heating and cooling).



Several items were discussed, such as: rebates for battery installations with solar; whether this information will be presented to the Board; commercial Electric Vehicle (EV) rebates and whether it applies to agricultural equipment; utilization of resources to "stack" rebates; and, the effects on resource adequacy (RA) should there be an increase in battery (solar) installations.

There were no written or verbal public comments.

Item 6: Receive 2023
Power Charge
Indifference
Adjustment (PCIA)
and Rates update.
(Information)

The CAC and Staff discussed impacts of PCIA (power charge indifference adjustment) on VCE's rates; building VCE reserves; rate options for Customers; Rate Adjustment policy; and schedule of rate review by the Board.

Item 11: Advisory Committee Member and Staff Announcements. Motion made by Christine Shewmaker to receive the 2023 PCIA and Rates update, seconded by Rahul Athalye. Motion carried with Rindahl and Taylor absent.

Christine Shewmaker made a suggestion that each Task Group provide a report on their activities at least once during the year. She also mentioned that a bill was introduced that would divest pension funds in California. That bill has been reintroduced as Senate Bill 252, one of three bills that relate to climate accountability.

Mr. Sears invited members to attend the Almond Festival in Esparto on Sunday, where VCE will have a booth. Mr. Sears informed those present that Staff are continuing to develop VCE's ability to hold hybrid meetings. One option that is being considered is to develop "home base" or satellite meeting locations. Ms. Shewmaker informed those present that a bill (Senate Bill 411) was introduced in early February 2023 that would allow virtual meetings of appointed commissions. VCE and CalCCA are tracking bills related to this issue.

#### Adjournment to Next Meeting

The next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, March 23, 2023 at 5 p.m. This will be an in person meeting to be held at the City of Woodland Council Chambers located at 300 First Street, Woodland, CA 95695. The meeting was adjourned at 6:54 p.m.

Alisa M. Lembke Board Clerk/Administrative Analyst

#### Staff Report - Item 5

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**TO:** Community Advisory Committee

FROM: Alisa Lembke, Board Clerk/Administrative Analyst

**SUBJECT:** Board and CAC 2023 Long Range Calendar

**DATE:** April 27, 2023

Please find attached the 2023 Board and Community Advisory Committee (CAC) Long Range Calendar. Specifically, at the bottom of the calendar lists future (proposed) topics of discussion for the CAC.

If you have an item that you would like added, please send an email to Assistant General Manager Gordon Samuel, Board Clerk Alisa Lembke, CAC Chair and Vice Chair for consideration.

#### **Attachment:**

1. 2023 Board and CAC Long Range Calendar

#### **VALLEY CLEAN ENERGY**

#### 2023 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 12, 2023 Special Meeting scheduled for January 19, 2023 (3 <sup>rd</sup> Thursday) (REMOTE)	<b>Board</b>	<ul> <li>Oaths of Office for Board Members (Annual - new Members only)</li> <li>Election of Officers for 2023 (Annual)</li> <li>Brown Act / AB 2449 – New Legislation on Teleconferencing Meetings</li> <li>2022 Year End Review: Customer Care and Marketing</li> <li>Support Legislation to extend sunset (BioMAT program)</li> <li>Long-term Power Portfolio Update</li> <li>Quarterly Customer Participation Update</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Action</li> <li>Nominations</li> <li>Discussion/Action</li> <li>Information</li> <li>Action</li> <li>Information</li> <li>Information</li> <li>Information</li> </ul>				
January 26, 2023 (REMOTE)	Advisory Committee	<ul> <li>Legislative Summary/Update (Pacific Policy Group)</li> <li>2023 Customer Rate update</li> <li>Forecasting Customer Ag Energy using hydrological conditions (research results) presentation</li> <li>Task Group Formation</li> <li>Quarterly Customer Participation Update</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Information</li> <li>Information</li> <li>Information</li> <li>Discussion/Action</li> <li>Information</li> </ul>				
February 9, 2023 (IN PERSON)	Board (Davis)	<ul> <li>Legislative &amp; Regulatory Updates</li> <li>Update on 2023 PCIA and Rates</li> <li>Update on SACOG Grant – Electrify Yolo</li> <li>Strategic Plan Update (Annual)</li> <li>Enterprise Risk Oversight Committee (EROC) proposed modifications</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Information</li> <li>Information</li> <li>Information</li> <li>Information</li> <li>Discussion/Action</li> </ul>				
February 23, 2023 (Remote)	Advisory Committee	<ul><li>Strategic Plan update (Annual)</li><li>Update on 2023 PCIA and Rates</li></ul>	<ul><li>Information/Discussion</li><li>Information</li></ul>				
March 9, 2023 (IN PERSON)	Board (Woodland)	Meeting cancelled due to lack of agenda items.					

March 23, 2023 (IN PERSON)	Advisory Committee (Woodland)	Meeting cancelled due to lack of agenda items.				
April 13, 2023	Board (Davis)	<ul> <li>Update on SACOG Grant – Electrify Yolo</li> <li>Calendar Year 2023 Audited Financial Statements (James Marta &amp; Co.)</li> <li>Receive Enterprise Risk Management Report (Bi-Annual</li> <li>SMUD: Amendment(s) to update Agreement</li> </ul>	<ul><li>Information</li><li>Action</li><li>Information</li><li>Discussion/Action</li></ul>			
April 27, 2023	Advisory Committee (Davis)	<ul><li>Customer Participation Update</li><li>EV Rebates Program</li></ul>	<ul><li>Information</li><li>Information/Discussion/Action</li></ul>			
May 11, 2023	Board (Woodland)	Customer Participation Update	Information			
May 25, 2023	Advisory Committee (Woodland)	Meeting cancelled due to schedule conflict.				
June 8, 2023	Board (Davis)	<ul> <li>Customer programs development</li> <li>Re/Appointment of Members to Community Advisory Committee (Annual)</li> <li>Financials Update (placeholder)</li> </ul>	<ul><li>Discussion/Action</li><li>Action</li><li>Information</li></ul>			
June 22, 2023	Advisory Committee (Davis)	<ul> <li>Update 3-Year Programs Plan</li> <li>Review CAC Charge (Annual)</li> <li>Customer Dividend and Programs Allocation</li> <li>Strategic Plan (2024-2026) Draft</li> <li>Power Procurement / Renewable Portfolio Standard Update</li> <li>Power Portfolio Renewable Content (placeholder)</li> <li>80% Renewable by 2030 Policy. (placeholder)</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Information/Discussion</li> <li>Discussion</li> <li>Discussion/Action</li> <li>Discussion/Action</li> <li>Information</li> <li>Information/Discussion</li> <li>Discussion/Action</li> </ul>			
July 13, 2023	Board (Woodland)	<ul> <li>Status of SACOG Grant – Electrify Yolo</li> <li>Customer Participation Update</li> <li>Customer Dividend and Programs Allocation</li> <li>Strategic Plan (2024-2026) Draft</li> <li>Power Portfolio Renewable Content (placeholder)</li> <li>80% Renewable by 2030 Policy. (placeholder)</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Information/Discussion/Action</li> <li>Information</li> <li>Discussion/Action</li> <li>Discussion/Action</li> <li>Information/Discussion</li> <li>Discussion/Action</li> </ul>			

July 27, 2023	Advisory Committee (Woodland)		
August 10, 2023	Board (Davis)		
August 24, 2023	Advisory Committee (Davis)	<ul> <li>Power Procurement / Renewable Portfolio Standard update</li> <li>Mid-year 2023 rates update</li> <li>Customer Participation Update</li> <li>Strategic Plan (2024-2026) Final Draft</li> </ul>	<ul><li>Information</li><li>Information</li><li>Information</li><li>Discussion/Action</li></ul>
September 14, 2023	Board (Woodland)	<ul> <li>Certification of Standard and UltraGreen Products / 2022 Power Content Label (Annual)</li> <li>Enterprise Risk Management Report (Bi-Annual)</li> <li>Mid-year 2023 Customer rates review</li> <li>Strategic Plan (2024-2026) Final Draft</li> </ul>	<ul><li>Action</li><li>Information</li><li>Information/Discussion</li><li>Action</li></ul>
September 28, 2023	Advisory Committee (Woodland)	<ul> <li>Legislative End of Session update</li> <li>Update on Programs Plan and 2024 program concepts</li> </ul>	<ul><li>Information</li><li>Information/Discussion</li></ul>
October 12, 2023	Board (Davis)	<ul> <li>Update on SACOG Grant – Electrify Yolo</li> <li>Update on 2024 draft Operating Budget</li> <li>Customer Participation Update</li> <li>Strategic Plan update</li> <li>Update on Programs Plan and 2024 program concepts</li> <li>Status of SACOG Grant – Electrify Yolo</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Information</li> <li>Information</li> <li>Information/Discussion</li> <li>Discussion/Action</li> <li>Information/Discussion</li> </ul>
October 26, 2023	Advisory Committee (Davis)	<ul> <li>Update on Power Content Label Customer Mailer</li> <li>Customer Participation Update</li> <li>Review CAC Task Group Year-end Reports</li> <li>Draft 2024 Legislative Platform</li> </ul>	<ul><li>Information</li><li>Information</li><li>Discussion</li><li>Discussion/Action</li></ul>
November 9, 2023	Board (Woodland)	<ul><li>2024 Operating Budget Update</li><li>2024 Legislative Platform</li></ul>	<ul><li>Information/Discussion</li><li>Discussion/Action</li></ul>
November 23, 2023 November 16, 2023 (rescheduled to November 16 <sup>th</sup> due to the Thanksgiving holiday on Nov. 23 <sup>rd</sup> .)	Advisory Committee (Woodland)	GHG Free Attributes	Information

December 14, 2023	Board (Davis)	<ul> <li>Approve 2024 Operating Budget (Annual) and 2024 Customer Rates</li> <li>GHG Free Attributes</li> <li>Receive CAC Year-end Task Group Reports</li> <li>Election of Officers for 2024 (Annual)</li> </ul>	<ul><li>Discussion/Action</li><li>Action</li><li>Discussion</li><li>Nominations</li></ul>
December 28, 2023 (reschedule?)	Advisory Committee (Davis)	<ul> <li>2024 CAC Task Group(s) formation (Annual)</li> <li>Power Procurement / Renewable Portfolio Standard Update</li> <li>Strategic Plan update</li> <li>Election of Officers for 2024 (Annual)</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Discussion/Action</li> <li>Information</li> <li>Information/Discussion</li> <li>Nominations</li> </ul>
January 11, 2024	Board (Woodland)	<ul> <li>Oaths of Office for Board Members (Annual - new Members only)</li> <li>Election of Officers for 2024 (Annual)</li> <li>Strategic Plan update (Annual)</li> <li>2023 Year End Review: Customer Care and Marketing</li> </ul>	<ul><li>Action</li><li>Nominations</li><li>Information</li><li>Information</li></ul>
January 25, 2024	Advisory Committee (Woodland)	<ul> <li>Legislative Summary/Update (Pacific Policy Group)</li> <li>2024 Customer Rate update</li> </ul>	<ul><li>Information</li><li>Information</li></ul>

**Notes:** 1. CalCCA Annual Meeting scheduled for May 17 - 19, 2023 (San Diego).

2. Starting in March 2023 all meetings will be held in person.

CAC PROPOSED FUTURE TOPICS	ESTIMATED MEETING DATE(S)
Topics and Discussion dates may change as needed	
Self Generation Incentive Program (SGIP)	TBD
VCE Forecasting Overview (a "road map" what goes into forecasting)	Quarter 3
Interconnection	
Net Energy Metering (NEM) 3.0 (Information/Discussion/Action - As needed)	
Agri-voltaics	
Improving Resiliency during Power Outages	
Legislative Items (as needed)	
Strategic Plan additional updates (as needed)	
Time of Use (TOU) / Bill Protection (as needed)	
SACOG Update (as needed)	

#### Staff Report - Item 6

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**TO:** Community Advisory Committee

FROM: Gordon Samuel, Assistant General Manager & Director of Power Services

Alisa Lembke, Board Clerk/Administrative Analyst

**SUBJECT:** CAC 2023 Programs & Outreach Task Group Charge (Information)

**DATE:** April 27, 2023

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#### **RECOMMENDATION**

Informational – no action requested.

At the CAC's February 23, 2023 meeting, it was announced that the Customer Experience Task Group name was changed to Programs and Outreach Task Group (POTG). The draft POTG Charge was reviewed, revised and approved. Attached is the final Charge.

#### **Attachment:**

• Programs and Outreach Task Group 2023 Charge

#### 2023 PROGRAMS AND OUTREACH TASK GROUP CHARGE

**Members:** Keith Taylor (Chair)

David Springer (Co-Chair)

Mark Aulman Rahul Athalye

**Staff Lead:** Rebecca Boyles

#### **2023 Charge:**

Collaborate with VCEA staff and consultants on policies, procedures and programs aimed at improving the customer experience and customer satisfaction in VCE, including:

- 1. Assist in the development of public information strategies, planning, and materials related to VCEA customer marketing, outreach, policies and programs. As requested by staff, review draft materials and provide comments as appropriate; assist with customer-facing community outreach to, and liaison with, member communities.
- 2. Help define audience segments within VCE's service area and consult on appropriate messages and communications approaches; provide a sounding board to assist in message development and copy testing. Conduct review of marketing materials at the draft (pre-release) stage upon request from staff.
- Assist with identification of statewide program opportunities and development of strategies for disseminating information on eligibility, rebate amounts, stacked incentives, and other details; assist Staff with finding and applying for external funding for potential programs.
- 4. Collaborate with Staff on an annual update to the 3-year Programs Plan, discuss 2023 program implementation with Staff; assist with the update of 2022 program design/implementation forms and program prioritization for implementation in 2023.
- 5. As requested by the Director of Customer Care and Marketing, provide outreach and messaging support for the efforts of other CAC task groups, as well as outreach to VCE's participating jurisdictions to encourage collaborative dissemination regarding programs, energy savings tips, rebates/incentives etc. on their websites and social media platforms.
- 6. Provide summaries and updates at monthly CAC meetings on Task Group activities.

#### Staff Report – Item 7

**TO:** Community Advisory Committee

FROM: Rebecca Boyles, Director of Customer Care & Marketing

**SUBJECT:** Quarterly Customer Participation Update (Information)

**DATE:** April 27, 2023

#### **RECOMMENDATION**

Receive the attached quarterly Customer Participation update reflecting the time period through March 31, 2023.

### **Item 9 – Customer Participation Update**

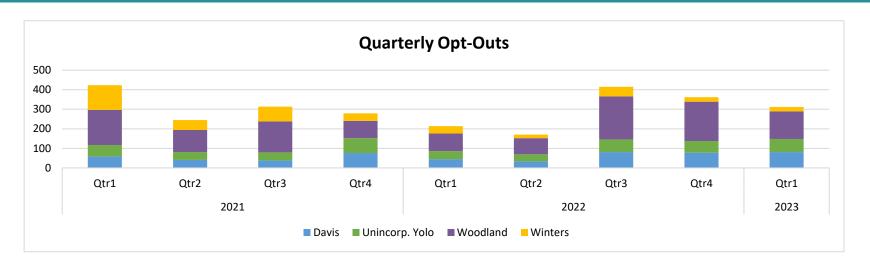
	Davis	Woodland	Winters	Yolo Co	Total	Residential	Commercial	Industrial	Ag	NEM	Non-NEM
VCEA customers	27,957	19,939	2,439	10,654	60,989	53,157	5,938	9	1,885	11,893	49,096
Eligible customers	29,396	23,311	2,842	12,319	67,868	59,084	6,619	9	2,156	13,400	54,468
Participation Rate	95%	86%	86%	86%	90%	90%	90%	100%	87%	89%	90%

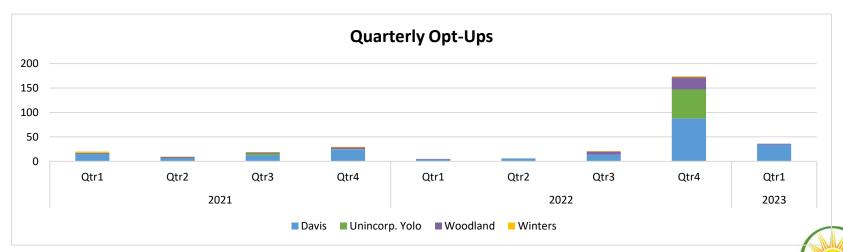
#### % of Load Opted Out

	Davis	Woodland	Winters	Yolo Co	Total	Residential	Commercial	Industrial	Ag	Total
% of Load Opted Out	5%	14%	14%	14%	10%	17%	3%	0%	2%	10%
% of Load Opted Up	1%	0%	0%	1%	1%	1%	3%	0%	0%	1%

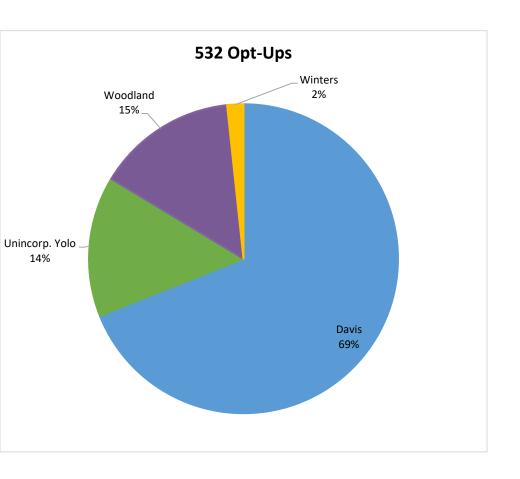


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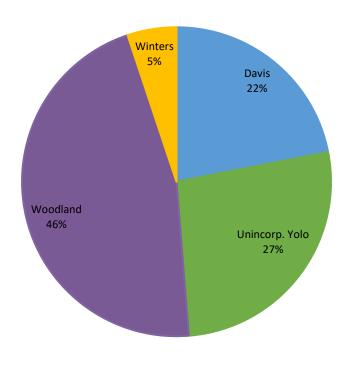




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These pie charts are based on total opt-ups and opt-outs since launch. The percentages in the charts are the percentages of those opt-ups and opt-outs by TOT.



#### Staff Report - Item 8

**TO:** Community Advisory Committee

**FROM:** Gordon Samuel, Assistant General Manager & Director of Power Services

**SUBJECT:** Receive 4/11/23 Board Meeting Staff Report on Gibson Power Purchase Agreement

(Information)

**DATE:** April 27, 2023

#### **RECOMMENDATION**

Informational – no action requested.

At the Board's <u>April 11, 2023</u> regular meeting, Staff provided a report on the Gibson renewable photovoltaic (PV) plus battery storage (BESS) project. At their meeting, the Board approved an amended and restated Power Purchase Agreement (PPA). Please see <u>Item 12</u> for the staff report. Staff will provide an update during the Regular Agenda.

#### Staff Report – Item 9

To: Community Advisory Committee

From: Mitch Sears, Executive Officer

Rebecca Boyles, Director of Customer Care and Marketing Sierra Huffman, Program and Community Engagement Analyst

Subject: Electric Vehicle Rebate Pilot Program

Date: April 27, 2023

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#### RECOMMENDATION

Review and recommend Board approval of Phase 1 extension of Valley Clean Energy's Electric Vehicle Rebate Pilot Program. Provide feedback on Phase 2 program design elements.

#### **BACKGROUND**

In September 2022, VCE launched an Electric Vehicle (EV) Rebate Pilot Program within the context of a national and statewide movement in transportation electrification. The shift in focus from traditional gas vehicles with the recognition of the emissions associated with fossil fuel transportation motivated VCE to explore the most effective ways to increase local EV adoption. VCE designed a program that stacks with existing EV rebates and incentives, providing VCE customers with additional funding opportunities.

Phase 1 is providing rebates for new electric vehicles with proof that the customer has received a rebate from the California Vehicle Rebate Project (CVRP). The program has been very successful, with 5 low-income rebates disbursed, and 21 standard rebates disbursed or inprogress, with \$7,500 remaining in the budget. So far, VCE has gotten a lot of positive feedback from participating customers, and one previously opted-out customer returned to VCE in order to qualify for the rebate.

Staff will move the reserved \$20,000 for marketing/outreach and program administration into the fund for rebates, since the program administration has been manageable within current staff workloads and additional program administration assistance has not been necessary. Per Board direction, the 6-month reserve period has expired, so those funds are available for rebates. Staff recommends allocating \$20,000 additional program funds (out of an approximate \$119,000 available in VCE's Programs Fund) for a total remaining budget of \$47,500 in an extension of Phase 1 of the program, while the Programs/Outreach Task Group and CAC explore additional program design elements to launch in Phase 2 (anticipated launch in Q4 2023).

#### **PHASE 2 PROGRAM DESIGN**

Staff is seeking feedback from the Community Advisory Committee on potential Phase 2 design elements. Some of the elements under consideration include:

- Additional incentives for residential vehicle charging
- Additional incentives for residential vehicle-grid integration (VGI)
- Additional incentives for residential EV charging infrastructure upgrades (e.g. electrical panel upgrades)
- New incentives for commercial charging
- Revised incentives for EV vehicle purchase/lease

#### **FINANCIAL IMPACT**

Total proposed increase to program budget for Phase 1 extension is \$20,000. Rebate amounts would remain as follows: low-income customers would be provided with \$4,000 for any new battery or plug-in hybrid EV; all other eligible customers would receive \$2,000 for new plug-in hybrids or \$2,500 for new battery EVs.

#### **CONCLUSION**

Staff is asking the CAC to provide a recommendation to the Board for approval of the Phase 1 extension of Valley Clean Energy's Electric Vehicle Rebate Pilot Program. Staff is asking for feedback on Phase 2 program design elements.

#### Staff Report - Item 10

**TO:** Community Advisory Committee

**FROM:** Edward Burnham, Director of Finance & Internal Operations

Alisa Lembke, Board Clerk/Administrative Analyst

**SUBJECT:** CAC 2023 Strategic Plan Task Group draft Charge

**DATE:** April 27, 2023

#### RECOMMENDATION

Review, provide feedback and approve the Strategic Plan Task Group Charge.

#### **BACKGROUND**

At the CAC's February 23, 2023 meeting, Staff presented (<a href="Item-8">Item 8</a>) the annual update on VCE's Three-Year Strategic Plan (2021-2023); introduced a rolling strategic plan concept and timeline (see below) to extend the Strategic Plan beyond 2023; and, requested the formation of a Strategic Plan Task Group (SPTG) to assist Staff in developing the working draft plan.

Attached is the draft Charge for your review, feedback and approval.

#### The following timeline was outlined:

- March

  June 2023 CAC Task Group to provide input and feedback to Staff in developing the
  working draft plan.
- June July 2023 Draft Plan. Present Draft to CAC and Board for review and feedback in Q3 2023.
- August September 2023 Final draft plan. Present final draft to CAC and Board for consideration for adoption by Q4 2023.

#### Attachment:

1. Draft Strategic Plan Task Group Charge

#### **2023 STRATEGIC PLAN TASK GROUP CHARGE**

**Members**: Marsha Baird

Lorenzo Kristov Rahul Athalye

**Staff Lead:** Edward Burnham

#### **2023 Charge:**

The CAC Strategic Plan Task Group will assist VCE Staff with the planning and development of a rolling strategic plan and updates to current objectives through 2026. The current 3-year Strategic Plan covers 2021-23 and was approved by the Board on October 8, 2020.

Specifically, the Task Group will:

- (1) review existing organizational strategic documents vision statement, mission statement, SWOT analysis, and strategic plan.
- (2) work with Staff to develop 2024-26 Strategic Plan objectives,
- (3) provide input and feedback to Staff on a working draft 2024-26 Strategic Plan to present to the CAC and Board,
- (4) collaborate with Staff develop guidelines for structure and best practices of rolling strategic plan for future years,
- (5) provide summaries and updates at monthly CAC meetings on Task Group activities.