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# **SACRAMENTO ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION**

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Laura Nickerson, Chair  
Stephanie Holstege, Vice Chair  
Christine Casey  
Dr. Anthony DeRiggi  
Richard Hunn  
Eugene Lee  
Gage Marchini  
Jacqueline Todak  
Mark White

A JOINT COMMISSION APPOINTED BY:  
County of Sacramento  
City of Sacramento  
City of Isleton  
City of Folsom  
City of Galt  
City of Elk Grove

## **MINUTES**

**Monday, July 15, 2024, 6 p.m.  
11080 White Rock Road, Suite 200  
Rancho Cordova, CA 95670**

Join by Zoomgov:

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Meeting ID: 160 875 2767

## **ITEM**

1 Call to Order

2 Roll Call – Staff Secretary

Present: Laura Nickerson, Stephanie Holstege, Christine Casey, Richard Hunn, Eugene Lee, Gage Marchini, Jacqueline Todak

3 Introduction of Commissioners

4 Public Comment

\*Members of the public have three minutes to comment on each separate item including any matter not on the posted agenda.

No public comment.

5 Discussion On SMUD’s Virtual Forum Future Road To Zero Carbon- Commissioners

Commissioners Lee and Marchini attended a virtual forum hosted by SMUD and reported on the highlights of that presentation. SMUD is repurposing natural gas technology, expanding clean technology while also piloting new scale technology.

SMUD plans to retire two plants, McClellan and Campbell while building other solar and storage projects to replace them.

New tech strategies include Calpine’s Sutter Energy Center and the ESS iron flow

long-duration clean energy storage project using stackable crates that can store half a megawatt of power for 7 hours. This is a more sustainable battery storage option for back up energy.

SMUD secured funding from the Department of Energy to support advanced smart grid technologies and Calpine's carbon capture and sequestration project and funding from California's Energy Commission to deploy charging infrastructure to multi-family housing in underserved communities.

6 Sacramento County Sustainability Update- John Lundgren, Sustainability Manager

Public comment has opened for the Draft Climate Action Plan SEIR. Specific comments regarding recommendations for County decarbonization priorities are encouraged.

John Lundgren expressed that the County could be positioned to be act with the next state building code cycle, adopting reach codes based on energy efficiency, to install most energy efficient appliances.

7 Approve Draft Minutes June 17, 2024

Motion to approve made by Richard Hunn, seconded by Jacqueline Todak

Ayes: Laura Nickerson, Christine Casey, Richard Hunn, Eugene Lee, Gage Marchini, Jacqueline Todak

Abstentions: Stephanie Holstege

Noes: None

Motion passes

8 EMD Director's Report- Jennea Monasterio, Director, Sacramento County Environmental Management Department

9 Report Back on SEC Commissioner Monitoring of Environmental Issues and Agencies  
Richard Hunn- County Parks and Fish and Wildlife Commission. Filed a certificate of consistency to review Salmon Habitat project, to increase nesting Salmon along American River.

Gage Marchini- Water Forum and American River Conservancy partnership- restoring spawning and rearing habitat along American River Parkway and enhancing riparian landscape.

Jacqueline Todak- City of Sacramento EIR on Stockton Boulevard Improvements.

Eugene Lee- City of Elk Grove was an award winner from Cal Trans to develop a heat resiliency plan that involves identify cooling actions: shade trees, cooling asphalt, and updates to ordinances and design standards.

10 Commissioner Comments

- Awards Committee Update
- Review Agency Monitoring List and Add Volunteers
- Outreach Subcommittee Formation Discussion- To Increase Awareness of SEC Mission

Actions taken:

1. Form Subcommittee on CAP comments: Stephanie Holstege, Eugene Lee. Richard Hunn. Gage Marchini
  2. Form Subcommittee on SEC Outreach to Electeds and departments that could utilize SEC as a resource. Richard Hunn will work on defining actions and goals of the SEC so they can be clearly communicated. Tentatively include Mark White and Anthony DeRiggi in the subcommittee.
- 11 Meeting adjourned 7:07 pm. Next Meeting- August 19, 2024, EMD, 11080 White Rock Road, Suite 200, Rancho Cordova, CA 95670

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