



**DRAFT MEETING MINUTES  
COMMUNITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING  
THURSDAY, MAY 16, 2024  
1:00 P.M.**

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**Receive Geothermal Opportunity Zone Update**

(2:25 p.m. - Video Time Stamp: 01:23:42)

CEO Syphers explained that while California is doing a good job with batteries, wind, and solar, we still can't shut down almost any of the fossil fuel power plants on the grid. He further explained that actually shutting down those power plants will require a variety of technologies, and he recommended the Committee to watch the Geothermal Opportunity Zone Item because updates are coming. CEO Syphers discussed Enhanced Geothermal Systems (EGS) and said that SCP staff is working to update the Geothermal Opportunity Zone portion of the website in the next few weeks.

Chair Morris asked how often the steel casings in the drilled holes break down and CEO Syphers said he would take any industry questions down and get the Committee an answer. Member Soto asked how people were reacting to "fracking" and CEO Syphers responded that SCP is starting to talk to people in the area, and early conversations were revealing the importance of ground water protections. He added that he and staff Director Ryan Tracey also toured local communities in Lake County near the existing Geysers operations to meet with people and learn about their experiences.

Public Comment: None