



**AGENDA
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
THURSDAY, DECEMBER 4, 2025, 9:00 A.M.**

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For further clarification on any of the items listed please contact (855) 202-2139 and staff will be available to assist.

Staff recommendations are guidelines to the Board. On any item, the Board may take action which varies from that recommended by staff.

CALL TO ORDER

(Any private remote meeting attendance will be noticed or approved at this time)

BOARD OF DIRECTORS CONSENT CALENDAR

1. Approve November 6, 2025, Draft Board of Directors Meeting Minutes (Staff Recommendation: Approve) **pg. 4**
2. Receive Monthly Financial Report (Staff Recommendation: Receive and File) **pg. 11**
3. Approve Emergency Consumer Protections for Natural Disaster in Sonoma Clean Power Authority Service Territory (Staff Recommendation: Approve) **pg. 23**
4. Receive Geothermal Opportunity Zone Update (Staff Recommendation: Receive and File) **pg. 29**

BOARD OF DIRECTORS REGULAR CALENDAR

5. Receive Internal Operations Report and Provide Direction as Appropriate (Staff Recommendation: Receive and File) **pg. 33**
6. Receive Legislative and Regulatory Updates, Approve Legislative Positions, and Provide Direction as Appropriate (Staff Recommendation: Approve) **pg. 35**
7. Accept the Independent Auditor's Report for the Financial Statements from Fiscal Years Ending June 30, 2024, and June 30, 2025 (Staff Recommendation: Approve) **pg. 37**
8. Receive Nominations and Appoint Community Advisory Committee Members for the Term Beginning January 1, 2026 (Staff Recommendation: Approve) **pg. 39**

BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEMBER ANNOUNCEMENTS

(Directors may report on their activities since the last Board meeting, including any reports required by Gov't Code Section 53232.3(d).)

PUBLIC COMMENT ON MATTERS NOT LISTED ON THE AGENDA

(Comments are restricted to matters within the Board's jurisdiction. Please be brief and limit spoken comments to three minutes, or 300 words if written.)

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COMMONLY USED ACRONYMS AND TERMS

CAC	Community Advisory Committee
CAISO	California Independent Systems Operator - the grid operator
CCA	Community Choice Aggregator - a community-owned public power provider
CEC	California Energy Commission
CleanStart	SCP's default power service
CPUC	California Public Utilities Commission
DER	Distributed Energy Resource
ERRA	Energy Resource Recovery Account - one of PG&E's rate cases at the CPUC
EverGreen	SCP's 100% renewable, 100% local energy service, and the first service in the United States providing renewable power every hour of every day.
Geothermal	A locally available, low-carbon baseload renewable resource
GHG	Greenhouse gas
GRC	General Rate Case - one of PG&E's rate cases at the CPUC
GridSavvy	GridSavvy Rewards are available to SCP customers for reducing household energy use to help California increase power reliability.
IOU	Investor-Owned Utility - for-profit distribution utilities like PG&E
IRP	Integrated Resource Plan - balancing energy needs with energy resources
JPA	Joint Powers Authority
MW	Megawatt is a unit of power and measures how fast energy is being used or produced at one moment.
MWh	Megawatt-hour is a unit of energy and measures how much energy is used or produced over time.
NEM	Net Energy Metering. NEM is a billing mechanism that credits solar energy system owners for the electricity they add to the grid.
PCIA	Power Charge Indifference Adjustment - a fee charged by PG&E to all electric customers to ensure PG&E can pay for excess power supply contracts that it no longer needs.
RA	Resource Adequacy - a required form of capacity that helps ensure there are sufficient power resources available when needed.
RPS	Renewables Portfolio Standard refers to certain kinds of renewable energy which qualify to meet state requirements, including wind, solar, geothermal.
SCP	Sonoma Clean Power
TOU	Time of Use, used to refer to rates that differ by time of day



**DRAFT MEETING MINUTES
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 6, 2025
9:00 A.M.**

CALL TO ORDER

(9:03 a.m. - Video Time Stamp: 00:01:40)

Vice Chair Elward called the meeting to order.

Board Members present: Vice Chair Elward, Directors Lemus, Laskey, Albin-Smith, Zollman, Fleming, Farrar-Rivas, and Haschak. Chair Barnacle, Directors Potter and Hopkins were absent.

Staff present: Geof Syphers, Chief Executive Officer; Michael Koszalka, Chief Operating Officer; Garth Salisbury, Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer; Ryan Tracey, Chief Strategy Officer; Neal Reardon, Director of Regulatory Affairs, Adam Jorge, Senior Decarbonization Policy Manager; Miles Horton, Legislative Policy & Community Engagement Manager; Scott Salyer, Senior Program Manager, Decarbonization Strategy; and Karen Flores, Clerk of the Board.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS CONSENT CALENDAR

(9:03 a.m. - Video Time Stamp: 00:02:47)

1. Approve October 2, 2025, Draft Board of Directors Meeting Minutes
2. Receive Monthly Financial Report
3. Approve the Deferral of Funds into the Rate Stabilization Fund
4. Approve Update to the NetGreen 2.0 Tariff to Remove the Bonus Penny Adder from the Net Surplus Compensation Rate Calculation and Rename Tariff to Net Energy Metering
5. Receive Internal Operations Report and Provide Direction as Appropriate

Vice Chair Elward requested to pull item 5 for further updates from Geof Syphers, Chief Executive Officer. The following updates were shared:

- The department previously known as “Programs” has been changed to “Customer Energy Solutions”
- Ryan Tracey has been promoted to Chief Strategy Officer (CSO)
- Caludia Sisomphou has been promoted to Director of Community & Governmental Relations
- Community Advisory Committee applications deadline has been extended to November 20th.

Motion to approve October 2, 2025, Board of Directors Consent Calendar by Director Farrar-Rivas

Second: Zollman

Motion passed by roll call vote

AYES: Laskey, Lemus, Albin-Smith, Elward, Fleming, Zollman, Farrar- Rivas, Haschak

ABSENT: Barnacle, Potter, and Hopkins

BOARD OF DIRECTORS REGULAR CALENDAR

6. Receive Legislative and Regulatory Updates, Approve Legislative Positions, and Provide Direction as Appropriate

(9:13 a.m. - Video Time Stamp: 00:11:55)

Neal Reardon, Director of Regulatory Affairs, provided two key updates. First, regarding the Power Charge Indifference Adjustment (PCIA), the California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) approved a proposal that changes how resources are valued for Community Choice Aggregation (CCA) customers, despite some associated risks. In response, the County of Sonoma submitted a Public Records Act (PRA) request to understand the basis of the decision, but the CPUC replied that the requested information was not available. Director Reardon’s second update clarified an error in the written item: the title within the staff report “California Public Utilities Commission Issues Proposed Decision Removing Barrier for CCA Customers to Receive Incentives for Heat Pump Water Heaters and Storage” should reference only energy storage, not heat pump water heaters. Background was provided explaining that the CPUC changed rules for customers receiving Self-Generation Incentive Program (SGIP) benefits, primarily affecting those installing batteries and, more recently,

heat pump water heaters on-site. The CPUC has since proposed removing a rule that required customers to join a “Qualified” demand response program to access SGIP incentives for energy storage. This change follows 18 months of advocacy by SCP and other CCAs.

Miles Horton, Legislative Policy & Community Engagement Manager, shared updates on SCP’s sponsored geothermal bills: AB 527 (Papan), which exempts exploration wells from CEQA, and AB 531 (Rogers), which streamlines approval for geothermal projects under 50 MW. Mr. Horton explained that AB 527 was vetoed, however, AB 531 has been signed into law. Discussion ensued regarding future opportunities to work with Cal Cities on legislative work.

Public Comment: None

7. Receive Geothermal Opportunity Zone Update and Delegate Authority to the Chief Executive Officer or his Designee to Terminate the Geothermal Opportunity Zone Cooperation Agreement with Chevron New Energies and Execute the Memorandum of Understanding with Chevron New Energies for Collaborating to Develop Geothermal in the Western Interconnection

(9:32 a.m. - Video Time Stamp: 00:31:13)

Ryan Tracey, Chief Strategy Officer, provided some background on GeoZone agreements which included milestone deadlines. Of these deadlines, Chevron’s was set at the latest, for March 2026, however, Chevron has indicated over the past year that it will not meet all required milestones. Due to Chevron’s delayed progress and uncertain timeline, SCP staff has recommended terminating the existing cooperation agreement with Chevron New Energies for geothermal development in the GeoZone, while proposing a new Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) to maintain collaboration on broader geothermal efforts in the Western U.S. The termination preserves SCP’s right of first refusal and ensures continued communication and stakeholder engagement for any future activity in the GeoZone. Additionally, CSO Tracey shared that the County of Sonoma, working closely with SCP, has been awarded a California Energy Commission (CEC) grant of \$1.36 million. This grant will help fund regional geothermal planning projects with Sonoma, Mendocino, and Lake counties, aimed at improving data and permitting processes for future geothermal development. CSO Tracey addressed questions from the Board members regarding this item and clarified that the

MOU does not have an expiration date, but that the termination letter's stipulations will last for 2 years.

Public Comment: None

Motion to Delegate Authority to the Chief Executive Officer or his Designee to Terminate the Geothermal Opportunity Zone Cooperation Agreement with Chevron New Energies and Execute the Memorandum of Understanding with Chevron New Energies for Collaborating to Develop Geothermal in the Western Interconnection by Director Haschack

Second: Farrar-Rivas

Motion passed by roll call vote

AYES: Laskey, Lemus, Albin-Smith, Elward, Fleming, Zollman, Farrar- Rivas, Haschak

ABSENT: Barnacle, Potter, and Hopkins

Item 10 was taken out of order at the direction of Vice Chair Elward

10. Approve Parameters for Customer Rate Reductions on January 1, 2026, Approve a Second Set of Parameters for Rate Adjustment for February 1, 2026, and Waive Prior Board Decision to Allocate 2% of Revenues from Calendar Year 2025 to the Local Investment Fund

(9:55 a.m. - Video Time Stamp: 00:53:38)

CEO Syphers introduced the need for rate changes. He explained staff's recommendation on reducing customer rates starting January 1, 2026, targeting total bills at 3% above PG&E's bundled service, despite a sharp increase in PG&E's Power Charge Indifference Adjustment (PCIA) fee. To manage forecast uncertainties, a second rate adjustment is proposed for February 1, 2026, once PG&E's actual rates and fees are confirmed. SCP would automatically adjust rates for all customers on January 1st, 2026, meaning that the average households would see about a \$11 per month savings on their total electric bill. Staff also recommended returning \$5 million in planned capital project funds to ratepayers to further reduce energy costs.

Public Comment: None

Motion to Approve Parameters for Customer Rate Reductions on January 1, 2026, Approve a Second Set of Parameters for Rate Adjustment for February 1, 2026, and Waive Prior Board Decision to Allocate 2% of Revenues from Calendar Year 2025 to the Local Investment Fund by Director Zollman

Second: Lemus

Motion passed by roll call vote

AYES: Laskey, Lemus, Albin-Smith, Elward, Fleming, Zollman, Farrar- Rivas, Haschak

ABSENT: Barnacle, Potter, and Hopkins

8. Receive Update on Sonoma Clean Power Authority Decarbonization Research Efforts

(10:09 a.m. - Video Time Stamp: 01:08:36)

Scott Salyer, Senior Program Manager, Decarbonization Strategy along with Adam Jorge, Senior Decarbonization Policy Manager, gave a presentation on SCP's decarbonization research efforts.

Public Comment: None

9. Receive Update on Lake County

(10:38 a.m. - Video Time Stamp: 01:37:05)

Geof Syphers, Chief Executive Officer, provided an update on the progress of the potential expansion to Lake County. On October 21st, the Lake County Board of Supervisors decided to table the decision about joining SCP and did not vote. Over the past decade, Sonoma Clean Power has engaged in ongoing discussions with Lake County regarding service expansion. Lake County has requested an offer of service three times, prompting two detailed feasibility studies in 2019 and 2025, costing approximately \$90,000 in ratepayer funds. CEO Syphers shared that ultimately the County Board of Supervisors decided not to vote on the item, leaving no opportunity for the City of Lakeport to consider joining, as that city is too small to implement a rollout independently.

Public Comment: None

BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEMBER ANNOUNCEMENTS

(10:44 a.m. - Video Time Stamp: 01:42:55)

None.

PUBLIC COMMENT ON MATTERS NOT LISTED ON THE AGENDA

(10:43 a.m. - Video Time Stamp: 01:42:32)

Public Comment: None

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(10:44 a.m. - Video Time Stamp: 01:42:59)

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Staff Report - Item 02

To: Sonoma Clean Power Authority Board of Directors
From: Garth Salisbury, Chief Financial Officer & Treasurer
Chris Golik, Senior Finance Manager
Issue: Receive Monthly Financial Report
Date: December 4, 2025

Monthly Financial Report

The Financial Report is to inform the Board of Directors (Board) of monthly financial results and includes a summary of investments and investment activity in SCP's portfolio. The Investment Report and associated attachments are to inform the Board pursuant to the requirements of SCP's Financial Policy B.5 Investments and Government Code Section 53607. This is an informational item only.

Monthly Compiled Financial Statements (September 30, 2025)

The year-to-date change in net position is more than projections by approximately \$34,115,000. Year-to-date revenue from electricity sales is above projections by approximately 4% and cost of energy is under projections by approximately 55%. Year-to-date electricity sales reached \$73,331,000.

SCP maintains a balanced portfolio by procuring electricity from multiple sources. Net position reached a positive \$277,012,000. Approximately \$231,889,000 is set aside for operating reserves as of June 30, 2024.

Other operating expenses continued near or slightly below planned levels for the year.

Budgetary Comparison Schedule (September 30, 2025)

The accompanying budgetary comparison includes the 2025/26 Amended Budget approved by the Board of Directors.

The budget is formatted to make comparisons for both the annual and the year-to-date perspective. The first column, 2025/26 YTD Amended Budget, allocates the Board approved annual budget at expected levels throughout the year with consideration for the timing of additional customers, usage volumes, staffing needs etc. This column represents our best estimates, and this granular approach was not part of the Board approved budget.

Revenue from electricity sales to customers is greater than budget by approximately 4% at the end of the reporting period.

The cost of electricity was less than the budget-to-date by approximately 55%. Variation in this account is typically due to fluctuating market cost of energy on open position purchases as well as supplier delivery delays.

Major operating categories of Data Management fees and PG&E Service fees are based on the customer account totals.

In addition to the items mentioned above, SCP continues its trend of remaining near or under budget for most of its operating expenses.

Monthly Investment Report

This report is to verify and report in writing to the Board regarding the responsibilities designated to the SCP Treasurer pursuant to SCP Financial Policy B.5 Investments. The Investment Policy was amended in 2024 expanding the definition of Permitted Investments, adding several investment diversification requirements, best practices and requiring additional reporting requirements to the Board and stakeholders as follows.

Monthly Obligation to Report on New Investment Transactions

Government Code Section 53607 and SCP's Investment Policy require SCP to report to the Board and stakeholders any investment transactions (defined as purchases, sales, or exchanges of securities) made during the month as soon as is practicable after the end of the month. Given the scheduling of the SCP's Board meetings during the first week of the month, the investment report will indicate investment transactions that occurred two months prior (October 2025).

SCP currently maintains bank accounts and investments at River City Bank (RCB), Summit State Bank, the State of California Local Agency Investment Fund (LAIF) and USBank. Active individual securities are held at both RCB and USBank. Staff will provide Statements of Investments as required throughout the year.

Reportable Activities

USBank

In November of 2024, the Board approved amendments to SCP Investment Policy as recommended by SCP's investment advisor, Chandler Asset Management (CAM). As of October 31st, CAM managed about \$73 million of SCP's reserves. All investments directed by CAM are held at SCP's custodian, USBank. All investments held as of October 31, 2025, at USBank appear as Attachment 3 with new holdings purchased in October highlighted. USBank transaction details for the month of October, including sales and maturities of securities, are in Attachment 4. Additionally, the October 2025 account statement prepared by CAM is in Attachment 5.

River City Bank

A detailed statement of the investments held at River City Bank as of October 31, 2025, appears as Attachment 6. River City Bank transaction details for the month of October, including sales and maturities of securities, are in Attachment 7.

State of California Local Agency Investment Fund

The LAIF investment balance as of October 31, 2025, appears as Attachment 8.

Attachments

- Attachment 1 - September 2025 Financial Statements
- Attachment 2 - September 2025 Budgetary Statement
- Attachment 3 - October 2025 Statement of Investments Held at USBank, available at [this link](#) or by request to the Clerk of the Board
- Attachment 4 - October 2025 Statement of Transactions at USBank, available at [this link](#) or by request to the Clerk of the Board
- Attachment 5 - October 2025 USBank Account Statement prepared by CAM, available at [this link](#) or by request to the Clerk of the Board
- Attachment 6 - October 2025 Statement of Investments Held at River City Bank, available at [this link](#) or by request to the Clerk of the Board
- Attachment 7 - October 2025 Statement of Transactions at River City Bank, available at [this link](#) or by request to the Clerk of the Board

- Attachment 8 - October 2025 Statement of Investments Held at the Local Agency Investment Fund, available at [this link](#) or by request to the Clerk of the Board



ACCOUNTANTS' COMPILATION REPORT

Management
Sonoma Clean Power Authority

Management is responsible for the accompanying financial statements of Sonoma Clean Power Authority (a California Joint Powers Authority) which comprise the statement of net position as of September 30, 2025, and the related statement of revenues, expenses, and changes in net position, and the statement of cash flows for the three months then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. We have performed a compilation engagement in accordance with Statements on Standards for Accounting and Review Services promulgated by the Accounting and Review Services Committee of the AICPA. We did not audit or review the accompanying statements nor were we required to perform any procedures to verify the accuracy or completeness of the information provided by management. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion, conclusion, nor provide any assurance on these financial statements.

Management has elected to omit substantially all of the note disclosures required by accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America in these interim financial statements. Sonoma Clean Power Authority's annual audited financial statements include the note disclosures omitted from these interim statements. If the omitted disclosures were included in these financial statements, they might influence the user's conclusions about the Authority's financial position, results of operations, and cash flows. Accordingly, these financial statements are not designed for those who are not informed about such matters.

We are not independent with respect to the Authority because we performed certain accounting services that impaired our independence.

Maher Accountancy

San Rafael, CA
November 6, 2025

SONOMA CLEAN POWER AUTHORITY

STATEMENT OF NET POSITION

As of September 30, 2025

ASSETS

Current assets

Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 206,409,885
Accounts receivable, net of allowance	21,482,670
Other receivables	7,460,009
Accrued revenue	15,871,408
Prepaid expenses	1,430,912
Deposits	6,345,890
Investments	103,109,870
Total current assets	<u>362,110,644</u>

Noncurrent assets

Investments	69,034,952
Other receivables	870,089
Deposits	16,000
Capital assets, net of depreciation	17,279,787
Total noncurrent assets	<u>87,200,828</u>
Total assets	<u>449,311,472</u>

LIABILITIES

Current liabilities

Accrued cost of electricity	26,096,780
Accounts payable	1,714,564
Other accrued liabilities	4,360,240
User taxes and energy surcharges due to other governments	732,197
Supplier security deposits	564,000
Total current liabilities	<u>33,467,781</u>

Noncurrent liabilities

Supplier security deposits	1,332,121
Total liabilities	<u>34,799,902</u>

DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES

Rate stabilization fund	<u>137,500,000</u>
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NET POSITION

Investment in capital assets	17,279,787
Unrestricted	259,731,783
Total net position	<u>\$ 277,011,570</u>

SONOMA CLEAN POWER AUTHORITY
STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENSES
AND CHANGES IN NET POSITION
Three Months Ended September 30, 2025

OPERATING REVENUES

Electricity sales, net	\$ 72,568,737
Evergreen electricity premium	762,069
Liquidated damages	6,963,211
Grant revenue	135,686
Total operating revenues	<u>80,429,703</u>

OPERATING EXPENSES

Cost of electricity	29,953,416
Contract services	2,751,173
Staff compensation	2,971,041
Program rebates and incentives	424,338
Other operating expenses	743,281
Depreciation	357,810
Total operating expenses	<u>37,201,059</u>
Operating income	<u>43,228,644</u>

NONOPERATING REVENUES (EXPENSES)

Investment income	<u>3,935,721</u>
Nonoperating revenues (expenses), net	<u>3,935,721</u>

CHANGE IN NET POSITION

	47,164,365
Net position at beginning of year	<u>229,847,205</u>
Net position at end of period	<u><u>\$ 277,011,570</u></u>

SONOMA CLEAN POWER AUTHORITY

STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS Three Months Ended September 30, 2025

CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES

Receipts from customers	\$ 64,193,050
Receipts of security deposits and damages revenue	5,817,976
Receipts from wholesale sales and other operating activities	18,566,622
Payments to electricity suppliers	(43,224,537)
Payments for other goods and services	(3,951,527)
Payments for staff compensation	(2,803,048)
Payments for program rebates and incentives	(446,098)
Payments of taxes and surcharges to other governments	(786,271)
Net cash provided (used) by operating activities	<u>37,366,167</u>

CASH FLOWS FROM CAPITAL AND RELATED FINANCING ACTIVITIES

Purchases of capital assets	<u>(53,005)</u>
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CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES

Investment income received	2,914,141
Proceeds from sales and maturities of investments	1,253,894
Purchase of investments	<u>(11,987,278)</u>
Net cash provided (used) by investing activities	<u>(7,819,243)</u>

Net change in cash and cash equivalents	29,493,919
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of year	<u>176,915,966</u>
Cash and cash equivalents at end of period	<u><u>\$ 206,409,885</u></u>

NONCASH INVESTING ACTIVITIES

Change in fair value of investments	\$ 1,307,310
Change in interest receivable	\$ (285,730)

SONOMA CLEAN POWER AUTHORITY

STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

(Continued)

Three Months Ended September 30, 2025

RECONCILIATION OF OPERATING INCOME (LOSS) TO NET CASH PROVIDED (USED) BY OPERATING ACTIVITIES

Operating income (loss)	\$ 43,228,644
Adjustments to reconcile operating income to net cash provided (used) by operating activities:	
Depreciation expense	357,810
(Increase) decrease in:	
Accounts receivable, net	(6,770,602)
Other receivables	(1,378,974)
Accrued revenue	(3,241,443)
Prepaid expenses	94,093
Deposits	(100,000)
Increase (decrease) in:	
Accrued cost of electricity	4,231,854
Accounts payable	16,502
Accrued liabilities	4,722,618
User taxes due to other governments	88,018
Supplier security deposits	(3,882,353)
Net cash provided (used) by operating activities:	<u>\$ 37,366,167</u>



ACCOUNTANTS' COMPILATION REPORT

Board of Directors
Sonoma Clean Power Authority

Management is responsible for the accompanying Budgetary Comparison Schedule for the Operating Fund of Sonoma Clean Power Authority (a California Joint Powers Authority) for the three months ended September 30, 2025, and for determining that the budgetary basis of accounting is an acceptable financial reporting framework. We have performed a compilation engagement in accordance with Statements on Standards for Accounting and Review Services promulgated by the Accounting and Review Services Committee of the AICPA. We did not audit or review the accompanying statement nor were we required to perform any procedures to verify the accuracy or completeness of the information provided by management. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion, a conclusion, nor provide any assurance on this special purpose budgetary comparison statement.

The special purpose statement is prepared in accordance with the budgetary basis of accounting, which is a basis of accounting other than accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. This report is intended for the information of the Board of Directors of Sonoma Clean Power Authority.

Management has elected to omit substantially all of the note disclosures required by accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America in these interim financial statements. Sonoma Clean Power Authority's annual audited financial statements include the note disclosures omitted from these interim statements. If the omitted disclosures were included in these financial statements, they might influence the user's conclusions about the Authority's financial position, results of operations, and cash flows. Accordingly, these financial statements are not designed for those who are not informed about such matters.

We are not independent with respect to the Authority because we performed certain accounting services that impaired our independence.

Maher Accountancy

San Rafael, CA
November 6, 2025

SONOMA CLEAN POWER AUTHORITY
BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE - OPERATING FUND
Three Months Ended September 30, 2025

	2025/26 YTD Amended Budget	2025/26 YTD Actual	2025/26 YTD Amended Budget Variance (Under) Over	2025/26 YTD Actual / Amended Budget %	2025/26 Amended Budget	2025/26 Amended Budget Remaining
REVENUE AND OTHER SOURCES:						
Electricity (net of allowance) *	\$ 69,741,728	\$ 72,569,125	\$ 2,827,397	104%	\$ 228,694,000	\$ 156,124,875
Evergreen Premium (net of allowance)	787,500	762,069	(25,431)	97%	3,150,000	2,387,931
CEC Grant Proceeds	189,560	135,686	(53,874)	72%	863,000	727,314
Investment returns	3,000,000	3,935,721	935,721	131%	12,000,000	8,064,279
Total revenue and other sources	73,718,788	77,402,601	3,683,813	105%	244,707,000	167,304,399
EXPENDITURES AND OTHER USES:						
CURRENT EXPENDITURES						
Cost of energy and scheduling	50,762,852	22,990,593	(27,772,259)	45%	234,986,000	211,995,407
Data management	839,700	840,849	1,149	100%	3,359,000	2,518,151
Service fees- PG&E	247,500	248,464	964	100%	990,000	741,536
Personnel	3,119,331	2,971,041	(148,290)	95%	12,781,000	9,809,959
Marketing & communications	1,078,688	887,432	(191,256)	82%	4,415,000	3,527,568
Customer service	98,250	47,297	(50,953)	48%	220,000	172,703
General and administration	573,655	529,471	(44,184)	92%	2,309,000	1,779,529
Legal	131,250	189,395	58,145	144%	525,000	335,605
Regulatory and compliance	90,000	29,915	(60,085)	33%	360,000	330,085
Accounting	72,450	77,820	5,370	107%	340,000	262,180
Legislative	55,000	51,000	(4,000)	93%	220,000	169,000
Other consultants	183,225	179,665	(3,560)	98%	535,000	355,335
Industry memberships and dues	221,684	213,808	(7,876)	96%	888,000	674,192
Program implementation	1,777,811	623,676	(1,154,135)	35%	6,481,000	5,857,324
Total current expenditures	59,251,396	29,880,426	(29,370,970)	50%	268,409,000	238,528,574
OTHER USES						
Capital outlay	1,168,000	107,474	(1,060,526)	9%	7,022,000	6,914,526
Total expenditures, other uses	60,419,396	29,987,900	(30,431,496)	50%	275,431,000	245,443,100
Net increase (decrease) in available fund balance	\$ 13,299,392	\$ 47,414,701	\$ 34,115,309		\$ (30,724,000)	\$ (78,138,701)
<i>* Represents sales of approximately 499,000 MWh for 2025/26 YTD actual.</i>						
RESERVES	Balance - as of June 30, 2024	Long-Term Targeted	% of Long-Term Target			
Operating Reserve	\$ 231,889,000	\$ 267,909,000	87%			

SONOMA CLEAN POWER AUTHORITY
BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE - OPERATING FUND (CONTINUED)
RECONCILIATION OF NET INCREASE IN AVAILABLE FUND BALANCE
TO CHANGE IN NET POSITION
Three Months Ended September 30, 2025

Net increase (decrease) in available fund balance per budgetary comparison schedule:	\$ 47,414,701
Adjustments needed to reconcile to the changes in net position in the Statement of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Net Position:	
Subtract depreciation expense	(357,810)
Add back capital asset acquisitions	107,474
Change in net position	<u>\$ 47,164,365</u>



Staff Report - Item 03

To: Sonoma Clean Power Authority Board of Directors

From: Danielle McCants, Customer Operations Manager
Erica Torgerson, Managing Director of Customer Service

Issue: Approve Emergency Consumer Protections for Natural Disaster in Sonoma Clean Power Authority Service Territory

Date: December 4, 2025

Recommendation

Ratify Sonoma Clean Power Authority's (SCPA) Emergency Consumer Protection Policy based on the February 2025 Winter Storms.

Background

On October 1, 2020, SCPA's Board of Directors approved an updated Customer Service Policy A.3 - Late Payment Noticing, Transfer of Service, Pre-Collection Noticing, Collections. Per the guidelines of Customer Service Policy A.3: This policy in whole or in parts may be suspended or modified if a state of emergency proclamation is issued by the California Governor's Office or the President of the United States due to a disaster that affects utility service or a health pandemic. At that time the Chief Executive Officer (CEO), or his designee, may put into effect SCPA's Customer Service Policy A.6 - Emergency Consumer Protection Policy. If the CEO, or his designee puts SCPA's Emergency Consumer Protection Policy into effect, the decision must be ratified by the Board of Directors within 90 days or at the next regularly scheduled Board of Director's meeting.

Ratification of this item falls outside the 90-day window due to the timing of the State of Emergency declaration, which occurred several months after the original event. As a result, activation of the Emergency Consumer Protection Policy was not immediately applicable or warranted. Furthermore, concurrent operational changes, including the transition to a new service provider, rendered the policy's consumer

protections functionally non-impactful during this period, as the associated operational processes were temporarily inactive.

Discussion

Following the 2017 Northern California Wildfires, and pursuant to California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) Resolutions M-4833, E-4899, and Advice Letter 3914-G-A/5186-E-A, Pacific Gas and Electric Company (PG&E) implemented an Emergency Consumer Protection Plan to provide relief and support to customers impacted by the October 2017 wildfires. Under this plan, residential and non-residential customers located in the affected counties of Butte, Lake, Mendocino, Napa, Nevada, Plumas, Santa Cruz, Solano, Sonoma, and Yuba were eligible for assistance through December 31, 2018.

In alignment with these state directives, Sonoma Clean Power Authority (SCPA) adopted its own internal policy titled "October 2017 California Wildfires Customer Protections Internal Policy I.8." This policy established a set of billing and service modifications, along with credit relief measures, designed to support customers recovering from the immediate aftermath of the 2017 Northern California Wildfires.

On July 11, 2019, the CPUC issued Decision (D.) 19-07-015, which created a statewide Emergency Disaster Relief Program for customers of Investor-Owned Utilities. The intent of this program was to ensure that California utility customers facing housing or financial crises due to disasters could maintain access to essential utility services in the wake of such events.

Subsequently, on November 1, 2019, SCPA formalized its own policy framework through the adoption of "Emergency Consumer Protection Plan and Emergency and Disaster Response Procedures and Policy I.12." This policy established procedures for implementing billing and service modifications to assist customers recovering from the immediate effects of a natural disaster or state of emergency.

Building upon this framework, on October 1, 2020, SCPA's Board of Directors adopted Customer Service Policy A.6 - Emergency Consumer Protection Policy, which established a consistent series of billing and service modification protocols to be applied in support of customers impacted by natural disasters or declared states of emergency.

In the current instance, ratification of the Emergency Consumer Protection Policy falls outside the 90-day window due to the timing of the State of Emergency declaration,

which occurred several months after the originating event. As a result, activation of the policy was not immediately applicable. Furthermore, concurrent operational changes, including the transition to a new service provider, rendered the protections functionally non-impactful during this period, as the relevant operational processes were temporarily inactive. This item is therefore being presented to ensure full transparency and compliance with SCPA's established procedures.

Agency Goals

This item aligns with Goal 1 (Protect customers from rate shock) and Goal 2 (Advance equity for underrepresented customers). The Emergency Consumer Protection Policy ensures equitable application of billing and service relief during declared emergencies, mitigating financial hardship and supporting SCPA's commitment to affordability and customer protection.

Fiscal Impact

The fiscal impact is currently unknown; however, there is potential for elevated customer delinquency or non-payment of SCP charges.

Attachments

- Attachment 1 - Policy for Ratification: Customer Service Policy A.6g - 2025 February Storms Consumer Protection Policy, available at this [link](#) or by request to the Clerk of the Board

Customer Service Policy A.6

2025 February Storms Emergency Consumer Protection Policy

Purpose:

Pursuant to the California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) directives and advice letters, residential and non-residential customers in areas where a state of emergency proclamation is issued by the California Governor's Office or the President of the United States due to a disaster that affects utility service are eligible for consumer protection measure(s) under PG&E's Emergency Consumer Protection Plan.¹ Sonoma Clean Power Authority (SCPA) provides additional emergency consumer protections to its customers as described below.

Emergency Incident:

2025 February Storms

Proclamation of a State of Emergency: July 29, 2025

Governor Gavin Newsom today (July 29, 2025) issued an emergency proclamation for the counties of Humboldt, Mendocino, Modoc, Napa, Shasta, Sonoma, and Trinity to assist in recovery from the February 2025 storms that caused landslides and widespread flooding affecting roads and waterways, creating conditions of extreme peril to the safety of persons and property.

The emergency proclamation authorizes the Governor's Office of Emergency Services (Cal OES) to provide assistance to Modoc, Shasta, and Trinity counties under the California Disaster Assistance Act, among other provisions.

Applicability:

This Policy applies to SCPA Residential Customers and Non-Residential Customers when a state of emergency proclamation is issued by the California Governor's Office or the President of the United States due to a disaster in SCPA's Service Territory that:

- a. Results in the loss or disruption of the delivery or receipt of electric utility service; and/or
- b. Results in the degradation of the quality of electric utility service.

Eligibility for Emergency Consumer Protection Plan:

A customer will be eligible for SCPA's Emergency Consumer Protection Policy if the following criteria have been met:

- a. A state of emergency proclamation has been issued by the California Governor's Office or the President of the United States due to a disaster in SCPA's Service Territory;
- b. The customer is a Residential Customer or Non-Residential Customer of SCPA; and
- c. The customer's premise was or is Red Tagged and/or coded by PG&E as DSNT/DSST/DSBR/DSOV, as defined at the end of this Policy.

¹ PG&E Advice Letter 4014-G/5378-E. Dated Sept. 7, 2018. www.pge.com/tariffs/assets/pdf/adviceletter/ELEC_5378-E.pdf.

Emergency Consumer Protection Plan:

SCPA's Emergency Consumer Protection Plan goes into effect the day a state of emergency proclamation has been issued by the California Governor's Office or the President of the United States due to a disaster in SCPA's Service Territory and includes the measures and parameters outlined below:

- a. **Late Payment Notice:** SCPA will stop sending Late Payment Notices to eligible customers until February 18, 2026.
- b. **Transfer for Non-Payment:** SCPA will not transfer eligible customers to PG&E service for non-payment of SCPA charges until February 18, 2026.
- c. **Collections:** SCPA will halt collection activity for eligible customers until February 18, 2026.

SCPA's Board of Directors may change or extend these measures at its sole discretion.

Definitions:

For purposes of this Policy, the following definitions apply. Customers may also wish to review PG&E's Emergency Consumer Protection Plan² for additional information.

- a. **Residential Customer³:** Class of customers whose dwellings are single-family units, multi-family units, mobile homes or other similar living establishments. A customer who meets the definition of a Residential Customer will be served under a residential rate schedule if 50% or more of the annual energy use on the meter is for residential end-uses. PG&E's tariff eligibility requirements will determine customer eligibility for this rate class.
- b. **Non-Residential Customer⁴:** Small and medium business customers that take service on a commercial, industrial, or agricultural rate. This definition does not include Non-Residential Customers who are on a fixed usage or unmetered usage rate schedule⁵.

Red Tag (Unsafe) - Buildings are damaged and pose an imminent threat to life or safety under expected loads or other unsafe conditions.

- c. **PG&E REF|TD Codes** – PG&E will use the EDI billing codes outlined below to identify impacted SCPA customers per CalFire and/or County assessment(s). The codes allow for near real-time status of impacted customers.
 - i. **Disaster Red Tag Notice (DSNT)** – pending bill relief decision. Stops SA and final/closing bill but will not complete bill – temporary status.
 - ii. **Disaster Red Tag Standard (DSST)** – bill relief not applied. Stops SA, final/closing bill, and completes bill (final status).
 - iii. **Disaster Red Tag Bill Relief (DSBR)** – bill relief applied. Stops SA, final/closing bill, completes bill and applies debt reversal adjustment for SA balance (final status).
 - iv. **Disaster Red Tag Override (DSOV)** – manual override. Process manually if needed (final status).

² PG&E Advice Letter 4014-G/5378-E. Dated Sept. 7, 2018. www.pge.com/tariffs/assets/pdf/adviceletter/ELEC_5378-E.pdf.

³ PG&E Electric Rule No. 1: Definitions, Sheet 30

⁴ PG&E Advice Letter 4014-G/5378-E. Dated Sept. 7, 2018.

⁵ PG&E Electric Rule No. 1: Definitions, Sheet 31

Ratified: XX/XX/XXXX

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Staff Report - Item 04

To: Sonoma Clean Power Authority Board of Directors

From: Ryan Tracey, Chief Strategy Officer
Geof Syphers, Chief Executive Officer
Miles Horton, Legislative Policy & Community Engagement Manager
Claudia Sisomphou, Director of Community & Governmental Relations

Issue: Receive Geothermal Opportunity Zone Update

Date: December 4, 2025

Background

The Geothermal Opportunity Zone (GeoZone) is SCP's initiative to secure affordable, reliable clean energy for our customers by building 600 megawatts of new geothermal power capacity in Sonoma and Mendocino Counties. This will eventually enable SCP to phase out its dependence on natural gas power plants for reliability. The Community Advisory Committee (Committee) meetings are a regularly scheduled public forum for the community to receive updates and provide input on the GeoZone. The updates provided to the Committee each month, and minutes from any discussion are posted on SCP's website at <https://sonomacleanpower.org/geozone-public-updates>. Staff incorporate any feedback received from the Committee presentation into the monthly updates to the Board of Directors. Additional background on the GeoZone can be found on the GeoZone webpage at <https://sonomacleanpower.org/geozone>.

Partner Updates

Following the Committee's recommendation, the Board approved to move forward with terminating the Chevron New Energies cooperation agreement in their November meeting. The Board also approved executing the Memorandum of Understanding with Chevron for cooperating on geothermal development across the West with the goal of leveraging learnings from other states in de-risking Chevron's property in the GeoZone.

Terminating the Chevron agreement leaves Eavor as the one remaining active GeoZone partner. Staff are continuing to collect lessons learned from GeoZone partnerships to

date, as well as collecting feedback from industry, on how to structure a second round of GeoZone partnerships to be successful. Staff are targeting the first quarter of 2026 for the release of a solicitation for new partners.

Eavor released a technical paper ([discussed in this article](#)) detailing execution performance and lessons learned from its project in Geretsreid, Germany. The Geretsreid project represents a remarkable technological achievement: Eavor has drilled six well pairs with lateral lengths of over 10,000 feet and bottom-hole temperatures over 300 degrees Fahrenheit, connected them through magnetic ranging, and sealed them with their proprietary Rock-Pipe technology. The paper details a number of unexpected non-technical challenges the project encountered during drilling that increased project costs. But importantly, the paper also details how Eavor demonstrated the ability to respond to challenges and improve drilling efficiency through the course of the project—with the last two well pairs averaging 50 days each—representing a 50% reduction compared to the first well pair.

The Eavor team visited SCP's headquarters in late October to discuss progress on their GeoZone project. New technologies, coupled with demonstrated performance improvements in drilling efficiency across the geothermal industry, have widened the footprint of viable sites in the GeoZone for siting Eavor's project. Widening the footprint allows Eavor to focus on criteria beyond just the geothermal gradient, including seismic activity (less active areas being better), proximity to transmission, topography (flatter being better), and compatibility with surface conditions. During their visit, Eavor shared with SCP the tools they are using for identifying candidate sites and SCP and Eavor are now closely coordinating on finding specific siting opportunities. The visit demonstrated significant progress towards Eavor's first set of milestones for their GeoZone project—which include an updated feasibility assessment by June 2026 and site control strategy by December 2026.

Geothermal Rising Conference

Chief Strategy Officer Ryan Tracey and Legislative Policy and Community Engagement Manager Miles Horton attended the annual Geothermal Rising industry conference in Reno, Nevada at the end of October. While at the conference, SCP staff met with over a dozen geothermal developers. SCP focused on reinforcing the importance of progressing in-state development of geothermal resources—despite industry concerns following the veto of Assembly Bill 527 (CEQA exemption for exploration). SCP worked to assuage industry concerns on the state's support for geothermal development through discussing future legislative and regulatory opportunities. SCP also used the conference

as an opportunity to socialize the expected solicitation for new GeoZone partners early next year—and received significant interest. Members of California Community Power (CC Power) were also at the conference and are coordinating with SCP on managing relationships for their broader statewide initiative to support geothermal development.

While in Reno, SCP staff also had the opportunity to tour Ormat’s Steamboat Hills geothermal power plant (photo below). Steamboat Hills uses a binary power cycle with air condensers and complete reinjection of the produced geothermal fluids—similar to the configuration expected for next-generation geothermal projects anticipated in the GeoZone. The Steamboat Hills plant is unique in that it lies directly adjacent to residential and commercial development on the outskirts of Reno. Ormat shared that the plant goes largely unnoticed by locals, and SCP staff left the tour impressed about the ability of geothermal power to be sited in harmony with both the built and natural environment.



2026-2027 Transmission Plan

On September 30th, the California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) issues a ruling on its proposed electricity portfolios for the 2026-27 Transmission Planning Process. The proposed portfolios benefit from two important modeling enhancements: 1) the CPUC’s modeling now modeled enhanced geothermal systems (EGS) as a discrete resource with large statewide potential and 2) CPUC modeling now explicitly enforces transmission limitations between PG&E and Southern California. Coupled together, these two adjustments increase the role geothermal is expected to play in the state’s future energy mix—particularly in Northern California. The Base Portfolio the CPUC is proposing to use

includes 3.4 GW of new conventional geothermal and 1.7 GW of new enhanced geothermal by the year 2036 (5.1 GW total). This is up from the 1.6 GW included in last year's portfolio. In a proposed sensitivity case that tests limited availability of both offshore and onshore wind, 5.6 GW of conventional geothermal and 3.6 GW of enhanced geothermal is needed by 2045 (9.2 GW total).

Including more geothermal in the state's electricity portfolios is the first step towards increasing transmission capacity available for GeoZone projects. The CPUC uses a process called "busbar mapping" to allocate resources in the electricity portfolios regionally, and ultimately to specific substations. For the proposed Base Portfolio, 3.1 GW of the 5.1 GW total is mapped to the North of Greater Bay Area Study Area. The 2026-27 busbar mapping is forecasting a need to address several major bottlenecks to development in Northern California through upgrades—including a 500 kV line between Collinsville and Tesla substations and addressing a 230 kV constraint between Windmaster substation and the Delta pumps. SCP has already been very active in supportive advocacy for more transmission investment in the IRP proceeding—including submitting comments asking the CPUC to apply learnings from SCP's decision-making under uncertainty project with Princeton's ZERO Lab.

Grant Funding & Research

SCP has been assisting Sonoma County with early negotiations with the California Energy Commission (CEC) on the grant agreement for proactive geothermal planning in the region. The CEC is expected to review and approve moving forward with the grant in their January business meeting, which would activities funded by the grant to begin in early Spring 2026. SCP will be the main subcontractor for the grant and administer subcontracts with the National Renewable Energy Laboratory (NREL), geospatial analysts, and biologists that are supporting the grant. The first major activity from the grant will be an updated high-resolution thermal and geologic model that NREL will create for the region to assess the extent of possible commercial development.

Attachments

➤ None.



Staff Report - Item 05

To: Sonoma Clean Power Authority Board of Directors

From: Stephanie Reynolds, Director of Internal Operations
Mike Koszalka, Chief Operating Officer

Issue: Receive Internal Operations Report and Provide Direction as Appropriate

Date: December 4, 2025

2024 POWER CONTENT LABEL

The 2024 Power Content Label mailing and email notifications have been sent to customers as follows:

- 41,788 postcards were mailed during the week of 11/10 (two mail drops)
- 183,000 customer emails were sent last week in batches
- Any customer emails which bounce back as undeliverable will receive a mailed postcard (quantities and mail date TBD)
- The SCP website has been updated with the 2024 Power Content Label

A copy of the mailer is attached to this report, as reference. Please note that while some customers have opted out of receiving marketing communications from SCP, this mailing/email is a required annual notice for all customers who received service from SCP in 2024.

FIGHTING FOOD INSECURITY AND REDUCING ENERGY BILLS

SCP remains committed to supporting the fight against local food insecurity through a combination of financial contributions, staffing support at food bank collection drives, group volunteer projects at food bank gardens, and staff participation on local non-profit boards.

To assist food banks who anticipate record demand following recent reductions in food benefits, SCP has provided donations to eight food banks across our service territory. In addition, SCP is running radio commercials and other media in Sonoma

and Mendocino counties both to connect residents in need with available resources, and to encourage community members who are able to donate.

Year to date, SCP has donated nearly \$95,000 to food banks, while staff have invested 128 volunteer hours to help fight food insecurity in our communities.

In December, SCP staff will table at select food bank distribution sites in Sonoma County to offer bilingual assistance to customers interested in receiving a free Energy Saving Box, which includes easy-to-use materials to help reduce home energy use and lower monthly bills.

Similar outreach efforts at food distribution sites throughout SCP's service territory are planned for January and February.

UPCOMING MEETINGS

- Community Advisory Committee - December 18, 2025
- Board of Directors - January 8, 2026
- Community Advisory Committee - January 15, 2026
- Board of Directors - February 5, 2026

Attachments

- 2024 Power Content Label available at [this link](#) or by request to the Clerk of the Board



Staff Report - Item 06

To: Sonoma Clean Power Authority Board of Directors

From: Neal Reardon, Director of Regulatory Affairs
Miles Horton, Legislative Policy & Community Engagement Manager
Geof Syphers, Chief Executive Officer

Issue: Receive Legislative and Regulatory Updates, Approve Legislative Positions, and Provide Direction as Appropriate

Date: December 4, 2025

Requested Action

Receive legislative and regulatory updates, approve legislative positions, and provide direction as appropriate.

Regulatory Updates

California Public Utilities Commission Issues Proposed Decision Removing Barrier for CCA Customers to Receive Incentives for Energy Storage

On November 20th, the California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) will vote on a Proposed Decision to remove a barrier to participation in a statewide incentive program, the Self-Generation Incentive Program ("SGIP").

That Proposed Decision would eliminate an obstacle enacted in a prior CPUC Decision which required that any customer seeking to take advantage of financial incentives for the installation of onsite energy storage to enroll in a "Qualified" demand response program. The stated intent of that requirement - enacted in early 2024 - was to ensure that customers who received incentives were providing benefits to the grid.

SCP staff strongly encourage the deployment of behind-the-meter resources to provide affordable, reliable, and clean support to the grid. However, the 2024 CPUC Decision contained an appendix listing what it defined as "Qualified" demand response programs. No CCA had a program that was considered "qualified", and many IOU programs were omitted. Staff met with Commissioner Darcie Houck as well as with

Energy Division staff to highlight the issue. Several CCAs also submitted filings to the CPUC detailing the operations of their demand response programs and requesting that they be added to the list of eligible demand response programs.

After a year and a half of advocacy at the CPUC, a group of legislators sent a letter to the CPUC directing them to address this barrier. Following that letter, a CPUC judge issued the Proposed Decision removing that requirement for low-income residential customers. The Proposed Decision is scheduled to be voted on at the November 20, 2025, CPUC Meeting.

Legislative Updates

Sonoma Clean Power staff are beginning to explore ideas for legislation regarding ratepayer affordability, geothermal power, and other important issues to potentially sponsor in the 2026 legislative year. We will share more detail on these ideas in the new year, well before the deadline to introduce legislation (in late February). Tentatively, our main areas of focus at this point in time include:

- Another attempt to exempt geothermal exploration projects meeting a high standard of environmental and labor protections from review under the California Environmental Quality Act.
- Securing funding through the state's Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund for new geothermal exploration wells in areas of California that have great potential for next-generation geothermal development, including Sonoma and Mendocino Counties. The goal would be to develop better geologic data for these areas and lower the risk of future geothermal development, similar to how the federal government's "Utah FORGE" project galvanized new development in that region.
- Legislation to revamp the transmission planning process in California to produce a more flexible, adaptable system that can lower ratepayer costs over the long term and allow faster interconnection of new renewable energy resources. This is based off of the research that SCP and Peninsula Clean Energy sponsored through Princeton University's ZERO Lab.
- New authority for the state's Department of Water Resources, which already manages the energy-buying central procurement entity, to reduce costs on existing utility generation contracts via public financing.

Attachments

- None.



Staff Report - Item 07

To: Sonoma Clean Power Authority Board of Directors

From: Garth Salisbury, Chief Financial Officer & Treasurer
Chris Golik, Senior Finance Manager

Issue: Accept the Independent Auditor's Report for the Financial Statements from Fiscal Years Ending June 30, 2024, and June 30, 2025

Date: December 4, 2025

Requested Board Action

Accept the Independent Auditor's Report for the financial statements from Fiscal Years ending June 30, 2024, and June 30, 2025.

Background

Sorren, formerly Piseni & Brinker, will be presenting their Independent Auditor's Report of Sonoma Clean Power Authority's (SCPA) financial statements for the Fiscal Years ending June 30, 2024, and June 30, 2025. The report was completed with financial statements prepared by Maher Accountancy with input from the finance staff.

Attachments

- Financial Statements - Years Ending June 30, 2024, and June 30, 2025, with Report of Independent Auditors, available at [this link](#) or by request from the Clerk of the Board.
- PowerPoint presentation from Sorren CPAs P.C. available at [this link](#) or by request from the Clerk of the Board.

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Staff Report - Item 08

To: Sonoma Clean Power Authority Board of Directors

From: Director Sylvia Lemus, Director Tess Albin-Smith, Director Stephen Zollman, and Director Patricia Farrar-Rivas (Ad Hoc Committee Appointed by the Board)

Issue: Receive Nominations and Appoint Community Advisory Committee Members for the Term Beginning January 1, 2026

Date: December 4, 2025

Recommendation

Receive nominations from the Board's ad hoc committee and approve the appointment of up to five (5) members to the Community Advisory Committee (Committee) for four-year terms.

Background

Sonoma Clean Power's Third Amended JPA establishes guidelines and terms for the CAC. Under section 4.5.1 of the JPA, the Committee is to consist of a minimum of seven and a maximum of eleven members. Because there is one open seat and four members with terms ending in December 2025, the Board must appoint a minimum of one and a maximum of five members to meet the JPA requirements. Staff recommend appointing the full five members to increase the diversity of viewpoints.

Appointees to the Committee serve four-year terms, and the following members have terms ending on December 31, 2025: Dick Dowd, Crispin Hollinshead, Jeff Kelly, and Michael Heffler.

At the August 7, 2025, Board meeting an ad hoc committee consisting of Directors Lemus, Albin-Smith, Zollman, and Farrar-Rivas was established to review applications and make recommendations to the full Board.

Discussion

Thirteen applications were received by the deadline (10 new applications and 3 from the four existing committee members for reappointment). On November 21, 2025, the ad hoc committee of the Board met with staff to review all the applications.

The ad hoc committee will make their recommendations at the meeting, and a list of recommended applicants will be provided to the Board and public at that time.

Attachments

- Attachment A - Community Advisory Committee 2025 Members



Community Advisory
Committee 2025
Members and Terms

NAME		TERM ENDS
1.	Spencer Lipp	End of 2027
2.	Jeff Kelly	End of 2025
3.	Michael Heffler	End of 2025
4.	Daniel Soto	End of 2027
5.	Crispin Hollinshead	End of 2025
6.	Jana Wang	End of 2027
7.	Mike Nicholls	End of 2027
8.	Patricia Morris	End of 2027
9.	Dick Dowd	End of 2025
10.	Liz Hagen	End of 2027
11.	Vacant	