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RMCP Committee Meeting Notice

Resource Management and Climate Protection Committee (RMCP)

Meeting Location:

155 Bovet Rd. - Ground Floor Conference Room San Mateo CA, 94402 Date: Wednesday, January 17, 2024 Time: 3:00 p.m.

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AGENDA

1.	Roll Call and Introductions, including welcoming members recently appointed by the C/CAG Board to the RMCP Committee.
2.	Public Comments on items not on the agenda.
3.	Approval of minutes of the October 18, 2023 RMCP Committee meeting. (Kim Springer, Committee Staff) Action
4.	Approval of RMCP Committee meeting dates for February 2024 through January 2025. (Kim Springer, Committee Staff) Action
5.	Update on C/CAG Equity Assessment and Framework Development Project final report. (Kim Springer, Committee Staff) Information/Discussion
6.	Report from the Bay Area Water Supply and Conservation Agency on water supply conditions. (Tom Francis, BAWSCA and Committee Member) Information/Discussion
7.	Presentation on sequestration and regenerative farming in San Mateo County. (Eliza Melio, SMC Resource Conservation District) Information/Discussion
8.	Presentation on Peninsula Clean Energy GovEV Public Fleets Program.

- 8. Presentation on Peninsula Clean Energy GovEV Public Fleets Program. (Phillip Kobernick, PCE) Information/Discussion
- 9. Committee Member Updates
- 10. Next Scheduled Meeting Date: February 21, 2024

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Draft Meeting Minutes

of the

Resource Management and Climate Protection Committee (RMCP) 155 Bovet Rd. - Ground Floor Conference Room San Mateo CA, 94402 Date: Wednesday, October 18, 2023 Time: 3:00 p.m.

Committee Members in Attendance:

Tom Francis – BAWSCA (Vice Chair) Mary Hufty – Town of Portola Valley Gina Papan – Millbrae Kaia Aiken – City of Redwood City Jeff Smith – Ceres Regis Group - online Bill Chiang - PG&E Sue Beckmeyer – Pacifica

Committee Members not in Attendance

Donna Colson – Burlingame (Chair) Dave Pine – County of San Mateo Rick DeGolia - Atherton Ortensia Lopez – El Concilio - online Alex Fernandez – Filoli

Additional Attendees

Sean Charpentier – C/CAG Susan Wright – County OOS Laura Wong – County OOS Avana Andrade – County OOS Ryan Gardner – Rincon Blake Herrschaft – PCE Forest Abbott-Lum - Rincon Carol Steinfeld – Sierra Club Peter Dreckmeier – Tuolumne River Trust Michael Barber – Supervisor Pine's Office Nicole Sandkula – BAWSCA Carl Schwab – Pacifica public

Note: All presentations for this meeting have been posted on the C/CAG RMCP Committee website: https://ccag.ca.gov/committees/resource-management-and-climate-protection-committee/ Meeting was called to order at 3:04 P.M.

1. Roll Call and Introductions, including welcoming members recently appointed by the C/CAG Board to the RMCP Committee.

Committee staff completed Roll Call and a quorum of seven members was eventually achieved.

2. Public Comments on items not on the agenda.

There were no public comments.

3. Approval of minutes of the September 20, 2023 RMCP Committee meeting.

This item was delayed until such time in the meeting as there was a quorum. A motion was made by Member Aiken to approve the minutes of September 20, 2023, seconded by Member Hufty. A roll call vote was taken, and the motion passed (7,0,0).

4. Update on Committee roster and recruitment.

Kim Springer, Committee staff, provided an update on the recruitment effort to fill the vacant Environmental seat on the Committee.

5. Update from the Bay Area Water Supply and Conservation Agency on present water supply conditions in San Mateo County and a summary of a recent Bay Area Clean Water Agency effort to promote water reuse within the region.

Tom Francis, Water Resources Manager and Vice Chair of the RMCP Committee, provided an update on the current water supply conditions and the final water year outcomes in 2023. The region experienced significant precipitation with 31 atmospheric rivers, resulting in significant snowpack in the sierras.

Francis also provided a short presentation on a recent workshop held by The Bay Area Clean Water Agencies on advancing water reuse. BAWSCA and multiple water agencies in San Mateo County attended. The workshop was focused on collaboration opportunities and challenges regionally, and at different scales.

Committee members discussed terms used to describe conservation, countries most involved in water reuse, energy intensity of pumping water, development of scalping plants to serve large water users, and effect on rates.

6. Presentation on development of income-based fix charges on electricity bills as a result of Assembly Bill 205.

Bill Chiang, Local Government Representative at PG&E and RMCP Committee member provided a verbal presentation on 2022 legislation, Assembly Bill 205, which tasks the California Public Utility Commission (CPUC) with establishing an income-based approach to establishing electric customer charges for grid maintenance and upgrades. Chiang indicated that most electricity customers in California would see a decrease in the changes, but that higher income tier customers, especially those with solar and, therefore, low electricity bills, with incomes over \$180,000, were likely to see a significant increase in those charges.

Committee members discussed clarifications of how this came about, why it might have, and possible outcomes.

7. Presentation on a proposed Electrification First Policy and leveraging Capital Improvement Plan (CIP) program for implementation.

Rincon Consulting staff, including Ryan Gardner, PCE staff Blake Herrschaft, and staff from County Office of Sustainability, Avana Andrade and Susan Wright all work together with C/CAG

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through the Regionally Integrated Climate Action Planning Solutions (RICAPS) program. Gardner and Herrschaft provided a presentation on work with and for cities to research and establish new electrification policy. The policy proposed is call an Electrification First Policy, which, if adopted by cities, would direct city staff to evaluate all electric options for replacement of gas equipment prior to simply replacing like-for-like. To support the effort, the RICAPS program is also providing inventories of existing (remaining) gas equipment (called the Methane Gas Catalogue) for all the cities in San Mateo County. To reach carbon neutrality target dates, cities must begin replacing retired gas equipment in next few years, at the end of their useful life, when there is an opportunity to leverage the marginal cost of electrifying the equipment.

Through various funding sources, there is significant support for both design and incentives for electrification.

Committee members had the following comments and conversations: the challenge of utility service upgrades and PG&E's awareness of the complaints, the current effort to spread the word at PCE, how up to date the current data it, what a typical project would be, how public schools fit into the program, details on some new and existing electrification programs at cities. Overall, Committee members support the policy concept and documents.

8. Update on C/CAG Equity Assessment and Framework Development Project and draft final report.

Committee staff, Kim Springer, provided a brief presentation on the Equity project draft final report, and requested that Committee members review and provide and final comments. The final document is expected to be adopted at the C/CAG Board at its November meeting. Staff will send a link to the draft report.

9. Committee member updates

Committee member Colson invited Committee members to attend PCE's November 16th Board of Director's retreat.

Member Papan gave a short update on some legislative matters, housing and water.

10. Next Scheduled Meeting Date: November 15, 2023

Meeting adjourned at 5:11 P.M.

Note: All presentations are posted on the C/CAG RMCP Website at: https://ccag.ca.gov/committees/resource-management-and-climate-protection-committee/

Date:	January 17, 2024
То:	Resource Management and Climate Protection Committee
From:	Kim Springer, Committee Staff
Subject:	Approval of RMCP Committee meeting dates for February 2023 through January 2024.
	(For further information contact Kim Springer at kspringer@smcgov.org)

RECOMMENDATION

Review and approve RMCP Committee meeting dates for February 2023 through January 2024.

FISCAL IMPACT

None

SOURCE OF FUNDS

Funding for the RMCP Committee comes from C/CAG Congestion Relief Funds.

BACKGROUND/DISCUSSION

At the change of each calendar year, the Committee reviews and approves the meeting dates for the following calendar year. The RMCP Committee will continue to meet on third Wednesdays at 3:00, provided staff has enough business to conduct at the meeting.

Staff may cancel a meeting or shift a meeting date with notice to the committee and the public. Meetings will continue to be held in person for Committee members and the public who wish to attend, and hybrid for those who wish to attend or present remotely. It is anticipated that the Committee will continue to meet in person at the 155 Bovet Rd., ground floor conference room in San Mateo or, as an alternate, at a County Center conference room in Redwood City. Committee members and the public should review the agenda for the meeting location.

The following dates are those recommended for the RMCP Committee in calendar year 2024, and the date for January 2025. Once approved, staff will update the C/CAG RMCP website and provide Committee members calendar appointment holds. The document to be posted on the C/CAG RMCP Committee website is provided as an attachment to this staff report.

Proposed Meeting Dates February 21,2024 March 20, 2024 April 17, 2024 May 15, 2024 June 19, 2024

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July 17, 2024 August 21, 2024 September 18, 2024 October 16, 2024 November 20, 2024 December – no meeting January 15, 2025

ATTACHMENTS

1. 2024 RMCP Committee Meeting Dates - for website posting

2023 RMCP Committee Meeting Dates:

January 17, 2024	July 17, 2024
February 21,2024	August 21, 2024
March 20, 2024	September 18, 2024
April 17, 2024	October 16, 2024
May 15, 2024	November 20, 2024
June 19, 2024	December – No Meeting
	January 15, 2025

For meeting locations, please refer to the posted agenda for the above meeting at: https://ccag.ca.gov/committees/resource-management-and-climate-protection-committee/

Date:	January 17, 2024
To:	Resource Management and Climate Protection Committee
From:	Kim Springer, Transportation Systems Coordinator
Subject:	Update on C/CAG Equity Assessment and Framework Development Project final report.
	(For further information, contact Kim Springer at kspringer@smcgov.org)

RECOMMENDATION

Receive an update on the C/CAG Equity Assessment and Framework Development Project final report.

FISCAL IMPACT

Consultant services with Mariposa Planning Solutions for \$200,000 for the subject agreement.

SOURCE OF FUNDS

Fund were appropriated from C/CAG's General Fund for this project and will be partially reimbursed from Surface Transportation Program Planning Grant funds.

BACKGROUND

On April 24, 2022 the C/CAG Board of Directors adopted Resolution 22-16 authorizing the C/CAG Executive Director to execute an agreement with Mariposa Planning Solutions (Consultant) for the C/CAG Equity Assessment and Framework Development Project (Project). The Consultant began work on the project immediately.

C/CAG's role on Equity in San Mateo County is unique. C/CAG is not a "safety net" agency in San Mateo County, yet C/CAG programs millions of dollars of funding for a wide variety of projects and programs. As elements of the Project the Consultant developed an equity definition specific to C/CAG's influence, a Historical Perspective of injustices and disparities, completed an analysis of existing demographic conditions, and equity focus area mapping. Next, the consultant developed an "equity connections" document that ties challenges and opportunities for C/CAG to reduce disparities and an internal review of all C/CAG programs. Through this process, a Draft C/CAG Equity Framework Structure, Procedural Steps, & Action Plan, specific to C/CAG's programs has been developed. The draft Action Plan was provided as an attachment to the staff report for RMCP members at the September 20, 2023 meeting. Comments received at the September meeting are included in the minutes, included as part of the agenda packet for this meeting. An updated (and somewhat reorganized) version of the Action Plan in provided in an Appendix of the draft final report, the link for which is provided as an attachment to this staff report.

Throughout the project the Consultant and staff held multiple rounds of Working Group meetings with Community Based Organizations and Agency Partners. Community Based Organizations for this project include Youth Leadership Institute, Samaritan House, Nuestra Casa, El Concilio of San Mateo County, Youth United for Community Action (YUCA), and the Housing Leadership Council. Peninsula Conflict Resolution Center has supported coordination of some of these meetings. The Agency Partners engaged include SamTrans, County of San Mateo Equity Office, County Office of Sustainability, Peninsula Clean Energy, and Commute.org. In addition, the C/CAG Board established an Ad Hoc Equity Committee at its March meeting, with participation from six Members. In all, there have been approximately 30 meetings with stakeholders throughout the Project.

On December 14, 2023, the C/CAG Board adopted final Equity Assessment and Framework Development project report. Staff has established a page on C/CAG's website for the report, which will be built out over time. The link to the site is provided as an attachment to this staff report.

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1. Link to final Equity Assessment and Framework Development project report website: <u>https://ccag.ca.gov/plansreportslibrary-2/equity-framework/</u>

Date:	January 17, 2024
To:	Resource Management and Climate Protection Committee
From:	Tom Francis, BAWSCA, RMCP Committee Member
Subject:	Update from the Bay Area Water Supply and Conservation Agency on present water supply conditions in San Mateo County
	(For further information contact Kim Springer at <u>kspringer@smcgov.org</u>)

RECOMMENDATION

Receive an update from the Bay Area Water Supply and Conservation Agency on present water supply conditions in San Mateo County.

FISCAL IMPACT

None

BACKGROUND/DISCUSSION

The Bay Area Water Supply and Conservation Agency (BAWSCA), which represents the 26 wholesale customers of the San Francisco Regional Water System, has been working with C/CAG and County staff on issues relating to water conservation and supply.

Tom Francis, Water Manager at BAWSCA and who is also member of the RMCP Committee and presents regularly on water matters, will provide information on water supply conditions in San Mateo County for the current water year. Specifically, he will share water supply conditions within the San Francisco Regional Water System.

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None

Date:	January 17, 2024
To:	Resource Management and Climate Protection Committee
From:	Eliza Milio, San Mateo Resource Conservation District
Subject:	Presentation on sequestration and regenerative farming in San Mateo County.
	(For further information, contact Kim Springer at kspringer@smcgov.org)

RECOMMENDATION

Receive a presentation on sequestration and regenerative farming in San Mateo County.

FISCAL IMPACT

None

BACKGROUND

The San Mateo Resource Conservation District (RCD) provides "comprehensive, integrated services addressing wildlife, water, climate, and agriculture in San Mateo County." In their resource management work, the RCD serves a wide variety of stakeholders, often with diverse interests, to establish, fund, and implement solutions. From their website: "Protecting water quality, restoring fish and wildlife habitat, conserving water resources and fighting the drought, sustaining agriculture, working to reverse climate change and helping communities adapt to a changing climate – these are some of the ways the RCD serves people, nature, and agriculture in San Mateo County."

At the February 15, 2023 RMCP Committee meeting, members discussed topics of interest for the coming year. One suggestion was that the Committee receive a presentation on carbon capture and sequestration, specifically on agricultural lands, and how this plays a role in addressing climate change, especially since San Mateo County has an important agricultural community.

One of the RCD's many programs is promoting Carbon Farming, which, through appropriate practices, takes carbon from the atmosphere and puts it back into the soil and plants, with many other benefits to the resources used in farming.

Eliza Milio, Agricultural Stewardship Manager and San Mateo County Agricultural Ombudsman, will provide a presentation about regenerative agriculture and carbon sequestration in the county and the RCD's role in supporting and implementing these efforts.

A link to RCD's Carbon Farming webpage is provided as a link to this staff report.

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1. Link to San Mateo County Resource Conservation District – Carbon Farming website: <u>https://www.sanmateorcd.org/project/carbon-farming/</u>

Date:	January 17, 2024
To:	Resource Management and Climate Protection Committee
From:	Phillip Kobernick, Peninsula Clean Energy
Subject:	Presentation on Peninsula Clean Energy GovEV Public Fleets Program.
	(For further information, contact Kim Springer at <u>kspringer@smcgov.org</u>)
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RECOMMENDATION

Receive a presentation on Peninsula Clean Energy GovEV public fleets program.

FISCAL IMPACT

None

BACKGROUND

Peninsula Clean Energy (PCE) is the community choice aggregator for San Mateo County, providing clean electricity for most customers in San Mateo County. Their target for 24/4 100% renewable is in calendar year 2025. Electrification of both buildings and transportation is key for customers and our entire San Mateo County community to greatly reduce carbon emissions, leveraging this clean energy target date. PCE's mission is to reduce greenhouse gas emissions by expanding access to sustainable and affordable energy solutions.

At the August 16, 2023 RMCP Committee meeting, the Committee received a presentation from TerraVerde Energy on how their company is responding to customer needs in response to planning for California Air Resources Board's new Advanced Clean Fleets regulations. Staff, interested in providing information on available resources for cities to address the new regulations, reached out to PCE to provide a presentation on related program resources they offer.

PCE's Public EV Fleets Program began in November 2022. The program helps public agency fleets plan for fleet-wide transition to EVs and install EV charging, while managing savings through energy management. PCE provides additional rebates over those available from the State. The program provides participants with some or all the following, based on need: a fleet replacement plan, a charging needs assessment, installation plans for one site, permit ready plans if needed, a funding overview, an energy optimization plan, and energy management services.

Phillip Kobernick, Senior Programs Manager, Transportation at PCE, will provide a short presentation and overview of PCE's EV Public Fleets Program.

A link to PCE's GovEV website and flyer for the program are provided as attachments to this staff report.

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- 1. Link to Peninsula Clean Energy: https://www.peninsulacleanenergy.com/public-ev-fleets-program/
- 2. Flyer PCE GovEV Program



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STAY IN COMPLIANCE WITH ADVANCED CLEAN FLEETS

PCE's GovEV program offers fleet electrification planning for compliance with Advanced Clean Fleets, charging infrastructure needs assessments, permit-ready site designs, incentives, and more. Take the first step and complete the Technical Assistance Application, available now on the EV Ready Portal.

Contact Phillip Kobernick at pkobernick@peninsulacleanenergy for more information.



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