

AGENDA
EPIC Policy+Innovation Coordination Group
Equity Workstream Meeting #3
December 3, 2020, 4:30 pm – 6 pm

Public Webinar Registration

Participants should register to join the Workstream meeting prior to the event at the following link:
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- Participants that signed up for the Equity workstream through www.epicpartnership.org will be automatically registered for workstream meetings, and receive a meeting link through e-mail.
- For technical concerns in accessing the Webinar, contact Amanda Fornelli at amanda@the2rgroup.com.

Background

The California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) launched the Policy+Innovation Coordination Group for the Electric Program Investment Charge (EPIC) to gather insights and lessons learned from EPIC electricity research, development & deployment (RD&D) projects in the State, and to identify new opportunities for collaboration to accelerate innovation. The Policy+Innovation Coordination Group is facilitating four workstreams for 2020: equity, transportation electrification, wildfire mitigation, and public safety power shutoffs.

Equity Workstream: The overall goal of the equity workstream is to create a framework for equitable engagement in RD&D projects. This will be developed by gaining an understanding from presenters on lessons learned and best practices for community engagement in RD&D and pilot projects. The workstream will conduct three meetings between October and December 2020. Equity Meeting #3 will focus on opportunities for coordination and collaboration around RD&D projects, and discuss best practices and recommendations for conducting equitable and inclusive RD&D practices.

Presenters will address some, or all, of the following topics:

- What are some existing pathways for researchers, community-based organizations, and companies to engage in partnership-based RD&D?
- What are typical challenges for building equitable, partnership-based research?
- What are some best practices, recommendations, and resources for researchers, funders, and communities to use in building equitable, partnership-based research?

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I.	Introductions, goals, what to expect	Andrew Barbeau, PICG Project Coordinator	4:30 PM – 4:37 PM
II.	Meeting Recap	Andrew Barbeau, PICG Project Coordinator	4:38 PM – 4:45 PM
III.	EMPOWER Innovation Platform	Erik Stokes, California Energy Commission	4:46 PM – 4:54 PM

IV.	SCE Equity Portfolio Approach and Lessons Learned	Renee Cinar, SCE	4:55 PM – 5:03 PM
V.	Making Racial Equity Real in Research	Hana Creger, Greenlining Institute	5:04 PM – 5:12 PM
VI.	Panel discussion, Q&A with Presenters	Andrew Barbeau (Moderator)	5:13 AM – 5:34 PM
VII.	Group Discussion	Andrew Barbeau (Moderator)	5:35 AM – 5:50 PM
VIII.	Closing, Workstream Wrap Up	Andrew Barbeau, PICG Project Coordinator	5:51 PM – 6:00 PM

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There will be a live transcription of the event in both English and Spanish.

This meeting will be recorded and made available on www.EPICpartnership.org.