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# Commission Minutes

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**To:** NCPA Commission  
**From:** Carrie Pollo, Assistant Secretary to the Commission  
**Subject:** NCPA Commission Meeting – July 25, 2024

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## 1. *Call Meeting to Order and Introductions*

Chair Jerry Serventi called the meeting to order at 9:06 am at Ironstone Vineyards – 1894 Six Mile Road, Murphys, CA 95247 in the Music Room. Introductions were made and roll call was taken. Those in attendance are shown on the attached attendance list.

## 2. *Approve Minutes of the June 27, 2024 Commission Meeting*

**MOTION:** A motion was made by Sudhanshu Jain, and seconded by Catalina Sanchez to approve the minutes of the June 27, 2024 Commission meeting. The motion carried by a majority on a roll call vote of those Members present as follows:

	Vote	Abstained	Absent
Alameda	Y		
San Francisco BART			X
Biggs	Y		
Gridley	Y		
Healdsburg	Y		
Lodi	Y		
Lompoc	Y		
Palo Alto	Y		
Port of Oakland			X
Redding	Y		
Roseville	Y		
Santa Clara	Y		
Shasta Lake	Y		
Truckee Donner	Y		
Ukiah			X
Plumas-Sierra			X

## PUBLIC FORUM

Chair Serventi asked if any members of the public were present who would like to address the Commission on the agenda items. No members of the public were present.

## OPEN SESSION

## **REPORTS AND COMMITTEE UPDATES**

### **3. General Manager's Business Progress Report and Update**

General Manager Randy Howard reported:

- Thanked Jacob Eymann and all the Hydro staff for their hard work in putting on such a wonderful event in Murphys.
- Lots of active wildfires, including the Gold Complex fire in Plumas National Forest which started by 4 lightning strikes. NCPA has offered any support that is needed for Plumas-Sierra REC.
- All the NCPA generation units have been working fine through the last three weeks of heatwave.
- The CAISO called for emergency conditions last night 7/24, through tomorrow 7/26.
- Covid 19 is back. Please keep diligent in taking precautions to stay healthy.
- NCPA hosted its annual legislative staff tour July 15-18, 2024 The tour included staff members from our congressional offices as well as staff from the State Capitol.
- Continuing to work on the Pathways Regional Market Plan.
- Speaking at the APPA State Association Meeting August 5, in Napa at the Meritage Resort.
- Speaking as a Panelist to the Assembly Select Committee on Building a Zero Carbon Hydrogen Economy.
- The Annual Conference will be held in Napa in September 2024 with the possibility of adding a tour of the NCPA Geothermal facilities. Costs will be going up for registration.

### **4. Executive Committee**

Committee Chair Jerry Serventi reported the Executive Committee met this morning. A quorum of the Committee was established. Closed Session items were discussed during the meeting. The next Executive Committee meeting is scheduled for August 22, 2024.

### **5. Facilities Committee**

Power Management Assistant General Manager, Tony Zimmer, reported that the Facilities Committee met on July 3, 2024. A quorum of the Committee was no established. At that meeting the Committee discussed today's Commission meeting Items 13 – 18 on the Consent Calendar, and Item 19, under Discussion/Action. No official action was taken at the meeting however the Committee was supportive of the above-mentioned items. The next Facilities Committee meeting is scheduled for August 7, 2024.

### **6. Finance Committee**

Committee Chair Mikey Hothi reported that the Finance Committee did not meet in July.

### **7. Legal Committee**

General Counsel Jane Luckhardt reported the Legal Committee did not meet in July. The next meeting will be August 1, 2024.

### **8. Legislative & Regulatory Affairs Committee**

Committee Chair Jenelle Osborne reported the L&R Committee would like to thank all of our NCPA members and staff who supported this year's outstanding legislative staff tour. We had a wonderful group of senior state and federal staff members participating this year, and they learned a great deal about the key energy policy issues impacting public power systems, as well as about public power's leadership and commitment to reliability and affordability. We are so grateful for all of the effort and hospitality our members provided to make this year's event a big success.

Jenelle also reported that important policy developments have taken place over the past two weeks due to staffing demands related to last week’s state legislative staff tour. Including a key US Senate joint signature letter to the Treasury Department urging modifications to proposed guidelines on the 45V hydrogen tax credit, as well as this week’s release of \$30 million in hydrogen hub grant funding from the US Department of Energy—which made California the first to receive such funding for its hub projects, including the Lodi Energy Center.

The next meeting of the NCPA Legislative and Regulatory Affairs Committee will be held on August 21, 2024 from 12:00 pm – 4:00 pm at NCPA’s Roseville Offices and virtually. Please be sure to mark your calendars and plan to join us.

**9. Members’ Announcements & Meeting Reporting**

Pauline Rocucci shared that the Legislative Staff visited the Roseville Energy Park.

**CONSENT CALENDAR**

Prior to the roll call vote to approve the Consent Calendar, the Commissioners were polled to determine if any Member wished to pull an item or abstain from one or more items on the Consent Calendar. No items were requested to be pulled from the Consent Calendar. No Members wished to abstain from any items.

**MOTION:** A motion was made by Jenelle Osborne and seconded by James “Bo” Sheppard to approve the Consent Calendar consisting of Agenda Items 10 through 18. The motion carried by a majority of those Members present on a roll call vote as follows:

	Vote	Abstained	Absent
Alameda	Y		
San Francisco BART			X
Biggs	Y		
Gridley	Y		
Healdsburg	Y		
Lodi	Y		
Lompoc	Y		
Palo Alto	Y		
Port of Oakland			X
Redding	Y		
Roseville	Y		
Santa Clara	Y		
Shasta Lake	Y		
Truckee Donner	Y		
Ukiah			X
Plumas-Sierra	Y		

**10. NCPA’s Financials for the Month Ended June 30, 2024** – approval by all Members.

**11. Treasurer’s Report for the Month Ended June 30, 2024** – accept by all Members.

**12. Disposal of Northern California Power Agency Surplus Property** – note and file the report by all members for the disposal of the following: Scrap metal LEC.

**Fiscal Impact:** This report has not direct fiscal impact to the Agency

**13. Resolution 24-73, Worley Group, Inc. – Five Year Multi-Task Professional Services Agreement; Applicable to the following: All Northern California Power Agency**

**(NCPA) Facilities, NCPA Members, Southern California Public Power Authority (SCPPA), and SCPPA Members** – adopt resolution by all members authorizing the General Manager or his designee to enter into a Multi-Task Professional Services Agreement with Worley Group, Inc. for project support related consulting services, with any non-substantial changes recommended and approved by the NCPA General Counsel, which shall not exceed \$1,500,000 over five years, for use at any facilities owned and/or operated by NCPA, NCPA Members, by SCPPA and SCPPA Members.  
**Fiscal Impact:** : Upon execution, the total cost of the agreement is not to exceed \$1,500,000 over five years. This enabling agreement does not commit NCPA to any expenditure of funds.

**14. Resolution 24-74, Hatton Crane and Rigging, Inc. – Five Year Multi-Task General Services Agreement; Applicable to the following: All NCPA Facilities, NCPA Members, SCPPA, and SCPPA Members** – adopt resolution by all members authorizing the General Manager or his designee to enter into a Multi-Task General Services Agreement with Hatton Crane & Rigging, Inc. for crane related services, with any non-substantial changes recommended and approved by the NCPA General Counsel, which shall not exceed \$1,500,000 over five years, for use at any facilities owned and/or operated by NCPA, NCPA Members, by SCPPA and SCPPA Members.  
**Fiscal Impact:** Upon execution, the total cost of the agreement is not to exceed \$1,500,000 over five years. This enabling agreement does not commit NCPA to any expenditure of funds.

**15. Resolution 24-75, Farwest Insulation Contracting – Five Year Multi-Task General Services Agreement; Applicable to the following: All NCPA Facilities, NCPA Members, SCPPA, and SCPPA Members** – adopt resolution by all members authorizing the General Manager or his designee to enter into a Multi-Task General Services Agreement with Farwest Insulation Contracting for insulation, electrical tracing and protective coating related services, with any non-substantial changes recommended and approved by the NCPA General Counsel, which shall not exceed \$3,500,000 over five years, for use at any facilities owned and/or operated by NCPA, NCPA Members, by SCPPA and SCPPA Members.  
**Fiscal Impact:** Upon execution, the total cost of the agreement is not to exceed \$3,500,000 over five years. This enabling agreement does not commit NCPA to any expenditure of funds.

**16. Resolution 24-76, Conco Services LLC – Five Year Multi-Task General Services Agreement; Applicable to the following: All NCPA Facilities, NCPA Members, SCPPA, and SCPPA Members** – adopt resolution by all members authorizing the General Manager or his designee to enter into a Multi-Task General Services Agreement with Conco Services LLC for specialized cleaning and testing of industrial equipment related services, with any non-substantial changes recommended and approved by the NCPA General Counsel, which shall not exceed \$5,000,000 over five years, for use at any facilities owned and/or operated by NCPA, NCPA Members, by SCPPA, and SCPPA Members.  
**Fiscal Impact:** Upon execution, the total cost of the agreement is not to exceed \$5,000,000 over five years. This enabling agreement does not commit NCPA to any expenditure of funds.

**17. Resolution 24-77, EverLine Compliance CA, LLC; Third Amendment to Five Year Multi-Task General Services Agreement; Applicable to the following: All NCPA Facilities** – adopt resolution by all members authorizing the General Manager or his designee to enter into a Third Amendment to the Multi-Task General Services Agreement with EverLine Compliance CA, LLC for pipeline operations and maintenance related services, with any non-substantial changes recommended and approved by the NCPA

General Counsel, accepting assignment to FR Integrity, LLC dba EverLine Compliance, LLC, with no change to the contract term or not-to-exceed amount, for continued use at any facilities owned and/or operated by NCPA.

**Fiscal Impact:** Upon execution, the total cost of the agreement will remain unchanged at not-to-exceed \$1,000,000 over the remainder of the contract term. This enabling agreement does not commit NCPA to any expenditure of funds.

**18. Resolution 24-81, Plug In America; Second Amendment to Five Year Multi-Task Consulting Services Agreement; Applicable to the following: All NCPA Facilities, NCPA Members, SCPPA, and SCPPA Members** – adopt resolution by all members authorizing the General Manager or his designee to enter into a Second Amendment to the Multi-Task Consulting Services Agreement (MTCSA) with Plug In America for Electrification Education and Outreach Services, with any non-substantial changes recommended and approved by the NCPA General Counsel, to update the Compensation Schedule, for continued use by NCPA, NCPA Members, by SCPPA, and SCPPA Members.

**Fiscal Impact:** The total not to exceed amount of the agreement remains at \$750,000 for the amended contract term. This enabling agreement does not commit NCPA to any expenditure of funds.

## **DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS**

**19. Resolution 24-78, Special Conditions Agreement for Grant Administration for the Herlong Battery Energy Storage System (BESS) Project By and Between Plumas-Sierra Rural Electric Cooperative and the Northern California Power Agency** – adopt resolution by all members approving the Special Conditions Agreement for Grant Administration by and between the Plumas-Sierra Rural Electric Cooperative (“Plumas”) and the Northern California Power Agency (“NCPA”) (the “Special Conditions Agreement”) for the PSREC Herlong Battery Energy Storage System (“Herlong BESS Project”), and to authorize the General Manager of NCPA, or their designee, to (1) execute the Special Conditions Agreement on behalf of NCPA, and (2) upon full execution of the Special Conditions Agreement, execute a United States Department of Defense, Defense Community Infrastructure Program Grant (DCIP Program Grant) agreement (the “Grant Agreement”), if such DCIP Program Grant is ultimately awarded and accepted, and the Grant Agreement is recommended for approval by the NCPA General Counsel, including any changes to the Special Conditions Agreement and Grant Agreement.

**Fiscal Impact:** Pursuant to the Special Conditions Agreement, Plumas will reimburse NCPA for all direct and indirect costs NCPA may incur associated with NCPA's administration of the DCIP Program Grant, including costs associated with NCPA staff time and materials. Therefore, there is no direct fiscal impact to NCPA.

**MOTION:** A motion was made by Jenelle Osborne and seconded by Sudhanshu Jain recommending the Commission adopt Resolution 24-78 approving the Special Conditions Agreement for Grant Administration by and between the Plumas-Sierra Rural Electric Cooperative (“Plumas”) and the Northern California Power Agency (“NCPA”) (the “Special Conditions Agreement”) for the PSREC Herlong Battery Energy Storage System (“Herlong BESS Project”), and to authorize the General Manager of NCPA, or their designee, to (1) execute the Special Conditions Agreement on behalf of NCPA, and (2) upon full execution of the Special Conditions Agreement, execute a United States Department of Defense, Defense Community Infrastructure Program Grant (DCIP Program Grant) agreement (the “Grant Agreement”), if such DCIP Program Grant is ultimately awarded and accepted, and the Grant Agreement is recommended for approval by the NCPA General Counsel, including any changes to the Special Conditions Agreement and Grant Agreement. The motion carried by a majority of those members present on a roll call vote as follows:

	Vote	Abstained	Absent
Alameda	Y		
San Francisco BART			X
Biggs	Y		
Gridley	Y		
Healdsburg	Y		
Lodi	Y		
Lompoc	Y		
Palo Alto	Y		
Port of Oakland			X
Redding	Y		
Roseville	Y		
Santa Clara	Y		
Shasta Lake	Y		
Truckee Donner	Y		
Ukiah			X
Plumas-Sierra	Y		

**20. Resolution 24-79, Lodi Energy Center FX Upgrade Project; Applicable to the following: NCPA’s Lodi Energy Center** – adopt resolution by all members authorizing the Lodi Energy Center FX Upgrade Project and delegating authority to the General Manager or his designee to award bids, execute agreements and related forms, and to issue purchase orders for the project in accordance with NCPA purchasing policies and procedures, without further approval by the Commission, for a total not to exceed amount of \$17,500,000, with \$7,113,672 to be funded from the CEC Grant, and authorizing \$4,766,666 from the approved FY25 Lodi Energy Center Budget, and further authorizing \$3,059,831 to be collected in FY26 and \$2,559,831 to be collected in FY27, pending future budget approvals, to fund the project.

**Fiscal Impact:** As a result of the cluster process, the economic evaluation here only considers the benefits of the efficiency improvement and the filling in of the ambient derates. The extra power increase and the Resource Adequacy benefits have not been included. As a result, the strong economic benefits as evaluated is enough to recommend going forward with this project. Any benefit that comes in the future will only serve to improve the already strong economics. The total cost for the LEC FX Upgrade Project is anticipated not to exceed \$17,500,000. \$7,113,672 will be funded from the CEC Grant. The remaining funds for the project will be collected over the next three years. A collection of \$4,766,666 was included and approved in the FY25 Lodi Energy Center budget. NCPA intends to collect \$3,059,831 in FY26 and \$2,559,831 in FY27, pending future budget approvals, to fund the project.

One adverse impact due to the receipt of the grant is that LEC will be required to complete the upgrade by June 30, 2027. This will be about 1-year in advance of its normally planned outage. As a result, this will trigger the true-up cost component of the Siemens agreement, as the full life of the components had not been realized. The estimated cost of the true-up is about \$2,100,000. The net value of the grant benefit is about \$5,000,000 as a result of this impact. There are a number of factors that can affect the true-up, so the exact amount of true up will not be known until the start of the outage when the exact number of operating hours and starts is known.

➤ **This item was pulled from the agenda. No action was taken on this item.**

**21. Resolution 24-80, Nomination and Approval of the FY 2024-25 Slate of Officers, At-Large Executive Committee Members, Finance Committee Chair, and the Legislative and Regulatory Affairs Committee Chair and Vice-Chair** – – adopt resolution by all

members approving the election of the FY 2024-25 Slate of Officers for the positions of Chair and Vice-Chair, four (4) Commissioners as at-large Executive Committee Members, the Finance Committee Chair, and the Legislative and Regulatory Affairs (L&R) Committee Chair and Vice-Chair.

**Fiscal Impact:** No monetary impact to the Agency is expected to result from this action.

**MOTION:** A motion was made by Jerry Serventi and seconded by Pauline Rocucci recommending the Commission adopt Resolution 24-80, approving the election of the FY 2024-25 Slate of Officers for the positions of Chair and Vice-Chair, four (4) Commissioners as at-large Executive Committee Members, the Finance Committee Chair, and the Legislative and Regulatory Affairs (L&R) Committee Chair and Vice-Chair. The motion carried by a majority of those members present on a roll call vote as follows:

	Vote	Abstained	Absent
Alameda	Y		
San Francisco BART			X
Biggs	Y		
Gridley	Y		
Healdsburg	Y		
Lodi	Y		
Lompoc	Y		
Palo Alto	Y		
Port of Oakland			X
Redding	Y		
Roseville	Y		
Santa Clara	Y		
Shasta Lake	Y		
Truckee Donner	Y		
Ukiah			X
Plumas-Sierra	Y		

**INFORMATIONAL ITEM**

**22. Calaveras County Water District (CCWD) –** Background information regarding CCWD and the North Fork Stanislaus Hydroelectric Project.

General Manager Michael Minkler and staff provided a video and presentation regarding the history and formation of the CCWD.

**NEW BUSINESS**

No new business was discussed.

**ADJOURNMENT**

The July 25, 2024 Commission meeting was adjourned at 10:25 am by Chair Serventi.

Respectfully submitted,

Prepared by,

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JERRY SERVENTI  
Commission Chair

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CARRIE POLLO  
Assistant Secretary to the Commission



**Commission Meeting**  
**July 25, 2024**  
**COMMISSIONERS**  
**Attendance List**

NCPA Commissioners are requested to sign, but signature by members of the public is voluntary.

<b>MEMBER</b>	<b>NAME</b>
<b>1 - ALAMEDA</b>	<i>Jenny Lewat</i>
<b>2 - BIGGS</b>	<i>Bob Leppard</i>
<b>3 - GRIDLEY</b>	<i>Caldin Jones</i>
<b>4 - HEALDSBURG</b>	<i>David Hagele</i>
<b>5 - LODI</b>	<i>Mikay Hotki</i>
<b>6 - LOMPOC</b>	<i>Janelle AlSporne</i>
<b>7 - PALO ALTO</b>	<i>Dean Batchelor</i>
<b>8 - PLUMAS-SIERRA REC</b>	<i>Harry Price</i>
<b>9 - PORT OF OAKLAND</b>	
<b>10 - REDDING</b>	<i>Nick Zettel</i>
<b>11 - ROSEVILLE</b>	<i>Paulini Rocca</i>
<b>12 - SAN FRANCISCO BAY AREA RAPID TRANSIT DISTRICT</b>	
<b>13 - SANTA CLARA</b>	<i>Sudh Jain</i>
<b>14 - SHASTA LAKE</b>	<i>Erica Tolson</i>
<b>15 - TRUCKEE DONNER</b>	<i>V. Clark</i>
<b>16 - UKIAH</b>	





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**July 25, 2024**  
**Attendance List**

NCPA Commissioners, Alternates & Staff are requested to sign, but signature by members of the public is voluntary.

NAME	AFFILIATION
Carmie Pollo	NCPA
Nancy Sarich	Lodi
Bill Forsythe	Roseville
Michael DeBortoli	NCPA
Jake Eymann	NCPA
Deen Albro	Lompoc
James Cirrincione	NCPA
Is Cameron Bregman	Lodi
Basil Wong	SVP
Bill Her	SVP
Dave Hartz	City of Healdsburg
Tim Berringer	Lompoc
Andre Bacler	Blameda
Tony Ziman	NCPA
James Takekawa	Shasta Lake
Monty Hauke	NCPA
Katie Lucchesi	City of Lodi
Kelly Gerkenmeyer	Calaveras County Water District
Jessica Self	Union Public Utility District
Chris Herrod	City of Healdsburg
Mark Crivison	CCWD
Michael Minkler	CCWD
John Coleman	CCWD

