



County of Santa Cruz

COMMISSION ON THE ENVIRONMENT

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AGENDA

Regular Meeting – Wednesday, July 22, 2015

Planning Department Conference Room

701 Ocean Street, 4th Floor, Santa Cruz, CA

Time: 5:00 – 7:00 pm

I. ROLL/CALL TO ORDER/INTRODUCTIONS

II. ADDITIONS/CHANGES TO THE AGENDA

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

IV. PUBLIC INPUT/ORAL COMMUNICATION

V. BUSINESS MATTERS

A. Presentations and consideration of COE actions (70 minutes)

- Santa Cruz County Regional Transportation Commission Passenger Rail Feasibility Study (George Dondero, Executive Director – SCCRTC)
- County Climate Action Strategy Adaptation Initiatives Overview (David Carlson, County Planning Department)
- Community Choice Aggregation Investigative Phase Outreach (Gine Johnson and Monterey Bay Community Power Project Team)
- Possible COE Actions
 - Advisory letter to the BOS
 - Best way for COE to support staff
 - Monitoring and method by COE

B. COE staffing update (5 minutes)

C. State and Federal legislation (10 minutes)

- Discussion of pending legislation
- Action on whether to agendize for a future COE meeting and/or write an advisory letter to the BOS

- D. Ad hoc Inter-Commission Coordination (John Hunt and Ross Clark - 10 minutes)
 - Review “list of issues” revised by the ad hoc committee to reflect which are within purview of the COE, the Fish and Wildlife Commission and/or the Water Advisory Commission
 - Other coordination actions embedded in the approved COE work plan (i.e., annual joint commission meeting and sharing all meeting minutes)

- E. Proactive discussion regarding net new issues (10 minutes)
 - Discussion of issues identified
 - Action on whether to agendaize for a future COE meeting

- F. Confirm upcoming meetings and set agendas:

Board Special Study Session – Open Space District – August 18th, 2015

Next regular COE meeting – September 23, 2015

Proposed agenda topics:

- Presentation on Open Space District – Fred Keeley and Jeff Gaffney
- Presentation on National Monument – Fred Keeley
- Climate Action Strategy - Adaptation Initiatives Regular Staff Report
- CCA regular staff report
- Staff reports back to the COE from prior COE actions
- State and Federal legislation
- Ad hoc Inter-Commission coordination
- Proactive discussion regarding net new issues

VI. **ADJOURNMENT**