

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING AND STRATEGIC PLANNING SESSION
OF THE COMMISSIONERS OF
THE BALANCING AUTHORITY OF NORTHERN CALIFORNIA (BANC)**

August 28, 2024

On this date, a Regular Meeting and Strategic Planning Session of the Commissioners of the Balancing Authority of Northern California was held was held at 555 Capitol Mall, Suite 100, Sacramento, CA 95814.

Representatives:

Member Agency	Commissioner
Modesto Irrigation District (MID)	Martin Caballero
City of Redding	Nick Zettel
City of Roseville	Dan Beans
Sacramento Municipal Utility District (SMUD)	Paul Lau
City of Shasta Lake	James Takehara
Trinity Public Utilities District (TPUD)	Paul Hauser, Chair

Other Participants:

Siva Gunda	Vice Chair, California Energy Commission
Jim Shetler	General Manager
Tony Braun	General Counsel
Brittany Iles	General Counsel
Kris Kirkegaard	General Counsel Support
Chris Hofmann	BANC Operator
James Leigh-Kendall	BANC Compliance Officer
Brock Costalupes	Alternate Commissioner, MID
Joe Bowers	Alternate Commissioner, City of Redding
Bill Forsythe	Alternate Commissioner, City of Roseville
Shawn Matchim	Alternate Commissioner, City of Roseville
Laura Lewis	Alternate Commissioner, SMUD
Bryan Griess	WAPA
Michelle Williams	WAPA

1. Call to Order and Verification of Quorum: Chair Hauser verified that there was a quorum to proceed; attendance is noted above. He then called the meeting to order at 1:29 p.m.
2. Matters Subsequent to Posting the Agenda: None.
3. Public Comment (any matter on the agenda): None.

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4. Consent Agenda: Chair Hauser invited comments from the Commission and a motion on the Consent Agenda; no comments.

ACTION: M/S (Lau/Beans) to **approve the Consent Agenda**. Motion carried by a unanimous voice vote.

5. BANC Strategic Planning Session.

- A. California and Regional Market Developments – Siva Gunda, Vice Chair, California Energy Commission.

Mr. Shetler introduced Vice Chair Gunda, who shared his thoughts and invited questions and input from the group. *NOTE: Due to time constraints on Mr. Gunda's schedule, this item commenced at 12:45 p.m., the official start time of the meeting, but prior to the call to order and official business of the Commission.*

- B. Table Setting for BANC - Overview of Market Development in CA and the West, Resource Adequacy, Transmission Development, and Resource Additions/Retirements.

Mr. Shetler overviewed relevant issues facing BANC and the Members. He took questions and engaged in discussion with the Commission.

- C. Market Development and EDAM Implementation Effort.

Mr. Shetler reviewed the status of market development in the West and BANC's EDAM implementation effort. He shared his intention of proceeding with budgeting for implementation based upon a Spring 2027 go-live date, noting the implementation agreement with CAISO, as affected by the WAPA-SNR approval process.

- D. Resource Opportunities.

- i. Resource Project Updates.

Mr. Shetler provided updates on BANC resource development projects and provided comments on the greater resource picture in the West.

- ii. How Best to Assess Future Options and BANC's Role.

This topic was covered in the next section. Questions were asked around whether BANC should consider more formal outreach, public solicitations, and/or a more proactive approach.

- E. BANC's Role in Resource Adequacy Planning.

- i. Past Efforts/Existing Policies/Industry Trends.

Mr. Shetler overviewed the resource picture in the West, noting a resulting upward pressure on prices and that planners are seeing resource gaps. Future resource challenges were noted.

- ii. Resource Adequacy Requirements.

Mr. Shetler noted that staff recommends initiating a refresh of the BANC-wide resource picture with an intent to update periodically going forward. Additionally, staff believes an incremental but substantial step toward a formal RA policy is needed. No official Commission action was requested or taken at this time, but discussion was opened up and questions were answered

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F. Transmission Development.

i. Industry Trends and Recent Developments: What's Happening Around Us?

Mr. Braun and Mr. Shetler provided background on west-wide transmission development.

ii. Do BANC/BANC Members Need to be Proactive on Transmission Opportunities?

Discussion around how load growth and policy goals would be met and how transmission fits into future resource plans for members ensued.

G. Regulatory Engagement – California & Regional.

Mr. Shetler noted a staff recommendation, as explained in the issue paper provided with the supplementary materials for this meeting, to work with BANC committees to create a structured proposal for a programmatic approach to address market issues. No formal action was requested or taken; it was noted that this would come back to the Commission for input and consideration at a future point in time.

H. Review of Draft 2025 BANC Budget.

Mr. Shetler overviewed the proposed budget, noting that additional amendments would be incorporated prior to another update at the September meeting, with approval likely to be requested in October. No Commission approval was requested at this time, but questions were taken from the Commission.

The Commission adjourned at 4:05 p.m.

Minutes approved on September 18, 2024.

Signed by:



C. Anthony Braun, Secretary