# MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE COMMISSIONERS OF THE BALANCING AUTHORITY OF NORTHERN CALIFORNIA (BANC)

May 28, 2025

On this date, a Regular Meeting of the Commissioners of the Balancing Authority of Northern California was held at 2600 Capitol Avenue, Suite 400, Sacramento, CA 95816.

#### Representatives:

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

### Other Participants:

Jim Shetler	General Manager
Chris Hofmann	BANC Operator
Tony Braun	General Counsel
Kris Kirkegaard	General Counsel Support
Michelle Williams	Western Area Power Administration

- 1. <u>Call to Order and Verification of Quorum:</u> A quorum was confirmed; attendance is noted above. Chair Hauser called the meeting to order at 2:00 p.m.
- 2. <u>Matters Subsequent to Posting the Agenda</u>: Mr. Shetler noted that there were no changes to the agenda itself, but the budget item (5D) has been adjusted to remove updates related to the expected change in the schedule for EDAM Implementation.
- 3. Public Comment (any matter on the agenda): None.
- 4. <u>Consent Agenda:</u> Chair Hauser invited comments from the Commission and a motion on the Consent Agenda; no comments.

**ACTION**: M/S (Matchim/Caballero) to **approve the Consent Agenda**. Motion carried by a unanimous vote of those present. (Absent: Commissioner Takehara).

- 5. Regular Agenda Items.
  - A. General Manager Updates:
    - i. Market Updates EIM, EDAM, Markets+, WRAP.

Mr. Shetler noted that BANC is continuing to see benefits from participation in EIM. He overviewed the ongoing status of EIM and the EDAM Implementation, noting an upcoming agenda item regarding possible participation in the CAISO EIM Assistance

Energy Transfer Program and a Settlements Committee recommended seasonal adjustment cash call, which has already been authorized by the Commission. Mr. Shetler also touched on the Congestion Revenue Allocation issue currently under discussion by CAISO. A transitional approach has been determined following stakeholder input, and approval is expected this year; however, a more formal stakeholder process is expected to be undertaken as the market evolves. BANC is tracking the OATT development of other EDAM participants, and OATT discussions with WAPA have been initiated.

Mr. Shetler also shared brief updates on the West-wide Governance Pathways Initiative, SPP Markets+, and WPP. Michelle Williams provided input regarding WAPA-SNR's intent to continue to pursue EDAM development on an accelerated schedule, despite the delay in planned implementation from spring to fall of 2027. Mr. Braun provided comments, and questions from the Commission on these topics were addressed. No action requested or taken.

### ii. Strategic Plan Updates.

Mr. Shetler provided updates on the IRP Summary Report, RA Policy Development, and Resource Procurement initiatives. He noted that SMUD has confirmed they can support development of an IRP summary report. Estimates are being developed, and a master services agreement will be brought back to the Commission for approval. Regarding RA Policy Development, revised proposals from the three short-listed entities are currently under review; this effort is not expected to start until the fall of 2025. A broader RFP for resource procurement is in the process of being finalized. Questions from the Commission were address, and no action requested or taken.

## iii. WECC Audit Update.

Mr. Shetler provided a brief update on the triennial WECC audit results and invited James Leigh-Kendall, BANC Compliance Officer, to provide additional comments. He also commended SMUD's compliance team and subject matter experts on the strong culture of compliance and WECC relationship. No action requested or taken.

B. <u>Consider and Possibly Approve Resolution 25-05-01 Acknowledgement and Acceptance of the 2025 Summer Load & Resources Assessment of the Balancing Authority of Northern California.</u>

Mr. Shetler introduced Chris Hofmann, who overviewed the current year assessment. There was discussion among the Commission, and their questions were addressed.

ACTION: M/S (Lau/Zettel) to approve Resolution 25-05-01 Acknowledgement and Acceptance of the 2025 Summer Load & Resources Assessment of the Balancing Authority of Northern California. Motion carried by a unanimous vote of those present. (Absent: Commissioner Takehara).

C. Consider and Possibly Approve Resolution 25-05-02 Approval of BANC Participation in CAISO EIM Assistance Energy Transfer Program.

Mr. Shetler again turned things over to Chris Hofmann, who provided information on the Assistance Energy Transfer Program. Questions from the Commission were addressed, and Mr. Shetler provided comments.

ACTION: M/S (Caballero/Matchim) to approve Resolution 25-05-02 Approval of BANC Participation in CAISO EIM Assistance Energy Transfer Program. Motion carried by a unanimous vote of those present. (Absent: Commissioner Takehara)

# D. <u>Consider and Possibly Approve Resolution 25-05-03 Approval of Revised 2025 Annual Budget for BANC.</u>

Mr. Shetler overviewed this item, noting changes to the Base Budget and PA-1: PC Services. He proposed a deferral of the proposed amendments to PA-8: EDAM Implementation, due to an expected delay in EDAM go-live from spring to fall of 2027. Recommended changes to that budget item will be brought back at a future meeting for review and approval. The resolution was modified to remove this item, and Mr. Shetler also noted a correction to the packet under the base budget item 1d, where Resource Committee Support was incorrectly shown as \$234,300 rather than the correct amount of \$224,300. Michelle Williams thanked Mr. Shetler for outreach to WAPA-SNR regarding potential support services, and Mr. Shetler confirmed that dialogue continues with WAPA on that topic.

**ACTION**: M/S (Zettel/Caballero) to **approve Resolution 25-05-03** *Approval of Revised* **2025** *Annual Budget for BANC*. Motion carried by a unanimous vote of those present. (Absent: Commissioner Takehara)

# E. <u>Consider and Possibly Approve Resolution 25-05-04 Approval of Revised Participant Percentages and Cost Allocation Methodology.</u>

Mr. Shetler clarified that the Commission was only being asked for direction today, as it is anticipated that unanimous approval to change the methodology is required of the Commission under the JPA. He also explained the rationale behind the proposed change and invited comments from Mr. Braun, BANC General Counsel. Questions from the Commission were addressed.

ACTION: M/S (Lau/Zettel) to approve Resolution 25-05-04 Approval of Revised Participant Percentages and Cost Allocation Methodology. Motion carried by a unanimous vote of those present. (Absent: Commissioner Takehara)

#### F. Member updates.

Commissioner Caballero noted a couple of settlement items awaiting FERC approval and provided an update on MID's next WECC audit, which is scheduled for December of 2025. Commissioner Zettel provided an update on REU's Wildfire Mitigation Plan. Alternate Commissioner Matchim shared updates on debt issuance and a planned repower of one of their power plants, an update on Roseville Energy Park, and some challenges related to lost gas pressure. Commissioner Lau noted recent ratings agency reviews and related mitigation-related activities, rate updates, and he provided updates related to their DOE grants. Ms. Williams touched on the topics of PSPS, load growth, CAISO project selections, staffing and prioritization updates. Chair Hauser touched on ratings agency challenges, rate updates, CEC exemptions, and CPUC audits.

The Commission adjourned at 4:13 p.m.

Minutes approved on July 23, 2025.

Signed by:

C. Anthony Braun, Secretary