

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

July 23, 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, Acting Chair
City of Redding	Nick Zettel, remote
City of Roseville	Shawn Matchim, Alternate
Sacramento Municipal Utility District (SMUD)	Laura Lewis, Alternate
City of Shasta Lake	James Takehara, remote
Trinity Public Utilities District (TPUD)	Absent

Other Participants:

Jim Shetler	General Manager
Tony Braun	General Counsel
Kris Kirkegaard	General Counsel Support

1. Call to Order and Verification of Quorum: A quorum was confirmed; attendance is noted above. Acting Chair Caballero called the meeting to order at 2:01 p.m.
2. Matters Subsequent to Posting the Agenda: Mr. Shetler noted that item 5E would be pulled from the agenda and rescheduled for a future Commission meeting, as it requires “a unanimous vote of the Member Commissioners.”
3. Public Comment (any matter on the agenda): None.
4. Consent Agenda: Alternate Chair Caballero invited comments from the Commission and a motion on the Consent Agenda; no comments.

<p>ACTION: M/S (Lewis/Matchim) to approve the Consent Agenda. Motion carried by a unanimous vote of those present. (Absent: Commissioner Hauser).</p>

5. Regular Agenda Items.

A. Appointment of Commission Chair in accordance with BANC JPA Section 11.4.

Mr. Shetler noted that Paul Hauser’s second term was ending, Commissioner Beans had nominated Alternate Commissioner Matchim, and Commissioners Caballero & Zettel were also willing to assume the role. Following discussion by the Commission, it was unanimously agreed by those present that Alternate Commissioner Matchim would assume the role for the next term.

B. General Manager Updates:

i. Market Updates – EIM, EDAM, Pathways, Markets+, WPP.

Mr. Shetler noted that the proposed ‘transitional approach’ and tariff amendment related to Congestion Revenue Allocation had been approved by the CAISO Board of Governors and Western Energy Imbalance Market (WEIM) Governing Body and filed at FERC. BANC filed supporting comments, and a FERC decision is pending. It currently appears that BANC, LADWP, TID, and PNM will be implementing EDAM in the fall of 2027. BANC is also continuing OATT discussions with WAPA and starting BANC business practices development. Mr. Braun noted that a coordination meeting was held with TID to discuss common issues.

Mr. Shetler shared brief updates on the West-wide Governance Pathways Initiative. With PNM signing its EDAM Implementation Agreement, Step 1 of Pathways implementation has been triggered, which transitions primary authority to the WEIM Governing Body. Additionally, CA SB540 is the legislation that would allow the IOUs and the ISO to participate in independent RO oversight. The legislation was voted out of senate and currently sits with the assembly, anticipating that it may come up for vote following the summer recess.

Regarding SPP Markets+, Mr. Shetler noted that SPP had secured funding for its next phase, still anticipating a 2027 go-live. He also gave an update on WPP, noting that WRAP participants must decide by October about whether to commit to a binding period in 2027-28 and that WRAP participation is a requirement to participate in Markets+. Finally, the WestTEC development effort has posted presentations outlining preliminary study results for their draft 10-year plan, and a 20-year plan is under development.

Questions from the Commission were addressed, and 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 BANC general counsel is working with SMUD on a proposed master services agreement regarding development of an IRP summary report, and this is expected to be brought to the Commission for consideration at a future meeting. In the area of RA policy development, an item is on this agenda for consideration. Regarding resource procurement, Calpine is wrapping up its engineering evaluation, and BANC anticipates a review and determination about whether to move forward in the September timeframe. Additionally, a broader resource procurement RFP has been finalized, but the timing of issuance is in question. Input and questions from the Commission were addressed, and no action requested or taken.

iii. 2025 Strategic Planning Session updates – August 27, 2025.

Mr. Shetler shared logistics for the meeting, which will be held at Camden Spit & Larder (555 Capitol Mall, Suite 100), with lunch starting at 11:30 a.m. and the meeting expected to follow until ~4:30 p.m. The theme is “Balancing Reliability, Affordability, and Sustainability in an Uncertain Environment,” and a panel discussion is anticipated. The goal will be to validate BANC’s current initiatives and identify new areas of focus. Input from the Commission was requested. No formal action was requested or taken.

C. Consider and Possibly Approve Resolution 25-07-01 *Authorization of Consultant Contract for BANC RA Program Development.*

Mr. Shetler overviewed the request for proposal and evaluation process. No comments or questions from the Commission.

ACTION: M/S (Lewis/Matchim) to **approve Resolution 25-07-01 *Authorization of Consultant Contract for BANC RA Program Development.*** Motion carried by a unanimous vote of those present. (Absent: Commissioner Hauser).

D. Consider and Possibly Approve Resolution 25-07-02 *Approval of Revised 2025 Annual Budget for BANC.*

Mr. Shetler reviewed impacts to the EDAM budget resulting from the delay in the EDAM implementation date from Spring to Fall of 2027 and requested concurrence from the commission on the proposed schedule, scope and budget changes. Additionally, he mentioned the likely utilization of contingency dollars under his delegation for a proposed cost/benefit analysis related to COTP and EDAM in anticipation of outreach to TANC. Separately, SMUD has also requested a resource mix evaluation, to be funded by SMUD, under the Brattle contract. Questions from the Commission were addressed.

ACTION: M/S (Matchim/Lewis) to **approve Resolution 25-07-02 *Approval of Revised 2025 Annual Budget for BANC.*** Motion carried by a unanimous vote of those present. (Absent: Commissioner Hauser).

E. Consider and Possibly Approve Resolution 25-07-03 *Approval of Revised Participation Percentages and Cost Allocation Methodology.*

This item was pulled from the agenda and will be rescheduled for consideration at a future Commission meeting.

F. Discussion on Development of 2026 BANC Annual Budget.

Mr. Shetler overviewed expected impacts to the 2026 budget, including labor increases and additional resources to support a required GMD study and planned IRP evaluation, updates to the EDAM effort, the addition of an RA project expected to be completed in 2026, and potential Pathways funding. A draft 2026 budget is planned for inclusion in the August meeting packet for review and discussion with the Commission, with no action expected until a subsequent meeting.

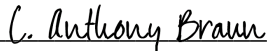
G. Member updates.

Alternate Commissioner Matchim shared updates on scheduled steam turbine maintenance in October and a scheduled outage related to the repower project with DWR at another plant. He also noted upward revisions to the run-time restrictions on units they acquired and mentioned planned debt issuance over the winter. Commissioner Caballero noted that they may have available capacity to offer to Roseville if needed during the October outages. He also gave updates related to S&P ratings. Alternate Commissioner Lewis shared that the SMUD board approved rate increases for 2026/27. Commissioner Zettel shared that they went to council last week for approval to participate in a project through NCPA called Trolley, which is a 400 MW battery storage project and noted that they are also looking for solar. Commissioner Takehara noted some recent large informal interconnection requests.

The Commission moved to closed session at 3:05 p.m. and adjourned from closed session at 3:30 p.m. where no action was taken.

Minutes approved on August 27, 2025.

Signed by:


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C. Anthony Braun, Secretary