

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

August 27, 2025

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

Representatives:

<b>Member Agency</b>	<b>Commissioner</b>
Modesto Irrigation District (MID)	Martin Caballero
City of Redding	Nick Zettel
City of Roseville	Dan Beans Shawn Matchim, BANC Chair
Sacramento Municipal Utility District (SMUD)	Laura Lewis, Alternate
City of Shasta Lake	James Takehara
Trinity Public Utilities District (TPUD)	Paul Hauser

Other Participants:

Melanie Frye	WECC President & CEO
Jim Robb	NERC President & CEO
Jim Shetler	General Manager
Tony Braun	BANC General Counsel
Justin Wynne	BANC General Counsel
Chris Hofmann	BANC Operator
James Leigh-Kendall	BANC Compliance Officer
Kris Kirkegaard	BANC General Counsel Support
Jon Olson	BANC Staff
Wei Shao	BANC Operator
Brock Costalupes	Alternate Commissioner, Modesto Irrigation District (MID)
Joe Bowers	Alternate Commissioner, City of Redding
Bill Forsythe	Alternate Commissioner, City of Roseville
Michelle Williams	Western Area Power Administration
William Slinkard	Western Area Power Administration
Autumn Wolfe	Western Area Power Administration

1. Call to Order and Verification of Quorum: Mr. Shetler confirmed the quorum; attendance is noted above. Chair Matchim called the meeting to order at 2:00 p.m.
2. Matters Subsequent to Posting the Agenda: None.
3. Public Comment (any matter on the agenda): None.
4. Consent Agenda: Chair Matchim invited comments from the Commission and a motion on the Consent Agenda; no comments.

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

5. BANC Strategic Planning Session.

A. “Balancing Reliability, Affordability, and Sustainability in an Uncertain Environment” Panel Discussion:

Mr. Shetler introduced Melanie Frye, WECC President & CEO and Jim Robb, NERC President & CEO, and they answered a series of prepared questions regarding the changing resource mix, increasing load growth, severe weather and wildfire-related resiliency challenges, and changing energy policy. They also took questions from the participants.

B. Review of BANC Strategic Initiatives & Discussion on New Initiatives.

Mr. Shetler teed up current BANC focus areas for discussion and input: Reliable Grid Operations, Supporting Regulatory Services for Initiatives, Day-Ahead Market Expansion, Resource Adequacy development, and Resource Development. Mr. Braun spoke to transmission developments and how it fits into BANC’s future, requesting input from participants.

C. Review Action Items.

Mr. Shetler summarized the action items around each of these areas and committed to translating them into an updated set of strategic initiatives for 2025-26 to be presented at an upcoming Commission meeting.

5. Regular Agenda Items – Discussion and Possible Action.

A. Consider and Possibly Approve Resolution 25-08-01 *Approval of Revised Participant Percentages and Cost Allocation Agreement Using Net Energy for Load.*

Mr. Shetler noted that unanimous approval was needed to change the methodology under the JPA and invited comments from Mr. Braun, who briefly explained the rationale behind the proposed change. Questions from the Commission were addressed.

**ACTION:** M/S (Lewis/Zettel) to **approve Resolution 25-08-02 *Approval of Revised Participant Percentages and Cost Allocation Agreement Using Net Energy for Load.*** Motion carried by a unanimous vote.

B. Discussion on Draft 2026 BANC Annual 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.

C. Member Updates.

No updates were provided.

The Commission adjourned at 4:07 p.m.

Minutes approved on October 22, 2025.

Signed by:

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C. Anthony Braun, Secretary