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

September 30, 2026

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:

| **Member Agency** | **Commissioner** |
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| Modesto Irrigation District (MID) | Martin Caballero |
| City of Redding | Nick Zettel |
| City of Roseville | Dan Beans<br>Shawn Matchim, BANC Chair |
| Sacramento Municipal Utility District (SMUD) | Lora Anguay |
| City of Shasta Lake | James Takehara |
| Trinity Public Utilities District (TPUD) | Sarah Sheetz |

Other Participants:

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| Jim Shetler | General Manager |
| Tony Braun | BANC General Counsel |
| Justin Wynne | BANC General Counsel |
| Kris Kirkegaard | BANC General Counsel Support |
| David Wilke | BANC Operator |
| James Leigh-Kendall | BANC Compliance Officer |
| Wei Shao | BANC Planning Coordinator Committee Chair |
| Jon Olson | BANC Staff |
| Brock Costalupes | Alternate Commissioner, MID |
| Joe Bowers | Alternate Commissioner, City of Redding |
| Laura Lewis | Alternate Commissioner, SMUD |
| Bill Forsythe | Alternate Commissioner, City of Roseville |
| Michelle Williams | Western Area Power Administration |
| Alice Reynolds | Panelist |
| Mike Wilding | Panelist |
| Kathleen Staks | Panelist |

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 1:00 p.m.

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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/Sheetz) to **approve the Consent Agenda**. Motion carried by a unanimous vote.

5. BANC Strategic Planning Session.

A. "What's Next for the West" Panel Discussion.

Mr. Shetler introduced Alice Reynolds, a member of the CAISO Board of Governors & former CPUC President; Kathleen Staks, Western Freedom Executive Director and ROWE Formation Board President; and Mike Wilding, Pacificorp Vice President of Energy Supply Management and they answered a series of questions related to the changing resource mix, increasing load growth, severe weather and wildfire-related resiliency challenges, changing energy policy, and rapidly development markets in the West. They also took questions from meeting participants. There were no action items associated with this agenda item.

B. Discussion on Western Interconnection Infrastructure Development.

Mr. Shetler introduced Tony Braun, BANC General Counsel, who shared information related to the infrastructure needs reshaping the electric utility industry and the Western Interconnection. Mr. Braun teed up questions for Commission consideration and discussion, but no action was requested or taken.

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

Mr. Shetler reviewed current BANC focus areas for discussion and input: Reliable Grid Operations, EDAM and Market Development and Supporting Services for Initiatives, Day-Ahead Market Expansion, Resource Adequacy Development, and Resource Development. He noted transition planning as a possible future BANC focus area, requesting input from participants on current and possible future initiatives.

D. 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 2026-27 to be presented at an upcoming Commission meeting.

6. Regular Agenda Items – Discussion and Possible Action.

A. Consider and Possibly Approve Resolution 26-09-01 *Resolution Commending and Thanking Paul Lau for His Service to the Balancing Authority of Northern California*.

Mr. Shetler introduced this resolution, noting Paul's contributions and expressing gratitude for his service.

**ACTION:** M/S (Zettel/Matchim) to **approve Resolution 26-09-01 *Resolution Commending and Thanking Paul Lau for His Service to the Balancing Authority of Northern California*.** Motion carried by a unanimous vote.

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B. Discussion on Draft 2027 BANC Annual Budget.

Mr. Shetler overviewed the proposed budget, noting that he would likely return with any updates at October's meeting. No Commission approval was requested at this time, but questions were taken from the Commission.

The Commission adjourned at 4:00 p.m.

Minutes approved on October 28, 2026.

Signed by:
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C. Anthony Braun, Secretary