



**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS  
OF THE SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA PUBLIC POWER AUTHORITY**

*A regular meeting of the Board of Directors was held on **September 19, 2024**, at Southern California Public Power Authority, 1160 Nicole Court, Glendora, CA 91740.*

*The meeting was also conducted by teleconference from:*

**Los Angeles Department of  
Water & Power**  
111 North Hope St. Room 1502  
Los Angeles, CA 90012

**Azusa Light & Water**  
729 N Azusa Ave,  
Azusa, CA 91702

**City of Banning**  
176 East Lincoln St.  
Banning, CA 92220

**Burbank Water & Power**  
164 West Magnolia Blvd.  
Burbank, CA 91502

**Cerritos City Hall**  
Public Works Conference  
Room  
18125 Bloomfield Ave.  
Cerritos, CA 90703

**Glendale Water & Power**  
GWP Administration Office  
141 N. Glendale Ave. Suite 450  
Glendale, CA 91206

**Pasadena Water and Power**  
150 S. Los Robles, Suite 200  
Pasadena, CA 91101

**Imperial Irrigation District**  
La Quinta Division  
81-600 Avenue 58  
La Quinta, CA 92253

**Riverside Public Utilities**  
RPU Mission Square Building  
5<sup>th</sup> Floor Training Room  
3750 University Avenue  
Riverside, CA 92501

**Anaheim Public Utility**  
201 S. Anaheim Blvd  
Suite 1101  
Anaheim, CA 92805

**Colton Electric Utility**  
150 South 10<sup>th</sup> St  
Colton, CA 92324

The meeting was called to order at **10:00 AM** by the Board President, Tikan Singh. Daniel Garcia, Executive Director, went through the emergency safety protocols for the in-person meeting participants. Mr. Singh went through the web conference protocol. Ms. Salpi Ortiz took roll.

**The following Board Members  
(B) or Alternates (A) were  
present:**

**Anaheim:** Dukku Lee (B)  
**Azusa:** Tikan Singh (B)  
**Banning:** Jim Steffens (B)  
**Burbank:** Joe Lillio (A)  
**Cerritos:** Sergio Huizar (A)  
**Colton:** Kristen Weger (A)  
**Glendale:** Scott Mellon (A)  
**IID:** Sabrina Barber (A)  
**LADWP:** Aram Benyamin (A)

**Pasadena:** David Reyes (B)  
**Riverside:** Scott Lesch (B)  
**Vernon:** Todd Dusenberry (B)

**1. NOTICE/AGENDA AND OPPORTUNITY FOR THE PUBLIC TO ADDRESS THE BOARD**

Mr. Singh noted that the meeting was noticed and posted as required under the Brown Act. Mr. Singh invited comments from the public. There were no public comments.

**2. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR REPORT**

**A. Working Group Update**

Mr. Garcia provided an update on the Cybersecurity Working Group. He noted that the group is currently operating on an ad-hoc basis and expressed interest in establishing a more regular meeting cadence, suggesting monthly or quarterly sessions. Mr. John Quan, Principal Utility Analyst, will contact current group members to propose a regular meeting schedule.

Mr. Garcia also reminded the Board that registration is still open for the Annual Conference on October 10, 2024.

He concluded his remarks by informing the Board that picture day will take place before the October 17th Board meeting, approximately 30-45 minutes prior to the meeting start.

**3. CONSENT CALENDAR**

**Minutes of the Board of Directors Meeting**

- o Regular Meeting Minutes: August 15, 2024

**A. Receive and File:**

1. Finance Committee Meeting Minutes: August 5, 2024
2. Monthly Investment Report: July 2024
3. SCPA A&G Budget Comparison Report: July 2024
4. Palo Verde Decommissioning Annual Funding Status Report: Year 2023
5. Palo Verde Report: July 2024
6. Magnolia Power Project Operations Report: August 2024
7. Federal Legislative Report: August 2024

**Moved by:** Aram Benyamin, *Los Angeles Department of Water & Power*

**Seconded:** Dukku Lee, *Anaheim Public Utilities*

Ms. Ortiz took a Roll Call vote:

	<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>Present, Not Voting</b>	<b>Absent</b>
<b>Anaheim</b>	<b>X</b>			

<b>Azusa</b>	<b>X</b>			
<b>Banning</b>	<b>X</b>			
<b>Burbank</b>	<b>X</b>			
<b>Cerritos</b>	<b>X</b>			
<b>Colton</b>	<b>X</b>			
<b>Glendale</b>	<b>X</b>			
<b>IID</b>	<b>X</b>			
<b>LADWP</b>	<b>X</b>			
<b>Pasadena</b>	<b>X</b>			
<b>Riverside</b>	<b>X</b>			
<b>Vernon</b>	<b>X</b>			

**4. CHIEF FINANCIAL & ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER REPORT**

**A. Resolution 2024-095**

Authorizing all documents necessary and appropriate to sell and issue bonds, notes, or other securities, proceeds, of which will be used to refund outstanding Transmission Project Revenue Bonds, 2015 Subordinate Refunding Series C (Southern Transmission Project)

Ms. Aileen Ma, Chief Financial & Administrative Officer, presented Resolution 2024-095 to the Board for consideration and approval.

**Moved by:** Dukku Lee, *Anaheim Public Utilities*

**Seconded:** Aram Benyamin, *Los Angeles Department of Water & Power*

Ms. Ortiz took a Roll Call vote (Project Vote):

	<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>Present, Not Voting</b>	<b>Absent</b>
<b>Anaheim</b>	<b>X</b>			
<b>Azusa</b>	<b>X</b>			
<b>Banning</b>	<b>X</b>			
<b>Burbank</b>	<b>X</b>			
<b>Cerritos</b>	<b>X</b>			
<b>Colton</b>	<b>X</b>			
<b>Glendale</b>	<b>X</b>			

<b><i>IID</i></b>	<b><i>X</i></b>			
<b><i>LADWP</i></b>	<b><i>X</i></b>			
<b><i>Pasadena</i></b>	<b><i>X</i></b>			
<b><i>Riverside</i></b>	<b><i>X</i></b>			
<b><i>Vernon</i></b>	<b><i>X</i></b>			

**5. ASSET MANAGEMENT REPORT**

**A. Resolution 2024-096**

Approval of Clean Energy Project (Prepaid PPA) FY 24/25 Project Budget

Mr. Charles Guss, Senior Asset Manager, presented Resolution 2024-096 to the Board for consideration and approval.

**Moved by:** Aram Benyamin, *Los Angeles Department of Water & Power*

**Seconded:** Dukku Lee, *Anaheim Public Utilities*

Ms. Ortiz took a Roll Call vote (Project Vote):

	<b><i>Yes</i></b>	<b><i>No</i></b>	<b><i>Present, Not Voting</i></b>	<b><i>Absent</i></b>
<b><i>Anaheim</i></b>	<b><i>X</i></b>			
<b><i>Azusa</i></b>	<b><i>X</i></b>			
<b><i>Banning</i></b>	<b><i>X</i></b>			
<b><i>Burbank</i></b>	<b><i>X</i></b>			
<b><i>Cerritos</i></b>	<b><i>X</i></b>			
<b><i>Colton</i></b>	<b><i>X</i></b>			
<b><i>Glendale</i></b>	<b><i>X</i></b>			
<b><i>IID</i></b>	<b><i>X</i></b>			
<b><i>LADWP</i></b>	<b><i>X</i></b>			
<b><i>Pasadena</i></b>	<b><i>X</i></b>			
<b><i>Riverside</i></b>	<b><i>X</i></b>			
<b><i>Vernon</i></b>	<b><i>X</i></b>			

**B. Resolution 2024-097**

Approval of Eland Solar & Storage Center, Phase 2 FY 24/25 Project Budget

Mr. Charles Guss, Senior Asset Manager, presented Resolution 2024-097 to the Board for consideration and approval.

**Moved by:** Aram Benyamin, *Los Angeles Department of Water & Power*

**Seconded:** Sabrina Barber, *Imperial Irrigation District*

Ms. Ortiz took a Roll Call vote (Project Vote):

	<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>Present, Not Voting</b>	<b>Absent</b>
<b>Anaheim</b>	X			
<b>Azusa</b>	X			
<b>Banning</b>	X			
<b>Burbank</b>	X			
<b>Cerritos</b>	X			
<b>Colton</b>	X			
<b>Glendale</b>	X			
<b>IID</b>	X			
<b>LADWP</b>	X			
<b>Pasadena</b>	X			
<b>Riverside</b>	X			
<b>Vernon</b>	X			

**C. Report regarding San Juan Generating Station Stack Implosion – August 24, 2024**

Mr. Guss reported to the Board the San Juan Generating Station Stack Implosion occurred on August 24, 2024, and shared a video showing the implosion.

**6. PROJECT DEVELOPMENT REPORT**

**A. Resolution 2024-098**

Approval of Power Purchase Agreement with Grace Orchard Solar III, LLC for the Grace Orchard Solar III Project and Power Sales Agreements with the Cities of Anaheim, Colton, and Pasadena; Finding such Action Exempt from California Environmental Quality Act

Mr. Troy Cook, Utility analyst, presented Resolution 2024-098 to the Board for consideration and approval.

**Moved by:** David Reyes, *Pasadena Water & Power*

**Seconded:** Dukku Lee, *Anaheim Public Utilities*

Ms. Ortiz took a Roll Call vote:

	<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>Present, Not Voting</b>	<b>Absent</b>
<b>Anaheim</b>	X			
<b>Azusa</b>	X			
<b>Banning</b>	X			
<b>Burbank</b>	X			
<b>Cerritos</b>	X			
<b>Colton</b>	X			
<b>Glendale</b>	X			
<b>IID</b>	X			
<b>LADWP</b>	X			
<b>Pasadena</b>	X			
<b>Riverside</b>	X			
<b>Vernon</b>	X			

**7. GOVERNMENT AFFAIRS REPORT**

**A. State Regulatory Update**

Elisabeth de Jong, Government Affairs Manager, provided a recap of California Energy Commissioner Noemi Gallardo's visit on August 29, 2024, which included stops at Riverside Public Utilities and Burbank Water and Power. The event was well-represented by nine SCPPA members: Anaheim, Azusa, Burbank, Colton, Glendale, IID, LADWP, Pasadena, and Riverside. SCPPA received positive feedback from both Commissioner Gallardo and her Chief of Staff. Ms. de Jong thanked Burbank and Riverside for their support in hosting the event and the members for their participation and contributions.

**B. Federal Issues Update**

Mario De Bernardo, Government Affairs Director, provided a federal update, highlighting that Congress is expected to focus on tax policy in 2025. Mr. De Bernardo reported that the American Public Power Association (APPA) is collaborating with the Government Finance Officers Association to gather information from Publicly Owned Utilities (POUs) on bond-financed projects to demonstrate the value of municipal bonds, with a goal of identifying at least four projects in each congressional district. Mr. De Bernardo shared where POUs can submit details of any projects funded by bonds.

**C. State Legislative Update**

Mr. De Bernardo provided a state legislative update, including an end-of-session recap.

**8. BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS**

**A. Opportunity for Board Members to bring up informational items or request that an item be added to a future Board Agenda.**

Mr. Singh invited Board members to bring up informational items or request that items be added to a future Board Agenda. Ms. Sabrina Barber from the Imperial Irrigation District requested a list of the current IID staff members attending the cyber security working group.

**9. ADJOURNMENT**

Mr. Singh adjourned the meeting at 10:47 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Signed by:



Daniel E Garcia  
Executive Director