



**GOVERNING BOARD SPECIAL MEETING**

**AGENDA**

Thursday, October 13, 2022 9:30 a.m.

**Location:**

**Teleconference:**

Join Zoom Meeting:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/6067573943>

Dial-in audio: 669-900-9128

Meeting ID: 606 757 3943

**CSEDD Governing Board Members (12):**

JPA Member Agency	Elected Board Member	Citizen Board Member
Alpine County	Terry Woodrow, Supervisor	JT Chevallier
Amador County	Frank Axe, Supervisor	Karen Warburton
Calaveras County	Benjamin Stopper, Supervisor (Vice-Chair)	Kathryn Gallino
Mariposa County	Marshall Long, Supervisor (Chair)	Tara Schiff
Tuolumne County	Anaiah Kirk, Supervisor	<Open>
City of Angels Camp	Caroline Schirato, Council Member	
City of Sonora	Ann Segerstrom, Council Member	

**CALL TO ORDER – ROLL CALL**

**1. ACTION ITEM:**

- a. Consideration of Adopting a Resolution *Re-Authorizing* Findings in Support of Allowing Remote Meetings Pursuant to AB361 (Modifies Brown Act Procedures During a Declared Emergency) and Direction Regarding Holding CSEDD Board Meetings in Person or Remotely

2. **ORAL COMMUNICATION:** The Public may speak on any item not on the printed agenda. No action may be taken. [Gov. Code § 54954.2(b)(2)]
  
3. **CONSENT AGENDA:** The following Consent Agenda items are expected to be routine. They will be acted upon by the District Board at one time. Any Board Member, staff member or interested person may request that any Consent items be removed for discussion.
  - a. Approval of the Minutes of the September 8, 2022 meeting of the CSEDD Governing Board
  
4. **ACTION ITEMS:**
  - a. None
  
5. **INFORMATION/DISCUSSION ITEMS:**
  - a. Welcome Karen Warburton to the CSEDD board as Amador Citizen Member
  - b. CEDS Project Update / Survey Results (Chico State Enterprises)
  - c. Geo Partners – broadband speed testing
  - d. CASF grant update (K. Gallino)
  - e. Board member topics of interest (Roundtable)
  
6. **NEXT MEETING(S):**

2022 meeting dates (all at 9:30 AM)  
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7. **ADJOURN**

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1 **Board of Directors, Central Sierra Economic Development District**

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3 **FINDINGS OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE CENTRAL SIERRA ECONOMIC**  
4 **DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT RE-AUTHORIZING REMOTE TELECONFERENCE MEETINGS**  
5 **FOR THE PERIOD **OCTOBER 13, 2022 – NOVEMBER 12, 2022****  
6 **PURSUANT TO THE RALPH M. BROWN ACT.**  
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8 **WHEREAS**, all meetings of the Board of Directors of the Central Sierra Economic Development  
9 District and its legislative bodies are open and public, as required by the Ralph M. Brown Act (Cal. Gov.  
10 Code 54950 – 54963), so that any member of the public may attend, participate, and view the legislative  
11 bodies conduct their business; and

12 **WHEREAS**, the Brown Act, Government Code section 54953(e), makes provisions for remote  
13 teleconferencing participation in meetings by members of a legislative body, without compliance with the  
14 requirements of Government Code section 54953(b)(3), subject to the existence of certain conditions and  
15 requirements; and

16 **WHEREAS**, a required condition of Government Code section 54953(e) is that a state of emergency  
17 is declared by the Governor pursuant to Government Code section 8625, proclaiming the existence of  
18 conditions of disaster or of extreme peril to the safety of persons and property within the state caused by  
19 conditions as described in Government Code section 8558(b); and

20 **WHEREAS**, a further required condition of Government Code section 54953(e) is that state or local  
21 officials have imposed or recommended measures to promote social distancing, or, the legislative body  
22 holds a meeting to determine or has determined by a majority vote that meeting in person would present  
23 imminent risks to the health and safety of attendees; and

24 **WHEREAS**, on March 4, 2020, Governor Newsom issued a Proclamation of a State of Emergency  
25 declaring a state of emergency exists in California due to the threat of COVID-19, pursuant to the California  
26 Emergency Services Act (Government Code section 8625); and,

27 **WHEREAS**, on June 11, 2021, Governor Newsom issued Executive Order N-07-21, which  
28 formally rescinded the Stay-at-Home Order (Executive Order N-33-20), as well as the framework for a

1 gradual, risk-based reopening of the economy (Executive Order N-60-20, issued on May 4, 2020) but did  
2 not rescind the proclaimed state of emergency; and,

3 **WHEREAS**, on June 11, 2021, Governor Newsom also issued Executive Order N-08-21, which set  
4 expiration dates for certain paragraphs of the State of Emergency Proclamation dated March 4, 2020 and  
5 other Executive Orders but did not rescind the proclaimed state of emergency; and,

6 **WHEREAS**, as of the date of this Finding, neither the Governor nor the state Legislature have  
7 exercised their respective powers pursuant to Government Code section 8629 to lift the state of emergency  
8 either by proclamation or by concurrent Finding the state Legislature; and,

9 **WHEREAS**, the California Department of Industrial Relations has issued regulations related to  
10 COVID-19 Prevention for employees and places of employment. Title 8 of the California Code of  
11 Regulations, Section 3205(5)(D) specifically recommends physical (social) distancing as one of the  
12 measures to decrease the spread of COVID-19 based on the fact that particles containing the virus can travel  
13 more than six feet, especially indoors; and,

14 **WHEREAS**, on [August 18, 2022](#), the Board of Directors of the Central Sierra Economic  
15 Development District previously adopted findings that the requisite conditions existed for the Board of  
16 Directors of the Central Sierra Economic Development District to conduct remote teleconference meetings  
17 without compliance with Government Code section 54953 (b)(3), as authorized by Section 54953(e); and,

18 **WHEREAS**, as a condition of extending the use of the teleconferencing provisions for another 30  
19 days beyond the Finding adopted on [August 18, 2022](#), pursuant to Government Code Section 54953(e), the  
20 Board of Directors of the Central Sierra Economic Development District must reconsider the circumstances  
21 of the state of emergency that exists and find that either the state of emergency continues to directly impact  
22 the ability of the members to meet safely in person or state or local officials continue to impose or  
23 recommend measures to promote social distancing; and,

24 **WHEREAS**, the Board of Directors of the Central Sierra Economic Development District has  
25 reconsidered the circumstances of the state of emergency and finds that state or local officials continue to  
26 impose or recommend measures to promote social distancing, based on the California Department of  
27 Industrial Relations regulations related to COVID-19 Prevention, specifically, Title 8 of the California Code  
28 of Regulations, Section 3205(5)(D), continuing to remain in effect; and,

1           **WHEREAS**, as a consequence, the Board of Directors of the Central Sierra Economic Development  
2 District does hereby find that it may continue to conduct their meetings by teleconferencing without  
3 compliance with Government Code section 54953 (b)(3), pursuant to Section 54953(e), and that such  
4 legislative bodies shall comply with the requirements to provide the public with access to the meetings as  
5 prescribed by Government Code section 54953(e)(2).

6           **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, FOUND AND ORDERED** by the Board of  
7 Directors of the Central Sierra Economic Development District, in regular session assembled on **October**  
8 **13, 2022**, does hereby find as follows:

9           Section 1. Recitals. All of the above recitals are true and correct and are incorporated into this  
10 Finding by this reference.

11           Section 2. Reconsideration of the State of Emergency. The Board of Directors of the Central  
12 Sierra Economic Development District has reconsidered the circumstances of the state of emergency that  
13 continues to exist and was proclaimed by the Governor through a State of Emergency Proclamation on  
14 March 4, 2020.

15           Section 3. State or Local Officials Continue to Impose or Recommend Measures to Promote  
16 Social Distancing. The Board of Directors of the Central Sierra Economic Development District hereby  
17 proclaims that state officials continue to impose or recommend measures to promote social (physical)  
18 distancing based on the continuance of California Department of Industrial Relations regulations related to  
19 COVID-19 Prevention through Title 8 of the California Code of Regulations, Section 3205(5)(D).

20           Section 4. Remote Teleconference Meetings. The Board of Directors of the Central Sierra  
21 Economic Development District is hereby authorized and directed to take all actions necessary to carry out  
22 the intent and purpose of this Finding including, conducting open and public meetings in accordance with  
23 Government Code section 54953(e) and other applicable provisions of the Brown Act.

24           Section 5. Effective Date. This Finding shall take effect immediately upon its adoption and  
25 shall be effective until the earlier of (i) **November 12, 2022**, or (ii) such time the Board of Directors of the  
26 Central Sierra Economic Development District adopts a subsequent Finding in accordance with  
27 Government Code section 54953(e)(3) to extend the time during which its legislative bodies may continue  
28 to teleconference without compliance with Section 54953(b)(3).

1 ADOPTED this 13th day of October, 2022 by the Board of Directors of the Central Sierra Economic  
2 Development District, by the following vote:

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4 YES:

5 NO:

6 ABSENT:

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Marshall Long

7 ABSTAIN:

Chair, Central Sierra Economic Development District

Board of Directors

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**MINUTES**

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Amador County Supervisor	Frank Axe	X	
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**GUESTS:** Courtney Farrell (The Collective), Steve Frisch (Sierra Business Council), Melissa Kovacs (Chico State), Luke Scholl (Chico State), Haley Stone (Chico State), Vicki Doll (Chabin Concepts), Fawn McLaughlin. Alice Patterson (North State Planning)

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*None*

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*Minutes accepted. (M) B.Stopper, (S) F.Axe, ayes carried, 2 absent.*

**3. ACTION ITEMS:**

- a. *None*

**4. INFORMATION/DISCUSSION ITEMS:**

- a. CEDS Project Update (Chico State Enterprises)  
*Courtney Farrell notified the board that her team has conducted 188 surveys to date but would like to see more representation for Amador and Mariposa County. Her team shared that top issues identified through the survey include housing, lack of workforce, childcare access and affordability, broadband, resources for entrepreneurship, and natural disasters (wildfires and droughts). Courtney also updated the board on the request for holding community meetings, and is looking for time, date and location suggestions for each county. The Chico team hopes to have a draft CEDS in September 2022, board input in October, board approved in November, opened for public comment in December, and turned into the Economic Development Authority (EDA) for review in January.*
- b. Board member topics of interest (Roundtable)
  - *Steve Frisch gave the board an update on the CERF grant, announcing that there has still been no official notification of grant award. Assuming the grant is awarded, the contract is set to start October 1<sup>st</sup>.*
  - *Kathy Gallino notified the board that the application for the CASF grant has received semi-approval and is she working on providing a budget plan.*



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**AMADOR COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**  
COUNTY ADMINISTRATION CENTER \*810 COURT STREET \* JACKSON, CA \* 95642  
(209) 223-6470

**COMMITTEE MEMBER APPLICATION FORM**

Date 9/12/2022

**Please consider me for the following committee:**  
CASF Consortia Grant Account

<b>NAME:</b> Karen Warburton
<b>Mailing Address:</b> 18905 Shake Ridge Rd., Sutter Creek, CA 95685
<b>Physical Address:</b> Same As Above
<b>Business Address:</b> 12200-B Airport Rd., Jackson, CA 95642
<b>Telephone - Home:</b> 209-304-0673 <b>Work:</b> 209-223-6733

**Please state briefly your qualifications and why you are interested in serving on this committee (use additional sheet of paper, if necessary):**

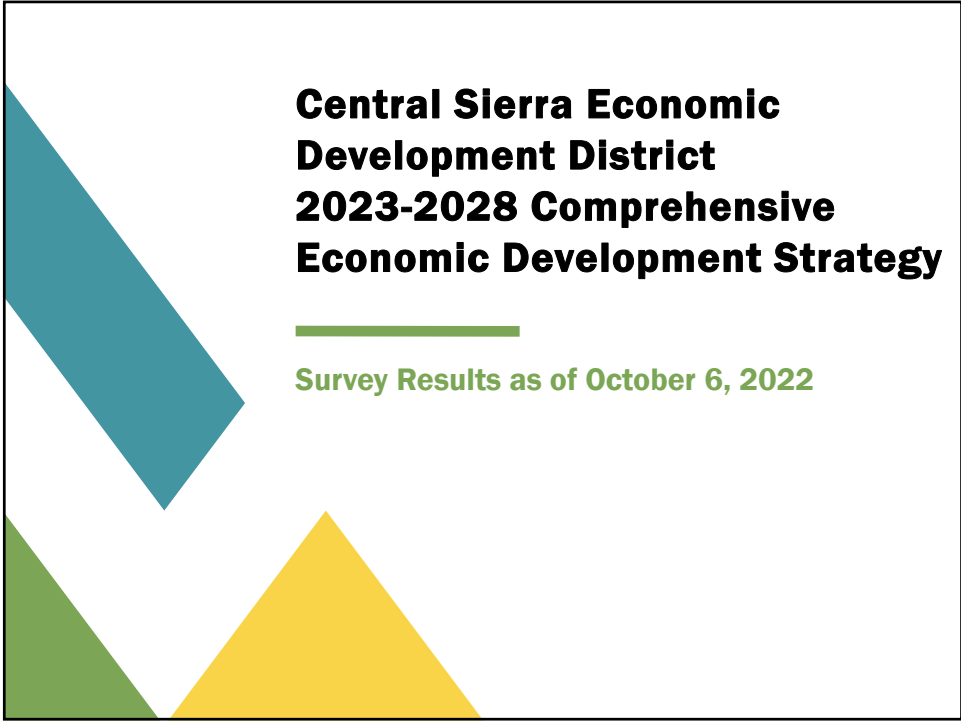
I hold Bachelor's and Master's degrees in Biology, and several certifications in technology (Networking, Server Administration, Hardware, Programming, Software Applications, GIS and Remote Sensing, and Data Analytics). Prior to working for the County, I have had a wealth of experience working in education and information technology, and have an in depth understanding of Amador County's constituency and geographical layout. I have interacted with many residents within the County, on a personal level, as a Program Assistant at non-profit organization Amador College Connect helping high school students and adults of all ages enroll in online classes and colleges, and have worked in various technology roles prior to that, which has given me significant insight into how technology can improve the lives of residents. Therefore, I feel confident that I can communicate the needs to close gaps in Broadband delivery.

**Signature** *Karen M. Warburton*

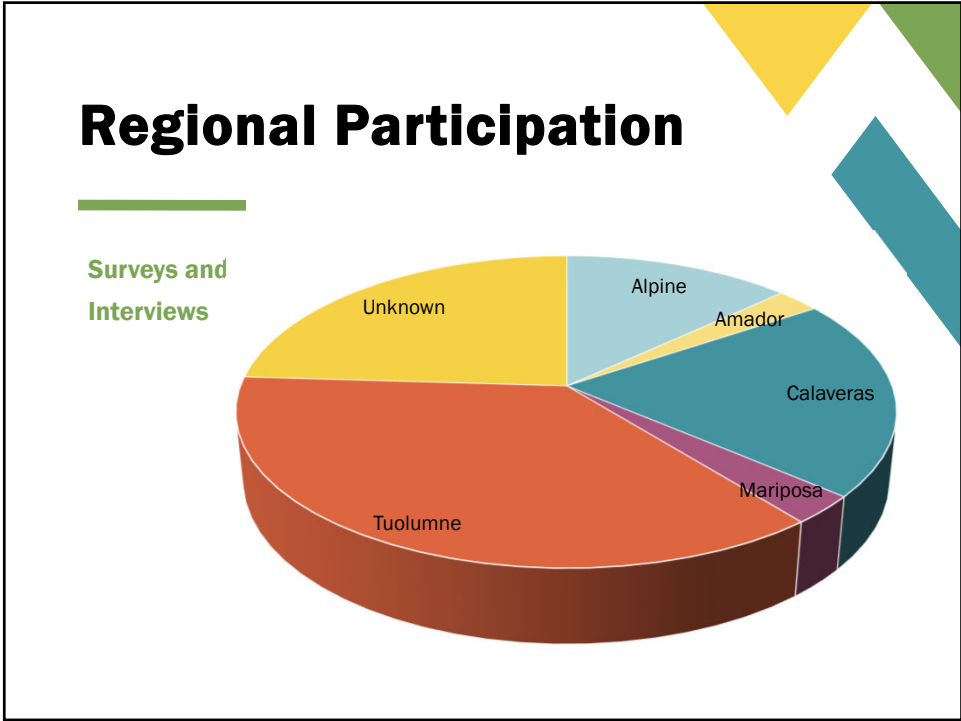
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<input type="checkbox"/> Application Accepted	<input type="checkbox"/> Application Rejected
Date Appointed _____	Committee Number _____
Term Expires _____	Supervisorial District _____

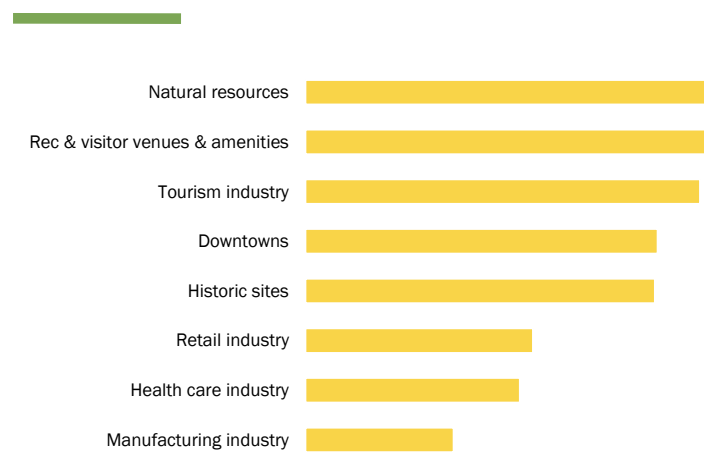


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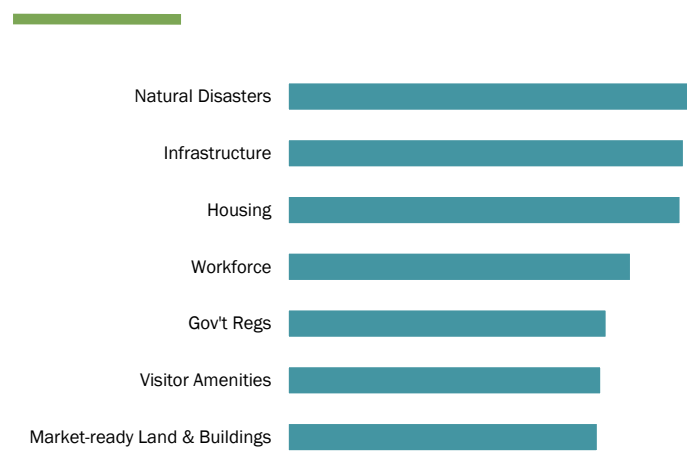
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## Assets Important to Economic Success



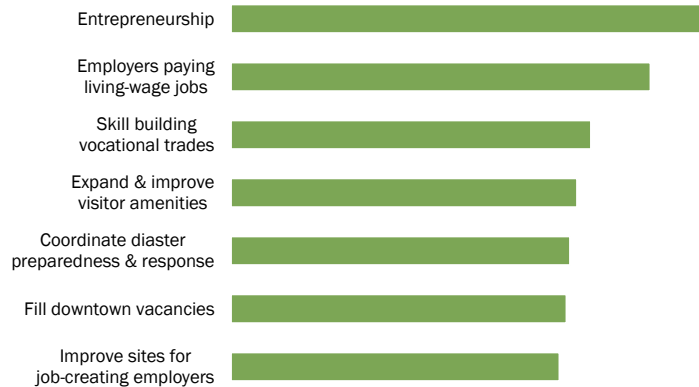
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## Challenges to Address



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# Opportunities to Capture



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# Ideas – Suggestions – Requests

***Paraphrased. Final survey report will include all comments as provided***

- Tax commercial spaces that sit unoccupied; subsidize storefronts to keep the lights on
- Offer guided tours of historic sites
- Distinctive public art; walkable downtowns; creative placemaking; performance venues
- Recreation/training facilities for endurance athletes or research
- Improve, rebuild and open camping locations
- Limit vacation rentals
- Need businesses & services for year-round residents
- Public transportation on weekends
- Childcare
- Workforce skills
- Residential housing using green energy, net zero practices, fire resistant materials and protocols
- More manufacturing that doesn't impact the environment but offers skilled jobs
- Improve deteriorating infrastructure; broadband and cell service
- Road improvements
- Mono & Alpine counties coordinate plowing to keep Monitor Pass open
- geography is important, this isn't the landscape for land and buildings for businesses. Promote ecology and biodiversity; become a model community for sustainability
- Improve communications among counties and with residents

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