

Central Sierra Economic Development District

GOVERNING BOARD MEETING

<u>AGENDA</u>

Thursday, December 9, 2021 9:30 a.m.

Locations:

In Person:

197 Mono Way, Suite B Sonora, CA 95370 (209) 533-3396 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	Kim Holland
Calaveras County	Benjamin Stopper, Supervisor (Vice-Chair)	Kathryn Gallino
Mariposa County	Marshall Long, Supervisor (Chair)	Tara Schiff
Tuolumne County	Ryan Campbell, Supervisor	Cole Przybyla
City of Angels Camp	Alvin Broglio, Mayor	
City of Sonora	Ann Segerstrom, Council Member	

CALL TO ORDER – ROLL CALL

- **1. ORAL COMMUNICATION:** The Public may speak on any item <u>not</u> on the printed agenda. No action may be taken. [Gov. Code § 54954.2(b)(2)]
- 2. 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 October 15, 2021 meeting of the CSEDD Governing Board

3. ACTION ITEMS:

- 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 (Exec. Director)
- Review and approve the selection of North State Planning and Development Collective to engage in Contract Services to assist in preparing a Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy (CEDS) (Exec. Director)
- c. Review and accept the final Biomass Feasibility Study and Business Plan USDA grant (Beck Group)

4. INFORMATION/DISCUSSION ITEMS:

- a. Considerations for CSEDD joining the EDA Partner Program (Malinda Matson)
- b. Funding opportunities:
 - 2 Good Jobs Challenge Grants EDA (Fresno & Valley)
 - Forestry Corps CalFire grant (Fresno)
 - Others?
- c. Board member topics of interest (Roundtable)

5. NEXT MEETING(S):

a. 2022 meeting dates (all at 9:30 AM) Feb. 17, May 19, Aug. 18, Nov. 17

6. ADJOURN

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Central Sierra Economic Development District

GOVERNING BOARD MEETING

MINUTES

Friday, October 15, 2021 1:00 p.m.

Locations:

In Person:

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> Dial-in audio: 669-900-9128 Meeting ID: 606 757 3943

CSEDD Governing Board Members (12):

JPA Member	Member Name	Present	Absent
Alpine County Supervisor	Terry Woodrow	Х	
Alpine County Citizen Member	JT Chevallier		Х
Amador County Supervisor	Frank Axe		Х
Amador County Citizen Member	Kim Holland	Х	
Calaveras County Supervisor	Benjamin Stopper (Vice-Chair)	Х	
Calaveras County Citizen Member	Kathyn Gallino	Х	
Mariposa County Supervisor	Marshall Long (Chair)	Х	
Mariposa County Citizen Member	Tara Schiff	Х	
Tuolumne County Supervisor	Ryan Campbell	Х	
Tuolumne County Citizen Member	Cole Przybyla	Х	
City of Angels Camp	Alvin Broglio, Mayor		Х
City of Sonora	Ann Segerstrom, Council Member	Х	

CALL TO ORDER – ROLL CALL

 ORAL COMMUNICATION: The Public may speak on any item <u>not</u> on the printed agenda. No action may be taken. [Gov. Code § 54954.2(b)(2)] None

2. CONSENT AGENDA:

Approval of the Minutes of the August 19, 2021 meeting of the CSEDD
 Governing Board
 Minutes approved. (M) T. Woodrow, (S) R. Campbell, ayes carried, 3 absent.

3. ACTION ITEMS:

- a. Consideration of Adopting a Resolution Making 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 (Exec. Director) Resolution Making Findings in Support of Allowing Remote Meetings Pursuant to AB₃61 (Modifies Brown Act Procedures During a Declared Emergency) approved. (M) B. Stopper, (S) R. Campbell, ayes carried, 3 absent.
- b. OPR is drafting documents for County of Tuolumne to receive the grant for a Natural Resources Organizational Study on behalf of the 5 counties for our Supply JPA Proposed Organization. Consideration of CSEDD writing a letter of support for this grant. (Cole Przybyla) Consideration of CSEDD writing a letter of support for this grant approved. (M) K. Gallino, (S) R. Campbell, ayes carried, 3 absent.

4. INFORMATION/DISCUSSION ITEMS:

- a. Update on Mono County addition to the CSEDD JPA (Exec. Director) Dave shared that Mono County will no longer be joining the CSEDD JPA.
- b. Update on USDA grant for Biomass Feasibility study (Exec. Director) The feasibility study has been written and CSEDD staff is in the process of closing out the grant. Out of the \$179,000 grant amount, \$22,000 was left unexpended and will be returned to the USDA.
- c. Update on EDA grant to write a 4-year CEDS (Exec. Director) The Request for Proposal (RFP) to write the CEDS has been distributed and is awaiting responses. The RFP expires on November 2, 2021.
- d. Board member topics of interest (Roundtable)

5. NEXT MEETING(S):

a. 2021 meeting dates (all at 9:30 AM) Nov. 18

6. ADJOURN

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Board of Directors, Central Sierra Economic Development District

FINDINGS OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE CENTRAL SIERRA ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT RE-AUTHORIZING REMOTE TELECONFERENCE MEETINGS FOR THE PERIOD DECEMBER 9, 2021 – JANUARY 8, 2022 PURSUANT TO THE RALPH M. BROWN ACT.

WHEREAS, all meetings of the Board of Directors of the Central Sierra Economic Development District and its legislative bodies are open and public, as required by the Ralph M. Brown Act (Cal. Gov. Code 54950 – 54963), so that any member of the public may attend, participate, and view the legislative bodies conduct their business; and

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

WHEREAS, on October 15, 2021, the Board of Directors of the Central Sierra Economic Development District previously adopted findings that the requisite conditions existed for the Board of Directors of the Central Sierra Economic Development District to conduct remote teleconference meetings without compliance with Government Code section 54953 (b)(3), as authorized by Section 54953(e); and,

WHEREAS, as a condition of extending the use of the teleconferencing provisions for another 30 days beyond the Finding adopted on October 15, 2021, pursuant to Government Code Section 54953(e), the Board of Directors of the Central Sierra Economic Development District must reconsider the circumstances of the state of emergency that exists and find that either the state of emergency continues to directly impact the ability of the members to meet safely in person or state or local officials continue to impose or recommend measures to promote social distancing; and,

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors of the Central Sierra Economic Development District has reconsidered the circumstances of the state of emergency and finds that state or local officials continue to impose or recommend measures to promote social distancing, based on the California Department of Industrial Relations regulations related to COVID-19 Prevention, specifically, Title 8 of the California Code of Regulations, Section 3205(5)(D), continuing to remain in effect; and, WHEREAS, as a consequence, the Board of Directors of the Central Sierra Economic Development District does hereby find that it may continue to conduct their meetings by teleconferencing without compliance with Government Code section 54953 (b)(3), pursuant to Section 54953(e), and that such legislative bodies shall comply with the requirements to provide the public with access to the meetings as prescribed by Government Code section 54953(e)(2).

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, FOUND AND ORDERED by the Board of Directors of the Central Sierra Economic Development District, in regular session assembled on December 9, 2021, does hereby find as follows:

<u>Section 1.</u> <u>Recitals</u>. All of the above recitals are true and correct and are incorporated into this Finding by this reference.

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

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

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

<u>Section 5.</u> <u>Effective Date</u>. This Finding shall take effect immediately upon its adoption and shall be effective until the earlier of (i) January 8, 2022, or (ii) such time the Board of Directors of the Central Sierra Economic Development District adopts a subsequent Finding in accordance with Government Code section 54953(e)(3) to extend the time during which its legislative bodies may continue to teleconference without compliance with Section 54953(b)(3).

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1	ADOPTED this 9th day of December, 2021 by the Board of Directors of the Central Sierra					
2	Economic Development District, by the following vote:					
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4	YES:					
5	NO:					
6	ABSENT:	Marshall Long				
7	ABSTAIN:	Chair, Central Sierra Economic Development Board of Directors				
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Proposals will be evaluated on the following criteria:

Evaluation Factors	Point Range	Score
 Quality and Responsiveness of the Proposal The proposal must be submitted by the deadline in an envelope clearly marked with the name and title of the proposal, along with the respondent's return address. The Cost Proposal must be submitted in a separate sealed envelope along with your proposal which specifies on its face "Cost Proposal". 	0 - 20	20
 2. Scope of Work/Services Understanding of the project as identified by CSEDD; Basic understanding of the six counties and their economic opportunities or challenges; 	0 - 20	20
 3. Experience and Qualifications of Staff Understanding of and relevant experience providing the services required, especially for smaller counties in rural areas; Experience and qualification of staff assigned to the project; Experience of the project manager; References and relevant work performed for those references; 	0 - 20	20
 4. Project Schedule & Work Plan Accessibility of key personnel to County staff; Willingness and ability to meet deadlines; and Ability to comply with insurance requirements. 	0 - 20	18
 5. Cost – Submitted as separate attachment. Budget and fee structure The Cost Proposal must be submitted in a separate sealed envelope along with your proposal which specifies on its face "Cost Proposal". 	0 - 20	20
TOTAL POINTS	0-100	98

EDA: AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN

GOOD JOBS CHALLENGE *Getting Americans Back to Work*



EDA's American Rescue Plan **Good Jobs Challenge** aims to get Americans back to work by building and strengthening systems and partnerships that bring together employers who have hiring needs with other key entities to train workers with in-demand skills that lead to good-paying jobs.

Through the Good Jobs Challenge, EDA is allocating \$500 million to collaborative skills training systems and programs. EDA encourages efforts to reach historically underserved populations and areas,

communities of color, women, and other groups facing labor market barriers such as persons with disabilities, disconnected youth, individuals in recovery, individuals with past criminal records, including justice impacted and reentry participants, serving trainees participating in the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP), Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) and Women, Infants and Children (WIC), and veterans and military spouses.

These systems and partnerships will create and implement industry-led training programs, designed to provide skills for and connect unemployed or underemployed workers to existing and emerging job opportunities. Ultimately, these systems are designed to train workers with the skills to secure a union job or a quality job that provides good pay, benefits, and growth opportunities.



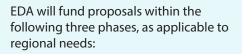
WHO SHOULD APPLY

The Good Jobs Challenge is designed to support the needs of an applicant's identified regional workforce system through a single integrated award. EDA will make awards to either the System Lead Entity of a regional workforce system or the Backbone Organization of a sectoral partnership as the lead applicant. These organizations may make subawards to other eligible recipients as necessary to the proposed project and as approved by EDA.

Eligible applicants for EDA's Good Jobs Challenge include a(n):

- District Organization of an EDA-designated Economic Development District
- Indian Tribe or a consortium of Indian Tribes
- State, county, city, or other political subdivision of a State, including a special purpose unit of a State or local government engaged in economic or infrastructure development activities, or a consortium of political subdivisions
- Institution of higher education or a consortium of institutions of higher education
- Public or private non-profit organization or association acting in cooperation with officials of a political subdivision of a State

Individuals or for-profit entities, including for-profit institutions of higher education, are not eligible.



1 System Development

Help establish and develop a regional workforce training system comprised of multiple sector partnerships

2 Program Design

Develop the skills training curriculum and materials, and secure technical expertise needed to train workers

3 Program Implementation

Implement non-construction projects needed to provide workforce training and connect workers with quality jobs, including wrap-around services



APPLICATION DEADLINE

Application deadline:
 January 26, 2022

CONTACTS

- Please send email inquiries about the American Rescue
 Plan Good Jobs Challenge to GoodJobsChallenge@eda.gov.
- For additional questions, please visit www.eda.gov/contact to find contact information for your Economic Development Representative.



To learn more about EDA's American Rescue Plan **Good Jobs Challenge**, visit eda.gov/arpa/good-jobs-challenge/.