



**GOVERNING BOARD MEETING  
MEETING MINUTES**

**Central Sierra Economic Development District Board of Directors**  
Thursday, November 09, 2023 (9:30am)

**Teleconference (Non-voting Attendees):** **In-Person (Primary Location):**  
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/6067573943> 197 Mono Way, Suite B  
 Phone audio: (669) 900-9128 Sonora, CA 95370  
 Meeting ID: 606 757 3943 (209) 588-1150

***In-Person (Amador Location):***  
 1 Prosperity Court  
 Sutter Creek, CA 95685  
 (209) 267-5590

***In-Person (Calaveras Location):***  
 7 Main Street  
 San Andreas, CA 95249  
 (209) 754-4242

***In-Person (Mariposa Location):***  
 5362 Lemee Lane  
 Mariposa, CA 95338  
 (209) 966-3643

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

1.1. Roll call / Establish quorum

JPA Member	Member Name	Present	Absent
Alpine County Supervisor	Terry Woodrow	X	
Alpine County Citizen Member	JT Chevallier		X
Amador County Supervisor	Frank Axe	X	
Amador County Citizen Member	Karen Warburton	X	
Calaveras County Supervisor	Benjamin Stopper (Chair)		X
Calaveras County Citizen Member	Kathryn Gallino		X
Mariposa County Supervisor	Rosemarie Smallcombe	X	
Mariposa County Citizen Member	<Open>		
Tuolumne County Supervisor	Anaiah Kirk	X	
Tuolumne County Citizen Member	Robbie Bergstrom	X	
City of Angels Camp	Caroline Schirato, Council Member	X	
City of Sonora	Suzanne Cruz, Council Member		X

**Guests:** Erika Harvey (Sierra Business Council), Len De Groot (Tuolumne County), Kristin York (Sierra Business Council), David Griffith (Alpine County)

**2. ORAL COMMUNICATION**

None

**3. CONSENT AGENDA**

3.1. Approval of Minutes of the September 15, 2023 CSEDD Governing Board Meeting  
*Minutes accepted, (M) R. Smallcombe, (S)F. Axe, ayes carried, 4 absent.*

**4. ACTION ITEMS**

4.1. None

**5. INFORMATION/DISCUSSION ITEMS**

5.1. *The Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy (CEDS) and CEDS Technical Report have been published for a 30-day public review/comment period*

<https://www.csedd.org/ceds-2023>

5.2. *The 2023 Broadband Utility Zone (CSBUZ) Contract Services for California Advanced Service Funds (CASF) Consortia Grant Implementation RFP can be found online at*

<https://www.csedd.org/procurements>

5.3. Discussion on the future framework for CSEDD (Dave Thoeny & Ben Stopper)

*Write a letter that to request to rejoin the Partnership Planning Program and show:*

- *We have completed a new CEDS*
- *We have the \$70K match as required by the program*
- *We have a staffing plan to operate an EDD*
- *Our governing board meets the requirements of 14 CFR 304.2c*
  - *Including CEDS Strategy Committee roster*
  - *Timing: Worst case next fiscal year (October 2024 –September 2025), maybe sooner*

*The CSEDD Board agreed that there is no capacity to “grow our own” and we will need to seek assistance from 3<sup>rd</sup> party.*

5.4. Update on the Community Economic Resilience Fund (CERF) Regional Planning Grant – Sierra Business Council

*Sierra business Council shared that CERF is currently focused on the December 31<sup>st</sup> deliverables and is prepping for upcoming subcommittee meetings.*

5.5. Update on Eastern Sierra K-16 Planning Grant – ARCHES or Amy Frost

*Amy shared that Columbia College has been awarded \$18 million and committee members were given packets to apply for projects that feed the K-16 planning grant industries: computing, engineering, education, and healthcare..*

5.6. Board member topics of interest (Roundtable)

- *Kathy Gallino announced that CSEDD did not receive the “Solar for all” grant.*

**6. 2023 MEETINGS (all 9:30 – 11:00 am)**

*December 11 (Approve CEDS)*

**7. ADJOURN**