



Navigating Battery Energy Storage Systems (BESS) Permitting Webinar Agenda

Introductory Remarks

Panel 1 - Permit Pathways Panel

This panel will provide an overview on the permitting avenues for private developers and utilities to bring BESS projects forward.

Panelists

- Fernando Valero, Director of Advanced Clean Technology and Advanced Technology Integration—San Diego Gas & Electric (SDG&E)
- Eric Knight, Manager, Siting and Environmental Branch—California Energy Commission (CEC)
- Scott Murtishaw, Executive Director—California Energy Storage Alliance (CESA)
- Q&A Moderator: John Kennedy, Senior Policy Advocate—RCRC

Panel 2 - Safety Standards Panel

This panel will provide an overview of state and national safety standards for BESS facilities.

Panelists

- Daniel Berlant, California State Fire Marshal
- Nika Kjensli—California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC)
- Nick Bartlett, Senior Fire Protection Engineer/Fire Marshall—ATAR Fire
- Q&A Moderator: Julie Lucido, Public Works Director—City of Napa

Panel 3 - Local BESS Permitting Approaches Panel

This panel will feature examples of how local jurisdictions have approached the application process for BESS projects.

Panelists

- Allan Calder, Planning Manager—Solano County
- David Reyes, Assistant City Manager/Interim General Manager, Water and Power—City of Pasadena
- San Diego County
- Q&A Moderator: Ada Waelder, Legislative Advocate—CSAC

Closing Remarks