



Tribal Program

The California Energy Commission's Tribal Program helps the organization conduct effective government-to-government cooperation, collaboration, communication, and other activities with California Native American tribes.

- <https://www.energy.ca.gov/programs-and-topics/programs/tribal-program>

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Resources and Programs

Empower Innovation – California Energy Commission's free online networking platform created to help connect potential project partners seeking clean energy grant funding opportunities.

- [Empowerinnovation.net](https://empowerinnovation.net)

Offshore Renewable Energy - Renewable energy technologies developed offshore California are poised to play an important role in the portfolio of solutions needed to meet the state's climate, renewable, and clean energy goals.

- <https://www.energy.ca.gov/programs-and-topics/topics/renewable-energy/offshore-renewable-energy>

Lithium Valley Commission - With the opportunity to develop lithium from geothermal brine in the Salton Sea Known Geothermal Resource Area, the Lithium Valley Commission is directed to review, investigate, and analyze opportunities and benefits for lithium recovery and use in the state. A final report is due to the State Legislature by October 1, 2022.

- <https://www.energy.ca.gov/data-reports/california-power-generation-and-power-sources/geothermal-energy/lithium-valley>

Research and Development

EPIC - The California Energy Commission's Electric Program Investment Charge (EPIC) program invests in scientific and technological research to accelerate the transformation of the electricity sector to meet the state's energy and climate goals.

- <https://www.energy.ca.gov/programs-and-topics/programs/electric-program-investment-charge-epic-program>

Natural Gas Research Program - The California Energy Commission's Natural Gas Research Program invests in technologies and solutions that help the natural gas sector support California's energy and environmental goals.

- <https://www.energy.ca.gov/programs-and-topics/programs/natural-gas-program>

Transportation

Clean Transportation Program – The program invests up to \$100 million annually, in addition to General Fund dollars, leveraging public and private investments to accelerate the development of clean, efficient, low-carbon technologies to

reduce greenhouse gas emissions and petroleum dependence. Each year, the Energy Commission prepares an investment plan to determine funding priorities and opportunities.

- <https://www.energy.ca.gov/programs-and-topics/programs/clean-transportation-program>

CALeVIP – The California Electric Vehicle Infrastructure Project (CALeVIP) offers incentives for the purchase and installation of electric vehicle charging infrastructure at publicly accessible sites throughout California.

- <https://calevip.org/>

EnergIIZE – EnergIIZE Commercial Vehicles (Energy Infrastructure Incentives for Zero-Emission Commercial Vehicles) is the nation's first commercial vehicle fleet infrastructure incentive project. EnergIIZE provides incentives for zero-emission vehicle (ZEV) infrastructure equipment for medium- and heavy-duty battery electric and hydrogen fuel cell vehicles in California. The project provides a user-friendly and streamlined process for participation by breaking down infrastructure deployment barriers through targeted incentives and specialized assistance.

- <https://energiize.org/>

Renewable Energy and Energy Efficiency

BUILD is a residential building decarbonization program that provides incentives and technical assistance to support the adoption of advanced building design and near zero emission technologies in new all-electric low-income homes.

- <https://www.energy.ca.gov/programs-and-topics/programs/building-initiative-low-emissions-development-program>

REAP - The California Energy Commission's Renewable Energy for Agriculture Program (REAP) offers grants that encourage the installation of renewable energy technologies serving agricultural operations to reduce greenhouse gas emissions.

- <https://www.energy.ca.gov/programs-and-topics/programs/renewable-energy-agriculture-program>

Upcoming

ECAA - Energy Conservation Assistant Act (ECAA) loan program offering low-interest rate loans to fund energy efficiency, renewable energy and storage projects - eligible program participants expanded to California Native American Tribes authorized in 2021. Expected launch Fall 2022.

- <https://www.energy.ca.gov/programs-and-topics/programs/energy-conservation-assistance-act>

The Clean Mobility Options (CMO) Voucher Pilot - Program is a statewide initiative that provides zero-emission shared mobility options to under-resourced communities in California. The CMO Voucher Pilot is available throughout California to tribes to increase access to safe, reliable, convenient, and affordable transportation options. At least \$21 million is available for the 2022 application window. The application window is tentatively scheduled to open in Fall 2022.

- <https://cleanmobilityoptions.org/>

California's Fifth Climate Change Assessment Tribal Research Program

Leveraging diverse expertise throughout the state, the Fifth Assessment will contribute to the scientific foundation for understanding climate-related vulnerability throughout California. It will support on-the-ground implementation and decision-making at the local, regional, tribal, and state levels, focusing on the needs of communities most vulnerable to climate change impacts. The program will include a Tribal Advisory Group, Tribal Grant Program, and Tribal Topical Report. Nominations for Tribal Advisory Group are open through August 31, 2022.

- <https://opr.ca.gov/climate/icarp/climate-assessment/>