



**Contra
Costa
County**

To: Board of Supervisors
From: Brian M. Balbas, Public Works Director/Chief Engineer
Date: July 26, 2022

Subject: AUTHORIZE Contra Costa County's enrollment in Marin Clean Energy's PeakFLEX Market Program, Countywide

RECOMMENDATION(S):

APPROVE and AUTHORIZE the Public Works Director, or designee, to execute an agreement, including indemnification, with Marin Clean Energy (MCE) for enrollment in the PeakFLEX Market Program for Marin Clean Energy to pay the County for implementing energy savings projects, effective August 1, 2022, through September 30, 2023, Countywide.

FISCAL IMPACT:

There is no cost to enroll in the program. Participation in the program provides the County with avoided cost savings and potential financial incentive revenue. MCE will pay County for energy savings achieved in accordance with program criteria.

BACKGROUND:

On July 10, 2018, the Board of Supervisors adopted a Distributed Energy Resources (DER) Plan for County operations, noting that implementation of DERs in County facilities is the most expedient, efficient, and effective way to meet the statutory renewable energy goals and the carbon reduction requirements of SB350 (Clean Energy & Pollution Reduction Act), as well as the objectives of the County's Climate Action. A key part of the DER Plan

☒ APPROVE

☐ OTHER

☒ RECOMMENDATION OF CNTY ADMINISTRATOR

☐ RECOMMENDATION OF BOARD COMMITTEE

Action of Board On: **07/26/2022** ☒ APPROVED AS RECOMMENDED ☐ OTHER

Clerks Notes:

VOTE OF SUPERVISORS

AYE: John Gioia, District I Supervisor
Candace Andersen, District II Supervisor
Diane Burgis, District III Supervisor
Karen Mitchoff, District IV Supervisor
Federal D. Glover, District V Supervisor

I hereby certify that this is a true and correct copy of an action taken and entered on the minutes of the Board of Supervisors on the date shown.

ATTESTED: July 26, 2022

Monica Nino, County Administrator and Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

By: June McHuen, Deputy

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cc:

involves strategic demand management of electricity usage. Marin Clean Energy's PeakFLEX Program provides technical assistance and financial incentives to customers that reduce electricity load during peak periods. The program structure encourages the County to set up building system schedules in the County's Building Management System that reduce or shift load. MCE's program works closely with County staff to operationalize these schedules to maximize economic benefits while minimizing thermal comfort impacts to building occupants.

Public Works recommends that the County participate in this program, which is implemented by Marin Clean Energy and funded by the California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC). Potential revenue

BACKGROUND: (CONT'D)

from program participation could exceed \$20,000 per year while simultaneously reducing Greenhouse Gas (GHG) emissions. Under the Program, the County is obligated to indemnify MCE for third party claims for bodily injury, death, or damages caused by the County's negligence or willful misconduct while participating in the PeakFLEX Program.

CONSEQUENCE OF NEGATIVE ACTION:

Failure to approve program participation will inhibit staff's ability to advance Energy Efficiency strategies as outlined in the County DER Plan and will result in lost revenue, lost financial savings potential and lost opportunity to reduce GHG emissions in alignment with County Climate Action Plan goals.

ATTACHMENTS

MCE PeakFLEX Participation Agreement

MCE PeakFLEX Program Flyer