

CPUC Public Agenda 3585

Thursday, August 13, 2026, 11:00 a.m.

Commissioners:

John Reynolds, President

Darcie L. Houck

Karen Douglas

Matthew Baker

Christine Harada

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California Public
Utilities Commission

CPUC Mission

We Empower California through:

- Assuring utility services are clean and safe.
- Providing for critical services and infrastructure.
- Designing rates that are fair and reasonable.
- Protecting the interests of consumers and ratepayers

CPUC Core Values



Accountability



Excellence



Integrity



**Open
Communication**



Stewardship

Commissioner Code of Conduct

- I. Commissioners should conduct themselves in a manner that demonstrates respect for the public, for fellow Commissioners, and for Commission staff.
- II. Commission meetings should be opportunities for a full and respectful exchange of ideas and the responsible execution of Commission duties.
- III. Serving on the Commission is an honor and Commissioners should treat their colleagues at the Commission with respect for the varied backgrounds, skills and interests that each one brings.
- IV. Commissioners are public officials who should uphold the integrity of their office at all times.

Public Comment

- Per Resolution ALJ-252, any member of the public (excluding parties and their representatives) who wishes to address the CPUC about matters before the Commission may comment in person at the Commission Meeting or may call in to the toll-free number:



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- ***Para escuchar esta reunión en español, por favor llame: (800) 857-1917, código de acceso: 3799627.***
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- Public Comment is not permitted on the following items:

18, 29

Public Agenda Changes

Items shown on the Consent Agenda will be taken up and voted on as a group in one of the first items of business of each CPUC meeting.

- Items on Today's Consent Agenda 1 are: **1, 2, 5, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, and 40.**
- Items on Today's Consent Agenda 2 are: **21, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39, 41, 42, 43, 44, 45, and 46.**
- Any Commissioner, with consent of the other Commissioners, may request an item from the Regular Agenda be moved to the Consent Agenda prior to the meeting.
- **No Item** from the Regular Agenda has been added to the Consent Agenda.
- Any Commissioner may request an item be removed from the Consent Agenda for discussion on the Regular Agenda prior to the meeting.
- **No Item** has been withdrawn.
- **Items 6 and 27** have been moved to the Regular Agenda.
- The following items have been held to future Commission Meetings:

Held to 9/3/2026: 3, 3A, 4, 7, and 52.

Held to 10/8/2026: 47.

Regular Agenda

- Each item on the Regular Agenda (and its alternate if any) will be introduced by the assigned Commissioner or CPUC staff and discussed before it is moved for a vote.
- For each agenda item, a summary of the proposed action is included on the agenda; the CPUC's final decision may, however, differ from that proposed.
- The complete text of every Proposed Decision or Draft Resolution is available for download on the CPUC's website: www.cpuc.ca.gov
- Late changes to agenda items are available on the Virtual Escutia Table; or in paper format or via QR Code at the Commission Meeting site.

Regular Agenda | Orders and Resolutions

Item #6 [24304] – Southwest Gas Corporation General Rate Case for Test Year 2026

A.24-09-001

Application of Southwest Gas Corporation for Authority to Increase Rates and Charges for Gas Service in California, Effective January 1, 2026.

Ratesetting

Comr. Baker - Judge Jeffrey Lee

PROPOSED OUTCOME:

- Establishes Southwest Gas Corporation's (Southwest Gas) capital structure that consists of 50.0% common debt and 50.0% common equity; return on common equity of 10.00%; overall rate of return of 7.07% for Southern California and 7.17% percent overall for consolidated Northern California and the South Lake Tahoe jurisdictions; rate increase of 5.17% for the consolidated Northern California and South Lake Tahoe jurisdiction, and a rate increase of 22.36% for the Southern California rate jurisdiction for Test Year 2026.
- Closes the proceeding.

SAFETY CONSIDERATIONS:

- There are no safety considerations associated with this decision.

ESTIMATED COST:

- Authorizes operating revenues of \$173,180,220 for the Southern California rate jurisdiction; \$41,257,764 for the consolidated Northern California rate jurisdiction; and \$32,714,714 for the consolidated South Lake Tahoe rate jurisdiction. In sum, these totals represent a \$32.6 million revenue increase, which is a roughly \$11.05 million reduction of Southwest Gas' initial request for a revenue increase, or a 25 percent downward adjustment.

Regular Agenda | Orders and Resolutions (continued)

Item #27 [24409] – Transfer of Control of the San Pablo Bay Pipeline Company, LLC and Crimson California Pipeline, L.P.

A.26-06-017

Joint Application of CorEnergy Infrastructure Trust, Inc. and CMH Acquisition Company, LLC, Pursuant to Section 854 of the Public Utilities Code, for Authority to Transfer Control of San Pablo Bay Pipeline Company, LLC (PLC-29) and Crimson California Pipeline, L.P.

Ratesetting

Comr. Baker - Judge Thomas

PROPOSED OUTCOME:

- Grants the unopposed Joint Application of CorEnergy Infrastructure Trust, Inc. and CMH Acquisition Company, LLC, pursuant to Public Utilities Code Section 854, for authority to transfer control of San Pablo Bay Pipeline Company, LLC and Crimson California Pipeline, L.P.
- Closes the proceeding.

SAFETY CONSIDERATIONS:

- There are no safety considerations associated with this decision.

ESTIMATED COST:

- There are no costs associated with this decision.

Regular Agenda | Communications Orders

Item #48 [24352] – Indirect Transfer of Control of Cox California Telcom to Charter Communications, Charter Communications Holdings, and Cox Enterprises

A.25-07-016

Joint Application of Charter Communications, Inc., Charter Communications Holdings, LLC, and Cox Enterprises, Inc. for Approval Pursuant to Public Utilities Code Section 854 of the Indirect Transfer of Control of Cox California Telcom, LLC.

Ratesetting

Comr. Baker - Judge Ormond

PROPOSED OUTCOME:

- Grants indirect transfer of control subject to a Joint Settlement and Mitigation Measures.
- Closes the proceeding.

SAFETY CONSIDERATIONS:

- There are no safety considerations associated with this decision.

ESTIMATED COST:

- The post-merger company should reduce customer costs.

Regular Agenda | Communications Orders (continued)

Item #48A [24372] – Commissioner Baker's Alternate to Agenda ID # 24352

A.25-07-016

Joint Application of Charter Communications, Inc., Charter Communications Holdings, LLC, and Cox Enterprises, Inc. for Approval Pursuant to Public Utilities Code Section 854 of the Indirect Transfer of Control of Cox California Telcom, LLC.

Ratesetting

Comr. Baker

PROPOSED OUTCOME:

- Grants the indirect transfer of control subject to the Settlements Agreements and Mitigation Measures.
- Closes the proceeding.

SAFETY CONSIDERATIONS:

- The post-merger company should provide public safety benefits.

ESTIMATED COST:

- The post-merger company should reduce customer costs.

Regular Agenda | Communication Resolutions and Reports

Item #49 [24380] – California Advanced Services Fund Broadband Adoption Account

Res T-17927

PROPOSED OUTCOME:

- Approves up to \$7,264,424 in funding from the California Advanced Services Fund Broadband Adoption Account for eight digital literacy projects and two call center projects. Collectively, these projects will provide digital literacy training for up to 2,600 participants and broadband subscriptions for up to 30,186 participants.

SAFETY CONSIDERATIONS:

- There are no safety considerations associated with this resolution.

ESTIMATED COST:

- There are no costs associated with this resolution.

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CASF Broadband Adoption Account



Santa Barbara Partners in Education Computers for Families Project



EveryoneON East Bay DL Project

January 2026 Applications and Approvals

- January round received a total of **154 applications**
- **Resolution T-17927** recommends approval of **10 projects totaling \$7.26M** in grant funding
 - Digital literacy training to **2,620 participants**
 - Broadband subscriptions to **30,186 participants**
 - Counties of Fresno, Kern, Kings, Los Angeles, San Francisco, Santa Clara, and statewide.
- CPUC recently ministerially **approved up to \$11.2 million** for **114** Adoption Account Projects (to date):
 - 106** Digital Literacy | **5** Broadband Access |
 - 3** Call Centers

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ESTIMATED COST:

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Regular Agenda | Communication Resolutions and Reports (continued)

Item #50 [24385] – California Advanced Services Fund for the Broadband Infrastructure Grant Account Application

Res T-17926

PROPOSED OUTCOME:

- Awards Three (3) grants for up to \$24,040,291 from the California Advanced Services Fund Infrastructure Funding Account to Frontier California Inc. in Fresno, Merced, Plumas, and Tulare Counties.

SAFETY CONSIDERATIONS:

- There are no safety considerations associated with this resolution.

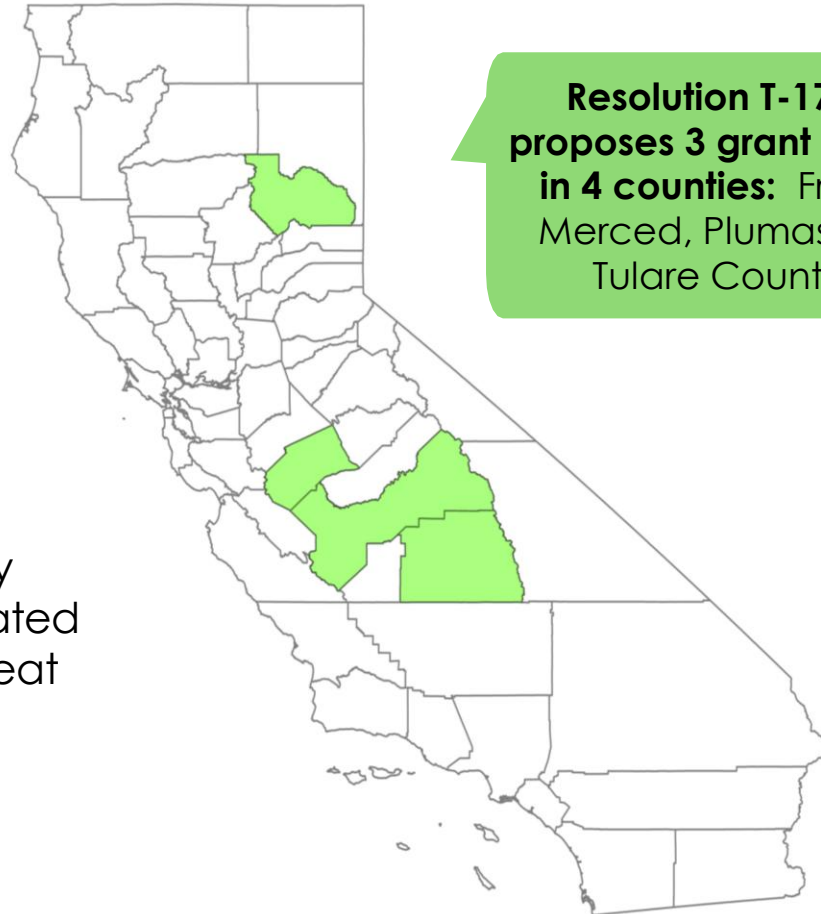
ESTIMATED COST:

- There are no costs associated with this resolution.

CASF Recommendation and Awards

Resolution T-17926 recommends approximately \$24 million in awards to Frontier California Inc. for three projects.

These projects will provide affordable, high-speed internet over fiber-to-the-home (FTTH) to provide broadband connectivity to **590** unserved households located in rural, low-income, high fire-threat and high flood-risk districts.



Resolution T-17926 proposes 3 grant awards in 4 counties: Fresno, Merced, Plumas, and Tulare Counties



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Regular Agenda | Communication Resolutions and Reports (continued)

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Regular Agenda | Communication Resolutions and Reports (continued)

Item #51 [24386] – California Advanced Services Fund Broadband Public Housing Account

Res T-17928

PROPOSED OUTCOME:

- Approves Four (4) Public Housing Infrastructure Projects Grants up to \$595,911.11 in funding from the California Advanced Services Fund (CASF) Broadband Public Housing Account for four infrastructure projects from People's Self-Help Housing (1 project), Self-Help Enterprises (2 projects), and La Vista Apartments LP (1 project).
- Deploys wireless point to multi-point connection, outside fiber, CAT6 inside-wiring, and wireless broadband network infrastructure utilizing Wi-Fi capable of 100 Megabits per second download and 20 Mbps upload for 315 residential units in these four publicly supported housing developments.
- Allows for free broadband service to those that lack such service. Access to broadband service will improve public safety and enable access to government, ehealth, and online education opportunities.

SAFETY CONSIDERATIONS:

- Access to broadband service will improve public safety and enable access to government, e-health, and online education opportunities.

ESTIMATED COST:

- There are no costs associated with this resolution.

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CASF Broadband Public Housing Account

January 2026 Applications and Approvals

- Jan round received a total of **17 applications**
- **Resolution T-17928** recommends approval of **4 projects totaling \$595,911.11** in grant funding
 - **315 residential units** will receive free broadband access
- CPUC recently ministerially **approved up to \$627,274.13 for 11** Broadband Public Housing Infrastructure Projects. These projects will serve:
 - 8 counties | 845 Housing Units |**
 - 978 Residents** at the time of application



East Garrison Apartments Project in Monterey County.

Regular Agenda | Communication Resolutions and Reports (continued)

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Res T-17928

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SAFETY CONSIDERATIONS:

- Access to broadband service will improve public safety and enable access to government, e-health, and online education opportunities.

ESTIMATED COST:

- There are no costs associated with this resolution.

Management Reports



Item #53 [23293]

Management Report on Administrative Actions and Consumer Protection and Safety Activities

Item #54 [24389]

**Reappointment to the Low-Income Oversight Board:
Robert Castaneda**

Commissioner's Reports



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John Reynolds



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The CPUC thanks you for
participating in today's meeting

The next Public Meeting will be:

September 3, 2026

11:00 a.m.

Sacramento, CA

