

AR 638 Community Engagement Work Group: Session 2 Agenda

Monday, July 12, 2021

11:45 a.m. (PT)

Zoom Meeting

Link to Meeting

Call-in: 971 247 1195 US Meeting ID: 861 4366 1342 Passcode: 0209168510

1. Introductions

Welcome and a round of introductions for Work Group topic and DOJ presenter

2. Department of Justice (Natascha Smith) presentation

Summary recap of findings related to rule making limitations and effects of existing protocols on utility responsibilities vs. emergency services.

3. Staff Recap of PSPS and CE workgroup distinctions

Summary of PSPS vs. CE scoping and utility protocols.

4. Staff Summary of written comments

Virtual white board of "what are the risks associated with PSPS"

- Opportunity to provide verbal comments
- Open discussion on identified risks

5. Proposed Next steps

Discuss upcoming workshop topics, objectives, and impacts of SB 762

- See Attachment A: Proposed Scope
- Open floor for comments on next steps

Questions

If you have questions on the process or content of this workshop series, contact:

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Attachment A – Proposed Scope for Community Engagement Work Group

High-Level Questions

- Which individuals and communities face unique vulnerabilities and risks in the event of PSPS?
- What are the ways utilities can interact with and support communities as part of wildfire mitigation planning (WMP); including but not limited to PSPS?

Definitions

- Crisp definitions with sufficient specificity to be actionable. Consistent across all the workgroups and cognizant of related definitions housed in other agencies and/or state or federal statutes.
 - Vulnerable Populations
 - At-risk Populations
 - Community partners
 - o Etc.

Community Engagement procedures:

Who

 Define populations that 1) face unique and disproportion risk during PSPS; and/or 2) need specific assistance or resources to reduce the risks associated with wildfire mitigation efforts, including but not limited to PSPS.

When

- Timelines for engagement
- On-going
 - Distribution of educational/awareness materials in advance of Wildfire season
 - Routine meetings with community representatives/groups/leaders
 - Collaboration with state partners
 - Collaboration with joint utilities
- Immediately prior to/during
 - References to PSPS workgroup protocols
- After a PSPS
 - After Action Reports
 - Solicitation of input/feedback from affected communities
 - Town hall for open discussions and lessons learned
 - Redistribution of educational/awareness materials

What

- What should engagement be for each of the defined groups
 - What should the utility provide in educational/awareness materials
 - Direct mailers

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- Materials to educational partners
- Website; Social media
- Coordination with partners for outreach
- Etc.
- What are the utilities obligations to various partners
 - Meeting with community leaders to identify and understand characteristics of at-risk population groups and geographical areas
 - Information sharing with State agencies

Where

- o GIS polygons
- Service territories
- At-risk communities and geographic areas

How

- Develop general protocols for communications with each defined group
- Set minimum standards for outreach and points of contact
 - Coordinate messaging with community and state partners
- Challenges in differences among counties

Additional Scoping Questions

- Where are the gaps between what communities are expecting from utilities in a PSPS and what the utilities are currently planning?
 - Can any of these be addressed in this rulemaking?
 - Can we identify existing entities that are better suited and/or legally obligated to fill these needs?
- What are the implications of <u>SB 762</u> to this rulemaking, generally; and CE, specifically?