Efficiency Division Updates



ICC Chapter Monthly Meeting

August 2025

Energy Code Related Updates

- Business meeting agendas and recordings
 - **July 10 Business meeting**
 - Nothing to report

Next Business meeting - August 13 (agenda pending)

- o Potential approval of local ordinance exceeding 2022 Energy Code
 - City of Goleta
 - Additional electric readiness requirements for newly constructed buildings
 - HVAC hot water temperature requirements for nonresidential buildings
 - Source energy compliance margins for all newly constructed buildings by building types
- Next Business Meeting September 10
- 2025 Energy Code effective January 1, 2026
 - o Final version available now.
 - Hard copies are available to local governments free of charge via BSORequests@energy.ca.gov
 - o Reference Appendices available
 - o Compliance Manuals available
 - CBECC and CBECC-Res versions 2025.1.0 available on 2025 Compliance Software webpage.
- 2025 Energy Code Significant Changes Overview presentation now available on the Energy Code Support Center
- Visit the new CEC 2028 Energy Code webpage
- National Environmental Balancing Bureau (NEBB) is formally withdrawing as a Mechanical ATTCP. More information to follow.
- AB 130 (AB 306)
 - Pauses new updates to the California Building Standards Code, including the Energy Code, for residential buildings from October 1, 2025, to June 1, 2031. The 2028 Energy Code updates will focus on nonresidential buildings. More information to come from CBSC soon.
 - The 2025 Energy Code will go into effect on-schedule on Jan 1, 2026
- Executive Order N-29-25 for rebuilds and restorations resulting from the declared emergency from the Los Angeles & Ventura wildfires:
 - Exempt from solar PV and BESS requirements

- May continue to comply with the 2022 Energy Code after Jan 1, 2026
- Local Jurisdiction Advisory Group Inaugural Meeting
 - Review findings of the Gap Analysis Report and gather input to inform the CEC's compliance rate study approach. Email danielle.hughes@energy.ca.gov

Energy Code Training and Events

- Energy Commission training and events
 - August 27 CALBO Training Institute: 2025 Energy Code Nonresidential Significant Changes
- Energy Code Ace training
 - August 4 2022 Single-family Envelope
 - August 5-6 2022 Single-family Compliance Modeling
 - o August 6-7 Single-family Standards for Plans Examiners
 - August 11 2022 Single-family Mechanical Systems
 - o August 12-13 2022 Nonresidential Standards for Architects & Designers
 - August 14 Single-family Standards: Analyzing the CF1R
 - August 19-20 Nonresidential Standards for Building Inspectors
 - o August 26-27 Nonresidential & Multifamily Standards for Plan Examiners
 - August 28 Single family and Low-rise Multifamily Solar & Battery Storage
- BayREN training
 - August 6 2022 Single-family HERS verified Quality Insulation Installation (QII)
 - August 14 Electrical Upgrade Alternatives for Building Retrofits
 - August 27 Residential Alterations
- 3C-REN training
 - August 28 Minimizing Call Backs on Heat Pump Projects
- I-REN training
 - o August 28 2025 What's New: Multifamily
- SoCal REN resources
- PG&E training
- Southern California Edison training
 - August 12 Accessory Dwelling Units (ADU) and the California Energy Code (Webinar)
- SoCal Gas education

Energy Code Resources

- Energy Code Support Center
- Energy Code Hotline: call 800-772-3300 or use hotline submission form
- 2022 Energy Code Compliance Software
- Local Energy Code resources
- CalGreen resources
- Building and Home Energy Resource Hub
- Inflation Reduction Act Residential Energy Rebate Programs
- 2028 Energy Code Codes and Standards Enhancement (CASE)
- Energy Code Compliance Study Email danielle.hughes@energy.ca.gov
- Energy Code Support Program for Documentation, Certification, and Plan Check

 Associate Energy Analyst (AEA) or certified Energy Analyst (CEA) training, code coaching, and third-party plan checks. Email danielle.hughes@energy.ca.gov

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