Efficiency Division Updates

CALIFORNIA ENERGY COMMISSION



ICC Chapter Monthly Meeting

September 2025

Energy Code Related Updates

- Business meeting agendas and recordings August 13 Business meeting
 - Approved 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
 - Business meeting September 10 (agenda pending)
 - Next Business Meeting October 08
 - 2025 Energy Code webpage effective January 1, 2026
 - Notice of Workshop: Energy Storage Permitting Guidebook Guidance for Behind-the-Meter Installations - September 11
 - The Center for Sustainable Energy (CSE), to seek input on the Draft Energy Storage Permitting Guidebook: Guidance for Behind-the-Meter Installations (Draft Guidebook), funded under the Electric Program Investment Charge, or EPIC Program (EPC-19-026)
 - 2028 Energy Code Visit the new CEC 2028 Energy Code webpage
 - Energy Code accounting workshop August 31
 - New measure proposal template
 - CASE Webinars: Proposed Nonresidential Updates to the 2028 California Energy Code September 23, 24, and 30
 - The Statewide Codes and Standards Enhancement (CASE) Team is hosting a series of interactive webinars to provide an opportunity to collaborate on costeffective proposals to update the California Energy Code and improve building energy efficiency and system performance.
- 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.
 - o 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:
 - o Exempt from solar PV and BESS requirements
 - May continue to comply with the 2022 Energy Code after Jan 1, 2026

- Energy Code Training and Events
- Energy Commission training and events
 - September 29 -October 2 -CALBO Training Institute -Education Week
 - Presentation: 2025 Energy Code-Significant Changes
 - Exhibition Booth

Energy Code Ace training

- September 2 2025 Residential Standards: Lighting
- September 2 2022 Single-family Standards: Introduction to the Performance Approach
- September 3 2022 Nonresidential Standards: Introduction to the Performance Approach
- September 3-4 2022 Nonresidential & Multifamily Standards: Indoor Lighting Compliance Pathways
- September 9 2022 Single-family Compliance: Modeling Tips
- September 9 -10 2022 Single-family Standards for Building Inspectors
- September 10-11 2022 Nonresidential & Multifamily Standards: Indoor Lighting Controls
- September 11 2022 Nonresidential Standards: What is Acceptance Testing
- September 16 Nonresidential & Multifamily Standards: Outdoor Lighting
- September 17 2025 Residential Standards: What's New
- September 16 -18 2022 Nonresidential & Multifamily Standards for Energy Consultants
- September 18 2025 Nonresidential Standards: What's New
- September 23 2022 Single family Standards: Envelope
- September 24-25 2022 Multifamily Standards for Building Inspectors

BayREN training

- September 3 BayREN and Energy Code Ace C&S Training: Single-family Standards: Accessory Dwelling Units (ADUs)
- September 17 NAR Green Designation Contra Costa Association of Realtors (Efficiency, Electrification)
- September 17 Resilient Municipal Facilities: Examples, Resources, and Lessons Learned (Efficiency, Decarbonization)
- BayREN C&S Training: Introduction to CALGreen (Forms, Energy Code, Heat Pumps, HERS, HVAC, Multifamily, New Construction, Nonresidential, PV)

3C-REN training

- September 9 Building the Future: High Performance Construction in California
- September 10 Title 24 Energy Performance Modeling A Peek Behind the Curtain
- September 11 Multifamily Domestic Hot Water
- September 23 Next Generation Passive Solar

I-REN training

- September 25 2025 Code Series: Nonresidential Implementation
- SoCal REN resources
- PG&E training
- Southern California Edison training
- 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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