# CENTRAL COAST POWER COMMUNITY LEADERS MEETING

**September 20, 2016** 

# Agenda

- Welcome and Introductions
- Central Coast Power Overview
- Communications Materials
- Next Steps

# INTRODUCTIONS

- Name
- Organization
- Your role in CCE
- What are you hearing/being asked about CCE?

### Progress to date

May 2015 Summer-Fall 2015 Winter 2015-16 Winter 2016-17 SB County BOS SLO & Ventura counties CCE feasibility study Feasibility study receives CCE staff & and eight cities commit to RFP issued and estimated to be community reports. contribute to CCE study. consultant selected. completed. June 2015 December 2015 May 2016 **Early 2017** SB County BOS First CCE Advisory Willdan & EnerNex County BOSs and authorizes Phase 1 CCE Working Group engaged to perform City Councils vote evaluation funding; directs meeting held. CCE feasibility study. go/no-go to proceed staff to explore regional with CCE. interest in CCE study. If proceed... Form JPA Outreach to community Submit implementation plan to CPUC

### What is Community Choice Energy?

Community Choice Energy, or CCE, enables local governments to purchase or develop power on behalf of their residents, businesses, and public entities. CCE puts energy purchasing and pricing options into the hands of local decision-makers and allows the community to determine what type of energy mix and programs serve its needs.



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### What are the benefits of CCE?



#### **CHOICE**

CCE introduces competition into the marketplace and provides customers with a choice about the energy sources they wish to support.



#### COMMUNITY

CCE is typically run by a public agency, accountable to the community, not shareholders. Surplus funds may be reinvested locally in renewable energy, energy efficiency, and jobs.



#### **SUSTAINABILITY**

CCE may help communities achieve their climate action goals by lowering energy-related greenhouse gas emissions through cleaner, renewable energy choices.



#### **ECONOMICS**

CCE may provide customers renewable energy options at rates competitive with Pacific Gas & Electric and Southern California Edison.

### What is Central Coast Power?

Central Coast Power is a consortium of local governments that has formed to explore the feasibility of a Community Choice Energy program to

- empower our local COMMUNITY with the CHOICE of how and where our electricity is created and
- 2. enhance the **SUSTAINABILITY** and **ECONOMIC** vitality of the tri-county region.

# Which communities are participating?

- All 27 jurisdictions in the tri-county region currently served by PG&E and SCE are included in a feasibility study to determine whether CCE is appropriate for the region.
- An Advisory Working Group (AWG) oversees the effort and includes representatives from:
  - Counties of San Luis Obispo, Santa Barbara, and Ventura
  - Cities of Camarillo, Carpinteria, Moorpark, Ojai, Santa Barbara, Simi Valley, Thousand Oaks, and Ventura
- The feasibility study will help each county's Board of Supervisors and each City Council decide whether to make the CCE option available to its residents and businesses.

### **Communications Materials**

- Website: CentralCoastPower.org
- E-newsletter (sign up at CentralCoastPower.org)
- Fact sheet with FAQs
- Talking points with key messages
- Overview presentation slides
- Contact information:
  - Email: info@centralcoastpower.org
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### Next Steps

- Check out the website and sign up for e-news at CentralCoastPower.org. Then spread the word!
- Future coordination