

RESOLUTION NO. 2025-04

RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE SONOMA CLEAN POWER AUTHORITY, OFFERING PARTICIPATION IN THE SONOMA CLEAN POWER AUTHORITY COMMUNITY CHOICE AGGREGATION PROGRAM TO THE COUNTY OF LAKE AND THE CITIES OF LAKEPORT AND CLEARLAKE, SUBJECT TO CERTAIN CONDITIONS

WHEREAS, Sonoma Clean Power Authority ("Sonoma Clean Power Authority" or "SCP") was formed on June 4, 2012 under the provisions of the Joint Exercise Powers Act of the State of California, Government Code section 6500 et seq. and as set forth in that certain Third Amended and Restated Joint Powers Agreements Relating to and Creating the Sonoma Clean Power Authority, effective as of October 13, 2016; and

WHEREAS, under Section 3.1 of the Third Amended Joint Powers Agreement ("Joint Powers Agreement"), the Board of Directors (Board) may allow other cities and counties to participate in the SCPA's Community Choice Aggregation program, provided certain conditions are met; and

WHEREAS, the Lake County Board of Supervisors in 2019 requested SCP to study the feasibility of expanding service to Lake County. SCP's feasibility study, which was released in March 2020, found that it would be unable to offer competitive service to Lake County residents at the time due to the expected cost of PG&E's PCIA fee on Lake County relative to the PCIA fee on SCP's existing customers; and

WHEREAS, market and regulatory dynamics following the feasibility study in 2020 have greatly improved the economic prospects for new CCA service and these conditions led to Sonoma Clean Power reengaging with Lake County, the City of Clearlake and the City of Lakeport in early 2025; and

WHEREAS, after preliminary discussions with SCP, the city managers of the City of Clearlake and the City of Lakeport made a written request to the Sonoma Clean Power Board of Directors to complete a new feasibility study. Likewise, the Lake County Board of Supervisors authorized staff to submit a written request for a feasibility study after discussion during the April 15, 2025 meeting; and

WHEREAS, SCPA Administrative and General Policy D.4, sets forth criteria to be used by the Board when considering service requests from other jurisdictions; and

WHEREAS, SCPA staff has engaged in discussions with Lake County, City of Clearlake and City of Lakeport staff about the possible extension of SCPA service to those jurisdictions; and

WHEREAS, in May 2025, SCPA published an updated feasibility study to understand the feasibility of an extension to Lake County and the incorporated cities of

Clearlake and Lakeport (the "Lake jurisdictions") as well as the impacts on SCPA customers and regional greenhouse gas emission; and

WHEREAS, based upon staff's analysis, the Board of Directors has determined that the proposed participation in SCPA's CCA program by the jurisdictions of Lake County, and the cities of Lakeport and Clearlake, would, if subject to certain conditions, be consistent with the criteria in Policy D.4, and in the best interests of SCPA, its customers, and the public generally.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

1. The foregoing recitals are true and correct.
2. The Board of Directors offers participation in the SCPA Community Choice Aggregation program by the County of Lake and the incorporated cities of Clearlake and Lakeport, subject to the following conditions:
 - a. Adoption by all three of the Lake jurisdictions of the resolutions and ordinances required by California Public Utilities Code §366.2 by or before October 31, 2025.
 - b. Adoption by the Board of Directors of the resolution required by Section 3.1(b) of the SCPA Joint Powers Agreement with the understanding that the Board of Directors will waive any waiting period in Policy D.4 for Lake jurisdictions to access rebates and incentives.
 - c. Approval by Lake County to join the Geothermal Opportunity Zone by or before October 31, 2025 with the understanding that SCP will not propose a geothermal power project within the existing Lake County Geothermal Setback Area.
3. Participation of the Lake jurisdictions in the SCPA Community Choice Aggregation program will be subject to the following conditions, which may be incorporated into the final conditions of approval of participation by the Board of Directors pursuant to Section 3.1(e) of the SCPA Joint Powers Agreement:
 - a. Two seats on the SCP Board – One seat for a representative of the Lake County Board of Supervisors and one seat shared between the City of Clearlake and City of Lakeport.
 - b. SCPA revenues and program funds may be used only for expenditures falling within the purposes of SCPA as set forth in the Joint Powers Agreement, and may not be used for the Lake jurisdictions for general governmental purposes.

4. In evaluating compatibility of Lake County load with SCP's existing portfolio, as well as considering revenue and customer service impacts, the feasibility study recommends a start of service date on or about the month of May 2027.
5. The steps for Lake jurisdictions joining SCP service are established in SCP's Policy D.4, CPUC Resolution E-4907, and guided by best practices by other CCA expansions. The steps in Table 14 of the Staff Report include the activities SCP anticipates in working towards a start of service date on or about the month of May 2027 (exact date to be determined following CPUC approval of an updated Implementation Plan).
6. The Chief Executive Officer is authorized and directed to take such actions as are necessary to facilitate the participation of the Lake jurisdictions in the SCPA Community Choice Aggregation program, consistent with this Resolution.
7. This Resolution shall be effective upon its adoption.
8. The Board Clerk shall certify to the adoption of this Resolution.

ADOPTED AND APPROVED by the Board of Directors of the Sonoma Clean Power Authority this 7th day of August, 2025, by the following vote:

JURISDICTION	NAME	AYE	NO	ABSTAIN/ ABSENT
Cloverdale	Director Laskey	X		
Cotati	Director Lemus	X		
Ft. Bragg	Director Albin-Smith	X		
Petaluma	Director Barnacle	X		
Rohnert Park	Director Elward	X		
Santa Rosa	Director Fleming			X
Sebastopol	Director Zollman	X		
Sonoma	Director Farrar-Rivas	X		
Windsor	Director Potter			X
County of Mendocino	Alt. Director Mulheren	X		
County of Sonoma	Director Hopkins	X		

In alphabetical order by jurisdiction


Chair, Sonoma Clean Power Authority

Attest:


Clerk of the Board