

MINUTES

**California Pollution Control Financing Authority
901 P Street, Room 102
Sacramento, California
December 9, 2025**

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1. Call to Order & Roll Call

Khaim Morton, Deputy Treasurer, called the California Pollution Control Financing Authority (CPCFA or Authority) meeting to order at 10:33 a.m.

Members Present: Khaim Morton for Fiona Ma, CPA, State Treasurer
David Oppenheim for Malia M. Cohen, State Controller
Michele Perrault for Joe Stephenshaw, Director of Finance

Staff Present: Shela Tobias-Daniel, Executive Director
Theodore Ballmer, Legal Counsel
Lauren Dominguez, CalCAP Section Manager
Melissa Foster, SSBCI Program Manager
Andrea Gonzalez, Cal IIP Program Manager
Robert Salls-Morneau, ZEHD Program Manager
Jill Hess, Executive Assistant
Morgan Matz, Associate Governmental Program Analyst
Rajiv Reddy, Staff Services Analyst
Theodore Hoffman, Staff Services Analyst

Quorum: The Chairperson declared a quorum

2. Minutes (Action Item)

Deputy Treasurer Morton asked if there were any comments or corrections to the meeting minutes from the October 21, 2025, board meeting. There were none.

Deputy Treasurer Morton then asked if there were any public comments on the item. There were none.

David Oppenheim moved approval of the minutes; Michele Perrault provided the second.

The minutes were approved.

The item was passed by the following vote:

David Oppenheim, for State Controller	Aye
Michele Perrault, for the Director of Finance	Aye
Khaim Morton, for State Treasurer	Aye

3. Executive Director's Report (Information Item) **Presented by Shela Tobias-Daniel, Executive Director**

Ms. Tobias-Daniel began the Executive Director's Report by providing updates on CPCFA's programs, legislative matters, and outreach efforts. She noted that it is hard to believe this is already the last CPCFA board meeting of 2025. She also stated that the moment is bittersweet, as this will be the final meeting under the Authority's current name, the California Pollution Control Financing Authority.

She announced that, effective January 1, 2026, the Authority will be known as the Capital Programs and Climate Financing Authority, pursuant to Assembly Bill 786, sponsored by Assembly Member Solache. She expressed gratitude to Treasurer Ma for supporting the name change and stated that staff look forward to the Authority's future under its new name and expanded mission.

She then spoke about the Bond Program, explaining that staff are preparing for the new year by beginning work on required compliance reporting items. The first report of the year is the CDIAC Annual Debt Transparency Report, due January 31, 2026, and the Bond Program Compliance Manager is currently working on this report to ensure an on-time submission.

For the California Investment and Innovation Program (CAL IIP), Ms. Tobias-Daniel reported that staff continue to evaluate grant applications submitted by CDFIs. Recommendations will be brought to the Board at the January 2026 meeting for consideration.

She then provided an update on the California Capital Access Program (CalCAP). She announced that California has officially expended over 80 percent of its State Small Business Credit Initiative (SSBCI) second tranche. This milestone qualified the state to apply for its third and final tranche of SSBCI funding, and the application was submitted on November 17, 2025. She noted that CPCFA's partners, including the California Infrastructure and Economic Development Bank (IBank) which has deployed over \$600 million in SSBCI funding. She explained that this is a significant accomplishment because California received the largest allocation of any state in the amount of \$1.18 billion and there were early concerns about whether expenditure thresholds could be met in time. She stated that California has demonstrated the strength of its small

businesses and the importance of CPCFA's work. She added that she hopes to report at the next board meeting that the final tranche of funding has been received.

She continued by reporting that implementation of the Loan Participation Program (LPP) is ongoing and progressing as scheduled. The program is expected to be fully launched by the second quarter of 2026.

On the outreach front, Ms. Tobias-Daniel stated that since the October 21, 2025 board meeting, CPCFA staff have been active in external engagement. She reported that staff have tabled at seven events including the California Public Finance Bond Buyer event in San Diego, attended three additional learning and networking events, and held twelve stakeholder meetings. She noted that this is the Board's first meeting since CPCFA staff participated in the California Creates Golden State Manufacturing Forum. She expressed appreciation to Deputy Treasurer Morton and Executive Director Christina Sarron of CAEATFA for helping deliver an excellent and successful event. She thanked CPCFA staff for their support and added that the event was very well received based on participant feedback. Staff made valuable new connections and CPCFA hopes there will be future opportunities to participate.

She then provided a personnel update, welcoming Cassandra Kerscher as a new analyst for the CalCAP program. She welcomed Cassandra to both the CalCAP and the CPCFA family.

Ms. Tobias-Daniel concluded her ED report by noting the actions taken under her delegated authority since the October 21, 2025 Board Meeting:

- On October 24, 2025, she signed an Order of Authority approving a second draw request for the issue that closed on October 15, 2025, for BLT Enterprises of Fremont LLC in the amount of \$625,020 for the October 29, 2025 draw.
- On November 3, 2025, she signed an Order of Authority approving a third draw request for the issue that closed on July 31, 2025, for Arakelian Enterprises Incorporated (dba Athens Services) in the amount of \$25,000,000 for the November 6, 2025 draw.

Deputy Treasurer Morton asked if there were any public comments. There were none.

4. Business Items (Action Items)

- A. Request to Approve a Final Resolution Authorizing the Issuance of Tax-Exempt Revenue Bonds for New Money Purposes, and a Request to Approve a Resolution for Small Business Assistance Fund (SBAF) Costs of Issuance Assistance**

Presented by: Morgan Matz, Bond Program Analyst

Mr. Matz began his presentation by introducing himself as the analyst assigned to Maple Dairy L.P.'s application for a final resolution. He noted that joining the meeting via phone or Teams were Jessica Grimm of Orrick, Herrington & Sutcliffe LP and Jason Grubbs of The Frazer Lanier Company. He stated that Maple Dairy, L.P. is requesting approval for the issuance of tax-exempt revenue bonds in an amount not to exceed \$5,500,000. Because Maple Dairy qualifies as a small business, it is also eligible for \$198,000 in assistance from the Small Business Assistance Fund (SBAF). To provide context, he explained that in 2025, CPCFA provided SBAF assistance to three other small businesses: \$90,000 for BLT Enterprises of Fremont for an issuance of \$10,000,000 in new money and \$16,767,527 in refunding money; \$186,000 for Poso Creek Dairy for an issuance of \$3,500,000 in new money; and \$125,388 for Tri-CED Community Recycling for an issuance of \$8,525,500 in new money.

He continued explaining that bond proceeds will be used to support various improvements at the Maple Dairy project site to facilitate the production of renewable natural gas using collected manure. Improvements will include grading and sloping of land; construction of new dairy facilities; and the purchase and installation of new equipment, including a free-stall loop system for positioning livestock, as well as pumps, piping, and rolling stock dedicated to the solid waste disposal system. Manure collected onsite will be processed in an anaerobic digester, and the resulting biogas will be captured and injected into a local natural gas pipeline.

Mr. Matz further noted that CPCFA has applied on behalf of the borrower to the California Debt Limit Allocation Committee (CDLAC) for \$5,500,000 in tax-exempt bond allocation. That request was considered and approved at CDLAC's board meeting on December 10, 2025.

He concluded the presentation by stating that staff recommends approval of Final Resolution No. 25-01-628, authorizing the issuance of tax-exempt bonds in an amount not to exceed \$5,500,000, as well as SBAF Resolution No. 25-01-003, authorizing financial assistance not to exceed \$198,000 for Maple Dairy L.P. and/or its affiliates.

Deputy Treasurer Morton asked if there were any public comments associated with the item. There were none.

Ms. Perrault moved approval of the item; there was a second from Mr. Oppenheim.

The item was passed by the following vote:

Michele Perrault, for the Director of Finance	Aye
David Oppenheim, for State Controller	Aye
Khaim Morton, for State Treasurer	Aye

B. Request to Approve a Standard Agreement with Zions Bank for Trustee Services Provided to the California Capital Access Program (CalCAP)

Presented by: Melissa Foster, SSBCI Program Manager

Ms. Foster presented the item by introducing herself as the SSBCI Program Manager for CPCFA and explaining that staff are seeking Board approval to authorize execution of a new contract with Zions Bank for essential trustee services supporting the California Capital Access Programs (CalCAP). She stated that the proposed contract covers a three-year term from January 1, 2026 through December 31, 2028, in an amount not to exceed \$1,770,000, with an additional one-year renewal option not to exceed \$425,000.

She explained that the CalCAP program requires a dedicated trustee to manage more than 400 accounts, which include program accounts, loan loss reserve accounts, and independent contributor accounts. The trustee's responsibilities include processing daily deposits, performing fund disbursements and transfers, tracking key program statistics, and preparing management reports. Ms. Foster noted that Zions Bank secured the contract by submitting the winning proposal in response to a formal Request for Proposal and has provided excellent customer service in its role as CPCFA's trustee since January 1, 2017. She added that Zions Bank also serves as trustee for CAEATFA, further demonstrating its familiarity with State Treasurer's Office programs and requirements. Based on its strong performance and capacity, staff are confident that Zions Bank will continue to meet CalCAP's operational needs effectively under the new contract.

Ms. Foster concluded her presentation by stating that staff recommend adoption of the resolution authorizing the three-year contract with Zions Bank.

Deputy Treasurer Morton asked if there were any public comments associated with the item. There were none.

Mr. Oppenheim moved approval of the minutes; Ms. Perrault provided the second.

The item was passed by the following vote:

Michele Perrault, for the Director of Finance	Aye
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David Oppenheim, for State Controller
Khaim Morton, for State Treasurer

Aye
Aye

C. Request to Approve an Amendment to the contract with the Southern California Edison Company regarding the Capital Access Zero-Emission Truck, Bus, and Infrastructure program.

Presented by: Robert Salls-Morneau, ZEHD Program Manager

Mr. Salls-Morneau presented the next item, requesting approval to amend the Authority's interagency agreement with Southern California Edison (SCE) regarding the administration of the California Capital Access Program's Zero-Emission Truck, Bus, and Infrastructure Financing Program, known as the ZETBIF Program. He began by noting that SCE entered into the original agreement with CPCFA on May 9, 2024, committing \$20 million as an Independent Contributor to support loan loss reserve funding for Qualified Loans designed to help businesses acquire electric heavy-duty vehicles and the associated charging equipment. He explained that the program is intended to expand access to financing for fleet electrification and plays a meaningful role in advancing California's transportation-electrification goals.

Mr. Salls-Morneau stated that the amendment before the Board would extend the agreement term through December 31, 2026, ensuring continuity of the program and providing additional time for Participating Financial Institutions to enroll Qualified Loans. He noted that as CPCFA and SCE continued implementation, it was determined that additional program-specific regulations were unnecessary, and therefore the amendment includes updated definitions to clarify program requirements under existing CalCAP statutory and regulatory authority. The amendment also updates the list of contract representatives for both CPCFA and SCE to reflect on current staff and ensure smooth administration going forward.

He added that the remainder of the terms of the program, including SCE's role as Independent Contributor, the structure of the loan loss reserve contributions, and CPCFA's administrative responsibilities remain unchanged. He emphasized that the ZETBIF Program continues to provide an important credit enhancement for lenders serving small businesses investing in zero-emission technology and that extending the agreement will allow the program to continue supporting clean transportation adoption throughout SCE's service area.

Mr. Salls-Morneau concluded his presentation by stating that staff recommends adoption of Resolution No. 25-02-07 authorizing the Executive Director or Deputy Executive Director to execute the amendment to Agreement R12-23 with Southern California Edison.

Deputy Treasurer Morton asked if there were any public comments associated with the item. There were none.

Ms. Perrault moved approval of the item; there was a second from Mr. Oppenheim.

The item was passed by the following vote:

Michele Perrault, for the Director of Finance	Aye
David Oppenheim, for State Controller	Aye
Khaim Morton, for State Treasurer	Aye

5. Public Comment

Deputy Treasurer Morton asked if there were any comments from the public on matters that were not on the agenda. There was one caller, Deepti Jain. Her intention was to speak during CAEATFA's meeting. There were no other comments.

6. Adjournment

There being no further business, public comments, or concerns, the meeting adjourned on December 9, 2025, at 11:00 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Shela Tobias-Daniel

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Executive Director