Wildfire Safety Advisory Board Meeting



Agenda and Notice

March 5, 2025

9 am – 4 pm PST

Physical Location: Elihu M. Harris Building, Room 1 1515 Clay St, Oakland, CA 94612-1413

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All times indicated are approximate and subject to change. Any agenda items other than public comments may include a Board vote and may be taken out of order for scheduling convenience. Items designated for information are appropriate for Board action if the Board chooses to take action. The Board will break for lunch from approximately 12:00 – 1:00 pm.

This meeting will be hosted virtually and in-person. WSAB members Ralph Armstrong, Marybel Batjer, Christopher Porter, and Alexandra Syphard will be participating virtually.

Public Agenda

1. Welcome, Call to Order, Roll Call and Agenda Review

2. Presentation and Board Statements on the January 2025 Fires in Southern California

Description: Timothy Werle, Fire Captain II, Los Angeles Fire Department, and Director, Governor's Office of Emergency Services Fire Integrated Real-Time Intelligence System Program Fusion Center, will present information and perspectives on the January 2025 fires in Southern California. Board members may make opening statements.

3. Strategic Planning Discussion

<u>Description</u>: The Board will have a facilitated discussion to develop its 2025-2027 Strategic Plan.

Documents: Draft of Principles for Prioritizing Staff Resources

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4. Officer Elections

Description: The Board will elect a Chair and Vice-Chair to 1-year terms.

5. Energy Safety Consultation on Fiscal Year (FY) 2026-2027 Budget

<u>Description</u>: The Board will discuss and vote on adoption of a statement of priorities to Energy Safety for the FY 2026-2027 Budget.

Document: Draft WSAB Statement of Priorities for FY 2026-2027 Budget

6. Office of Energy Infrastructure Safety (Energy Safety) Update

<u>Description</u>: The Electrical Safety Policy Division will provide an update on its work, including the status of its safety culture assessment and review of wildfire mitigation plans.

7. Staff Update and Work Plan Discussion

<u>Description</u>: WSAB staff will provide an update to the Board on its progress on the workstreams and potential priorities for staff work in the coming 6 – 12 months.

8. Committee Selection

<u>Description</u>: The Board will discuss and vote on adoption of committee selection for Board members.

9. Panel Discussion on Risk Modeling and Data

<u>Description</u>: İlkay Altıntaş, PhD, Director of the WIFIRE Lab at the University of California, San Diego; and Jenni Reed, Analytics Unit Supervisor and Stefan Schonsheck, PhD, Research Data Specialist II, Office of Energy Infrastructure Safety, will present on utility wildfire risk modeling and data.

10. Meeting Minutes

<u>Description:</u> The Board will discuss and vote on adoption of minutes from the December 5, 2024 meeting.

Document: Draft minutes for December 5, 2024 meeting

11. Agenda Items for Future Meetings

Description: Board Members may propose items for future meetings



12. Public Comment on Matters Not Included on the Agenda

<u>Description</u>: Members of the public may comment on matters not included on the agenda.

13. Adjournment

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Comments may be limited to three minutes per speaker. Any comments will become part of the public record.

Participation by mail or email: Comments may be sent by mail or email (with WSAB or Wildfire Safety Advisory Board in the subject line) to the following addresses:

Postal Mail: 715 P Street, 20th Floor, Sacramento, CA 95814

Email: <u>WSAB@energysafety.ca.gov</u>

Availability of Documents

Link for relevant meeting documents posted on the WSAB webpage:

https://energysafety.ca.gov/what-we-do/wildfire-safety-advisory-board/wsab-eventsand-meetings/

Please note that the Board intends to publish submitted materials. All submitted



comments, attachments, and associated contact information (for example, address, phone number, and email address) may become viewable public documents.

The Board will publish public comments on its meeting docket: https://efiling.energysafety.ca.gov/Dockets.aspx?caseId=1248

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Contacting the Wildfire Safety Advisory Board

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