



OPC Meeting Agenda

Tuesday, December 9, 2025

1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Hybrid Meeting

California Natural Resources Agency Headquarters Auditorium
715 P Street, Sacramento, California 95814

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1. Welcome, Introductions, and Council Member Updates

Secretary Crowfoot, Council Chair

2. Update from Executive Director

Jenn Eckerle, Executive Director

3. Update from the Science Advisor

Liz Whiteman, Ph.D., Executive Director, Ocean Science Trust

4. Action Item: Consideration and Approval of the 2026-2030 Ocean Protection Council Strategic Plan

Jenn Eckerle, Executive Director

5. Action Item: Consideration and Approval of Disbursement of Funds to the Ocean Science Trust for OPC Science Advisor

Sree Gopal, Coastal Habitats Program Manager

Advancing Strategic Plan Goal 1: Safeguard Coastal and Marine Ecosystems and Communities in the Face of Climate Change

6. Informational and Action Items Related to Sea Level Rise

(Strategic Plan Objective 1.1: Build Resiliency to Sea Level Rise, Coastal Storms, Erosion, and Flooding)

6a. Informational Item: Save the Waves Coalition: Climate Vulnerability of California's Natural Surfing Capital

Ella McDougall, Climate Change Program Manager

Trent Hodges, Senior Programs Manager, Save the Waves Coalition

Shaun Burns, Reserves Network Coordinator, Save the Waves Coalition

6b. Action Item: Consideration and Approval of Disbursement of Funds for the Senate Bill 1 (SB 1) Sea Level Rise Adaptation Planning Grant Program

Megan Williams, Coastal Resilience Program Manager

Advancing Strategic Plan Goal 2: Advance Equity Across Ocean and Coastal Policies and Actions

7. Informational Items: Progress on Advancing Equity and Tribal Engagement

(Strategic Plan Objective 2.1: Enhance Engagement with Tribes; Objective 2.2: Enhance Engagement with Underserved Communities)

7a. Informational Item: OPC Equity Plan Assessment

Maria Rodriguez, Climate and Environmental Justice Program Manager

7b. Informational Item: OPC Tribal Engagement Strategy Implementation

Hallie Brown, Biodiversity Sea Grant Fellow

Advancing Strategic Plan Goal 4: Support Ocean Health Through a Sustainable Blue Economy

8. Action Item: Consideration and Approval of Disbursement of Funds for Offshore Wind Research and Monitoring

(Strategic Plan Objective 3.4: Guide Sustainable Renewable Energy Projects)

Abby Mohan, Senior Offshore Wind Program Manager

Consent Item

9. Consent Item: Consideration and Approval of Proposition 4 Emergency Regulations

Kaitlyn Kalua, Deputy Director

Public Comment on Non-Agenda Items & Meeting Close

10. Public Comment on Non-Agenda Items

11. Arrangements for Next Meeting and Adjournment

Monday, March 23, 2026 from 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.

CNRA Auditorium and Zoom participation available.

Notes: Agenda items may be re-ordered at the discretion of the Council Chair.

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Questions about the meeting or agenda can be directed to Kaitlyn Kalua, Deputy Director at Kaitlyn.Kalua@resources.ca.gov.

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