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## 2019 NHA CALIFORNIA REGIONAL MEETING

*Embassy Suites by Hilton Sacramento Riverfront Promenade  
100 Capitol Mall, Sacramento, CA 95814*

### December 9, 2019

### **NHA Regional Meeting**

7:30 – 8:00 AM

*Registration*

8:00 – 8:15 AM

#### **Opening Remarks and Introduction**

Randy Howard, General Manager,  
Northern California Power Agency

8:15 – 8:30 AM

#### **NHA Washington Update**

Malcolm Woolf, NHA President and CEO

8:30 – 9:00 AM

#### **State Policy Update: Q&A**

Introduction: Randy Howard, General Manager, NCPA  
Speaker: Kip Lipper, Chief Policy Advisor on Energy and  
Environment, CA State Senate President Pro Tempore

9:00 – 10:30 AM

#### **Insights on California's Energy Needs**

Moderator: Scott Flake, Principal Power Generation Consultant  
Panelist 1: Mark Rothleder, Vice President, Market Quality and  
California Regulatory Affairs for the California Independent  
System Operator  
Panelist 2: Nancy Ryan, Partner, E3  
Panelist 3: Jan Smutny-Jones, Executive Director, Independent  
Energy Producers

10:30 – 11:00 AM

*Morning Networking Break*

11:00 – 11:30 AM

#### **The California Grid: CPUC Perspective**

11:30 – 12:30 PM

#### **Oroville Dam Insights**

Moderator: Jim Miller, Signal Hydropower Consultants  
Panelist 1: John Yarbrough, Principal Engineer, California  
Department of Water Resources  
Panelist 2: Joel Ledesma, Assistant General Manager for  
Generation Services, Northern California Power Agency

**REGIONAL SPONSORS:**

12:30 – 1:30 PM

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2:15 – 3:15 PM

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3:55 – 5:15 PM

**HOST UTILITY:**

5:15 PM

5:30 – 7:00 PM

**December 10, 2019**

9:30 – 1:00 PM

1:00 – 3:00 PM

4:00 PM

*Networking Lunch***Operational Excellence Panel: Hydro Operators and Adjusting Emergency Response Operations**

Moderator: Jim Gill, Sr. Client Manager, HDR

Panelist 1: Eric Brown, Program Manager, Sacramento Municipal Utility District

Panelist 2: Randy Bowersox, Manager, Northern California Power Agency

Panelist 3: Willie Whittlesey, Assistant General Manager, Yuba Water Agency

**Clean Water Act sec 401**

Moderator: Dennis Cakert, Manager of Regulatory Affairs, NHA

Panelist 1: Richard Roos-Collins, Water and Power Law Group

Panelist 2: Chuck Sensiba, Partner, Troutman Sanders

Panelist 3: Mike Swiger, Partner, Van Ness Feldman

*Afternoon Networking Break***Overview of National Energy Education Development Project**

Barry Scott, State Program Coordinator, NEED

**Hot Topics!**

Moderator: Jill Miller, Stantec

Topic/Speaker:

- WOTUS – TBD, Van Ness Feldman
- ESA – Angela Levin, Partner, Troutman Sanders
- The CVP – Raphael Torres, Executive Advisor, CA Department of Water Resources
- Community Choice Aggregators – Beth Vaughn, Executive Director, CalCCA

**Meeting Wrap-up***Networking Reception***Tours****Tour of CAISO*****Bus departs from Embassy Suites at 9:30 AM****For attendees who are not able to join for the tour of Folsom Dam, group transportation back to the hotel will be available at the conclusion of the CAISO tour***Tour of Folsom Dam*****For attendees who are not able to join for the tour of CAISO but wish to tour Folsom Dam, a bus will depart from Embassy Suites at 12:15 PM*****Bus arrives back at Embassy Suites**