NHA California Regional Meeting
December 4, 2018 – The Garland Hotel, Los Angeles, CA

MEETING AGENDA

December 3, 2018

1:00 – 5:30 p.m.  NHA OpEx Workshop – El Camino
(no charge but additional registration required)

6:00 – 7:30 p.m.  NHA Networking Welcome Reception - Courtyard

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7:30 – 8:00 a.m.  Networking Breakfast & Registration – Garland Ballroom

8:00 – 8:15 a.m.  Opening Remarks and Introduction - Linda Church Ciocci, NHA President

Welcome Remarks – Jim Buerkle, Southern California Edison

8:15 – 8:45 a.m.  NHA Washington Update - LeRoy Coleman, National Hydropower Association

8:45 – 9:15 a.m.  State Update – Ansel Lundberg, Sacramento Municipal Utility District

9:15 – 9:45 a.m.  Morning Networking Break - Courtyard

9:45 – 10:45 a.m. DOE Update – Tim Welch & TJ Heibel, DOE

10:45 – Noon  Valuation of Hydro
Moderator: Greg Stark, NREL
Panelists:
Pjoy Chua, LADWP
Scott Flake, Scott Flake Consulting
Jon Norman, Hydrotor Inc

Noon – 1:00 p.m.  Networking Lunch - Courtyard

1:00 – 2:15 p.m.  Regulatory and Legal Developments
Moderator: Mike Swiger, VanNess Feldman
Panelists:
• One Federal Decision and Infrastructure Permitting Streamlining - John Clements, VanNess Feldman
• DOE Regulatory Study on Licensing Reform - Tim Welch, DOE
• NEPA and ESA Reform - Angela Levin, Troutman Sanders
• Bay-Delta Flows and Clean Water Act 401 – Shawnda Grady, Ellison Schneider Harris & Donlan
• Friends of the River v. NMFS ESA case - Chip Wilkins, Remy Moose Manley

2:15 – 2:45 p.m.  Afternoon Networking Break - Courtyard

2:45 – 4:00 p.m.  Managing Risk
Moderator: Wayne Allen, Southern California Edison
Panelists:
Generation Asset and Risk Management – Willie Whittlesey, Yuba County Water Hydro operations wildfire management – Martin Ostendorf, SCE
Don Pedro Life Extension Project – Tim Payne, Turlock Irrigation District
Risks Associated with Hydro Relicensing – Jim Lynch, HDR

4:00 – 5:15 p.m.  CA Energy Storage Legislation – Lessons Learned for Pumped Storage
Moderator: Mike Manwaring, McMillen Jacobs Associates
Panelists:
Steve Lowe, Eagle Crest Energy
Joe Heinzmann, GE
Aram Shumavon, GreenGen Storage
Nate Sandvig, National Grid
Jon Norman, Hydrostor Inc

5:15 – 5:30 p.m.  Meeting Wrap-up

5:30 – 8:00 p.m.  Networking Reception, Dinner and Keynote Speaker - Courtyard
(additional cost and registration required)

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7:00 a.m.– 12:00 p.m. NHA Waterpower Innovation Forum - El Camino
(additional cost and registration required)
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