



# County of Santa Cruz

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## COMMISSION ON THE ENVIRONMENT

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**Special Meeting – Wednesday, June 25, 2025**

**Time: 5:00 – 8:00 pm**

**Technical Workshop – Battery Storage Energy Systems**

**Location:**

**Santa Cruz County Board of Supervisors Chambers**

**701 Ocean Street, 5<sup>th</sup> Floor**

**Zoom Link: <https://santacruzcounty-us.zoomgov.com/j/1614371967>**

**Telephone: 669-254-5252 Meeting ID 1614371967#**

### **I. INTRODUCTORY ITEMS**

- A. Call to Order
- B. Roll Call
- C. Overview of workshop purpose, future workshop meeting dates/topics and time management for tonight's workshop (Chair Damhorst)

### **II. PUBLIC INPUT/ORAL COMMUNICATION ON MATTERS NOT ON THE AGENDA**

### **III. Tonight's Workshop Topics**

**A. Presentation from Dr. Mark Z. Jacobson** Professor of Civil and Environmental Engineering, Director, Atmosphere/Energy Program Stanford University. ***(45 minutes)***

- Overview of climate risks in Santa Cruz County and surrounding areas
- Self-reliance and clean energy in local emissions reduction strategies
- Role of battery energy storage systems (BESS) in addressing climate change

***Commissioner questions- 15 minutes***

**B. Presentation from 3CE Grid Specialist (60 minutes)**

- Overview of grid function in California and Santa Cruz County
- Local grid reliability and outage trends
- Energy resilience strategies and storage potential
- Community vulnerabilities and equity considerations

***Commissioner- questions 15 minutes***

**IV. Comments and questions from members of the Public on Agenda Items III. A and B. (30 minutes)**

**V. ADJOURNMENT**

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