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Central Coast Community Energy

If you're new to Central Coast Community Energy, welcome! You're in good company with 95% of residents and businesses on the Central Coast, each showing their support for clean energy and community reinvestment by being our customer. Together, we're making communities safer and healthier as we work toward our goal of achieving 100% clean and renewable energy for the region by 2030.

Central Coast Community Energy (3CE) is a public agency that sources competitively priced electricity from clean and renewable energy resources. 3CE is locally controlled and governed by board members who represent each community served by the agency. Revenue generated by 3CE stays local and helps keep electricity rates affordable for customers, while also funding innovative energy programs designed to lower greenhouse gas emissions and stimulate economic development. 3CE serves 444,000 customers throughout the Central Coast within Monterey, San Benito, San Luis Obispo, Santa Barbara, and Santa Cruz counties.

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In this newsletter, you'll find:

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CAAP California Arrearage Payment Program (CAPP) Bill Credit



Payment assistance from the California Arrearage Payment Program (“CAPP”) will begin arriving to 3CE customers this month. CAPP is a state program that provides support to customers who have outstanding utility bills originating during the COVID-19 pandemic.

Customers do not have to take any action to participate. Eligible customers are identified by a series of metrics and receive on-bill adjustments. The funds are distributed from the California Department

of Community Services and Development (“CSD”) to the utility (“PG&E or SCE”). The utility then distributes the funds to our shared customers.

Technical Assistance Available for Multi-family Property EV Charging Stations



Do you live in an apartment or condo but don't have a place to charge your electric vehicle at home? 3CE provides technical assistance for multi-family and commercial property owners installing electric vehicle charging stations. Commercial property owners can apply for up to three project sites for EV chargers and EV readiness incentives. 3CE in collaboration with funding partners like the California Energy Commission, has installed over 1,000 charging stations along the Central Coast.

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3CE COMMERCIAL ELECTRIFY YOUR RIDE PROGRAM](#)

New 3CE Concierge Service Makes Electric Vehicle Charger Installation Easier For 3CE Customers



3CE is now offering technical assistance and project development expertise for agricultural as well as select commercial and public agency customers seeking to install Direct Current Fast Chargers (DCFC) on their properties. This is the first program in California to provide an EV charger concierge service for Ag customers.

The service will help 3CE customers evaluate their property, design a charging station plan, navigate bids from contractors, provide construction guidance, and apply for rebates. Customers will receive a plan that includes costs, rebates, tax credits, and a complete “how-to” guide. Participants can get up to \$100,000 for their DCFC project.

For 3CE Ag customers, switching to electric equipment improves air quality and creates healthier working conditions for farm workers and Central Coast communities. In December 2022, 3CE made \$2.15 million available to Ag customers, enabling the local industry to replace fossil-fueled equipment with new, all-electric vehicles, chargers, and equipment. 3CE has distributed more than \$1.2 million in rebates from its past three Ag Electrification programs, which were all fully subscribed.

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McKenzie Family Farms Uses 3CE Rebate for All-electric Tractor



Patrick Mackenzie applied to the 3CE Ag Electrification Program and received a rebate for a new Solectrac e25 compact electric tractor and loader unit. He uses it on McKenzie Family Farms, his organic walnut farm in Hollister.

"I bought an electric tractor because I want to be environmentally correct. To just stay diesel is not what I'm looking for. The electric tractor is less noisy, and I'm really happy with it. I also have an electric car and an electric lawn mower!"

The 3CE Ag Electrification Program provides rebates to 3CE customers who replace fossil fuel powered agricultural equipment with new, all-electric equipment. Other qualifying equipment includes irrigation pumps, farm tools, and utility vehicles.

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2022 Annual Report



3CE's goal is to achieve 60% renewable energy by 2025, and 100% by 2030. 3CE is making steady progress in delivering on that promise. Learn more about our goals, accomplishments, and future outlook in our Annual Report.

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Upcoming Meetings

3CE encourages public participation in agency meetings, held in person and on ZOOM with available dial-in options. Attendees may provide live public comments remotely through Zoom or submit them in advance via email at publiccomments@3ce.org. Sign up to receive public board notices that include meeting details.

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