



Good morning. My name is Pat Stoner.

Thank you for giving me this opportunity to introduce myself and my new position to you today.

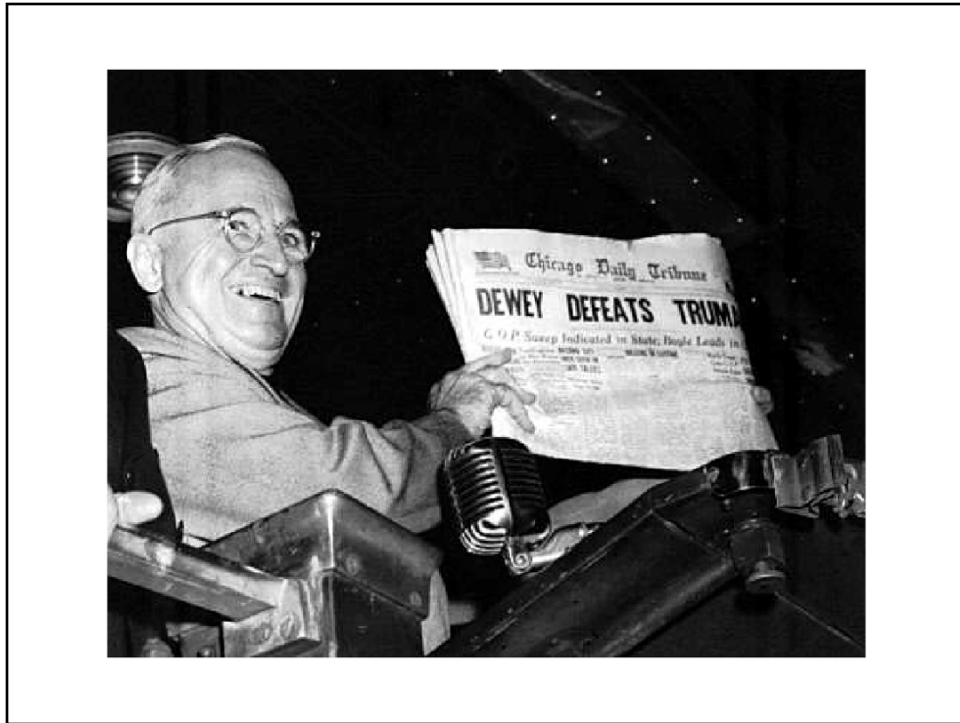
I am California's Statewide Local Government Energy Efficiency Best Practices Coordinator.



My position was established in the September 2009 CPUC decision that also approved the local government partnership programs for 2010-12.

I have funding for the next 3 years to help you and other local governments adopt and implement energy efficiency and greenhouse gas reduction strategies and programs for your operations and your communities.

One of my tasks is to collect energy efficiency best practices examples from the work that you and other local governments are doing, and disseminate them broadly.



I'm striving for more accuracy than the Chicago Daily Tribune in 1947.

For that I need your help to first alert me to what you're doing, and to make sure that what I write about it is accurate and useful to other local governments.

The CPUC is developing a new energy efficiency web portal connected to the new marketing program to replace Flex Your Power.

I will be the administrator for the local government pages.

We are hoping to share information there, link to other valuable resources, and set up discussion forums for various interest groups.

- Title 24 Compliance
- Beyond Title 24
- Reduced Municipal Energy Use
- Energy/Climate Action Plan
- Internal Capacity



I'll also be tracking the progress of your efforts to meet the goals of the California Long-term Energy Efficiency Strategic Plan that the CPUC and Energy Commission adopted in 2008.

The big strategies from that plan are for all new homes to be zero net energy by 2020, with a similar goal for all new commercial buildings by 2030.

For local governments the goals for 2020 are:

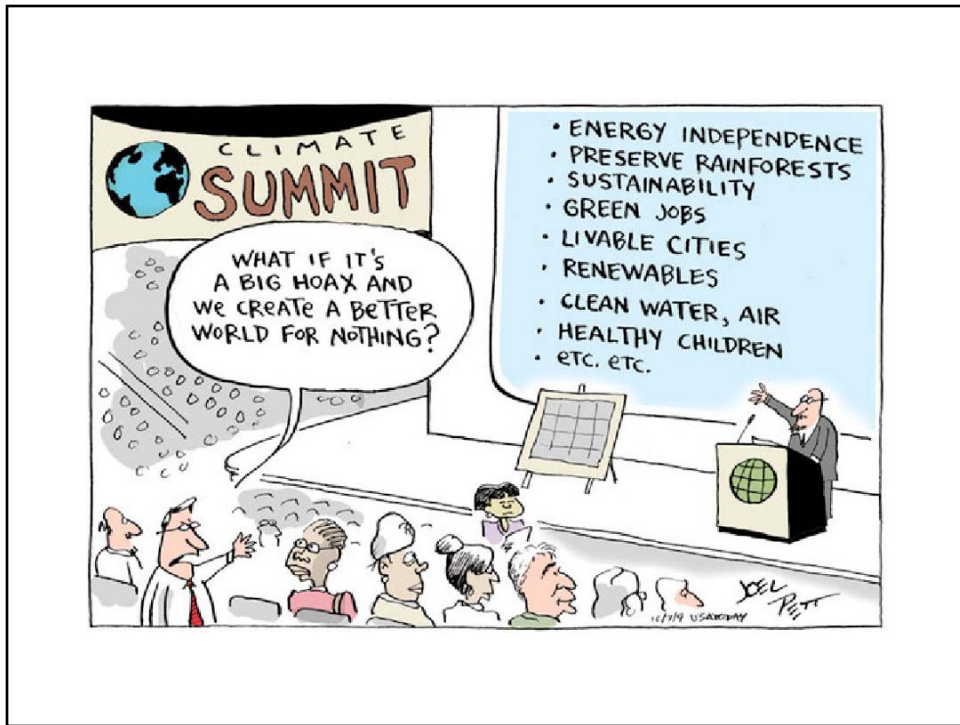
- 1) Full compliance with the State's Title 24 building standards
- 2) Most local governments will have incentives or mandates to exceed T24 standards
- 3) Energy usage in local government buildings will be 20% below 1990 levels
- 4) All local governments will have adopted energy, sustainability or climate action plans for their communities
- 5) All local governments will have in-house capabilities devoted to achieving all cost-effective energy efficiency in their facilities and their communities.



You should regard me as a resource, kind of like a librarian.

If you have a question about programs, resources, funding, training, anything energy efficiency or climate change related, ask me. If I don't have the answer, I'll help you find it.

I'll also be helping you to network with other local government folks who are doing similar projects, and with resources from the state, utilities, and anyone else that I can think of.



Why are we doing all this?

Even if climate change is a hoax, and most of us think it is not, we'll be creating a better place for ourselves and our future.

We'll be reducing our consumption of limited resources, creating more sustainable communities, and saving money as well.



And in these hard economic times, we can't afford not to.

Energy efficiency is first on the state's loading order for new generation. And it is the least expensive way to reduce your energy bill.



The time to act is now.

We certainly don't want to miss the boat like these two.

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Thank you for listening.