

2022 DAC-GT and CSGT RFO Questions

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Q&A Period #1

- Can CPA please clarify what changes (if any) were made between the last round of this CSGT RFO being issued and this current round?
 - The maximum project size for CSGT is now 2.7 MW_{AC}.
 - Additional description was added to the community sponsor letter requirement as of the January 25, 2023 Addendum
 - The Expected Commercial Operation Date for CSGT projects was moved to December 31, 2025 from December 21, 2023 and the Seller Security requirement was increased to \$90/kW from \$60/kW. Please refer to the Compliant Submission Specifications table (Section 3.c) in the RFO Protocol for full details.
 - Updates to the pro forma Power Purchase Agreement include the addition of a Low-Income Community Bonus Contract Price and an updated Limited Assignment Agreement. Proposers are required to review the PPA and to propose any redlines as specified in Section 3.d of the RFO Protocols.

Proposers remain solely responsible for assuring the completeness of their proposal and/or compliance with the 2022 DAC-GT and CSGT RFO Protocol and requirements. Proposer must conduct its own due diligence, comparison, or review, or seek independent legal and financial advice of its own choosing with respect to this RFO. Proposer should not exclusively rely on CPA's response to this question to prepare its response. Nothing contained herein is intended to constitute an express or implied waiver by CPA of its rights or the requirements under the RFO Protocol. All rights are reserved.

Proposers can find the previous RFO documentation under [Contracting Opportunities](#) on Clean Power Alliance's website

Webinar Questions – Jan 10, 2023

- Can the attendance list for this workshop be distributed after the call to facilitate partnering?
 - Please see the pairing resource on the Community Solar page, available here: <https://cleanpoweralliance.org/communitysolar/>. This resource will be used to share contact information with interested parties who have agreed to share their information.
- How much allocated capacity remains for DAC-GT and CSGT, respectively for the Clean Power Alliance
 - 3.27 MW for DAC-GT and 2.7 MW for CSGT.
- What is the DAC?
 - DAC stands for Disadvantaged Community.

- Is the Community Sponsor's discount transferrable to another entity? Some CBO's may not have any load.
 - The community sponsor can receive up to 25% of the project's energy output and receive a 20% bill discount on that energy. The community sponsor's energy cannot be transferred to another entity. If the community sponsor is not able to utilize all 25% of the project's energy output, the remaining energy will be allocated to eligible Power Share customers

- The website currently states that the CSGT projects need to be online by 12/31 of this year. "Projects must have an online date no later than December 31, 2023." Is this correct?
 - This is incorrect. Projects must have a commercial operation date on or prior to December 31, 2025. See Section 3.c of the DAC-GT RFO. The website will be updated to reflect this correction.

- Will remaining capacity be updated as it is fast-tracked?
 - No. The remaining capacity for each program will only be updated once an executed contract is approved by the CPUC.

- Are we doing a PPA with CPA or the Customer directly
 - PPAs will be between the solar developer and Clean Power Alliance

- For CSGT CBO letter, could you elaborate on what qualifies as a "demonstration of substantial community interest" and a "verification of community siting preference"?
 - CPA is looking for surveys conducted or testimony from the community that demonstrates that there is interest in the solar project and the proposed site location. See Section 2.b of the RFO Protocol.

- Can CPA speak to how they would evaluate between a single project having the same 'score' as two separate projects? How would you choose 1 project vs. multiple projects?
 - CPA will evaluate projects holistically according to the quantitative and qualitative criteria described in Section 4 of the RFO Protocol.

- Does the Evaluation tool show all of the 3.0/4.0 and top 5% pollution areas in the "eligible DAC's" layer?
 - Yes. The 'Eligible DACs' layer on the Evaluation tool shows all the available areas for projects under this RFO. See Section 2.b of the RFO Protocol.

- We have seen other CCAs offer DAC/CSGT RFOs with energy storage as an RPS eligible resource if charged by a renewable generator. Why is CPA's program different?
 - CPA cannot opine about the rationale for the variations in other CCAs' offerings. Per CPUC guidelines, this program does not support the procurement of energy storage.