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CSLB Battery Energy Storage Systems Report Released

Study Will Be Presented at July Board Meeting

The Contractors State License Board (CSLB) will conduct a teleconference board meeting on July 27, 2021, to discuss Battery Energy Storage Systems (BESS). CSLB contracted with the University of California, Berkeley (Consultant) to study BESS and the Consultant will present their findings at this meeting. CSLB board members will review, discuss, and possibly take action on the report.

CSLB has studied BESS since October 2016. Staff held multiple public meetings, listened to hours of public testimony from hundreds of stakeholders, and solicited and reviewed thousands of pages of technical BESS information. CSLB published an 81-page Energy Storage Systems Report in March 2019.

In December 2020, CSLB contracted with the Consultant to provide an analysis regarding BESS installation issues, including safety concerns or potential hazards, and to make a recommendation regarding the appropriate contractor license classification(s) to install BESS. The Consultant completed their report on June 30, 2021.

- The CSLB's 2019 ESS report and UC Berkeley's 2021 Report are both available at [Reports - CSLB \(ca.gov\)](#).
- The board meeting agenda can be found [here](#).

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