

Derek Chernow

Chief Operating Officer, Fenyx Energy Inc.

Derek Chernow serves as the Chief Operating Officer of Fenyx Energy Inc., bringing over 25 years of executive leadership in renewable energy, transportation electrification, and environmental policy. His career spans both the public and private sectors, advancing California's clean-energy transition through strategic policy, financing, and deployment of sustainable technologies.

At a Glance

- 25+ years of leadership in renewable energy, electrification, and environmental policy
- Former California energy-finance leader overseeing statewide clean-energy programs
- Community solar advocate expanding equitable access across the western United States
- Cross-sector executive spanning government, venture capital, and clean transportation

Career History & Leadership Experience

Coalition for Community Solar Access (CCSA): Western U.S. Director expanding customer-driven community solar programs.

California Alternative Energy and Advanced Transportation Financing Authority (CAEATFA): Executive Director overseeing statewide clean-energy financing programs.

Public Sector Leadership: Chief of Staff, CA State Senate Budget Subcommittee; Acting Director, CA Department of Conservation.

Private Sector Experience: Cleantech venture capital, electric-truck manufacturing, and energy policy consulting.

Quick Facts

Location	California, United States
Focus	Renewable energy policy; transportation electrification; community solar; clean-energy finance
Past Roles	Executive Director, CAEATFA Western U.S. Director, CCSA Acting Director, California Department of Conservation Chief of Staff, CA State Senate Budget Subcommittee
Credentials	25+ years of executive leadership in clean energy and environmental policy