

January 29, 2020

To All Interested Parties:

The California Air Resources Board (CARB) staff invites you to participate in a public webinar to discuss refined concepts for expected changes to the Control Measure for Commercial Harbor Craft (Commercial Harbor Craft Regulation).

During the webinar, staff will present refined regulatory concepts for Commercial Harbor Craft. The refined concepts include specific in-use and new vessel requirements, potential compliance dates, anticipated changes to reporting and recordkeeping, and other new requirements being considered. Staff will be soliciting feedback on regulatory concepts, requesting input, and providing an opportunity for stakeholders to submit data supporting cost and emissions benefit analyses.

Webinar Information

The webinar will be held on the date and time shown below:

Date: Thursday March 5, 2020

Time: 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. (PST)

Link: <https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/8326769087349128963>

Please use the link provided above to register and login to participate in the webinar.

The webinar is open to the public and we encourage your participation. Participants will have the ability to submit questions via the webinar interface or by email at the following address: harborcraft@arb.ca.gov.

Webinar related materials will be posted prior to the webinar on CARB's website at: <https://ww2.arb.ca.gov/our-work/programs/commercial-harbor-craft>.

Background

The existing Commercial Harbor Craft Regulation requires the majority of vessels with pre-Tier 1 or Tier 1 engines to be repowered with engines meeting Tier 2 or Tier 3 standards. Staff assessments show that when the existing rule is fully implemented by 2023, Commercial Harbor Craft will still contribute a significant amount of diesel particulate matter risk to the community. As a result, staff proposed at the March 2018 Board Hearing to develop regulations to further reduce emissions from commercial harbor craft and other freight sources including ocean-going vessels, cargo handling equipment, and drayage trucks.

Solicitation of Regulatory Alternatives

Staff intends to solicit early feedback on alternatives to the proposed regulatory concepts discussed at the webinar. Stakeholder feedback is an important input to the Standardized Regulatory Impact Assessment (SRIA) process, pursuant to Senate Bill 617 (SB 617) and the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA). A SRIA is required to assess the economic impacts of a major regulation. In particular, CARB encourages public input on alternatives that may yield the same or greater benefits as those associated with the proposed regulatory concepts, or may achieve the goals at a lower cost.

Special Accommodation Request

If you require a special accommodation or need this document in an alternate format (e.g. Braille, large print) or another language, please contact Jessica Fahey at (916) 445-2191 or email Jessica.Fahey@arb.ca.gov no later than 10 business days before the scheduled meeting. TTY/TDD/Speech to Speech users may dial 711 for the California Relay Service.

Para solicitar estas comodidades especiales o necesidades de otro idioma, favor de contactar a Stephen Cutts al (916) 323-1603 o scutts@arb.ca.gov lo más pronto posible, pero no menos de 10 días de trabajo antes de la junta programada. TTY/TDD/Personas que necesiten este servicio pueden marcar el 711 para el Servicio de Retransmisión de Mensajes de California.

More Information

For more information, please visit CARB's website at:
<https://ww2.arb.ca.gov/our-work/programs/commercial-harbor-craft>.

If you have questions about the webinar, please contact Tracy Haynes at (916) 324-0311 or email Tracy.Haynes@arb.ca.gov.

If you need technical support during the webinar, please contact Kurt Sincoff at (916) 327-5616 or email Kurt.Sincoff@arb.ca.gov.

Sincerely,



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