

SRP Update
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Assembly Bill 617 – Community Air Protection Program Consultation Group Meeting February 26, 2020

Agenda

1. Opening Remarks, Introductions, and Meeting Logistics
2. Summary of UC Davis AB 617 Community Reflection and Learning Convening
3. Lunch Break
4. Sharing of Best Practices and Eliminating Disparities; Updating the Blueprint
5. Governor's Office of Planning and Research (OPR) – SB 1000 and Environmental Justice
6. Status of AB 617 Elements P
7. Public Comment
8. Closing Remarks

UCD Survey

Key Findings: Greatest Successes

- Greatly improved/ community engagement in air quality monitoring via the Community Air Monitoring Plans (CAMPs)
- Mixed improvement engagement of community residents/ organizations
- Mixed improvement relationships between Air Districts and communities
- Strong community leadership models of some CSCs
- Extensive community-run resident engagement processes
- Community Emissions Reduction Plan (CERPs) include a range of community-priorities (land use, pesticides, community-benefit investments) & engagement of other agencies (cities/ counties/ DPR)

UCD Survey

Key Findings: Challenges

- Aggressive timeline (conflict with community-engagement timeline)
- Lack of clarity on shared goals for process and outcomes
 - Monitoring/ management in, with or by disadvantaged communities
 - Scope of air quality management actions (include land use, pesticides, mobile sources?)
- Long-standing conflicts between some Districts, industries and communities
- Insufficient capacities for community engagement in some Districts
- Desire for more pro-active roles for CARB

First Set of Communities

- Selection Process of Members
- Representativeness of Members
- Meeting Structure and Process
 - Leadership Models
 - Use of a Facilitator
- Consistency of participation
- Use/ impact of participation

| Community Steering Committee | Leadership Model |
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| West Oakland | Co-Leadership |
| Richmond | Co-Leadership, Outside Facilitator |
| Sacramento - Florin | Community Co-Chairs, District-driven |
| Shafter | District-Led, Outside Facilitator |
| South Central Fresno | District-Led, Outside Facilitator |
| Wilmington / Carson / West Long Beach | District-Led, Outside Facilitator |
| Boyle Heights / East LA / West Commerce | Outside Facilitator, Community Co-Hosts, District-driven |
| San Bernardino / Muscoy | Community Co-Hosts, District-driven |
| Calexico / Heber / El Centro | Co-Leadership Outside facilitator |
| Portside Environmental Justice Neighborhoods | District-Led, Outside Facilitator |

Some Highlights

- Source apportionment and street level monitoring in West Oakland
 - Drew upon years of data
 - Updated and integrated by BAAQMD
 - Provided to community
- Community Air Monitoring
 - SCAQMD evaluating technology
 - AQSPEC program for comparing, calibrating and standardizing monitoring and reporting systems

Area of Concern

- Integrating and analyzing data requires more training and expertise if community partners are going to be able to communicate findings effectively with community participants.
- Concern in some communities about pesticide use and potential exposures.
 - Incomplete data and jurisdictional conflicts
 - Monitoring at the community level not practical
- Toxics
 - Not part of general AQ monitoring programs
 - There are sources (e.g. storage areas) that are not well included in emission inventories
 - SRP could help provide context for TACS and pesticides with respect to potential community risks.

Summary

- The 'Blueprint' needs to be updated
- The potential role of source apportionment to identify TARGETS for Community Emission Reduction Programs has been applied in at least one community and might be of benefit in other locations.
- The need for better assessment of potential impacts of TACs was recognized by some
- Budget Issues
 - 617 Funds for Incentives (for promoting emission reductions) was cut in the governor's budget 25%
 - 617 Funds for implementation activities were cut by 50%
- This meeting predated COVID-19. Impact for the program's future is uncertain.