



Community Engagement in State Climate Policy

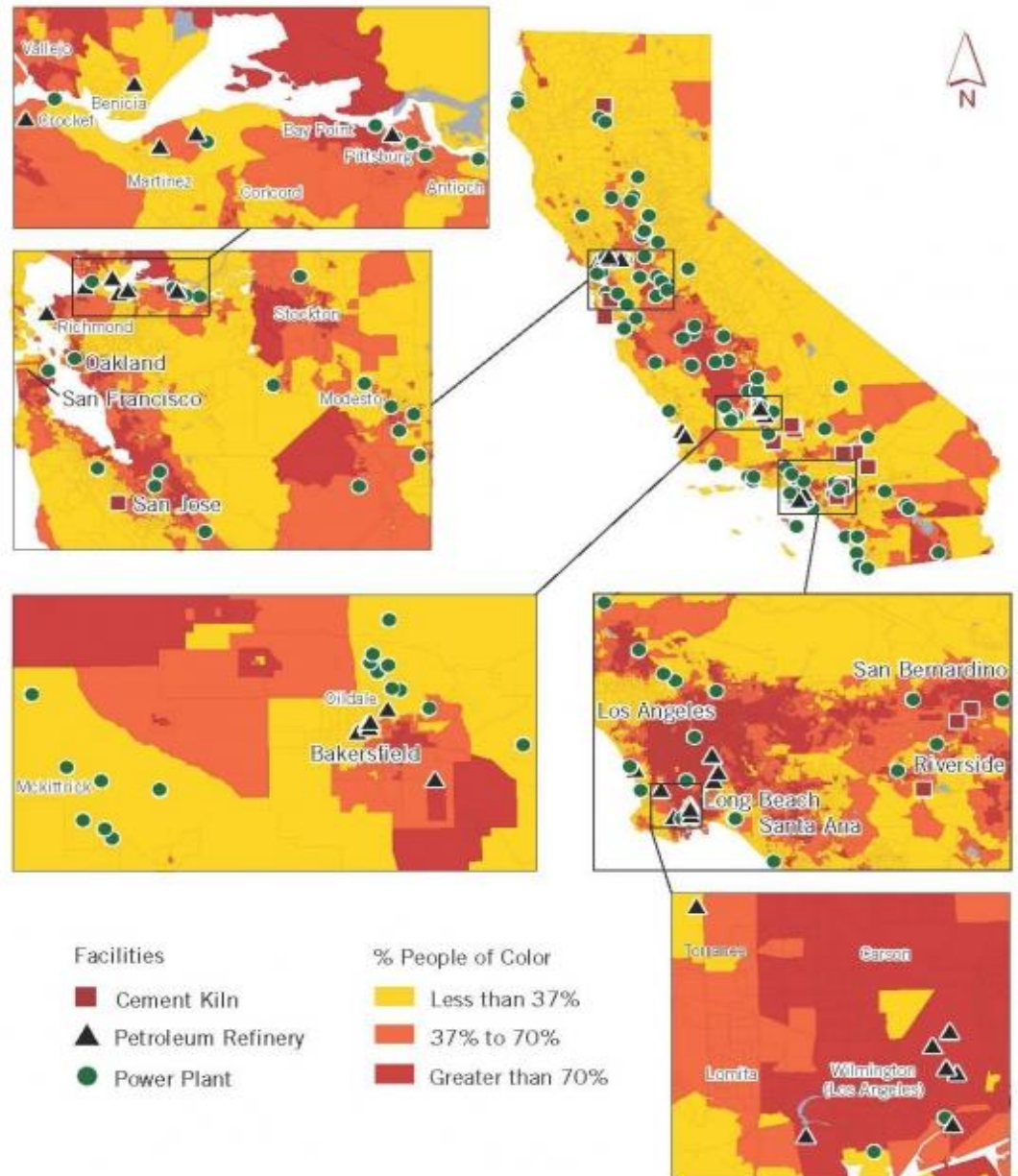
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The Climate Gap:

low income communities of color are first and worst hit by climate change

Figure 1: Major GHG-Emitting Facilities in California





AB 32 Global Warming Solutions Act Environmental Justice Advisory Committee

38591. (a) The state board, by July 1, 2007, shall convene an environmental justice advisory committee, of at least three members, to advise it in developing the scoping plan pursuant to Section 38561 and any other pertinent matter in implementing this division. The advisory committee shall be comprised of representatives from communities in the state with the most significant exposure to air pollution, including, but not limited to, communities with minority populations or low-income populations, or both.

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California Leadership



Original AB 32 EJ advisory Committee

- Angela Johnson-Meszaros (co-chair) - California Environmental Rights Alliance
- • Jane Williams (co-chair) - California Communities Against Toxics
- • Chione Flegal - Latino Issues Forum
- • Henry Clark - West County Toxics Coalition
- • Bill Gallegos - Communities for a Better Environment
- • Tom Frantz - Association of Irrigated Residents
- • Jose Carmona - Clean Power Campaign
- • Martha Arguello - Physicians for Social Responsibility
- • Diane Takvorian - Environmental Health Coalition
- Jose Carmona CEERT

Committee Members

Name	Organization	Region
Martha Dina Argüello *	Physicians for Social Responsibility	Los Angeles
Gisele Fong	End Oil	Los Angeles
Tom Frantz *	Association of Irrigated Residents	Central Valley
Kevin Hamilton	Clinica Sierra Vista	Central Valley
Rey León	Valley LEAP	Central Valley
Luis Olmedo *	Comite Civico Del Valle	Imperial Valley
Kemba Shakur	Urban Releaf	Bay Area
Mari Rose Taruc *	Asian Pacific Environmental Network	Bay Area
Monica Wilson	Global Alliance for Incinerator Alternatives	Bay Area

New Members Appointed September 25, 2015


Sekita Grant	The Greenlining Institute	Statewide
Eleanor Torres	The Incredible Edible Community Garden	Inland Empire
Colin Bailey	The Environmental Justice Coalition for Water	Sacramento
Katie Valenzuela Garcia	Oak Park Neighborhood Association	Sacramento

EJAC Steering Committee Member



Continuation and strengthening of programs established to reach the 2020 GHG emissions reduction target

- Low Carbon Fuel Standard
- Renewable Portfolio Standard
- Advanced Clean Cars Program
- ZEV Program
- Sustainable Freight Strategy
- SB 375 Sustainable Communities Strategy
- Cap-and-Trade Program
 - Preferred option with declining caps
 - Evaluation of carbon tax and prescriptive regulations



Opportunities for public engagement with EJAC

- Monthly EJAC Calls
- Reaching out to EJAC members
- Public Workshops



- Challenges to engaging Communities