

California Air Resources Board

Public Meeting to Consider CARB Staff Recommendations for Appointment of Members to the Community Air Protection Consultation Group

The California Air Resources Board (CARB or Board) will conduct a public meeting at the date and time noted below to consider CARB staff recommendations for the appointment of members to the Community Air Protection Consultation Group (Consultation Group).

Date: June 26, 2025

Time: 4:00 P.M.

In-Person Location:

California Air Resources Board
Byron Sher Auditorium, 2nd Floor
1001 I Street, Sacramento, California 95814

Remote Option: Zoom

This public meeting may continue at 9:00 a.m., on June 27, 2025. Please consult the public agenda, which will be posted ten days before June 26, 2025, the first day of the Board Meeting, for important details, including the day on which this item will be considered and how the public can participate via Zoom if they choose to be remote.

Background

In response to Assembly Bill (AB) 617 (C. Garcia, Chapter 136, Statutes of 2017), CARB established the [Community Air Protection Program](#) (Program) in 2017 to reduce criteria air pollutants and toxic air contaminant emissions in communities affected by high cumulative exposure burden. The law requires CARB to develop a statewide strategy, known as the Blueprint, to achieve this goal and to do so in consultation with environmental justice organizations, air districts, affected industry, the Office of Environmental Health Hazard Assessment (OEHHA), the Scientific Review Panel on Toxic Air Contaminants, and other interested stakeholders.

In January 2018, CARB first convened the 25-member Consultation Group to conduct this engagement. The Consultation Group was chaired first by Board Member John Balmes and later joined by Board Member Davina Hurt. This CARB advisory body included those representatives required by law as well as academia and tribal government representatives.

The CARB Board approved the first Blueprint in September 2018, which guided Program implementation through October 2023.

In early 2021, CARB staff supported the Writer's Group, a subgroup of the Consultation Group, in drafting the People's Blueprint by providing facilitation and technical writing support via a consultant. The [People's Blueprint](#) highlights equity, environmental justice, benefits of the co-leadership model, and recommendations to strengthen transparency and accountability for the Program. Throughout 2022, CARB staff engaged with the full Consultation Group about the People's Blueprint. This engagement significantly informed the Program's development of a revised Blueprint 2.0 (Blueprint 2.0), approved by the Board in October 2023. [Blueprint 2.0](#) is CARB's updated statewide strategy and implementation guidance for CARB and air districts to meet Program commitments to the communities currently in the Program while also bringing benefits to [consistently nominated communities](#) for the Program.

Between 2018 and 2023, Consultation Group membership participation declined as some members resigned. In March of 2024, CARB dissolved the Consultation Group in preparation to fulfill its commitment in Blueprint 2.0. As part of those efforts, CARB is now reinvigorating the Consultation Group to expand the membership to add representation of local government and consistently nominated communities.

Proposed Action

CARB staff will present its recommendation of candidates for appointment to the Consultation Group for consideration at the meeting. More information may be obtained from CARB's website: <https://ww2.arb.ca.gov/capp/mdc/abcg/community-air-protection-program-consultation-group>. Please contact Lindsay Garcia, Regulations Coordinator, at Lindsay.Garcia@arb.ca.gov or (916) 546-2286 if you need physical copies of the documents.

Interested members of the public may present comments orally or in writing during the meeting and may provide comments by postal mail or electronic submittal before the meeting. To be considered by the Board, written comments not submitted during the meeting, must be received **no later than June 16, 2025**, and addressed to the following:

Postal mail: Clerks' Office, California Air Resources Board
1001 I Street, Sacramento, California 95814

Electronic submittal: <http://ww2.arb.ca.gov/lispub/comm/bclist.php>

Please note that under the California Public Records Act (Government Code section 7920.000 et seq.), your written and oral comments, attachments, and associated contact information (e.g., your address, phone, email, etc.) become part of the public record and can be released to the public upon request.

Further inquiries regarding this matter should be directed to Eloy Florez, Staff Air Pollution Specialist, at: eloy.florez@arb.ca.gov, or (951) 542-3166, or Andrea Juarez, Air Pollution Specialist, at: andrea.juarez@arb.ca.gov, (951) 542-3222 (Asistencia disponible en su idioma).

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- An interpreter to be available at the hearing;
- Documents made available in an alternate format or another language; and
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- Documentos disponibles en un formato alterno u otro idioma; y
- Una acomodación razonable relacionados con una incapacidad.

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Steven S. Cliff, Ph.D.
Executive Officer

Date:

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