REPORT: California Air Resources Board Monthly Meeting

SYNOPSIS: The California Air Resources Board held public meetings on September 14 and September 28, 2023. The following is a summary of the meetings.

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Receive and file.

Gideon Kracov, Member South Coast AQMD Governing Board

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The California Air Resources Board (CARB or Board) held public meetings on September 14, 2023 and September 28, 2023 in Sacramento, California at the California Environmental Protection Agency Headquarters Building. The key items presented are summarized below.

September 14, 2023

Joint Meeting of the California Air Resources Board and the Assembly Bill 32 Environmental Justice Advisory Committee

Assembly Bill 32 (AB 32) directed CARB to convene an Environmental Justice Advisory Committee (EJAC) to advise the Board in developing the Scoping Plan and any other pertinent matters related to implementation of AB 32 such as the Low Carbon Fuel Standard (LCFS). The EJAC is comprised of environmental justice and community leaders from throughout the state and plays a critical role in addressing concerns of residents from the state's most pollution burdened communities. The Board and the EJAC heard a CARB staff presentation on LCFS regulation updates and the program's achievements. The Board also heard EJAC recommendations on the LCFS regulation updates.

September 28, 2023

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23-8-1: Public Meeting to Hear an Update on the Low Carbon Fuel Standard

The Board heard an update from CARB staff on major concepts under consideration for an upcoming Low Carbon Fuel Standard (LCFS) rulemaking. The LCFS regulation, first adopted in 2009, was developed to reduce the carbon intensity (CI) of transportation fuels used in California, and currently requires a 20% statewide reductior in CI from 2010 levels by 2030. The LCFS program supports the transition away from petroleum fuels by displacing fossil fuels with low-carbon alternatives in legacy internal combustion engine vehicles and supporting growth in zero-carbon fuels. Since the beginning of the program, California has nearly tripled the quantity of low-carbon fuels used in transportation. CARB staff is developing regulatory changes to the LCFS program to increase stringency in response to recent climate legislation and the 2022 Scoping Plan Update. CARB anticipates Board consideration of the proposed amendments to the LCFS program in the first quarter of 2024.

Attachment

CARB September 14, 2023 and September 28, 2023 Meeting Agendas



Public Meeting Agenda for the Joint Meeting of the California Air Resources Board and the Assembly Bill 32 Environmental Justice Advisory Committee

Thursday, September 14, 2023

Zoom Webinar: *Register* Phone Number: (669) 900-6833 Webinar ID: 834 7431 1538

California Environmental Protection Agency

1001 I Street, Sacramento, California 95814 Coastal Hearing Room, 2nd Floor *Webcast* (Livestream/Watch Only)



arb.ca.gov/ma091423

Additional Teleconference Locations

Gateway Cities Council of Governments 16401 Paramount Boulevard Paramount, CA 90723

78015 Main Street, Suite 205 La Quinta, CA 92253

The September 14, 2023, joint meeting of the California Air Resources Board (CARB or Board) and the Assembly Bill 32 Environmental Justice Advisory Committee (EJAC) will be held at 1001 I Street in Sacramento, with remote participation available to the public. Some EJAC members may also attend remotely, in accordance with Gov. Code 11123.5. Due to limited seating capacity in the Coastal Hearing Room, remote participation is highly encouraged for members of the public. This facility is accessible to persons with disabilities and by public transit. For transit information, call (916) 321-BUSS (2877) or visit *http://sacrt.com/.*

To only watch the Board Meeting and not provide verbal comments, please view the *webcast*. If you do not wish to provide verbal comments, we strongly recommend watching the webcast as this will free up space on the webinar for those who are providing verbal comments. Please do not view the webcast and then switch over to the webinar to comment as the webcast will have a time delay; instead, register to participate via the Zoom webinar.

Public Comment Guidelines and Information

- In-Person Public Testimony
- Remote Public Participation

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In-person speakers signed up to comment will be called upon first, followed by public Zoom and phone participants wishing to comment.

The Chair may close speaker sign-ups 30 minutes after the public comment portion of an item has begun.

Spanish interpretation will be available for the September 14, Joint Meeting.

- Agenda de la Reunión Pública
- Spanish Webcast

Thursday, September 14, 2023 @ 4:00 p.m.

Discussion Item:

Hardcopies of the Public Agenda and Proposed Resolutions (when applicable) will be provided at the meeting; all other documents linked below will only be available upon request.

Joint Discussion of Implementation of California Air Resources Board's Assembly Bill 32 Climate Programs

The California Air Resources Board (CARB or Board) and the Assembly Bill 32 Environmental Justice Advisory Committee (EJAC) will hear an introduction from CARB staff on coordination with the EJAC. CARB staff will provide a presentation on the Low Carbon Fuel Standard (LCFS). The Board and EJAC will discuss the presentation and implementation of CARB climate programs, including EJAC recommendations to the Board on LCFS regulation updates. The Board and EJAC may also discuss Cap-and-Trade Program Regulation updates, Senate Bill 905 carbon capture utilization and sequestration requirements, and natural and working lands.

- More Information
- CARB Staff Introductory Presentation
- CARB Staff LCFS Presentation
- EJAC LCFS Presentation
 O EJAC Invited Speaker Presentation Michael Wara
- EJAC LCFS Recommendations
- EJAC Presentation on Cap-and-Trade Regulation Amendments and Senate Bill 905
- Submit Written Comments
- View Public Comments

Other Information

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Public Meeting Agenda

Thursday, September 28, 2023

California Environmental Protection Agency

1001 I Street, Sacramento, California 95814 Byron Sher Auditorium, 2nd Floor *Webcast* (Livestream/Watch Only)

Zoom Webinar: *Register* Phone Number: (669) 900-6833 Webinar ID: 850 6342 6625 Gavin Newsom, Governor Yana Garcia, CalEPA Secretary Liane M. Randolph, Chair



Webinar ID: 850 6342 6625 The September 28, 2023, meeting of the California Air Resources Board (CARB or Board) will be held at 1001 I Street in Sacramento, with remote participation available to the public. This facility is accessible to persons with disabilities and by public transit. For transit

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- Agenda de la Reunión Pública
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Thursday, September 28, 2023 @ 9:00 a.m.

Discussion Item:

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23-8-1: Public Meeting to Hear an Update on the Low Carbon Fuel Standard

The Board will hear an update on the Low Carbon Fuel Standard, which is a regulation that decreases the carbon intensity of California's transportation fuel, reduces petroleum fuel use, and improves air quality. The update will focus on major concepts under consideration for an upcoming Low Carbon Fuel Standard rulemaking. This is a non-voting meeting.

- More Information
- Item Summary
- Meeting Presentation
- Submit Written Comments
- View Public Comments

Closed Session

The Board may hold a closed session, as authorized by Government Code section 11126(a)(1), and as authorized by Government Code section 11126(e), to confer with, and receive advice from, its legal counsel regarding the following pending or potential litigation:

Association of American Railroads et al. v. Randolph et al. United States District Court, Eastern District of California, Sacramento, Case No. 2:23-cv-01154-JAM-JDP.

Bobby Harris v. Nissan North America, Inc. (U.S. District Court, Central District of California, Case No. 2:20 cv 06021 CJC GJS.)

California Air Resources Board v. Best Energy Solutions & Technology Corp. Los Angeles Superior Court, Case No. 22STCV32487.

California Air Resources Board v. Daimler AG and Mercedes-Benz USA, LLC. (United States District Court, District of Columbia, Civil Action No. 1:20 cv 2565.)

California Air Resources Board v. Key Disposal, Inc. and John Katangian Los Angeles Superior Court, Case No. BC650014.

California Natural Gas Vehicle Coalition v. California Air Resources Board, et al., Fresno County Superior Court, Case No. 20CECG02250; industry appeal California Court of Appeal, Fifth District, Case No. F084229.



California Trucking Association v. California Air Resources Board, et al. Fresno County Superior Court, Case No. 22CECG00919.

California Trucking Association v. South Coast Air Quality Mgmt. District United States District Court, Central District of California, Case No. 2:21 cv 6341.

Central California Environmental Justice Network, et al. v. Randolph, et al., United States District Court, Eastern District of California, Case No. 2:22 cv 01714 TLN CKD.

Competitive Enterprise Inst. v. NHTSA, United States Court of Appeals, District of Columbia Circuit, Case No. 20-1145, and consolidated cases State of California v. Wheeler, et al., No. 20-1167, and Nos. 20 1168, 20-1169, 20-1173, 20-1174, 20-1176, and 20-1177.

East Yard Communities for Environmental Justice, et al. v. South Coast Air Quality Management District, et al. U.S. District Court, Central District of California, Los Angeles, Case 2:23-cv-06682.

Environmental Defense Fund, et al., v. Andrew Wheeler, et al., United States Court of Appeals, District of Columbia Circuit, Case No. 20 1360.

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission Order 719, Docket No. RM21-14-000.

Friends of Oceano Dunes, Inc. v. California Air Resources Board, et al. (San Luis Obispo County Superior Court, Case No. 17CV-0576) *and Friends of Oceano Dunes, Inc. v. California Air Resources Board, et al.,* U.S. District Court for the Central District of California, Case No. 2:17-cv-0-8733.

Natural Resources Defense Council v. National Highway Traffic Safety Admin., et al., United States Court of Appeal, District of Columbia Circuit, Case No. 22 1080, consolidated with Nos. 22 1144, 22 1145.

People ex rel. California Air Resources Board v. Noil Energy Group, Inc. & Speedy Fuel, Inc. Los Angeles Superior Court Case Nos. 20STCV30142/20STCV30292.

People ex rel. California Air Resources Board v. Wholesale Harvest Supply, Inc. Mendocino County Superior Court, Case No. 22CV00491.

People v. Southern California Gas Company. (Los Angeles Superior Court, Case No. BC602973.)

South Coast Air Quality Management District v. City of Los Angeles, et al., Los Angeles County Superior Court, Case No. 20STCP02985; transferred to San Diego County Superior Court, Case No. 37-2021-00023385-CU-TT-CTL.

Possible litigation challenging U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's grant of waivers of preemption under the Clean Air Act to the California Air Resources Board.

State of California v. Andrew Wheeler et. al., District of Columbia Circuit, Case No. 19 1239, consolidated under No. 19 1230 along with other cases.



State of California v. Andrew Wheeler, et al., United States Court of Appeals, District of Columbia Circuit, Case No. 20-1167.

State of California, et al. v. David Bernhardt, et al., United States District Court, Northern District of California, Case No. 3:18 cv 5712 DMR; United States Court of Appeals, Ninth Circuit, Case No. 20 16793.

State of California, et al. v. United States Environmental Protection Agency, United States Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia Circuit - Case No. 21-1034, consolidated with California Communities Against Toxics et al. v. EPA, Case No. 21-1024.

State of California, et al. v. United States Environmental Protection Agency, et al., United States Court of Appeals, District of Columbia Circuit, Case No. 21-1014.

State of California, et al. v. United States Environmental Protection Agency, United States Court of Appeals, District of Columbia Circuit, Case No. 21-1018.

State of California, et al. v. United States Environmental Protection Agency, United States Court of Appeals, District of Columbia Circuit, Case No. 23-1020.

State of Massachusetts v. EPA, United States Court of Appeals, District of Columbia Circuit, Case No. 20-1265.

State of New York, et al. v. United States Environmental Protection Agency, United States Court of Appeals, District of Columbia Circuit, Case No. 21-1026.

State of New York, et al. v. United States Environmental Protection Agency, et al., United States Court of Appeals, District of Columbia Circuit, Case No. 21 1028.

State of New York, et al. v. Andrew Wheeler and the United States Environmental Protection Agency, U.S. District Court, District of Columbia, Case No. 1:18 cv 00773-RBW.

State of North Dakota v. United States Environmental Protection Agency, U.S. Court of Appeals, District of Columbia Circuit, Case No. 15 1381.

State of North Dakota, et al. v. United States Environmental Protection Agency, U.S. Court of Appeals, District of Columbia Circuit, Case No. 16 1242.

State of Ohio, et al., v. Environmental Protection Agency, et al., United States Court of Appeals, District of Columbia Circuit, Case No. 22 1081, consolidated with Case Nos. 22 1083, 22 1084, and 22 1085.

State of Texas, et al., v. Environmental Protection Agency, et al. United States Court of Appeals, District of Columbia Circuit, Case No. 22 1031.

State of Wyoming, et al. v. United States Department of the Interior, et al., U.S. District Court, District of Wyoming, Case No. 16-CV-285-SWS; United States Court of Appeals, Tenth Circuit, Case No. 2:16-cv-00285-SWS.



The Two Hundred for Homeownership, et al. v. California Air Resources Board, et al. United States District Court, Eastern District of California, Fresno, Case No. 1:22 cv 01474-ADA-BAM.

The Two Hundred, et al. v. California Air Resources Board, et al., Fresno County Superior Court, Case No. 18CECG1494.

Western States Petroleum Association v. California Air Resources Board, et al., Superior Court of the State of California for the County of Fresno, Case No. 22CECG03603.

Western States Petroleum Association v. California Air Resources Board, Los Angeles County Superior Court, Case No. 20STCP03138x.

Western States Petroleum Association v. California Air Resources Board, Fresno County Superior Court, Case No. 23CECG02976.

Western States Trucking Association, Inc. v. California Air Resources Board, Fresno County Superior Court, Case No. 23CECG02964.

Western States Trucking Association, Inc., et al. v. United States Environmental Protection Agency, et al., United States Court of Appeals, District of Columbia Circuit, Case No. 23-1148.

W.O. Stinson & Son LTD. v. Western Climate Initiative, Inc., Ontario Canada Superior Court, Case No. CV 20-00083726-0000.

Opportunity for Members of the Board to Comment on Matters of Interest

Board members may identify matters they would like to have noticed for consideration at future meetings and comment on topics of interest; no formal action on these topics will be taken without further notice.

Open Session to Provide an Opportunity for Members of the Public to Address the Board on Subject Matters within the Jurisdiction of the Board

Although no formal Board action may be taken, the Board is allowing an opportunity to interested members of the public to address the Board on items of interest that are within the Board's jurisdiction, but that do not specifically appear on the agenda. Each person will be allowed a maximum of two minutes to ensure that everyone has a chance to speak. The public will also have an opportunity to *submit written comments* for open session the morning of the Board Meeting.



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