

Assembly Bill 617 (AB 617) Meeting Summary Southeast Los Angeles Community Steering Committee #2

Meeting Date: May 7th, 2020

Meeting Time: 4:00 pm to 6:00 pm

Location: Virtual Meeting <https://scaqmd.zoom.us/j/91973729566>

Staff held the first virtual AB 617 Community Steering Committee (CSC) for Southeast Los Angeles (SELA) with more than 100 participants. The agenda focused on foundation level issues that the CSC will build upon throughout the year including, community boundaries, air quality priorities, Community Emission Reduction Plans, and Community Air Monitoring Plans. Additional topics for discussion included the meeting format to maximize community participation and online training provided by the California Air Resources Board. The meeting was attended by community members, government representatives, staff from elected officials' offices, businesses, and other stakeholders.

Agenda Item #1: Proposed Community Boundary, Emissions Study Area, Air Quality Priority and Next Steps

Dianne Sanchez, Air Quality Specialist, provided an overview of the Southeast LA Proposed Community Boundary, Emissions Study Area, Air Quality Priorities, and Next Steps.

CSC members asked questions and provided feedback regarding the proposed changes to community boundary, emissions study area, and their specific air quality priorities. They also asked about specific pollutants and emission sources from within the community. Others requested presentations on the best available emission control strategies and workshops on how to utilize the CERP once released.

Staff answered questions about enforcement operations and finding facility-specific emissions sources within the community and requested that the CSC send feedback about the updated boundaries and air quality priorities through email by Friday, May 15th, 2020. If no additional comments are received by this deadline, then the SELA CSC process will move forward with developing the CERP and CAMP using the presented community boundary and emissions study area. However, if staff receive significant additional comments, then staff will provide the CSC a summary of these comments and the CSC will have an opportunity to discuss those comments at the June CSC meeting.

Agenda Item #2: Community Steering Committee (CSC) Suggestion Roundtable for Upcoming Meetings

Gina Triviso, Senior Public Information Specialist, led a roundtable seeking suggestions from CSC members regarding meeting format and process in order to maximize community participation. CSC members were specifically asked to send comments, suggestions, or concerns regarding the CSC charter, utilizing a meeting co-host, and future meeting agenda topics to their community liaison.

One CSC member asked for the charter to be provided to the committee again via email during the live meeting. Another CSC member sent in written comments after the meeting saying she was in favor of using a co-host and suggesting future meeting topics.

Agenda Item #3: California Air Resources Board (CARB) Online Blueprint Training Overview and Q&A

Liliana Nunez, Air Pollution Specialist with the California Air Resources Board, presented an overview of the Community Air Protection Blueprint (Blueprint) which helped explain how community members, air districts, and the public could better understand and participate in the Community Air Protection Program. The Blueprint specifically outlines the process for identifying impacted communities, statewide strategies to reduce emissions of criteria air pollutants and toxic air contaminants, as well as criteria for development of community emissions reduction programs and community air monitoring plans. CARB notified attendees that they will continue to develop additional trainings on community air monitoring and other topics, some of which were already provided in the SELA newsletter sent out to CSC members and interested parties on May 6, 2020.

CARB has developed a series of online trainings to support community members, air districts, and the public in understanding and participating in the Community Air Protection Program. The full set of online trainings can be found online by visiting: <https://ww2.arb.ca.gov/capp-training>.

Public Comment was then received from meeting attendees.

This meeting was recorded and can be watched in its entirety at the links provided below:

Part 1:

<https://www.facebook.com/630750133606830/videos/247054986498434/>

Part 2:

<https://www.facebook.com/southcoastaqmd/videos/3206182862739299/>