

HYBRID ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE ADVISORY GROUP Advisory Group Members

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A meeting of the South Coast Air Quality Management District Environmental Justice Advisory Group will be held at **12:00 PM on Friday, May 23, 2025** through a hybrid format of in-person attendance in Conference Room GB at the South Coast AQMD Headquarters, 21865 Copley Drive, Diamond Bar, California, and remote attendance via videoconferencing and by telephone.

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CALL TO ORDER

- Roll Call
- Opening Remarks

ACTION ITEMS (Item 1 and 2):

1. Approval of November 14, 2024, Meeting Minutes (Motion Required)
[Attachment 1]

Veronica Padilla-Campos *Advisory Group Chair*

Approval of February 28, 2025, Meeting Minutes (Motion Required)
[Attachment 2]

2. Review of Follow-Up/Action Items

Lisa TanakaDeputy Executive Officer,

Legislative, Public Affairs & Media

Staff will review the follow-up/action items identified in the February 28, 2025, meeting. (No Motion Required)

DISCUSSION ITEMS (Item 3 and 4):

3. FIND Application and Facility Map

Staff will provide an overview of the F.I.N.D. online tool.

(No Motion Required)
[Attachment 3]

Xin Chen

Information Technology Manager, Information Management

4. Assembly Bill 617 (AB 617) Update

Staff will provide an update on AB 617. (No Motion Required)
[Attachment 4]

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Planning and Rules Manager,
Community Engagement & Air Programs

OTHER MATTERS:

5. Member Updates/Other Business

All

Any member of this body, or its staff, on his or her own initiative or in response to questions posed by the public, may ask a question for clarification, may make a brief announcement or report on his or her own activities, provide a reference to staff regarding factual information, request staff to report back at a subsequent meeting concerning any matter, or may take action to direct staff to place a matter of business on a future agenda. (Gov't Code Section 54954.2)

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7. **Next Meeting Date** – Friday, August 22, 2025, at 12 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

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- This will signal to the host that you would like to provide a public comment and you will be added to the list.

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Attachment 1



MEETING OF THE ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE ADVISORY GROUP THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 14, 2024 MEETING MINUTES

Board Members Present:

Veronica Padilla-Campos, Advisory Group Chair Supervisor Curt Hagman

Members Present:

Manuel Arredondo

Pamela Atcitty

Angelica Balderas

Dr. Lawrence Beeson

Ada Briceño

Paul Choe

Kerry Doi

Dr. Afif El-Hasan

Kareem Gongora

Ana Gonzalez

Lisa Hart

Donald Smith

Rafael Yanez

Members Absent:

Senator Vanessa Delgado (Ret.), Chair (Board Member)

Mayor José Luis Solache

Elizabeth Alcantar

Suzanne Bilodeau

Mary Figueroa

Angela Garcia

Dr. Jill Johnston

Humberto Lugo

Edward Marquez

Oscar Rodriguez

South Coast AQMD Staff:

Susan Nakamura, Chief Operating Officer Lisa Tanaka, Deputy Executive Officer, Legislative, Public Affairs & Media Josephine Lee, Sr. Deputy District Counsel, Legal Alicia Lizarraga, Sr. Public Affairs Manager, Legislative, Public Affairs & Media Phillip Crabbe, Sr. Public Affairs Manager, Legislative, Public Affairs, & Media Michael Morris, Planning & Rules Manager, Planning, Rule Development and Implementation Evangelina Barrera, Sr. Public Affairs Officer, Legislative, Public Affairs & Media Brisa Lopez, Administrative Assistant I, Legislative, Public Affairs & Media

Call to Order/Opening Remarks

Advisory Group Chair Veronica Padilla-Campos called the meeting to order at 12:05 p.m., and roll call was taken.

Agenda Item #1: Approval of the Meeting Minutes for February 23, 2024, May 24, 2024, and August 30, 2024; and Agenda Item #3: Goals and Objectives

Ana Gonzalez moved to approve the meeting minutes from February 23, 2024, May 24, 2024, and August 30, 2024, and the Goals and Objectives in one motion. Manuel Arredondo seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Ayes: Advisory Group Chair Padilla-Campos, Supervisor Hagman, Arredondo, Atcitty, Balderas, Beeson, Briceño, Choe, Doi, Gongora, Gonzalez, Hart, and Rodriguez.

Absent: Solache, Alcantar, Bilodeau, El-Hasan, Figueroa, Garcia, Johnson, Lugo, Marquez, Smith, and Yanez.

For more information, refer to Webcast beginning at 30:14.

Agenda Item #2: Review of Follow-Up/Action Items

1. Members requested an update on Rule 1135 as a future agenda item.

The item was included in the agenda.

2. Members requested update on Assembly Bill (AB) 98, regarding warehouses.

The item was included in the agenda.

For more information, refer to Webcast beginning at 09:39.

Agenda Item #4: Update on Assembly Bill (AB) 98: Planning and zoning: logistics use: truck routes.

Phillip Crabbe, Sr. Public Affairs Manager, Legislative, Public Affairs, & Media, provided an update on AB 98: Planning and zoning: logistics use: truck routes. Supervisor Curt Hagman asked if there was consideration of any legal action due to the lack of funding to proceed. Mr. Crabbe said he was not aware of any legal action on this matter.

Ms. Gonzalez asked whether South Coast AQMD could allocate some Indirect Source Rule (ISR) funds to complete the report given that South Coast AQMD already has data, and whether it would be possible to work with the state legislature to request matching funds. Ian MacMillan, Assistant Deputy Executive Officer, Planning, Rule Development and Implementation, stated that it is unknown if the penalty fees would be enough to cover the cost of implementing the bill and conducting the study.

For more information, refer to Webcast beginning at 10:23.

Agenda Item #5: Update on Rule 1135: Emissions of Oxides of Nitrogen from Electricity Generating Facilities

Michael Morris, Planning & Rules Manager, Planning, Rule Development and Implementation, presented an overview and update on Rule 1135: Emissions of Oxides of Nitrogen from Electricity Generating Facilities.

Rafael Yanez asked whether wind technology has been studied. Mr. Morris confirmed that wind patterns have been studied. Advisory Group Chair Padilla-Campos inquired when the land at Middle Ranch would be available for use. Mr. Morris indicated that Middle Ranch is available with restrictions and the operator is looking at that option. Angie Balderas inquired whether solar technology was going to be used at Middle Ranch. Mr. Morris responded that renewable energy sources are preferred.

For more information, refer to Webcast beginning at 32:57.

Agenda Item #6: 2025 Meeting Schedule

Alicia Lizarraga, Senior Public Affairs Manager, Legislative, Public Affairs, & Media, provided an update on the meeting schedule for 2025 which will be provided to EJAG Members. The next meeting is scheduled for February 28, 2025.

For more information, refer to Webcast beginning at 53:12.

Agenda Item #7: Member Updates/Other Business

Ms. Gonzalez requested a presentation on the permitting process for crematoriums. She also requested an update on rulemaking related to Ports.

Action Item: Provide presentation on the permitting process for crematoriums.

Susan Nakamura, Chief Operating Officer, stated that updates on the Port ISR cannot be provided at EJAG due to potential Brown Act conflicts. Ms. Nakamura requested staff to send EJAG members the date for future Port Working Group meeting.

Action Item: Send EJAG members date of Port Working Group meeting.

Kerry Doi requested a presentation on ozone and PM2.5 emission reductions.

Action Item: Provide presentation on ozone and PM2.5 emission reductions.

For more information, refer to Webcast beginning at .

Agenda Item #8: Public Comment

No public comment.

Agenda Item #9: Next Meeting Date

The next regular EJAG meeting date is February 28, 2025.

Adjournment

Advisory Group Chair Veronica Padilla-Campos adjourned the meeting at 12:57 p.m.



Attachment 2



MEETING OF THE ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE ADVISORY GROUP FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 28, 2025 **MEETING MINUTES**

Board Members Present:

Senator Vanessa Delgado (Ret.), Chair (Board Member) Supervisor Curt Hagman

Members Present:

Pamela Atcitty Angelica Balderas Suzanne Bilodeau Kerry Doi Dr. Afif El-Hasan Mary Figueroa Ana Gonzalez Lisa Hart **Donald Smith**

Members Absent:

Veronica Padilla-Campos, Advisory Group Chair Elizabeth Alcantar Manuel Arredondo Ada Briceño Dr. Lawrence Beeson Paul Choe Angela Garcia Kareem Gongora Dr. Jill Johnston **Edward Marquez** Rafael Yanez

South Coast AQMD Staff:

Lisa Tanaka, Deputy Executive Officer, Legislative, Public Affairs & Media Jason Aspell, Deputy Executive Officer, Engineering & Permitting

Nicholas Sanchez, Assistant Chief Deputy Counsel/Legal
Eric Praske, Program Supervisor/Planning, Rule Development and Implementation
Shannon Lee, Sr. Air Quality Engineering Manager/Engineering & Permitting
Alicia Lizarraga, Sr. Public Affairs Manager/Legislative, Public Affairs & Media
Aisha Reyes, Sr. Public Affairs Specialist/Legislative, Public Affairs & Media
Brandee Keith, Sr. Public Affairs Specialist/Legislative, Public Affairs & Media

Call to Order/Opening Remarks

Supervisor Curt Hagman called the meeting to order at 12:00 p.m., and roll call was taken.

Agenda Item 1: Approval of the Meeting Minutes for November 14, 2024

Item continued to next meeting due to lack of quorum.

Agenda Item 2: Review of Follow-Up/Action Items

Lisa Tanaka reviewed the action items from the November 14, 2024, meeting:

- 1. An update was requested on crematoriums and the permitting process. This item was included in the agenda for the February 28, 2025, meeting.
- 2. An update was requested on the Ports Indirect Source Rule (ISR). Staff notified members of a Ports ISR Working Group Meeting via email.
- 3. Ms. Lisa Hart requested a presentation on Proposed Amended Rules (PARs) 1111 and 1121. Information was provided by email, and members were advised that a Working Group Meeting would be held on March 6.

For more information, refer to Webcast at 00:03:54.

<u>Agenda Item 3: Progress in Reducing Nitrogen Oxides (NOx) and Particulate Matter</u> (PM) Emissions

Eric Praske provided an overview and update on progress made in reducing NOx and PM emissions.

Donald Smith requested clarification on NOx emissions classified under "cooking," and a breakdown of NOx emissions by source type. Mr. Praske provided and explanation of the types of equipment and a general description of NOx emissions by source type.

Rafael Yanez inquired about emissions output by transport source type. Mr. Praske noted that a detailed breakdown is available on the South Coast AQMD website.

ACTION ITEM: Share link regarding breakdown of mobile sources with the group.

Mr. Yanez also asked how the new administration's policies might impact California's environmental regulations. Supervisor Hagman stated that the agency continues to work with legislators as changes develop.

Dr. Afif El-Hasan requested information on exposure levels and health effects in environmental justice communities near freeways.

ACTION ITEM: Provide Multiple Air Toxics Exposure Study V (MATES V) study links and details to the group.

Ms. Hart asked whether the South Coast AQMD would be able to enact regulatory measures if the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (U.S. EPA) is defunded. Sang-Mi Lee clarified that U.S. EPA has the authority to establish attainment status of the region, but even without an U.S. EPA designation or mandate, South Coast AQMD can plan for and pursue avenues of regulation.

For more information, refer to Webcast at 00:05:13.

Agenda Item 4: Overview on Permitting Crematories

Shannon Lee, Sr. Air Quality Engineering Manager, Engineering & Permitting, presented an overview of the permitting process for crematories.

Angelica (Angie) Balderas asked about the inspection process and how to use the Facility INformation Detail (F.I.N.D.) tool to access facility information.

Dr. El-Hasan inquired whether medical devices or treatments in a body are considered when assessing potential contamination in ash or smoke. Jason Aspell responded that these are not factored into permitting evaluations.

Ana Gonzalez asked whether crematoriums require both land-use approval and a South Coast AQMD permit to operate. Ms. Lee and Mr. Aspell confirmed that both are necessary.

Pamela Atcitty asked if facility permits can be viewed in F.I.N.D. and how to report a suspected violation. Ms. Lee confirmed that permits are fully accessible on F.I.N.D. and if there is suspected violation, the public can call 1-800-CUT-SMOG.

Mr. Yanez raised concerns that some facilities may be unaware of regulations and suggested distributing permit checklists through cities. Ms. Tanaka noted that South Coast AQMD's Small Business Assistance team provides a checklist, which the Geographic Outreach Team shares with local governments.

Dr. El-Hasan asked how crematorium emissions compare to oil refineries. Mr. Aspell clarified that crematories, as individual sources, produce far less NOx and VOCs than refineries.

For more information, refer to Webcast at 00:36:38.

Agenda Item 5: Member Updates/Other Business

Ms. Tanaka clarified that a Ports ISR working group meeting was held on February 28, 2025.

For more information, refer to Webcast at 01:02:05.

Agenda Item 6: Public Comment

Ms. Hart expressed disappointment over the lack of acknowledgment of the climate crisis in relation to the LA fires and the pause in Home Electrification and Appliance rebates, which supported home electrification under the Inflation Reduction Act.

Dr. El-Hasan announced that the American Lung Association would participate in Advocacy Week in Washington, D.C. and would also be working on protecting regulations and ordinances aimed at transitioning lawn and garden equipment from gaspowered to electric models.

For more information, refer to Webcast at 01:02:58.

Agenda Item 7: Next Meeting Date

The next regular EJAG meeting is scheduled for Friday, May 23, 2025.

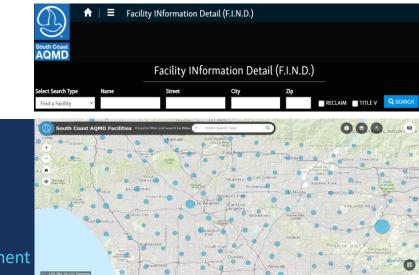
Adjournment

Supervisor Curt Hagman adjourned the meeting at 1:05 p.m.



Attachment 3





South Coast AQMD
Information Management
Xin Chen

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WHAT IS F.I.N.D.?

- Facility Information Detail
- Mobile-friendly web application
- Search for facilities located within the South Coast AQMD, and provide information about permits,
 compliance, emissions, etc.
- Web Application: http://www.aqmd.gov/find
- Facility Map: http://www.aqmd.gov/findmap

SEARCH FOR FACILITIES

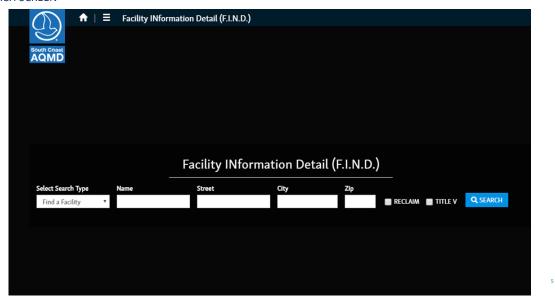
- Name or Address Search Search by facility name or address
- Facility ID Locate facilities using their unique ID
- Application Number Find records by application number
- Notice of Violation (NOV) or Notice to Comply (NC) Search by enforcement records
- Hearing Board Case Look up facilities involved in Hearing Board cases
- Map Search Options:
 - Word Search
 - Mean Geographical Search

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INFORMATION PROVIDED

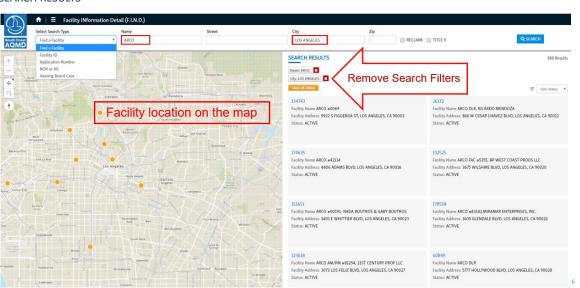
- Facility Details
- Equipment List
- Notices of Violation/Notices to Comply
- Annual Emissions Reporting (AER) of Criteria & Toxic Pollutants
- Hearing Board
- Transportation Plans
- Documents (Permits, Violations, Notices to Comply, etc)

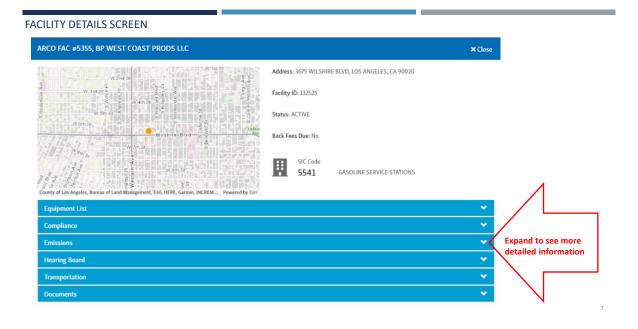
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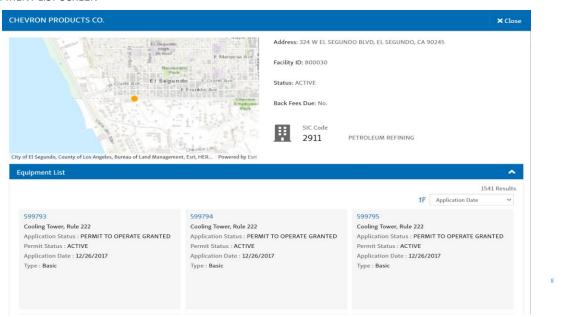
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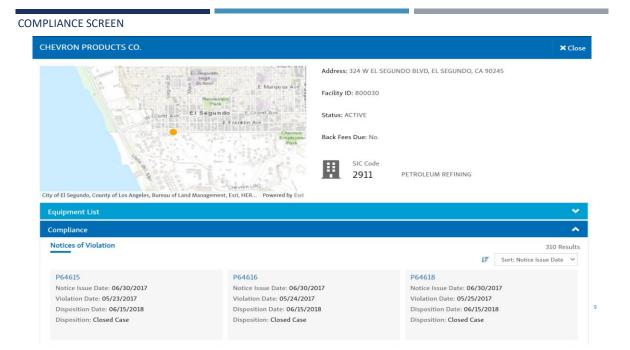
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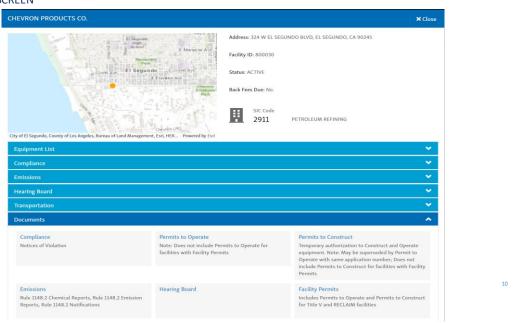








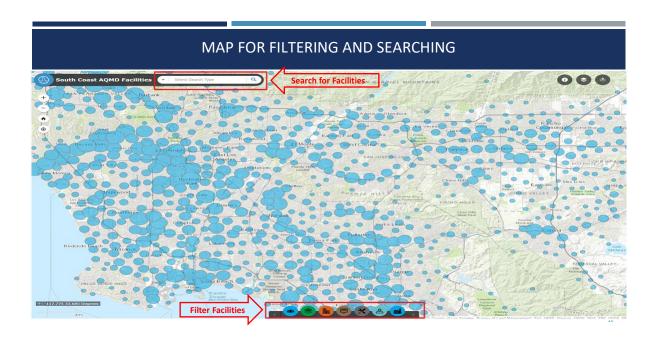


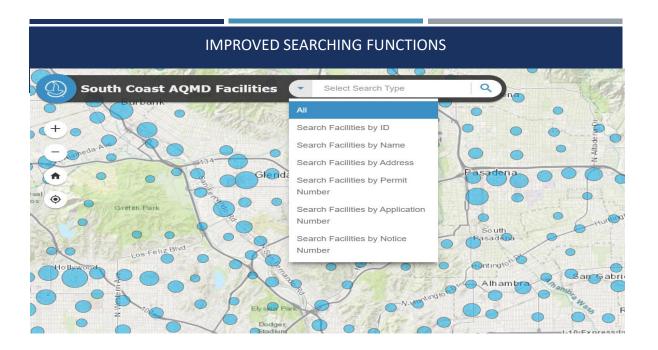


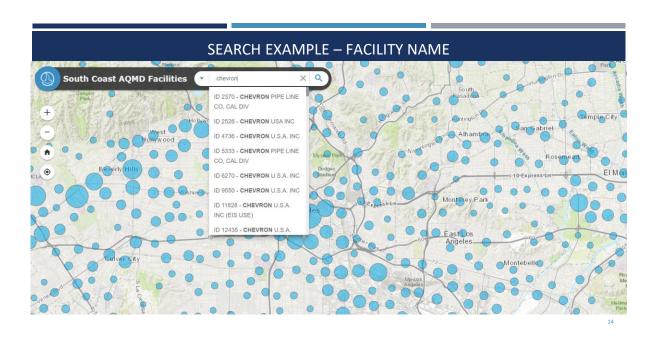
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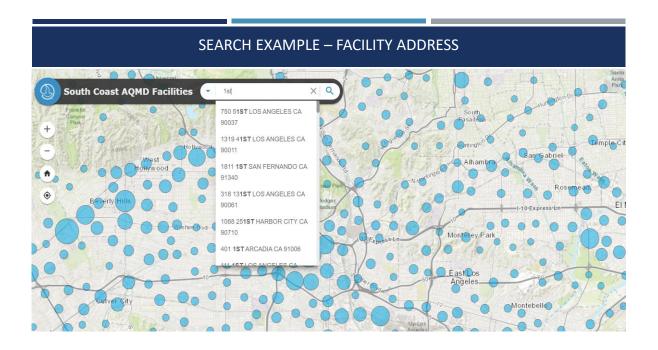
- Facility Map:
 - Enhanced Searching by Name/Address, Permit, Compliance
 - Filter Facilities by Industry Type, Compliance, Active Permits
- AB617 Community display and filter

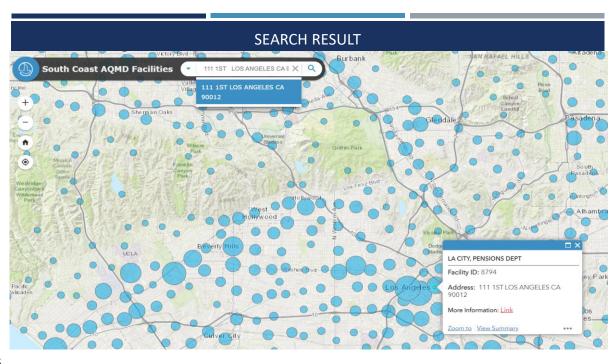
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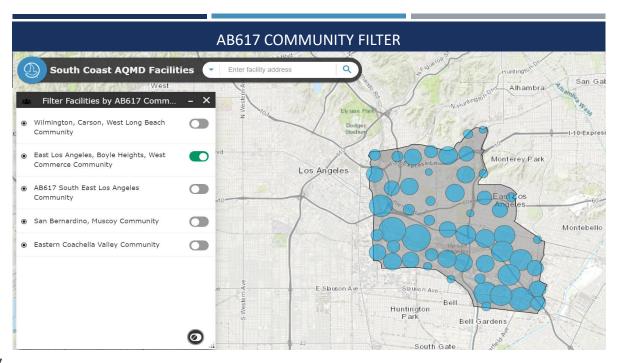


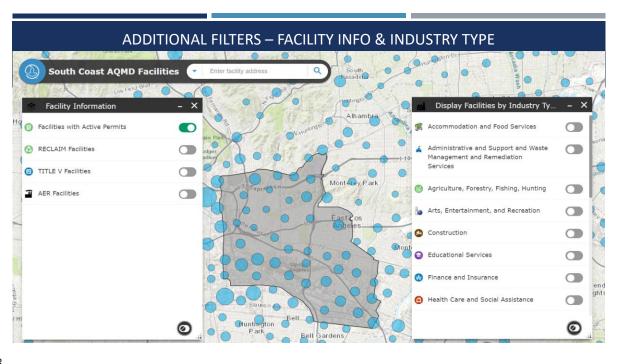


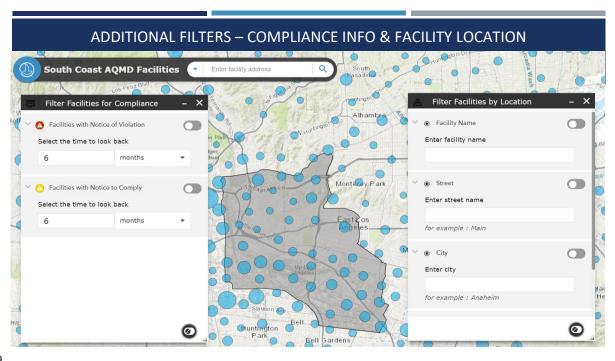


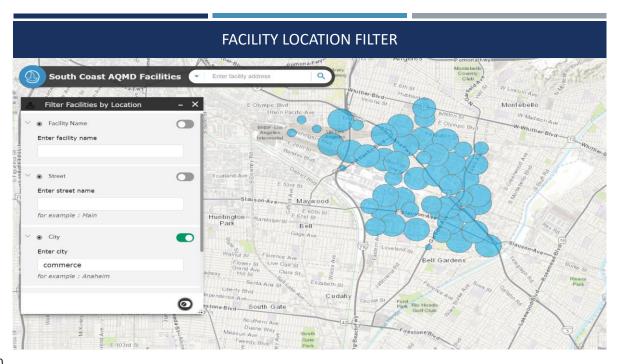












F.I.N.D.

- www.aqmd.gov/find
- www.aqmd.gov/findmap

Questions/Comments:

Brian Roche

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Assembly Bill 617 (AB 617) Update

Environmental Justice Advisory Group May 23, 2025



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Overview of AB 617 Program

- Signed into law July 26, 2017
- · Invests resources and focuses on localized actions to reduce air pollution in disadvantaged communities
- · Purposeful and ongoing involvement of community members towards the emission reductions goals



Community Air Plans

- Community Emission Reductions Plans (CERPs)
- Community Air Monitoring Plans (CAMPs)



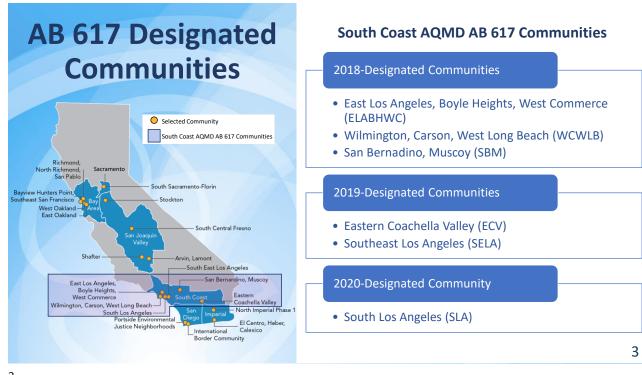
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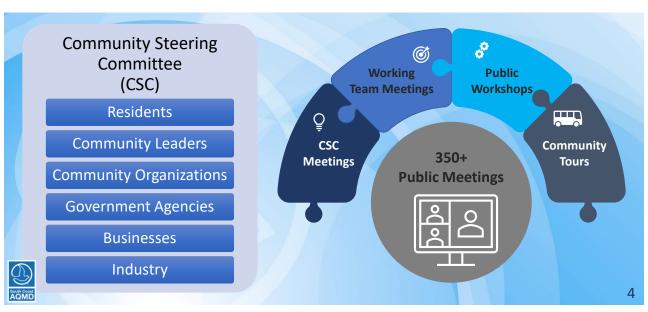
Rules Requiring Best Available Retrofit Control Technology (BARCT)



Easier Access to Emissions Data



Community Engagement



Community Emission Reductions Plans (CERPs)

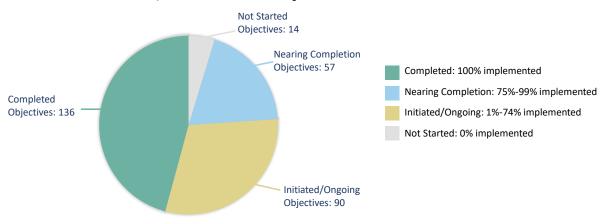


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Incentives Funding and Associated Emission Reductions Total Emissions Reductions in tons per year (tpy) **Total Incentive Funds in AB 617 Communities** DPM VOC **NOx** Approved* 627 tpy 24 tpy \$354.7 million 169 tpy Diesel Oxides of **Volatile Organic Particulate** Compounds Nitrogen Approved by the South Coast AQMD Matter Governing Board, but not all funds have been liquidated 6

Progress of CERP Implementation (As of September 30, 2024)

Total South Coast AQMD AB 617 CERP Objectives: 297



AB 617 CERP Implementation Dashboard: <u>AB617 Progress ExB</u>
Updated Dashboard will be released mid-May (data up to March 31, 2025)

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Highlights: AB 617 CERP Implementation Dashboard



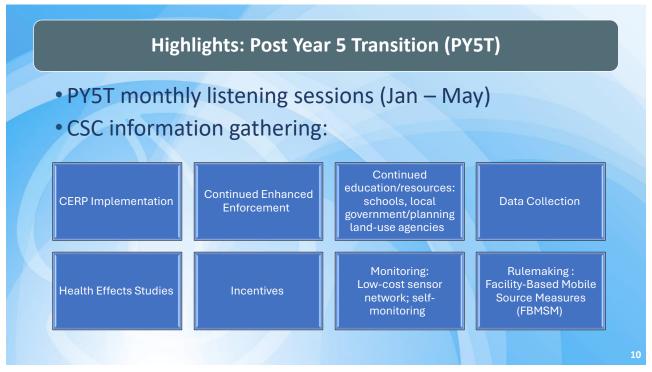
https://experience.arcgis.com/experience/b89ca66d 41d442ae9baf9609f47aacff/page/English-SLA/

the Dashboard:

Key Highlights

- Community specific
- Interactive visual platform
- Implementation status of each CERP objective
- Tutorial video
- Data download feature
- Spanish version
- Incorporates CSC feedback

AQ Priority	Project	Funding	Total Funding
Mobile Sources	Green Space Projects	\$3 million	\$11.2 million in CAP Incentives
	Public School Air Filtration Systems	\$2.5 million	
	Residential Air Filtration Systems	\$2.4 million	
General Industrial Facilities	Professional Wet Cleaning Conversion	\$2.3 million	Program funds
Auto Body Shops	Auto Body Shops Project	\$1 million	
Identified Develo	ect Plan Project Plan Approval f pment or Revisions CARB		Implement



Highlights: Strategic Outreach Meetings

- Critical Community Conversations for Purposeful Outreach (C3PO) monthly meetings
- April C3PO Presentations
 - Community Air Grants
 - · California Air Resources Board (CARB)
 - Community Engagement
 - Castillo Consulting Partners
 - Working Team Expectations and Protocols
 - South LA Co-Leads Physicians for Social Responsibility-Los Angeles (PSR-LA) and Watts Clean Air
 - Post 5th Year Transition (PY5T) Activity
 - South Coast AQMD internal divisions

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SAVE THE DATE!

2nd Annual AB 617 Community Engagement Event



Saturday, October 25, 2025



Diamond Bar, CA

South Coast AQMD is hosting an AB 617 Community Meeting for all Community Steering Committee (CSC) members and stakeholders. Developed in collaboration with community members, this day aims to unite communities from across the region to emphasize the importance of improving air quality and increase meaningful engagement between environmental justice communities.

EVENT HIGHLIGHTS:

RESOURCE FAIR

CELEBRATE COMMUNITY SUCCESSES INTERACTIVE WORKSHOPS EXPERT PANELS

NETWORKING OPPORTUNITIES



BREAKFAST, LUNCH, AND REFRESHMENTS WILL BE PROVIDED

What's Next for AB 617?

Ongoing CSC / Complete CERP Working Team Future AB 617-Implementation for Continue CERP Designated Meetings 2018-Desginated Implementation for Communities Communities 2019 and 2020-Ongoing Updates to Designated **Community Air Grants** Continue Post Fifth Year CERP **Transition Working** Communities Implementation Local-CERPs **Team Meetings** Dashboard 13

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