BOARD MEETING DATE: June 6, 2025 AGENDA NO. 26

REPORT: California Air Resources Board Monthly Meeting

SYNOPSIS: The California Air Resources Board held a Board meeting on

May 22, 2025. The following is a summary of the meeting.

**RECOMMENDED ACTION:** 

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Patricia Lock Dawson, Member South Coast AQMD Governing Board

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The May 22, 2025 Board meeting of the California Air Resources Board (Board) was held in Sacramento, California at the California Environmental Protection Agency Headquarters Building. The key items presented are summarized below.

#### **DISCUSSION ITEMS**

## 25-3-1: Public Meeting to Hear an Informational Update on the California Air Toxics Assessment

The Board heard an informational update on the Board's California Air Toxics Assessment, or CATA. CATA was initiated in 2017 with the purpose of providing support to communities and air toxics programs across the state. It assesses statewide data to determine the exposure and associated cancer risks of major air toxics and helps identify communities disproportionately impacted by air toxics. CATA assessments have helped AB 617 communities identify the major air toxics and emission sources impacting them, as well as the dominant trends and spatial patterns of health risks associated with air toxics. Future iterations of CATA will

provide additional insight into the health benefits of existing and new regulations, as well as the impact of wildfires.

## 25-3-2: Public Meeting to Hear an Informational Update on Natural and Working Lands and Nature-Based Strategies

The Board heard an informational update on staff's efforts to implement the nature-based strategies recommendations of the 2022 Scoping Plan Update, as well as other complementary nature-based climate work at CARB that works on matters related to Natural and Working Lands (NWL). California's NWL store thousands of million metric tons of carbon in their soil and vegetation, and the 2022 Scoping Plan Update found that these lands are likely to continue to be a source of emissions under higher temperatures, more extreme droughts, and changes in precipitation. The nature-based strategies program in CARB collaborates with agencies and stakeholders across California to monitor the state and change of all lands and provide the scientific and policy support needed to accelerate climate action in this sector. The Nature-Based Strategies program update had three primary objectives: update the NWL Carbon Inventory, lead the NWL components of the Scoping Plan, and provide technical and policy support for climate related NWL related issues.

Attachment

CARB May 22, 2025 Meeting Agenda



### **Public Meeting Agenda**

### Thursday, May 22, 2025 @ 9:00 a.m.

Zoom Webinar: Register

Phone Number: (669) 444-9171 Conference Code: 072072 Webinar ID: 936 4272 8310

### **California Environmental Protection Agency**

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



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The May 22, 2025, meeting of the California Air Resources Board (CARB or Board) will be held at 1001 I Street in Sacramento, with remote participation also available. This facility is accessible to persons with disabilities and by public transit. For transit information, call (916) 321-BUSS (2877) or visit <a href="http://sacrt.com/">http://sacrt.com/</a>.

To only watch the Board Meeting and not provide verbal comments, please view the *webcast*. If you do not wish to provide oral comments, we strongly recommend watching the webcast as this will free up space on the webinar for those who are providing oral 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

The Board will set a two-minute time limit on oral comments; however, the amount of time could change at the Chair's discretion. 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.

Please note that under the California Public Records Act (Gov. Code, § 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.

### Spanish interpretation will be available for the May 22 Board Meeting

- Agenda de la Reunión Pública
- Spanish Webcast

### Thursday, May 22, 2025 @ 9:00 a.m.

The following agenda items may be heard in a different order at the Board Meeting.

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

#### **Discussion Items:**

# 25-3-1: Public Meeting to Hear an Informational Update on the California Air Toxics Assessment

The Board will hear an informational update on CARB's California Air Toxics Assessment. The California Air Toxics Assessment assesses statewide data to determine the exposure and associated cancer risks of major air toxics and helps identify communities disproportionately impacted by air toxics in California.

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# 25-3-2: Public Meeting to Hear an Informational Update on Natural and Working Lands and Nature-Based Strategies

This informational item is to provide a background and summary of the Nature-Based Strategies program at CARB that works on matters related to Natural and Working Lands (NWL). The Nature-Based Strategies program updates have 3 primary objectives: update the NWL Carbon Inventory, lead the NWL components of the Scoping Plan, and provide technical and policy support for climate related NWL related issues.

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### **Closed Session**

The Board may hold a closed session, as authorized by Government Code section 11126(e) to confer with, and receive advice from, its legal counsel regarding the following pending litigation, potential litigation on additional challenges to federal decisions regarding waivers and authorizations, and other matters as authorized by Government Code section 11126(e)(2)(B) or (C).

American Free Enterprise Chamber of Commerce et al. v. Steven S. Cliff et al. (United States District Court, Eastern District of California, Sacramento Division, Case No. 2:24 cv 00988 KJM-JDP)

American Free Enterprise Chamber of Commerce v. Engine Manufacturers Association, et al. (United States District Court, Northern District of Illinois, Western Division, Case No. 3:24-cv-50504)

American Free Enterprise Chamber of Commerce v. U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (United States Court of Appeals, Ninth Circuit, Case No. 25-89)

American Free Enterprise Chamber of Commerce v. U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (United States Court of Appeals, Ninth Circuit, Case No. 25-106)

American Fuel & Petrochemical Manufacturers and Energy Marketers of America v. United States Environmental Protection Agency (United States Court of Appeals, Ninth Circuit, Case No. 25-1481; D.C. Circuit Court of Appeals, No. 25-1084)

American Fuel & Petrochemical Manufacturers and the American Waterways Operators v. U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, et al. (United States Court of Appeals, District of Columbia Circuit, Case No. 25-1088); American Fuel & Petrochemical Manufacturers and the American Waterways Operators v. U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, et al. (United States Court of Appeals, Ninth Circuit, Case No. 25-1615)

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

California Air Resources Board v. Noil Energy Group, Inc. and Speedy Fuel Inc. (Los Angeles County Superior Court, Case Nos. 2OSTCV30142 and 2OSTCV30292; California Court of Appeal, Second District, Case No. B339478)

California Trucking Association v. California Air Resources Board (United States District Court, Eastern District of California, Case No. 2:23-cv-02333-TLN-CKD)

Chamber of Commerce of the United States et al. v. California Air Resources Board et al. (United States District Court, Central District of California, Case No. 2:24-cv-00801)

Christopher Broaddus v. California Air Resources Board (Sacramento County Superior Court, Case No. 24VVM000161)

City of Los Angeles, acting by and through its Department of Water and Power v. California Air Resources Board (Los Angeles County Superior Court of the State of California, Case No. 24STCP01428)

Committee for a Better Arvin et al v. U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (United States Court of Appeals, Ninth Circuit, Case No. 24-7270)

Commonwealth of Kentucky, et al. v. U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (United States Court of Appeals, District of Columbia Circuit, Case No. 24 1050)

Commonwealth of Kentucky, et al. v. U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, et al. (United States Court of Appeals, District of Columbia Circuit, Case No. 24-1087)

Communities for a Better Environment v. California Air Resources Board et al. (Fresno County Superior Court, Case No. 24CECG05430); Defensores del Valle Central para el Aire y Agua Limpio et al. v. California Air Resources Board et al. (Fresno County Superior Court, Case No. 24CECG05508); Growth Energy v. California Air Resources Board et al. (Fresno County Superior Court, Case No. 24CECG05514)

Diamond Alternative Energy, LLC, et al. v. U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, et al. (United States Supreme Court, Case No. 24-7); certiorari granted from *Ohio, et al. v. U.S. 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)

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

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. (United States District Court, Central District of California, Case No. 2:17 cv 8733)

Government Accountability and Oversight v. California Air Resources Board (Sacramento County Superior Court, Case No. 24CV012372)

*GreenPower Motor Company, Inc. v. California Air Resources Board* (Sacramento County Superior Court, Case No. 23WM000083)

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

Outdoor Power Equipment Institute v. U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (United States Court of Appeals, Ninth Circuit, Case No. 25-881)

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

Ryan Murray Partners, Inc. v. California Air Resources Board (Superior Court of California, County of Sacramento, Case No. 25CV005264)

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

State of Nebraska, et al. v. Steven S. Cliff, et al. (United States District Court, Eastern District of California, Case No. 2:24-cv-01364-JAM-CKD)

Specialty Equipment Market Association & Performance Racing, Inc., et al. v. California Air Resources Board, et al. (United States District Court, Eastern District of California, Case No. 2:24-cv-02771-TLN-AC)

State of California, et al. v. David Bernhardt, et al. (United States District Court, Northern District of California, 472 F. Supp. 3d 573 (N.D. Cal. 2020) Case No. 3:18 cv 5712 DMR; BLM, Wyoming, and industry appeal to United States Court of Appeals, Ninth Circuit, Case No. 20-16793)

State of California, et al., v. Hino Motors, Ltd. and Hino Motors Manufacturing, U.S.A., Inc. (United States District Court, Eastern District of Michigan, Case Nos. 2:25-cv-10144-SFC-APP, and 2:25-cv-10146-SFC-KGA)

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

State of California v. Wheeler, et al. (United States Court of Appeals, District of Columbia Circuit, Case No. 20-1167; consolidated with other cases under No. 20-1145, Competitive Enterprise Institute, et al. v. NHTSA, et al.).

State of Nebraska, et al. v. Steven S. Cliff, et al. (United States District Court, Eastern District of California, Case No. 2:24-cv-01364-TLN-CKD)

State of Nebraska, et al., v. U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, et al. (United States Court of Appeals, District of Columbia Circuit, Case No. 24-1129; consolidated with Case Nos. 24-1133, 24-1157, 24-1207, 24-1208, 24-1209, 24-1210, and 24-1214).

State of New York, et al. v. Donald Trump, et al. (United States District Court, District of Rhode Island, Case No. 1:25-cv-39)

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

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

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

State of Texas, et al. v. U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, et al. (United States Court of Appeals, District of Columbia Circuit, Case No. 24-1054)

State of West Virginia, et al. v. U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, et al. (United States Court of Appeals, District of Columbia Circuit, Case No. 24-1009)

State of West Virginia et al. v. U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (United States Court of Appeals, District of Columbia Circuit, Case No. 24-1120)

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; appeal California Court of Appeal, Fourth Appellate District, Div. 1, Case. No. D080902; remanded to Superior Court)

The Two Hundred for Homeownership, Robert Apodaca, and Jose Antonio Ramirez v. California Air Resources Board, Steven S. Cliff, in his official capacity, et al. (United States District Court, Eastern District of California, Fresno Division, Case No. 1:22-at-904)

Western Propane Gas Association v. California Air Resources Board, et al. (Fresno County Superior Court, Case No. 24CECG03716)

Western States Petroleum Association v. California Air Resources Board, et al. (Fresno County Superior Court, Case No. 22CECG03603)

Western States Petroleum Association v. California Air Resources Board (Los Angeles County Superior Court, Case No. 20STCP03138x, California Court of Appeal, Second District, Case No. B327663)

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

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

Western States Trucking Association, Inc. and Construction Industry Air Quality Coalition, Inc. v. U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (United States Court of Appeals, District of Columbia Circuit, Case No. 23-1148)

# 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.

### Other Information

### Submit Comments Electronically the Day of the Board Meeting

#### View Submitted Comments

<u>Please Note</u>: PowerPoint presentations to be displayed during public comment at the Board meeting must be electronically submitted via email to the Clerks' Office at <u>cotb@arb.ca.gov</u> no later than noon on the business day prior to the scheduled Board Meeting.

### If you have any questions, please contact the Clerks' Office:

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- Documents made available in an alternate format or another language;
- A disability-related reasonable accommodation.

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- Un intérprete que esté disponible en la audiencia;
- Documentos disponibles en un formato alterno u otro idioma;
- Una acomodación razonable relacionados con una incapacidad.

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