



# Air Resources Board



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## California's Regional Haze Plan Public Workshop

The Air Resources Board (ARB) staff invites you to participate in a public workshop to discuss the proposed California Regional Haze Plan (Plan). The purpose of this workshop is to provide an overview of the Plan and the visibility conditions in selected wilderness areas in California and to discuss anticipated improvements in visibility in these areas in the future.

This workshop will be held at Cal/EPA Headquarters in Sacramento and will also be webcast.

Date: Monday, December 15, 2008  
Time: 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. (Pacific Time)  
Location: Sierra Hearing Room  
Address: Cal/EPA Headquarters Building  
1001 I Street, Second Floor  
Sacramento, California 95814

To protect visibility in national parks and scenic areas, the United States Environmental Protection Agency (U.S. EPA) adopted the Regional Haze Rule. The Rule sets out a long-term path towards attaining improved visibility, with the goal of achieving visibility which reflects natural conditions by 2064. The Regional Haze Rule requires States to establish a series of interim goals to ensure continued progress. This Plan addresses the first interim goal period of 2018.

The Plan sets forth California's visibility goals and represents California's element of a multi-state western regional effort to assess the visibility improvement that is expected to occur through 2018. By 2018 visibility is projected to improve in all areas of the West, with the greatest improvements in California due to the extensive nature of California's air pollution control programs. To document the benefits of these programs for visibility, and to meet the requirements of the Regional Haze Rule, the ARB has prepared this Plan for California.

The workshop agenda and presentation materials will be available in hard copy at the workshop. The proposed Plan will be posted on the regional haze website <http://www.arb.ca.gov/planning/reghaze/reghaze.htm> prior to the workshop.

*The energy challenge facing California is real. Every Californian needs to take immediate action to reduce energy consumption. For a list of simple ways you can reduce demand and cut your energy costs, see our website: <http://www.arb.ca.gov>.*

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There are many ways to arrive at the Cal/EPA Headquarters Building but we encourage you to take public transportation or drive low emission/high efficiency vehicles whenever possible. Use the following link for directions and information on public transit:  
<http://www.calepa.ca.gov/EPAbldg/location.htm>.

This workshop will be webcast. Webcast links are posted at [www.calepa.ca.gov/broadcast](http://www.calepa.ca.gov/broadcast). You can access the webcast beginning at 9:00 a.m. on December 15, 2008. You should check the compatibility of your user interface at that website prior to the meeting. ARB recommends that you do not run other programs while viewing the webcast, as it may interrupt or lower the quality of the signal. Written questions and comments can be submitted at any time during the workshop to [sierrarm@calepa.ca.gov](mailto:sierrarm@calepa.ca.gov). The workshop agenda and presentation materials will be available the day of the workshop on the website for those not able to attend in person.

To participate by teleconference, dial 1-888-790-3420, and use the participant code 69226. The leader name is Tina Suarez-Murias.

The meeting place is accessible to persons with disabilities. To place your request for disability services, please contact ARB's Disability Coordinator at 916-323-4916. TTY/TDD/Speech-to-Speech users may dial 7-1-1-for the California Relay Service. For interpreter services, please contact ARB's Bilingual Manager at 916-323-7053.

We welcome and encourage your participation in this important effort. If you have any questions about the public workshop or the proposed Plan, please contact Ms. Sylvia Zulawnick, Manager, Particulate Matter Analysis Section, at (916) 324-7163, or [szulawni@arb.ca.gov](mailto:szulawni@arb.ca.gov), or Ms. Tina Suarez-Murias, Staff Lead, at (916) 323-1495, or [csuarezm@arb.ca.gov](mailto:csuarezm@arb.ca.gov).

Sincerely,

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