NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING TO CONSIDER ASSEMBLY BILL 617 COMMUNITY AIR PROTECTION PROGRAM – SELECTION OF 2019 COMMUNITIES

The California Air Resources Board (CARB or Board) will conduct a public meeting at the time and place noted below to consider selecting additional communities under the Community Air Protection Program.

DATE: December 12, 2019
TIME: 9:00 a.m.
LOCATION: California Environmental Protection Agency
California Air Resources Board
Byron Sher Auditorium
1001 I Street
Sacramento, California 95814

This item will be considered at a meeting of the Board, which will commence at 9:00 a.m., December 12, 2019, and may continue at 8:30 a.m., on December 13, 2019. Please consult the agenda for the meeting, which will be available at least ten days before December 12, 2019, to determine the day on which this item will be considered.

Background

In response to Assembly Bill (AB) 617 (C. Garcia, Chapter 136, Statutes 2017) the California Air Resources Board (CARB) established the Community Air Protection Program (Program). AB 617 requires CARB to annually consider selection of communities within which community air monitoring systems and/or community emissions reduction programs will be developed and implemented. In September 2018, CARB’s Governing Board selected the first ten communities.

The Governing Board will hear staff’s recommendations for additional communities for selection in 2019. CARB staff’s recommendation is based on a number of factors including the Board’s prior direction in 2018, community nominations received in 2019, lessons learned from the initial ten communities, and funding levels provided by the legislature for Program implementation.

CARB, as the lead agency under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), has reviewed the 2019 Community Recommendations Staff Report and concluded that the recommendations are exempt pursuant to CEQA Guidelines §15061(b)(3) because it can be seen with certainty that there is no possibility that the proposed action may result in significant adverse impact on the environment. A brief explanation of the basis for reaching this conclusion is included in the 2019 Community Recommendations Staff Report.
**Proposed Action**

CARB staff will present the *2019 Community Recommendations Staff Report* at the meeting. The Board will take action on staff’s recommendations for the selection of communities for the deployment of air monitoring systems and/or community emissions reduction programs. Copies of the report may be obtained from CARB’s Public Information Office, 1001 I Street, First Floor, Environmental Services Center, Sacramento, California, 95814, on November 8, 2019. The report may also be obtained from CARB’s website at [https://www.arb.ca.gov/our-work/programs/community-air-protection-program](https://www.arb.ca.gov/our-work/programs/community-air-protection-program).

Interested members of the public may present comments orally or in writing at the meeting and may provide comments by postal mail or by electronic submittal before the meeting. To be considered by the Board, written comments not physically submitted at the meeting, must be received **Monday December 9, 2019**, and addressed to the following:

Postal mail: Clerks’ Office, California Air Resources Board 1001 I Street, Sacramento, California 95814

Electronic submittal: [http://www.arb.ca.gov/lispub/comm/bclist.php](http://www.arb.ca.gov/lispub/comm/bclist.php)

Please note that under the California Public Records Act (Government Code section 6250 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.

CARB requests that written statements on this item be filed at least ten days prior to the meeting so that CARB staff and Board members have additional time to consider each comment. Further inquiries regarding this matter should be directed to Laura Zaremba-Schmidt, Air Resources Engineer at (626) 459-4394 or Liliana Nunez, Air Pollution Specialist at (626) 350-6561.

**Live Video/Audio Webcast**

For those unable to attend in person, a live internet broadcast (webcast) will be available for the meeting. The webcast can be accessed on the day of the meeting at: [https://www.cal-span.org](https://www.cal-span.org).

**SPECIAL ACCOMMODATION REQUEST**

Consistent with California Government Code Section 7296.2, special accommodation or language needs may be provided for any of the following:

- An interpreter to be available at the meeting;
- Documents made available in an alternate format or another language; and
- A disability-related reasonable accommodation.
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- Documentos disponibles en un formato alterno u otro idioma; y
- Una acomodación razonable relacionados con una incapacidad.

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CALIFORNIA AIR RESOURCES BOARD

Richard W. Corey
Executive Officer

Date: November 8, 2019

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