

## AB 617 Community Air Protection Program Fifth Annual Community Recommendations

In July 2017, Assembly Bill (AB) 617 was signed into law. The California Air Resources Board (CARB) established the *Office of Community Air Protection Program (Program)* to implement AB 617, which requires community-focused action to reduce air pollution and improve public health in communities that experience disproportionate burdens from exposure to air pollutants. AB 617 requires the CARB Board to consider the selection of additional communities annually, as appropriate.

The Program consists of multiple elements that work together to address specific community air pollution concerns. Community partnerships and leadership are central to this process. Air districts, in partnership with communities, develop *Community Emission Reduction Programs (CERPs) and/or Community Air Monitoring Plans (CAMPs)*.

### Selected Communities and Community Steering Committees



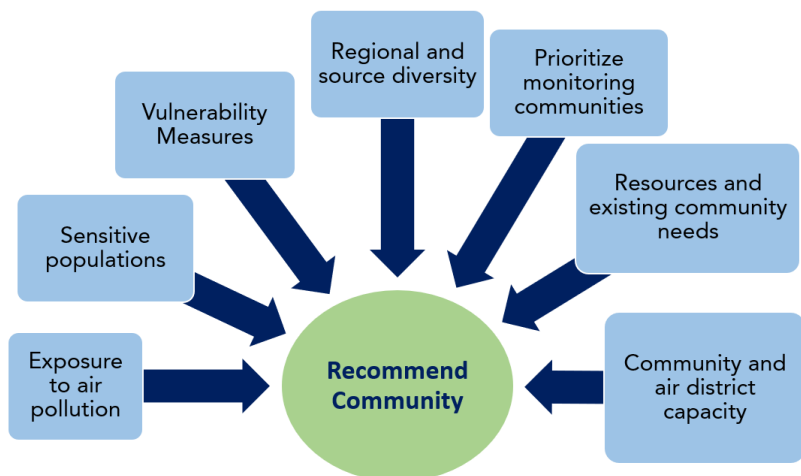
Every year, the CARB Board considers selecting communities to develop CERPs, CAMPs, or both. Since the beginning of the Program in 2018, CARB has selected a total of 17 communities. Community Steering Committees are actively working to develop, implement, and monitor these local efforts. While all communities have unique characteristics, there are many common air quality challenges throughout the State.

For information on the current and prior community selection processes, visit our [Community Air Protection Program Recommendation Process webpage](#).

### Annual Community Consideration Process

Community self-nominations for communities can be submitted at any time and are submitted through [communityair@arb.ca.gov](mailto:communityair@arb.ca.gov). CARB staff encourages community members to work with their air district on recommendations. Air districts are requested to submit recommendations in the Fall for CARB staff to assess communities for recommendation to the CARB Board.

## Fifth Annual Community Recommendations



CARB annually considers high-priority communities. Staff recommends communities based on several factors, as shown in the figure to the left and outlined in the Program Blueprint (October 2018).<sup>1</sup> CARB’s staff recommendations are based on the combined support of the air district and the community’s nominations. For the fifth annual community recommendations, CARB staff is recommending two

new communities. Listed below are the proposed new communities, proposed action, and preliminary community details. The CARB Board will consider staff recommendations on February 23, 2023, at 4:00 p.m. See the [February agenda](#) posted 10 days before the Board meeting. Fifth Annual Community Air Protection Program Staff Report was released on January 23, 2023. Comments can be submitted through Monday February 13, 2023.

### Community Recommendations

**Bayview Hunters Point/Southeast San Francisco** (Bay Area Air Quality Management District)

This nomination is supported by the Bayview Hunters Point Advocates, Marie Harrison Community Foundation, and the Bay Area Air Quality Management District.

**North End Phase 1 Community includes Westmoreland, Brawley, and Calipatria** (Imperial County Air Pollution Control District)

This nomination is supported by Imperial County Air Pollution Control District in partnership with Comite Civico del Valle, Inc.

### Action

Develop a CERP

Develop a CAMP and CERP

### Key Emissions Sources

Industrial facilities including organic recovery and waste, concrete batch plants, federally-

Heavy-duty vehicles, agriculture equipment and practices, unpaved roads,

<sup>1</sup> Program Blueprint available at <https://ww2.arb.ca.gov/capp-blueprint>, page 19 and appendix B

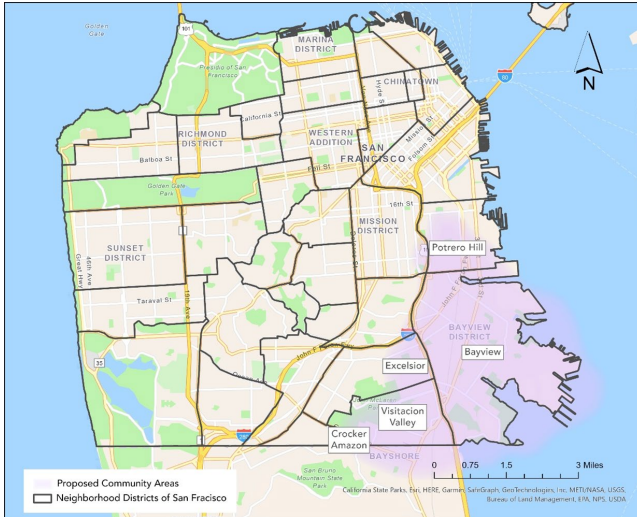
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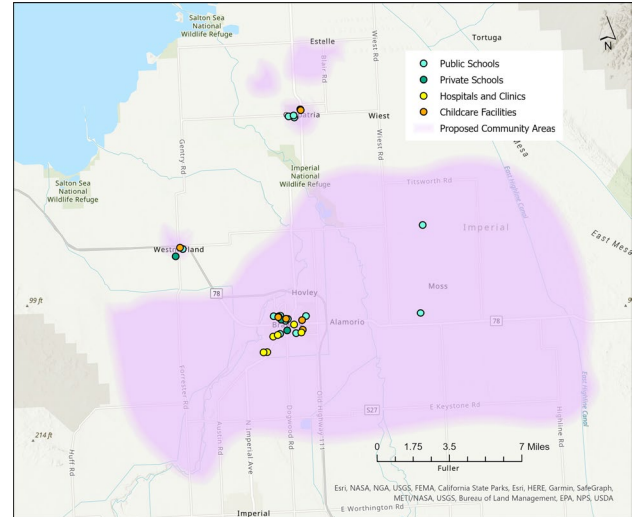
designated Superfund site, major freeways, and nearby Port of San Francisco

the Salton Sea, and fugitive emissions from the U.S.-Mexico border

## Proposed Community Area



San Francisco Neighborhoods within proposed Community Area (purple)



North End Phase 1 proposed Community Area (purple)

## Key Metrics (percentile)

Overall CES 4.0 Score	94
Diesel Particulate Matter	99
Asthma	96
Poverty	96
Unemployment	98
CA Healthy Places Index	98

Overall CES 4.0 Score	91
Diesel Particulate Matter	43
Asthma	99
Poverty	98
Unemployment	100
CA Healthy Places Index	99

### For Program Information

Visit our website: <https://ww2.arb.ca.gov/capp> Email us: [communityair@arb.ca.gov](mailto:communityair@arb.ca.gov)

### For Questions or To Submit A Community Recommendation

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