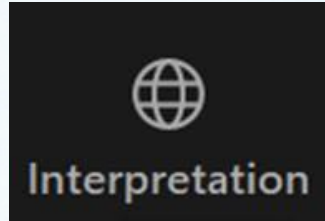




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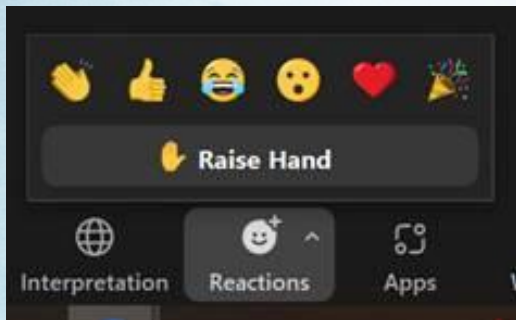
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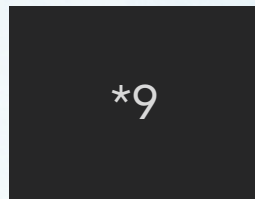


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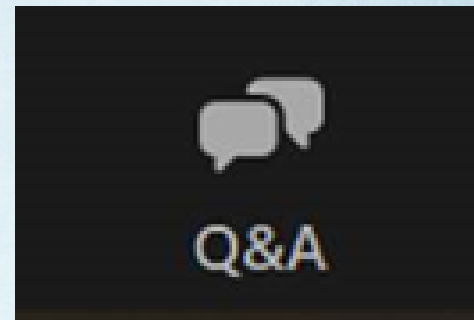
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# Workshop Agenda

1. Overview of California Climate Investments
2. Background on the Funding Guidelines and Scope of Current Update
3. Overview and Public Comment on Key Update Areas
  - a) Senate Bill 27
  - b) Assembly Bill 680
  - c) Funding Guidelines Review
  - d) Resource Portal
4. Next steps

# Poll: What type of organization do you represent?

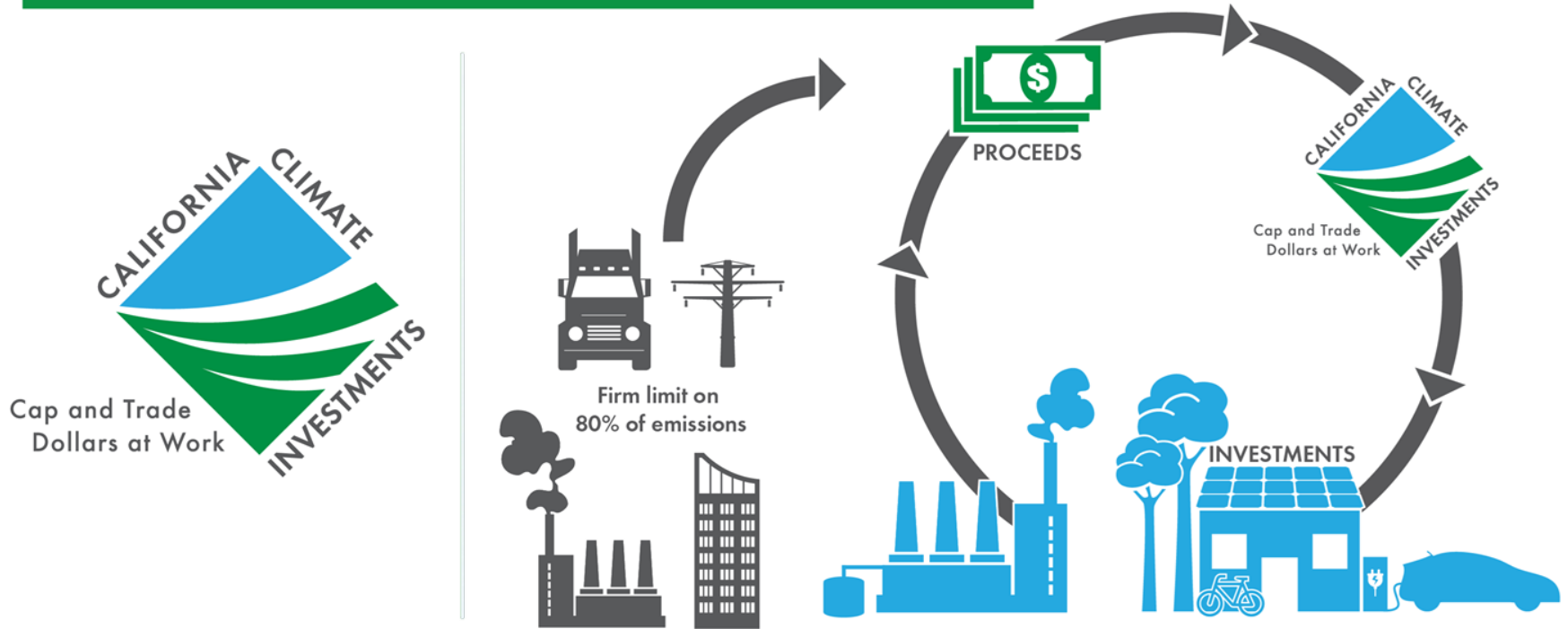
- A. Community-based organization/nonprofit
- B. Local or regional government
- C. Federal government
- D. Tribal government or tribal member
- E. Public attendee
- F. Consultant
- G. Business
- H. Other



# Background on California Climate Investments



# Overview of California Climate Investments using Cap-and-Trade Auction Proceeds





# Administering Agencies



Cap and Trade  
Dollars at Work



CALIFORNIA  
High-Speed Rail Authority



CALIFORNIA  
COASTAL  
COMMISSION



Annual and cumulative achievements

Estimated greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions reductions

Benefits to priority populations

Estimated co-benefits

Outreach, engagement, technical assistance, and capacity building

Project profiles

Detailed data



# 2023

## ANNUAL REPORT

Cap-and-Trade  
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**82,757 Tons**

Criteria air pollutants reductions



**72 Billion**

Vehicle miles traveled reductions



**\$19 Billion**

Travel cost savings



**560 Billion Gallons**

Water savings



**21,300+**

Jobs

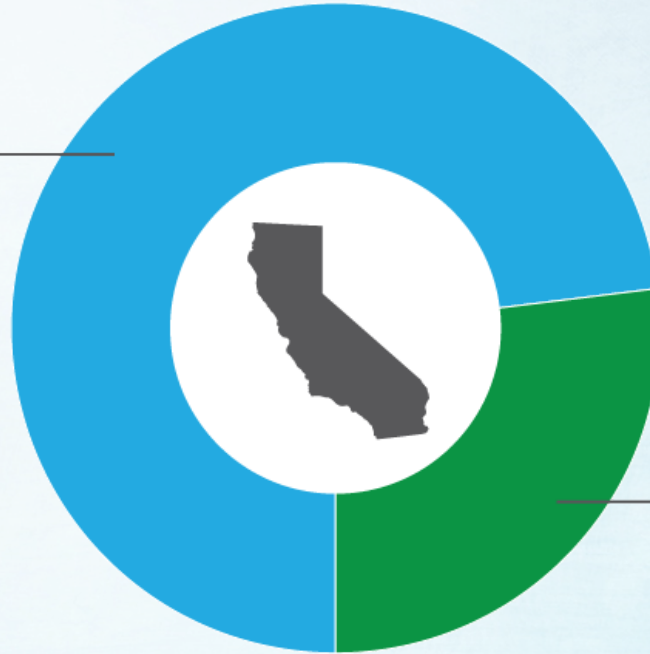
**Estimated GHG Reductions: 97.1 MMTCO<sub>2</sub>e**

**\$6.7 Billion Benefiting Priority Populations**



# Benefits to Priority Populations

**73%**  
Benefiting  
priority  
populations  
(\$6.7 billion+)



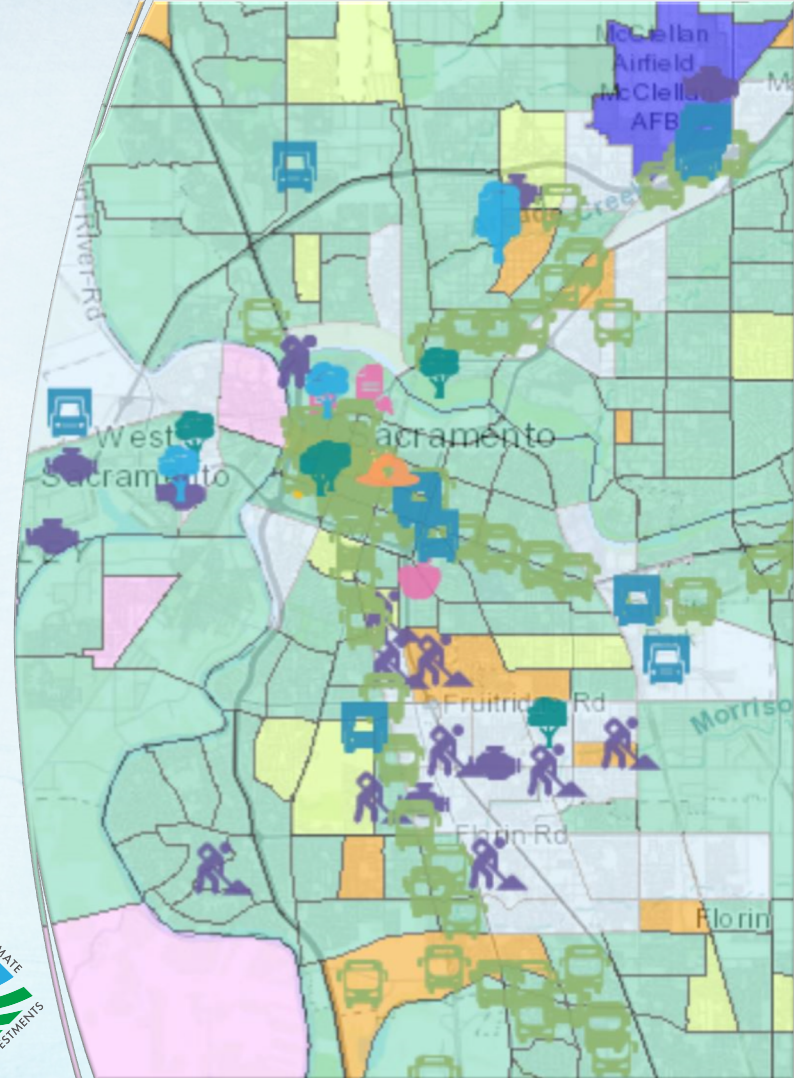
**27%**  
Benefiting  
other areas  
of California

# Complementary Online Resources

[caclimateinvestments.ca.gov](http://caclimateinvestments.ca.gov)

Program pages and project profiles: Discover achievements of individual programs and read about investments in action.

Downloadable datasets and geographic breakdowns of investments: View project-level data and investments by legislative district and region.





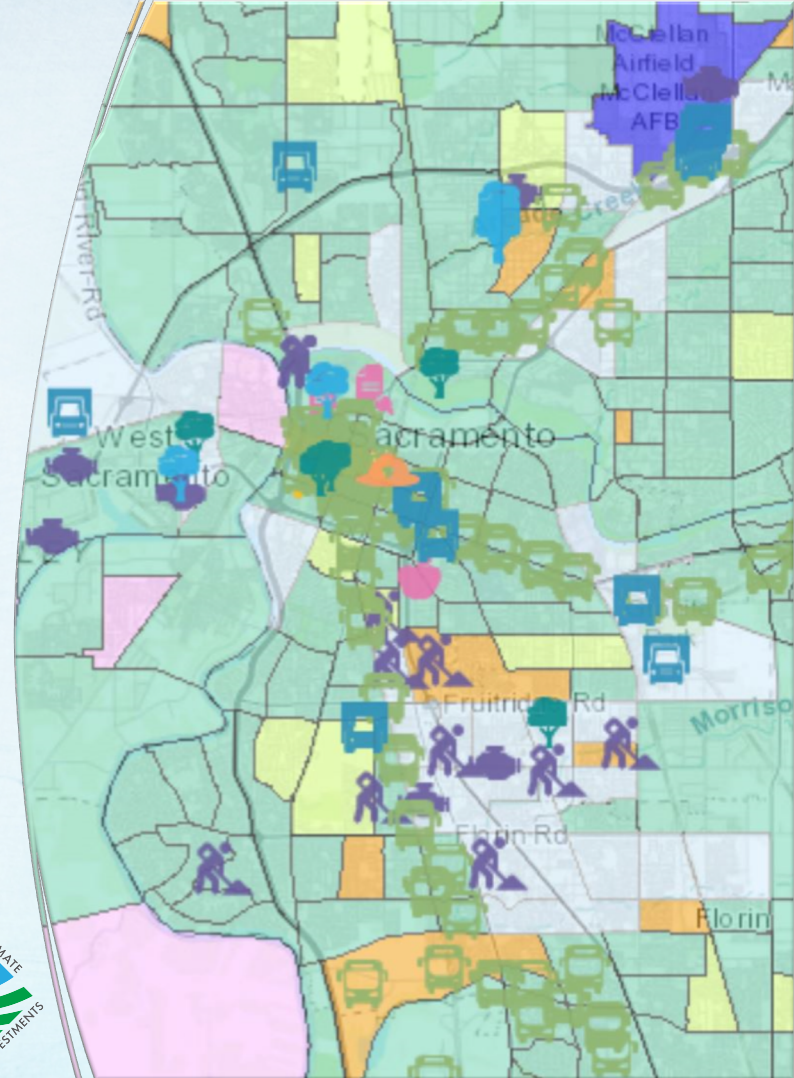
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Data dashboard: Explore trends in funding, GHG emissions reductions, and other project benefits across time and programs.

Project map: View locations of implemented projects along with an overview of the benefits they provide.

Story map: Read highlights of the 2023 Annual Report and explore the data.





# Additional Online Resources

[caclimateinvestments.ca.gov](http://caclimateinvestments.ca.gov)

- Calendar
  - Workshops
  - Application timelines
- Funding opportunities & fact sheets
- Project profiles
- Regional highlights
- Newsletter sign up
- And more!



## Funding Available to Nonprofits

Nonprofits can receive funds to reduce climate pollution and provide benefits to priority populations through waste prevention, clean air and other strategies. Find a program's current funding opportunities and please follow the listed program



## Fondos Disponibles para Gobiernos Tribales

Los gobiernos tribales pueden recibir fondos para reducir la contaminación climática a través de transporte limpio, equipos agrícolas, iniciativas de aire limpio, proyectos de conservación de tierras y más.

- Los gobiernos tribales son elegibles para los siguientes programas de las Inversiones del Clima de California. Para encontrar la disponibilidad actual de fondos y plazos del programa, siga el enlace del programa que aparece en la lista.
- Por favor, vea la página 6 para los cambios recientes en las políticas que promueven el acceso a los gobiernos tribales.
- Por favor vea la página 6 para aprender más sobre las oportunidades de financiamiento disponibles para la comunidad tribal más amplia.



### Affordable Housing and Sustainable Communities Program (AHSC)

Este programa provee fondos para apoyar el desarrollo de vivienda asequible, así como infraestructura para el transporte sostenible. Los desarrolladores de vivienda asequible pueden presentar una solicitud en asociación con las jurisdicciones locales, incluyendo una nación indígena de los EE.UU., para construir viviendas y mejorar la seguridad de los peatones y ciclistas, así como para financiar las operaciones e instalaciones de tránsito. AHSC tiene como objetivo la financiación de al menos un proyecto a una nación indígena de EE.UU. elegible. Asistencia técnica está disponible. [bit.ly/AHSCci](http://bit.ly/AHSCci)



### Apoyo Financiero para Compostaje Comunitario (Community Composting for Green Spaces Grant) (CCG)

Este programa proporciona fondos para crear, ampliar y mejorar programas de compostaje a pequeña escala ubicados en comunidades desfavorecidas y de bajos ingresos. [bit.ly/ComCompostci](http://bit.ly/ComCompostci)



### Asistencia Técnica Comunitaria para la Acción Climática (Community Assistance for Climate Action) (CACE)

Este programa ayuda a las comunidades a postularse para programas de Inversiones Climáticas de California y otros programas de financiamiento relacionados con el clima. El Programa CACE tiene como objetivo hacer que el proceso sea más justo para los solicitantes que pueden carecer de la capacidad para acceder con éxito a estos fondos, particularmente aquellos que viven en las comunidades en desventaja del estado. [bit.ly/CACEci](http://bit.ly/CACEci)



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### Demonstration and

for pre-commercial advanced vehicles, and transportation infrastructure. Nonprofit status or partner



### Alternative Manure Management Program

This program provides grants to implement non-digester practices that reduce dairy and livestock manure methane emissions, such as solid separation or conversion from flush to scrape manure collection in conjunction with a manure treatment or drying practice, compost bedded pack barns, and enhanced pasture-based management practices. Technical assistance is available. [bit.ly/AMMPool](http://bit.ly/AMMPool)

### Sustainable

that supports segment as well as infrastructure. Affordable in partnership with Tribal Entity, to build of pedestrians transit facilities and goal to award eligible Tribal Entity. ble.



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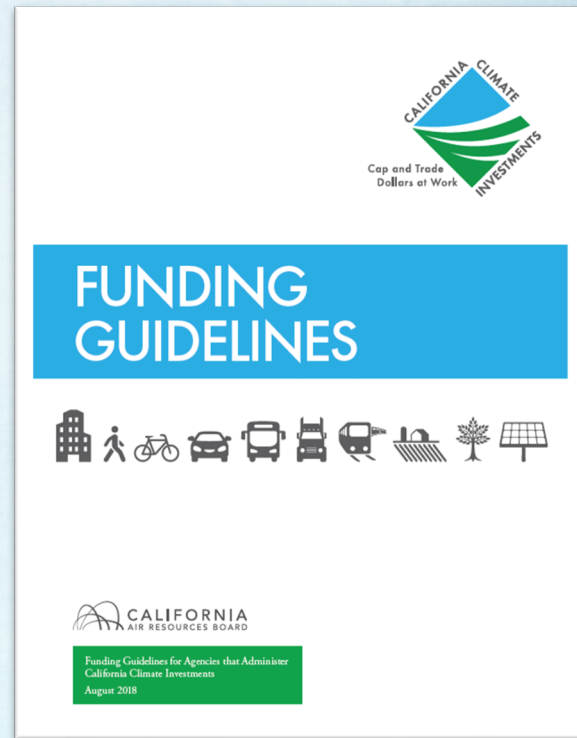


# What are the Funding Guidelines?

CARB document

Applies to agencies that receive funding from the Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund

Last updated in 2018



# What are the Funding Guidelines?

Provides guidance on:

Program design and implementation

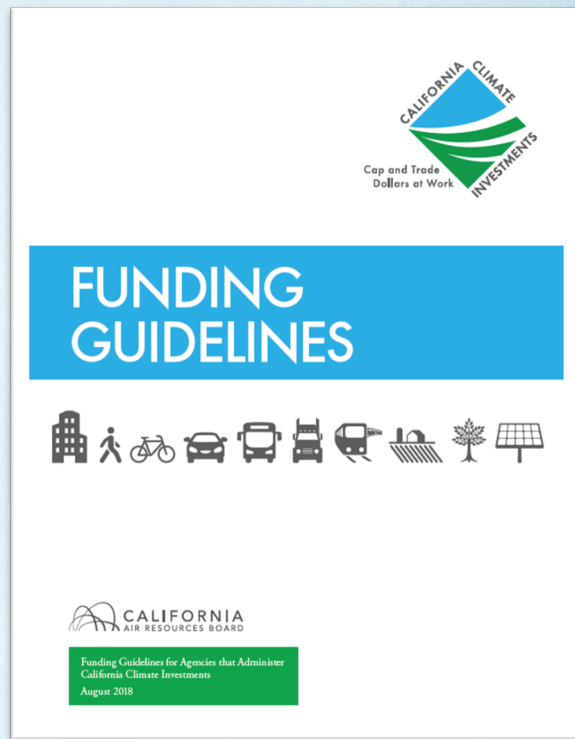
Estimating emissions reductions and other benefits

Meeting statutory requirements

Reporting program and project information

Providing benefits to priority populations

Other areas





# Today's Topics

## Senate Bill 27

Natural and  
Working Lands  
Project Registry

## Assembly Bill 680

Workforce  
Standards

Updates to  
Existing  
Guidelines

Resource Portal

# Poll: Which of these topics are you most interested to learn more about?

- A. Senate Bill 27 – Natural and Working Lands
- B. Assembly Bill 680 – Workforce Standards
- C. Funding Guidelines Review
- D. Resource Portal
- E. Equally interested in all



# Timeline





# Public Input Since 2018

**Cap-and-Trade Auction Proceeds  
Third Investment Plan:**  
**Fiscal Years 2019-20 through 2021-22**



January 2019



State of California

**Cap-and-Trade Auction Proceeds Fourth  
Investment Plan**  
**Fiscal Years 2022-23 through 2024-25**



# Public Input Since 2018

## Priorities

- Co-benefits
- Investments to priority populations
- Transparency
- Community engagement
- Clear and accessible communication

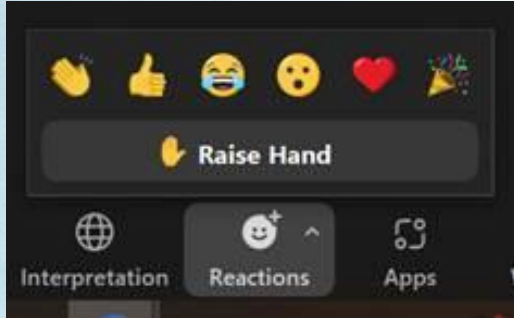
## Community strengths and challenges

- Key partners: local organizations and businesses
- Robust public transit, open space
- Shared values foster community pride
- Local concerns: health, housing, air pollution, climate impacts

## Accessing funding and elements of successful projects

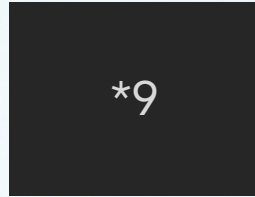
- Timely information needed on funding opportunities
- Support needed for applications and capacity building
- Strong partnerships key to success

# Participation Reminder



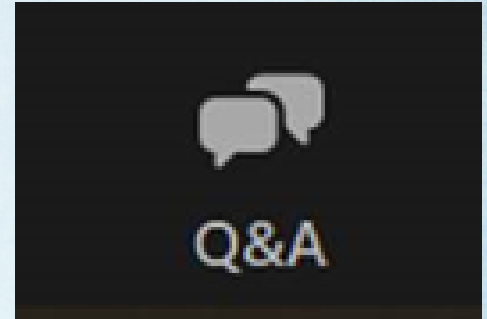
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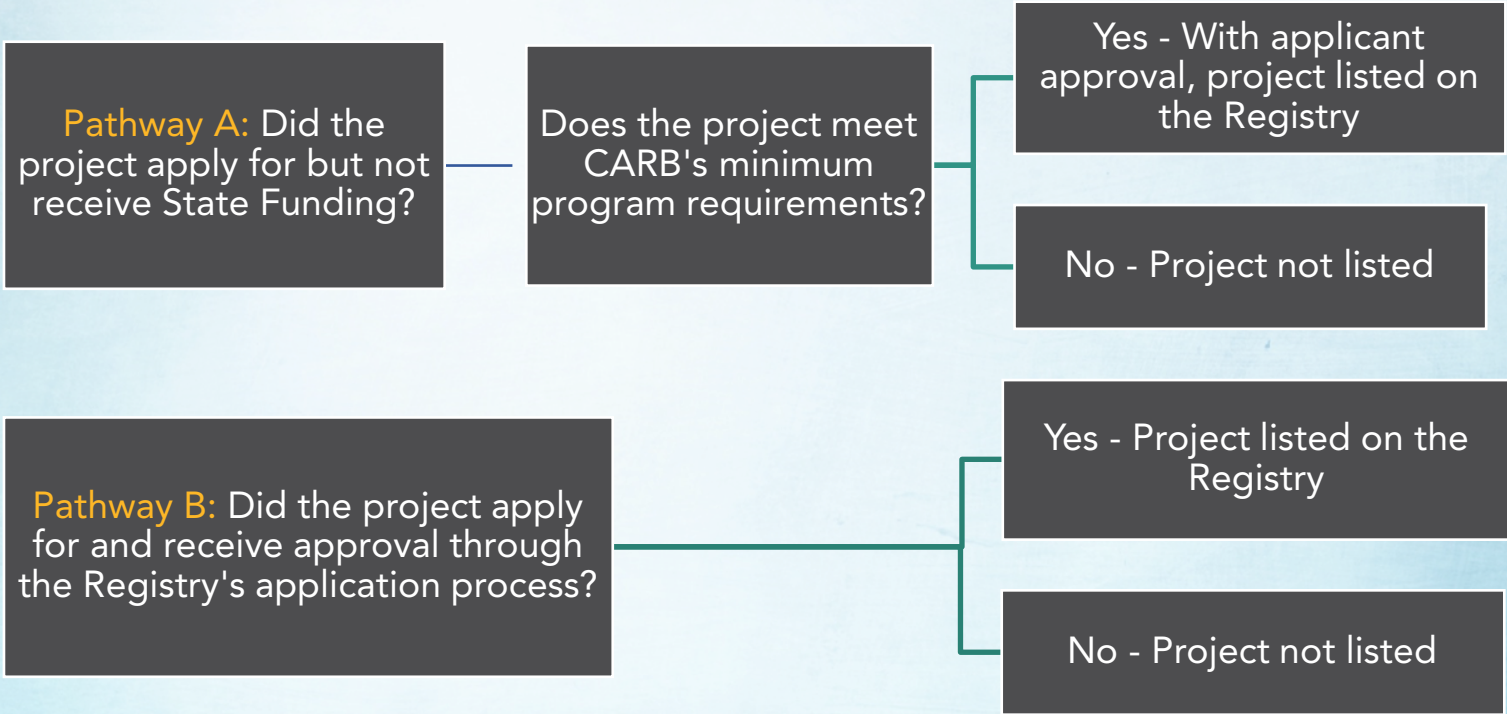
# California Carbon Sequestration and Climate Resiliency Project Registry

SB 27 directs the California Natural Resources Agency (CNRA) to establish the Registry by July 1, 2023.

- Project types include natural and working lands projects and direct air capture projects.
- Online database hosted by CNRA for funders to search for projects that need funding.
- Projects must provide carbon removal and climate resilience benefits.
- Unsuccessful applicants to State funding programs eligible for the registry if they meet minimum program requirements.
- CARB's role is to establish minimum program requirements to ensure projects provide carbon removal benefits.



# How Projects Get on the Registry





# Minimum Program Requirements



Project proponents must demonstrate that a project will achieve net GHG benefits by using CARB tools.

- Each CARB Quantification Method describes how GHGs are reduced or sequestered and has an associated Benefits Calculator Tool to estimate the benefits.
- User Guides are available within each Benefits Calculator Tool to provide guidance to applicants.



# Open for Comment

*Draft Funding Guidelines Supplement for California Carbon Sequestration and Climate Resiliency Project Registry is available at:*

[www.arb.ca.gov/cacclimateinvestments](http://www.arb.ca.gov/cacclimateinvestments)

- Open for public comment
- Send comments to [GGRFProgram@arb.ca.gov](mailto:GGRFProgram@arb.ca.gov) until **June 2, 2023**
- Expected final release prior to CNRA rulemaking on the registry.
- CNRA will be hosting a virtual public workshop on draft rulemaking documents on May 9<sup>th</sup> from 5:30 to 6:30 PM.
  - <https://resources.ca.gov/Initiatives/Expanding-Nature-Based-Solutions>



# Key Questions

1. Are there additional elements CARB should consider as minimum program requirements?
2. Are there project types that are missing from the suite of existing CARB Quantification Methods?



# Workforce Standards



Fair and responsible employer standards



Community workforce agreements for construction projects > \$1,000,000



Inclusive procurement policies



Preference for projects with educational/training partnerships



Prevailing wage for construction work



Preference to applicants that demonstrate creation of high-quality jobs



# Applicability

AB 680 establishes requirements for a subset of California Climate Investments programs and projects



# Project-Level Exemptions



Federal  
funding



100% affordable  
unit housing  
projects



Technical  
assistance



Research



Applicants that  
are not  
employers



# Building on Existing Workforce Policies

- Current guidance
  - Recommendations on fostering job creation and job training
  - Jobs reporting requirements
- Opportunity to provide additional guidance and tracking





# Key Questions

1. From the applicant's perspective, what type of guidance would be most helpful to meet the standards in AB 680?
2. CARB also plans to provide guidance to support implementation of optional workforce standards across all GGFRF-funded sectors and programs.  
What sectors/project types are the highest priority for incorporating workforce standards?

# Funding Guidelines Review

- Clarifications and minor updates
- Additional guidance on outreach to tribes
- Updated guidance on project outcomes reporting
- Reformatting to improve access and ease of future updates
- Consideration of other topics based on stakeholder input



# Key Questions

1. How can the Funding Guidelines be made more accessible and usable as a resource in program development and implementation?
2. What are the critical missing details, clarifications, or gaps that need to be addressed?
3. What other stakeholders should be involved in the update process?



# New! Resource Portal

- Complement Funding Guidelines
- Help climate programs achieve goals
- Provide centralized location for relevant State resources (new and existing)



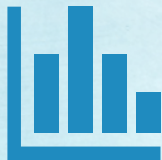
# Types of Resources



Promising practices, checklists, and “how to” guides



Informational and instructional videos and story maps



Analytical reports and data tools



# Key Questions

1. What new materials could we develop that would assist you in implementing programs or projects, or building partnerships?
2. What existing State tools or resources would you recommend we include in the Resource Portal?
3. How can we better communicate project benefits to individual communities?



# Next Steps

- SB 27 Supplemental Guidance available for public comment through **June 2**
  - Submit comments to [GGRFProgram@arb.ca.gov](mailto:GGRFProgram@arb.ca.gov)
- Consider feedback and develop Draft Funding Guidelines for release and public comment in early 2024
- Additional public process on AB 680 program elements

# We want to hear from you!



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