

November 16, 2018

To All Interested Parties:

The California Air Resources Board (CARB) staff invites you to participate in public workshops to discuss regulatory concepts for updating the Control Measure for Commercial Harbor Craft (Commercial Harbor Craft Regulation). The workshops are open to the public and we encourage your participation.

During the workshops, staff intends to discuss regulatory concepts, present emissions estimates, outline current and planned data collection efforts, and solicit stakeholder input. Staff also intends to solicit early feedback on alternatives to proposed regulatory concepts.

The goal of CARB's rulemaking is to achieve greater emissions reductions to minimize community exposure to air pollution, attain ambient air quality standards, and combat climate change. The State of California has recently placed additional emphasis on protecting local communities from harmful effects of air pollution through the passage of Assembly Bill 617 (AB 617) (Garcia, Chapter 136, Statutes of 2017). AB 617 is a significant piece of air quality legislation that highlights the need for further emission reductions in communities with high exposure burdens, like those near ports.

Workshop Information

Workshops will be held at the locations and dates below. Both workshops will follow the same format and present the same material. Prior to the workshops, presentations and associated documents will be posted on CARB's website, <https://www.arb.ca.gov/ports/marinevess/harborcraft/hcmeet.htm>. The Sacramento workshop will be webcast for those who cannot attend in person.

Date and Time	Location
<p>Tuesday December 4, 2018 12:30 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.</p>	<p>Long Beach Long Beach Main Library, Lobby 101 Pacific Avenue Long Beach, California 90822</p>
<p>Monday December 10, 2018 1:00 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.</p>	<p>Sacramento California Environmental Protection Agency Building 1001 I Street Sacramento, California 95812 Sierra Hearing Room, Second Floor Webcast Link: https://video.calepa.ca.gov/</p>

To receive important updates and notices about the Commercial Harbor Craft Regulation meetings and developments, please sign up for the Harbor Craft

(Commercial Harbor Craft Regulatory Activities) email list at:

https://public.govdelivery.com/accounts/CARB/subscriber/new?topic_id=harborcraft.

Solicitation of Regulatory Alternatives

Staff intends to solicit early feedback on alternatives to the proposed regulatory concepts discussed at the workshop. Stakeholder feedback is an important input to the Standardized Regulatory Impact Assessment (SRIA) process, pursuant to Senate Bill 617 (SB 617) and the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA). Pursuant to SB 617, a SRIA is required to assess the economic impacts of a major regulation. In particular, CARB encourages public input on alternatives that may yield the same or greater benefits than those associated with the proposed regulatory concepts, or may achieve the goals at a lower cost.

Background

The existing Commercial Harbor Craft Regulation requires the majority of vessels with older pre-Tier 1 or Tier 1 engines to be repowered with engines meeting Tier 2 or Tier 3 standards. Staff assessments show that when the rule is fully implemented in 2023, Commercial Harbor Craft will still contribute a significant amount of diesel particulate matter risk to the community. As a result, staff proposed at the March 2018 Board Hearing to develop regulations to further reduce emissions from commercial harbor craft and other freight sources including ocean-going vessels, cargo handling equipment, and drayage trucks. CARB staff anticipate taking new requirements for Commercial Harbor Craft to the Board in 2020.

Special Accommodation Request

If you require a special accommodation or need this document in an alternate format (e.g. Braille, large print) or another language, please contact Mr. Dmitri Smith at (916) 324-7901 or dmitri.smith@arb.ca.gov no later than 10 business days before the scheduled meetings. TTY/TDD/Speech to Speech users may dial 711 for the California Relay Service.

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More Information

For more information, please visit CARB's website at:

<https://www.arb.ca.gov/ports/marinevess/harborcraft.htm>.

If you have questions about the workshops, please contact Ms. Tracy Haynes at (916) 324-0311 or tracy.haynes@arb.ca.gov.