

## **February 11, 2022: Notice of March 4, 2022 Public Workshop on California's Regional Haze State Implementation Plan**

Staff from the California Air Resources Board (CARB) invite you to participate in a virtual workshop on the development of California's Regional Haze State Implementation Plan (SIP). During the workshop, staff will give a presentation that provides an overview of visibility conditions in California's Class I areas and the State's long-term strategy that provides reasonable progress towards the national goal of returning to natural visibility conditions by 2064. Participants will have the opportunity to ask questions and provide comments following the staff presentation.

### **Workshop Details**

Date: March 4, 2022  
Time: 9:00 am – 12:00 pm  
Location: Virtual Webinar

How to Participate: The weblink to join the workshop and workshop materials will be posted to the Regional Haze website prior to the workshop.

CARB's Regional Haze Website: <https://ww2.arb.ca.gov/our-work/programs/california-state-implementation-plans/statewide-efforts/regional-haze>

### **Background**

The federal Clean Air Act amendments of 1977 set a national goal to address visibility impairment in designated Class I areas caused by man-made sources of pollution. Class I areas are defined in the Clean Air Act as national parks larger than 6,000 acres and wilderness areas larger than 5,000 acres that were in existence in 1977. California has 29 Class I areas.

The 1999 Regional Haze Rule requires states to develop SIPs that include long-term strategies and interim goals to ensure reasonable progress is made towards meeting the national goal of returning visibility in Class I areas to natural conditions by 2064. SIPs for Regional Haze must be submitted every ten years. CARB is currently developing the second Regional Haze SIP for the most recent visibility implementation period, which runs from 2018 to 2028.

## **Regional Haze Staff Contact**

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