



AB 32 Environmental Justice Advisory Committee Meetings

November 29 – 30, 2022

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EJAC Membership

- The ongoing EJAC will have no more than 11 EJAC members appointed by the Board, with Board appointed alternates who may only participate in EJAC meetings as an EJAC member if the primary EJAC member is unable to attend.
 - Alternates will be formally associated with (i.e., employed by) the entity that the primary EJAC member represents.
 - Alternates will only receive a stipend and travel reimbursement for EJAC meeting(s) if the alternate attends a meeting on behalf of the Board appointed EJAC member who is unable to attend.

EJAC Membership

- Members' appointment to the ongoing EJAC will be for a term of 36 months.
 - If a current (i.e, 2021 – 2022 EJAC) member transitions into the ongoing EJAC, their term for the ongoing EJAC will start when the member was first appointed to the EJAC by the Board and/or the Executive Officer through Board delegation.

EJAC Membership Selection

- Based on nominations received through a solicitation issued for qualified members, CARB's Office of Environmental Justice, in consultation with other CARB divisions, will recommend new members and alternates for the ongoing EJAC for Board appointment.
- CARB will prioritize representation to reflect the diversity of California, including California's geographic and regions and tribal governments.
- Statute requires that advisory committee members shall be appointed from nominations received from environmental justice organizations and community groups.

EJAC Member Qualifications

- Qualifications for EJAC members and alternates will be based on AB 32 statutory language, which requires that the advisory committee shall be comprised of representatives from communities in the state with the most significant exposure to air pollution, including, but not limited to, communities with minority populations or low-income populations, or both.

EJAC Meeting Frequency

- The ongoing EJAC will meet as a quorum eight times a year (i.e., 2 times per quarter).
- There will be one joint EJAC / CARB meeting per year.
- When scheduling EJAC meetings, CARB and the EJAC will need to consider CARB rulemaking comment periods, specific deadlines for deliverables under the Administrative Procedure Act, and legislative deadlines for certain plans.

Proposed Focus for EJAC in Quarter 1

- CARB proposes the EJAC work with CARB to co-develop an EJAC Charter for Board approval in Quarter 1 of 2023. The charter would be the sole focus for the ongoing EJAC.
- CARB proposes that the EJAC charter process be facilitated by a neutral third-party facilitator.
- This charter will outline the roles, responsibilities, and governance for the EJAC, which will provide additional clarity around the expectations and scope of the EJAC.

CARB Actions to Support the ongoing EJAC

- Office of Environmental Justice (OEJ) will utilize existing staff to set up meetings, and provide assistance to the EJAC as it advises CARB on pertinent matter(s) regarding AB 32 implementation. CARB will be working on a plan to further clarify expectations as it relates to CARB assistance.
- Provide an EJAC stipend and reasonable travel reimbursements per EJAC meetings (i.e., 8 times a year), as well as CARB Board meeting(s) and AB 32 related regulation(s) workshop(s) where EJAC member is listed on the agenda and/or an invited speaker on the agenda. The current stipend will be \$500 per member from a nonprofit organization for these meetings.

CARB Actions to Support Ongoing EJAC

- Neutral third-party facilitation and interpretation for EJAC meetings and/or joint EJAC / CARB board meetings; technical writing support for EJAC recommendations.
- Interpretation and technical writing support for EJAC recommendations will be consistent with available resources.