



# Welcome to the Community Air Protection Program DRAFT Blueprint 2.0 Workshop July 2023

1

## Choose language for audio and slides

At the bottom of  
your screen:

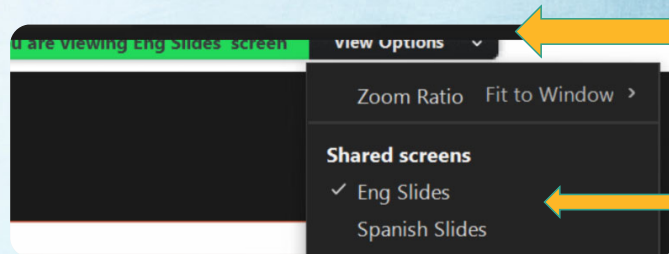
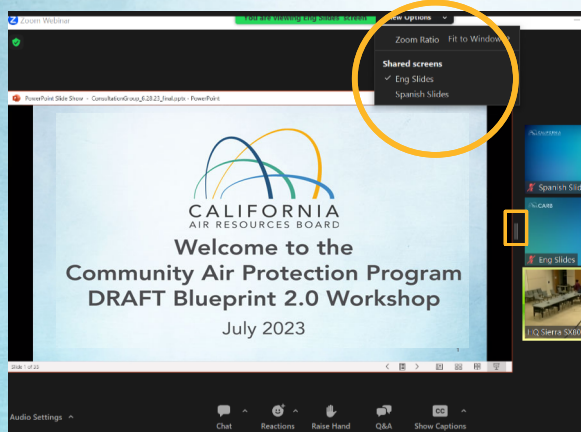
This block contains three screenshots of the Zoom mobile app interface, each with numbered callouts (1-4) and red circles highlighting specific settings. The first screenshot is for an iPad, the second for a Computer, and the third for a Smart Phone. In all three, callout 1 points to the 'More' menu icon, callout 2 points to the 'Language Interpretation' option, callout 3 points to the 'Language Interpretation' settings menu, and callout 4 points to the 'Done' button. The 'Language Interpretation' settings show 'English' selected for 'Original Audio' and 'Spanish' selected for 'Language Interpretation'.



2

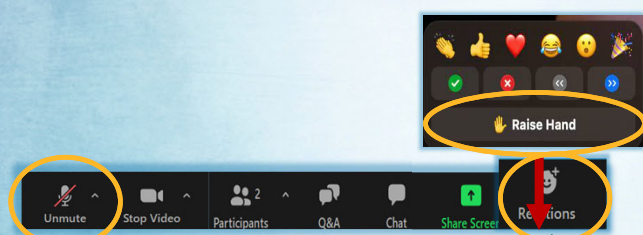
# How to toggle between Spanish and English slide presentations:

At the top of your screen:



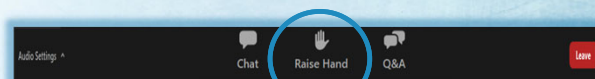
3

# Participating Virtually




Mute/Unmute

Click on Reactions and Raise hand and we will call on you.



Click on Reactions and Raise hand and we will call on you if you would like to ask a question or speak.

 On the phone: Dial #2 to raise hand and \*6 unmute to speak.



4

# Tech Support



Contact: [Hanjiro.Ambrose@arb.ca.gov](mailto:Hanjiro.Ambrose@arb.ca.gov)

*Please reach out for help if you have any technical challenges.*



5

# Agenda

- Welcome
- Community Voices Spotlight
- Introduction
  - Reimagining the Program
  - Consistently Nominated Communities
- Draft Blueprint 2.0
  - Part 1: Statewide Strategy

*BREAK*

  - Part 2: Implementation Guidance
- Next Steps



6

# Please Take the Zoom Poll



7

## Community Spotlight

Community representatives will share and highlight aspects of their work that can be modeled in other communities.

### July 7 Workshop Speakers

- **Imperial CSC:** John Hernandez, Resident, Director of Our Roots Multi-Cultural Center, El Centro
- **Stockton CSC:** Margo Praus, Resident; Mary Elizabeth, Resident and Sierra Club, Esperanza "Espe" Vielma – Board Chair, Environmental Justice Coalition for Water; Ector Olivares, Environmental Justice Program Manager, Catholic Charities Diocese of Stockton
- **City of Paramount Community:** Moses Huerta, Resident, City of Paramount former Public Safety Commissioner

### July 11 Workshop Speakers

- **South Los Angeles Community Steering Committee (CSC):** Ms. Linda Cleveland, Leader of Watts Clean Air and Energy Committee and Martha Dina-Argüello, Executive Director of Physicians for Social Responsibility-Los Angeles, and CARB Environmental Justice Advisory Committee Member
- **Richmond, North Richmond, and San Pablo CSC – Co-Lead Fuel Refining Adhoc group:** Marisol Cantú (Pronouns: she/her/ella), 3rd Generation Richmond resident, and Richmond organizer and researcher
- **Del Amo Community and Community Focused Enforcement:** Cynthia Babich, Executive Director, Del Amo Action Committee

### July 18 Workshop Speakers

- **East Oakland Community Steering Committee (CSC):** Lujain Al-Saleh, East Oakland Clean Air Project Coordinator, Communities for a Better Environment
- **Portside Community CSC (San Diego):** Silvia Calzada, Resident Member
- **Salton City Community:** Lilian Garcia, Executive Director, United for Justice



8

# Program Statutes and the Blueprint



AB 617 (2017)

AB 197 (2016)

AB 1749 (2022)

Program Statutes



Statewide Strategy  
Implementation Guidance  
Sept 2018  
Sept 2023

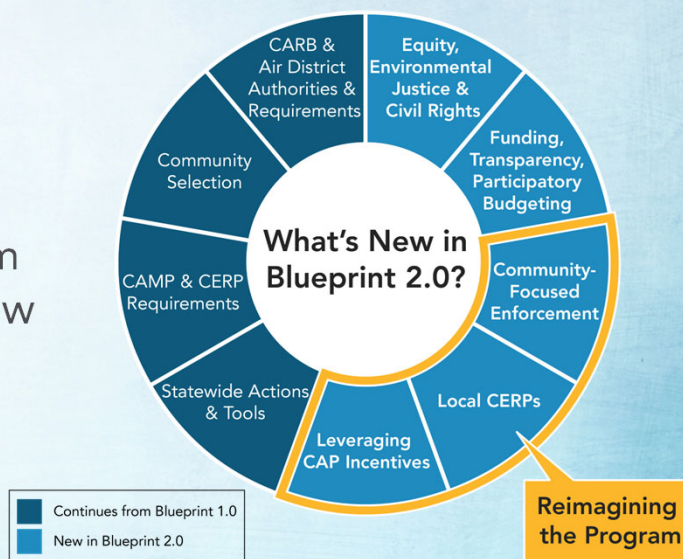


9

# Reimagining the Program

Update required every 5 years (Sept 2023)

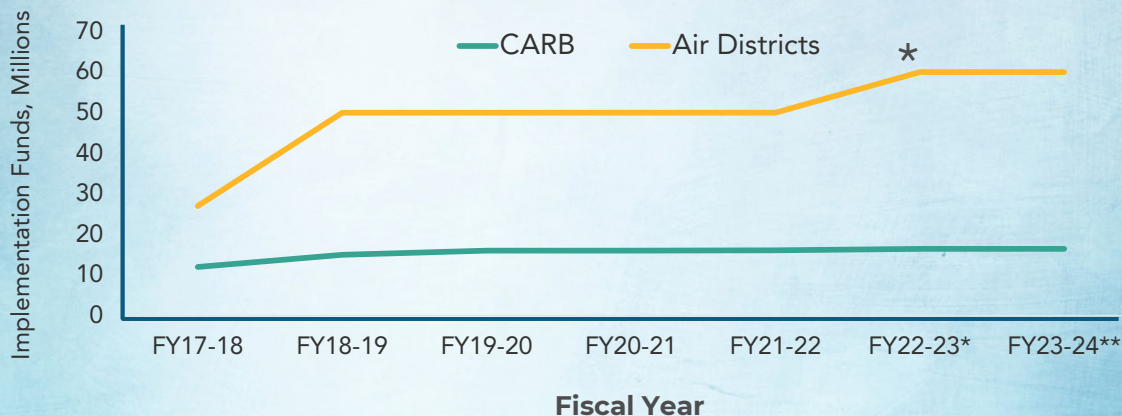
Reimagine the Program *together* to identify new ways to support more communities



10

## AB 617 Implementation Funds, Millions

FY 2017-2018 through FY 2023-2024



\* Allocation of \$10 Million tied to development of new CERPs (AB 179)



11

11

## Foundation: People's Blueprint

- Equity-centered approach to pursue just implementation of the Community Air Protection Program
- Root BP 2.0 in environmental justice (EJ)
- Highlight lessons learned from a community-based and EJ perspective
- **Key Themes and Concepts:**
  - Operationalize equity and EJ
  - Participatory budgeting
  - Community readiness to engage in the program
  - Building technical capacity
  - Building agency capacity
  - Models of partnership and co-leadership
  - Meaningful engagement
  - Guidance on steering committee membership
  - CSC governance including charters and conflict resolution
  - Tracking results to support effective implementation and accountability

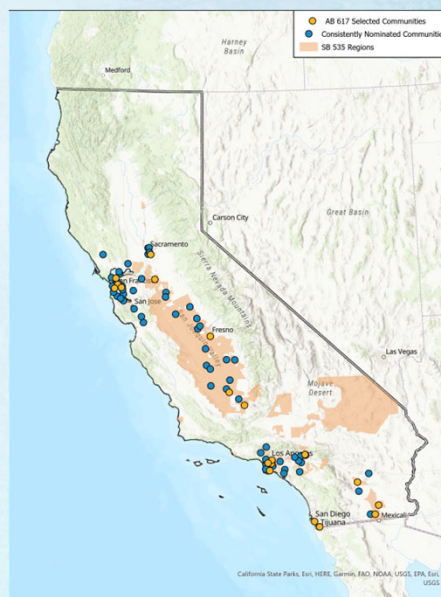


12

# Consistently Nominated Communities

Over the next 5 years, we will focus resources in the 65 consistently nominated places.

- Engagement
- Outreach about CAGs
- Community-focused Enforcement
- Increased flexibility for incentives
- Partnering with other agencies



13

## What's in the draft Statewide Strategy?

### Part One

#### 5-Year Strategic Plan

- Vision
- Mission
- Guiding Principles
- Goals
- Actions

### Part Two – Implementation Guidance

#### Selected Communities

- Improve process for CERPs and CAMPs in 19 CSCs
- Significantly informed by People's Blueprint

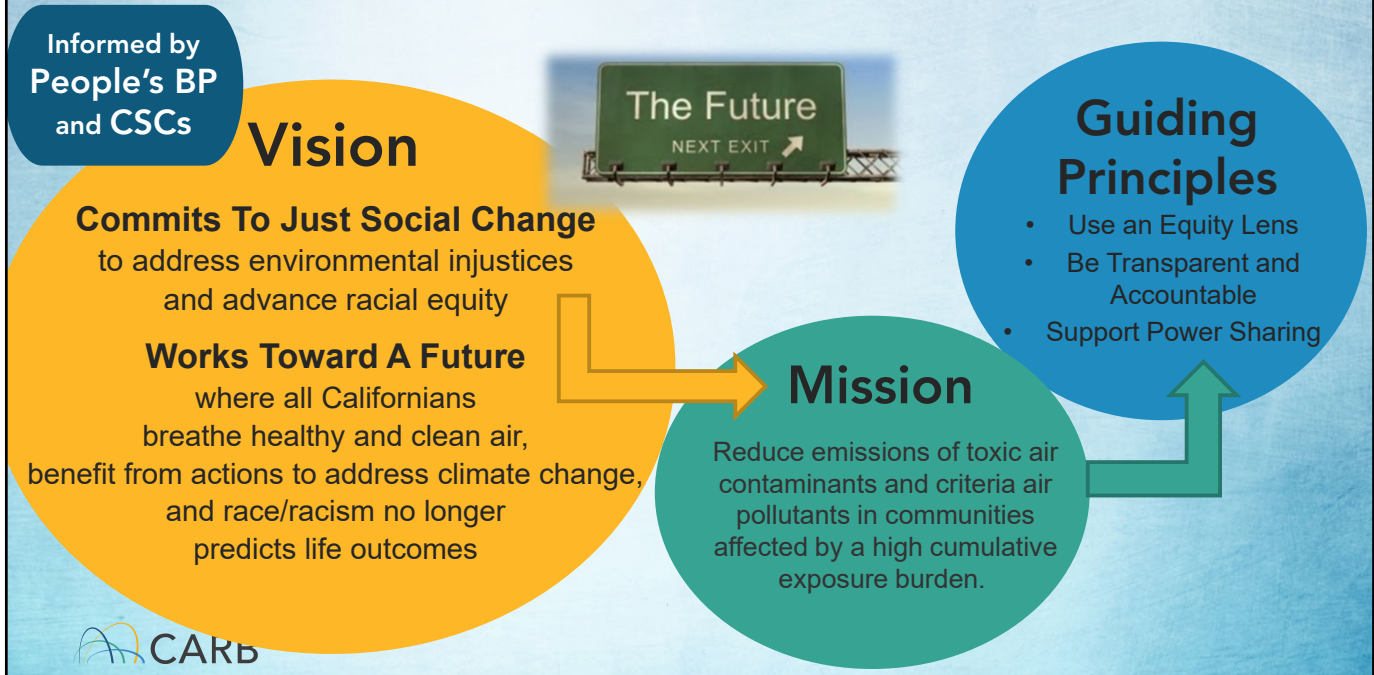
#### 65 Plus Places

- Highlight 65 consistently nominated communities
- Local CERPs via Community Air Grants
- More flexibility to tap Community Air Protection Incentives
- Community-Focused Enforcement



14

## PART ONE: Vision, Mission and Guiding Principles



15

## BP 2.0 Goals and Actions: Interactive Break Out

1. What *other* goals should be included over the next five years?
2. What actions are necessary to achieve the goals?
3. What else would you like to share about Part One?

CARB

16



## Proposed Blueprint 2.0 Goals

Informed by  
People's BP  
and CSCs

1. Engage and Partner in Evolving the Program
2. Apply Regulatory Authorities to Reduce Exposures and Emissions
3. Center Non-Discrimination Laws and Protections
4. Ensure Completion of CERPs
5. Focus on Consistently Nominated Communities
6. Use Community Air Grants to Build Community Capacity and Local CERPs
7. Make Program and Air Quality Information and Tools More Accessible to Communities



17

# Short Break



18

# PART TWO: Implementation Guidance



19

# PART TWO: Implementation Guidance

## Program Background



### Program Elements

What AB 617 requires



### Working Together

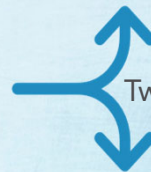
Guidance and partnering to fill in the gaps



### Transparency and Accountability

Shining a light on funding, progress and barriers

19 Community Steering Committees



Two Implementation Tracks








Consistently Nominated Communities




20

Program Background

## Elements of the Program


Required by law				CARB's discretion		
						
Community emissions reduction programs	Accelerated retrofit of pollution controls on industrial facilities	Community-level air quality monitoring	Enhanced emissions reporting and permit transparency	Grants for community groups (Local CERPs and community-convened pathways)	Community-focused enforcement	Increased access to CAP incentives

 CARB


21

Program Background

## Funding Transparency



- Budget FAQ and Table of Funding Amounts
- CAP Incentives Dashboard
- Annual Reports from Districts re: Operating Funds
- Community Air Grant Project Scopes of Work Posted Online

 CARB

22

## Two Concurrent Implementation Tracks

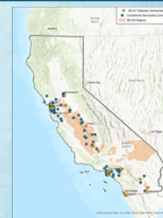
### 19 Community Steering Committees

- Ensure completion of CERPs
- CERP Approval by Executive Officer
- Support frequent exchange across CSCs
- Program Evaluation



### Consistently Nominated Communities

- Engagement with 65-plus communities
- Three pathways:



23

### 19 CSCs

## Community Emission Reduction Programs

- Supporting the 18 communities that have committed to develop and implement a CERP
  - Ensure completion of CERPs
  - Streamlined CERP approval
  - Peer Exchange
  - Program Evaluation
  - Governance
  - Tracking and accountability
- Supporting the 19<sup>th</sup> community in moving from a CAMP to a CERP



24

19 CSCs

## CSC Governance

### How to Structure a CSC

Community-centered

Skilled Facilitation

Co-developed charter

Accessible

### Charter Elements – What’s New?

- Eligibility, recruitment, onboarding
- Information distribution
- Decision-making process
- Provisions for dispute resolution
- Conflict of interest/disclosure

CARB

25

19 CSCs

"One of the most powerful mechanisms that can be used by the CSC is development of successful metrics that measure the progress of the AB 617 community."

**People’s Blueprint**

- Clarity on setting metrics and targets for each action in a CERP
- Streamlined and accessible annual reporting
- Reporting until all CERP actions are complete
- Fifth Year Annual Report

## Transparency and Accountability

### Updates to CERP Reporting Requirements

#### Implementation Schedule

1-5 YEARS	POST-YEAR 5
<div style="display: flex; flex-direction: column; align-items: center;"> <div style="background-color: #1a4a73; color: white; padding: 2px 5px; margin-bottom: 5px;">Year 1 Actions</div> <div style="background-color: #1a4a73; color: white; padding: 2px 5px; margin-bottom: 5px;">Year 2 Actions</div> <div style="background-color: #1a4a73; color: white; padding: 2px 5px; margin-bottom: 5px;">Year 3 Actions</div> <div style="background-color: #1a4a73; color: white; padding: 2px 5px; margin-bottom: 5px;">Year 4 Actions</div> <div style="background-color: #1a4a73; color: white; padding: 2px 5px;">Year 5 Actions</div> </div>	<div style="background-color: #2e9e90; color: white; padding: 10px; display: inline-block; border-radius: 10px;"> <p style="margin: 0;">Five-Year Targets</p> </div> <div style="background-color: #1a4a73; color: white; padding: 10px; display: inline-block; border-radius: 10px; margin-top: 10px;"> <p style="margin: 0;">Ongoing Benefits from Actions Initiated in Years 1-5 Until CERP Completion</p> </div>

CARB

26

# Two Concurrent Implementation Tracks

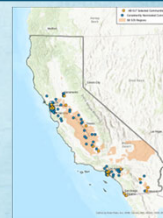
## 19 Community Steering Committees

- Ensure completion of CERPs
- CERP Approval by Executive Officer
- Support frequent exchange across CSCs
- Program Evaluation



## Consistently Nominated Communities

- Engagement with 65-plus communities
- Three pathways:



27

## Consistently Nominated Communities

# PART TWO: New Implementation Approaches

## Reimagining the Program To Serve More Communities:

1. Use Community Air Grants to support Local Community Emission Reduction Plans
2. Community-Focused Enforcement
3. Increased flexibility for use of CAP Incentives.



28

Consistently Nominated Communities

## Community Air Grants – New Project Type

- **Purpose:** Technical assistance funding to **community based non-profit organizations** and **California tribal governments**
- **A new CAG project type - Local CERP** - will support community-convened CSCs in prioritizing, planning, and implementation
- Learn from current examples/projects
- Public process to refine the next cycle of CAG Request for Applications



29

Consistently Nominated Communities

19 CSCs

## Community-Focused Enforcement

- Partner to understand issues not being addressed
- Concentrate on community-identified areas, some which we traditionally do not enforce
- Co-develop enforcement plans
- Can be used in:
  - Currently selected communities
  - L-CERP developed by a CAG
  - Other community-led partnership

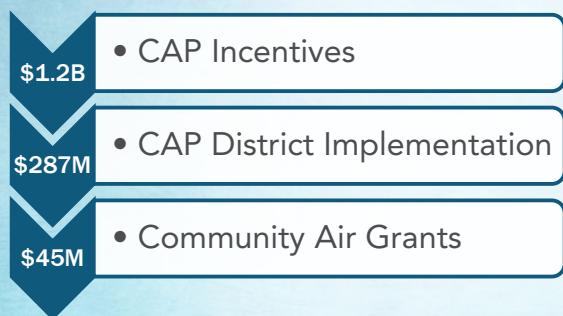


30

## Community Air Protection (CAP) Incentives Overview

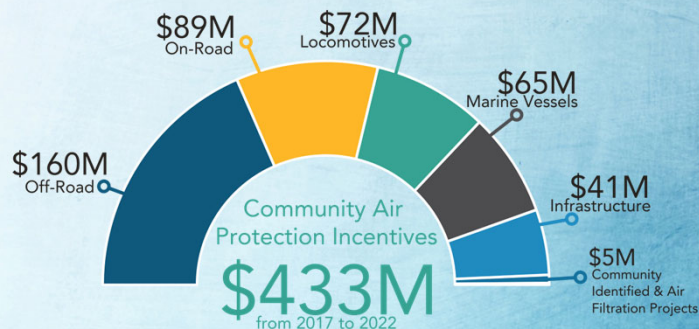
### CAP Incentives

- One of three funding pots to implement AB 617



### Incentives Expenditures to Date

- AB 617 Funding FAQ ([link](#))



31

## New and Updated Statewide Incentive Strategies

### Updated Chapters

- Hexavalent Chrome Plating Facilities
- Reducing Air Pollution in Schools
- Community Identified Projects
- Stationary Source Projects

### New Chapters

- Agency Partnerships
- Vegetative Barriers and Urban Greening
- Emergency Diesel Generator Replacement
- Paving, Sidewalk, and Bike Path Projects
- Dial-A-Ride Vehicle Replacement



32



**Please Take the Zoom Poll**



33

## **BP 2.0 Pathways Interactive:**

### **Breakout Rooms Topic Options:**

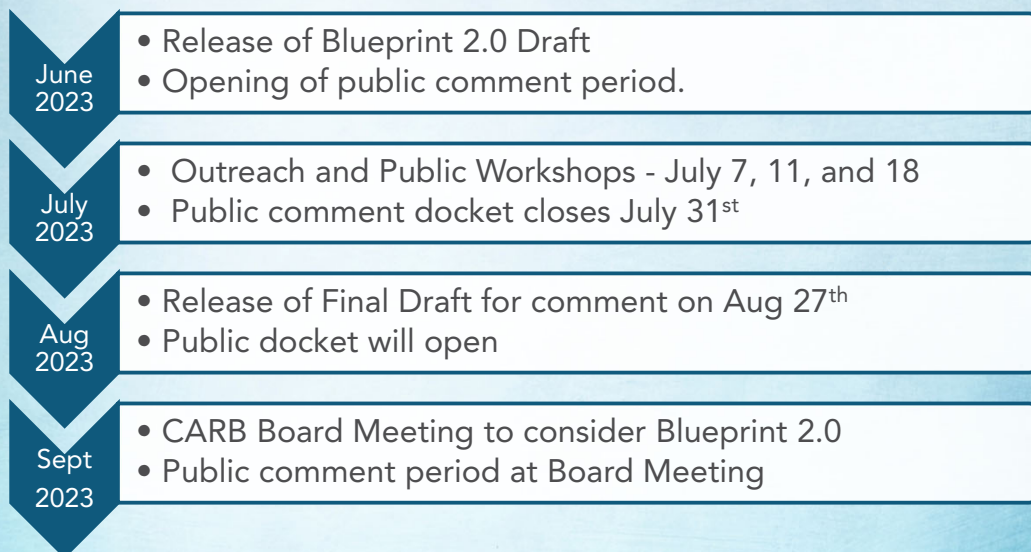
- 1. Community Air Grants to Support L-CERPS**
- 2. Community Focused-Enforcement Activities**
- 3. Community Air Protection Incentives - Increased Flexibility**



34

## Blueprint 2.0 Development Timeline

Summer 2022 through September 2023



35

## Contact Us

For more information or to request a meeting to discuss Blueprint 2.0, please email

[AB617ProjectLiaison@arb.ca.gov](mailto:AB617ProjectLiaison@arb.ca.gov)



36