



# **Community Air Protection Program Consultation Group Meeting #2**

December 3, 2025

9:30 AM – 3:30 PM

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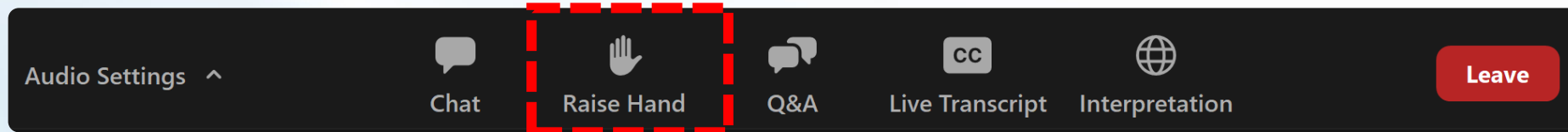


# Zoom Orientation

## How to Participate Remotely During Public Comment:

### Raise Hand (on computer/tablet)

- Raise a virtual hand found on the Zoom control panel during Public Comment.



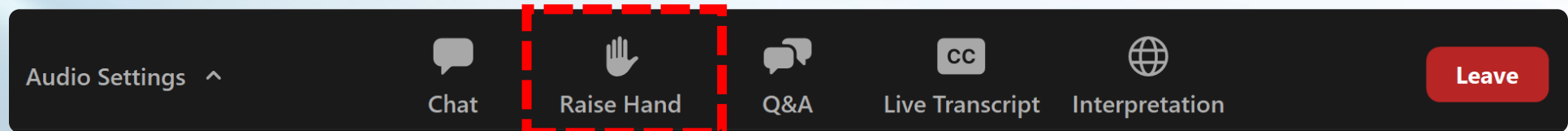
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- Zoom phone participants may dial **#2 to "Raise your Hand"**.
- The facilitator will inform Zoom phone participants when they are unmuted during Public Comment.
- Dial **\*6 to mute or unmute**.

# Zoom Orientation

## How to Participate: For Consultation Group Members

- Raise a virtual hand to ask a question
- Use the Zoom chat function
- In-person: Stand your name placard on its side, and CARB staff will add your name to the queue



# Zoom Orientation

## In-Room Participants

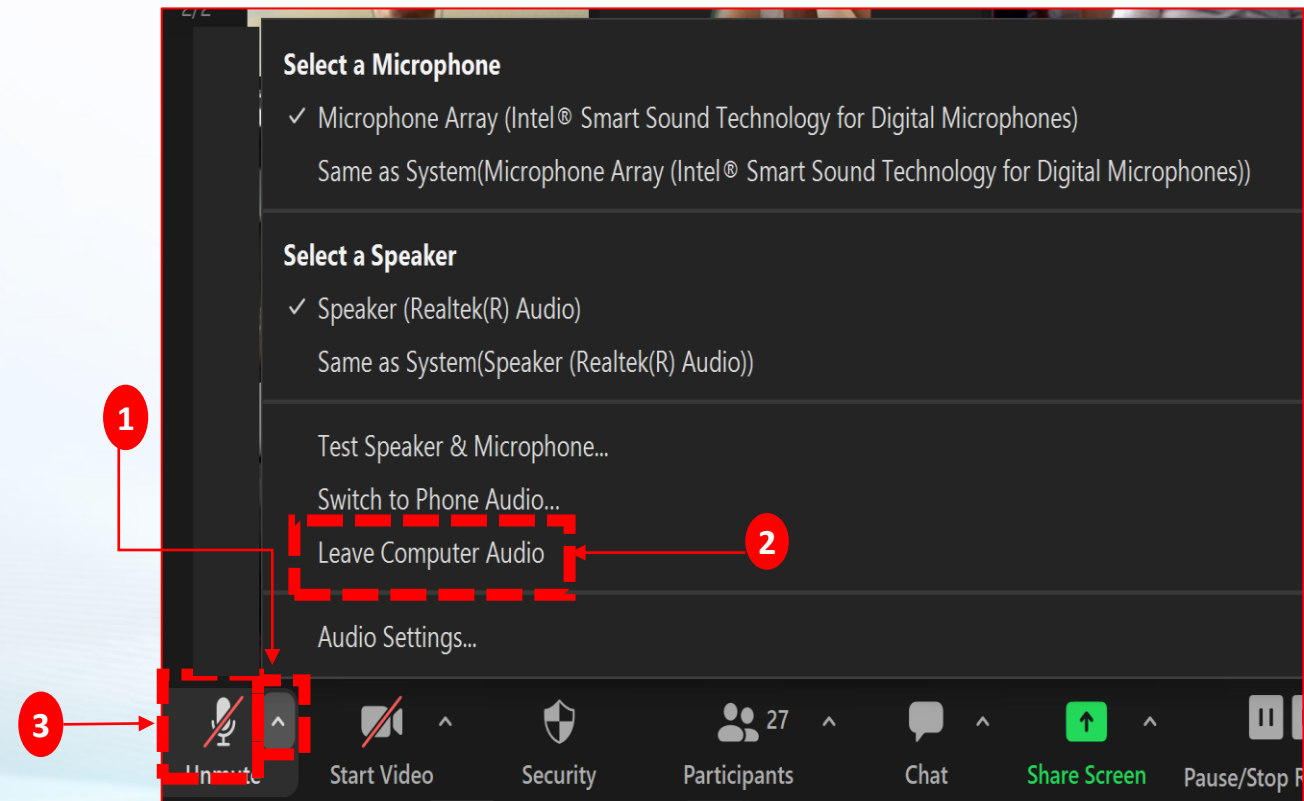
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- To fix this after joining the meeting: Select "Leave Computer Audio" and please be sure to mute yourself.

### Video ON

- Remember to turn on your camera.

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- Contact OCAP staff, Ms. Byars, by email at [Michelle.Byars@arb.ca.gov](mailto:Michelle.Byars@arb.ca.gov)  
Phone: 279 208-7983 (no texts)

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- In this room, the mics are live and open. Please limit side conversation and be aware that the mics are very sensitive.
- Meeting materials are available at:  
<https://ww2.arb.ca.gov/capp/mdc/abcg/community-air-protection-program-consultation-group>.
- Zoom recording will be made available via the link above approximately 2 weeks after the meeting.



# Consultation Group Member Roll Call





# Roll Call

	First Name:	Last Name:	Alternate first name:	Alternate last name:
1	Rodney	Andrews		
2	Dr. Alberto	Ayala	Janice	Lam Snyder
3	Bishop Chris	Baker		
4	Dr. John	Balmes		
5	Jasmine	Beltran		
6	Y'Anad	Burrell	BK	White
7	Tim	Carmichael		
8	Prithvi	Deore	Scott	Strelecki
9	Mary	Elizabeth	Margo	Praus
10	Kevin	Hamilton		
11	Ryan	Hayashi	Stephanie	Ng
12	Dr. Anissa	Heard-Johnson	Walter	Shen
13	Belen	Leon-Lopez	Israel	Hernandez
14	Dr. David	Lo		
15	Dr. Jonathan	London		
16	Cassie	Lopina	Mary	Solecki
17	Arsenio	Mataka	Philip	Fine
18	Kevin	McKernan		
19	Antoinette	Meier	Kirsten	Uchitel
20	Baldwin	Moy	Mariela	Nambo-Ramirez
21	Dirk	Piersma		
22	Maximilian	Rosa		
23	Dr. Rebecca E.	Skinner		
24	Diane	Takvorian		
25	Paula	Torrado Plazas		
26	Mary	Valdemar		
27	Domingo	Vigil	Shalem	Aboody-Lopez
28	Christine	Zimmerman	Bob	Brown

# **Welcome and Agenda Review**



# Meeting Agenda

1. Meeting Minutes
2. Draft Charter Discussion
3. Public Comment
4. Lunch Break
5. Draft Charter Discussion (continued, if needed)
6. Community Air Protection Program Update
7. Public Comment
8. Agenda Planning for Next Meeting
9. Meeting Adjourn

# **Review and Approval of September 8th Meeting Minutes**

- Level of detail on meeting minutes
- September 8<sup>th</sup> meeting minutes
- Vote to approve the September 8<sup>th</sup> meeting minutes

# Public Comment



# Charter Discussion

**RED** = Legal requirement or established state law or CARB policy  
**Yellow** = Consultation Group may recommend changes, but needs to consult with CARB  
**Green** = Consultation Group can change

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## **AB 617 Community Air Protection Consultation Group**

**Draft Charter**  
**November 2024**





# Building a Draft Charter

- Presented and received initial feedback on September 8<sup>th</sup>
- Sent out for review and comment until October 17<sup>th</sup>
- Today, to advance our development of the charter efficiently, we will:
  1. Review comments for **completeness, clarity, and understanding**
  2. Provide feedback on the **goals statements and meeting agreements**
  3. Then, **establish an ad hoc** to review consultation group comments and develop a proposed final draft charter with CARB.
- The final draft charter will be shared by the ad hoc and reviewed with CG members at the first meeting in 2026, proposed for March 25.
- If approved by the Consultation Group, CARB staff will take the final Charter to the CARB Board for their review in May or June.

# How We Grouped Your Feedback

- CARB received **93 comments** on charter elements from **13 of the 28 members**.
- Each comment includes:
  - Comment
  - Author
  - CARB interpretation of proposed change
  - CARB's response to comments

comment number by section	Comment	Author	CARB Interpretation of Comment	CARB Recommendation
1	I am concerned that the description of the mission of the Community Air Protection Plan (CAPP) reaches beyond the scope of the enabling statute, and that it is not consistent with the program's focus as described on CARB's CAPP website. I believe it should be deleted from the draft Charter. In particular, language that emphasizes enabling of equity and environmental justice "by centering and prioritizing the most disproportionately impacted communities' needs," and the statement that the CAPP "roots implementation of Blueprint 2.0 in an equity-centered approach" are adapted from Blueprint 2.0 and the People's Blueprint, not from AB 617. Health and Safety Code Section 44391.2 (b) establishes the primary purpose of the CAPP as "reduce[ing] emissions of toxic air contaminants and criteria air pollutants in communities affected by a high cumulative exposure burden". This is an instance where more recently established policy objectives may conflict with statutory requirements, increasing the likelihood of setting unsustainable expectations and distracting CARB, the air districts, the CG, and CAPP stakeholders from the primary objective of achieving emissions reductions in communities selected for AB 617 implementation.	Christine Luther Zimmerman	Concern that the Program's mission overreaches the statute and may not be consistent with Program's focus as stated on the website.  Recommendation to use AB 617 language directly rather than the given mission statement.	CARB disagrees with the assertion that the Charter's mission language exceeds the scope of AB 617. AB 617 directs CARB to focus on communities with high cumulative exposure burdens, which inherently centers the needs of the most disproportionately impacted communities. Further, AB 617 directs CARB to consult with a range of stakeholder categories, including Environmental Justice organizations. Equity and community partnership are foundational to the program and are reflected in both the statute and the Blueprint 1.0 and 2.0 frameworks developed through extensive public engagement. Additionally, CARB has found through implementing the Community Air Protection Program, centering and prioritizing the needs of the most impacted communities is not a distraction, but an essential element of building trust with communities and collaborating to develop locally-tailored lasting solutions.
2	The footnote 1 is hard to see	Mary Elizabeth	Recommendation to reformat footnote	CARB will improve visibility of footnotes.

These documents were shared in a PDF and an Excel spreadsheet on **November 21st** for your review

# 1. Discussion on Draft Charter Comments for Completeness and Clarity

We will go through the sections of the charter and reflect on these questions:

1. What key ideas, values, or functions are **not yet reflected** in the comments or the draft charter?
2. What comments need **clarification** from the author so that we can fully understand the intent?
3. What questions are there about **CARB's interpretation or recommendation** in any of the comments?

## 2. Gathering Feedback on Goals and Meeting Agreements

- Now we want to turn our focus to the Goals and Meeting Agreements for the Charter
- Charter designated the Consultation Group to create meeting agreements (H.3) and Consultation Group Goals (E.1)
- Comments for each section are shared in a separate document, sorted by theme
- These sections of the charter will guide our work, and how we work together, moving forward
- CARB agrees with the comment proposing to merge CARB and Consultation goals into a one "Consultation Group goals" section.

# Meeting Agreements (Section H.3)

- **26 comments** on the proposed meeting agreements

## Themes

- Active Participation
- Agenda Management
- Community First
- Compassion
- Flexibility Thinking
- Language
- Process
- Respect
- Share Time / Space
- Shared Responsivity
- Structure



# Meeting Agreements Feedback

1. Are there any meeting agreements that we might want to **clarify, simplify, or adjust** to make them more practical for everyone?
2. Are there any key elements of effective meeting coordination or group communication that we might consider **adding** to strengthen the suggestions?
3. Do any suggestions seem **repetitive or overlapping**? How might we consolidate them?
4. Which suggestions do we feel are **most important** to include in the final draft, and why are they most important to our group?



# Goals (Section E.1)

**39 comments** on proposed goal statements.

## Themes

- Alignment
- Balance needs with requirements
- Coordination
- Deliverables
- Education
- Environmental Justice
- Emerging Issues
- Engage interested parties
- Inform CAPP
- Process
- Structure

**For each theme:** Are there any absent ideas, voices, or perspectives we might want to include to make the collective input more complete or representative?

# Building a Strong Goal Statement

Regarding creating a complete and comprehensive Goals Statement:

1. What **common themes, values, or priorities** do we notice across the submitted goal statements? Which ones feel especially meaningful to us as a group?
2. What would a **strong, unified goal narrative** look like—one that inspires action and reflects collective intent?

### 3. Establishing an Ad Hoc

- With over 90 comments, it is inefficient for the full group to review, discuss, and approve all proposed changes in a timely manner.
- The Ad Hoc members will be selected by the Consultation Group's Co-chairs from a list of CG members who would like to volunteer.
- The Ad Hoc should reflect the diversity within the membership:
  - Air Districts
  - Community and Environmental Justice Representatives
  - Academia, Industry, and Business
  - Local Government, Tribal Government
- CARB will incorporate feedback from CG members based on engagement with the ad hoc members to produce a final draft charter

# Process for Establishing an Ad Hoc

- An ad hoc meeting of the consultation group membership must be less than a quorum (15 members)
- If more than **10 members** volunteer
  - We will prioritize selection based on contributions to written comments
  - Those members not selected by the Co-Chairs will be prioritized for future ad hoc volunteer opportunities
- Request volunteers from the following members:
  - **1 Co-chair**
  - Air Districts (**up to 2 members**)
  - Community and Environmental Justice Representatives (**up to 3 members**)
  - Local Government, Tribal Government (**up to 2 members**)
  - Academia/Community Science, Industry and Business (**up to 2 members**)

# Public Comment





# **Lunch Break**

## **Meeting will resume at 1:15 p.m.**





# Charter Discussion (continued)



# Program Update

- **DRAFT CAPP Progress Update document (attachment):**
  - Community progress towards CERP completion
  - Ongoing activities in consistently nominated communities
  - Status of active Community Air Grants
  - Progress towards Blueprint 2.0 goals
    - November 3rd: Peer-to-Peer Learning Series Kick-Off

# Public Comment



# Next Proposed 2026 Meetings

No	Date	Locations (tentative)
1st	March 25	Sacramento
2 <sup>nd</sup>	July 22	Sacramento
3rd	First week of December or December 9	Riverside (depends on where the board meeting will be)

# Public Comment on Non-agenda Matters



# Adjourn

