

California Air Resources Board

Notice of Public Meeting to Consider the Roadmap to Reduce Air Toxics

The California Air Resources Board (CARB or Board) will conduct a public meeting at the date and time noted below to consider the Roadmap to Reduce Air Toxics.

Date: November 19, 2026

Time: 9:00 A.M.

In-Person Location:

California Air Resources Board
Byron Sher Auditorium
1001 I Street, Sacramento, California 95814

Remote Option:

Zoom

This public meeting may continue at 9:00 a.m., on November 20, 2026. Please consult the public agenda, which will be posted ten days before the 19th, Board Meeting, for important details, including the day on which this item will be considered and how the public can participate via Zoom if they choose to be remote.

Background

CARB's Air Toxics Program was established in 1983 with the passage of Assembly Bill 1807 (AB 1807), known as the *Toxic Air Contaminant Identification and Control Act* (Stats. 1983, Ch. 1047; Health & Saf. Code § 39650 et seq.).¹ This law gave CARB a process for identifying Toxic Air Contaminants (TAC) and developing statewide Airborne Toxic Control Measures (ATCM).

In 1987, the legislature passed Assembly Bill 2588 (AB 2588), known as the *Air Toxics "Hot Spots" Information and Assessment Act* (Stats. 1987, Ch. 1252, Health & Saf. Code § 4300 et seq.).² This law requires stationary sources, such as factories, to report toxic air emissions, prepare health risk assessments, and notify the public. As a result, stationary sources are required to submit an inventory of their toxic air emissions, assess any health risk from those emissions, and publicly notify surrounding communities.

In 2000, CARB adopted the *Risk Reduction Plan to Reduce Particulate Matter Emissions from Diesel-Fueled Engines and Vehicles*, also known as the Diesel Risk Reduction Plan.³ The plan

¹ AB 1807, [Health & Saf. Code § 39650 et seq.](#)

² AB 2588, [Health & Saf. Code § 44300 et seq.](#)

³ CARB, [Risk Reduction Plan to Reduce Particulate Matter Emissions from Diesel-Fueled Engines and Vehicles](#) (Diesel Risk Reduction Plan) (Oct. 2000), [Program webpage](#).

emphasized the importance of controlling emissions of diesel particulate matter (DPM) from many different types of sources, such as on-road and off-road vehicles, stationary diesel engines, locomotives, and ocean-going vessels.

In 2017, the Community Air Protection Program (CAPP) was created by the passage of Assembly Bill 617⁴ (AB 617) (Stats, 2017, Ch. 136, Health & Saf. Code § 44391.2). AB 617 brings together CARB, local air districts, community members, community-based organizations, environmental justice organizations, regulated industries, and other key stakeholders.

Over the last several years, greater reporting of toxic air emissions under AB 617, improved monitoring methods for air toxics, increasing concerns from the public regarding exposure to toxic air pollutants in their communities, and emerging health evidence on toxic air pollutants have highlighted the need to broaden our efforts to address non-diesel air toxics. Under recent reporting regulations, CARB has seen a 75% increase in the number of facilities reporting emissions and a 72% increase in the number of air toxics reported between 2020 and 2024.

This Roadmap seeks to address why CARB must act now to modernize California's Air Toxics Program, the path to meeting those needs, and the immediate next steps CARB intends to take to put this plan into action. With improved technical tools, coordination with partner state agencies and local Air Districts, collaboration with community groups, public feedback, input from and cooperation with industry, CARB is committed to meaningfully reduce risk from air toxics and provide a more healthful future for all Californians.

Proposed Action

CARB staff will present the Roadmap at the meeting. Copies of the Roadmap may be obtained from CARB's website at <https://ww2.arb.ca.gov/our-work/programs/roadmap-reduce-air-toxics>, October 9, 2026. Please contact Evan Kersnar, Regulations Coordinator, at evan.kersnar@arb.ca.gov or (916) 306-8490, if you need physical copies of the documents.

Interested members of the public may present comments orally or in writing during the meeting and may provide comments by postal mail or by electronic submittal before the meeting. To be considered by the Board, written comments not submitted during the meeting must be received **no later than November 9, 2026**, and addressed to the following:

Postal mail: Clerks' Office, California Air Resources Board
1001 I Street, Sacramento, California 95814

Electronic submittal: <http://ww2.arb.ca.gov/lispub/comm/bclist.php>

Please note that under the California Public Records Act (Gov. Code § 7921.000 et seq.), your written and oral comments, attachments, and associated contact information (e.g., your address, phone, email, etc.) become part of the public record and can be released to the public upon request.

Further inquiries regarding this matter should be directed to [LaShaye Cobley](mailto:lashaye.cobley@arb.ca.gov), Manager, Risk Assessment Section, lashaye.cobley@arb.ca.gov or Matthew O'Donnell, Chief, Risk Reduction Branch, matthew.odonnell@arb.ca.gov.

⁴ CAPP, [AB 617](#).

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- An interpreter to be available at the hearing;
- Documents made available in an alternate format or another language; and
- A disability-related reasonable accommodation.

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- Un intérprete que esté disponible en la audiencia;
- Documentos disponibles en un formato alterno u otro idioma; y
- Una acomodación razonable relacionados con una incapacidad.

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Steven S. Cliff, Ph.D.
Executive Officer

Date: September 16, 2026

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