



AB 617

# 2019 Community Recommendations

DECEMBER 13, 2019 – BOARD HEARING

# Today's Presentation

- ▶ Update on 2018 communities
- ▶ 2019 community selection process
- ▶ Board consideration of staff recommendations

# 2018 Communities

Initial set of 10  
communities serve  
as statewide  
models





# Building Community Actions

- ▶ 10 unique community steering committees formed
  - Over 220 members throughout the State
- ▶ Community emission reduction programs adopted by air districts
  - Almost 300 strategies identified
- ▶ Community Air Grants in 2018 communities
- ▶ New community air monitoring initiated



# AB 617 District-Led Community Air Monitoring

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- ▶ Community monitoring underway in 9 communities
- ▶ Action-driven monitoring based on local concerns

- ▶ Primary Goals:

- Provide accessible air quality information to communities
- Determine local air pollution impacts using a suite of technologies
- Generate data to support community emission reduction programs



Reference  
Methods



Air Toxics



Mobile  
Platforms



Remote  
Sensing



Air Sensors

# Consideration of Community Emissions Reduction Programs

December 5, 2019  
(Oakland)



BAY AREA  
AIR QUALITY  
MANAGEMENT  
DISTRICT

- West Oakland

January 15, 2020  
(El Centro)



- El Centro,  
Heber, Calexico

February 13, 2020  
(Shafter)



San Joaquin Valley  
AIR POLLUTION CONTROL DISTRICT

- Shafter
- South Central Fresno

March 16, 2020  
(Los Angeles)



- East Los Angeles,  
Boyle Heights,  
West Commerce
- San Bernardino,  
Muscoy
- Wilmington, Carson,  
West Long Beach

# What We Have Learned

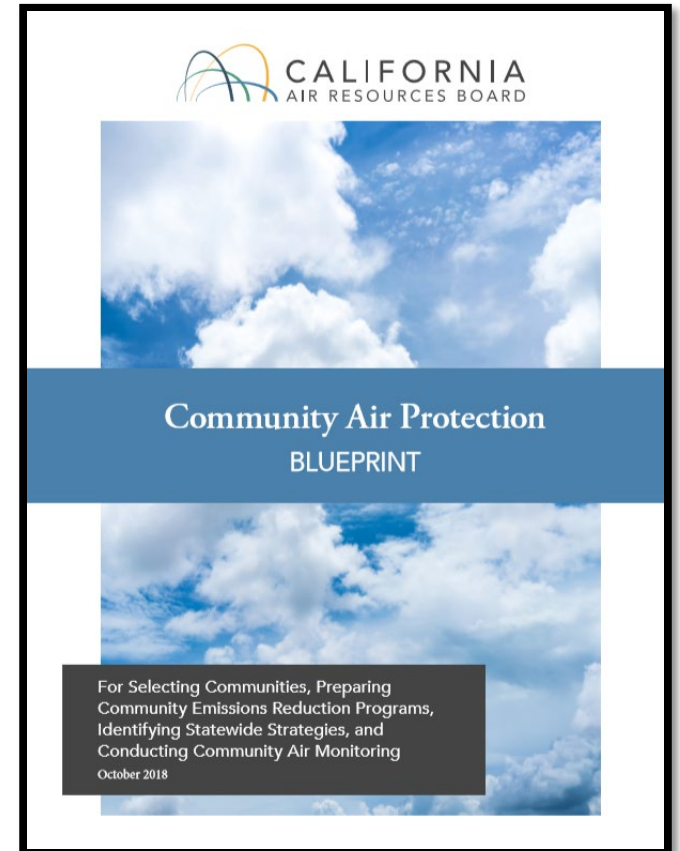
- ▶ Provide community steering committees early:
  - Training on program requirements
  - Building technical foundation
- ▶ Develop partnerships with other agencies
- ▶ Benefits of facilitators and community co-hosts
- ▶ Document all community recommendations
- ▶ Clear decision-making and conflict resolution process
- ▶ Long-term commitment for implementation





# Improving the Blueprint

- ▶ Today - as part of community selection resolution
- ▶ Near term - implement targeted Blueprint changes via Executive Officer authority
- ▶ Longer term - begin process to identify broader Blueprint changes via Board approval



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# Outreach for 2019 Community Recommendations

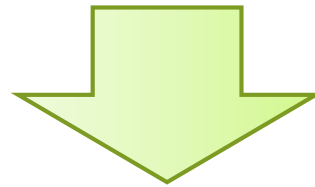
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# Considerations for 2019 Community Recommendations

- ▶ Priorities based on CARB Board direction (September 2018)
  - 2018 community air monitoring → community emissions reduction programs
  - Communities recommended in 2018, but not selected
- ▶ Ongoing support for 2018 communities
- ▶ State Budget maintains the same level of funding in this fiscal year



Based on these considerations recommend adding no more than  
3 new communities

# 2019 Community Nominations

- ▶ Received 12 nominations for individual or combined communities
- ▶ Air districts recommended 8 of these communities for action
- ▶ Staff is recommending:
  - 1 existing community transition to a community emissions reduction program
  - 3 new communities

# Portside Environmental Justice Neighborhoods Community

Transition to Development and Implementation of Community  
Emissions Reduction Program

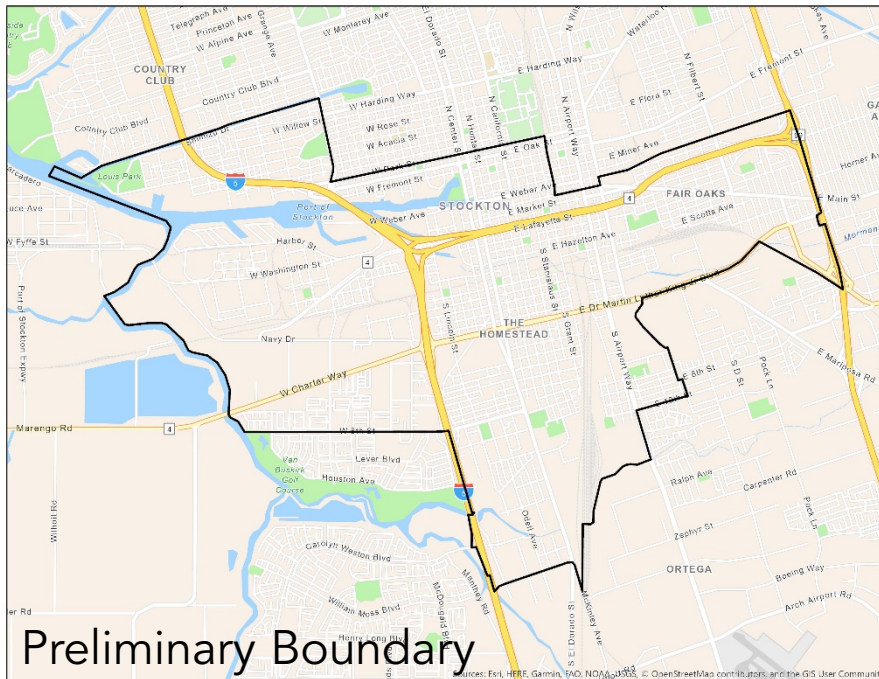




# 2019 Recommended New Community Southwest Stockton

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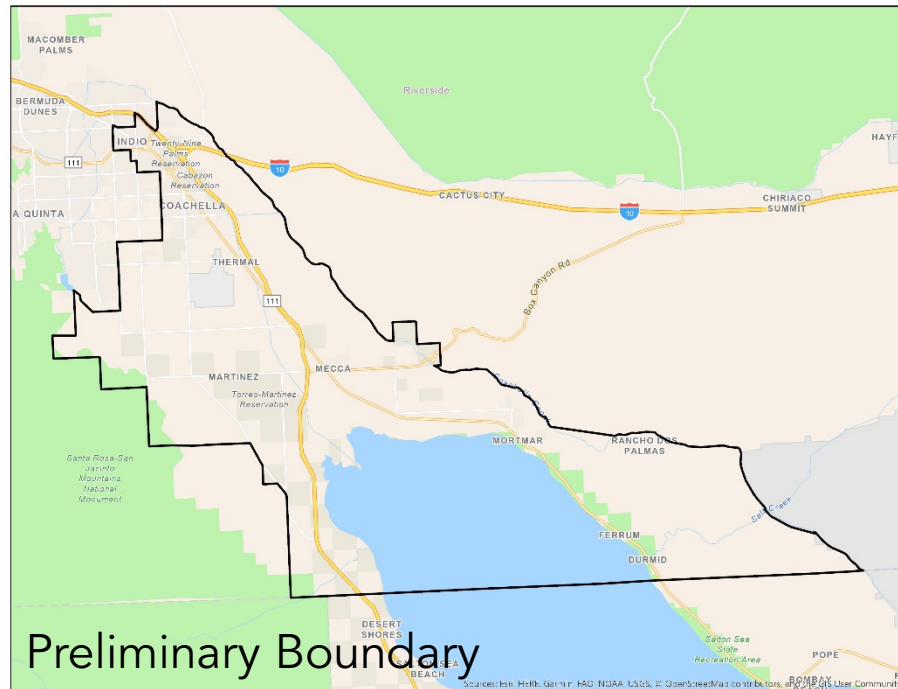
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# 2019 Recommended New Community Eastern Coachella Valley

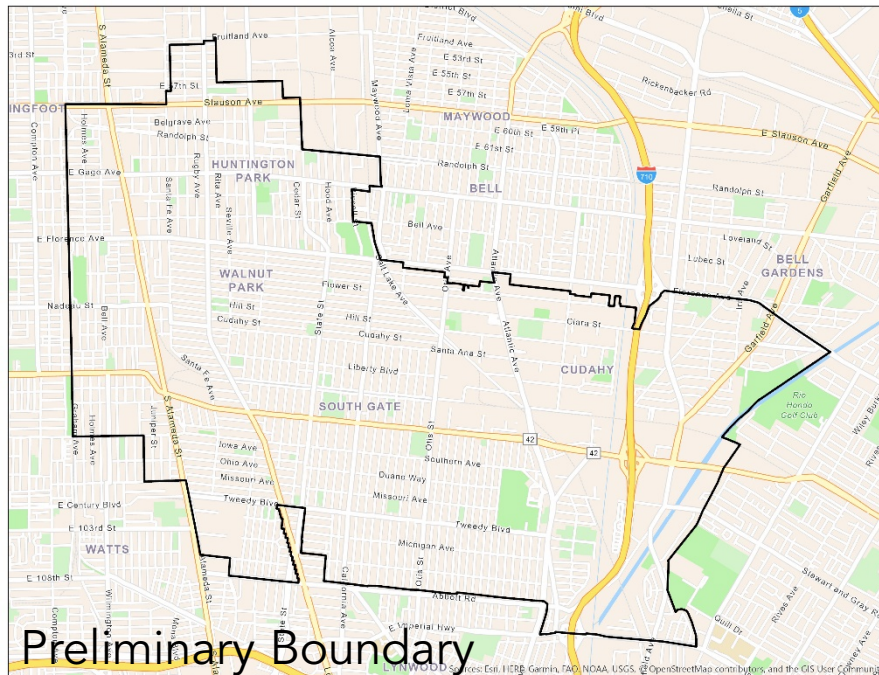
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# 2019 Recommended New Community South East Los Angeles

## Development and Implementation of Community Air Monitoring Plan and Community Emissions Reduction Program





# Recommendations in Resolution for Early Action

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- ▶ Air district establish a formal community steering committee
- ▶ CARB staff provide training on Program goals and Blueprint requirements
- ▶ Air district, in consultation with the community steering committee, finalize the community boundary
- ▶ CARB staff develop finalized community emissions inventories

# Continued Statewide Efforts to Benefit Communities Throughout the State



Community Air Grants



Community Air Protection Funds



New Tools



Regulations

# Community Air Grants

- ▶ First year (2018) awarded 27 projects, located in more than 35 communities across 7 air districts
- ▶ Second year (2019) – Proposed awardees announced yesterday from communities around the State, including:
  - Bay Area Communities including East Oakland, Richmond, San Francisco, San Leandro, and Vallejo
  - Central Valley Communities including Arvin, Coalinga, Delano, Huron, Lamont, and Stockton
  - South Coast Communities including Coachella, Muscoy, South Central Los Angeles, and Wilmington
  - Sacramento (Oak Park)
  - San Diego (Oceanside)



# Staff Recommendation Approve Resolution 19-35

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- ▶ Select the 2019 communities as recommended by staff
- ▶ Certify selections are exempt from CEQA
- ▶ Direct air districts and CARB to begin work in these communities

