

Proposed
State of California
Air Resources Board

**Public Meeting to Consider the Proposed
New Members for the California Air
Resources Board's Research Screening
Committee**

Resolution 25-7

September 25, 2025

Agenda Item No.: 25-6-6

Whereas, sections 39600 and 39601 of the Health and Safety Code authorize the California Air Resources Board (CARB or Board) to adopt standards, rules and regulations and to do such acts as may be necessary for the proper execution of the powers and duties granted to and imposed upon the Board by law;

Whereas, Health and Safety Code section 39705 (a) authorizes CARB to appoint a Research Screening Committee (RSC) of eleven members;

Whereas, pursuant to Health and Safety Code section 39705 (b), the RSC shall be composed of qualified experts (e.g., physicians, scientists, engineers, and others that are informed by their academic background, occupation, and lived experience) and tasked with providing robust scientific peer review for CARB's research project proposals to effectively advise on CARB's health, environmental justice, air quality, and climate research;

Whereas, the RSC currently has multiple vacancies due to member retirements and transitions to other duties. In addition, the expansion of CARB's legislatively mandated responsibilities and programs over the past few decades requires new areas of expertise to be represented in the RSC to support the emerging needs of CARB's research program;

Whereas, CARB initiated a public process to seek nominations and applications to fill priority knowledge gaps. The solicited areas of expertise important to CARB's research included: Agriculture, Community-based research, Transportation services and vehicle technology, and Urban planning;

Whereas, the appointment of the new RSC members, Dr. Thomas Bradley and Dr. Danae Hernandez-Cortes, who contribute to the diverse expertise and geographic locations of the RSC;

Whereas, staff recommends the Board approve the appointment of the new RSC members named above, as set forth in the report released to the public on September 15, 2025;

Now, therefore, be it resolved that the Board hereby approves and appoints Dr. Thomas Bradley and Dr. Danae Hernandez-Cortes as members of the Research Screening Committee.