California Air Resources Board

Notice of Public Meeting to Consider the Draft 2022 Climate Change Scoping Plan

The California Air Resources Board (CARB or Board) will conduct a public hearing at the date and time noted below to consider the Draft 2022 Climate Change Scoping Plan.

Date: June 23, 2022
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 8:30 a.m., on June 24, 2022. Please consult the public agenda, which will be posted ten days before the June 23, 2022, Board Meeting, for important details, including, but not limited to, the day in which this item will be considered and how the public can participate via Zoom.

Background

In 2006, the Legislature passed Assembly Bill 32 (AB 32), the California Global Warming Solutions Act of 2006 (Nunez, Chapter 488, Statutes of 2006). AB 32 created a comprehensive, multi-year program to reduce greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions in California. AB 32 required CARB to develop and approve a Scoping Plan that describes the approach the State will take to reduce GHG emissions to 1990 levels by 2020. In 2016, the Legislature passed Senate Bill 32 (SB 32) (Pavley, Chapter 249, Statutes of 2016), which codifies a 2030 GHG emissions reductions target of 40 percent below 1990 levels. With SB 32, the Legislature passed companion legislation Assembly Bill 197 (AB 197) (Garcia, Chapter 250, Statutes of 2016), which provides additional direction for developing the Scoping Plan.

The initial Scoping Plan was developed in 2008 and, per AB 32, must be updated at least once every five years. The 2013 First Update to the Climate Change Scoping Plan (2013 Update) defined CARB’s climate change priorities for the subsequent five years and laid the groundwork to start the transition to the post-2020 goals set forth in Executive Orders S-3-05 and B-16-2012. The 2017 Scoping Plan Update (2017 Update) built upon this progress by charting a technologically feasible and cost-effective path to achieving the 2030 GHG emissions target.
codified under SB 32. The mid-term target of 40 percent below 1990 levels, set by Executive Order B-30-15 and codified by SB 32, is critical to help frame the additional suite of policy measures, regulations, planning efforts, and investments in clean technologies and infrastructure needed to continue reducing GHG emissions in California.

CARB is now in the process of again updating the Scoping Plan to meet a 2022 statutory deadline. The Draft 2022 Scoping Plan Update assesses progress toward the statutory 2030 target, while laying out a path to achieving carbon neutrality by 2045 or earlier. The Draft 2022 Scoping Plan Update focuses on outcomes needed to achieve carbon neutrality by assessing paths for clean technology, energy deployment, nature-based solutions, and others, and is designed to meet the State’s long-term climate objectives and support a range of economic, environmental, energy security, environmental justice, and public health priorities.


**Proposed Action**

CARB staff will present a written draft plan at the meeting. Copies of the Draft 2022 Scoping Plan Update may be obtained from CARB’s website, no earlier than May 10, 2022. Please contact Bradley Bechtold, Regulations Coordinator, at bradley.bechtold@arb.ca.gov or (279) 208-7266 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 June 24, 2022, and addressed to the following:

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

Electronic submittal: http://www.arb.ca.gov/lispub/comm/bclist.php

Please note that under the California Public Records Act (Government Code section 6250 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 Jordan Ramalingam, Air Pollution Specialist, Industrial Strategies Division, at (916) 277-0499 or (designated back-up contact) Alex Yiu, Staff Air Pollution Specialist, Industrial Strategies Division, at (916) 827-1141.

**Environmental Analysis**

CARB, as the lead agency for the Draft 2022 Scoping Plan Update, prepared a Draft Environmental Analysis (Draft EA) in accordance with the requirements of its regulatory...
program certified by the Secretary of Natural Resources. (California Code of Regulation, title 17, sections 60006-60008; California Code of Regulation, title 14, section 15251, subdivision (d).) The resource areas from the California Environmental Quality Act Guidelines Environmental Checklist were used as a framework for a programmatic environmental analysis of the direct and reasonably foreseeable indirect environmental impacts resulting from implementation of the Draft 2022 Scoping Plan Update.

The Draft EA provides an analysis of both beneficial and adverse impacts and feasible mitigation measures for the reasonably foreseeable compliance responses associated with the Draft 2022 Scoping Plan Update. The Draft EA concluded that implementation could result in the following short-term and long-term beneficial and adverse impacts: beneficial long-term impacts to air quality (long-term operational-related) and GHG emissions (short-term construction-related and long-term operational-related); less than significant impacts to energy demand, mineral resources, population and housing, public services, recreation (short-term construction-related), and wildfire (short-term construction-related); and potentially significant and unavoidable adverse impacts to aesthetics, agriculture and forest resources, air quality (short-term construction-related, long-term operational-related odors), biological resources, cultural resources, geology and soils, hazards and hazardous materials, hydrology and water quality, land use and planning, noise, recreation (long-term operational-related), transportation and traffic, utilities and service systems, and wildfire (long-term operational-related). Please refer to the Draft EA for further details.

The Draft EA is included as Appendix B to the Draft 2022 Scoping Plan Update and can be obtained from CARB’s website.

Special Accommodation Request

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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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- Documentos disponibles en un formato alterno u otro idioma; y
- Una acomodación razonable relacionados con una incapacidad.

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Deputy Executive Officer

Date: May 10, 2022

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