

# **Air Resources Board**

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TO: All Interested Parties

## SUBJECT: THIRD PUBLIC WORKSHOP TO CONSIDER CHANGES TO THE CARL MOYER PROGRAM GUIDELINES TO IMPLEMENT SB 513

The Air Resources Board (ARB or Board) staff invites you to provide input on proposed changes to the Carl Moyer Memorial Air Quality Standards Attainment Program (Carl Moyer Program). The proposed changes reflect new opportunities provided by Senate Bill (SB) 513 (Beall) which became effective January 1, 2016.

The meeting will be held at the following time and place:

Date:	Thursday, December 1, 2016
Time:	1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.
Place:	California Environmental Protection Agency Headquarters
	Coastal Hearing Room
	1001 I Street
	Sacramento, California 95814

This meeting will be webcast for those unable to attend in person. The broadcast can be accessed on the day of the workshop at <u>http://www.calepa.ca.gov/broadcast/</u>. Information on submitting questions or comments will be provided during the webcast for remote participants. Please note that the workshop may end prior to the specified time if questions and comments have been completed.

Additional information and directions to the workshop may be found at <u>http://www.arb.ca.gov/msprog/moyer/2017guideline.htm</u>. The workshop presentation and documents supporting the proposed changes will be posted at the above link prior to the workshop. This is the third public workshop to consider changes to the Carl Moyer Program Guidelines (Guidelines) to implement SB 513. The presentations for the first and second workshops are also available on the website referenced above. ARB staff will release the proposed Guidelines for a 45-day public review prior to Board's consideration in March 2017.

The energy challenge facing California is real. Every Californian needs to take immediate action to reduce energy consumption. For a list of simple ways you can reduce demand and cut your energy costs, see our website: <u>http://www.arb.ca.gov</u>. All Interested Parties November 7, 2016 Page 2

#### Background

Since 1998, the Carl Moyer Program has provided financial incentives to upgrade vehicles and equipment that achieve emission reductions earlier or greater than those required by regulation. ARB oversees the Carl Moyer Program and approves the Guidelines that provide the framework for air districts to implement the program based on local needs and priorities.

SB 513 provides the opportunity and directives for making significant improvements to the program. The legislation was developed through a collaborative process that included public stakeholders and staff from ARB and local air districts. The incentives landscape has changed significantly since the creation of the Carl Moyer Program, leading to new opportunities through SB 513 to allow the Carl Moyer Program to contribute significant emission reductions alongside implemented regulations, advance zero- and near-zero technologies, and leverage program funds with other incentive programs.

Several changes have already been incorporated; most notably are revisions to provide flexibility to fund cleaner school bus projects. Effective January 1, 2016, the Guidelines were modified to provide school districts with additional opportunities for funding to replace the oldest, highest-polluting buses. However, to address the more complex changes introduced by SB 513, additional revisions are required. The workshops provide an opportunity for public input and comment on the changes being considered.

#### **Significant Changes Being Proposed**

The following program areas will be discussed at the upcoming workshop:

- Proposed new cost-effectiveness values based on costs of technology and adopted regulations and rules. This will be the primary topic of the workshop.
- Program guidance for funding infrastructure projects.
- Program guidance to enable co-funding projects with other incentive programs but apply safeguards to ensure State Implementation Plan creditability and prevent overpayment.
- Revisions to source category chapters including on-road trucks and buses and off-road equipment.
- Changes to simplify administration of the program while retaining program accountability.

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As noted earlier, staff's presentation to summarize proposals in these areas will be posted at <u>http://www.arb.ca.gov/msprog/moyer/2017guideline.htm</u> prior to the workshop. Input is invited on these and any other program topics of concern to the public.

### **Special Accommodations**

The workshop facilities are accessible to persons with disabilities. If you require special accommodations or need this document in an alternate format (e.g. Braille, large print) or another language, please contact Mr. Kyle Goff, Air Pollution Specialist, at (916) 324-1988 or via email at <u>Kyle.Goff@arb.ca.gov</u> as soon as possible. TTY/TDD/Speech to Speech users may dial 711 for California Relay Service.

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If you have any questions regarding the Carl Moyer Program changes, please contact Ms. Neva Lowery, Air Pollution Specialist, at (916) 324-1209 or via email at <u>Neva.Lowery@arb.ca.gov</u>.

Sincerely,

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