#### **Air Toxics Program**

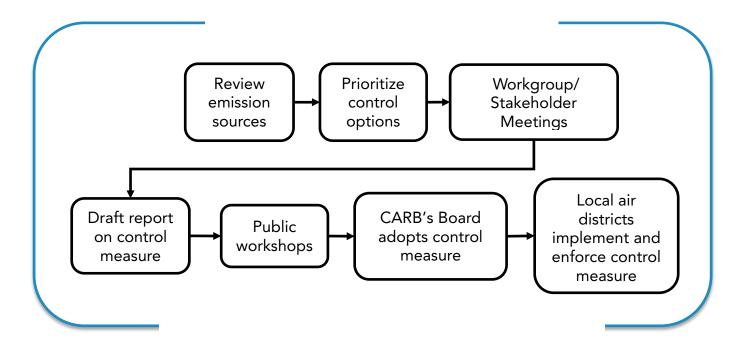
# **FACT SHEET**



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#### How does CARB develop an air toxics regulation?

There are many steps CARB takes to reduce exposures to air toxics in California. One of these ways is to develop airborne toxics control measures or ATCMs. To develop these measures, CARB staff reviews the emission sources, assesses the air toxics exposure risks, evaluates the health impacts, and considers the feasibility of controls and costs of the regulatory action. Community involvement is essential in the development of a control measure to ensure that CARB efforts are cost-effective and appropriately balance public health protection and a healthy economy. The process shown below presents the basic steps in developing an air toxics regulation.



Currently, CARB has twenty-six mobile and stationary ATCMs. Examples of these include controlling diesel particulate matter emissions from transportation refrigeration units and reducing benzene emissions from gas stations. For a complete list of ATCMs, please go to <a href="https://ww2.arb.ca.gov/resources/documents/airborne-toxic-control-measures">https://ww2.arb.ca.gov/resources/documents/airborne-toxic-control-measures</a>.

## How can I get involved in the regulatory process?

In addition to seeking your input at public workshops, CARB is also interested in seeking community input early on and throughout the rulemaking process. CARB staff generally hold workgroup meetings, workshops, and participate in small group meetings with interested stakeholders to collect data and to develop the regulation. CARB staff encourages communities to participate in these meetings as well as meet early on with the regulatory staff to help CARB understand community concerns related to air toxics sources in their neighborhood.

For information on air toxics regulations, you can reach out directly to CARB regulatory staff. Contact information for existing regulations can be found on our air toxics regulations website at <a href="https://ww2.arb.ca.gov/resources/documents/airborne-toxic-control-measures">https://ww2.arb.ca.gov/resources/documents/airborne-toxic-control-measures</a>. For current regulatory actions, contact information is often included in workshop slides or on the regulatory program website. You can also use our general air toxics regulation email address of <a href="mailto:airtoxics@arb.ca.gov">airtoxics@arb.ca.gov</a> to ask questions about our air toxics program or current regulatory actions.

To keep up-to-date on our air toxics work, please sign up for CARB's GovDelivery service. Through CARB's GovDelivery service, communities and other stakeholders can receive either texts or emails of upcoming regulations, public workshops, and other related activities. You can sign up for CARB's GovDelivery service at

https://public.govdelivery.com/accounts/CARB/subscriber/new.

If you have a suggestion for improving community participation, please send an email to Suggestions4AirToxics@arb.ca.gov.

### Where can I get more information?

- Air Toxics Program website: https://ww2.arb.ca.gov/our-work/programs/air-toxics-program
- Toxic Air Contaminant Identification and Control Program: https://ww2.arb.ca.gov/resources/documents/ab-1807-toxics-air-contaminant-identification-and-control