

AB 617 Steering Committee Meeting Agenda

9/29/2020

6:00 pm - 8:00 pm

Virtual Meeting via Zoom

NOTES

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Meeting Objectives

- Update Draft Community Emissions Reduction Program (CERP) and report from workshops
- Discuss process for signing letter of support letters on behalf of the AB 617 Steering Committee

Meeting Action Items

- Approval of 8/25/2020 Meeting Notes and 9/29/2020 Agenda
- Received and collected comments regarding Draft CERP Phase 1 Strategies and Actions
- Received and collected comments regarding signing letter of support on behalf of the AB 617 Steering Committee

Agenda

- I. **Welcoming Remarks (Daniela Simunovic, Facilitator and Mahiany Luther, SDAPCD) 6:00 pm**
 - a. Review Meeting Objectives & Agenda
 - b. Updates
 - i. Welcome New SC members:
 - (A) Ashley Valentin, Resident of Logan Heights
 - (B) Josephine Talamantez, Resident of Barrio Logan
 - ii. Stipends
 - c. Roll call SC members
 - i. SC Members introduced themselves and shared their community/organization affiliations
- II. **Approval of 8/25/2020 Meeting Notes and tonight's agenda (Chuy Flores, Facilitator) 6:10 pm**
- III. **Update on CERP (Mahiany Luther, SDAPCD) 6:15 pm**
 - a. Report back from CERP Workshops
 - b. Questions from SC
 - i. **Roman Partida-Lopez** – How will community input be incorporated into the draft?
 - (A) We will update the community outreach document to include an appendix with all the comments received during the workshop and the answers provided.
 - ii. **Roman Partida-Lopez** – What specific actions be incorporated into the draft?
 - (A) Yes, comments will be incorporated into the CERP draft and made available to the public.
 - iii. **David Flores** – Sub-Committees should be a part of the comment review process as it related to their suggestions.
 - (A) The Steering Committee will review the CERP draft and will be asked to give final approval in October.
 - c. Questions from Public
 - i. **Bradley Bang** - I noticed the boundary of the district excludes much of North Eastern National City although they are also affected by the same high levels of pollutants. What is the thinking around these boundary lines and why are some areas included and/or excluded? Can these lines be changed?
 - (A) **Daniela Simunovic** - There is an opportunity to redraw these lines through the CA Air Resources Board at a later date.
 - (B) **Bradley Bang** - I just need to say that you talk about Environmental Justice Communities and then delete some communities from your district for

unidentified reasons. Much of Logan Heights is included in the district so is much of South-Eastern National City.

d. Update on CERP Process and Next Steps

i. Presentation Link:

https://www.sandiegocounty.gov/content/dam/sdc/apcd/PDF/AB_617/CERP_CSC%20Presentation%20Sep%2029_Final.pdf

(A) CERP Phase 1 Approach:

- a. Under the Phase I proposal there are two types of strategies:
 - i. Strategies that require APCD board approval
 - ii. Strategies that need to be presented and discussed with our board but don't need board approval
- b. Community Emission Reduction Plan (CERP) will be presented as a draft. It is very important that the steering committee agrees with it being proposed and discussed under the CERP. The plan is presented under draft, which means it is under development but if there are concerns related to information presented under the plan, we need to discuss it and make the necessary adjustments
- c. In tonight's meeting, the SC will propose strategies that will be presented to the board in November. APCD would like to obtain input regarding this proposal and if there are other actions that can be include under the Phase I approach.
 - i. The success of the CERP depends on the involvement and commitment from other agencies and entities. If the entity you are representing is involved with any of these actions and you this the action (or part of the action) can be included under the Phase I timeline please contact **Mahiany Luther**.

(B) Key Proposed Phase 1 Strategies

- a. Port of San Diego
 - i. Advance the deployment of heavy duty and on-road electric trucks
 - ii. Support dedicated truck route and avoid truck impacts to local community
 - iii. Reduce Diesel Emissions from cargo handling equipment
 - iv. Reduce emissions from ships at berth
 1. *Emission reductions from ship hoteling or innovative concepts, starting with pilot testing in 2024.*
 - v. Reduce emissions from harbor craft
 1. *Evaluate options to implement ZEV tugboats and ferries*
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- b. Shipyards
 - i. Reduce Diesel Particulate Matter and Nitrogen Oxides emissions from portable air compressors and other diesel sources at shipyards (2021 through 2025)
 - ii. Promote best practices for reducing diesel, Volatile Organic Compounds, and other emissions from ship repair activities (2021 thru 2025)
 - iii. Reduce emissions from shipyard employee transportation (2021 thru 2025)
- c. US Navy
 - i. Reduce Emissions from Ships at Berth
 1. *Operate in-port ships on shore power to the maximum extent possible considering national defense requirements*
 - ii. Promote best practices for reducing diesel, Volatile Organic

- Compounds, and other emissions from ship repair activities
 - 1. *Conduct emissions evaluations on operations, monitor emissions and make information available to the public*
- iii. Reducing emissions associated with traffic at Naval Base San Diego
 - 1. *Reduce total emissions from employee transportation associated with travel to and from the base*

e. Facilitated Discussion

i. Daniela (facilitator) launched Poll for Panelists

(A) Top three strategies to discuss:

- a. **Port Strategies**
- b. **Navy Strategies**
- c. **APCD Strategies**

ii. Discussion – Port

(A) Questions from SC

- a. **Roman Partida-Lopez** – Is there an opportunity to secure outside funding to expedite the process of deploying Action E-1 (Advance the deployment of heavy-duty on-road electric trucks)?
 - i. **Larry Hofreiter** – Timeline in E-1 was meant to set realistic expectations. However, if there is funding and opportunities to move quicker, myself and the Board of Port Commissioners are willing to move forward to speed up the process.
- b. **Silvia Calzada** – Are there any existing funding sources yet for Port Strategies? And roughly when will this be finalized?
 - i. By identifying performance metrics and measures and CERP, we will be more competitive for funding opportunities. We are currently working to solicit community input in order to determine priorities that will then inform investment strategies that require funding.
 - ii. A Port Maritime Clean Air Strategy subgroup is looking to be ready by April of 2021

(B) Questions from Public

- a. **Brian Hill** – Is it possible to speed up the process to implement new technologies?
 - i. **Mahiany Luther, APCD** - These CERPs are up for a 3-5-year implementation. There are multiple facets within each action to support it.
 - ii. **Larry Hofreiter** – This is dependent on a few factors. For the deployment of heavy duty and on-road EV trucks – We still need to secure items such as securing environmental approvals and entitlements; identifying charging locations; and procuring EV trucks.

iii. Discussion Navy

(A) Questions from SC

- a. **David Flores** – When will we receive the final updates from the Navy Proposal?
 - i. Tomorrow ACPD will send a track changes version of the CERP that includes the Navy proposal.
- b. **Joy Williams** – On the Shore Power strategy, I am unclear if shore powering is something new because I thought Navy has already been leading in this practice?
 - i. **AC Dumaual** – We have, but the strategy is more of a

commitment that new ships are being cold-ironed. This strategy will include 100% of our ships.

- c. **David Flores** – Can you elaborate on action G10 (Reducing emissions associated with traffic at Naval Base San Diego)? What else is the Navy thinking about including?
 - i. **AC Dumaual** - We provide an allowance to civilians and sailors to take the trolley rather than drive via our Transportation Incentive Program (TIP). It is a monthly trip card that can be used. With COVID, we are encouraging civilians to adopt tele-working to reduce unnecessary trips. Navy is also issuing surveys to internally audit efficiency of the Trolley program that will be shared with the public. The Navy is also promoting Electric Vehicles by providing charging stations on base.
- d. **Roman Partida-Lopez** - What's the current uptake of TIP? Will there be a goal attached to seeing an increase in uptake of TIP?
 - i. **AC Dumaual** – We will reach out to our transportation manager to provide those numbers. Depending on the results of those surveys we will then determine how to improve the program to increase scope.

(B) Questions from Public

- a. **Brian Hill** – Does shore powering include all items going offline?
 - i. **AC Dumaual** - We shut down all engines and rely on onshore power to reduce emissions.

iv. Discussion APCD Strategies

(A) SC Comments

- a. **Sara Giobbi** – There are a lot of CERP versions going around. I suggest adding revision dates to each CERP document with track changes to keep this document organized.
- b. **David Flores** – There was a lot of work done over the past month by the Sub-Committees. Assistance to get input on strategies especially from Land Use would be appreciated from local municipalities to keep things moving.

v. Overview of Next Steps

- (A) October 2, 2020: Receive comments on Draft plan
- (B) October 13, 2020: Last Steering Committee meeting prior to finalizing the CERP proposal
- (C) October 19, 2020: Complete the CERP proposal
- (D) November 18, 2020: Public Hearing – Propose CERP Approval - Phase I Strategies

IV. **Discussion: Proposed Support Letter Protocol (Daniela Simunovic, Facilitator)**

7:15 pm

a. Proposal

- i. Proposed letters sent to SC be sent **AT LEAST ONE WEEK PRIOR** to next scheduled SC meeting
- ii. Proposed letters to be voted in compliance with voting procedures detailed in the Portside Community SC Charter
 - (A) Quorum present
 - (B) Simple
- iii. Letters approved by SC will be signed by the “Portside Community Steering Committee” (not individual members)
- iv. Final Approved letter to be transmitted to the receiving entity by the person who brought

- it forward to the SC for consideration
- v. Any letter brought to the SC should have a clear nexus with SC objectives to improve air quality in the Portside Community

b. Comments from SC

- i. **Jack Monger** – With regard to how the letter is transmitted, I think it is inappropriate for an individual SC member to send it off. It should either be the Air District itself or the mediator/third party.
- ii. **Larry Hofreiter** – I second Jack. When this proposal was drafted, what was the intention for having the person who brought it forward for being responsible for being responsible
 - (A) **Daniela Simunovic** – There were two main reasons: 1) this is how it was typically done, and 2) this method was supported by APCD,
 - (B) **Mahiany Luther** – APCD will review this option.
- iii. **Stephanie Yoon** - Is there a protocol regarding revisions to a proposed letter? Would there need to be another vote for the revised letter/final version?
 - (A) **Joy Williams** - Yes, that's how it worked with the previous letters. No problem to change it though.
- iv. **Jose Marquez-Chavez** - Will the support letter come in an APCD letterhead? If we create letterhead, would it be general or include logos? Who will sign it?
 - (A) **Mahiany Luther, APCD** - No, this would be a AB 617 SC letter so there would most likely be a separate SC letterhead.
 - (B) **Daniela Simunovic** – It would be a simple letterhead with no logos. No individual entity would be called out. It would come from the Portside Community Steering Committee so if there were to be an official letterhead, we would identify a lead contact for Portside Community SC and do that. We will add that clarification to the third protocol. We will work with the Air District to clarify who the transmitting entity will be. If the SC brings someone on to be that entity, we can work with that. Regarding who signs it, the charter does not identify a co-chair or a president. What does the SC think? Would the Air District feel comfortable someone to be a liaison signing off on behalf of SC as a whole?
 - a. **Mahiany Luther, APCD** – That should be fine as long as the charter is updated to reflect that.
 - b. **David Flores** – An AB 617 coordinator “on behalf of” sign off should work.
 - c. **Sandy Naranjo** - I agree on an AB 617 SC letterhead.
 - d. **Silvia Calzada** - Yes, "On behalf of" can work.

c. Next Steps

- i. APCD will coordinate to determine letterhead and incorporate edits made tonight
- ii. APCD to send out final proposal for letter signing protocol to SC and put the final motion up to vote at October meeting

V. **Discussion: Request to form a Port of San Diego Maritime Clean Air Strategy Subcommittee (Larry Hofreiter, Port of San Diego)**

7:35 pm

- a. Port of San Diego is proposing to create a Port of SD MCAS Subcommittee
 - i. The role of this subcommittee will be to review emissions data and other information from Port staff and Port tenants to help Port staff identify potential reduction goals and priorities to be included in the Port's MCAS. They are currently looking for volunteers to serve on the Subcommittee
- b. Initial SC Volunteers
 - i. **Sandy Naranjo**
 - ii. **Joy Williams**
 - iii. **Jose Marquez-Chavez**
 - iv. **Roman Partida-Lopez**
 - v. **Silvia Calzada**
 - vi. **Ashley Valentin**
 - vii. **David Flores**
- c. Initial Public Volunteers

i. Ashita Sivakumar

VI. Public Comments

7:45 pm

- a. Reserved for comments on items not listed on the agenda
- b. Each speaker is limited to 3 minutes
 - i. **Sandy Navarro** – Tomorrow 9/30/2020 SD County Board of Supervisors will announce [new hires for office of EJ staff](#). Email her for the link to watch the event or testify: sandy.naranjo@mothersoutfront.org

VII. Closing Remarks

7:50pm

- a. Committee feedback on meeting, future agenda topics
 - i. SC will vote on revisions to the Charter
 - ii. Depending on status of stipend, process may be announced
 - iii. CARB will provide update on report regarding impacts from the Navy Fire
 - iv. SC will make final edits and approve CERP Phase I

VIII. Adjourn

8:00 pm

Next scheduled meeting is 10/13/20 Tentatively Virtual Meeting via Zoom