

South Central Fresno Community Steering Committee - Meeting #13
Aug. 27, 2019, 5:30 p.m. – 7:25 p.m.

1. Doors Open/Meet and Greet/Refreshments

2. Welcome and Introductions

Sam Magill, Facilitator from Institute for Local Government

Sam reviewed the meeting agenda and goal for the evening. After his announcements, Sam introduced Jennifer Clark as the speaker for the next agenda item.

3. Spotlight on City of Fresno Partnership and CERP Commitments

Jennifer Clark, Director for the City of Fresno Planning & Development Department

Jennifer discussed opportunities for the City of Fresno to be involved in AB 617 emission reduction strategies. The City of Fresno and District actively coordinate on projects to address potential air quality impacts, and Jennifer committed that the City could involve the District in the pre-application process for potential projects, to allow developers the opportunity to incorporate air-friendly design elements in the initial design of projects. Jennifer reviewed existing methods for the public to obtain information about planned development in the community, including the City of Fresno website and FASTER portal. Jennifer responded to Steering Committee and public comments, including the following questions by Steering Committee:

- Is it easy to change lots for farms or tiny homes?
- Will District be invited to meetings?
- Which agency determines the air quality impacts of construction and other projects (City or Air District)?
- How is the “Faster” Fresno App. more beneficial to residents for reporting complaints?
- When complaints are made to the city, but not under their jurisdiction, is it forwarded to the appropriate agency?
- Does City intend to take CERP strategies into account where appropriate?

4. Ongoing CERP developments

Sam Magill – District Staff – Committee members

This presentation focused on responding to comments received about the draft Community Emissions Reduction Program (CERP) to date.

- Jessica Coria, Senior Air Quality Specialist for the District, provided the introduction to the item by reviewing the status of the draft CERP, and responded to comments received regarding the implementation of the CERP.
- Arnaud Marjollet, Ryan Hayashi, Jaime Holt, Todd DeYoung, and Chay Thao from the District reviewed comments and suggestions received from Steering Committee members and the public.

- Jessica then reviewed the next steps for CERP development, and responded to questions from Steering Committee members.

Comments and questions that were discussed include:

- Request by committee members for further explanation on complaint resolution from Appendix F.
- Will there be real enforcement to new rules?
- How do we find out the number of complaints and resolutions? Who receives this information?
- What is the timeline for the ideas to be implemented?
- How quickly will schools benefit?
- What is CARB's commitment to Fresno?
- Can all the schools (especially elementary) receive filters?
- Is it possible to exceed current funding level at the request of committee?

CERP Development Comments:

- Pesticides: Need to reach out to communities close to agriculture, especially Edison High School.
- Should provide incentives to other (cleaner) methods of cooking.
- Agencies should have a better presence with all communities.

5. Wrap-up and Next Steps

Sam Magill, Facilitator

Sam reviewed the next steps for CERP development, with upcoming meetings of note including the following:

- Public Workshop at District Offices: August 28, 2019
- Next Steering Committee meeting: September 4, 2019

6. Public Comment