Meeting Highlights*

AB 617 Stockton Community Steering Committee (CSC) Meeting #11

November 18, 2020 | 5:00 pm - 7:00 pm Virtual Zoom Meeting

Action items for San Joaquin Valley Air Pollution Control District (District):

- Distribute CAMP response to comment letters to full CSC
- Send updated CAMP with incorporated CSC changes
- Send dates for additional CSC meetings to approve CERP measures
- Outline approach for CAMP revisions with CSC input

Welcome and Introductions

Erica Manuel, Facilitator & CEO, Institute for Local Government (ILG) Ryan Hayashi, Deputy Air Pollution Control Officer, District Catherine Garoupa White, Community Co-host

Erica welcomed the Stockton CSC participants, introduced the ILG facilitation team, and thanked everyone for attending the second November special meeting. She outlined the AB 617 process, recapped comments made at the last regular CSC meeting, and gave an overview of the agenda. She specifically outlined the following key priorities and process improvements related to committee governance moving forward:

- Explained and reiterated the CERP development and approval process
- Make agendas more specific; highlight action items (like voting) on the agenda
- Be clear about the meeting times and possible trade-offs of spending more time on specific agenda items
- If the meeting will go more than 2 hours, send an updated invite in advance
- Provide meeting materials 72 hours in advance, if possible
- Allow adequate time during the meeting for deliberation and discussion
- Please end on time!

Ryan welcomed the CSC and introduced a new CSC member, Matt Holmes.

Community Co-host Remarks

Catherine Garoupa White, Community Co-host

Catherine provided a community co-host welcome, thanked the CSC for joining the meeting and acknowledged the community's resilience to keep moving with the AB 617 process despite a challenging year. She then shared a presentation on the work of the Central Valley Air Quality Coalition and her perspective on air quality in Stockton as it relates to environmental justice.

Comment: This meeting has a formal agenda and I don't think this presentation reflects the core of why this meeting was called. The presentation was redundant and did not meet its allotted timeframe, so I won't be able to stay on the line to discuss the CAMP. I gave the District a letter

with comments related to the CAMP and did not get a complete response. I will vote no on the CAMP because I do not think I received a complete response to my letter.

ILG Response: Thank you for that feedback about the community co-host presentation. We have consistently provided time during each meeting for the community co-host time to share insights with the CSC. We do understand that this presentation went longer than scheduled and your concerns have been noted. We're sorry you won't be able to participate in the rest of the meeting,

The CSC participated in a virtual breakout activity, which was requested by the community co-host.

Overview of CSC Charter for Consensus Process and Voting

Erica Manuel, Facilitator & CEO, ILG

Erica reminded the CSC about a few key elements of the charter document that was developed when the CSC initially convened. The charter specifies a desire to achieve consensus on key issues, but in the absence of consensus, a majority vote (50% + 1) of all CSC members present will be taken. Erica then explained virtual voting protocol in preparation for discussing the CAMP.

Action: Community Air Monitoring Plan Discussion and Vote

Jon Klassen, Director of Strategies and Incentives, Air District

Jon reviewed the community air monitoring plan (CAMP) and how it has evolved to reflect the CSC's input. Presentation highlights:

- The CSC can access the CAMP comments and responses on the community webpage
- The community air monitoring network will provide a spatial understanding of air quality in Stockton and that data will be available in real time
- The District has made some changes to the CAMP based on CSC comments
- The District will link to the monitoring equipment and data on the community webpage once that feature is available The District would like to move forward with the suggested areas for monitoring in the CAMP, in order to get specific locations identified
- The CAMP is not a static document and equipment can be moved around even after it is approved

Comment: I think we should have a manual tally to gauge CSC priorities. Also, San Joaquin Board of Education included in their budget funding for research related to the District. Do you have any documentation of that project?

District Response: We are not familiar with that project, maybe you could send some information and we can look into that.

Question: What are you considering "real time data"?

District Response: The way we set it up in Shafter, real time data means hourly measurements.

Follow-up comment: Monitoring is useful to show emissions being reduced effectively, but I think it is most useful for behavior modification, specifically for the public to protect themselves. In order to do this, people need access. Are you doing any modeling with real time access that the public will be able to use? I think this CAMP plan is good, and I think modeling and monitoring can be complementary. Monitoring can build trust and the CSC participating in not just the location and siting, but long-term monitoring will build a lot more goodwill. With additional adjustments this CAMP could be even better and we should consider how to move parts of it forward while fixing the parts that need refinement.

ILG Comment: To paraphrase, you're saying the plan is substantively good and your background in behavior change and community organizing has led you to realize how helpful it is to continue to infuse the value and expertise of this CSC as we evolve that plan. Even if there is an approval to proceed, it is not an approval to rubber stamp the plan without adjustments.

Comment: My biggest concern is we are delaying getting the monitoring started. It sounds like the Air District wants the map approved so we can get the locations started instead of delaying the monitoring to wordsmith the CAMP. I support voting for the map with the understanding that the wording in the CAMP can still be refined.

ILG Response: Correct.

District Comment: When the District received AB 617 nominations for Stockton from residents the city and others, the request received were for both air monitoring and community emission reduction program combined. This makes completing the work in the legislative timelines even more difficult and challenging. However, the District is supportive of the addition to co-locate different types of monitors, such as indoor/outdoors at schools. The conversation will continue about air monitoring that can be done by the community.

ILG Response: The CSC has three options to consider for moving forward with the CAMP: a full green light to proceed, a yellow to approve the map and start getting land owner approvals for equipment while working on the CAMP language, and a full stop to review and reset.

Question: What does approving the map mean in terms of the resources? Where are we in the overall timeline?

District Response: If the CSC is ok with the District moving forward with the locations you recommended, that doesn't mean we can't talk about how the community can be involved and do air monitoring themselves to compliment these efforts in the CAMP.

Vote: The CSC reached consensus and approved the map portion of the CAMP. They requested additional agenda and/or committee time to refine the language in the CAMP.

District Comment: Thank you for your approval. The District is looking forward to setting up the sites and reporting back.

Erica, Facilitator, reviewed the AB 617 timeline and process. The CSC is currently in the stage of selecting individual measures to include in the final CERP. The CERP is due to CARB by the end of the year, but CARB has indicated that the Stockton CSC can request an extension.

Wrap Up/Next Steps

Erica Manuel, Facilitator, ILG

Erica thanked Catherine for co-hosting and setting the stage for the meeting and emphasized the importance of community input in processes like AB 617. Catherine thanked the CSC and congratulated everyone for making progress.

Stacey Panyasee volunteered to be the next community co-host.

Question: What are the next steps for the CAMP process since the CSC only voted on the map? **District Response:** The Air District will formalize all the changes we went over and will send that to the CSC. This will be an ongoing conversation. We will work with the CSC on the specific sites for the monitors.

Comment: I heard about a car-share program from the Housing Authority and I hope we work closely with all the other entities doing similar and complimentary work.

District Response: We hear you and we agree.

Reminders

The next regular CSC meeting is December 2 on Zoom. All the presentations, meetings highlights, transcripts and the Zoom meeting recording will be posted online.

*Refer to meeting audio to review the full details and comments from the meeting.

Public Comment

No public comment.