



**THE PAST,  
PRESENT,  
AND FUTURE  
OF AB 617:  
ENVISIONING  
A WAY  
FORWARD,  
TOGETHER**

**SEPTEMBER 27TH & 29TH, 2021 | 5-8PM  
ZOOM PLATFORM**



# **AB 617 COMMUNITIES**

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- SOUTH LOS ANGELES
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# PURPOSE

This is a convening to [reflect on the implementation of AB 617](#) and to [envision ways to foster collaboration between all parties](#) to better meet the goals of the policy.

The convening is **intended for all participants in AB 617**, including **CSC members, Air District staff, CARB Board and staff, other state agencies, members of the state legislature, and the AB 617 Consultation Group**. The convening is hosted by UC Davis, under contract with the California Air Resources Board and has been guided by a Community Planning Committee.

The convening includes keynote addresses, plenary sessions and small groups covering issues including:

- Development of CSC charters
- Effective CSC models
- Engagement of mono-lingual speakers of languages other than English
- Innovations in the creation of CAMPs and CERPS
- Use of Technical Advisory Groups
- Enforcement responsibilities for AB 617
- CERP budgeting approaches
- Public health perspectives
- Engagement with local governments
- Revisions to the AB 617 Blueprint

# JOIN THE CONVENING

The convening will be conducted on the Zoom platform. Attendees can [join the convening via Zoom online or by calling in on a phone](#).

To access the convening [on your desktop or smartphone](#) follow the [Zoom Link](#) provided in the schedule for each meeting.

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# ATTENDIFY

The AB 617 Convening will use the Attendify platform to [house the program agenda, individual session details and Zoom links, library of resource handouts, and a way to connect with other attendees and speakers](#). While you do not have to join Attendify to participate in the convening, we encourage convening attendees to register in order to access discussions and materials during and after the convening.

**Getting Started:** After registering, you will have received an email with your ticket. Inside the ticket are the instructions (listed below) of how to join the event page via the Attendify app.

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- To join the event from desktop, follow this [link](#).
- You will be prompted to enter an access code. Use this code: "6172021"
- You will be prompted to create an account. Please use the same email that you used to register for the convening.

## **Join via Mobile App**

- Download the Attendify app from the App Store or Google Play.
- Open the app. Tap the search bar. At the bottom, click "Have an event code?" Enter code: "6172021"
- Once directed to the event page, click "Join" at the bottom.

# FAQS

**If I did not register for Attendify, where can I find the program agenda and access the Zoom links?**

- You can find the attached program agenda to this handout that lists all Zoom links and call-in number instructions for each session.

**I have registered for Attendify, but where can I access the website to find the sessions?**

- When you registered, you should have received a confirmation email from Attendify with an attached PDF ticket. Inside your ticket are instructions to create an account via Attendify to join the event page.

**I have created an account to enter the Attendify website, how do I navigate this website?**

- To navigate, we advise following these instructions in our "Attendify User Guide"

**Who should I contact for any questions, comments, or concerns during the convening?**

- If anything comes up during the event, you should contact Peter Nguyen. He will be available over text message or phone to quickly respond to any comments or concerns.

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If you have any specific **technical or IT** issues (i.e., logging into Zoom or accessing Attendify), please contact **ab617@harderco.com** directly.

**Link: [Attendify Registration Instructions](#)**

**Link: [Attendify User Guide](#)**

# SCHEDULE

DAY 1

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Monday, September 27

## WELCOME REMARKS + \*

5:00

BY MS. MARGARET GORDON AND JONATHAN LONDON

Welcoming Remarks to the AB 617 convening will be made by Ms. Margaret Gordon (West Oakland Environmental Indicators Project) that will encompass the purpose and goals of this convening. A following presentation will be made by Jonathan London (UC Davis) on the AB 617 Snapshot Survey Report based on a survey of AB 617 stakeholders.

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## KEYNOTE: ORIGINAL VISION FOR AB 617 + \*

5:15

BY ASSEMBLYMEMBER CRISTINA GARCIA

Assemblymember Cristina Garcia co-authored Assembly Bill (AB) 617, which requires community-focused and community-driven action to reduce air pollution and improve public health in communities that experience disproportionate burdens from exposure to air pollutants. This keynote will address the original visions of AB 617 and reflections about how well it has been realized to date, as well as how this convening can help chart a way forward.

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## PANEL 1: ENFORCEMENT POWERS + \*

5:35

BY CARB AND AIR DISTRICTS

A moderated discussion of government leaders and attendees will clarify the structure of enforcement powers and partnerships between agencies on issues related to the federal (USEPA), state (CARB), and local (Air Districts) levels.

**Moderator:** Brian Moore (CARB, OCAP) **Panelists:** Todd Sax (CARB), Amy Miller (USEPA Region 9), and William Jacques (San Diego APCD)

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## ROUNDTABLE: EFFECTIVE COLLABORATION & PARTNERSHIP MODELS

6:10

AB 617 relies on a multi-stakeholder partnering frameworks to produce community-driven emission reduction strategies. Participants will discuss emerging practices for effective collaboration between all stakeholders involved in AB 617 with a primary focus on effective community engagement in partnership models.

**Resource People:** Ms. Margaret Gordon (West Oakland CSC), Richard Grow (West Oakland CSC)

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## ROUNDTABLE: ENGAGEMENT OF NON-ENGLISH SPEAKERS, YOUTH, AND OTHER UNDERREPRESENTED CSC MEMBERS+\*

6:10

Each AB 617 community needs to develop processes that are inclusive and equitable. Participants will discuss effective strategies for collaboration and engagement with underrepresented CSC members, such as non-English speaking residents and youth.

**Resource People:** Nayamin Martinez, Lilia Becerril (Fresno), Estela Ortega (Fresno), Anabel Marquez (Shafter), Bryana Gastelum (Richmond Youth)

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## ROUNDTABLE: BEST PRACTICES FOR INDEPENDENT TECHNICAL ADVISORY GROUPS (TAGS) FOR CAMPS AND CERPS

6:10

Independent Technical Advisory Groups (TAGs) can help inform the development and implementation of AB 617 community air protection plans (CAMPs) and community emission reduction programs (CERPs). Participants will discuss examples of how TAGs have supported the use of innovative monitoring such as particulate matter (PM) and volatile organic compounds (VOCs) monitoring. They will also discuss how to best use relevant research studies within CAMP and CERP developments.

**Resource People:** Matt Holmes, Jesse Marquez, Jill Johnston (USC), Andrea Polidori (SCAQMD), Naama Raz-Yaseef (Richmond), Chandan Misra (CARB)

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## ROUNDTABLE: BEST PRACTICES FOR AB 617 COMMUNITY AIR GRANTS

6:10

Community Air Grants aim to provide support for community-based organizations to participate in the AB 617 process, and to build capacity to participate in identifying, evaluating, and reducing air pollution and exposure to harmful emissions in their communities. Participants will discuss innovations in Community Air Grants and how community organizations have supported other communities outside of the 15 selected AB 617 communities.

**Resource People:** Christian Torres (Comite Civico del Valle), Martha Dina Arguello (PSR-LA), Dalila Adofo (Greenaction), Rey Leon (SJV LEAP), Adrian Rehn (Sac)

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## PANEL 2: PUBLIC HEALTH & AB 617+\*

6:45

One of the primary goals of AB 617 is an improvement to public health. This panel will identify strategies through which AB 617 can help achieve this goal, including the use of health-focused strategies and health metrics to track their success.

**Moderator:** Dr. Venise Curry (Fresno CSC) **Panelists:** John Balmes (UCSF/UCB/CARB), Rachel Morello-Frosch (UCB), Anna Lee (BAAQMD/Alameda Public Health)

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## ROUNDTABLE: BUDGET & FUNDING: TRANSPARENCY AND PARTICIPATORY BUDGETING+\*

7:20

Budgeting processes during the initial years of AB 617 have created tensions between all stakeholders about what is being spent and how decisions are being made. Participatory budgets for spending AB 617 funds can be built by the CSC in partnership with air district staff. Participants will discuss transparency in budgeting and funding allocations as well as focus on successful participatory budgeting processes such as in several of the CSCs.

**Resource People:** Luis Olmedo, Dan Garcia (South Coast), Chris Chavez (South Coast CSC), Julia May (CBE) Alicia Rivera (CBE)

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## ROUNDTABLE: WORKING WITH LOCAL GOVERNMENTS

7:20

Collaboration with local governments is essential for the planning and implementation of community emissions reduction programs (CERPs) and AB 617 in general. Participants will focus a discussion on effective collaborative engagement with local governments, particularly on land use and transportation.

**Resource People:** Ms. Margaret Gordon, Janice Hahn (LA County Supervisor), Gabriel Gonzalez (City of Shafter), Kevin Krewson (CalTrans), Jessica Olsen (SJV APCD)

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## ROUNDTABLE: CHARTER FORMATION IN DIFFERENT CSC GOVERNANCE STRUCTURES

7:20

Participants will discuss the outcomes and best practices of community steering committee charter formation and different governance structures such as co-leadership models and other facilitation models.

**Resource People:** Christian Torres (Comite Civico del Valle), Martha Dina Arguello (PSR-LA), Dalila Adofo (Greenaction), Rey Leon (SJV LEAP), Adrian Rehn (Sac)

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## ROUNDTABLE: INNOVATIONS IN GREEN & ZERO EMISSION TECHNOLOGIES

7:20

Participants will discuss innovative green technologies developed by industries and community partners.

**Resource People:** Jesse Marquez, Salvador Vargas Sandra Berg (Junta de CARB) Ed Ward Cassie Lopina (CARB)

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## CLOSING REMARKS+\* BY JONATHAN LONDON

7:50

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DAY 2

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Wednesday, September 29

## OPENING REMARKS + \*

BY NAYAMIN MARTINEZ

5:00

Opening Remarks will be made by Nayamin Martinez (Central California Environmental Justice Network) to recap the themes from Day 1 and transition the discussions into developing a way forward together through the conversations in Day 2.

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## KEYNOTE: LOOKING TOWARDS THE FUTURE + \*

BY LIANE M. RANDOLPH

5:15

This keynote by CARB Board Chair Liane M. Randolph will present the agency's vision of how all stakeholders can support the future of AB 617, what is needed to support this vision, and how AB 617 can be scaled up for statewide impact.

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## PANEL 1: WHERE DO WE GO FROM HERE? + \*

5:25

Considering the many lessons learned from the first three years of implementation, this panel offers an opportunity for participants to envision the future of AB 617. This panel will include a discussion from CARB staff, the CARB Board member, Air District staff, and CSC members on action steps to improve AB 617 implementation.

**Moderator:** Martha Dina Arguello **Panelists:** Chanell Fletcher (CARB), Veronica Eady (BAAQMD), Davina Hurt (CARB Board), Christian Torres (Comite Civico del Valle), Wayne Nastri (SCAQMD)

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## ROUNDTABLES: INNOVATIONS IN CAMPS & CERPS

6:00

Participants will discuss innovations from AB 617 community air protection plans (CAMPS) and community emission reduction programs (CERPs) development processes in different community steering committees such as innovations in health and emissions reductions, community participation, and supporting economic opportunities.

### CAMPS

#### Table 1 +\*:

**Resource People:** Matt Holmes, Boris Lukanov, Kate Hoag

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#### Table 2:

**Resource People:** Aaron Rojas, Christian Torres, Pat Shelby

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### CERPs

#### Table 3:

**Resource People:** Jesse Marquez, Ian MacMillan

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#### Table 4:

**Resource People:** Nayamin Martinez, Ms. Margaret Gordon, Sylvesta Hall (Fresno), Jessica Olen (SJVAPCD)

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#### Table 5:

**Resource People:** Gustavo Aguirre Jr., Ed Ward

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## ROUNDTABLE: STATEWIDE / REGIONAL STRATEGIES FOR IMPLEMENTING AB 617

6:00

Participants will discuss developments and strategies for improved statewide and regional implementation of AB 617 from CARB and Air District representatives beyond the 15 selected communities.

**Resource People:** Heather Arias (CARB), Gregg Nudd, BAAQMD: Veronica Eady, Davina Hurt, Laura Cackette

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## PANEL 2: THE PEOPLE'S BLUEPRINT + \*

6:30

The People's Blueprint was built on the experiences of communities to define steps needed to achieve the goals of AB 617. This panel will highlight the key issues addressed in developing The People's Blueprint, which improves upon the 2018 AB 617 Blueprint. The discussion will address issues such as CSC governance, cultural competency, CSC budgeting, and mobile sources.

**Moderator:** Luis Olmedo **Panelists:** Ms. Margaret Gordon, Kevin Hamilton

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## ROUNDTABLE: LOOKING TOWARDS THE FUTURE

7:05

These roundtables will envision new strategies to improve the implementation of AB 617. Example issues include managing inter-stakeholder conflicts, ensuring on-the-ground positive impacts of CERPs, scaling up from community to statewide level impacts, and issues of environmental justice.

### Table 1 +\*:

**Resource People:** Richard Grow, Azibuike Akaba, Kevin Ruano-Hernandez

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### Table 2:

**Resource People:** Dan Garcia, Angie Balderas, Tania Pacheco-Werner

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### Table 3:

**Resource People:** Matt Dessert, Kevin Hamilton

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### Table 4:

**Resource People:** Gustavo Aguirre Jr., Ryan Hayashi, Gideon Kracov

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### Table 5:

**Resource People:** Catherine Garoupa White, Domingo Vigil

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### Table 6:

**Resource People:** Janice Lam Snyder Vincent Valdez

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## FINAL REFLECTIONS AND CLOSING +\*

7:35

The Final Reflection Panel will include a synthesis from CARB Board members, CARB and Air District staff, and a CSC leader on the lessons learned from the convening and how they envision acting upon the next steps.

**Moderator:** Jonathan London **Panelists:** Deldi Reyes (CARB), Diane Takvorian (CARB Board), Domingo Vigil (San Diego), Assemblymember Eduardo Garcia, Ms. Margaret Gordon

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