

1. Get the Latest on CARB Community Air Protection Activities on CARB's Environmental Justice Blog

- Interested in signing up for the CARB EJ blog where you can get the latest on CARB's EJ and community air protection activities? Subscribe to the [CARB EJ blog](#) through [this link](#). With this subscription you will receive an automated email with CARB's latest EJ and Community Air Protection Program news updates.
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2. Three CARB Data Tools Available to View Best Available Control Technologies and AB 617 Community Focused Air Quality Data

CARB OCAP has made available three data tools to view best available control technologies, AB 617 incentives projects, and summary of AB 617 activities.

- The [Technology Clearinghouse](#) identifies the best available control technology (BACT) and the best available retrofit control technology (BARCT) for criteria air pollutants, and related technologies for the control of toxic air contaminants. Included in this clearinghouse:
 - The [Air District Rules](#) tool allows users to search, view and download information related to current air district rules.
 - The AB 617 [Community Hub](#) is an online dashboard that provides visual summaries of key AB 617 efforts on community air monitoring and community emissions reduction programs, incentive investments, and enforcement activities in communities.
 - [Community Air Protection Incentives Project Dashboard](#), a tool to track incentives projects across the state and in specific AB 617 communities. Included in this dashboard:
 - A new [Stationary Source Permitting - Community Questions](#) webpage answers questions related to stationary source permitting raised by community advocates.
 - The [Enforcement Data Visualization System](#) is a map-based tool for users to visualize CARB's enforcement activities throughout the State, including field inspections and case settlements.
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3. Community Air Grants Funding Process Begins and \$10 million Expected Available for Funding

CARB's [Community Air Grants Program](#) will soon be requesting applications to help support community-based organizations and tribal governments to participate in the AB 617 process and implementation. Ten million dollars will be available for funding, which can be used to help communities build capacity to become active partners with government to identify, evaluate, and reduce air pollution and exposure to harmful emissions in their communities.

Request for applications will begin December 5, 2022, with the application deadline of March 3, 2023.

For the first time, Community Air Grants can now be used to allow communities to write their own local Community Emissions Reduction Plans, along with other types of projects such as:

- Community engagement and outreach related to AB 617
- Hiring consultants and/or technical experts

- Travel and logistical support for hosting and/or attending meetings related to AB 617 (i.e., room rental, meeting facilitation, transportation)
- Support for community operated air monitoring
- Data collection and analysis, including community based participatory research projects

More information available on the [CARB CAG website](#).

4. Dec. 6, 2022 CARB Workshop Focused on Program BluePrint Update and Selection of New AB 617 Communities

CARB's [Office of Community Air Protection](#) invites you to participate in a virtual workshop on December 6, 2022 from 4:00 pm to 7:00 pm on the AB 617 program. Two key topics will be covered in the workshop:

- Topic 1: An expanded outline of the [Community Air Protection Program Blueprint, 2.0, from 4:00 – 5:15 pm](#). CARB's Program Blueprint will be significantly informed by the [People's Blueprint](#).
- Topic 2: [Fifth annual community recommendations and selection process](#), 5:30 – 7:00 pm

There will be a short break in between the two topics. Members of the public are encouraged to attend all or parts of the workshop.

Join from PC, Mac, Linux, iOS or Android:

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/84286210619?pwd=bjlsRkFZZFhzaIRROUVidjc5dVVadz09>

Password: 208644

Or if joining by telephone, dial: (866) 390-1828 (U.S. toll-free)
Conference code: 274661

The virtual workshop meeting will be recorded and include English with Spanish interpretation. Meeting materials will be available before the meeting on the [Community Air Protection Program webpage](#), and available in English and Spanish. After the workshop, the workshop recordings will be available on the [Community Air Protection Blueprint webpage](#) and [Community Air Protection Program Selection Process webpage](#).

Questions:

For questions about the Program Blueprint Revision, please contact CommunityAir@arb.ca.gov.

For questions about the annual community recommendations and selection process, please contact Laura Z. Schmidt at (951) 542-3436 or Laura.ZSchmidt@arb.ca.gov.

5. Dec. 8, 2022 AB 617 Consultation Group Public Meeting

The AB 617 Consultation Group will hold their bi-monthly public meeting on December 8, 2022. More information can be found on the [AB 617 Consultation Group webpage](#).