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NOTICE OF PUBLIC WORKSHOPS SENATE BILL 375 REGIONAL TARGETS UPDATE PROCESS

The California Air Resources Board (ARB or Board) staff will host four public workshops throughout the State in September to seek public input on issues that should be considered before the Board updates the regional passenger vehicle greenhouse gas emission reduction targets (SB 375 targets) for the State Metropolitan Planning Organizations (MPO). ARB staff has released a Preliminary Draft Staff Report on the SB 375 Greenhouse Gas Reduction Target Update Process, posted at http://www.arb.ca.gov/cc/sb375/pre_draft_target_update_sr.pdf that identifies issues to be considered. At the workshops, ARB staff will present background information on the target update process, and will seek public input on the issues outlined in the preliminary draft staff report. ARB staff will consider all input received at these workshops before preparing a revised staff report with recommendations for target updates. The revised staff report and recommendations will be presented to the Board at a public meeting in October 2014.

Workshop Locations

All workshops will follow the same format and presentation, and the draft workshop agenda is available at http://www.arb.ca.gov/cc/sb375/meetings/target_update_workshop_agenda.pdf.

The four public workshops will be held at the following locations:

Date and Time	Public Workshop Location
Sept. 9, 2014 1:30pm – 3:30pm	San Joaquin Valley Air Pollution Control District Governing Board Room 1990 East Gettysburg Ave, Fresno, CA 93726
Sept. 11, 2014 1:30pm – 3:30pm	South Coast Air Quality Management District Conference Room GB 21865 Copley Drive, Diamond Bar, CA 91765
Sept. 17, 2014 1:30pm – 3:30pm	California Environmental Protection Agency Coastal Hearing Room – 2nd Floor 1001 I Street, Sacramento, CA 95814 This workshop will be webcast, available at: http://www.calepa.ca.gov/broadcast/?BDO=1
Sept. 18, 2014 1:30pm – 3:30pm	Southern California Association of Governments Policy Committee Conference Room A 818 West 7 th Street, 12 th Floor Los Angeles, CA 90017

For those unable to attend in person, the Sacramento workshop will be webcast, and can be accessed on the day of the workshop at: <http://www.calepa.ca.gov/broadcast/?BDO=1>. Webcast participants will be able to send questions or comments to coastalm@calepa.ca.gov.

Notices for Future Meetings and Materials: If you would like to receive notices of future meetings and the availability of materials, please sign up for our list serve at: http://www.arb.ca.gov/listserv/listserv_ind.php?listname=sb375.

Background

Senate Bill 375 (SB 375), the Sustainable Communities and Climate Protection Act of 2008, requires MPOs to add a Sustainable Communities Strategy (SCS) to their Regional Transportation Plans. The SCS is designed to better integrate land use and transportation policies to meet long term sustainability goals. To help guide these regional planning efforts, ARB is required to establish regional greenhouse gas emission reduction targets for 2020 and 2035. Initial targets for the MPO regions were established in 2010.

ARB is required to update the targets at least every eight years, and may revise them every four years. In January 2014, the Board directed ARB staff to conduct additional public outreach with stakeholders on a methodology for updating the targets, and return to the Board in October 2014 for a discussion about the process for updating the targets. In August 2014, ARB staff released a preliminary draft staff report that identifies numerous policy and technical considerations for a future target update. Public workshops are scheduled for September 2014 to discuss the preliminary draft staff report and seek additional public input on a future target update.

Public input from the September 2014 public workshops will be incorporated into a revised staff report, which will be publicly available before it is presented to the Board in October at a regularly scheduled Board meeting.

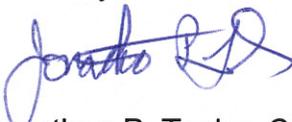
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We encourage your participation and look forward to your input. For any questions regarding these workshops, please contact Terry Roberts, Manager of the Sustainable Communities Policy and Planning Section at Terry.Roberts@arb.ca.gov or call (626) 450-6182.

More information about ARB's SB375 program, including the initial target setting process, is available at <http://www.arb.ca.gov/cc/sb375/sb375.htm>.

Sincerely,



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