

REQUEST FOR PUBLIC INPUT ON SENATE BILL 150 EFFORTS TO MONITOR AND SUPPORT IMPLEMENTATION OF SENATE BILL 375 EFFORTS TO REDUCE GREENHOUSE GAS EMISSIONS

The California Air Resources Board (CARB or Board) staff request public input on its ongoing efforts to report on the implementation of the Sustainable Communities and Climate Protection Act of 2008 (Senate Bill 375, SB 375, Chapter 728, Statutes of 2008), as required under Senate Bill 150 (SB 150, Chapter 646, Statutes of 2017).

Background

Under SB 150, CARB must assess the progress made by each metropolitan planning organization (MPO) in meeting the regional greenhouse gas emissions reduction targets set by the Board. By September 1, 2018, and every four years thereafter, CARB must provide a report to the Assembly Committee on Transportation and the Assembly Committee on Natural Resources, and to the Senate Committee on Transportation and Housing and the Senate Committee on Environmental Quality.

The report shall include (a) changes to greenhouse gas emissions in each region, (b) data-supported metrics for the strategies utilized to meet the targets, (c) best practices and (d) challenges faced by the metropolitan planning organizations in meeting the targets, including (e) the effect of State policies and funding.

Request for Input

CARB staff is seeking stakeholder input on both the metrics for monitoring regional progress and the larger questions about best practices, challenges, and State impact. CARB has produced a [draft list of metrics to monitor regional progress](#) and posted this to our webpage. CARB invites input on these questions:

- (1) What has been the most important progress to occur under SB 375 and/or the area where progress is most falling short?
- (2) What metrics should CARB track to convey and monitor progress on strategies utilized to meet SB 375 climate goals, especially any items noted in response to question (1), and to ensure that this work is advancing important health, equity, and conservation co-benefits? What comments do you have on the draft list of metrics?
- (3) CARB is seeking to identify best practices in regional planning practice and leadership. What best practices should be highlighted to encourage their broader adoption by other Metropolitan Planning Organizations (MPOs) around the state? In particular, we would like to highlight best practices in regional RTP/SCS planning, and in MPOs' work to support plan implementation.

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- (4) What challenges to further progress under SB 375 should CARB highlight for the Legislature? Are there strategies that CARB or MPOs could utilize to help overcome those challenges?
- (5) What impact have State policies and funding had on the implementation of SB 375?
- (6) Do you have any other comments?

Comments can be provided by emailing SustainableCommunities@arb.ca.gov by close of business on May 18, 2018.

Further inquiries regarding this item should be directed to Lezlie Kimura Szeto, Manager of the Sustainable Communities Policy and Planning Section at (916) 327-5985 or Carey Knecht, Air Pollution Specialist, at (916) 322-7071.

CARB staff will look to incorporate feedback received into its efforts and anticipates providing an opportunity to discuss its progress at public meetings across the State in late June 2018.

Thank you