



CARB CMO Testimony - LACI [November 17, 2022]

I am addressing the Board on behalf of the Los Angeles Cleantech Incubator, and thank you for the opportunity to provide comment on the [Fiscal Year 2022-23 Funding Plan for Clean Transportation Incentives accompanied by Proposed Carl Moyer Program Changes](#).

We strongly support the proposed [continued investment for community-identified Clean Mobility Options](#) and urge you to approve additional funding for insurance premiums. The Clean Mobility Options projects are an essential tool in equitably transforming California's transportation system to zero emissions in order to achieve the state's air pollution and climate goals.

LACI is working to ensure that the Los Angeles region meets aggressive goals for the transition to transportation electrification by 2028. Specifically, we are aiming for 30 percent of all light-duty passenger vehicles in the region to be zero emission and shifting over 20 percent of all trips in single occupancy vehicles to zero emission public and active transit by 2028.

Increasing the funding for the Clean Mobility Options projects will allow each voucher awardee to focus on low-income, vulnerable, and disadvantaged communities. The CARB required insurance coverage is negatively impacting the ability to serve the most vulnerable to climate change. It has been LACI's experience that the insurance premium cost dramatically cuts into the provided voucher amount. The CARB CMO Rancho San Pedro e-Bike Library annual insurance premium is \$68,000 for a fleet of 20 e-bikes. This is over 75% of the operating budget for a two year program. Ultimately, insurance cost is a barrier to implementing a sustainable and scalable solution.

We strongly urge you to support the Funding Plan for Clean Transportation Incentives with the proposed amendments for additional funding to cover the costly insurance premiums and we stand ready to work with you to ensure the success of the Clean Mobility Options Projects and a zero emissions future.

Sincerely,

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