



**AB 617 Portside Community Steering Committee  
Meeting Agenda + NOTES**

**4/25/2023**

**5:00 pm - 7:00 pm**

**Virtual Meeting via Zoom**

**[Click here for meeting materials](#)**

**Meeting Objectives**

- Receive updates on San Diego County Air Pollution Control District's (SDAPCD) the Clean Air for All incentive funding and Portside Air Quality Improvement and Relief (PAIR) Programs [*Portside Community Emissions Reduction Plan (CERP) Actions B1, B3, B4*]
- Discuss California Air Resources Board's (CARB) Portside Air Toxic Modeling and Risk Assessment and Port of San Diego's Portside Health Risk Assessment [*Portside CERP Goals 5, 6, and 7*]

**Meeting Action Items**

- [Approval of 3/28/2023 meeting notes and April meeting agenda](#)

**Agenda**

- I. Welcoming Remarks (Chuy Flores & Ana Cuevas-Flores, Co-Facilitators) 5:00 pm**
- a. Review Meeting Objectives & Agenda
  - b. Roll call Community Steering Committee (CSC) members
  - c. General Updates
    - i. **Domingo Vigil** from the San Diego County Air Pollution Control District (SDAPCD) reminded Steering Committee members that the May Portside CSC meeting is scheduled to be in-person and shared they are looking to secure a location in National City. They also reminded members that a portion of the May meeting will be set aside for breakout sessions for subcommittees to meet.
    - ii. **Peter Nguyen** from the University of California Davis reminded Steering Committee members that they are still collecting [survey](#) responses from AB 617 Steering Committees across the state. Community representatives who respond will be entered into a raffle to win a gift card. **The survey is available until June 15<sup>th</sup>** in both [English](#) and [Spanish](#). Please contact Dr. Jonathan London ([jk london@ucdavis.edu](mailto:jk london@ucdavis.edu)) for any questions about the survey.
    - iii. **Phil Gibbons** from the Port of San Diego announced that funding for a shore-powered system at the National City Marine Terminal was approved at the April Port Board of Commissioners meeting. They also shared that a partnership of agencies and non-profit organizations have been working together to educate truck drivers at the Port about zero-emission trucks, upcoming regulations, and funding incentives. Lastly, they shared that on May 19<sup>th</sup> (Pepper Park) and May 20<sup>th</sup> (Cesar Chavez Park) there will be events in celebration of Maritime Month. Port staff offered the opportunity for Steering Committee members to receive an exclusive tour of the terminal on a separate date in mid to late May. Please contact Phil Gibbons ([pgibbons@portofsandiego.org](mailto:pgibbons@portofsandiego.org)) for any questions about Port announcements.
    - iv. **Sara Giobbi** shared that the Port of San Diego is taking public comments through Friday, June 2<sup>nd</sup> on the Draft Environmental Impact Report for the [NASSCO Floating Dry](#)



[Dock Replacement and Waterfront Improvement Project](#). Please contact Scott Vurbeff at [svurbeff@portofsandiego.org](mailto:svurbeff@portofsandiego.org) if you have any questions or comments.

- v. **Tim Garrett** from the San Diego Association of Governments (SANDAG) announced that the SANDAG Board of Directors held a meeting on [Friday, April 28<sup>th</sup>](#) to help inform the development of the 2025 Regional Plan. To learn more and get involved with 2025 Regional Plan development process please visit [this website](#).

**II. Approval of 3/28/2023 Meeting Notes and tonight's agenda** **5:15 pm**

- a. [Motion to approve March Meeting Notes and tonight's agenda with no changes by \*\*Martin Reeder\*\*.](#)
  - i. [Seconded by \*\*Maritza Garcia\*\*.](#)
  - ii. [MOTION PASSED unanimously](#)

**III. Update: Clean Air for All incentive funding and PAIR Programs (SDAPCD)** **5:25 pm**

- a. [Link to Presentation](#)
- b. [Kathy Keehan](#) provided an update on Clean Air for All incentive funding. **Eric Luther** was introduced as the new supervising Air Resources Specialist and shared an update on the PAIR program expansion. Steering Committee members and attendees participated in a poll to provide feedback on PAIR program expansion.
- c. [Questions and comments](#)
  - i. **John Alvarado** expressed support for the expansion of the PAIR program and shared the benefits of installing mini split systems.
  - ii. **Silvia Calzada** shared that they benefited from the program and suggested expanding the service area to be able to help other families.
  - iii. **Monserat Hernandez** also expressed support for expanding the program and highlighted the many families that could benefit from the program but have not been able to.
  - iv. **Nick Paul** also recommended more investment in the program to be able to expand.
  - v. **Maritza Garcia** asked if the expansion would include homes with multiple rooms that need more than one filter.
    - (A) **Eric** shared that providing multiple filters as part of the expansion is an option.
  - vi. **John Alvarado** asked if funding can be requested based on the amount of truck traffic in the area.
    - (A) **Eric Luther** responded that they are looking at multiple funding streams for the program.
  - vii. **Nick Paul** asked if part of the focus of the program moving forward can include schools in addition to residential areas.
    - (A) **Eric Luther** responded that it makes sense to expand to schools, libraries, and other public areas.
    - (B) **Kathy Keehan** added that they currently fund filtration systems to schools using AB 617 funds and can help pull together an application for interested schools.
      - a. **John Alvarado** stated that many of the schools he has worked at have air/heat systems that do not filter air being circulated in. He stressed the importance of installing these systems.

**IV. Discussion: Portside Air Toxic Modeling and Risk Assessment (CARB)** **5:55 pm**

- a. [Executive Summary](#)
- b. **Ping Di** from CARB provided a brief overview of the Air Toxics Modeling and Risk Assessment for the Portside Community in San Diego. Committee members shared comments and



questions on the summary document.

c. Questions and comments

- i. **Sara Giobbi** asked if CARB would release a statewide model soon that would allow the visualization of how air quality in the port compares to other areas in the state.
  - (A) **Ping Di** confirmed that the model includes the San Diego area.
  - (B) **Sara Giobbi** asked what the background cancer rate stated in the document is.
    - a. **Ping Di** shared that there are two values. One includes all the emissions in a cumulative risk. This number is not different in different communities across the state.
- ii. **Jack Monger** noted that on page four under question two, the second line should read goal number five. He asked why there is such a large change between what is resulting in emissions regionally versus locally.
  - (A) **Ping Di** responded that it is a result of different emission sources including factors such as freeways.
  - (B) **Jack Monger** asked if there are communities that have a greater impact from diesel particulate matter than others.
    - a. **Ping Di** provided more context on how local and regional emissions are calculated.
- iii. **Joy Williams** thanked CARB for conducting the health risk assessment to be able to move forward with goal setting. She recommended information from the assessment be used to set priorities. She added that if monitoring or other data sources show different emission hot spots, these should also be prioritized. Joy also highlighted the importance of including community participation even with state policies.
  - (A) **Ping Di** agreed with Joy's comments on localized hot spot impacts and state programs.
- iv. **Chuy Flores** acknowledged that the presentation was very technical and requested any additional questions or points of clarification be sent to the facilitation team.
  - (A) **John Alvarado** echoed Chuy's comment about the need for graphics and accessible information for the community.
  - (B) **Adrianna Hernandez** added that they are available to provide graphics and infographics that may be needed.

V. Discussion: Portside Health Risk Assessment (Port of San Diego)

6:15 pm

- a. [Link to Fact Sheet](#) and [FAQ](#)
- b. **Peter Eichar** at the Port of San Diego reviewed information on the Health Risk Assessment (HRA) documents shared with members prior the meeting.
- c. Questions and comments
  - i. **Sara Giobbi** thanked the Port for the accessible materials provided.
  - ii. **Monserrat Hernandez** noted that she did not see a record of trucks that enter and exit port installations and asked when this record will be made available.
    - (A) **Peter Eichar** shared that the port is currently working on a port registry that will be an automated system to get better data on trucks entering terminals. The goal is to have the system ready by the end of the year. They are in the process of updating inventory information.
  - iii. **Nick Paul** flagged that they were able to pass a comment letter from EHC that addressed points of concern with the Port HRA. He added that future HRAs should also include a projection for future growth.
    - (A) **Peter Eichar** responded that the registry would increase accuracy but they are currently counting all trucks that come in.



- iv. **John Alvarado** asked what the possibility is of opening an alternative truck route around Cesar Chavez Park to move traffic away from the park.
  - (A) **Peter Eichar** shared that this would be a great opportunity for the steering committee tour.
- v. **Silvia Calzada** thanked the Port for the clear and accessible information. She asked if there is a deadline for the updated MCAS.
  - (A) **Peter Eichar** responded that there isn't a deadline yet, but they are hoping to incorporate 2022 data into the current assessment.
- vi. **Phil Gibbons** shared that the Port is anticipating having a truck tracking system later this year. The system will be able to better understand the characteristics of the trucks which visit the terminals. And importantly the system will be able to measure progress on the number of calls which are zero emissions.

**VI. Public Comments (Chuy Flores, Co-Facilitator) 6:45 pm**

- a. **Adrianna Hernandez** from CARB shared that members had until April 25<sup>th</sup> to provide comments on the proposed In-Use Locomotive Regulation and Advance Clean Fleets Regulation in advance of their board meeting.
- b. Steering Committee members Jack Monger and Nick Paul recommended agenda items for upcoming meetings.

**VII. Closing Remarks 6:55 pm**

- a. Committee feedback on meeting, future agenda topics

**VIII. Adjourn 7:00 pm**

Next scheduled meeting is 5/23/2023 in-person at the Port of San Diego General Services Building location in National City.

# Portside Community Steering Committee Attendance and Vote Sheet

Date: April 25, 2023

Name	Affiliation	Present	Primary/ Alternate	Voting Item	Voting Item
<b>1. Keith Corry</b>	<b>City of San Diego</b>	<b>X</b>	<b>P</b>		
a. Shelby Buso	City of San Diego				
<b>2. Jack Monger</b>	<b>Industry (IEA)</b>	<b>X</b>	<b>P</b>		
a. Massie Hatch	Industry (Hatch Consulting)	X	A		
<b>3. Sara Giobbi</b>	<b>Industry (NASSCO)</b>	<b>X</b>	<b>P</b>		
a. Lydia Pellecer	Industry (BAE)	X	A		
<b>4. Sandy Naranjo</b>	<b>Port of San Diego</b>				
a. Phillip Gibbons	Port of San Diego	X	A		
<b>5. Tim Garret</b>	<b>SANDAG</b>	<b>X</b>	<b>P</b>		
a. Mariela Rodriguez	SANDAG	X	A		
<b>6. Nick Paul</b>	<b>EHC</b>	<b>X</b>	<b>P</b>		
a. Joy Williams	EHC	X	A		
<b>7. Martin Reeder</b>	<b>National City</b>	<b>X</b>	<b>P</b>		
a. David Welch	National City				
<b>8. Roman Partida-Lopez</b>	<b>The Greenlining Institute</b>	<b>X</b>	<b>P</b>		
<b>9. Stephanie Yoon</b>	<b>Medical Expert</b>	<b>X</b>	<b>P</b>		
<b>10. Diane Vermeulen</b>	<b>CALTRANS</b>	<b>X</b>	<b>P</b>		
<b>11. Samantha Lui</b>	<b>U.S. Navy</b>	<b>X</b>	<b>P</b>		
a. Helen K. Haase	US Navy				
<b>12. Dinah Willier</b>	<b>SDG&amp;E</b>	<b>X</b>	<b>P</b>		
a. Liana Rios	SDG&E				
<b>13. Philomena Marino</b>	<b>Community</b>	<b>X</b>	<b>P</b>		
<b>14. Janice Luna Reynoso</b>	<b>Mothers Out Front</b>				
<b>15. John Alvarado</b>	<b>Community</b>	<b>X</b>	<b>P</b>		
<b>16. Hilary Medina</b>	<b>Community</b>				
<b>17. Alicia Sanchez</b>	<b>Community</b>	<b>X</b>	<b>P</b>		
<b>18. Margarita Moreno</b>	<b>Community</b>	<b>X</b>	<b>P</b>		

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19. Nahomi Sanchez	Community				
20. Vanessa Contreras	Community	X	P		
21. Salvador Razo Abrica	Union Representative	X	P		
22. Monserrat Hernandez	Community	X	P		
23. Silvia Calzada	Community	X	P		
24. Ashley Valentin Gonzalez	Community	X	P		
25. Josephine Talamantez	Community	X	P		
26. Maritza Garcia	Community	X	P		
	<b>Total Primary</b> (Total Alternate)	22 (5)			
	<b>Hand Vote Aye</b>				
	<b>Hand Vote Nay</b>				
	<b>Hand Vote Abstain</b>				
	<b>Roll Call Vote Aye</b>				
	<b>Roll Call Vote Nay</b>				
	<b>Roll Call Vote Abstain</b>				