



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

10/24/2023

5:00 pm - 7:00 pm

Virtual Meeting via Zoom

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Meeting Objectives

- Receive an update and provide feedback on the San Diego Association of Governments' (SANDAG) draft Regional Medium-Duty & Heavy-Duty Zero Emission Vehicle (ZEV) Blueprint.
- Learn about the Port of San Diego and Environmental Health Coalition's (EHC) small truck fleet outreach efforts.
- Discuss initial concepts and receive feedback regarding a potential Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between the San Diego County Air Pollution Control District (SDAPCD) and the Port of San Diego for indirect source emissions.

Meeting Action Items

- [Approval of 9/26/2023 meeting notes and October meeting agenda](#)

Agenda

- I. Welcoming Remarks (Ana Cuevas-Flores and Chuy Flores, Co-Facilitators) 5:00 pm**
 - a. Review Meeting Objectives & Agenda
 - b. Roll call Community Steering Committee (CSC) members
 - c. General Updates
 - i. The Facilitation team welcomed the Port of San Diego's new primary representative, **Lesley Nishihira**, to the Portside Committee. Phil Gibbons will continue as the alternative representative for the Port of San Diego.
 - ii. The San Diego Air Control Pollution District (SDAPCD) shared that staff is considering the feedback they received from the AB 617 Community Air Protection Program funding presentation that took place at last month's CSC meeting and are working on gathering information from other communities and their air quality conditions, projects, and funding to present to the CSC at a future meeting.
- II. Approval of 9/26/2023 Meeting Notes and tonight's agenda 5:15 pm**
 - a. Motion to approve September Meeting Notes and tonight's agenda with an amendment to the notes by **Maritza Garcia**.
 - i. Seconded by **Tim Garret**
 - b. MOTION PASSED unanimously
- III. Update and Discussion: Draft Regional Medium-Duty & Heavy-Duty ZEV Blueprint (SANDAG & EHC) 5:20 pm**
 - a. [Link to presentation](#)
 - b. SANDAG and Environmental Health Coalition (EHC) staff provided an update on SANDAG's Regional Medium-Duty and Heavy-Duty Zero Emission Vehicle (ZEV) blueprint and solicited feedback on the blueprint's potential impact and equity efforts for preparing for the region's transition to zero emission trucks.



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c. Questions and comments

- i. **Jack Monger** asked if SANDAG has data regarding the quantity of truck traffic that is associated with either specific warehouse locations or clusters of warehouse locations.
 1. **Natasha Dulik** responded that SANDAG is looking into beginning to cite some of the that specific data but right now they do not have that type of information.
 2. **Diane Takvorian** added that mostly heavy-duty trucks serve the warehouses in the map and that the larger the warehouse the more trucks there are.
- ii. **Janice L. Reynoso** raised the concern regarding the unknown threats and safety hazards hydrogen fueling stations may pose and suggested that SANDAG ensures that the stations are not going to be near community facilities and vulnerable communities.
 1. **Natasha Dulik** responded that within the report SANDAG has noted safety concerns and best practices and they will work closely with the community to determine location. SANDAG's implementation strategies report talks more about hydrogen safety concerns.
- iii. **Montserrat Hernandez** asked whether the strategy ensures that electric charging station are located throughout the entire region and community and raised concerns about the hydrogen stations and potential consequences.
 1. **Natasha Dulik** responded that SANDAG is looking at implementing the charging infrastructure equitably across the county and welcome feedback on the hydrogen stations.
- iv. **Keith Corry** commented that the City of San Diego and the Port of San Diego are having discussions on analyzing what will be needed to equip the city and state roads in preparations of increased wight loads from trucks.
 1. **Natasha Dulik** added that SANDAG is working on looking at infrastructure needs as far as strategies go.
 2. **Diane Takvorian** added that CARB is also having these discussions and working at the federal level to address these concerns.
- v. **Dinah Willier** asked if SANDAG has identified locations/areas for the truck stocks.
 1. **Natasha Dulik** responded that they did not identify locations in the blueprint report but maybe in a different phase.
- vi. **Nick Paul** asked when SANDAG expects to release a report that gives an estimate of where charging stations are located throughout the County and elevated the concerns regarding the hydrogen stations.
 1. **Natasha Dulik** responded that they would like to release a report in the future but do not have a timeline in place.

**IV. Presentation: Small Truck Fleet Outreach Report
(Port of San Diego & EHC)**

5:40 pm

- a. [Link to presentation](#)
- b. Port of San Diego and EHC staff presented on their small truck fleet outreach efforts including the purpose of the program, strategy, survey results, and lessons learned.
- c. Questions and comments
 - i. **Bruce Tuter** commented that CARB would be happy to partner on any outreach efforts.



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- ii. **Josephine Talamantez** suggested setting up at the truck stops to reach out to independent drivers.
- iii. **Josephine Talamantez** suggested that the Port can possibly partner with the Department of Motor Vehicle (DMV) on specific targeting.

V. Presentation: Initial Concepts on Potential Port & SDAPCD MOU for Indirect Source Emissions (SDAPCD & Port of San Diego) 5:55 pm

- a. [Link to presentation](#)
- b. SDAPCD and Port of San Diego staff presented initial concepts regarding a potential Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between SDPACD and the Port of San Diego for indirect source emissions. They solicited input and answered questions from CSC members (See attached for Word Cloud activity responses). SDAPCD and Port staff intend to present preliminary concepts to their respective Governing Boards in December 2023.
- c. Questions and comments
 - i. **Maritza Garcia** commented that an important element is to ensure accountability in the MOU to be able to point back to and track progress.
 - 1. **Nick Cormier** responded that they are having discussions with both agencies on accountability and working on what this will entail.
 - 2. **Phil Gibbons** added that the MOU is an agreement to keep both agencies accountable and can report back to CSC as needed.
 - ii. **Nick Paul** suggested that the agreement includes commitments for new ZEV truck tenants.
 - iii. **Joy Williams** suggested regular reports back to the public and the steering committee as part of the accountability and transparency process.
 - 1. **Renee Yarmy** asked if there is a frequency that should be reported?
 - 2. **Joy Williams** suggested either monthly, quarterly, or every other month.
 - iv. **Montserrat Hernandez** asked what would happen when the agreement is not being met.
 - 1. **Nick Cormier** responded that they are still further exploring the compliance with the MOU along with deadlines.
 - v. **Tim Garret** elevated support for prioritized funding for the Port operations regarding cargo handling.
 - vi. **John Alvarado** commented that the community is concerned about the activity happening in the Port near Barrio Logan and most of the time the community is not aware of the activities happening.
 - vii. **Nick Paul** suggested that the agencies prioritize electrification.

VI. Public Comments (Ana Cuevas-Flores, Co-Facilitator) 6:45 pm

- a. Reserved for comments on items not listed on the agenda
- b. Each speaker is limited to 3 minutes

VII. Closing Remarks 6:55 pm

- a. Committee feedback on meeting, future agenda topics

VIII. Adjourn 7:00 pm



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Next scheduled meeting is 11/28/2023 tentatively in-person [location TBD]

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What specific elements do you think are important to include in a MOU? | ¿Qué elementos específicos cree que es importante incluir en un MOU?

30 responses



Portside Community Steering Committee Attendance and Vote Sheet

Date: October 24, 2023

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

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20. Nahomi Sanchez	Community				
21. Vanessa Contreras	Community	X	P		
22. Salvador Razo Abrica	Union Representative	X	P		
23. Monserrat Hernandez	Community	X	P		
24. Silvia Calzada	Community	X	P		
25. Ashley Valentin Gonzalez	Community	X	P		
26. Josephine Talamantez	Community	X	P		
27. Maritza Garcia	Community	X	P		
	Total Primary (Total Alternate)	(20) (6)			
	Hand Vote Aye				
	Hand Vote Nay				
	Hand Vote Abstain				
	Roll Call Vote Aye				
	Roll Call Vote Nay				
	Roll Call Vote Abstain				