



East Los Angeles, Boyle Heights, West Commerce AB 617 Community Steering Committee Selection Process

As stated in the CARB AB 617 Blueprint, the air districts will be responsible for convening a Community Steering Committee, which will include community members who live, work, own businesses, and/or attend school within the community. The Community Steering Committee for East Los Angeles, Boyle Heights, West Commerce will include:

12 people representing Active Residents

6 to 8 people representing Community Organizations

6 people representing Businesses, Business Organizations, or Labor Groups

7 (or TBD as applicable) Government Agencies and School Representatives

- All applicant addresses were verified to be within the preliminary community areas. The communities are described in the package that was approved by the California Air Resources Board, as is required by statute.
- Individuals who represent businesses that spanned multiple communities were asked to recommend local employees or representatives who work within the community.
- Government Agencies and School Representatives include local agencies serving this community that have complementary resources, programs, and expertise that would help further enhance the community plans. The CARB AB 617 Blueprint states that this category of members may include schools, city/county officials, land use planning agencies, transportation agencies, and local health departments.
- As stated in the CARB AB 617 Blueprint, “[t]he community steering committee will include community members who live, work, or own businesses within communities designated for focused action through community emissions reduction programs and community air monitoring, with the majority representation from community residents”. The percentage of residents on the committee will be calculated as the number of residents among primary members representing Active Residents or Community Organizations divided by the total number of members among Active Residents, Community Organizations, and Businesses/Business Organizations/Labor Groups.

Active Residents – 12 Total

12 total residents from within the community (preferably 4 from East Los Angeles, 4 from Boyle Heights, and 4 from West Commerce) will be selected to ensure balanced representation from all three areas. Residential applicants will be considered based on a variety of factors:

- Location of residence: applicants will be considered if they reside within the East Los Angeles, Boyle Heights, or West Commerce areas. If applicant listed an address outside of East Los Angeles, Boyle Heights, or West Commerce they will not be considered.

- Applicants should demonstrate strong and diverse networks within the community. Ideal candidates will specify their role or involvement in community organizations and networks, how they will communicate information to their networks, and provide additional ideas and suggestions to further contribute to the efforts.
- Applicants should demonstrate and clearly describe their interest in participating in AB 617 efforts, and in improving their community.
- Ideal applicants should have a history of past work in their community and being a positive force in their community.
- Diversity in membership: individuals selected will be able to reach a variety of diverse stakeholders and groups to communicate information to and from these groups.
- Each selected representative may recommend an alternate, who is another active resident in the same area within this community. The alternate will be required to submit an interest form.
- Late applicants will not be considered, unless an insufficient number of interest forms were received for this category.

Community Organizations – 6 to 8 Total

Community organizations will be selected to represent a diverse group of community interests and provide relevant expertise within their type of organization. In addition, community organizations will be considered based on the following factors:

- Greater priority is given to organizations that are located within the community, or organizations that have previous or current projects and community outreach efforts within the community, and represented by a member who lives within the community. Efforts done within East Los Angeles, Boyle Heights, or West Commerce will be given the highest priority, whereas efforts in other communities will be a lower priority.
- If there are 6 organizations represented, then at least 1 of the organizations must be represented by a primary member who lives within the community. If there are 7 organizations represented, then at least 2 of the organizations must be represented by a primary member who lives within the community. If there are 8 organizations represented, then at least 3 of the organizations must be represented by a primary member who lives within the community.
- The Organization should demonstrate having strong and diverse networks within the community by describing their leadership roles within the community, specifying involvement with their respective networks, and provide ideas as to how they will communicate information to their networks.
- The applicant should demonstrate and clearly describe their interest in participating in AB 617 efforts, and in improving the community.
- The applicant should have a history of past work in community and being a positive force in the community.
- Diversity in membership: Community organizations selected will be able to reach their members and various diverse stakeholders to communicate information to and from these groups.
- Only one representative from each organization may serve on the Community Steering Committee. However, the representative can designate one alternate from the same organization, who will be required to submit an interest form.

- Late applicants will not be considered, unless an insufficient number of interest forms were received for this category.

Businesses/Business Organizations/Labor Groups – Up to 6 Total

Business applicants must work or own businesses within the community as specified. As stated in the CARB AB 617 Blueprint, this may include the owners of small businesses, locally-based business associations, as well as larger industrial sources, as long as committee membership draws from workers or managers from the facility itself. Considerations for this category include:

- For this community, priority is given to representatives of the Chambers of Commerce (local business organizations representing small businesses). In addition, to have balanced representation across industrial sectors, we will invite one representative for railroads and one representative for labor.
- The applicant must be authorized to speak on behalf of the local business or organization. If they are not authorized, they will not be able to serve on the Community Steering Committee.
- Greater priority is given to businesses that are located within the community, as represented by a local employee.
- For the large businesses, greater priority is given to businesses that have a larger presence in the community relative to other operating locations outside the community.
- Applicants must demonstrate strong and diverse networks within the business and overall community by specifying involvement in organizations or other community or business networks, describe how they will communicate and collect information, and any other ideas or suggests as to how else they would contribute to the efforts.
- Applicants must demonstrate and describe how they will support overall AB 617 efforts
- Additional consideration is given for businesses who demonstrated leadership in adopting proactive measures or initiatives to reduce emissions beyond rule requirements.
- Diversity in membership: combination of small and large business representation.
- Only one representative from each business or organization may serve on the Community Steering Committee. However, the representative can designate one alternate from the same organization, business, or between businesses of the same sector (i.e., a rail representative can select alternate from another rail company on the basis that they will be representing the rail sector). The alternate will be required to submit an interest form.
- Late applicants will not be considered, unless an insufficient number of interest forms were received for this category.

Government Agencies and Schools – 7 Total or TBD, as applicable

Government agencies that can provide technical support and relevant recommendations to the community steering committee. This includes, but is not limited to:

- Public Health agencies, Health departments, or Environmental agencies
- Local Land Use authorities (e.g. City and County governments, Planning departments)
- Transportation agencies

- School Districts

Local schools will be considered as well, but if the school district is already represented, the school would not serve on the CSC.