Implementing Assembly Bill (AB) 617
Richmond-San Pablo Area

Community and Public Health Committee Meeting
June 20, 2019
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AB 617 Communities

Year 1:

Richmond-San Pablo: Monitoring Plan

West Oakland: Action Plan
AB 617 Community-Driven Programs

Community Action Plan

• Identify, prioritize, and implement emission and exposure reduction measures

• Must develop and submit emission reduction plan to California Air Resources Board (CARB) one year after the community is selected by CARB

Community Monitoring Plan

• Better understand sources contributing to disparate air quality impacts

• Initial monitoring required to start on July 1, 2019

• No formal requirement for plan submittal timing or approval
GETTING TO AUTHENTIC PARTICIPATION

- Multiple conversations to encourage participation
- Request for Proposals to find willing community members
- Offered direct assistance to applicants
- No community members responded
- Had to reimagine an entirely different process
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85 participants
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Six (6) meetings
11 participants

~12 meetings
~3 participants

~1 meeting
~85 participants

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11 community members, Six (6) meetings
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~12 meetings
35 participants
Six (6) co-leads

4 meetings
11 participants
1 meeting
85 participants
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Co-Lead Team

• Linda Whitmore, Santa Fe Neighborhood Council
• Naama Raz-Yaseef, Community Member
• Nain Lopez, West County First Five
• Willie Robinson, Richmond National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP)
• Randy Joseph, RYSE Youth Center
• Kate Hoag/Kristen Law, Bay Area Air Quality Management District (BAAQMD)
Steering Committee

35 members, 12 meetings
Steering Committee Balance

Total Steering Committee Members: 35

By sector:
• Resident/Neighborhood Group: 11
• Business/Industry: Six (6)
• Community-Based Organization (CBO)/Nonprofit: 12
• Government: Five (5)
• Education: One (1)

Members who represent residents: 18 (51.4%)
Steering Committee

Mapping Focus Areas
Focus Areas:

- Richmond Study Area
- Major Roadways
- Railways (including Bay Area Rapid Transit, BART)
- Richmond Harbor
- West Count and South Richmond
- 23rd Street Auto Body Shops
- Richmond Parkway / Goodrick Avenue
- Rumrill Boulevard / Market Avenue
- 7th Street / Hensley Street
What’s Next?

- Steering Committee meeting on June 19, 2019
- Begin initial monitoring efforts in July 2019
- Continue to prioritize focus areas and monitoring objectives
- Draft monitoring plan
- Community Summit in Fall 2019
- Identify near-term action
- Analyze data from screening and short-term studies to inform future action plans
Thank You!

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Update on the Proposed Youth Engagement Strategy
Why Youth?
Youth Engagement Activities

• Anti-idling campaigns launched by Spare the Air Resource Teams

• School presentations on air quality

• Air District tours

• Internship program

• School/Teacher grant funding
Spare the Air Youth Program

• Spare the Air Youth Program, established in 2010

• Joint regional effort led by the Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC) and the Air District

• Program strives to educate, inspire, and empower youth and families to walk, bicycle, carpool, and take transit

• Approximately 1.5 million residents under 18 years old
Youth for the Environment and Sustainability (YES) Conferences
Student Advisory Committee (SAC) Members

- Recruiting Student Advisory Committee (SAC) members
- SAC members will assist with Conference planning and outreach
- Two to three (2-3) in-person meetings
- Remote bi-monthly planning meetings
- Deadline to apply is July 12, 2019
2020 YES Conference Outreach

• Social media outreach

• Presentations at Teen Commission Meetings

• Spare the Air Youth Technical Advisory Committee

• Student Advisory Committee members

• Air District/MTC youth grantees

• Bay Area networks
Future Youth Engagement Efforts

• Ambassador program

• Scholarship program

• Curriculum review and development

• Trainings and workshops for youth and educators on “Air Quality 101”
Questions?