## East Oakland Community Emissions Reduction Plan (CERP)

#### **Community Steering Committee Meeting #29**

May 8, 2025



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## **Meeting Objectives**

 CSC members will evaluate Illegal Dumping, Workforce and Urban Greening draft strategies and actions

#### **Meeting Agenda**

- Welcome and Agenda (6:00 pm)
- CSC #28 (April) Recap (6:08 pm)
- Illegal Dumping Presentation and Questions (6:10 pm)
- Illegal Dumping Activity (6:30 pm)
- Break (6:50 pm)
- Workforce & Urban Greening Presentation and Questions (7:00 pm)
- Workforce & Urban Greening Activity (7:20 pm)
- Next Steps and Close Out (7:55 pm)

# INITIAL MEETING AGREEMENTS OR NOTES FOR PARTICIPATION

- One mic, one voice: If in person, raise your hand to speak. If on Zoom, use Raised Hand function under Reactions at the bottom of your screen.
- Have grace for ourselves and one another.
- Take care of yourself (Stretch, drink water and breathe).
- Mutual respect, empowerment and active listening for all participants.
- To allow everyone to participate, please limit your comments to a speaking time of 2 minutes. We will actively give reminders and alerts.
- 'Popcorning' or passing the mic method will be used to encourage participation amongst quieter CSC members.
- For any questions throughout the meeting: If in person, please raise your hand to ask a question. If on Zoom, in addition to hand-raising, you may also use the Zoom Chat. CBE and BAAQMD staff will be responding to your questions.

## COMMUNITY BUILDING

In person attendees are encouraged to interact with fellow participants during the dinner/meet and greet.

#### Virtual attendees, please type into the Zoom Chat:

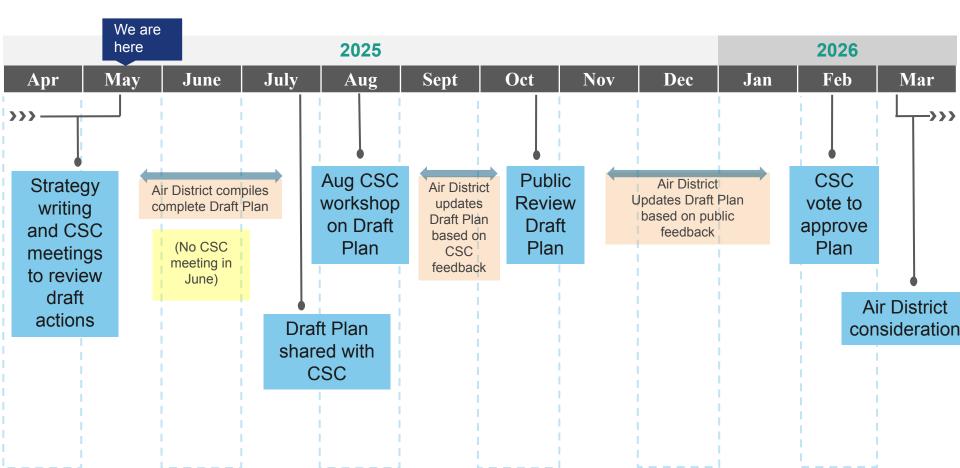
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- Your Pronouns
- Any affiliated organizations

**Community building on Zoom:** Use Chat and the Reaction emojis to inspire and encourage one another.

**Note:** CSC members, please raise your hand if you are not able to type into the chat and we will have you speak aloud.



#### **Proposed Plan Timeline**



## **April CSC #28 Meeting Recap**

Carly Cabral, CBE

## Recap of April CSC Meeting: Goals Introduction & Activity

- Air District staff gave a quick introduction on the CERP Goals timeline
  - The CSC visited Goals Part I in summer-fall of 2023
  - Revisiting Goals Part II for spring of 2025
- CBE and Air District staff led the CERP Goals Activity to finish the broad statements
  - $\circ$  When I think about the future of East Oakland air quality I see...
  - I hope that the CERP can address this community concern first:

## Recap of April CSC Meeting: Commercial and Industrial (C&I) Part II Presentation

- Air District staff presented on:
  - The Air District's air permitting process and how to get involved
  - What a health risk assessment (HRA) is and what the Air District models in order to show emissions of facilities that pose high health risks
  - Rule 11-18 one of the many rules & strategies the Air District uses to reduce Toxic Air Contaminants from stationary sources
  - Measuring air emissions
  - Measuring air quality

## Recap of April CSC Meeting: Commercial & Industrial (C&I) Part II Activity

- CSC members and other meeting attendees provided feedback on C&I Part II draft actions, including:
  - Subset 1: Air District permitting; health risk assessments; and updating the facility prioritization list and improving facility monitoring
  - Subset 2: Small commercial sources (restaurants, auto body shops) and empowering community members
  - Subset 3: Enforcement; the East Oakland monitoring project; and making data more accessible



# Expanding Beyond the Plan's Typical Actions: Illegal Dumping, Workforce Development & Urban Greening

Alicia Parker, Bay Area Air District

#### **AB617 Premise and East Oakland's Air Pollution Issues**

The AB617 program is focused on improving community health by **reducing emissions** from and **exposure** to **local air pollution sources** in the most impacted neighborhoods.

East Oakland was selected to prepare a Community Emissions Reduction Plan due to the presence of:

- Waste facilities
- Crematories
- Small-to-medium industrial and manufacturing operations
- Large warehouse distribution centers

- Oakland International Airport
- High-volume freeways and roadways (I-880, I-238, I-580, Highway 92)
- Truck routes
- Freight and passenger rail

#### Actions to Reduce Emissions and Exposure to Air Pollution

CARB outlines
typical categories
of actions to
reduce emissions
and exposure to
air pollution



CARB's Blueprint 2.0 Figure 7. Seven types of actions to reduce emissions and exposure to air pollution

#### **Expanding Beyond Typical Actions**

Illegal Dumping

Urban Greening

Workforce Development

Illegal dumping, lack of green spaces and economic factors such as unemployment all contribute to health inequities and cumulative environmental burdens.

The Air District's toolbox is somewhat limited in these areas. The draft strategies and actions focus on leveraging the work of other agencies and enhancing the CSC's role in advocating for important changes.



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# Illegal Dumping Strategy and Actions

Carly Cabral, CBE

#### Why Illegal Dumping Matters in East Oakland

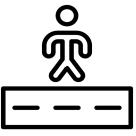


Hazardous to Public Health



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Increases Pests, Rodents, etc.



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Hinders
Walking
Accessibility



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> Unpleasant Smell

#### **How Did We Get Here?**

- Based on CSC's social pinpoint mapping tool, feedback we've gathered at CSC meetings and general outreach, we've discovered that many East Oaklanders' are concerned about illegal dumping.
- Researched best examples of mitigating illegal dumping, which programs the City of Oakland already has in place for illegal dumping and what other organizations and agencies are doing to address illegal dumping
- Held the Illegal Dumping Special Meeting in February 2025 to hear more about CSC members' concerns and for CSC members to hear from the Oakland Public Works staff and Oakland Planning staff about their plans for addressing illegal dumping

#### **Opportunities and Constraints**

- The City of Oakland has authority over illegal dumping; the Air District has indirect authority over some issues related to illegal dumping such as open burning
- There are current City of Oakland & Oakland Public Works (OPW) programs to address illegal dumping
- The City of Oakland's EJ Element seeks to address illegal dumping through 4 policies: Blight Control & Prevention, Proactive Illegal Dumping Cleanup, Illegal Dumping Enforcement and Community Education on Illegal Dumping
- The Air District, CBE and CSC Co-Chairs have worked with OPW to review illegal dumping actions and confirm which are feasible and within the scope of the CERP

### **Activity Instructions**

- We will have one large discussion focused on draft **Illegal Dumping actions**; the group will review all draft strategies and actions
- CSC members will participate in a discussion led by a facilitator with a notetaker and support staff
- CSC members can share your feedback through group discussion, Zoom chat, or using Google Docs



# **Urban Greening Strategy and Action Writing**

Samuel Garcia, Bay Area Air District

#### Why Urban Greening Matters in East Oakland



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Vegetative buffers

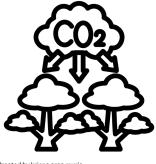


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Reducing urban heat island effects



Greenspace Access



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Carbon Sequestration

#### **Objectives**

- Resources for tree planting for cleaner air
- Vegetative buffers to reduce exposure for sensitive populations
- Advocate for park planning and urban greenway networks in East Oakland



Source: Screenshot of Mr. Charles's video exploring the intersection of environmentalism and economic challenge in E. Oakland flatlands; CSC meeting #28 slide 45

# Workforce Development Strategy and Actions

Nervana Fadle, Bay Area Air District

#### What is Workforce Development?

**Workforce Development** means providing the community with tools, training, and resources to develop the necessary skills to access and succeed in well-paid jobs and obtain lasting career opportunities.

 In East Oakland, it can be a powerful tool to tackle both economic and environmental challenges

Expanding clean and sustainable job opportunities requires a trained and resilient workforce. This will require partnerships with industry, labor unions, community based organizations and educational institutions, as well as local government and public agencies.

#### Why Workforce Development Matters in East Oakland



Economic and Environmental Inequities



Sustainable Job Growth



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Skill
Development
and Job
Training



Community Care

## Approach to developing Strategies and Actions for Urban Greening (UG) and Workforce Development (WD)

- Review of Other Agency's Plans
  - 2030 City of Oakland Equitable Climate Action Plan Just Transition
  - City of Oakland Urban Forest Plan (2024)
  - Ava Community Energy: Zero-Emission Medium and Heavy-Duty Goods Movement Blueprint
- Stakeholder Input and Collaboration
  - City of Oakland Urban Forestry staff
  - City of Oakland Workforce Development Board staff

#### **Opportunities and Constraints**

The role of the Plan in the Urban Greening and Workforce focus areas is to support the work of other agencies.

- Urban Greening
  - City of Oakland Tree Division faces capacity and resource constraints and uses local non-profits to support tree management work via use of grants
  - Opportunity to scope proposed Bay Area Regional Collaborative (BARC)
     program to bring funding to urban greening projects throughout region

#### Workforce

- Network of non-profits, educational institutions, public agencies engaged in building the workforce for green jobs
- Opportunity to engage with Oakland's Workforce Development Board

## **Activity Instructions**

- We will have three break out groups (one in person and two online) focused on reviewing draft Urban Greening and Workforce Development Actions
- CSC members will participate in a discussion led by a facilitator with a notetaker and support staff
- CSC members can share your feedback through group discussion, Zoom chat, or using Google Docs

#### **Next Steps:**

- 1. The draft Illegal Dumping, Urban Greening and Workforce actions Google documents will remain open for CSC members to add their comments until Thursday, May 15
- 2. Air District staff and Co-leads will review comments and integrate into draft Plan for CSC consideration



Fill out the post-meeting survey:

- English: https://forms.gle/B2SYLBNg6aUorF5u6
- Spanish: https://forms.gle/Du8m9thM85jyCy7p7

The next CSC meeting will be held **Thursday June 12, 2025.** 



