



West Oakland Community Action Plan

Steering Committee Meeting #10

Wednesday, May 1, 2019, 6:00 PM - 8:30 PM

West Oakland Senior Center: 1724 Adeline Street Oakland, CA 94607

Meeting Objectives

- Provide a summary of the April 3rd meeting, including evaluations
- Seek the Steering Committee's endorsement on the work that has been done so far:
 - Goal, Targets, and Criteria
 - Refined Strategies
- Review Blueprint "Checklist for CERP Evaluation"
- Discuss potential next steps for the Plan's Implementation

Meeting Summary

1. Welcome message and brief introductions from facilitators, Marybelle Tobias & Anuja Mendiratta. Facilitators shared meeting objectives:
 - a. Learning and applying: goals, targets and criteria.
 - b. Summary of work completed so far. Co-leads will ask Steering Committee (SC) members to endorse the refined strategies.
 - c. California Air Resources Board (CARB) has developed a blueprint for what should be in our plan - will review the checklist.
 - d. Discuss potential next steps for the Plan's implementation.
2. West Oakland Community Action Plan Status (Yvette DiCarlo, BAAQMD). Yvette provided an overview of: (a) what the SC has completed to date and what SC needs to finish the Plan by October 2019.
 - a. Air District is writing the plan based on SC's ideas and the control strategies that we've found consensus on.
 - i. Plan will include basic plan elements (identify pollution source, set goals and targets, identify control strategies) + additional elements required by CARB Blueprint (technical assessment, metrics, community profile, enforcement plans, community partnership and engagement).
 - ii. West Oakland Plan will also include:
 1. *Existing Plans*. Section describing how our AB 617 plan compliments and/or fills in the gaps left by existing plans, including the City of Oakland's Truck Management Plan and the West Oakland Specific Plan, and

2. *Funding.* Section describing funding sources and identifying strategies where funding is still needed.
 - b. Air District will release Draft Plan in mid-June. CEQA document has 45-day public comment period, but it doesn't apply to SC input on the plan directly. Co-Leads will hold an extra June meeting to capture early SC feedback on the plan. SC will continue shaping/tweaking/editing the plan.
 - c. CARB will host a board meeting in West Oakland.
 - d. Brian Beveridge (WOEIP) emphasized that the SC's guidance directly shapes all elements of the plan, including the technical assessment (what's being modeled), purpose and scope, and community descriptions.

3. Process: Review & General Agreement on Recent Work (Luz Gomez, BAAQMD). Luz congratulated attendees for their continued dedication to the process, especially the young people who are participating. Luz explained that the co-leads seek the SC's input and endorsement of the work done to refine and build on the strategies.

4. Presentation: Goals & Targets (Brian Beveridge, WOEIP). After reviewing the definitions of goals and targets, Brian shared:
 - a. Proposed Goal: "Protect and improve community health by reducing disparities in exposure to air pollution."
 - b. Proposed Targets: "Reduce local emissions and reduce cumulative impact in the most impacted Story Map Zones from modeled local sources for West Oakland."
 - i. By 2025: Zones are as clean as today's average residential neighborhood.
 - ii. By 2030: Zones are as clean as today's cleanest residential neighborhood.
 1. Pat McGowan asked whether the average and cleanest neighborhoods reference Oakland-wide or only within the planning zone area.
 2. Brian clarified that the current scope is for neighborhoods in the planning zone only.

5. Report-Out: Goals & Targets. SC members raised concerns about reducing disparity in West Oakland only in comparison to other neighborhoods within West Oakland, since the entire neighborhood may have lower air quality than cleaner areas of Oakland or the Bay Area. Goal should be to significantly reduce disparity, including other conditions. They also wanted more information about current pollution baselines to assess how aggressive (or not) the targets are.

6. Presentation: Criteria & Strategies (Allison Kirk, BAAQMD + Ms. Margaret Gordon, WOEIP). Co-leads refined and clarified the strategies. Broadly grouped by readiness: (a) Ready to go? (b) Policy changes are required? (c) A study or pilot project?
 - a. Ready-to-Go Strategies: under the Air District's authority to implement and are: (1) ongoing or (2) can be started immediately. Includes programs at another agency that has already agreed that the strategy is ready-to-go (CARB, City, etc.).
 - b. Policy Changes are required for strategies that will involve other agencies. E.g., Land

Use: City of Oakland, Tailpipe: CARB.

- c. Pilots & Studies: Either (1) we need more studies on the emission reductions or (2) we believe this strategy will address emissions or exposure, but still needs to be field tested.
 - d. Criteria: How to prioritize strategies for implementation.
 - i. Does this strategy directly reduce emissions or exposure to emissions?
 - ii. Specifically addresses a Zone?
 - iii. We will see progress by 2025?
 - iv. Is funding available now?
 - v. Is this technically feasible now?
7. Report Out: Criteria & Strategies. SC members suggested that progress be defined, especially drawing a distinction between progress in exposure/emissions reductions and progress in meetings held, etc. They also wanted to see all entities that will have to take action to implement the plan, along with the key stakeholders. They suggested adding criteria for political will, magnitude of reductions, whether funding is needed and likelihood of funding, and financial feasibility for small business owners.
8. Tools for Tracking. (Henry Hilken, BAAQMD). Henry described the ways that air monitoring and modeling could complement each other to track the success of our plans and actions. Also working with the health department to gather health data by zip code.
 - a. Brian added that a key purpose of tracking this plan is to push researchers to help us identify whether or not we are making progress.
9. Plan Implementation. (Brian Beveridge, WOEIP) Brian re-emphasized the timeline for the draft plan -- SC will have an opportunity to weigh in before the general public and continue to weigh in after the comment period.
 - a. 5-10 year implementation period (2025 & 2030 targets)
 - b. This group's experience, knowledge, and wisdom -- many of the groups here have been in many working community advisory groups/committees -- will help us learn.
 - c. We will need to have smaller collaborative bodies to think through these strategies.
10. Wrap-up + Other Items/Next steps. (Azibuike Akaba, BAAQMD)
 - a. Jonathan London, Independent Researcher, UC Davis, Department of Human Ecology described that his team will work with CARB to prepare a report evaluating how the AB 617 process is going and how well the community-voice was represented. Draft by next winter.
 - b. Attendees were also asked to fill out evaluation forms.
 - c. Next meeting date: June 5, 2019
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