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APPROVED MINUTES

Summary of Board of Directors
Mobile Source and Climate Impacts Committee Meeting
Thursday, September 23, 2021

This meeting was conducted under procedures authorized by executive order N-29-20 issued by Governor Gavin Newsom. Members of the Committee participated by teleconference.

1. CALL TO ORDER – ROLL CALL

Mobile Source and Climate Impacts Committee (Committee) Co-Chairperson, Katie Rice, called the meeting to order at 9:33 a.m.

Present: Co-Chairpersons David Canepa and Katie Rice; Vice Chairperson Rob Rennie; and Directors John Gioia, Lynda Hopkins, and Karen Mitchoff.

Absent: Directors Margaret Abe-Koga, Pauline Russo Cutter, David Hudson, Davina Hurt, and Lori Wilson.

Also Present: None.

2. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF MEETING OF JUNE 24, 2021

Public Comments

No requests received.

Committee Comments

None.

Committee Action

Co-Chair Canepa made a motion, seconded by Director Mitchoff, to **approve** the Minutes of the Meeting of June 24, 2021; and the motion carried by the following vote of the Committee:

AYES: Canepa, Gioia, Mitchoff, Rennie, Rice.

NOES: None.

ABSTAIN: Hopkins.

ABSENT: Abe-Koga, Cutter, Hudson, Hurt, Wilson.

3. PLAN BAY AREA 2050 UPDATE

James Choe, Climate Program Manager for the Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC)/Association of Bay Area Governments (ABAG) gave the presentation *Update on Plan Bay Area 2050*, including: long-range planning for a better Bay Area; Plan Bay Area 2050 and greenhouse gas (GHG) reduction; 11 themes and 35 bold strategies; strategies with high impact on GHG reduction; projected outcomes; Implementation Plan overview; revised draft implementation actions (EN7, EN8, EN9); and considering final Plan Bay Area 2050 for adoption.

Public Comments

No requests received.

Committee Comments

The Committee and staff discussed whether funding considerations have been made for wildfire risk, sustainable forestry work, vegetation management, or field and fuel breaks; concern that MTC/ABAG's models do not consider tourists' contributions to GHG emissions in various Bay Area locations; whether the proposed Plan addresses the future of the electric vehicle (EV) charging grid and charger maintenance; the level of engagement of the California Public Utilities Commission; projected outcomes and performance metrics for Plan Bay Area 2040, what was learned from that version of the Plan, and how that Plan's data will inform the development of Bay Area 2050; challenges of continuing to fund operations of existing bus services; and challenges of bringing EV charging to existing multifamily dwellings.

Committee Action

None; receive and file.

4. UPDATE ON CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT (CEQA) THRESHOLDS OF SIGNIFICANCE FOR GREENHOUSE GASES

Henry Hilken, Director of Planning and Climate Protection, gave the staff presentation *Update on California Environmental Quality Act Thresholds of Significance for Greenhouse Gas Emissions*, including: outcome; outline; requested action; background and context; land-use projects; stationary sources; land-use plans; feedback from focus groups; and next steps.

Public Comments

Public comments were given by Leah Louis Prescott, Rocky Mountain Institute; and Christine Wolfe, California Council for Environmental and Economic Balance.

Committee Comments

The Committee and staff discussed whether the elimination of natural gas in residential and non-residential buildings is already required within the California Green Building Standards Code/Title 24; and whether the Air District's proposed updates to CEQA thresholds of significance for GHG emissions are intended to address the retrofitting and decarbonization of existing buildings.

Committee Action

None; receive and file.

5. PROJECTS AND CONTRACTS WITH PROPOSED GRANT AWARDS OVER \$100,000

Chengfeng Wang, Air Quality Program Manager, gave the staff presentation *Projects and Contracts with Proposed Awards over \$100,000*, including: outcome; outline; requested action; Carl Moyer Program (CMP)/Mobile Source Incentive Fund (MSIF), Community Air Protection Program (CAPP), and Funding Agricultural Replacement Measures for Emissions Reductions (FARMER); Transportation Fund for Clean Air (TFCA); incentive funding awarded and recommended since July 2021 by revenue source, project category, and county; and action requested.

Public Comments

No requests received.

Committee Comments

The Committee and staff discussed tugboat engine replacements.

Committee Action

Co-Chair Canepa made a motion, seconded by Vice Chair Rennie, to recommend the Board **approve** recommended projects with proposed grant awards in excess of \$100,000, and **authorize** the Executive Officer/Air Pollution Control Officer to enter into all necessary agreements with applicants for the recommended projects; and the motion carried by the following vote of the Committee:

AYES: Canepa, Hopkins, Mitchoff, Rennie, Rice.
NOES: None.
ABSTAIN: None.
ABSENT: Abe-Koga, Cutter, Gioia, Hudson, Hurt, Wilson.

6. PUBLIC COMMENT ON NON-AGENDA MATTERS

No requests received.

7. COMMITTEE MEMBER COMMENTS

None.

8. TIME AND PLACE OF NEXT MEETING

Thursday, October 28, 2021, at 9:30 a.m., via webcast, pursuant to procedures in accordance with Assembly Bill 361.

9. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 10:58 a.m.

/s/ Marcy Hiratzka
Marcy Hiratzka
Clerk of the Boards