



San Pedro Bay Ports Sustainable Supply Chain Advisory Committee September Meeting Summary

Date: September 16th, 2020 | 11:00 am – 3:00 pm

Location: Via phone conference

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Meeting Summary

- 1. Review & Approve July Meeting Summary
 - a. The Committee members approved the July Meeting Summary, and it was posted to the Committee website.
- 2. POLA / POLB Opening Remarks
 - a. The ports reported an expectation of 2020 cargo volumes remaining approximately 10-15 percent below 2019 volumes for the remainder of the year. This is not expected to significantly impact their commitments to their environmental programs, and both ports said they will continue to enforce compliance among their tenant terminal operators.
 - b. The ports' 2019 emissions inventories have been finalized and indicate an overall decrease in DPM, NOx, SOx and GHG emissions during a period when cargo volumes had increased approximately 15 percent. The public report will be released in early October, and both ports will present on the results in more detail at the Committee's next meeting.
 - c. Representatives from Mayor Eric Garcetti's office stressed the importance of the committee remaining actively engaged in the ports' work on intersectional issues of environment, public health, and economic activity. The need for innovative financial mechanisms to meet clean truck goals were identified as a particular priority, and the mayor's office reminded the Committee and ports of the importance of coordinating with financiers and fleets in moving the Clean Truck Program forward.
- 3. Discussion Port Infrastructure Needs & Access to Funding Programs
 - a. CEC Commissioner Patty Monahan participated in a discussion of the Energy Commission's funding horizon for near-zero- and zero- emission technologies, and the ways that these resources can be made available to the ports. A number of the current programs end by 2024, and in the interim, they allow approximately \$100MM annually for clean transportation. The Commissioner observed that there is a need for leadership on medium- and heavy- duty vehicles which the ports have the opportunity to fill, and





recommended engaging with the Committee in the future when these programs are due for re-authorization. The Committee agreed that this would be helpful to ensuring that these programs are accessible to the ports and their stakeholders.

- i. The Commissioner pointed out that the Clean Transportation Investment Program (CTIP) is being adjusted to respond to near-zero- and zero- emission fuels more explicitly than in previous years, when it has instead targeted a broad diversity of non-petroleum fuels. This program's latest iteration is being proposed to the advisory committee in October, which provides approximately \$130MM through 2023 for medium- and heavy- duty electrification, as well as an additional \$20MM in public hydrogen infrastructure in 2021 and 2022 each, and \$10MM in 2023. The Commission is also making \$10MM available as a broad recovery fund, supporting community engagement.
- ii. The Integrated Energy Policy Report (IEPR) was also flagged for its focus on transportation, and an upcoming report on charging needs across the state, were identified as important resources for the medium- and heavy- duty sectors. These are due to be published in the next few months. The Commissioner suggested that it may be useful to present on the findings at a future Committee meeting, once the reports are published.
- b. The Port of Long Beach said that an agreement among regional stakeholders on the coordinated deployment of zero-emission fueling infrastructure is critical, and added that its initial work developing small-scale blueprints with terminal operators through demonstration projects has laid the foundation for pursuing master planning over the next two years. Funding remains a challenge, however, which must be met with planning grants and partnerships.
 - i. The joint ports added that resilience planning plays an important role in this work, and that they are engaged with their respective utilities to address shortfalls and solutions. The Committee advised that the Clean Transportation Coalition and the CEC should collaborate closely to ensure that a meaningful portion of the funds that are directed to transportation are used to support port corridor work, including resolving volatility in the price of electricity over the long term in order to reduce the investment risk of electric vehicles and equipment.
 - ii. Committee member South Coast AQMD agreed that planning requires attention to ensure that long-term goals are met, but advised that funding and policies supporting near-zero-emission technologies are needed now to meet air quality attainment standards.
 - iii. Mayor Garcetti's office noted that the ports' plan to reach its zero-emission target in drayage trucks is not as granular as expected, and recommended that the ports leverage an upcoming report from NREL and LAWDP to define their own plan in greater detail. The Mayors' office suggested that collaboration with a transportation electrification partnership as well as with policy and industry experts are important pathways to pursue.
- c. The Committee and the ports recommended submitting a letter recommending that upcoming legislation for AB1 has clear and comprehensive references to freight and port operations. GNA will develop a sub-committee to develop an initial draft for Committee review.





4. Update on CARB Activities (CARB)

- a. Joint CARB/CEC ZE Drayage Truck RFP (\$40M)
 - i. This solicitation is expected to be released between late September and early October and will not stipulate a funding split between hydrogen fuel cell and battery electric technologies. However, the agency disclosed that the CEC's portion of this program will target infrastructure and workforce training, while CARB's portion will target vehicle equipment, in alignment with each agencies' respective area of expertise.

b. ACT Regulation, and fleet rule

i. Two workshops will be held this fall to define the regulatory framework for the upcoming Fleet Rule, as well as the ACT Regulation's fleet reporting requirement. CARB advised that Committee share its insights on the role of beneficial cargo owners in fleet reporting so that they may be officially recognized and incorporated into the final program.

c. Low NOx Omnibus Regulation

- i. CARB identified this recently-passed rule as the agency's last opportunity to finetune its heavy-duty truck regulations. The regulation is expected to achieve a reduction of 23 tons of NOx daily by 2031 as well as notable reduction in DPM, preventing 4,000 premature deaths with a \$37Bn public health benefit over the program life. The agency measured a cost-effectiveness of the rule of \$5.45/lb NOx.
- ii. Responding to the Committee's question about expectations of OEMs meeting a prescribed standard prior to 2027, CARB said it is confident that manufacturers will remain committed to meeting the standards over the 2024-2027 timeline and that fleet purchases will ultimately achieve significant emissions benefits. CARB added that the technology changes proposed in this rule are comparatively less dramatic than the changes propose in the 2007 and 2010 rules, when low NOx engines were relatively new to the market.
- iii. The Committee urged CARB to move an in-use emissions rule forward to accelerate fleet turnover to the 0.02 g/bhp-hr standard, adding that incentives and funding are needed to move the needle in the near term. The ports noted that fleet turnover is an important piece of the meetings that they are currently having with CARB on a proposed drayage truck rule, but that these are focusing on achieving a fully zero-emissions transition by 2035.
 - CARB emphasized that budget constraints exist, and that their board is not currently stressing rulemaking for near-zero-emission technology in the next two years. However, this may not necessarily be true for mobile source rulemaking - that requires input from a different team within the agency.
- iv. CARB agreed to provide an update at the November meeting on the possible availability of mitigation funds from Daimler's emissions penalties.

d. At-berth Regulation

i. An interim evaluation of this rule will be presented to the board in December 2022. Under the current proposal, policies for container reefers and cruise





vessels are expected to be enacted in 2023; for roll-on/roll-off vehicles, in 2025; and for tankers, in 2025 in northern California and 2027 in southern California.

- ii. Terminal and port plans will be required in 2021.
- e. Harbor Craft Regulation
 - Public input received during workshops in September will be published, and these results will be shared at the next Committee meeting. The regulation will be brought to the board in mid-2021.
 - ii. GNA observed that this conversation will support an upcoming presentation on harbor craft emission control technologies, and recommended aligning that presentation with CARB's summary of workshop results.
 - iii. In anticipation of a focused conversation on harbor craft technologies, the Ports will provide a breakdown of their existing inventories and emissions in this category at the next meeting.
- f. In addition to the above updates, CARB stated that it is completing a comparative analysis of truck and locomotive NOx and PM emissions profiles over the next several years which will be published on/around September 21st, 2020, with a workshop to follow in late October. The initial findings suggest that trucks are cleaner than Tier 4 locomotives as they move closer to zero-emissions technologies, and the agency will be prepared to share specific results at a future meeting.
 - i. The Committee recommended reviewing these findings against the locomotive targets laid out in the joint port's Clean Air Action Plan (CAAP).
- g. The Port of Long Beach confirmed that zero-emission forklifts at the ports and railyards are covered by CARB's existing Cargo Handling Equipment rule.
- 5. Clean Truck Program Update (Ports)
 - a. The Ports will be hosting two port working groups on financing and infrastructure and rolling up the results to inform an upcoming Truck OEM Summit hosted by Mayor Garcetti's office. These will be presented as a plan to achieve the CTP's zero emission goals; a formal draft implementation plan is due for release this fall.
 - b. Responding to the Committee's request for clarification on the timeline for adopting a clean truck rate across the joint ports, the Port of Long Beach clarified that the port boards' approvals of a \$10/TEU rate was for planning purposes only. The boards' next step is to adopt an implementation tariff, with broader details of implementation.
 - i. The ports clarified that there is no rate delay, and added that they are integrating the recently-approved low NOx standard from CARB.
 - ii. The Committee asked the ports to clarify if they are adopting the State's standard as enforceable, noting that this is a deviation from the CAAP. The ports responded that the revision is still in draft form, and, that they can't speak to their boards' expected response.
 - c. The Committee expressed concern over the ports' lack of specificity around the rate's implementation, noting that it is discordant with the ports' recent reports of high volumes during a period of poor air quality. The Committee requested that the executive directors of each port participate in an upcoming meeting to address these concerns, citing a need for clarification in order to make useful recommendations.
 - d. Referring to the upcoming joint solicitation from CARB and the CEC (see agenda item 4(a)), the Ports and South Coast AQMD reported that they are moving forward with a





proposal for this program with two fleets deploying 50 trucks each, and incorporating onsite power generation and storage.

- i. The Committee recommended that it provide a letter of support once the terms of the proposal can be shared in further detail.
- ii. Emphasizing the important of transparency, GNA encouraged Committee members to bring forward any questions or concerns they may have about GNA serving in the dual roles of committee facilitator and applicant consultant on this proposal, at any time.

6. Clean Truck Fueling Infrastructure

- a. The Committee reviewed and approved the sub-Committee's draft recommendation (Attachment F), pending minor edits. GNA will circulate the finalized recommendation by email for final approval, and will facilitate onward submission to the target audience.
- b. To continue the conversation about on-road drayage and off-road CHE fueling infrastructure, Committee members will independently review available funding programs that may be used to support such projects and share their findings at the Committee's January 2021 meeting.

7. Next SSCAC Meeting:

- a. November 18th, 2020; 11 am 3 pm PDT
- b. GoTo Webinar

8. Conclusion & Next Steps

a. GNA will work with the appropriate Committee members to address the action items identified during this meeting, and with the ports to engage their executive directors for a future conversation.





Attachment A

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Attachment B

Meeting Agenda

- 1. Review & Approve July Meeting Summary
- 2. POLA / POLB Opening Remarks
- 3. Discussion Port Infrastructure Needs & Access to Funding Programs
 - a. Introduction Commissioner Monahan
 - i. Clean Transportation Investment Program
 - ii. Integrated Energy Resource Plan
 - b. Applicability to Port Battery Electric and Hydrogen Fueling Infrastructure
- 4. Update on CARB Activities (CARB)
 - a. Joint CARB/CEC ZE Drayage Truck RFP (\$40M)
 - b. ACT Regulation, and fleet rule
 - c. Low NOx Omnibus Regulation
 - d. At-berth Regulation
 - e. Harbor Craft Regulation
- 5. Clean Truck Program Update (Ports)
- 6. Clean Truck Fueling Infrastructure
 - a. Review Clean Truck Fueling Infrastructure Recommendation
 - b. Future Discussion Planning
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Attachment C Presentation





Attachment D

CARB Summary - Omnibus Regulation





Attachment E

Port Summary - Port of Long Beach Project Priorities





Attachment F

Draft Recommendation - Fueling Infrastructure