

16th Annual CCEC Forum

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Leading Together:

Collaborative Climate Planning at the Regional Level

Speakers



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Outline

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- **Beyond the Boundaries**
- **Bay Area Regional Climate Action Plan**
- **Collaborating Across Jurisdictions**
- **Facilitated Q&A**
- **Group Exercise**
- **Audience Questions**

Background & Context



- States, local governments, Tribes, and territories received federal funding to support climate action plan development
- California and 10 Metropolitan Statistical Areas (MSAs) in the state were awarded planning grants
- Grant deliverables include:
 - ☉ Priority Climate Action Plan (PCAP)
 - ◐ Comprehensive Climate Action Plan (CCAP)
 - ◑ Status Report



Beyond the Boundaries: Cross-Jurisdictional Climate Action Planning

Brianna Moland
Climate Change Coordinator
July 10, 2025



SMAQMD's Transportation and Climate Change Division

Authorized by CA Health & Safety Code to:

Protect public
health

Enforce air
pollution control
strategies

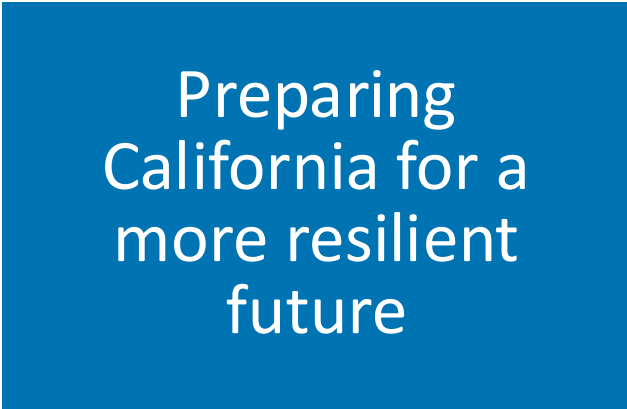
Promote cleaner
fuel and vehicles

Reduce vehicle
miles traveled



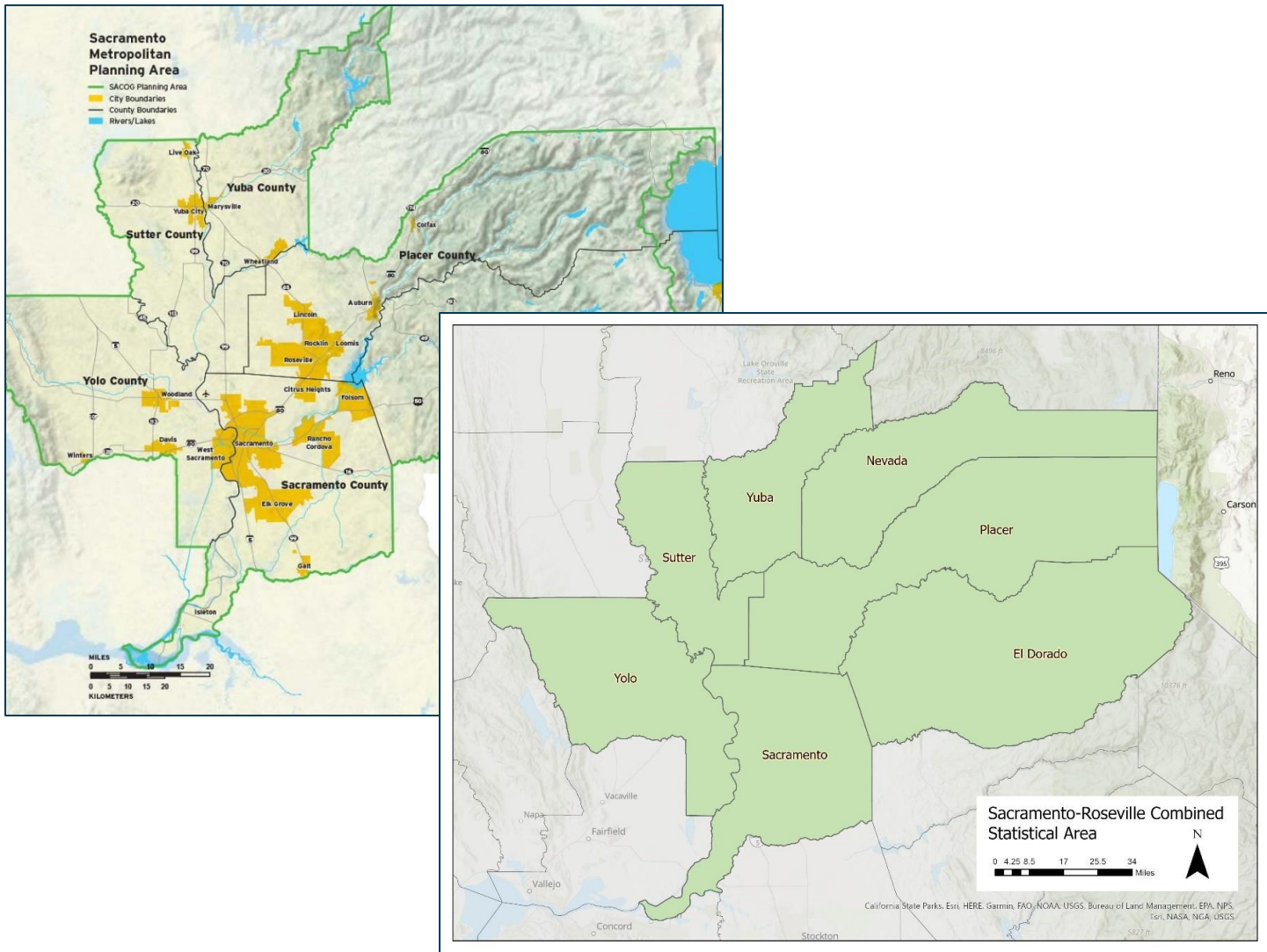
California’s Climate Goals

Entity	Interim Target	Long-Term Target
California	40% below 1990 levels by 2030	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• 85% below 1990 levels• Net zero emissions by 2045



Expanding Our Planning Area

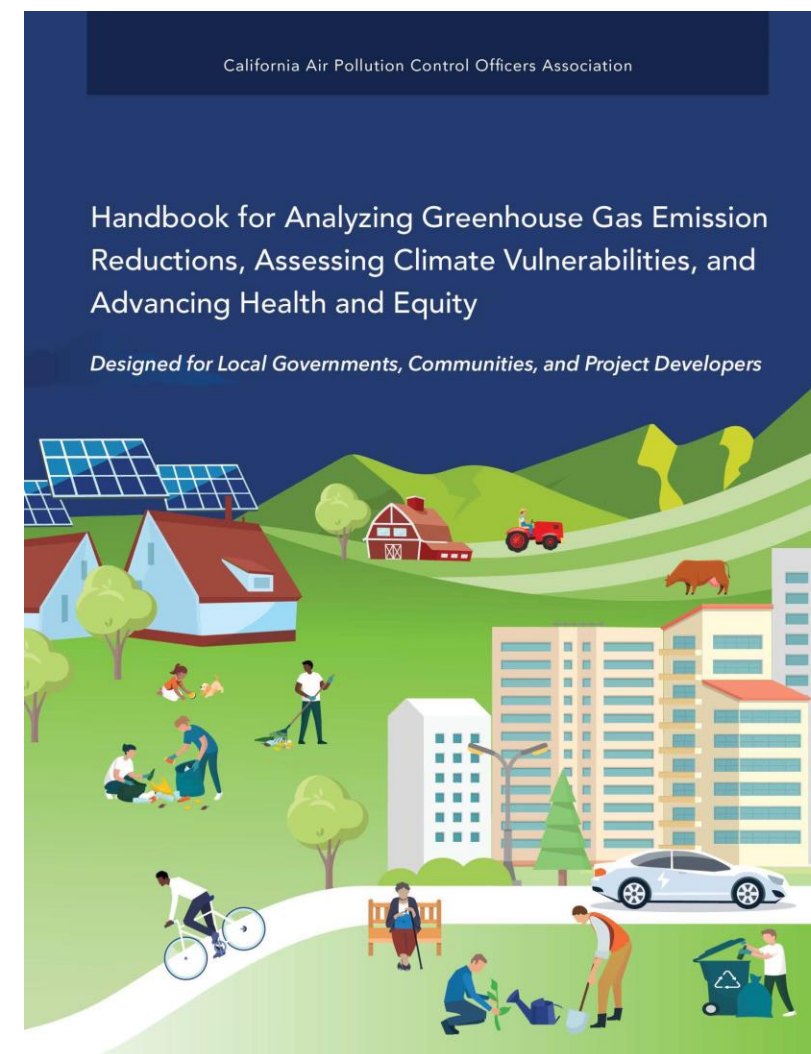
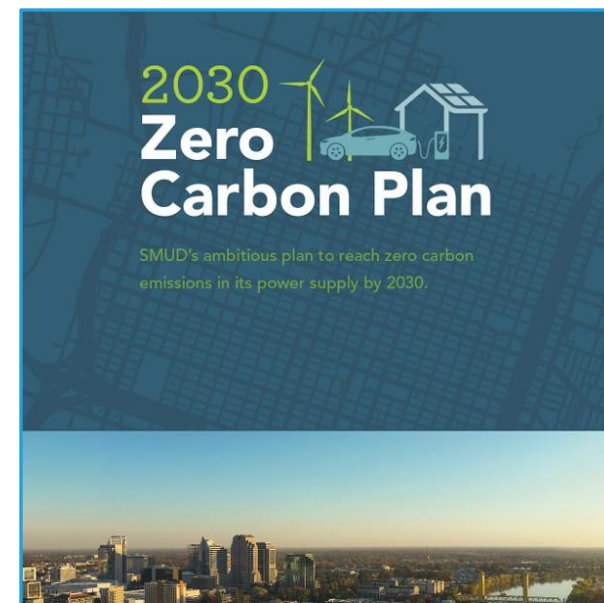
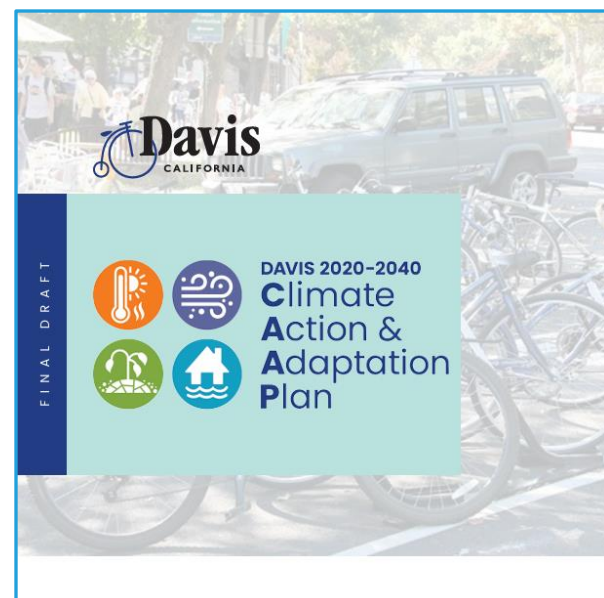
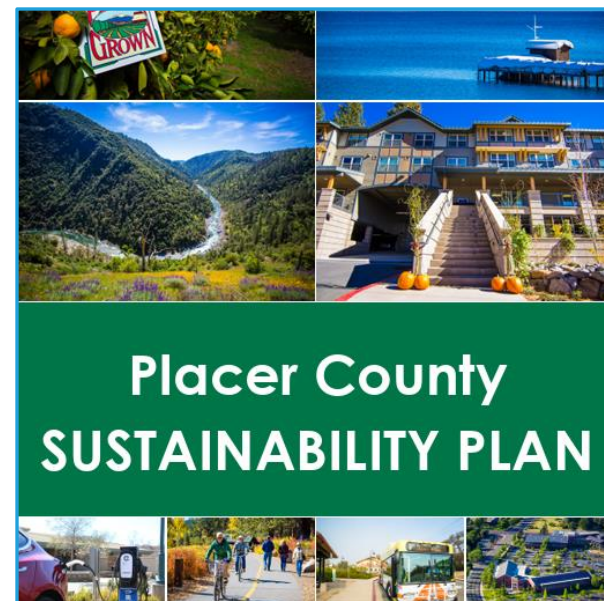
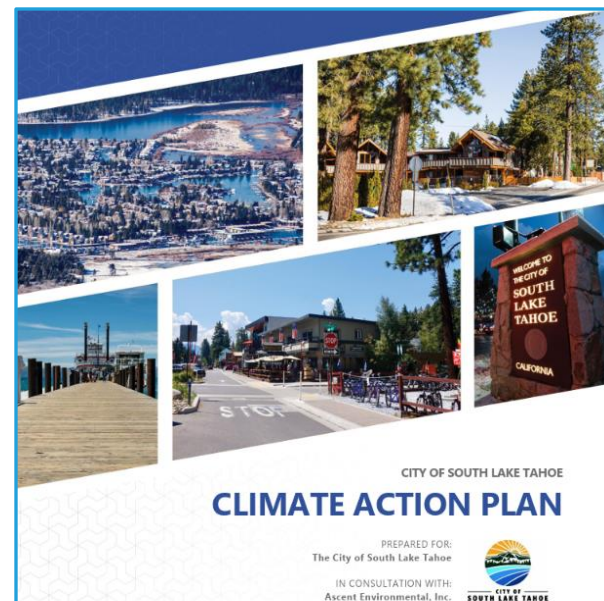
7-COUNTY PLANNING AREA



SMAQMD AS CAPITAL REGION’S CPRG LEAD

SACRAMENTO REGION CPRG STEERING COMMITTEE	
Lead Agency/Chair – Sac Metro Air District	
City of Auburn	Placer Air Pollution Control District
City of Citrus Heights	Placer County
City of Davis	Placer County Transportation Planning Agency
City of Elk Grove	Roseville Electric Utility
City of Folsom	Sacramento Area Council of Governments
City of Grass Valley	Sacramento County
City of Rancho Cordova	Sacramento Municipal Utility District
City of Roseville	Sacramento Regional Transit District
City of Sacramento	Sutter County
City of South Lake Tahoe	Town of Truckee
City of Woodland	Yocha Dehe Wintun Nation
El Dorado Air Quality Management District	Yolo County
El Dorado County	Yolo-Solano County Air Quality Management District
Nevada County	Yuba County
Nevada County Transportation Commission	

Leveraging Existing Resources



The **GHG Handbook** provides guidance on quantifying greenhouse gas (GHG) reduction measures that can be implemented by land use development projects and plans.

Building the Coalition

CPRG WORKING GROUPS



Active Modes



Building Electrification



Carbon Farming



Forest Treatments & Biomass



Infill Development



Public Fleet EVs & Transit



Solar Energy & Battery Storage

Funding the Strategies

Going Beyond Green: Cultivating Community, Connections, and Crops

Built Environment

Infill Development
(SACOG)

BE-1: Land Use
Improvements

Transportation

Mobility Hubs
(Sac Metro Air District)

TR-1: ZEV Adoption

TR-2: Public Transit
Improvements

TR-5: Transportation
Demand Management

Natural Lands

Carbon Farming
(Yolo County)

NW-4: Carbon
Sequestration Program





**California Department of Conservation's
Forest Biomass to Carbon-Negative Biofuels Pilot Program**

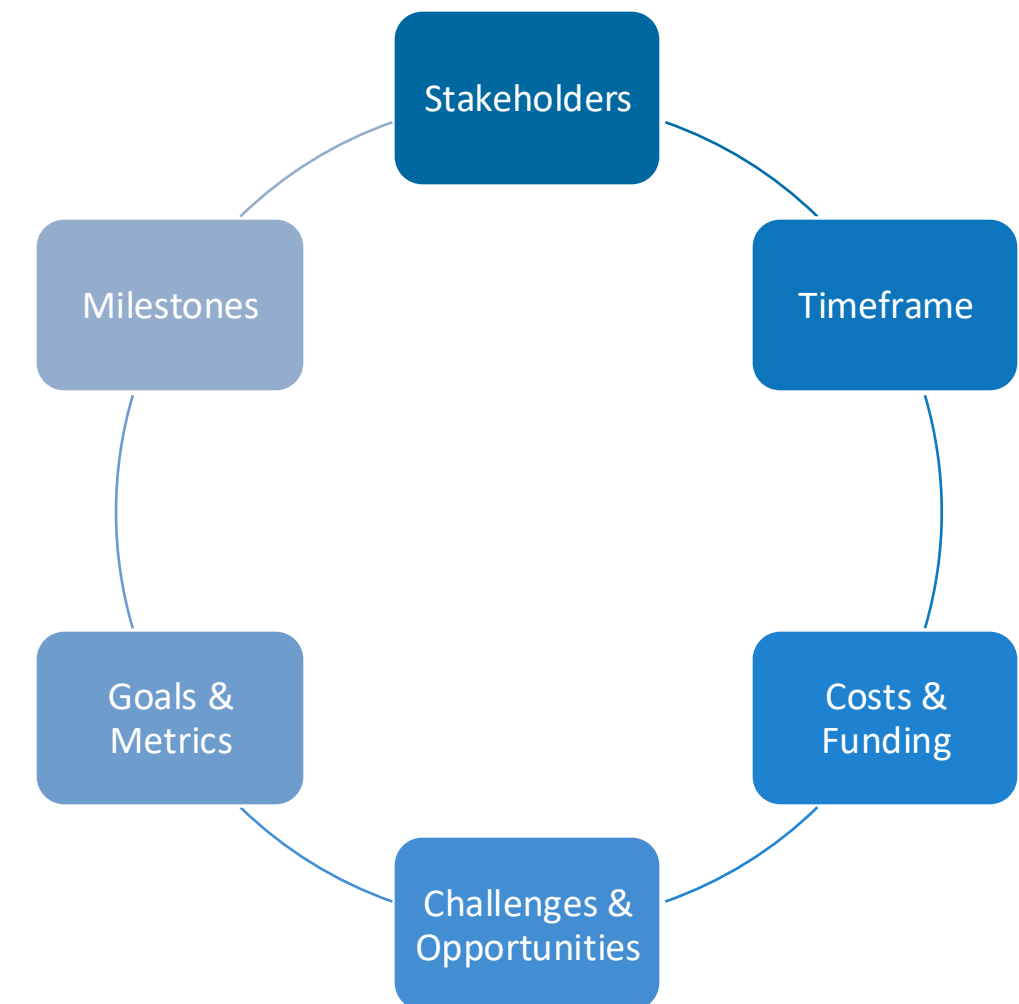
Statewide response for turning
biomass and agricultural waste
into biofuels under existing DOC
program

Equitable Implementation

PRIORITY STRATEGIES

Strategy #	Strategy	Strategy Summary
BE-1	Improve residential density 	Increase residential density by building more houses in developed areas and reduce driving.
TR-1	Adopt electric cars and charging infrastructure 	Use electric and hybrid vehicles and install electric vehicle charging infrastructure, including at multi-family housing and commercial areas.
NW-4	Carbon sequestration and carbon farming 	Establish projects to sequester and store carbon on ranches, farmlands, and forested lands.
BE-4	Decarbonize and electrify buildings 	Decarbonize existing buildings and new developments by promoting the transition from fossil fuel-powered devices to electric appliances and all-electric end uses.
NW-1	Wildfire resilience and management 	Lower the intensity of wildfires in forested areas by implementing fuel treatments.
TR-4	Improve pedestrian paths and bike lanes 	Improve and expand multi-modal transportation routes to encourage a mode shift to active modes of transportation such as bicycling or walking.
NW-2	Biomass Energy 	Locally generate (or cogenerate) electricity with biomass to displace fossil fuel-based electricity generation.
E-1A	Generate solar energy on-site 	Develop solar photovoltaic systems over parking lots, at locations such as schools.

IMPLEMENTATION ROADMAPS





Thank You!

To learn more about the CPRG program in the Sacramento region, visit:

<https://www.airquality.org/residents/climate-change/climate-pollution-reduction-grants>

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Bay Area Regional Climate Action Plan

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10 July 2025

*Jamesine Rogers Gibson,
Senior Advanced Projects Advisor*



Bay Area Regional Climate Action Plan (BARCAP) Initiative



Air District received funding from the United States Environmental Protection Agency (US EPA) to lead development of a regional climate action plan for an eight-county area (see map on left)*

Key deliverables include:

- BARCAP Phase 1: Priority Climate Action Plan (*submitted to US EPA on Feb 29, 2024*)
- BARCAP Phase 2: Comprehensive Climate Action Plan (*submitted to US EPA December 1, 2025*)

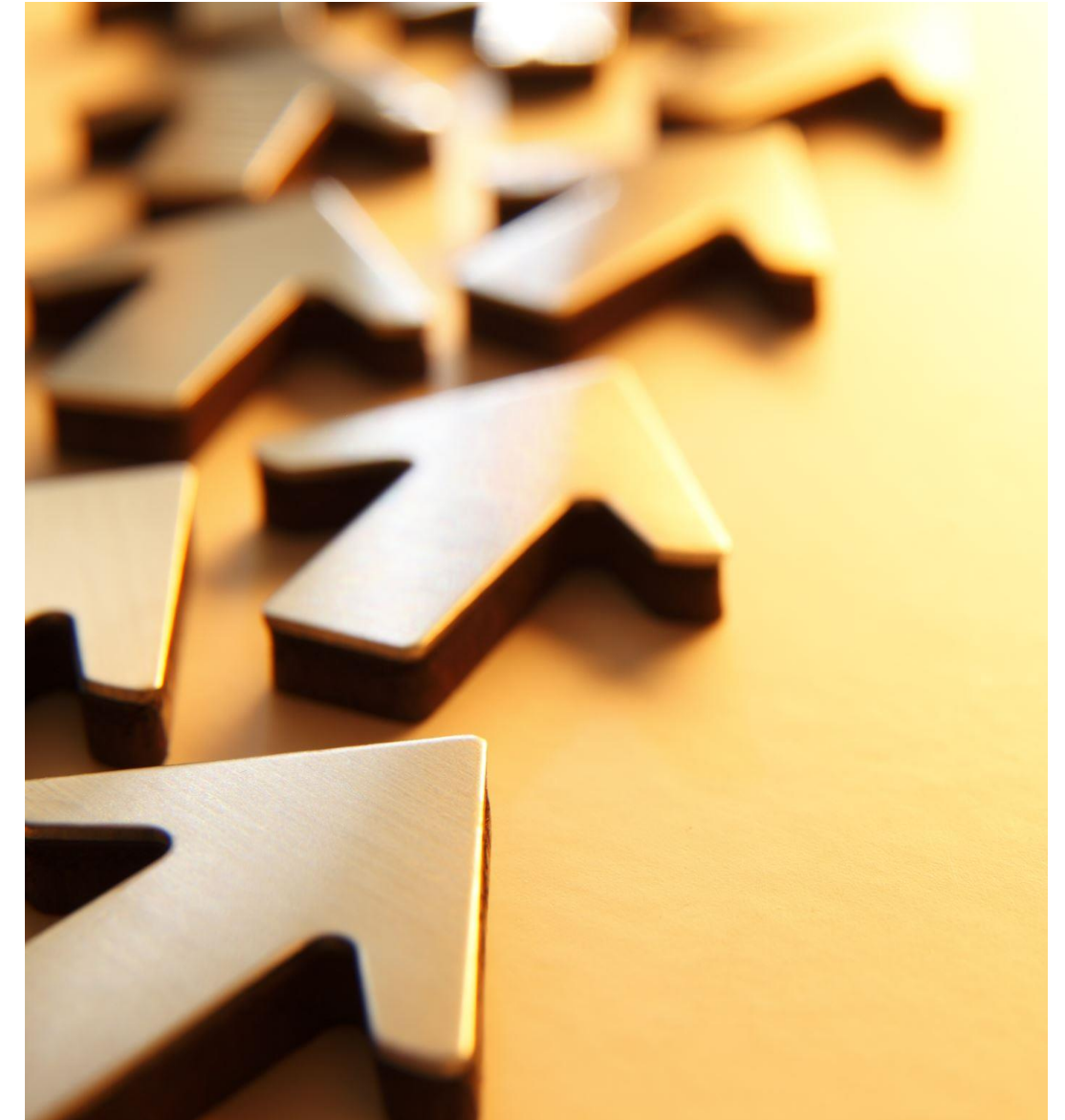
* *Santa Clara County is leading its own US EPA-funded planning effort*

Bay Area Climate Planning Context



BARCAP Approach to Regional Planning

- Regional action to align, leverage, or accelerate State and local climate action – not duplicate
 - *Lift up collaborative action that local governments cannot achieve alone*
 - *Overcome hurdles for implementation across multiple counties and fill key gaps*
 - *Highlight local successes to spur wider adoption across Bay Area*
- Implemented by a mix of agencies and organizations – not just Air District



Advisory Work Group for BARCAP



City of
Oakland

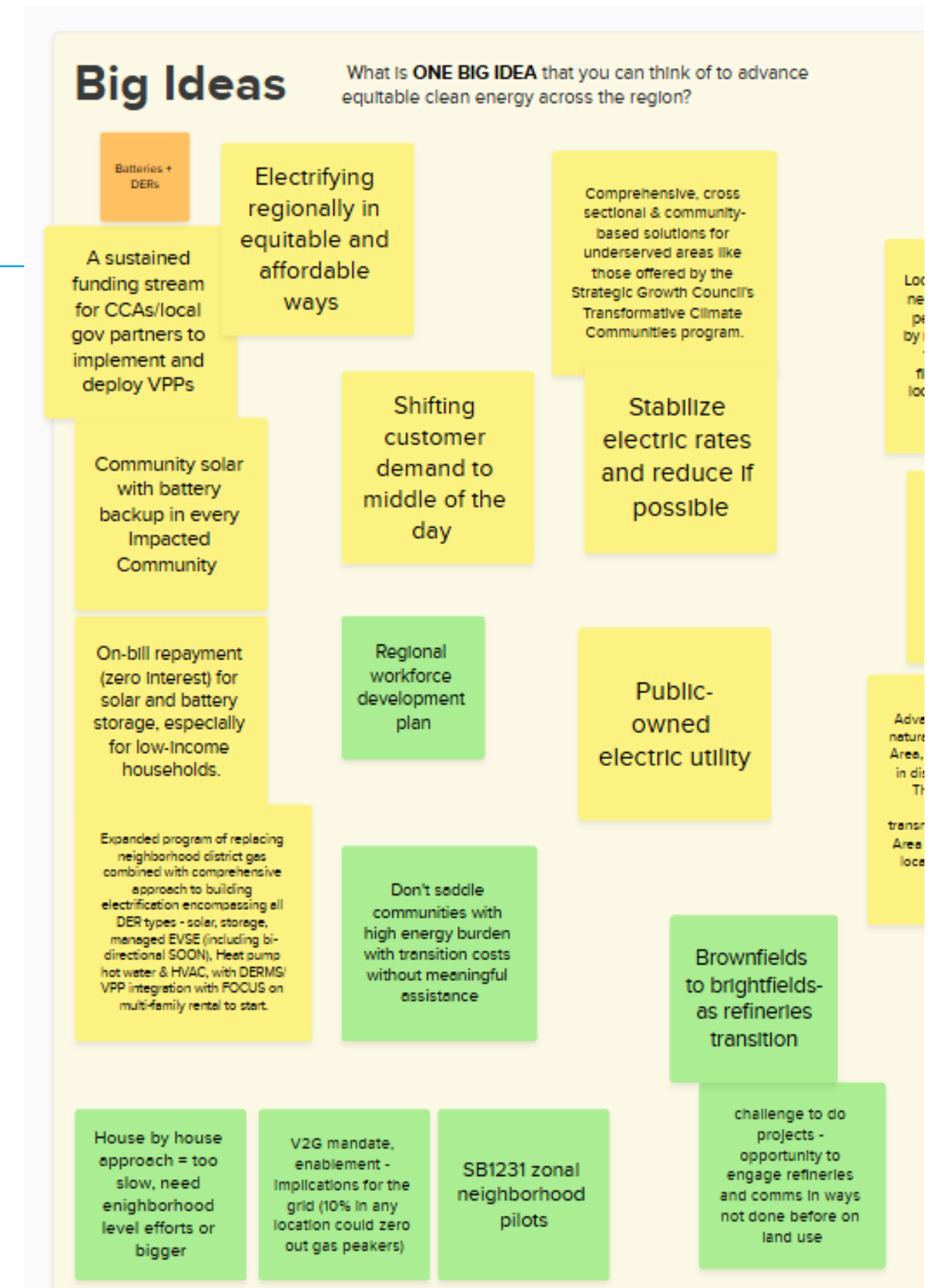


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• CALIFORNIA CLIMATE AND ENERGY
COLLABORATIVE FORUM

Technical Work Groups

- Technical Work Groups for each economic sector comprised of potential implementers
- Helped Air District develop and home in on measure concepts
- 20 meetings across 5 sectors from Sept 2024-April 2025



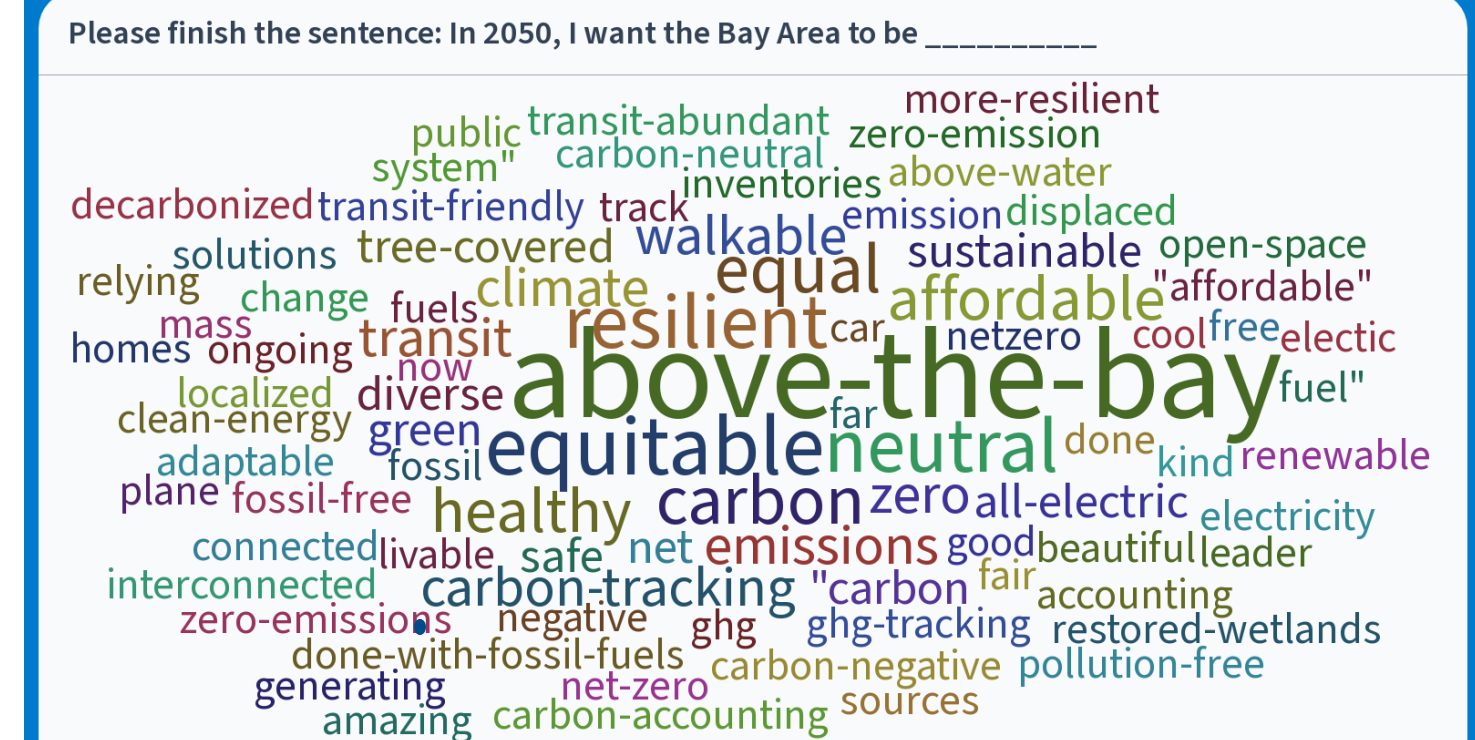
Local Government Engagement

- **Hosted Local Government Input Session (virtual)**
- **Held discussions at 8 local government gatherings to solicit input on potential measures**
 - *San Mateo Regionally Integrated Climate Action Planning Support Program (RICAPS)*
 - *Marin Climate and Energy Partnership*
 - *Sonoma Regional Climate Protection Authority*
 - *Alameda County/StopWaste Technical Advisory Group*
 - *Contra Costa County Sustainability Exchange*



Frontline Community and Public Engagement

- **Frontline Community Workshops**
 - *Communities who bear brunt of impacts from fossil fuel dependence and often experience climate impacts first and worst*
 - *Co-developed with 8 community-based organizations (168 attendees, including Spanish and Chinese-speaking)*
- **Public Workshops**
 - *September 2024, February 2025, July 2025*
- **Public Survey**
 - *More than 675 responses across the region*



Provide Your Feedback on Measures

- Public review period July 3-28
- <https://barcap.konveio.com/bay-area-regional-climate-action-plan>
- Submit feedback by email at [*planning@baaqmd.gov*](mailto:planning@baaqmd.gov)



Implementation of the BARCAP

- Confirming implementing agencies and organizations
- Developing implementation pathways for measures
- Creating funding roadmaps for subset of measures





Thank you!

<https://www.baaqmd.gov/plans-and-climate/climate-planning/bay-area-regional-climate-action-planning-initiative>

Questions?

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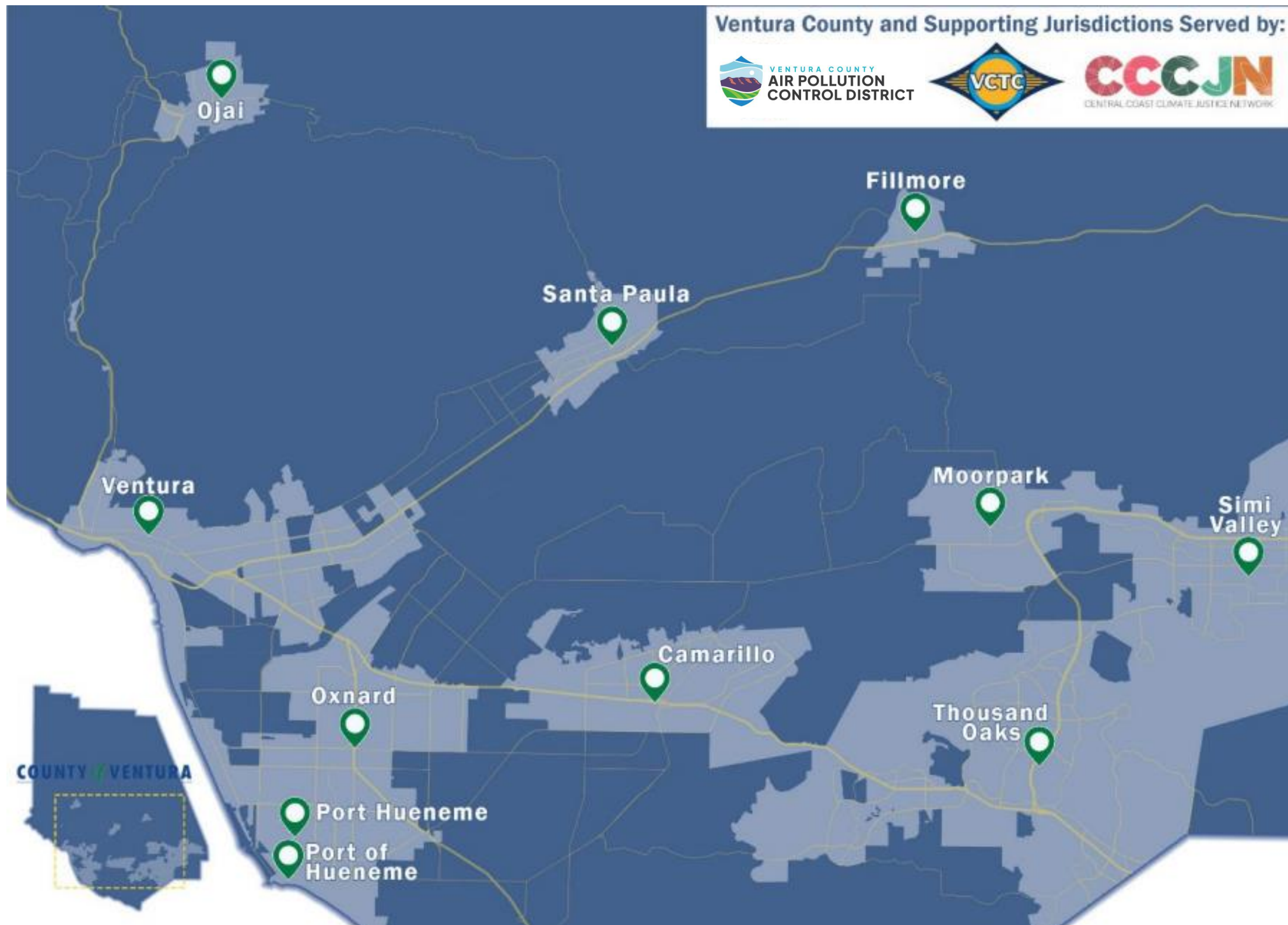
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Collaborating Across Jurisdictions

Ventura County Regional Effort for
Climate Action Planning

Victor Briones – Program Administrator

Oxnard-Thousand Oaks-Ventura MSA





Existing Efforts

- City of Moorpark Sustainability Report (2016)
- County of Ventura Climate Action Plan (2020)
- Gold Coast Transit District Building Transit Supportive Communities Plan (2020)
- City of Oxnard Climate Action & Adaptation Plan (2022)
- City of Camarillo Sustainability Master Plan for Municipal Operations (2023)
- Ventura County Transportation Commission Comprehensive Transportation Plan (2023)
- Central Coast Climate Justice Network Green New Deal (2023) - California Central Coast & Ventura County
- City of Ventura Climate Action & Resilience Plan (2024)
- City of Thousand Oaks Climate & Environmental Action Plan (2024)
- Clean/Green Jobs Market Research Reports Ventura County (2024)

CPRG Advisory Group



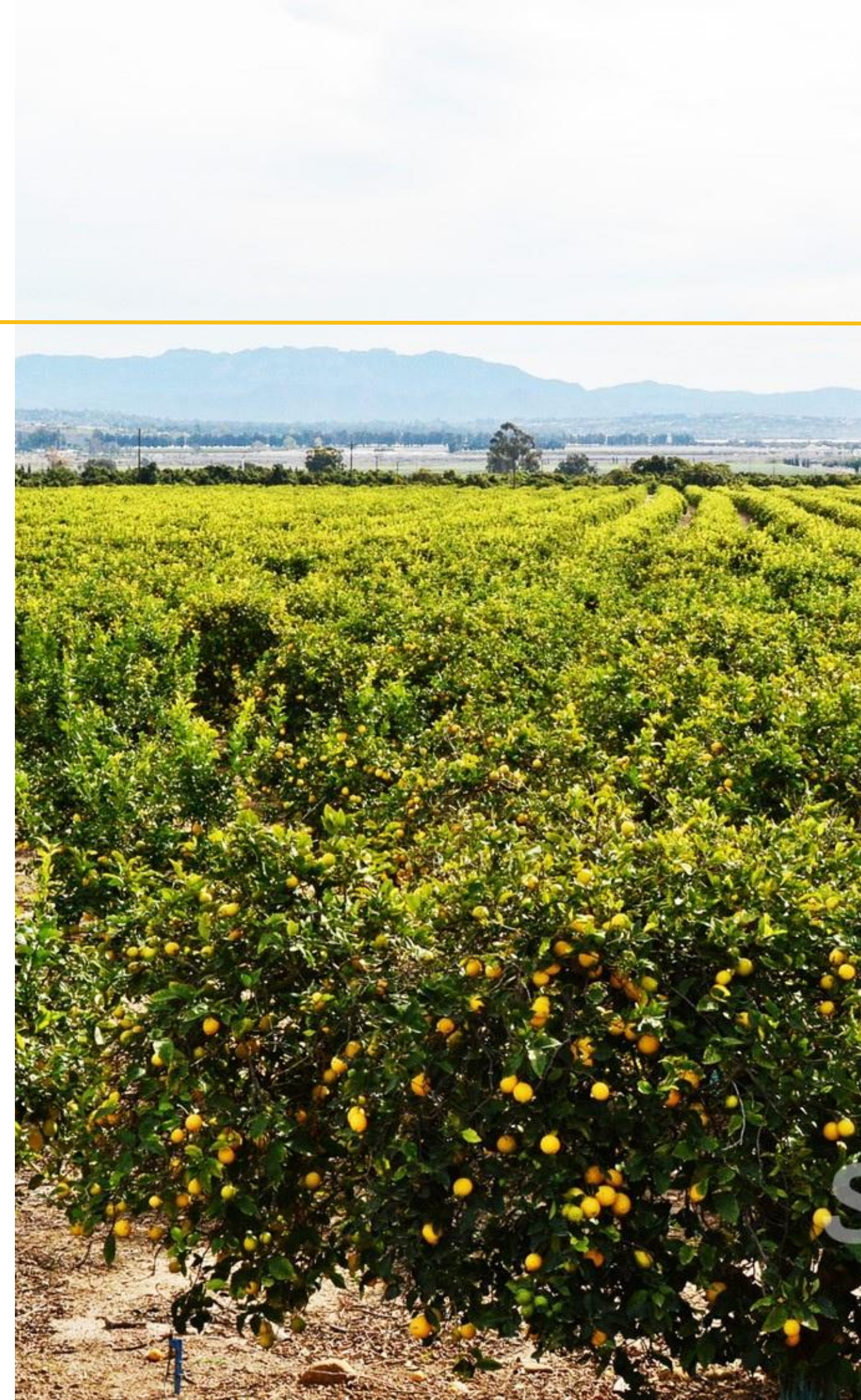


CCAP Process

- CCAP development facilitated by County of Ventura & Consultant team (Rincon)
 - Existing Programs & Policies
- Monthly in-person Advisory Group meetings
 - Sector Specific Discussions
- Invitation to partners outside of A. Group to participate in discussions or provide feedback for relevant topic areas
 - Additional department staff, CBOs, waste haulers, & other agencies/organizations
- Meetings hosted at various locations throughout the County

Benefits to Collaboration

- Align efforts for better planning & implementation throughout the region
- Model previous successes & set universal standards across jurisdictions
- Establish best practices guides
- Support agencies with limited capacity and funding
 - Provided inventories for all agencies
- Share resources and opportunities
- Sets up our region for success





The Path Forward

- Facilitate implementation through the Ventura County Regional Energy Alliance (VCREA)
 - Integrate a Regional Climate Coalition
- Expand governing board to include representatives from key parties
- Create a knowledge-sharing platform for partners to access and contribute resources and opportunities to
- Meet regularly and prepare for grant opportunities when they become available



How to Connect



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Facilitated Q&A



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Group Exercise

Directions: Work with your tablemates to respond to one of the following prompts.

1. Discuss examples of successful frameworks or models you've seen for voluntary or multi-jurisdictional climate plans at the regional level. What made these frameworks work well?
2. Explore strategies that have helped multiple jurisdictions work together effectively on regional climate projects. What helped coordination and progress?
3. Reflect on a regional climate initiative you're familiar with that achieved its goals. What factors made it successful, and how might those lessons apply to other regions?

Audience Questions



A cityscape at sunset. In the background, a tall, modern blue building with many lit windows stands out against a sky with soft orange and pink clouds. In the foreground, there are residential houses with dark roofs and some trees. A large, stylized blue speech bubble with a white outline is positioned in the center, containing the text 'THANK YOU!'. The left side of the image is partially covered by a solid blue diagonal shape.

**THANK
YOU!**