

# Public Workshop for Proposed Updates to CARB's Certified Regulatory Program

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#### **Overview**

- What Is a Certified Regulatory Program (CRP)?
- Background on CARB's CRP
- What is CARB proposing?
- Benefits of CARB's proposal
- Next Steps
- Request for Public Input





#### What Is a Certified Regulatory Program?

- A CRP is a CEQA-equivalent process, specific to each agency that has one, that those agencies use in lieu of traditional CEQA review.
- Essentially, the CRP serves as each agency's individual CEQA Guidelines.
- Many agencies have CRPs: CEC, CDFW, Coastal Commission, and the State Water Board.



#### Background on CARB's CRP

- Originally adopted in 1978
- Last amended in 1981
- Current CRP is just one page long (key provisions: 17 CCR 60005-60008)







### What Is CARB Proposing?

- Overall: better align with general CEQA requirements and clearly set forth existing CARB practices
- Clarify how notices (e.g., notices of availability, notices of determination) are sent and filed





### What Is CARB Proposing?

- Clarify common types of CARB actions that typically fall under CEQA exemptions
- Clarify which CARB actions do not constitute "project" approvals

## What Is CARB Proposing?

- Clarify the types of CARB environmental review.
- Align response to comment obligations with traditional CEQA principles.
- Clarify process where APA and CEQA intersect.



### **Benefits of Amending CRP**

- Greater transparency and certainty
- Improved alignment with current CEQA principles
- More efficiency



### **Next Steps**

- Early March 2019 (tentative): Release proposed draft regulatory text and Staff Report for public review under the APA
  - 45 day public comment period
- 15-day changes, if needed
- Late Spring 2019: Board hearing to consider the amendments for adoption



#### Request for Public Input

Please submit any comments/ suggestions/questions by 5 PM on February 4, 2019, to:

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