Understanding AB 32: Intent and Impact

Statewide Summit for Municipal Leaders on Climate Change Mitigation and Adaptation

September 4, 2008

AGENDA

8:30 Welcome and Introduction:
  Jim Madaffer- City of San Diego Council President Pro Tem
  Hal Snyder- San Diego Gas and Electric Vice President, Customer Programs

9:00 San Diego Regional 2050 Study-
  Emily Young- The San Diego Foundation
  Summary of key findings

9:20 Electricity/Natural Gas-
  Scott Anders, Energy Policy Initiatives Center,
  University of San Diego School of Law
  Carrie Downey, Coronado Mayor Pro Tem
  Chair, SANDAG Energy Working Group
  Regional data highlights questions that municipal leaders must ask as they develop long-term strategies to address electricity and natural gas usage. How will this planning strategy integrate with the targets set by AB 32? How might these effect municipal operations? How can cities help each other and promote best in class technologies?
  CARB response/ clarification

9:45 Transportation and Land Use-
  Bob Leiter, San Diego Association of Governments (SANDAG)
  What is the framework in which regional planning agencies will be addressing transportation? How does this link with AB 32 and SB 375?
  CARB response/ clarification

10:10 BREAK (15 minutes)

10:25 General Plan and CEQA-
  Bill Higgins, League of CA Cities
  What must General Plans include to meet the Attorney General’s guidelines and how does this link with municipal requirements for CEQA?
  CARB response/ clarification
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11:00 Water/ Wastewater-
Cheryll Stewart, San Diego County Water Authority
Michael Moore, Orange County Sanitation Districts

How are water agencies planning to reduce GHG emissions? How will these plans impact the municipalities that they serve? What new responsibilities will be added to wastewater treatment plants with the new climate change legislation?

CARB response/ clarification

11:40 Municipal Landfills-
Ray Purtee, City of San Diego
Frank Caponi, Sanitation Districts of Los Angeles County

As a component of the Early Actions and Discrete Early Actions Committee Report, landfill operations may require changes that have significant economic impacts. How will this be accomplished?

CARB response/ clarification

12:15 Local Government Protocol/ GHG Emission Tracking-
Linda Giannelli Pratt, City of San Diego

The question remains as to whether voluntary measures today will become mandatory measures in the near future in order to meet CA’s emission reduction goals. What can City’s do to prepare for a GHG inventory, and how do the inventories serve to prioritize program design, including outreach and education?

CARB response/clarification

12:25 Best Practices for Local Governments-
Yvonne Hunter, Institute for Local Governments

Resources and case studies for CA cities and counties.

12:35 Review- City of San Diego Council President Scott Peters

Maintaining an ongoing dialogue between Municipalities and the State is needed to achieve our shared goal to reduce GHG.

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12: 50 LUNCH BREAK- 40 minutes
Lunch will be served at the Summit for those who have registered.

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1:30- 3:30 Executive Dialogue (elected officials and their representatives)
Lead by the League of CA Cities, CA State Association of Counties, and The San Diego Foundation
Review the critical legislation that supports the goals of GHG emission reduction, and considerations for municipalities. Identify recommendations for integrating new requirements into operations, budget and long-term planning. Discuss the results of interviews with municipal leaders.

1:30-3:30 Break-out Sessions
The purpose of the breakout sessions is to discuss in more depth the priorities for municipalities in complying with AB 32 and meeting the challenge of climate change mitigation and adaptation. The primary factors to be considered are operational, financial and programmatic issues that municipalities will need to address now and in the future.

• General Plan and CEQA-
• Energy-
• Transportation-
• Water/ Wastewater-
• Municipal Landfills-
• Local Government Protocol/ GHG Emission Tracking

4:00- 5:00 Summaries from Breakout Sessions and Next Steps
Panel Discussion—
Summary from each breakout session (5 minutes each)
Summary from Executive Dialogue (10 minutes)
Question and Answer
Recommendations for Next Steps