Understanding AB 32: Intent and Impact

Statewide Summit for Municipal Leaders on Climate Change Mitigation and Adaptation

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Welcome and Introduction:

Jim Madaffer- City of San Diego Council President Pro Tem
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San Diego Regional Focus 2050 Study

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San Diego Regional 2050 Study-
Emily Young- The San Diego Foundation
Summary of key findings from the San Diego Regional Climate Change 2050 Study
Electricity/Natural Gas-
Scott Anders, Energy Policy Initiatives Center,
University of San Diego School of Law

Carrie Downey, Coronado Mayor Pro Tem
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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?
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?
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?
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?
The following presentations were captured on videotape and will be available on CityTV in mid-October at this website: [http://www.sandiego.gov/citytv/](http://www.sandiego.gov/citytv/)

**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?

**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?

**Best Practices for Local Governments-**
Yvonne Hunter, Institute for Local Governments
Resources and case studies for CA cities and counties.

**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.