

MEMORANDUM

TO: Community Advisory Council (CAC) Members

FROM: Tim Mitro

SUBJECT: Assembly Bill 617 – Implementation Schedule for Best Available Retrofit Control

Technology (BARCT)

DATE: October 23, 2018

MEETING: November 7, 2018

Summary:

Assembly Bill (AB) 617 requires each air district to adopt an expedited schedule for the implementation of Best Available Retrofit Control Technology (BARCT) at each industrial source subject to the California Greenhouse Gas (GHG) Cap-and-Trade requirements. This legislation affects six industrial sources within Santa Barbara County. District staff evaluated these facilities and determined that the majority of their operations already meet BARCT standards, but a few equipment units may still need retrofits.

District staff prepared an implementation schedule that contains three new rules and the modification of three existing rules in order to satisfy the AB 617 requirements. This schedule commits the District to a rule development process that ensures the timelines in AB 617 are achieved. Each rule will go through the District's established public process, including Public Workshops and Community Advisory Council vetting. If adopted, the rule amendments will help reduce emissions from some of the largest sources of air pollution within the County.

CAC Recommendation:

At the November 7, 2018 CAC meeting, District staff will present the information in the attached staff report and provide an opportunity for CAC discussion. After the CAC has deliberated the matter, we will ask the CAC to consider recommending that the District Board adopt the AB 617 Implementation Schedule. Staff anticipates bringing the package to the Board in December 2018.

If there are questions or concerns that you would like to discuss beforehand, please contact me at (805) 961-8883 [e-mail: tjm@sbcapcd.org].

Attachments:

1) Staff Report: AB 617 – BARCT Implementation Schedule