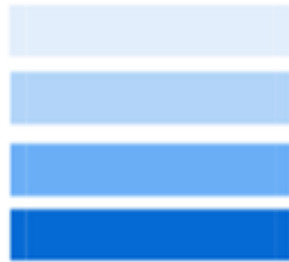




# Sub-Committee Presentation

December 3, 2019 ~6:30pm



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# What is a subcommittee?

- Webster definition - a committee composed of some members of a larger committee, board, or other body and reporting to it.
- Examples of Subcommittees
  - US House of Representatives and Senate -
  - Sacramento City Council (Law & Leg)
- Some committees create independent subcommittees with sizeable staff and budgets; routinely refer measures to subcommittees for initial consideration; and allow subcommittees to take the lead in framing issues, drafting measures and reports, and holding hearings and markups



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# Why did the AB617 subcommittee form?

- 10 months into AB617
  - Some struggles and frustration
  - Limited steering committee interaction
- Recognized the need for greater time commitment to achieve goals
- Desire to incorporate larger community to improving air quality in S. Sac
- Desire to increase elements of **environmental justice** in approach

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# A Brief History of Environmental Justice

Environmental justice is the fair treatment and meaningful involvement of all people regardless of race, color, national origin, or income, with respect to the development, implementation, and enforcement of environmental laws, regulations, and policies. This goal will be achieved when everyone enjoys:

- the same degree of protection from environmental and health hazards, and
- equal access to the decision-making process to have a healthy environment in which to live, learn, and work.



# The First EJ Community

Warren County, North Carolina

In 1982, a small, predominately African-American community was designated to host a hazardous waste landfill. This landfill would accept PCB-contaminated soil that resulted from illegal dumping of toxic waste along roadways. After removing the contaminated soil, the state of North Carolina considered a number of potential sites to host the landfill, but ultimately settled on this small African-American community.



What do Warren County and South  
Sacramento have in common?

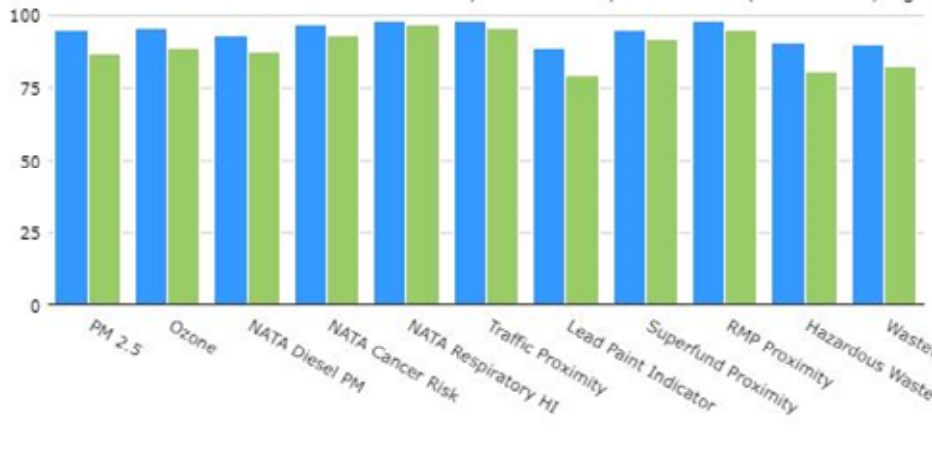
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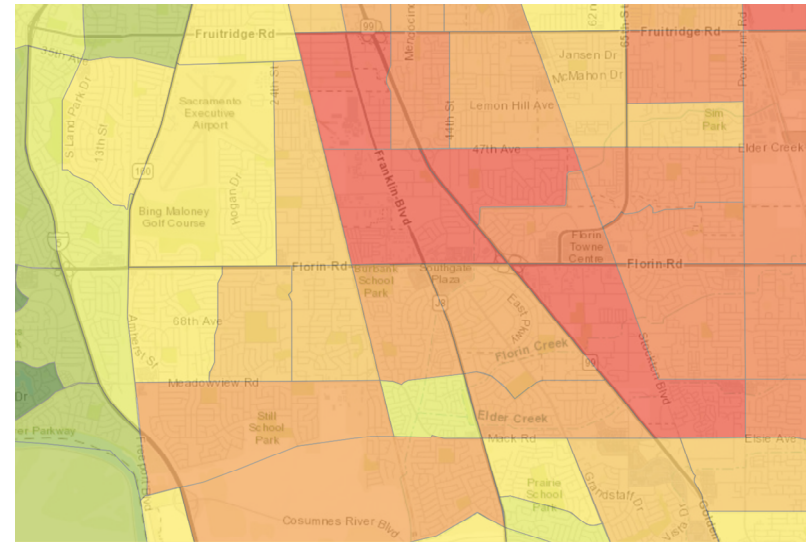
Population Percentile

State Percentile Regional Percentile USA Percentile

EJ Indexes for the Selected Area Compared to All People's Block Groups in the State/Region/US



EJ Indexes



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# Progress Overview



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# Subcommittee Collaboration

- Timeline & Budget Added to Committee Meetings
- Reintroduce Public Comment
- Analyze Community Air Protection Plan suggesting improvements
- Met with Assemblymember Cristina Garcia
- Develop actionable list of improvements to send to elected representatives and air district director



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# What will the subcommittee do?

- Write elements of the Community Air Protection Plan with SMAQMD
- Develop & deploy strategies for outreach and engagement
- Suggest changes which improve the AB617 process
- Set the goals for research and work closely with **technical advisory group**



# Why the subcommittee needs support

- More in-depth conversations with committee members and subject experts
- Build camaraderie with peers
- Generate deliverables (something tangible comes from each meeting)

It's important to clarify that the formation of this group is not intended to subvert or undermine the efforts of the core steering committee but to strengthen the South Sacramento AB617 process through engaged dialogue, disciplined research, and thoughtful critique.



# Open Committee Discussion & Public Comment



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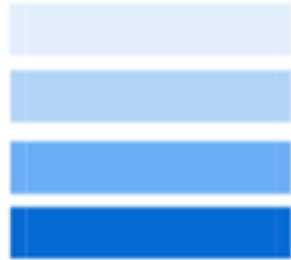
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