



## 2017 Environmental Justice Legislative Agenda

### **SUPPORT (CEJA PRIORITY): AB 523 (Reyes) - Equity in Clean Energy Investments**

Brings investments to disadvantaged and low-income communities to access renewable energy. Requires the California Energy Commission to allocate at least 25% of the Electric Program Investment Charge Fund for technology demonstration and deployment at sites located in disadvantaged communities, and at least 10% in low-income communities.

### **SUPPORT (CEJA PRIORITY): SB 623 (Monning) - Safe and Affordable Drinking Water**

Increases access to safe and affordable drinking water by establishing a state fund, which would make short- and long-term drinking water solutions available to low-income Californians who lack safe and affordable drinking water.

### **SUPPORT (CEJA PRIORITY): SB 774 (Leyva) - Hazardous Waste Management Council**

Ensures lasting accountability and transparency within the Department of Toxic Substances Control (DTSC) by creating the California Toxic Substances Board. This board will provide oversight to the current DTSC and shall consist of five members appointed by the Governor, which will require the board to appoint the Director of Toxics Substances Control to exercise the adjudicatory and regulatory functions of the state in the field of hazardous substances.

### **SUPPORT: AB 17 (Holden) - Transit Pass Program**

Advances transit equity by creating a new Transit Pass Pilot Program within the Department of Transportation (Caltrans) to support local transit pass programs that provide free or reduced fare transit passes to low income students from K-12 public schools, community colleges, the California State University (CSU) and the University of California (UC).

### **SUPPORT: AB 179 (Cervantes) - Transportation Equity Act**

Ensures diverse representation on the California Transportation Commission by requiring the Governor to use every effort to ensure that the commission has a diverse membership with expertise in transportation issues, taking into consideration factors including, but not limited to, socioeconomic background and professional experience, which may include experience working in, or representing, disadvantaged communities.

### **SUPPORT: AB 805 (Gonzalez-Fletcher) - SANDAG Accountability and San Diego Region Transportation Reform**

Consolidates the San Diego Association of Governments (SANDAG), the San Diego Metropolitan Transit System (MTS) and the North County Transit District (NCTD) into one agency in order to strengthen the checks and balances within the system and ensure better representation, accountability and transparency.

### **SUPPORT: AB 1179 (Kalra) - Hazardous Waste Facilities: Inspections**

Establishes a minimum number of inspections for all hazardous waste facilities in California with enhanced inspection requirements near disadvantaged communities to ensure these facilities are following proper protocol.

### **SUPPORT: AB 1328 (Limon) - Well Chemical Transparency**

Authorizes The State Water Board, or appropriate regional board, to collect and publicly report on the potentially hazardous chemicals used in oil and gas operations that discharge produced wastewater to surface or land.

### **SUPPORT: AB 1397 (Low) - Local Planning: Housing Element**

Strengthens state Housing Element Law by requiring local governments to make sure there are sufficient sites for housing development. It closes loopholes that local governments have been using to avoid ensuring adequate sites.

**SUPPORT: AB 1647 (Muratsuchi) - Petroleum Refineries Air Monitoring**

Improves ability to accurately assess air quality in communities on the fence-line of refineries. Requires air districts to require community air monitoring and fence-line monitoring systems to be installed on and near petroleum refineries on or before January 1, 2020.

**SUPPORT: SB 49 (De León & Stern) - California Environmental, Public Health, and Workers Defense Act of 2017**

Protects current federal clean air, climate, clean water, worker safety, and endangered species standards enforceable under state law, and prevents the federal government to roll back and weaken those standards. Would direct state environmental, public health, and worker safety agencies to take all actions within their authorities to ensure standards enforced continue to remain in effect.

**SUPPORT: SB 54 (De León) - The California Values Act**

Protects the safety and well-being of all Californians by ensuring that state and local resources are not diverted to fuel any attempt by the federal government to carry out mass deportations, separate families, and ultimately hurt California's economy.

**SUPPORT: SB 100 (De León) - 100% Clean Energy**

Sets California on a path to 100% clean energy by the year 2045. It is a critical step in achieving the energy paradigm shift we need to achieve the greenhouse gas reduction target set by Senate Bill 32. SB 100 accomplishes this by accelerating the state's current 50% Renewable Portfolio (RPS) requirements by 2026, raising the RPS to 60% in 2030.

**SUPPORT: SB 258 (Lara) - Clean Product Right to Know Act of 2017**

Increases consumer protection and transparency in cleaning products by requiring manufacturers of cleaning products to disclose the ingredients or contaminants of concern in their products to consumers and workers on the label of the product and on the manufacturer's website.

**SUPPORT: SB 520 (Mitchell) - Electricity: Intervenor Funding**

Establishes a program to provide resources and monies fund specified nonprofit organizations that engage in productive participation in the proceedings of the Independent System Operator (ISO).

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