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**AGENDA**

Kern County Public Workshop on the Discussion Draft  
of the Governor's Environmental Goals and Policy Report

Wednesday, April 23<sup>rd</sup>, 1:00 to 3:00 pm

Kern Council of Governments  
140 19<sup>th</sup> Street, Suite 300  
Bakersfield, CA

- I. Welcome (1:00 – 1:05)
- II. Perspectives on Long-term Sustainability (1:05 to 1:50)
  - An Overview of the Governor's Environmental Goals and Policy Report  
Louise Bedsworth, Deputy Director, Governor's Office of Planning and Research
  - ***Kern County Perspective***  
An Overview of the Kern COG SCS/RTP  
Rob Ball, Planning Director, Kern COG  
  
KernCOG Energy Watch Program  
Linda Urata, Regional Planner, Kern COG
- III. Discussion Topic #1 (1:50 to 2:05)  
Review the Vision outlined in the Governor's Environmental Goals and Policy Report
  - How does this apply to your region?
  - What is missing?
  - What else would you include?
- IV. Reconvene and Synthesize Input (2:05 to 2:15)
- V. Discussion Topic #2 (2:15 – 2:30)  
Review the goals for Sustainable Regions in the Governor's Environmental Goals and Policy Report
  - What actions are needed to achieve this in your region?
  - What goals need to be articulated?
  - What issues are unique to your region?
- VI. Reconvene and Synthesize Input (2:30 – 2:40)
- VII. Open Comment/Q&A (2:40 – 3:00)
- VIII. Adjourn (3:00)

## **About the EGPR**

The Governor's Office of Planning and Research is required to prepare the Environmental Goals and Policy Report (EGPR) every four years. The EGPR should take a 20-30 year look into the future, summarize the state's environmental goals, and identify the programs and policies in place to meet them.

The current discussion draft of the EGPR looks at the state's future with a population of 50 million people, a milestone the state is expected to hit by the middle of the century. The state's future is considered in the context of a changing climate. The report lays out a vision of the state's future and identifies five cross-cutting goals that are critical for achieving that vision:

- Decarbonizing the state's energy and transportation systems
- Conserving and stewarding the state's natural resources
- Building climate resilience into all policies and investments
- Supporting sustainable regions and communities
- Improving cross-agency coordination and data availability

For each of these goals, the report identifies key actions for achieving these goals and links them to metrics and indicators to track progress toward meeting them. A draft of the report is available here: [http://opr.ca.gov/s\\_egpr.php](http://opr.ca.gov/s_egpr.php)

Questions and comments on the draft can be provided at the meeting or submitted electronically to [ca.50m@opr.ca.gov](mailto:ca.50m@opr.ca.gov).