



Equity, Inclusion, and Affordability Committee

Panel on Regulatory Requirements Impacting Affordability

Item 6a

November 13, 2023

EIA Panel on Affordability

Subject

- Follow-up to the Board's request for discussions on affordability to inform the Board's Climate Adaptation Master Plan for Water (CAMP4W) process
- Expand on initial CAMP4W thematic statements on affordability that will serve as guideposts in the development of evaluative criteria

Purpose

- Increase understanding on regulatory requirements impacting water affordability
- Discuss water affordability criteria to inform a decision-making framework

EIA Panels on Affordability



August 2023

Panel 1: Discussion of member agency programs

October 2023

Panel 2: Metropolitan's role in household water affordability

November 2023

Panel 3: Regulatory requirements impacting costs

January 2024

Panel 4: Metropolitan's efforts to contain/offset costs

This series of panels will inform the CAMP4W **first year progress report** for the board, specifically regarding **the next steps for the coming year**

Regulatory
Processes
with
Potential
Impacts to
Affordability

Anticipated
New and/or
Stricter
Regulations

Per- and Polyfluoroalkyl Substances (PFAS)

The Environmental Protection Agency Proposed PFAS National Primary Drinking Water Regulation

Hexavalent Chromium

The State Water Resources Control Board is proposing to reduce the standard from 50 (as total chromium) to 10 ppb as hexavalent chromium

Fleets

California Air Resource Board's Advanced Clean Fleets (ACF) Regulation

Renewable Energy

SB 100 (2018) set the goal of 60% renewables by 2030 and 100% of California's retail sales and state loads

Meet the Panelists

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