

Independent Emissions Market Advisory Committee
California Environmental Protection Agency
Sacramento, CA and remote participation via Zoom
2:30pm to 5:00pm PDT, August 7, 2024

Meeting minutes — August 7, 2024

1. Call to order, roll call, and establishment of quorum

IEMAC voting members Burtraw, Cullenward, Fowlie, Holt, and Sutter were present.
IEMAC non-voting member Brown was present.

Chair Fowlie announced the presence of a quorum and brought the meeting to order at 2:35pm.

2. Welcome, introductions, and meeting purpose

Chair Fowlie welcomed the committee members and members of the public.

No action was taken.

3. Discussion and possible action to approve minutes from June 17, 2024 IEMAC meeting

Chair Fowlie made a motion to approve the June 17 minutes; Cullenward seconded. An opportunity for public comment followed, with no comments offered.

Votes in favor:	Burtraw, Cullenward, Fowlie, Holt, Sutter
Votes in opposition:	None
Not voting:	Brown

The motion passed.

4. Presentations on carbon removals and carbon management, featuring guest speakers

The committee heard presentations from Cullenward, Virgil Welch (Director, California Carbon Solutions Coalition), and Katie Valenzuela (Senior Policy Advocate, Central Valley Air Quality Coalition). Cullenward presented slides and Valenzuela provided a handout, both of which documents will be made available on the IEMAC website. Welch spoke without slides or handout.

The committee expressed thanks to the guest speakers for their presentations and the discussion.

No action was taken.

5. Discussion of July 10, 2024 CARB cap-and-trade workshop materials

The committee discussed the July 10, 2024 CARB cap-and-trade workshops.

No action was taken.

6. Planning for the 2024 IEMAC Annual Report

a. Discussion and possible action to identify topics for Annual Report

The committee discussed a list of detailed topic areas for potential inclusion in its 2024 Annual Report. The committee discussed the opportunity to produce a short summary document to inform potential legislative discussions about the cap-and-trade program. Chair Fowlie indicated her interest in following up with committee members by email to elicit feedback on which topics are most interesting to individual members, with final decisions to be taken later. The committee discussed the benefits of providing a succinct summary of key issues and tradeoffs, as well as the potential need to have a longer-form document if committee interests focus on new issues.

No action was taken.

b. Discussion and possible action to establish subcommittees for each topic

The committee discussed deferring the formation of subcommittees until final topics for the Annual Report are selected.

No action was taken.

7. Future meetings – Meredith Fowlie

a. Discussion and possible action to identify dates of Committee meetings during the fall of 2024

Chair Fowlie requested that CalEPA staff poll committee members after the conclusion of the meeting to identify potential future meeting dates.

No action was taken.

8. Public Comment on Items not on the agenda

An opportunity for public comment followed, with no comments offered.

Chair Fowlie adjourned the meeting at 4:50pm.