

Escondido Community Advisory Group
on Environmental Impacts and Climate Action



MEMORANDUM

September 3, 2020

TO: Escondido Planning Commissioners
FR: Escondido Environmental Community Advisory Group (ECAG)
RE: Background to our ECAG presentation for September 8, 2020, 7 PM

Dear Commissioners,

Please find links (below) and email attachments as background for our recorded presentation on September 8th. It is a lot of material to cover, (we have had over 20 meetings ourselves!), but this is our best attempt to bring it all together. The detail of our specific comments is found in the edited version of the draft ECAP which you have already received. We are available to any of you for questions in advance. Please contact Tim Swift at TimothyS@phenomenex.com or Laura Hunter at earthlover@sbcglobal.net

Background Documents and Links

1. **ECAP Supplemental** and supporting research for recommendations. **Attached.**
2. **Solid Waste Supplemental** and supporting research for recommendations. **Attached.**
3. Link to full **Solid Waste & ECAG Recommendation** presentation

https://us02web.zoom.us/rec/share/ys90L7bZ0HtLE53z62CAeYgaIo_Feaa80SVI-KcKyUfatnTrlcXBmVgsKobaoz3D?startTime=1594690561000

Related Power Point: **Attached**

4. **Additional information relevant to ECAG recommendations**

SOCIAL EQUITY: *New York Times, August 29, 2020: [How Decades of Racist Housing Policy Left Neighborhoods Sweltering](#)*

This analysis is very relevant and looking at the maps of Escondido will demonstrate much of the same issue. Older neighborhoods, with lower income residents and more pollution exposures, have the least tree cover and will be impacted more by the heat waves and other impacts that are expected as the climate changes.

<https://www.nytimes.com/interactive/2020/08/24/climate/racism-redlining-cities-global-warming.html>

ELECTRIFYING TRANSPORTATION: *San Diego Union Tribune, August 27, 2020, California adopts major pollution cuts for diesel trucks and ships*

Recent CARB action on diesel truck pollution should inform our ECAP to create the electric infrastructure and requirements on truck routes through Escondido.

<https://www.latimes.com/california/story/2020-08-27/california-diesel-trucks-ships-pollution-cuts>

New York Times, August 27, 2020: Soon the kitty litter will come by electric truck. Article about deployment of electric delivery vans.

<https://www.nytimes.com/2020/08/27/business/electric-delivery-vehicles-ups-fedex-amazon.html>

JOB CREATION: A new report out from UCB, <https://laborcenter.berkeley.edu/putting-california-on-the-high-road-a-jobs-and-climate-action-plan-for-2030/>

The report addresses workforce interventions to ensure that the transition to a carbon-neutral economy:

- Creates high-quality jobs;
- Prepares workers with the skills needed to adapt to and master new, zero- and low-emission technologies;
- Broadens career opportunities for workers from disadvantaged communities; and
- Supports workers whose jobs may be at risk.

This report presents a comprehensive strategy that identifies roles for state and local climate, economic development, and workforce development agencies in achieving these goals, alongside key partners such as business, labor, community, and education and training institutions. All recommendations align with the CWDB's Unified Strategic Workforce Development Plan, which has put forth a set of actions to leverage and coordinate the state's myriad workforce and education programs to support high-quality careers for Californians