#### Implementing AB 32: California's Approach to Reducing Greenhouse Gas Emissions

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## **California's Leadership**

- California's leadership helps set direction for national program
- California's Pavley Clean Car standards: first vehicle GHG emission standard in the country
  - Paved the way for the new national vehicle standards
- AB 32 continues California's leadership in addressing climate change



#### What is AB 32? The Global Warming Solutions Act of 2006

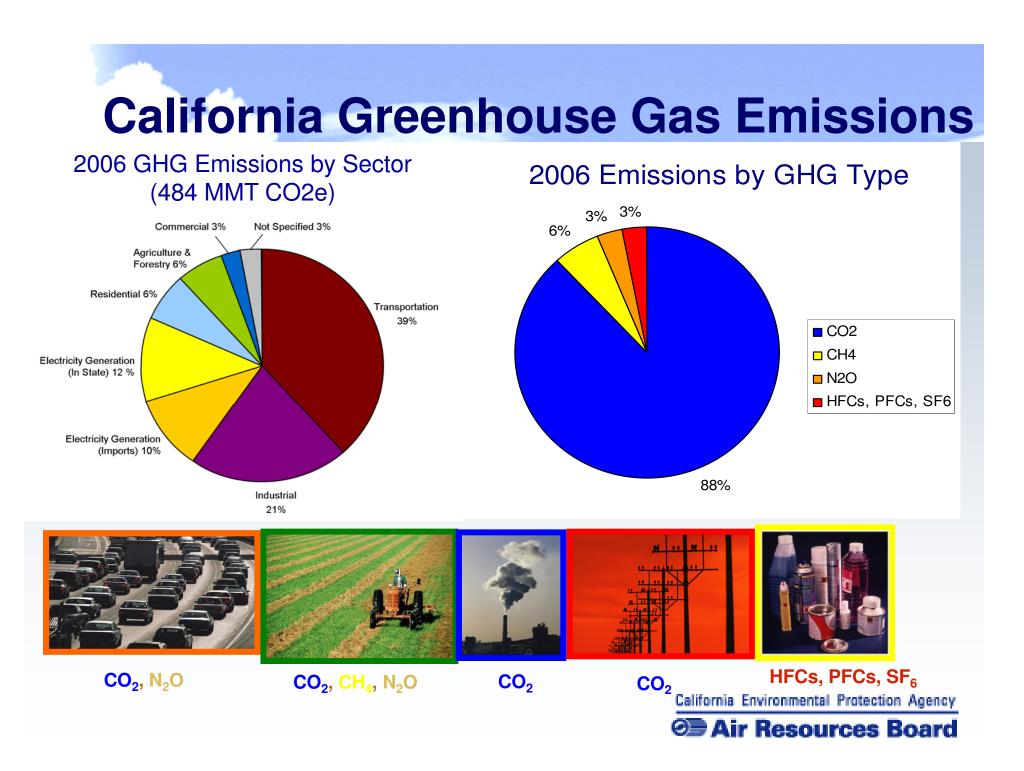
AB 32 established the first U.S. economy wide climate change regulatory program

- Sets GHG emissions cap for 2020 at 1990 level, an 11% reduction from 2006 levels
- Points way toward 80% reduction by 2050
- Scoping Plan provides framework to meet GHG emissions reduction target
  - 14 of 30 ARB measures approved to date, reducing GHG emissions by 78 MMTCO<sub>2</sub>e in 2020

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# **Scoping Plan Recommendations**

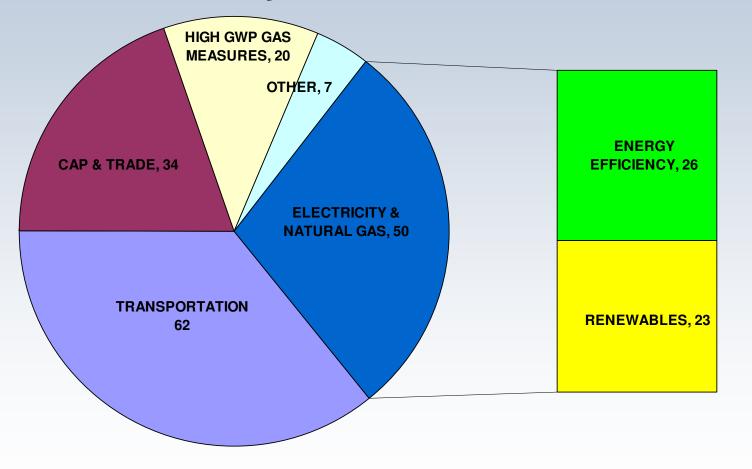
Combination of market mechanisms, other regulations, and voluntary measures

- Cap-and-trade program covers 85 percent of emissions
- Complementary measures such as:
  - Energy efficiency
  - Renewable energy
  - Regional targets for transportation-related emissions
  - Existing laws and policies (e.g. Pavley, LCFS)



## **Scoping Plan Emissions Reductions**

#### **MMTCO2e by sector**



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### **Low Carbon Fuel Standard**

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- Reduces carbon intensity of CA's passenger vehicle fuels by 10 percent (16 MMT) by 2020
- World's first requirement that fuel providers reduce carbon intensity of transportation fuels
- Land use changes are included in the carbon intensity calculations
- LCFS encourages technology innovation and energy diversification
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## **Advanced Clean Car Standards**

- Will link standards for reducing toxic tailpipe emissions with standards reducing GHG emissions
- Reduce fuel costs, dependence on petroleum
- Include improvements in:
  - Hybrid and plug-in hybrid vehicles
  - Full battery-electric vehicles
  - Use of hydrogen-powered fuel cells
  - Vehicles that run on biofuels and other low-carbon fuels
  - Vehicle weight reduction--stronger, lighter materials
  - Keeping interior of cars cooler

## **High GWP Measures**

- Important due to expected growth in emissions from these gases
- Measures include:
  - HFC emission reduction measures for mobile air conditioning
  - Limit high GWP use in consumer products
  - Limits on use of SF<sub>6</sub>
  - Reduction of perfluorocarbons in semiconductor manufacturing
  - High GWP refrigerant management program for stationary sources



## **Cap-and-Trade Regulation**

- November 2009: Preliminary draft regulation
- Developing next draft of regulation
- Included elements
  - Program design defined through regulatory language
  - Revisions to mandatory reporting requirements
  - Offset protocols development
  - Technical analyses to identify potential environmental, health, and economic impacts
- Working with Western Climate Initiative partners to create a regional market
- Final draft regulation to Air Board later this year



# **Other Upcoming ARB Activities**

- Renewable Electricity Standard—July
  - Requires electricity deliverers to meet a 33 percent renewable energy target by 2020.
- SB 375 Regional Transportation-Related GHG Targets—September
- Mandatory Commercial Recycling—October
  - Commercial sector generates more than half of CA's solid wastes
  - Partnership between CalRecycle and ARB

## **State Agency Partners**

 Many California agencies working on climate change programs

Electricity	Forest
Water	Agriculture
Waste	<b>Public Health</b>

- Adaptation
  - California's Climate Adaptation Strategy
  - Integration of mitigation and adaptation



#### **Good News**

- California is on track to a low carbon economy
  - Venture capital investment in clean technology
  - Growth in green business
  - Increase in green jobs
  - Increase in renewable energy generation capacity



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#### Activities to Support AB 32 Implementation

- ARRA funding for energy efficiency and climate planning actions
- Green economy, job creation and workforce development
- Small business success and outreach
- Local government tools/guidance



#### Conclusion

- Almost half of reductions to meet 2020 goal approved
- Board to consider major regulations in upcoming months
- Helping California transition to low carbon economy
- California's program a model for the region, the nation, and the world



#### **More Information and Contacts**

ARB's Climate Change Website: http://www.arb.ca.gov/climatechange

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ARB's Cap-and-Trade Rulemaking Website: http://www.arb.ca.gov/cc/capandtrade/capandtrade.htm

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