

Statewide Equity Listening Sessions

Caltrans Office on Race and Equity

April 2022



Sessions

- Kern County (Arvin/Lamont) – March 24, 2022
- Lake County (Lakeport/Kelseyville/Clearlake) – April 19, 2022
- East Bay (Richmond) - TBD
- Imperial Valley (Calexico/El Centro) - TBD
- Inland Empire (San Bernardino) - TBD
- Los Angeles Portside (Wilmington) - TBD

Planning Priorities

- CBO partnerships and co-leadership
- Sessions tailored to the needs of participants
- Interpretation and language resources
- Trust building
- Fair compensation
- Transparency and commitment

Kern County

Local Partner

- Center on Race, Poverty and the Environment

Participation

- 30+ residents and local leaders

Community Concerns

- Dangerous conditions for disabled residents
- Limited or no maintenance for pedestrian accessibility
- Major concerns with rail crossings and freight movement
- Excessive noise pollution and congestion issues
- Rural, small, low-income communities are not prioritized

Lake County

Local Partners

- Lake County Chamber of Commerce
- Lake County Economic Development Corporation

Participation

- Approx. 20 residents and local transportation professionals

Community Concerns

- Representation and inclusion of Tribal members in planning process
- Frequency and availability of bus and transit systems
- Unsafe conditions created by limited, narrow corridors
- Access to area Reservations
- Chronically ill and aging population living in poverty have unique needs

Thank You

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