



Implications of EPA's National Environmental Justice Advisory Council Recommendations

West Coast Collaborative Meeting
September 2010





NEJAC Goods Movement Work

- **Purpose of NEJAC Workgroup** – provide advice & recommendations on how the Agency can promote strategies, in partnership with other agencies and stakeholders to prevent the disproportionate burden on communities of air pollution resulting from goods movement
- November 2009 – report entitled “Reducing Air Emissions Associated with Goods Movement: Working Toward Environmental Justice” submitted to Lisa Jackson
<http://www.epa.gov/compliance/ej/nejac/recommendations.html>
- Report consists of 41 recommendations to address the challenges faced by the goods movement communities

Seven Major Themes

- Recommendations by 7 Major Themes
 - **Effective Community Engagement**
 - Health Research Gaps and Educational Needs
 - Regulatory and Enforcement Mechanisms
 - Land-use Planning and Environmental Review
 - **Technology**
 - Environmental Performance, Planning and Management
 - **Resources, Incentives and Financing**

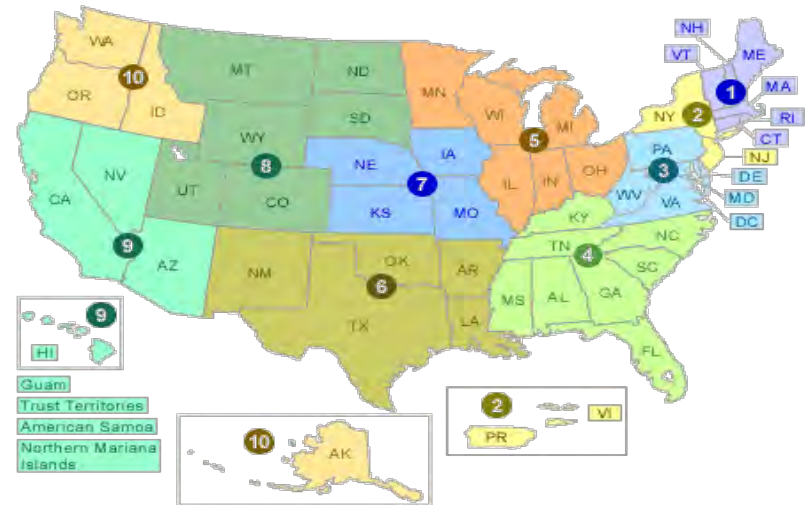
Effective Community Engagement

- More public participation and shift toward community based approaches to capacity building, funding and collaborative problem solving
- Administrator Jackson stresses the importance of engaging communities
- Two community models discussed in report:
 - 1) Community Facilities Strategies – the community leaders design the process of engaging stakeholders and prioritizing the goods movements issues – West Oakland cited as a example
 - 2) Collaborative Governance – a collaborative decision making process involving multiple stakeholders

Effective Community Engagement

Regional Diesel Collaboratives

- Encourage communities to become active in state programs
- Regional Collaborative members partner with communities to fund projects
- Promote idle reduction initiatives
- Consider use of clean diesel language in contracts
- Encourage trucking companies to participate in EPA's SmartWay Program



EPA Regions Mapping Goods Movement Centers



Chelsea, MA



A Collaborative Approach to
Eradicate Particulate Matter
Pollution

New England Produce Market
Transport Refrigeration Unit (TRU)
Electrification Project (American
Recovery and Reinvestment Act of
2009)



I-710 Corridor Project

- Community Driven Enforcement Collaborative among
 - EPA and 3 California State Agencies
 - I-710 & Ports Expansion Environmental Impact Statements
 - Health Impact Assessment
 - DERA/ARRA Funding - \$30 Million



EPA Actions to Improve Communication

- Goods Movement Clearinghouse
 - State and Local Toolkit
 - Idle Reduction Initiative
 - Link to Regional Collaboratives web resources
 - Diesel Emissions Quantifier
 - Examples of Contract Specifications, best practices, project successes
 - Clean Diesel Helpline 1-877-623-2322 epa.gov/cleandiesel
- Community Web Portal
 - Goods Movement Information
 - 4 EPA Offices
 - CDC information
- Translation of materials
- Add community members to EPA Advisory Groups



National Clean Diesel Campaign