



Board of Environmental Safety

Board Updates: Subcommittees, Engagement and Activities

July 2026



SB 158 and Bagley-Keene

HSC 25125(i): The board shall conduct its business, including adjourning to, or meeting solely in, closed session, pursuant to the Bagley-Keene Open Meeting Act.

Why Subcommittees?

HSC 25125.3: The Board may form advisory subcommittees of its membership to work on any topic within the board's jurisdiction, including, but not limited to, environmental justice and fee structure.

Fee Rate Setting

- **What they do:**
 - Annual recommendation of fee rate schedule
 - Adopted by the Board each year in August
- **Recent work:**
 - Has begun the FY 26/27 rate-setting cycle and will present scenarios at the July 23rd Board meeting
 - Board expected to consider and vote on scenarios in August.

Fee Analysis

- **What they do:**
 - Make recommendations on DTSC's fee structure
- **Recent work:**
 - Finalized scope for current year analysis; moving forward with 2-3 issues identified on current fee structure
 - Reached out to interested parties regarding identified issues

Hazardous Waste Management Plan

- **What they do:**

- Meet regularly with DTSC staff regarding DTSC's efforts to implement the 2025 Hazardous Waste Management Plan

- **Recent work:**

- BES Board and staff reviewed the 2026 Hazardous Waste Management Report
- DTSC briefed Board members on the 2026 Report

Ombuds

- **What they do:**
 - Work with the Ombuds to review inquiries and trends
 - Provide guidance in next steps with DTSC
- **Recent work:**
 - Goals and metrics for FY 26/27
 - Increasing public outreach

Environmental Justice and Outreach

- **What they do:**
 - Work with DTSC's Environmental Justice Advisory Council
 - Maintain engagement with environmental justice organizations
- **Recent work:**
 - Attended and presented at May 27th and July 22nd EJAC public meeting
 - BES met with co-Chairs June 26th and July 21st

Performance Metrics and Reporting

- **What they do:**
 - Work with DTSC Director and department leadership
 - Establish metrics for program performance
- **Hazardous Waste Management Program (HWMP)**
 - Currently working on a public-facing metrics dashboard for the BES website which will be live later this year

Performance Metrics and Reporting - Continued

- **Safer Consumer Products (SCP)**
 - Held targeted meetings with industry stakeholders/external groups April - June
- **Site Mitigation and Restoration Program (SMRP)**
 - Began program evaluation for the metrics-setting process later this year.
 - Updated timeline for development will be presented at a Board meeting later this year.

Performance Evaluation

- **What they do:**
 - Coordinate the Board's internal process of gathering information/data/metrics and creating the annual review of DTSC's performance against its objectives. This is a full Board effort that includes the work of all Board members and BES staff.
- **Recent Work:**
 - Subcommittee met in June to begin planning for the FY 25/26 Evaluation
 - Began developing strategies to incorporate public engagement into the Evaluation

Exide Working Group

- **What they do:**
 - Formed in response to concerns raised regarding the Exide residential cleanup project
- **Recent work:**
 - BES staff attends the bi-weekly Exide Working Group Meetings

SB 673 Working Group

- **What they do:**
 - Continues to work with DTSC on proposed Track 1 and Track 2 regulatory changes.
- **Recent work:**
 - Reviewed public comments and met with DTSC

Tours, Community Meetings and Conferences

- **March**

- 2026 CUPA Conference

- **April**

- Los Angeles Environmental Justice and Enforcement Symposium

- **May**

- Exide ETAG Public Meeting
- WOEIP Meeting

- **June**

- Exide Tour
- SA Recycling Tour
- CCEEB Meeting
- CICC Meeting

- **July**

- CCEEB Summer Seminar

Questions?