

Town of Truckee (Hilary Hobbs)

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Local governments, including the Town of Truckee, rely on contractual arrangements to provide essential services, including waste collection, public works construction, and infrastructure maintenance. Incorporating CARB-specific requirements into municipal contracts, as contemplated by these amendments, will very likely increase procurement costs, reduce competition, and ultimately increase costs borne by taxpayers. Additionally, we are concerned that under the proposed amendments, cities would be required to incorporate CARB-specific requirements into municipal contracts, take on significant recordkeeping, and assume responsibility for monitoring compliance by third-party fleets. Collectively, these changes create unfunded mandates, increase administrative complexity, and elevate legal and procurement risks, while also placing upward pressure on contract costs and potentially limiting competition among vendors unable to meet evolving regulatory thresholds.

We are also concerned that the proposed modifications do not adequately account for the operational realities of local government fleets, particularly those that support emergency response. During emergencies, local government fleet vehicles must operate continuously for extended periods, often in extreme conditions, to support fire prevention and response, search and rescue, winter storm recovery, and the delivery and maintenance of essential utilities. Emergency preparedness requires maintaining vehicles that can respond immediately to these critical events and often requires 24/7 operation. Zero-emission alternatives are not yet available or operationally suitable for some of the specialized applications essential to emergency response, preparedness, and recovery. At a minimum, we request that CARB provide categorical exemptions for specialized vehicles supporting emergency response and preparedness operations that are critical to our community safety.

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Town Council

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June 15, 2026

Clerk of the Board
California Air Resources Board
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Sacramento, CA 95814

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Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Anna Klovstad", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Anna Klovstad
Mayor