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### Select Committee on Hydrogen Energy

#### Informational Hearing Agenda

#### Title: California's Hydrogen Leadership

**Date:** May 13

**Time:** 1:30 PM – 3:30 PM

**Location:** State Capitol, Room 112

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#### 1:30 PM – 1:40 PM | Opening Remarks

- Chair's welcome
- Overview of California's hydrogen landscape
- Objectives: progress, benefits, and policy opportunities

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#### 1:40 PM – 2:10 PM | Panel 1: Private Sector Updates

**Theme:** *The market is real—investment and deployment are underway*

#### Panelists:

- **Katrina Fritz**, President & CEO, California Hydrogen Business Council
- **Martin Hering**, Senior Business Development Manager, Robert Bosch LLC
- **Eugene Litvinov**, Director, Energy & Hydrogen, Hyundai Motor North America
- **Kennan Beard**, CEO, Sierra Northern Railway

#### Focus Areas:

- Current hydrogen investments and projects in California
- Technology deployment across transportation, manufacturing, and energy

- Supply chain development and market signals
- What industry needs from the state to scale

**Format:**

- 5-minute remarks per speaker
  - 10-minute moderated discussion
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**2:10 PM – 2:40 PM | Panel 2: Public Benefits of Hydrogen**

**Theme:** *Why hydrogen matters—air quality, safety, and climate impact*

**Panelists:**

- **Tung Le**, Executive Director, California Air Pollution Control Officers Association (CAPCOA)
- **Bill Magavern**, Policy Director, Coalition for Clean Air
- **Mark Mulliner**, Northern California Regional Director, California State Building & Construction Trades Council
- **Dr. Ling Jin**, Research Affiliate, Department of Civil and Environmental Engineering, UC Berkeley

**Focus Areas:**

- Air quality and public health benefits
- Safety standards and best practices
- Scientific validation of hydrogen's role in decarbonization
- Workforce and economic benefits
- Equity and community impacts

**Format:**

- 5-minute remarks per speaker
  - 10-minute moderated discussion
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**2:40 PM – 3:10 PM | Panel 3: Public Sector Updates**

**Theme:** *Hydrogen in action—deployment by public agencies*

**Panelists:**

- **David Harbour**, Director of Bus Maintenance, San Mateo County Transit District (samTrans)
- **Tyson Eckerle**, Senior Advisor, Clean Infrastructure & Mobility, Governor's Office of Business and Economic Development (GO-Biz)
- **Lorraine Paskett**, Chief Operating Officer, First Public Hydrogen Authority (FPH2)
- **Heather Tomley**, Managing Director of Planning and Environmental Affairs, Port of Long Beach

**Focus Areas:**

- Current public-sector hydrogen projects
- Transit, power generation, and goods movement applications
- State and local coordination with industry
- Policy alignment: what's working and where gaps remain

**Format:**

- 5-minute remarks per speaker
  - 10-minute moderated discussion
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**3:10 PM – 3:25 PM | Committee Q&A and Discussion**

- Questions from Committee Members
  - Cross-panel discussion as needed
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**3:25 PM – 3:30 PM | Closing Remarks**

- Key takeaways and next steps
- Public comment
- Adjournment