

## Comment from Chevron Richmond

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The more than 3,000 people that work at Chevron Richmond are proud of what we do and how it benefits the community and economy we share. Chevron has a long-standing commitment to reduce emissions at our Richmond facility. Our recent major investment in a Modernization Project is a great example of efforts taken to improve energy efficiency, reduce air emissions overall, cap greenhouse gas emissions, and increase the safety and reliability of the refinery. This project enabled the refinery to achieve more than 25 percent reduction of particulate matter emissions refinery-wide.

As [Contra Costa Health Services reports](#), the health of a community is driven by many factors. Chevron recognizes the value of complete and accurate air quality data to understand neighborhood air emissions and increase transparency. Fortunately, the City of Richmond and the surrounding area has some of the most comprehensive networks of air monitoring in the Bay Area. Through the Community Health Protection Program, authorized by AB 617, the Bay Area Air Management District (BAAQMD) and the community have been engaged in air monitoring efforts that will inform strategies to reduce exposure within the community from air emissions that can come from both local and non-local sources (per the BAAQMD the majority of PM<sub>2.5</sub> concentrations in the community are not local<sup>1</sup>). We encourage you to review the [quarterly air monitoring reports](#) for more information.

In addition, Chevron Richmond has funded an independently operated community air monitoring program since 2014. Designed in partnership with the Richmond community and City of Richmond, the program collects data from three areas along Chevron Richmond's fenceline and three neighborhood stations nearby. The air monitoring data is available to the public, 24 hours a day, at [www.richmondairmonitoring.org](http://www.richmondairmonitoring.org).

### Reference

1. See attached slide from the March 12, 2022 Richmond/San Pablo Community Emission Reduction Plan Community Steering Committee Meeting

## How Much is Local?

