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Policy in Motion Open House

We all influence policy – whether in its initial formation as an idea, the evolution of an idea over time and discussion, the final stages of making an idea a reality, or forming choices around ideas made for or by us. Anyone can be a policy “taker,” but an effective policy process relies upon “makers” and “shakers.”

Lauren ‘Iolani Michele was joined by dozens of California’s policy “makers and shakers” on August 10th in celebrating the completion of her UC Davis M.S. thesis on SB 375 implementation, launch of her new policy analysis and education business, personal and professional name change, and all the health and happiness that 2010 has brought this year.



Policy “makers and shakers” enjoy good conversation, local wines, and raw-vegan appetizers

From the WebPortal:

- [Policy “Makers and Shakers” Celebrate at Policy in Motion Open House](#)
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“Lauren, you add so much to the transportation policy dialogue.”

*Sarah Michael, Advisor to Commissioner Boyd
California Energy Commission*

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California’s policy “makers and shakers” have been busy this summer with the implementation of the State’s [Senate Bill 375](#). The California Air Resources Board proposed draft regional greenhouse gas emission reduction targets pursuant to SB 375. For the four largest Metropolitan Planning Organizations, proposed targets of per capita greenhouse gas reductions range from 7 to 8 percent by 2020, and 13 and 16 percent in 2035 compared to 2005 levels.

On July 28, Lauren Michele was joined by Fehr & Peers Principal in Charge of Technical Development, Ron Milam, in presenting and facilitating a dialogue on the policy and technical challenges related to [“SB 375 IMPLEMENTATION AND CEQA.”](#) The audience ranged in perspective from local advocacy groups to the California Office of the Attorney General.

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- [State Proposes “Ambitious & Achievable” Regional GHG Reduction Targets](#)
- [Policy in Motion / Fehr & Peers Present “SB 375 Implementation and CEQA”](#)

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Policy in Motion Blog Articles

I have designed **Policy in Motion** to be a continued resource for federal and California policy news and analysis in a user-friendly interface. The website provides a compilation of resources, links, analyses, and personal opinions in an easily digestible format so that planners and policy-makers can make research-supported decisions to guide local, regional, state and federal transportation and climate change policy. To receive more timely policy news updates, please become a [Facebook Fan of Policy in Motion](#) by clicking "Like."

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- [MTC Awards \\$44 Million in New Grants to Promote Livable Communities](#)
- [Strategic Growth Council Presentation on Prop 84 Grant Program](#)
- [White House to Host Live Chat with Sustainable Communities Partnership on Thursday July 15](#)
- [A Sidewalk to Nowhere: White House Administration Highlights Priorities for Sustainable Community Grant Applicants](#)

California News

- [Policy "Makers and Shakers" Celebrate at Policy in Motion Open House](#)
- [California's Proposition 22 — What it Means for Public Transit](#)
- [California Proposes "Ambitious & Achievable" SB 375 GHG Reduction Targets for Regions](#)
- [Policy in Motion Open House: Tuesday, August 10th](#)
- ["SB 375 Implementation and CEQA" — Policy in Motion / Fehr & Peers Presentation on Wed July 28th in Sacramento](#)
- [Fran Inman Appointed to California Transportation Commission](#)

Federal News

- [THUD Bill Includes Funding for Livability Initiatives](#)
- [DC Streetsblog: Livable Communities Act Clears Senate Committee](#)
- [US Green Building Council to Host LEED-ND Panel: August 12, 2010](#)
- [US DOT Increases Efforts to Attract Women Transportation Professionals](#)
- [Journalists Mourn the Death of the Federal Climate Bill](#)
- [FTA Study: \\$77.7 Billion Needed to Bring Nation's Rail and Bus Transit Systems into 'State of Good Repair'](#)
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