

JOINT LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE ON CLIMATE CHANGE POLICIES  
ASSEMBLY COMMITTEE ON NATURAL RESOURCES  
OVERSIGHT HEARING  
*2030 TARGET SCOPING PLAN*  
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**PANEL BIOGRAPHIES**

**MARY NICHOLS, CHAIR, CALIFORNIA AIR RESOURCES BOARD**

Mary D. Nichols is Chair of the California Air Resources Board, a post she has held since 2007. She also served as Chair of the Air Resources Board from 1979-1983. Nichols has devoted her entire career in public and nonprofit service to advocating for the environment and public health. In addition to her work at the Air Board, she has served as Assistant Administrator for the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's Air and Radiation program under President Clinton, Secretary for California's Resources Agency from 1999 to 2003 and Director of the Institute of the Environment at the University of California, Los Angeles. Her priorities as Chair include moving ahead on the state's landmark climate change program (AB 32), steering the Board through numerous efforts to curb diesel pollution at ports and continuing to pass regulations aimed at providing cleaner air for Southern California and the San Joaquin Valley. She values innovation, partnerships and common-sense approaches to addressing the state's air issues.

**ROSS BROWN, PRINCIPAL FISCAL & POLICY ANALYST, LEGISLATIVE ANALYST'S OFFICE**

Ross Brown is a Principal Fiscal and Policy Analyst with the Legislative Analyst's Office (LAO). Ross currently works on issues related to energy, climate change, and air pollution for the office. In the last couple of years, he has authored several reports related to the state's cap-and-trade program. Ross earned his BA in Economics and Environmental Studies from UC Santa Barbara in 2005 and a PhD in Natural Resource Science and Management, with a minor in Applied Economics, from the University of Minnesota in 2010.