The California State Bar Environmental Law Section is holding a conference on April 16th entitled "2030 and Beyond: The Next Phase of Greenhouse Gas Reduction in California." The event is co-sponsored by Berkeley Law's Center for Law, Energy and the Environment (CLEE).

As Legal Planet readers know, AB 32's 2020 due date is soon approaching for greenhouse gas reductions, and the legislature is now debating bills to legislate goals for 2030 and beyond. Meanwhile, Governor Brown has already called for major new greenhouse gas initiatives for 2030, including a 50% renewable portfolio standard, 50% reduction in petroleum usage, and a doubling of the efficiency of today's buildings.

The "2030 and Beyond" conference will feature high-level representatives from the Brown Administration discussing these 2030 goals, including:

- Ken Alex, Senior Advisor to the Governor and Director of the Governor's Office of Planning and Research
- Andrew McAllister, Commissioner at the California Energy Commission
- Michael Picker, President of the California Public Utilities Commission
- Matt Rodriguez, Secretary of the California Environmental Protection Agency

Panel topics will focus on improving energy efficiency in existing buildings, decarbonizing our electricity system, and electrifying transportation. You can register on-line here and download the full agenda here [PDF]. The event will take place at the State Building in Downtown Oakland, conveniently located near BART. Law student rates are available by emailing Julie Martinez at the State Bar at Julie.Martinez@calbar.ca.gov.