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Action Summary Minutes

San Joaquin Valley Unified Air Pollution Control District

CITIZEN'S ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Central Region Office, Governing Board Room 1990 E. Gettysburg Avenue, Fresno, CA.

> Tuesday, April 1, 2008 10:00 a.m.

The Citizens Advisory Committee Meeting was held via video teleconference (VTC):
Central Region Office, Governing Board Room, 1990 E. Gettysburg Avenue,
Fresno, the Southern Region Office, VTC Room, 2700 M Street, Bakersfield and the
Northern Region Office, VTC Room, 4800 Enterprise Way, Modesto. The CAC
Meeting was webcast.

 CALL TO ORDER—The Chair, Mary-Michal Rawling, called the meeting to order at 10:02 a.m.

2. ROLL CALL—was taken and a quorum was present.

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County	Member Name/Interest Group	Location
Fresno	Kevin Hamilton/EIG (P)	Central
	Amarpreet Dhaliwal/CIG (P)	Central
	Rico Aguayo/CIG (A)	Central
Kern	Dana Karcher/EIG (P)	Southern
	Brent Green/CIG (P)	Southern
Kings	Riley Jones/IAIG (P)	Central
	Dennis Tristao/CIG (P)	Central
Madera	Donald Horal/IAIG (P)	Central
Merced	Charles Dodson/IAIG (P)	Central
	Mary-Michal Rawling/EIG (P)	Central
	Dean Wilson/CIG (P)	Central
San Joaquin	Roger Hoffdahl/IAIG (A) *	Northern
	Randall Blank/CIG (A)	Northern
Stanislaus	Richard Gibson/EIG (P)	Northern
Tulare	David Harrald/IAIG (A)	Central
	Christine Foster/EIG (P)	Central

(P)=Primary, (A)=Alternate, IAIG=Industry/Ag Interest Group, EIG=Environmental Interest Group, CIG-City Interest Group *Arrived during item 6

<u>Staff present in Central Region Office (Fresno)</u>— Rick McVaigh, Deputy APCO; Jaime Holt, Chief Communications Officer; Scott Nester, Director of Planning; Errol Villegas, Planning Manager; Don Hunsaker, Supervising Air Quality Planner; Rich Burt, Communication Systems Analyst; Angie DeSantiago, Operations Support Supervisor; and Toni Taber, Clerk to the Boards.

<u>Staff present in the Northern Region Office (Modesto)</u>—Dottie Schoffner, Senior Office Assistant; Karen Morris, Administrative Analyst II.

<u>Staff present in the Southern Region Office (Bakersfield)</u>—Nanette Manzo, Administrative Analyst II; Emily Gonzalez-Demont, Administrative Analyst II.

- 3. <u>APPROVE MINUTES OF MARCH 4, 2008</u>—The minutes were approved as submitted.
- 4. <u>Public Comments</u> There were no public comments.
- 5. Chair Comments There were no comments.
- 6. <u>APPOINTMENT OF VICE-CHAIR</u> The Chair stated that the Environmental Interest Group elected a new Chair, Dana Karcher. The Vice-Chair of the CAC is the Chair of the Interest Group from which the Chair was appointed; therefore, Ms. Karcher is the new Vice Chair of the CAC.
- 7. APPOINT A TECHNICAL RULES SUBCOMMITTEE—The Chair stated the Environmental Interest Group was interested in the re-start of the Technical Rules Subcommittee, and she asked for comments. Dennis Tristao stated each CAC member should follow the Rules in which they are interested. Amarpreet Dhaliwal asked how much time the Subcommittee takes. The Chair stated two or three hours per month. Dean Wilson stated it is important to follow Rule Development. The Chair stated she felt a couple of representatives from each Interest Group would be appropriate. The Chair asked to add this to the Agenda next month for further discussion.
- 8. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR/APCO COMMENTS—Rick McVaigh, Deputy APCO, presented the report. He stated Seyed Sadredin, Executive Director/APCO, was in Washington D.C. to help the Valley get its fair share of funding. He stated the District is looking for a \$10 million earmark, and is pursing the development of an Air Quality Empowerment Zone that could potentially provide funding and benefits to improve air. He stated they are also pursing incentive program funding in the Farm Bill and full funding of the Diesel Emission Reduction Program.

Mr. McVaigh stated the Proposition 1B funding requests for 2009 are due on April 4, 2008, and the Central Valley is due to receive \$250 million over the next four years. Additionally, the League of California Cities asked the District for assistance in appointing the City Members to the Governing Board. The District sent a letter to the LCC with possible rotation schedules of the City members, agreed to assist by notifying Cities when vacancies occur, and to

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help Cities to agendize the item. Mr. McVaigh thanked the CAC members who attended the Healthy Air Living Summits, and stated the turn out for the HAL summits was greater than expected, and participants gained a lot of information on how they can do their part to clean the air.

9. <u>UPDATE: FAST TRACK TO ATTAINMENT</u> – Rick McVaigh, Deputy APCO, presented the report. He stated the last Fast Track Task Force meeting was held on February 12, 2008. He stated the Community Clean Air Fund was presented to the Board in March, and the Board authorized the District to work with the Fresno Regional Foundation and other foundations. The funds will be dispersed through ERIP, and the Foundation will handle the inflow of funds. The next Fast Track meeting will be on April 22, 2008 at 1:30.

The Chair asked how often the Fast Track Task Force meets and how many people usually attend. Mr. McVaigh stated the Task Force usually meets for one-to-two hours, and 12-to-14 people usually attend.

10. <u>DISCUSS AND TAKE A POSITION ON PROPOSED PM2.5 PLAN</u> – Don Hunsaker, Supervising Air Quality Planner, presented the PowerPoint report. He noted the PM2.5 plan brings the entire Valley into attainment before 2015, and lays the groundwork for future technology development. He stated the 2008 PM2.5 Plan is required by EPA's first PM2.5 standard, set in 1997.

Some of the health effects outlined in the presentation include aggravated asthma, decreased lung function in children, irregular heartbeat and nonfatal heart attacks, chronic bronchitis, and more, for a total cost to the Valley of \$3.2 billion/year. Scott Nester, Director of Planning, presented how PM2.5 is formed. It is formed directly through emissions from cars and trucks, woodburning stoves, and fires, or indirectly, through gases combining to form PM2.5. The District evaluated control measures from the 2007 Ozone Plan for opportunities for additional reductions. The District plans on feasibility studies, looking at further incentive programs, and innovative measures introduced by the Healthy Air Living program and Fast Track measures. Mr. Hunsaker noted that ARB's jurisdiction over the majority of NOx emissions means that ARB mobile source strategy is critical for attainment.

Kevin Hamilton asked why the Plan does not address the 2006 standard. Mr. Nester stated this Plan gets us 50% of the way to meeting the 2006 standard throughout the Valley

Mr. Hamilton asked why ammonia sources are not targeted more because ammonia pairs up with other gasses to become PM2.5. He asked if the District would control new ammonia sources. Mr. McVaigh stated that the science from air quality studies shows that NOx needs to be targeted. Mr. Nester stated controlling NOx will reduce Ammoniam Nitrate, which is the primary source of PM2.5 in the Valley.

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David Harrald noted the off-road Rules in place for his fleet are not feasible for his business.

Randall Blank asked for elaboration on Rules 4306 and 4307. Mr. Nester stated they are currently being workshopped and scheduled to go to the Board later this year.

The Chair asked about the contingency plans included in the Plan. Dr. Hunsaker stated the Plan includes contingency measures as required.

Mr. Wilson asked if there was an economic feasibility study for the Plan. Dr. Hunsaker stated the Rule development process looks at economic feasibility. Mr. Tristao stated he is concerned with the ARB modeling and is concerned that the District might misdirect funds based on incorrect modeling.

The CAC took no action on this item at the meeting.

11. HEARING BOARD SUBCOMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS FOR CENTRAL REGION AND SOUTHERN REGION HEARING BOARDS —David Harrald noted that he was contacted by and asked to postpone the Southern Region Hearing Board appointments.

Moved: Tristao Seconded

Ayes: Jones, Horal, Dodson, Hoffdahl, Harrald, Hamilton,

Karcher, Rawling, Gibson, Foster, Dhaliwal, Green,

Tristao, Wilson, Blank

Nays: None

Motion to approve appointments to Central Region Hearing Board and postpone appointments to Southern Region Hearing Board passes unanimously.

- 12. <u>EJAG Subcommittee</u>—Jaime Holt, Chief Communication Officer, noted there are 14 applicants for 13 positions.
- 13. Rules Under Development Errol Villegas, Planning Manager, presented the report. Kevin Hamilton asked what the feedback from the public is on Rule 2201. Mr. McVaigh stated the workshop hasn't been held yet, but that the proposed changes are required due to our extreme classification. Mr. Tristao stated early achievement of the standard benefits all because of the savings in clean air fees.

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- 14. <u>Outreach and Communications Report</u>—Jaime Holt, Chief Communications Officer presented the report. Ms. Holt stated the District exceeded their goals for the Healthy Air Living Summits. She stated the Clean Green Yard Machine program starts on April 22, 2008, and that there were 30 vouchers left for Wood Burning Stove replacements.
- 15. <u>ARB COMMENTS</u> Jeff Lindberg, ARB Representative, presented the report. He noted ARB recommended the Valley be designated as non-attainment for the 2006 PM2.5 standard.
- 16. CAC Member Comments and CAC Suggestions to be included in the Presentation of the CAC Report during the Governing Board Meeting on Wednesday April 30, 2008—Mr. Hamilton stated he wanted some comment to the Board that the District will, whenever possible, identify resources for compliance with future standards. For example, if the District knows a new standard is coming, and a business approaches the District for incentive funds to replace equipment to meet the current standard, the District would inform them of the upcoming standard and provide incentive funds towards reaching the newer standard in place of the current.
- 17. VOLUNTEER TO PRESENT CAC REPORT DURING GOVERNING BOARD MEETING, WEDNESDAY APRIL 30, 2008 AT 9:00 A.M.—Christine Foster volunteered to present the report.

NEXT MEETING – The next CAC Meeting is scheduled on Tuesday, May 6, 2008 (time to be determined by the Chair). Meeting held via video teleconference (VTC), with the Central Region Office (Fresno), the Northern Region Office (Modesto) and the Southern Region Office (Bakersfield) participating.