

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, June 3, 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.

1. CALL TO ORDER—The Chair, Mary-Michal Rawling, called the Meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.
2. ROLL CALL—was taken and a quorum was present.

<u>County</u>	<u>Member Name/Interest Group</u>	<u>Location</u>
Fresno	Amarpreet Dhaliwal/CIG (P)*	Central
	Kevin Hamilton*	Central
	Ryan Jacobsen/IAIG (A)*	Central
	Sarah Sharpe (A)	Central
Kern	Dennis Tristao/CIG (P)*	Central
	Les Clarke/IAIG (P)	Southern
Kings	Riley E. Jones (P)	Southern
Madera	Donald Horal/IAIG (P)	Central
	Lee Smith/EIG (P)	Northern
Merced	Mary-Michal Rawling (P)	Central
	Dean Wilson/CIG (P)	Northern
San Joaquin	Roger Hoffdahl/IAIG (A)	Northern
	Wade Broughton/CIG (P)	Northern
Stanislaus	Richard Gibson/EIG (P)	Northern
Tulare	Gary Rohman/IAIG (A)	Central

*Arrived during Item #6

(P)=Primary, (A)=Alternate, IAIG=Industry/Ag Interest Group,
EIG=Environmental Interest Group, CIG-City Interest Group

Staff present in Central Region Office (Fresno)— Seyed Sadredin, Executive Director/APCO; Roger McCoy, Director of Administrative

Services; George Heinen, Supervising Air Quality Engineer; Jaime Holt, Chief Communications Officer; Rich Burt, Communication Systems Analyst; Tom Jordan, Senior Policy Advisor; Erin Green, Office Assistant; Angie DeSantiago, Operations and Program Supervisor

Staff present in the Northern Region Office (Modesto)—Dottie Shoffner, Senior Office Assistant

Staff present in the Southern Region Office (Bakersfield) —Nannette Manzo, Senior Office Assistant

3. APPROVE MINUTES OF MAY 6, 2008—The minutes were approved as submitted. The Chair requested that future minutes include a brief summary of the Air Resources Board report.
4. PUBLIC COMMENTS – There were no public comments.
5. CHAIR COMMENTS – The Chair welcomed Sarah Sharpe back from maternity leave.
6. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR/APCO COMMENTS –. Seyed Sadredin, Executive Director/APCO, provided highlights of the May 15, 2008 Governing Board Meeting. Mr. Sadredin informed the CAC the Climate Change Action Plan will be presented at the June 19, 2008 Governing Board Meeting. He explained that with the implementation of the California Global Warming Solutions Act of 2006 (AB32), the State of California is moving ahead of the nation in climate protection with very demanding requirements. While AB32 imposes no specific mandates on local air districts, local land use agencies are looking to the District for guidance in addressing greenhouse gas issues in the CEQA process and Valley businesses are looking to the District for assistance in complying with AB32 requirements. The adoption of the Climate Change Action Plan would authorize the APCO to begin a public process for developing guidelines, measures and agreements for the Governing Board's consideration in 2009.

Lee Smith asked whether the CAC would have a role in helping with the greenhouse issues for the Climate Change Action Plan. Mr. Sadredin encouraged the involvement of the CAC. He stated the District is developing a public process and it would be good to get a broad coalition of support.

The Chair suggested the CAC put together a sub-committee to work with

District staff. Mr. Sadredin suggested the CAC wait until the Plan is approved by the Governing Board before appointing a sub-committee.

Les Clark commented he completely supports the idea, but he does not want to see the Plan conflict with future ARB requirements. Mr. Sadredin stated the District is not adopting its own regulations to control greenhouse gases and we are committed to putting a program together in harmony with ARB's guidance. The District feels there is an opportunity to get involved to promote efficiency and early reductions and wants to provide the tools for land-use agencies and various entities in the Valley to comply with present and future requirements.

7. UPDATE: PROVIDE ADVISORY RECOMMENDATION TO THE AIR POLLUTION CONTROL OFFICER ON APPOINTMENTS TO THE DISTRICT'S ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE ADVISORY GROUP (EJAG) – Mr. Sadredin stated the EJAG Advisory Policy was approved by the Governing Board on May 15, 2008 and the recommendations made by the CAC were incorporated into the final document. There has been extensive outreach for recruiting, but there has not been much success in finding candidates. There are nine individuals that have been identified for appointment to the 13 member committee, leaving four vacancies.

Mr. Sadredin asked the CAC for direction before going to the Governing Board for appointments. He suggested two ways to proceed. We can either move forward with the 9 to 10 people that can be identified for this committee, or delay the process until we have the full 13 candidates.

The Chair asked if a candidate has been recruited for the city group. Mr. Dhaliwal stated that CAC member Rico Aguayo is not able to be on the committee. Mr. Dhaliwal volunteered to replace Mr. Aguayo on the EJAG Committee as the city representative.

Dean Wilson asked about the long term method of selecting candidates. Mr. Sadredin explained that notices are sent out to various entities, committees interview the candidates, and then a recommendation from the CAC is given to the Board for appointments.

The consensus of the CAC was to proceed with the selection process and have the committee continue with recruitment efforts.

Mr. Sadredin stated he will take the CAC's recommendations to the Board at the August 21, 2008 meeting. He stated that candidates are still

needed for two businesses from the Valley and one Tulare member.

8. TAKE A POSITION ON AB2522 (ARAMBULA) – Mr. Sadredin stated that Senator Arambula's Bill (AB2522) was passed by the Assembly, is currently in the Senate, and is moving forward. AB2522 would allow the District to raise DMV fees up to a maximum of \$30.00 and gives the District the authority to look at trip-reduction measures. The District's Board-approved legislative platform, most businesses, and the environmental groups support this Bill.

Amarpreet Dhaliwal expressed his support for AB2522.

The Clerk to the Board informed the CAC they did not have a quorum.

Dennis Tristao suggested that since the Tulare County seat of the City Interest Group is currently vacant, the 4 members of that group who are in attendance today should constitute a quorum. He suggested the City Interest Group take a vote on recommending support of AB2522.

The Chair stated that a recommendation needs to come from all three interest groups to make it an official recommendation.

There was a discussion regarding vacancies and quorums.

Phil Jay, District Counsel, informed the CAC that the By-Laws state if there is an eight member group, each group is considered as an eight member group regardless of vacancies. In the case of the CAC Interest Groups, the quorum would be five and five votes would be necessary for an affirmative vote.

The Chair stated that if interest groups want to make recommendations, they should do so at a publicly noticed meeting separate from the CAC meeting. She asked Mr. Jay if individual interest groups of the CAC can make recommendations to the Governing Board.

Phil Jay responded that there must be a quorum from each group and each of the three groups has to vote to support the recommendation. He stated that the CAC needs a unanimous agreement of all interest groups in order to make a recommendation to the Governing Board.

The Chair asked if the Chair can send a letter of support.

Phil Jay stated it does not bind or implicate the Board. If every one of the CAC members that are present is in agreement, the Chair can send a letter of support.

The Chair asked that each interest group Chair convene with their group within the next couple of weeks to see if they support AB2522.

Les Clark agreed a letter to the Governing Board should be put together in support of AB2522 with the indication that all those present at the CAC support it without a quorum.

Dean Wilson asked if the fee would be leveled statewide or Districtwide.

Mr. Sadredin stated it only applies to vehicles registered in the District.

Richard Gibson asked if AB2522 applies to commercial vehicles or only automobile vehicles.

Mr. Sadredin stated the Bill would apply to any vehicle that is registered, commercial or private.

Mr. Gibson stated he would abstain given that it is a statewide issue more than a local issue. He further stated he believes the whole state should be taxed. Mr. Wilson stated he agreed and would also abstain from supporting AB2522.

Wade Broughton left the meeting at 11:06 a.m.

Donald Horal stated that according to the attendance records several members have not attended CAC meetings. The Chair stated she will contact the Chairs of each interest group and meet with Mr. Sadredin to discuss this further.

The Chair stated she would write a letter supporting AB2522 and take into account that the CAC did not have an official quorum to take official action. She requested there be an item on the August 5, 2008 agenda to discuss the By-Laws and any recommendations or changes to be made.

Donald Horal expressed concerns on the fee increase.

Kevin Hamilton stated AB2522 allows us to provide dollars to help industries that will be making adjustments and every day businesses such

as small farms that own old trucks that are only operated seasonally that are going to put hit hard by the upcoming diesel rules. He agreed that It is not fair that this Bill does not apply to the whole State of California, but we do not have the ability to apply a fee across the State.

9. UPDATE: FAST TRACK TO ATTAINMENT - Seyed Sadredin gave a brief summary on Healthy Air Living Week, July 7th to July 13th. He presented the CAC with the two types of pledge cards that are being used for the drawing to give away a Toyota Prius. One is for businesses and the other is for personal pledges. Mr. Sadredin encouraged the CAC to take the forms, which are also available on the District website, and solicit businesses and individuals to sign these pledges. The District is asking every city and county to adopt a promulgation declaring July 7th - July 13th as Healthy Air Living week and sign the pledges for their cities and counties.
10. HEARING BOARD SUBCOMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS FOR SOUTHERN REGION HEARING BOARD – Les Clark informed the CAC that the sub-committee had recommended a candidate to the Southern Region Hearing Board engineering slot, but it was later determined the candidate did not qualify because of not having the complete credentials needed for the position. However, being a very qualified applicant for the Hearing Board, Mr. Clark stated he felt she should be offered the vacant public member alternate slot and once she concludes her schooling she may be able to fill the engineering slot. Mr. Clark agreed to discuss this with the full Subcommittee.

Mr. Sadredin directed the Clerk to the Board to reschedule this item for the August 5, 2008 CAC meeting to receive a recommendation from the full Subcommittee.

11. RULES UNDER DEVELOPMENT - George Heinen, Supervising Air Quality Engineer, presented the report. In addition to the information in the CAC packet, he reported there will be a public workshops for Rule 2201 on June 30, 2008 at 1:30 p.m., for the Glass Furnace Rule on June 26, 2008 (time not yet determined), and for Rule 9210 on June 10, 2008 at 1:30 p.m.

Kevin Hamilton asked about the District reopening the various dairy rules in regards to the PM2.5 Plan.

George Heinen stated that Rule 4570 - Confined Animal Feeding Rule is

scheduled for 2009.

Dennis Tristao stated that the technical group for the Green Waste Rule was well attended and he asked if Dr. Schmidt has completed his review.

George Heinen stated the report will be presented in several weeks.

12. UPDATE: SURPLUS OFF-ROAD OPT-IN FOR NOX (SOON) PROGRAM - Mr. Sadredin stated last year ARB adopted a stringent off-road diesel rule and a big component is construction. He stated the District has had several meetings with industry and stakeholders and the District is ready to proceed with the rule. Mr. Sadredin reminded the CAC that the first workshop will be June 10, 2008 at 1:30 p.m.
13. OUTREACH AND COMMUNICATIONS REPORT - Jaime Holt, Chief Communications Officer, gave a brief summary on Healthy Air Living project, gave an update on the success of the Clean Green Yard Machine program, and reported on the outcome of the Woodstove Exchange Program that ended last month.

Mary-Michal Rawling asked how a CAC member could encourage their community to participate.

Jaime Holt stated the first thing the CAC could do is commit to turning in two business pledge cards, and five personal pledge cards. The District's goal is to have 500 businesses making pledges and a couple thousand individuals making pledges. Second, relay to the District those success stories that local businesses are already doing. The District wants to showcase these businesses during Healthy Air Living Week.

Sarah Sharpe and Amapreet Dhalawall left at 11:05 a.m.

14. ARB COMMENTS -Jeff Lindberg, ARB Planning Liaison for the San Joaquin Valley presented the report which included a brief summary of the May 22, 2008 ARB Hearing. After several hours of testimony at that hearing, ARB determined the Valley's PM2.5 Plan met all applicable requirements and approved the Plan as a revision to California's State Implementation Plan.

Mr. Lindberg encouraged the CAC to attend the June 10, 2008 workshop on ARB's proposed truck regulation since the regulation is going to provide very significant reductions in ozone and PM2.5 precursor

emissions.

Mary Michal-Rawling commended Mr. Lindberg and other ARB members for an excellent public workshop on the PM2.5 Plan.

15. CAC MEMBER COMMENTS AND SUGGESTIONS TO BE INCLUDED IN THE PRESENTATION OF THE CAC REPORT DURING THE GOVERNING BOARD MEETING ON THURSDAY, JUNE 19, 2008 -Mr. Hamilton requested that Mr. Sadredin formally communicate to the individual Board members, the county supervisors in particular, regarding the vacancies on the CAC. He asked that each County Board Member make it an agenda item at their next Board of Supervisor's meeting to address the current vacancies on the CAC.
16. VOLUNTEER TO PRESENT CAC REPORT DURING GOVERNING BOARD MEETING, THURSDAY, JUNE 19, 2008 AT 9:00 A.M. - Mary-Michal Rawling volunteered to give the report at the June 19, 2009 Governing Board Meeting.

Adjourned at 12:00

NEXT MEETING – The next CAC Meeting is scheduled on Tuesday, August 5, 2008 (time to be determined by the Chair).