

Action 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, August 3, 2010
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, Manuel Cunha, called the meeting to order at 10:04 a.m.
2. Roll Call - was taken and a quorum was present to hold a meeting.

<u>County</u>	<u>Member Name/Interest Group</u>	<u>Location</u>
Fresno	Manuel Cunha/IAIG (P)	Central
	Ryan Jacobsen/IAIG (A)	Central
	Amarpreet Dhaliwal/CIG (P)***	Central
Kern	Brent Green/CIG (P)	Southern
Kings	Riley E. Jones/IAIG (P)	Central
	Kelly Deming/EIG (P)*	Central
	Dennis Tristao/CIG (P)****	Central
Madera	Donald Horal/IAIG (P)	Central
	Lee Smith/EIG (P)	Central
Merced	Mary-Michal Rawling/EIG (P)	Central
San Joaquin	Wade Broughton/CIG (P)	Northern
	Roger Hoffdahl/IAIG (P)	Northern
	David Phippen/IAIG (P)	Northern
Stanislaus	Chris Savage//CIG (P)**	
	Richard Gibson/EIG (P)	Northern
Tulare	Derek Williams/IAIG (P)	Central
	Christine Foster/EIG (P)	Central
	Mike Santana/CIG (P)	Central

*Kelly Deming arrived at 10:16 a.m.

**Chris Savage arrived at 10:08 a.m.

***Mr. Dhaliwal left at 11:09 a.m.

****Mr. Tristao left at 11:55 a.m.

(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; George Heinen, Supervising Air Quality Engineer; Dr. David Lighthall, Health Science Advisor; Samir Sheikh, Strategies & Incentives Director; Jessi Fierro, Senior Air Quality Specialist; Joe Aguayo, Air Quality Specialist II; Cathy Blevins, Communication Systems Analyst; Michelle Franco, Deputy Clerk of the Boards; Song Thao, Office Assistant II; Maricela Velasquez, Senior Public Information Representative.

Staff Present in the Northern Region Office (Modesto) – Theresa Haywood, Senior Office Assistant.

Staff Present in the Southern Region Office (Bakersfield) – Emily Gonzalez-Demont, Office Services Manager.

3. Approve Minutes of June 1, 2010 – Minutes approved with no changes.
4. Public Comments – None.
5. Chair Comments – Mr. Cunha thanked everyone for attending and stated he will try to attend the September CAC meeting in the Northern Region.
5. Executive Director/APCO Comments – Mr. Sadredin welcomed back CAC members with good news on future funding efforts. He reported there was a meeting at the State Air Resources Board on the next round of Proposition 1B allocations. He noted historically, the Valley has been awarded approximately 25 percent of available funds, which is short of the Valley's need. He stated at this last meeting, ARB took an additional \$5.5 million from other regions and directed it to the Valley, based on the Valley's state of readiness and the success of other existing programs, for a total of \$45 million. He also reported EPA has doubled the District's share of Voucher Incentive Program funds this year to \$3 million, due to the Valley's state of readiness and the efficiency with which the past programs were administered. Mr. Sadredin also reported the Valley is on track to have the cleanest summer on record this year for the 8-hour ozone standard. He stated while the climate conditions could partly be the reason, he also believes industry's investments and the District's public outreach efforts have paid off.

Mr. Sadredin also reported on the recent Senator Florez hearing on Rule 4103 (Agricultural Burning). He stated staff was able to provide answers to many of the Senator's questions during the hearing. He reported they are waiting to hear if another ARB hearing will be necessary as a result of this hearing. Mr. Sadredin also gave an update on Rule 9410 (eTRIP), stating that staff is still checking to determine whether all employers subject to this rule have registered prior to the July 1, 2010 deadline. He noted staff plans to take a softer approach when contacting businesses to determine if they could be subject to this rule, by utilizing an easy-to-follow questionnaire. Next, Mr. Sadredin gave an update on EJAG appointments, stating the interviews for the next round of appointments have been completed and staff will bring their recommendations before CAC and the Governing Board at their September meetings.

He noted there would still be 3 EJAG vacancies, including a Small Business Owner, Madera County; At-Large Representative, Kings County; and an person appointed from the CAC. He stated an item will be brought before the CAC in September to possibly fill an EJAG Small Business Owner seat with an Industry/Ag Representative from the CAC. Lastly, he asked for feedback on possible dates for the proposed CAC/EJAG Trust Building Workshop during October or November of this year. He stated he believes this exercise will help both groups work together more efficiently. He reported he has spoken to EPA representatives who are willing to hire a facilitator, and noted Melissa Kelly-Ortega has contacted a local community group, which has pledged \$2500 towards the costs. He stated EPA will begin an RFP process to hire the facilitator. The Chair, Manuel Cunha stated he would work with the Clerk of the Board to survey CAC members for the best possible date for the workshop.

Mr. Cunha thanked Mr. Sadredin and District staff for all of the hard work they have put into Rule 4103 (Agricultural Burning).

7. Rules Under Development – George Heinen, Supervising Air Quality Engineer gave the presentation on current rules under development. He reported there were no rule actions by the Governing Board in July, as no meeting was held. He stated in June, the Governing Board accepted the Ozone Mid-Course Review and approved the Rule 4905 (Natural Gas Fan-Fired Residential Central Furnace) extension. Mr. Heinen noted there are two rules received and filed by the Governing Board in August, including Rule 4354 (Glass Melting Furnaces) and Rule 4653 (Adhesives and Sealants). He stated staff is currently working on updates to Rule 4702 (Internal Combustion), which they plan to present to the Board in December. Also, he reported staff is also working on updates to Rule 4566 (Organic Waste Operations). Lastly, Mr. Heinen noted the adoption of Rule 4570 (Confined Animal Facilities) was postponed during the June meeting, due to a request from EPA and other groups. He stated this item will come before the Board for consideration at the meeting in October. He stated the proposed rule will be available for review at least 30 days prior to the Board meeting in October.

Public comment: None

8. Report on District Particulate Matter Conference – Dr. David Lighthall, the District's Health Science Advisor, gave a presentation on the District's recent Particulate Matter Conference in Fresno. He noted there were over 150 participants who heard presentations from some of the top Particulate Matter researchers on both the atmospheric chemistry and the health side. Dr. Lighthall's presentation included an overview of EPA's proposed fine particulate (PM_{2.5}) health standards; key findings from the 2010 Valley Air District Particulate Matter Conference; the justification for the new PM_{2.5} standard; and, a report on bioaerosols and their interaction with anthropogenic PM.

Public comment: None

At this point, Mr. Cunha noted that the update from the State Air Resources Board Representative, Jeff Lindberg, was not on today's Agenda due to an oversight. He asked Mr. Lindberg to report on a possible two-cycle ARB regulation on two-stroke engines and collaboration with EPA on 25 horsepower over or under, at September's CAC meeting.

9. Update on eTRIP Rule 9410 Implementation – Jessi Fierro, Senior Air Quality Specialist reported on an eTRIP workshop held at the District on June 16th. She noted there were 80 attendees who were given an overview on how to register and how to determine if their businesses were subject to the rule. She stated several staff members were available at each of the regional offices to register businesses on the spot. She stated it was a great success and a great model for implementing new rules very efficiently, and with the best outreach possible. She noted there is now a video posted on the District's website which walks business owners through the registration process. She stated staff believes this is a good tool for business owners who are unable to attend District workshops. She reported there were eTRIP presentations given to the Boards of Supervisors of Stanislaus, Kern and Kings Counties. In addition, presentations were given to the Kings County Industrial Group and to the Hospital Council of the Central Valley, Human Resource Directors. She stated so far, the registered work sites represent 100,000 eligible employees in the Valley and noted there is still more outreach to do to contact all eligible work sites. She noted staff is looking ahead to Phase One strategies for eTRIP, including the marketing and program support strategies which include preparing for online submittal and compiling an extensive guidance document for employers to use in choosing the measures that may work the best for their worksites. Lastly, she noted the District is looking forward to partnering with local rideshare agencies to help employers partner with these valuable resources that may already exist in their communities.

Public comment: None

Mr. Savage left at 11:32 p.m.

9. Consideration of Draft District Rule 4566 (Organic Waste Operations) – Samir Sheikh, Strategies and Incentives Director, gave the presentation on this rule. He noted there were many tough issues that needed to be balanced regarding this rule including the many benefits of composting and the fact that composting emits VOC's that contribute to Valley smog but are of less importance to attainment, compared to NOx. He noted the District's goal is to reduce VOC emissions without making composting cost prohibitive. He stated this measure is a part of the District's 8-hour Ozone Plan commitment, originally by the 1st Quarter of 2009. He noted in the initial process, staff realized there was a lack of scientific information on understanding the emissions and mitigation for composting, which prohibited staff from developing this rule during that time period. He stated staff was granted an extension by the Board and has used this extra time to conduct a field study to develop the scientific information needed to develop a rule that made sense and confirmed the mitigation and reduction estimates.

Mr. Sheikh noted this study was conducted through the San Joaquin Valleywide Air Pollution Study Agency. He stated there was extensive stakeholder participation and thanked the many stakeholders who had input into the development of this rule. He also thanked Tulare County Composting which offered their facility as a test site for this study. Mr. Sheikh reported there is a rule workshop scheduled in August, along with additional workshops and public comment periods until the item is taken for Board consideration at the December meeting.

Public comment: None

11. Environmental Justice Advisory Group (EJAG) Business –

a. EJAG Highlights – Melissa Kelly-Ortega, At-Large Representative from Merced County, gave the report on EJAG activities. She reported the EJAG appointment and reappointment interviews were held last month and stated it appears there will be some new faces on EJAG. She thanked Mr. Broughton and Mr. Jacobsen for assisting with the EJAG interviews. She also reported with consensus of the EJAG board, their meetings have been moved to the fourth Tuesday of the month at 5:30pm and that EJAG would go dark in July and November. She stated EJAG received a presentation from Mr. Sheikh on the use of EJ maps at their last meeting. She noted that EJAG members, Linda MacKay, Melissa Kelly-Ortega, Catherine Garoupa White and Derek Williams were appointed to the Ad-Hoc Committee to work on the CAC/EJAG Team Building Workshop/Retreat, and reported the California Endowment has committed to pay \$2500 towards the cost of the workshop. She also reported EJAG members are currently reviewing three of the District's outreach brochures including the Burning Trash, Complaint, and PASS brochures in an effort to make them easier to understand for the EJ community.

Mr. Cunha asked the Deputy Clerk of the Boards to send an email to CAC members with three potential dates for the CAC/EJAG Team Building Workshop/Retreat to find out the best date to hold the event.

Public comment: None

12. Outreach and Communication Report – Maricela Velasquez, Senior Public Information Representative gave an update on current outreach activities at the District including the Healthy Air Living summer advertising campaign. She reported the Blue Sky/Brown Curriculum has been updated and is currently going to print. She noted the deadline for entering the Kid's Calendar Contest is October 12, 2010. She also reported the District is actively recruiting Healthy Air Living Partners, including individuals, businesses and organizations. She stated that staff is currently updating the Healthy Air Living Partner webpage and brochure. She reported staff has been conducting drawings for bicycles at local baseball games to encourage children and adults to use alternative transportation. Lastly, she reported Jaime Holt, Chief Communications Officer is working with several COGs to partner for Rideshare Week in November.

Ms. Rawling noted that some municipalities do not know that the Spare the Air program has been replaced by the Healthy Air Living program. She suggested further outreach to remind everyone that the Spare the Air program no longer exists.

Public comment: None

13. Member Comments and Suggestions to be Included in the Presentation of the CAC Report During the Governing Board Meeting on August 19, 2010 – None.
14. Volunteer to Present Report During Governing Board Meeting – Mr. Cunha will present the report to the Governing Board on August 19th.

Meeting adjourned at 11:59 a.m.

NEXT MEETING: The next CAC Meeting is scheduled on Tuesday, September 7, 2010.