

Action Summary Minutes  
**San Joaquin Valley Unified Air Pollution Control District**

**CITIZENS ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

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

**December 6, 2011**  
**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 10:05 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	Manuel Cunha/IAIG (P)	Central
	Ryan Jacobsen/IAIG (A)	Central
	Amarpreet Dhaliwal/CIG(P)	Central
Kern	Nicholas Ortiz/IAIG (A)	South
	Carolyn Temple/EIG (P)	South
	Brent Green/CIG (P)	South
Kings	Riley E. Jones/IAIG (P)	Central
	Kelly Deming/EIG(P)	Central
	Dennis Tristao/CIG (P)	Central
Madera	Donald Horal/IAIG (P)*	Central
Merced	Tim Durham/IAIG (P)	North
San Joaquin	Roger Hoffdahl/IAIG (P)	North
Stanislaus	Pamela Neronha/EIG (A)	North
	David Geer/CIG (A)	North
Tulare	Derek Williams/IAIG (P)	Central

\*Mr. Horal arrived at 10:41 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; Rick McVaigh, Deputy APCO; Alek Krivobok, Network Systems Analyst; Brandon Swedblom, Network Systems Analyst; Michelle Franco, Deputy Clerk of the Boards; Jaime Holt, Chief Communications Officer; Jessica Fierro, Supervising Air Quality Specialist ; Samir Sheikh, Strategies and Incentives Director; Errol Villegas, Strategies and Incentives Program Manager; David Lighthall, Health Science Advisor; Carol Flores, Operations and Program Support Supervisor

Staff Present in the Northern Region Office (Modesto) – Karen Morris, Office Services Manager

Staff Present in the Southern Region Office (Bakersfield) –Nannette Diaz, Senior Office Assistant

3. Approve Minutes of October 4, 2011 And November 1, 2011– The Minutes were approved with no changes.
4. Public Comments – None
5. Chair Comments – Mr. Cunha thanked staff and Mr. Sadredin for assistance given to the CAC while he served as Chair. He thanked Ms. Franco for coordinating the agendas and working with EJAG and CAC members.
6. Executive Director/APCO Comments – Seyed Sadredin, Executive Director/APCO, reported there are five new Governing Board members recently appointed with four of those taking office in January. He explained the Board member appointed by Governor Brown, Dr. Alexander Sherriffs began his term immediately. He stated the other new Governing Board members were: Mr. Harold Hanson, City of Bakersfield; Mr. Skip Barwick, City of Tulare; Mr. Oliver Baines, City of Fresno; and, Ms. Sally Bompreszi, City of Madera.

Mr. Sadredin reported there will be a joint meeting on December 20, 2011 with the other four large air districts in California which include San Diego, Sacramento, South Coast and Bay Area. He explained there is a joint effort to build a caucus of large districts to co-fund projects and join forces on common interest legislative areas. He requested ideas and suggestions be brought to his attention, such as travel of goods between various regions or technology advancement.

Mr. Sadredin reported a community wide emissions inventory for Kern County was just completed at their request which was paid for by grants they received. He said Kern County received quotes and the District was able to perform the inventory at a lower cost. He stated the report will be made available to the public and other interested parties after staff receives comments from Kern County. Mr. Sadredin reported there is an agenda item to go before the Governing Board to perform the same type of inventory for Kings County. He explained all cities and counties in the Valley are required to provide inventories according to AB32 and climate change mandates.

Mr. Sadredin reported a MOU was signed with the Air Resources Board to implement the greenhouse gas requirements for landfills under AB32. He explained there has been a great deal of interest by Valley business and municipalities to have a local contact in addressing the greenhouse gas requirement.

Mr. Sadredin reported the District is working on a similar MOU with ARB for a non-ammonia based refrigeration management rule. He explained this rule affects various operations that utilize refrigeration units such as grocery stores, packing houses and others.

Mr. Sadredin reported staff will take the District's Green Procurement and Purchasing policy to the Governing Board for adoption in December. He commented the policy would include purchasing cleaner products and services, which would result in more energy efficiency. He stated the hope would be for businesses and municipalities to utilize the District policy as a model for their own.

Mr. Sadredin reported the 2011 Report to the Community will also be presented to the Governing Board in December. He explained the District creates several highly technical reports that are required by law to measure progress and other items. He stated the Board, in 2007, made a commitment to have a more user friendly reporting of District activities for the public. He commented the Report is available in hard copy and on the District's website. He said the Report will be shared with elected officials to share with their constituents, all cities and counties and industry associations. He noted the Report has been received well in the past. He encouraged the CAC members to review the Report.

Mr. Sadredin reported there will be two upcoming public hearings on Title V Permit renewals. He explained the Title V process requires the District to hold a public hearing if requested before approving a permit. He noted Title V does not add air pollution requirements or other requirements; it is only an administrative process that the federal government requires.

Mr. Cunha clarified the Title V Kettleman City public hearing will be at the Kettleman City Elementary School Auditorium on December 8, 2011 at 7:00 p.m. and there will be a hearing for another facility, Covanta Stanislaus Inc., in the northern region at the Patterson library on December 6, 2011 at 7:00 p.m. Mr. Sadredin reported notices and information are available on the District website and staff have notified the communities through various means of outreach.

Public Comments: None

7. Rules Under Development – Errol Villegas, Strategies and Incentives Program Manager, reported there were no past actions in October or November. He explained there are four rules that are being amended and submitted to the Board for adoption. He explained Rule 2301 (Emission Reduction Credit Banking) has proposed amendments that would establish a mechanism for banking carbon emission credits from local emission reduction projects. He explained Rule 1020 (Definitions) has proposed amendments that would incorporate dimethyl carbonate and propylene carbonate to the list of exempt compounds because EPA has designated these materials as compounds with

very low ozone-forming potential. He commented these two rules are other projects that are currently being worked on.

Public Comment: None

8. Verbal Report from California Air Resources Board (ARB) – Patricia Velasco, Air Resources Board (ARB) representative, reported the Board adopted the final Cap and Trade Regulation, putting into place another key element on the state's climate plan. She said the program also compliments and supports California's existing efforts to reduce smog forming and toxic air pollutants and improve energy efficiency in homes and businesses. Ms. Velasco reported the Board also adopted a management plan to closely monitor the effects of the program. She explained the first phase beginning in 2013 will include all major industrial sources along with electricity utilities and the second phase starting in 2015 brings in distributors of transportation fuels. Companies are not given a specific limit on their greenhouse gas emissions but must supply a sufficient number of allowances. Ms. Velasco reported the Board adopted amendments to the airborne toxic control measure for in-use diesel fuel transportation refrigeration units extending model year 2003 and older engine compliance that lines with ultra-low emissions standards for either one or two years depending on the date they complied with the less stringent low emissions standard.

Ms. Velasco reported the Board heard a report on the interpretation of ARB's environmental justice policies and actions over the last ten years. She explained the Board adopted the environmental justice policies in 2001 with the goal of promoting environmental equity and fair treatment of all Californians, environmental justice considerations have helped form ARB's priorities. Ms. Velasco stated the Board's actions to reduce emissions and health risk from particulate matter reduce neighborhood exposure to air toxics and develop the climate change program illustrates how environmental justice has been incorporated into every aspect of the program.

Ms. Velasco also reported ARB released a comprehensive summary of its proposed advanced clean car regulations package setting tough new emissions standards for cars and light trucks from 2015 thru 2025. She explained the regulations package is designed to clean the air, fight climate change, deliver savings to consumers and drive job development in California.

Mr. Sadredin commented as the only air district with a functioning environmental justice advisory group, the District was the only one present at the ARB hearing last month when they renewed their commitment to their environmental justice policies they put in place. He said the District was there to support and give comments in ways to better engage the communities. Mr. Sadredin stated the District is proud of the work that EJAG is doing.

Public Comment: None

9. Environmental Justice Advisory Group (EJAG) –

- a. Verbal Report on EJAG Activities:** Sandra Celedón-Castro, EJAG member at large from Fresno County, reported Rule 2301 (Emission Reduction Credit Banking) was discussed and the Summary of Rules and Plans dated October 20, 2011 were reviewed at their October meeting. She stated there was an update on CAC/EJAG collaboration by Melissa Kelly-Ortega who said Jonathan London, Director of the Center for Regional Change at UC Davis is available to provide an Environmental Justice 101 presentation on February 2 or February 9, 2012. Ms. Celedón-Castro stated a survey will be sent to members of both groups to determine the best date. She commented District staff would also be invited. She reported Mr. Williams gave a Grant Committee update that the Committee will focus on three items at their next meeting: outreach and community development, acquisition of a mobile education unite for public outreach and establish an application process for the \$10 million. Ms. Celedón-Castro reported the EJAG meetings for 2012 will be held on the fourth Thursday of every month at 5:30 p.m. She stated tools for community feedback are being developed and explained this item was addressed to meet Goal and Objective number four of the EJAG Action Plan. Ms. Celedón-Castro reported there was a review of the Check Before You Burn brochure.

Mr. Cunha thanked the District for attending the ARB meeting. He recognized the District's efforts for working with EJAG. Mr. Williams stated the Grant Committee will be meeting an hour before the next EJAG meeting and encouraged CAC members to attend. Mr. Sadredin clarified DMV funding can only be used for projects that reduce air pollution. He commented there may other funding available for educational activities and outreach. Mr. Cunha asked if street sweepers, special pick-up trucks to take debris to landfills to assist cities would be eligible for the funding. Mr. Sadredin explained operations that either get new equipment, retrofitted equipment or certain types of operations that are conducted with specific devices may eligible for funding. Mr. Sadredin stated he is coordinating with Mr. London to make a presentation at the Governing Board meeting in January 2012. Mr. Sadredin stated he is working with Mr. London on the most beneficial way to present the report to be utilized as a tool for all to review environmental justice issues. Mr. Sadredin requested input from CAC members on points of interest that should be emphasized on Mr. London's report.

Public Comment: None

10. Election of Citizens Advisory Committee Chair For a Term of Two Years –Mr. Tristao nominated Mr. Dhaliwal of the City Interest Group for CAC Chair.

Public Comment: None

Mr. Cunha requested a motion to elect Mr. Amarpreet Dhaliwal as the CAC Chair for the term 2012-2013.

*Moved:* Tristao  
*Seconded:* Jones  
*Ayes:* Cunha, Ortiz, Jones, Horal, Durham, Hoffdahl, Williams, Temple, Deming, Neronha, Dhaliwal, Green, Tristao, Geer  
*Nays:* None

**Motion unanimously carried to elect Mr. Amarpreet Dhaliwal as the CAC Chair for the term 2012-2013.**

11. Consider Position on Proposed Rule Amendments – Mr. Villegas stated staff is requesting the CAC to consider four rules that will be presented at the next Governing Board meeting. He explained the rules are being amended to address Federal Reasonably Available Control Technology (RACT) requirements. He stated the District conducted a thorough RACT analysis that evaluated all sources for ozone precursors and submitted to EPA for consideration. He explained there were over 50 rules in the RACT SIP analysis and all of those rules have been approved by EPA with EPA requesting further evaluation on the four remaining rules. Mr. Villegas reported EPA's concerns are administrative in nature due to the District's existing and very mature programs, rules and regulations that have already reduced the emissions from these stationary sources. He said District staff went through extensive efforts to evaluate the potential controls and address EPA's concerns and worked with affected sources to evaluate the feasibility and the cost of the control options. He commented each rule was presented at a public workshop and continued dialogue to work with affected stakeholders. Mr. Villegas stated each of the rules has a thorough staff report including a thorough analysis in documentation to further address the RACT issues. He said the proposed rule amendments are expected to result in full EPA approval.
- a. **Rule 4402 (Crude Oil Production Sumps)** – Mr. Villegas explained proposed amendments would explicitly prohibit the use of first state sumps, clarify requirements, update test methods, and add recordkeeping requirements.
  - b. **Rule 4625 (Wastewater Separators)** – Mr. Villegas explained proposed amendments would increase vapor control efficiency from 90 to 95%, remove exemptions and outdated language, add definitions, and add recordkeeping and maintenance requirements.
  - c. **Rule 4352 (Solid Fuel Fired Boilers)** – Mr. Villegas explained proposed amendments include lowering NOx emission limits for

various fuel categories and a number of administrative amendments.

- d. Rule 4682 (Polystyrene, Polyethylene, and Polypropylene Products Manufacturing)** – Mr. Villegas explained proposed amendments include administrative amendments and bifurcation of VOC limits for polystyrene foam extrusion facilities and expandable polystyrene foam facilities.

Mr. Ortiz thanked Mr. Sadredin and his staff for the extensive amount of outreach done to affected parties on Rule 4402 (Crude Oil Production Sumps) and 4625 (Wastewater Separators). Mr. Cunha thanked District staff for their efforts. Mr. Villegas stated the affected sources have been instrumental and open to recommendations provided by staff.

Public Comment: None

Mr. Cunha requested a motion to recommend for adoption proposed amendments to Rule 4402 (Crude Oil Production Sumps), Rule 4625 (Wastewater Separators), Rule 4352 (Solid Fuel Fired Boilers) and Rule 4682 (Polystyrene, Polyethylene, and Polypropylene Products Manufacturing) to the Governing Board.

*Moved:* Dhaliwal

*Seconded:* Williams

*Ayes:* Cunha, Ortiz, Jones, Horal, Durham, Hoffdahl, Williams, Temple, Deming, Neronha, Dhaliwal, Green, Tristao, Geer

*Nays:* None

***Motion unanimously carried to recommend for adoption proposed amendments to Rule 4402 (Crude Oil Production Sumps), Rule 4625 (Wastewater Separators), Rule 4352 (Solid Fuel Fired Boilers) and Rule 4682 (Polystyrene, Polyethylene, and Polypropylene Products Manufacturing) to the Governing Board.***

12. Wrap Up Discussion and Brainstorming Session on Air Alert Program and Complementary Programs – Mr. Cunha stated a public meeting was held in November 2011 to suggest various ideas on the Air Alert and complementary programs. Rick McVaigh, Deputy APCO, explained specific suggestions were requested at the meeting in November including assistance in identifying the target audience and to provide recommendations on what the District should ask the target audience to do during air alert days. Mr. McVaigh reviewed the suggestions from the November meeting and requested more from CAC members and members of the public in attendance.

Mr. Cunha suggested members of the CAC and EJAG and all the population regardless of age should be part of the target audience. Mr. Jones suggested billboards along freeways and possible permanent programmable billboards. Jaime Holt, Chief Communications Officer noted the expansion of the District's

Flag Programs including the Real-Time Air Advisory Network (RAAN) Program to other public buildings and times. She commented there may be some items on the list of suggestions the \$10 million DMV funding can be used for but not the Flag Program.

Public Comment: *The following persons provided testimony on this item:*

- Dotty Nygard, City of Riverbank

Mr. McVaigh commented the current list of suggestions and any other ideas would be forwarded to Mr. Sadredin to assist in developing the 2012 Air Alert Program. Ms. Deming asked for the purchase price of the flags. Ms. Holt responded a set of four flags cost about \$100. She explained the District can be contacted for information on purchasing the flags.

Mr. Cunha requested a motion to submit the recommendations to Mr. Sadredin.

*Moved:* Durham  
*Seconded:* Dhaliwal  
*Ayes:* Cunha, Jones, Horal, Durham, Hoffdahl, Williams, Temple, Deming, Neronha, Dhaliwal, Green, Tristao, Geer  
*Nays:* None

**Motion unanimously carried to submit the recommendation to Mr. Sadredin.**

*Mr. Sadredin left at 11:00 a.m.*  
*Mr. Ortiz left at 11:29 a.m.*

13. Outreach and Communications Report – Ms. Holt reported the Kid's Calendars should be here by the next CAC meeting. She stated the Check Before You Burn program is in full swing and due to not much rain there have been several no-burn days. She commented there are postcards being distributed to save the date of the Lawn Conference in March 2012.

Mr. Cunha suggested distributing information regarding the Lawn Conference to the hardware, agriculture and irrigation supply stores. Mr. Williams asked if bilingual posters were created. Ms. Holt responded there will be bilingual flyers and bilingual information on the website. Ms. Temple asked if there will be any presentations from a health organization providing education on the effects of leaf blowers. Ms. Holt responded there will be presentations on health impacts on leaf blowers, small engines and also the direct kick-up of particulate matter. She commented there will be information regarding when and where regulation may be appropriate.

Public Comment: None



14. CAC Member Comments and Suggestions to be Included in the Presentation of the CAC Report During the Governing Board Meeting on December 15, 2011 – Mr. Cunha thanked Ms. Franco for developing the CAC Minutes highlights. He thanked Mr. Jacobsen and Mr. Savage for being the substitute Chair when he was late or absent. Mr. Cunha thanked the Governing Board, all CAC members, EJAG members, District staff and Mr. Sadredin for all their efforts. He reported there will be a conference call with the subcommittee on the Hearing Board selections before the end of the year.
15. Volunteer to Present Report During Governing Board Meeting – Mr. Cunha volunteered to present the report.

Meeting adjourned at 11:53 a.m.

Next Meeting – The next meeting is scheduled on January 3, 2012. The meeting will be held via video teleconference (VTC), with the Central Region Office (Fresno), the Northern Region Office (Modesto) and the Southern Region Office (Bakersfield) participating.