

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

**April 3, 2012**  
**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, Amarpreet Dhaliwal, called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.
2. Roll Call - was taken and a quorum was present.

County	Member Name/Interest Group	Location
Fresno	Manuel Cunha/IAIG (P)*	Central
	Amarpreet Dhaliwal/CIG (P)	Central
	Kevin Hamilton/EIG (A)***	Central
Kern	Nicholas Ortiz/IAIG (A)**	South
	Carolyn Temple/EIG (P)	South
Kings	Dennis Tristao/CIG (P)	Central
	Riley E. Jones/IAIG (P)	Central
Madera	Donald Horal/IAIG (P)	Central
	Lee Smith/EIG (P)	Central
Merced	Tim Durham/IAIG (P)	Central
	Mary-Michal Rawling/EIG(P)	Central
San Joaquin	Roger Hoffdahl/IAIG (P)	North
	Wade Broughton/CIG (P)	North
Stanislaus	David Geer/CIG (A)	North
	Richard Gibson/EIG (P)	North
Tulare	Chris Savage/IAIG (P)	North
	Derek Williams/IAIG (P)	Central

\*Mr. Cunha arrived at 10:14 am

\*\*Mr. Ortiz arrived at 10:10 am

\*\*\*Mr. Hamilton arrive at 10:13 am

*(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; Brandon Swedblom, Network Systems Analyst; Michelle Franco, Deputy Clerk of the Boards; Jaime Holt, Chief Communications Officer; 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) – Theresa Haywood, Senior Office Assistant

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

3. Approve Minutes of March 6, 2012 – The minutes were approved with no changes.
4. Public Comments – None
5. Chair Comments – Mr. Dhaliwal acknowledged Mr. Tristao for Chairing the meeting last month in his absence and Mr. Cunha for presenting the CAC report to the Governing Board Meeting last month.
6. Executive Director/APCO Comments – Seyed Sadredin, Executive Director/APCO updated the members with information on a number of incentive funding programs from the state that will be expiring in the next few years, including Prop 1B, Carl Moyer, and AB923. He explained a process has begun to reauthorize AB923, which covers the Carl Moyer program and the DMV \$2 fee. He reported there was a recent meeting of air districts, a number of environmental organizations and industry representatives, and there was unanimous support for reauthorizing the funding.

He updated the CAC members on the Washington D.C. trip where four Governing Board members, Industry Representatives and Fresno/Madera Medical Society were in attendance. He commented it was a very productive trip. He noted doors were opened to obtain funding resources for the District.

Mr. Sadredin reported the Governing Board Agenda will include an item on the recap of the wood burning season. He stated a proposal for an incentive to use lasers or cleaner technology instead of fireworks will be going to the Board and requested feedback from the CAC members.

Mr. Tristao asked if a letter to the respective legislative representatives in support of funding for more air monitors would assist in obtaining funding.

Mr. Sadredin explained EPA passed a regulation requiring roadway monitors and implied funding would be provided but due to Federal budget shortfalls it is less than anticipated. Mr. Sadredin reported there will be a letter created from the Valley delegations and the state's two senators to EPA stating there needs to be funding provided or legal protection on the enforcement of the regulation.

Mr. Hamilton commented letters of support may be obtainable from several resources including the EJAG Grants Subcommittee. Mr. Sadredin responded more letters of support for EPA is a good suggestion. Mr. Sadredin commented the letter from the Valley delegations will be forwarded to CAC members to forward to interested parties.

Mr. Cunha suggested the CAC and EJAG committees send letters accompanying the Valley delegation's letter and literally have every member possible sign the letter of support. Mr. Dhaliwal commented it was a great idea. Mr. Hamilton requested this item be placed on the next EJAG agenda. Mr. Sadredin requested this item be placed on the next CAC agenda.

Mr. Dhaliwal asked the CAC members if there was any opposition to what has been proposed. No member expressed opposition.

Public Comment: None

7. Rule and Plan Updates – Errol Villegas, Strategies and Incentives Program Manager, reported the 2012 PM2.5 Plan development is in process. He commented that based on EPA recommendations, staff is working with ARB to coordinate and hold a technical modeling workshop prior to the first public workshop to discuss technical aspects associated with items included in the PM2.5 Plan. He reviewed items to be included in the workshop in April 2012: preliminary modeling results, emissions inventory and the control measure analysis. Mr. Villegas noted there will not be any types of conclusions during the workshop; the focus will be on having dialogue with interested stakeholders.

Public Comment: None

8. Verbal Report from California Air Resources Board (ARB) – Elizabeth Melgoza, Air Resources Board (ARB) representative, reported James Goldstene, ARB Executive Officer, briefed the Board on items that staff will bring for Board consideration this year as well as priorities for ongoing programs. She commented some of the priorities mentioned were reauthorization of incentive funding for mobile source cleanup, continued implementation of the Cap-and-Trade Advanced Clean Cars Program, PM2.5 state implementation plans for the Southcoast and San Joaquin

Valley. She added ARB has begun grant solicitations for the million dollar Advanced Technology Demonstration project for locomotive technologies. Ms. Melgoza stated staff briefed the Board on the Sustainable Community Strategy (SCS) for Sacramento and Southern California.

Mr. Cunha requested a presentation on the Greenhouse Gas Cap-and-Trade funding. Ms. Melgoza responded she will make arrangements for the presentation. Mr. Sadredin stated ARB recently announced they will not auction off any Cap-and-Trade allowances this year.

Public Comment: None

9. Environmental Justice Advisory Group (EJAG) Business –

- a. **Verbal Report on EJAG Activities:** Mr. Derek Williams, Tulare County At-Large Representative, reported there were two presentations from staff, a PM2.5 Attainment Plan update and Risk-Based Strategy and EPA BenMap. He stated EJAG members approved the list of milestones that have been accomplished during 2011 to date.

Mr. Williams reported the Grants Subcommittee prioritized funding for two incentive projects and recommended approval by the full EJAG Committee. He stated EJAG members agreed and voted to request the District match funding of \$3 million for heavy duty diesels, especially for small trucking companies and garbage trucks in EJ communities. Mr. Williams commented the matching funding requested be for small business owners and operators within the EJ maps for EJ communities. Mr. Williams reported the Grants Subcommittee recommended \$1 million from DMV funds divided between the three regions for ongoing Tune In and Tune Up events. He explained this would provide drivers with up to \$1,000 for vehicle repairs.

Mr. Sadredin stated there are vacancies within the EJAG committee including At Large Representatives from Kern, Kings and Madera Counties, one ethnic small business owner and an alternate CAC Industry/Ag representative. He explained Ms. Pamela Neronha will be resigning effective June 1, 2012, which creates another vacancy. He added there are several persons whose term will expire either in May or August of 2012, creating more vacancies.

Ms. Temple requested more information on the Tune In and Tune Up program. Mr. Sadredin responded staff will send videos and information regarding the program.

Public Comment: None

10. Report on District's 2012 Air Quality Conference: Lawn Care, Landscaping and Air Quality –David Lighthall, Health Science Advisor, presented the update for the Conference including that over 100 professionals from various sectors of the lawn care industry participated. He commented the key topics discussed included the sources and health impacts of lawn care emissions; District grant funds available to assist landscape and lawn care operations make cost-effective, low-emission choices; the drivers behind community opposition to leaf blowers; and challenges, strategies and technological options of reducing emissions.

Mr. Cunha recommended coordinating a conference with nurseries due to many grounds maintenance personnel attend nursery conferences. He stated a request was brought to him regarding discussing incentives to purchase low emission producing equipment. Mr. Sadredin commented there was support for a regulatory approach for making an even playing field between large and small business owners.

Mr. Williams suggested an incentive program could be developed to replace equipment but also install electric outlets for homes to utilize electric lawn care equipment.

Public Comment – None

11. Outreach and Communications Report – Jaime Holt, Chief Communications Officer, said the District's For Reel Video Contest is currently underway. She thanked the Citizen's Advisory Group for Industry, specifically Roger Isom, and Valley Clean Air Now for their involvement, and stated the extra money would be used to supplement the prizes.

Ms. Holt also stated that the second week of May is Bike to Work Week and said the District will be participating in a number of Earth Day events throughout the Valley during the month of April.

Public Comment: None

12. CAC Member Comments; CAC Member Suggestions To Be Included In The Presentation Of The CAC Report During The Governing Board Meeting on April 19, 2012 – Ms. Rawling requested CAC packets be mailed in advance of the meeting. Mr. Sadredin explained that eventually the packet

will be entirely electronic. Michelle Franco, Deputy Clerk of the Boards, explained that due to the delays in the process of the packet it was only sent electronically. This month, Ms. Franco stated she would poll the members and only mail hard copy packets to those who specifically request them.

13. Volunteer to Present Report During Governing Board Meeting – Mr. Cunha volunteered to present the report during the Governing Board meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 11:26 a.m.

Next Meeting – The next meeting is scheduled on May 1, 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.