

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

August 7, 2018
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, 34946 Flyover Court, Bakersfield and teleconference in the Northern Region Office, VTC Room, 4800 Enterprise Way, Modesto. The CAC Meeting was webcast.

1. CALL TO ORDER – Jack Lemen, CAC Chair, called the meeting to order at 10:02 a.m.
2. ROLL CALL – was taken and a quorum was present to hold the meeting, and was one member short in the Environmental Interest Group to take action.

County	Member Name/Interest Group	Location
Fresno	Manuel Cunha/IAIG (P)	Central
	Chris McGlothlin/IAIG (A)	Central
Kern	Les Clark/IAIG (P)	South
	Wayne Clausen/CIG (P)	South
Kings	Kelly Deming/EIG (P)	Central
	Alvaro Preciado/CIG (A)*	Central
Madera	Donald Horal/IAIG (P)	Central
	Lee Smith/EIG (P)	Central
Merced	Jack Lemen/CIG (P)	Central
San Joaquin	Roger Hoffdahl/IAIG (P)	North
	David Phippen/IAIG (A)	North
Stanislaus	Chris Savage/IAIG (P)	North
	Richard O'Brien/CIG (A)	North
Tulare	Derek Williams/IAIG (P)	Central

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

**Arrived at 10:12 a.m.*

3. APPROVE MINUTES FOR JUNE 5, 2018 – This item was tabled to the next meeting as a quorum was not in attendance.

Public Comment: None

4. PUBLIC COMMENTS – None

5. CHAIR COMMENTS – Mr. Lemen said at the June meeting, CAC members formed an ad hoc subcommittee to assess whether changing the meeting day and time would improve attendance. He said members of the subcommittee discussed and agreed to continue holding meetings at their regularly scheduled day and time. He asked CAC members to work with their alternates to ensure a quorum would be in attendance at each meeting.

6. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR/APCO COMMENTS – Samir Sheikh, Executive Director/APCO, introduced Sheraz Gill, who was recently promoted to Executive Director/APCO and provided updates to CAC members on the following:
 - The District was recently notified by the U.S. EPA that two District applications submitted under the competitive Diesel Emission Reductions Act (DERA) Clean Diesel Funding Assistance Program were selected for funding. The District has been awarded approximately \$5 million to replace agricultural tractors and heavy-duty diesel trucks. An item is scheduled for the Governing Board meeting in August to formally accept and appropriate the funding.

 - In June, the Governing Board accepted \$1 million in state funding from the Air Resources Board (ARB) to mitigate increases in NOx emissions in the Valley caused by biomass-based diesel use attributed to the state's Low Carbon Fuel Standard. This funding will be used to support emission reduction projects related to heavy-duty engines. ARB has since allocated an additional \$1 million to the District to fund emission reduction projects. An item is scheduled for the Governing Board meeting in August to formally accept and appropriate this additional funding.

 - The Governing Board Study Session is scheduled for September 19th and 20th in Bass Lake, CA. CAC members are encouraged to attend and participate in this important meeting, which allows Board members and the public to engage in more detailed discussions for educational and strategic planning purposes.

 - With 18 wildfires currently burning across California, the Valley is experiencing severe impacts from wildfire smoke. With more than 500,000 acres burning in wildfires directing impacting air quality in the Valley, the District has issued Health Cautionary Statements valley-wide, and is conducting outreach and education advising Valley residents to take actions to protect their health.

Mr. Cunha congratulated staff for their hard work to obtain the DERA funding that was awarded to the District. He also congratulated Mr. Gill on his recent promotion.

Public Comment: None

7. UPDATES ON ATTAINMENT PLANS AND RULES – Chay Thao, Program Manager, provided an update on the District’s planning and rule development efforts, including the PM2.5 Plan, PM10 Maintenance Plan, Rule 9510 (*Indirect Source Review*), Rule 2201 (*New and Modified Stationary Source Review*), Rule 3110 (*Air Toxics Fees*), Rule 4311 (*Flares*) and Rule 4692 (*Charbroiling*).

Public Comment: None

8. VERBAL REPORT FROM CALIFORNIA AIR RESOURCES BOARD - Laura Carr, ARB representative, provided a summary of select items before the ARB Board at their meeting held on July 26, 2018, including:

- The Board considered ARB staff’s responses to environmental comments submitted by John R. Lawson Rock & Oil, Inc. for the May 25, 2018, Board hearing item regarding Proposed Amendments to the Heavy-Duty Vehicle Inspection Program (HDVIP) and Periodic Smoke Inspection Program Regulation (PSIP).
- The Board approved the methodology for establishing the greenhouse gas (GHG) planning target ranges and specific GHG planning target ranges for the electricity sector, load serving entities, and publicly owned utilities for use in Integrated Resource Plans (IRP) pursuant to SB 350.
- The Board adopted guidelines for the Clean Cars 4 All Program and changes to the existing guidelines for the Enhanced Fleet Modernization Program (EFMP).
- The Board approved updates to the “Funding Guidelines for Agencies Administering California Climate Investments”.
- The Board adopted a plan with initial terms that expire in three staggered tiers to meet requirements of AB 197, which established six-year terms for the 14 voting members of the Board.

Public Comment: *The following persons commented on this item:*

- Colby Morrow, So Cal Gas

9. AB 617 IMPLEMENTATION UPDATE –

- a. Sheraz Gill, Deputy APCO, provided an update on the District’s activities related to AB 617 implementation. In June 2018, the District’s Governing Board adopted the final recommendations for San Joaquin Valley Communities Recommended for Additional Clean Air Resources and Public Engagement under AB 617, which

were submitted to ARB for consideration on July 31, 2018, and recommended the communities of South Fresno (including Calwa and Malaga), North Bakersfield, and the City of Shafter. ARB will finalize the selection of communities for first year actions under AB 617 at their September 2018 board meeting. Additionally, Mr. Gill advised CAC members the state's AB 617 Criteria and Toxics Emissions Reporting Regulation is now out for public comments and that ARB held a workshop on the regulation in the Valley on August 2, 2018. Todd DeYoung, Program Manager, provided an update on the feedback received from the public workshops held to solicit community input to assist the District in expending the new community emission reduction funds authorized under AB 134 and to outline the plan for moving forward with prioritizing and expending the funding.

- b. Heather Arias, ARB Office of Community Air Protection Branch Manager, provided an update on the efforts underway by ARB to implement AB 617. Ms. Arias advised CAC members that ARB released the Draft Community Air Protection Blueprint in June 2018 and is now addressing the comments that were received during the comment period. The Blueprint contains the requirements and guidelines for implementing the many facets of AB 617. The next draft of the Blueprint will be posted on August 24, 2018, and will be considered for adoption at the September 2018 ARB meeting. Additionally, Mr. Arias said that ARB is reviewing the community recommendations they received from air districts and communities. ARB is expecting to select up to 10 communities statewide and will post their recommendations on August 24, 2018. These recommendations will be considered for adoption at the September 2018 ARB meeting.

Mr. Cunha asked about ARB's plan to train the public as part of AB 617. Ms. Arias commented there are many training opportunities through ARB's enforcement division. In regards to AB 617, she said ARB's goal is to work with the District in the selected communities and help to provide some foundational information on air quality issues in those communities, the different tools and resources available to them including incentive funds, and the rules that are applicable to them. She said the goal is to level out the playing field by increasing residents' awareness and understanding and then working together to figure out the solutions moving forward.

Public Comment: None

10. PM 2.5 PLAN UPDATE – Chay Thao, Program Manager, provided an update on the status of the District ongoing PM2.5 planning efforts. The District and ARB held a joint public workshop on the evening of July 31, 2018, which provided an overview of the attainment strategy including District and ARB measures, and presented the latest ARB modeling which demonstrates that the Valley will reach attainment of the various PM2.5 standards covered under the plan. The workshop was very well attended and provided for good engagement and discussion. Mr. Thao discussed the next steps in the

planning process which include working with ARB to finalize the remaining requirement elements of the plan prior to releasing the plan for public comment ahead of Governing Board consideration.

Mr. Sheikh added that the valley-wide regulatory measures being considered with this plan represent the fifth or sixth generation of rules that the District has adopted for the applicable source categories. He said emissions from most of these categories have already been reduced by greater than 90% and in some cases greater than 99%. Mr. Sheikh said that the attainment demonstration in the plan hinges on significant NOx reductions from mobile sources and directly emitted PM2.5 reductions in hot-spot areas from residential wood burning and underfired charbroiling. These reductions will rely heavily on incentive funding. He said it would be very important for ARB to specify how the mobile source measures will achieve the very large reductions that are necessary and where the incentive dollars will come from.

Mr. Williams asked about the advantages and disadvantages to a community that is declared a hot spot. Mr. Sheikh responded that the District is looking at putting in a couple of tougher, incentive-based measures with regulatory backstops in hot spot areas, including residential wood burning and commercial charbroiling for certain sized restaurants. Staff is still working out the details, but it is planned the incentives would be much larger in hot spot areas. He said focusing on the hot spots strategy on residential wood burning and charbroilers would achieve the same benefits from \$100 million of investment that would otherwise need \$10 - \$15 billion worth of NOx reductions and other measures.

Public Comment – *The following persons commented on this item:*

- Colby Morrow, SoCal Gas

11. UPDATE ON DRIVE CLEAN IN THE SAN JOAQUIN VEHICLE AND REPLACEMENT PROGRAMS – Mr. Sheikh introduced Brian Dodds, Program Manager, who provided an update on the District's Drive Clean in the San Joaquin programs. In June 2018, the District Governing Board reauthorized the continuation of the successful Tune In Tune Up vehicle repair program and appropriate \$5 million in funding to hold 18 weekend events in fiscal year 2018-19. This program focuses heavily on low income, disadvantaged communities and to date 96% of participants have resided in a disadvantaged community. Mr. Dodds shared that the UCLA Luskin School of Public Affairs – Luskin Center for Innovation released a report that praised the Tune In Tune Up program for its ability to effectively and efficiently reduce emissions while distributing benefits to the neighborhoods most in need. The Luskin Center report recommended that the program should serve as a model for environmental justice programs in the state. Mr. Dodds also presented the District's new vehicle replacement program portal. The new interactive website and online application portal expands the reach of the District's vehicle replacement and allows residents to apply directly to the

program without the need to attend a weekend event. The District is ramping up outreach efforts for the new portal in anticipation of a significant increase in program participation.

Mr. Williams asked if vehicles with salvaged titles would qualify for the program. Mr. Dodds said there were opportunities for these vehicles but they must have been registered as operable prior to participation in the program. Mr. Cunha commended staff for this valuable program and the District's multilingual outreach approach. Mr. Preciado said this was a valuable program with huge participation in the Valley.

Public Comment: *The following persons commented on this item:*

- Colby Morrow, SoCal Gas

12. OUTREACH AND COMMUNICATIONS REPORT – Jaime Holt, Chief Communications Officer, reported that the District has been doing extensive outreach on the smoke impacts of the wildfires burning across the state. She said the District has been notifying county Public Health Officers, and calling and emailing schools directly and explaining the District's Real Time Air Advisory Network (RAAN) system so administrators can make the best decision for outdoor activities for children. In addition, she said her team has put out several press releases and has a Health Cautionary Statement in place, to warn residents of the smoke impacts in addition to the District's regular back to school messaging.

Public Comment: None

13. CAC MEMBER COMMENTS: CAC MEMBER SUGGESTIONS TO BE INCLUDED IN THE PRESENTATION OF THE CAC REPORT DURING THE GOVERNING BOARD MEETING ON AUGUST 16, 2018 – None
14. VOLUNTEER TO PRESENT REPORT DURING GOVERNING BOARD MEETING – Meeting adjourned at 12:01 p.m.

Next Meeting – NO MEETING IN JULY. The next CAC meeting is scheduled on September 4, 2018. 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.