

# District Highlights

## February 16, 2012 Actions by the Governing Board

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- The Governing Board approved the **proposed action plan for the development of upcoming federal attainment plans** including core plan components, guiding principles and a timeline for plan development and the public process. The District's next attainment plan is the *2012 PM<sub>2.5</sub> Plan*, which is due to EPA by Dec. 14, 2012.
- The Board approved a contract with **Agilaire LLC** to implement a new automated air quality data acquisition and management system. Initially, the contract is for \$69,212 for a pilot system, with \$350,000 for an entire monitoring system if the pilot system meets the District's objectives. The project will reduce labor associated with operating the District's expanding air monitoring network.
- The Board approved a memorandum of understanding with the **Local Government Commission** for \$12,000 to execute educational local leadership forums. The forums will advance the District's Healthy Air Living program and clean air goals related to land use, CEQA and indirect source review.
- The Board accepted \$359,689 in **Carl Moyer Memorial Air Quality Standards Attainment Program** funds from the Mojave Desert Air Quality Management District, which was unable to use all its allotted funding. The funds will be used for qualifying emission-reduction projects in the San Joaquin Valley.

### February Healthy Air Living Tip

The amount of energy needed to deliver water to your home is significant. Overwatering your yard results in unnecessary air pollution emissions from power plants. Tip: Minimize the amount of water used in landscaping. In the winter, do not water when rain is in the forecast and check your automatic water timer frequently. For more clean air tips, see [www.healthyairliving.com](http://www.healthyairliving.com)

## January District Activities

### *Outreach and Communications*

- Outreach and Communications continued to respond to many public and media inquiries about the historically long stretch of wood-burning curtailments in the Valley. The team also undertook an in-depth Healthy Air Living Partners website upgrade and improvements. OC began receiving online registrations for the upcoming clean yard-care conference in March and began planning a joint electric-vehicle workshop in conjunction with the California Center for Sustainable Energy.
- OC responded to 183 public calls or emails and 32 media calls. District staff took part in six outreach events during January.

### *Grant and Incentive Programs*

- The District received 156 incentive program applications in January. 107 were for the Wood Stove Change Out Program and 22 were for the Heavy Duty Engine Program.
- \$5,366,364 was placed under contract in the Heavy Duty Engine Program grant funds in January. \$5,618,436 in Heavy-Duty Engine Program claims was paid.

Component	Number of Claims	Amount Paid
Ag Engine	14	\$204,163
Ag-UTV	0	\$0.00
Off-Road	33	\$946,479
On-Road	0	\$0.00
On-Road DERA VIP	5	\$131,411
On-Road Prop 1B	0	\$0.00
On-Road VIP	18	\$525,000.00
School Bus Replacement	15	\$1,599,364
School Bus Retrofit	279	\$2,212,018
School Bus Tank Replacement	0	\$0.00

### Heavy-Duty Emission Reductions (tons)

- NOx 625
  - PM 52
  - ROG 85
- Total: 1,633

- \$8,421.00 was paid out in REMOVE II Program claims.
- \$24,850.00 in Wood Stove Change Out Program claims were paid and 49 claims were processed.

### Operations Overview

- **Compliance** completed 2753 inspections in January. 610 NOVS were issued. Mutual settlement case completions totaled 407.
- **Permits** received 122 applications in January. 1071 permits were issued.
- **Strategies and Incentives** received 25 smoking vehicle reports.
- **The District** received 98 environmental documents for review.

### Upcoming Meetings

**Governing Board\***  
9 a.m. Thurs., March 15

**Citizens Advisory Committee\***  
10 a.m. Tues., March 6

**Environmental Justice Adv. Grp.**  
5:30 pm Tues., Feb. 23

Meetings are held in the Fresno office Governing Board Room and via video teleconference to the Modesto and Bakersfield offices. Details: [www.valleyair.org](http://www.valleyair.org) \*Webcast

### New & Renewing Healthy Air Living Partners

(ACLS) All Commercial Landscape Services, Fresno □ Applied Aerospace Structure Corp, Stockton □ Bakersfield City School District □ Chevron North American Exploration & Production, Bakersfield □ Cottage Bakery, Lodi □ Healthy Air Lawn Care □ KS Industries, Bakersfield □ Motor City Sales & Service, Bakersfield □ Rain for Rent, Bakersfield □ Sunrise Medical US, Fresno

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