

BOARD MEETING DATE: May 4, 2018

AGENDA NO. 16

PROPOSAL: Approve Charter for SCAQMD's Young Leaders Advisory Council

SYNOPSIS: This action is to approve the Young Leaders Advisory Council Charter.

COMMITTEE: Administrative, April 13, 2018; Recommended for Approval

**RECOMMENDED ACTION:**

Approve the Charter for the SCAQMD Young Leaders Advisory Council that details the formation of the Advisory Council, which will provide advice and input to SCAQMD staff regarding issues, concerns, values and priorities about air quality of young adults (aged 18-30) in the region.

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**Background**

The focus and mission of the Young Leaders Advisory Council (YLAC) is to identify air quality issues and concerns of young adults (aged 18-30) in the region. Through the YLAC, SCAQMD seeks to educate and engage young adults regarding the region's clean air issues and at the same time garner from them greater insight into their generation's concerns, values and priorities about air quality. This would be the first SCAQMD advisory group that seeks to engage this generation specifically, and to benefit from their passion, commitment, and urgency to help improve our air.

The YLAC reflects the ethnic and geographic diversity of the South Coast Air Basin. Members represent a variety of backgrounds and expertise, including, but not limited to, representatives of environmental justice groups, community organizations, schools and universities, businesses, and health organizations. The advisory group held their first meeting and the group discussed their goals and objectives.

The goals of the YLAC include: (1) helping strengthen and build upon SCAQMD's relationships and alliances with young adults by supporting SCAQMD outreach efforts; (2) assisting the SCAQMD in making meaningful and continuous progress towards cleaning the air through its decision-making and activities; and (3) maximizing the opportunity for young adults to learn more about SCAQMD, air quality and clean technology issues.

The YLAC will achieve its goals by meeting quarterly to, among other things: (1) share information about ways to engage young adults on air quality, environmental sustainability, and clean technology issues; (2) assist with the creation and implementation of air quality related events and workshops that best address the needs of people aged 30 and under; and (3) empower young leaders with more information and knowledge about air quality, air quality management, SCAQMD, and the intersection of air pollution, clean technology and other environmental laws and issues.

YLAC will consist of no more than 20 members, with at least two members from each county within the SCAQMD jurisdictional boundaries in Los Angeles, Orange, Riverside, and San Bernardino counties. The potential members, who represent some of the most highly impacted communities within SCAQMD's jurisdiction, will serve a one-year term with the possibility of being reappointed for additional one-year terms.

### **Charter Proposal**

The will be a detailed document that includes the YLAC mission, goals, objectives, membership qualifications and composition, operational guidelines and compensation.

### **Resource Impacts**

There will be a cost of \$100 per diem per meeting and reimbursement of actual and necessary mileage and parking expenses for attending meetings of the YLAC for each participating Advisory Council standing member. There are sufficient funds in the Legislative, Public Affairs and Media Department budget to cover these costs.

### **Attachment**

SCAQMD Young Leaders Advisory Council Charter



## **South Coast Air Quality Management District Young Leaders Advisory Council (YLAC)**

### **Charter**

#### **Synopsis of History**

The South Coast Air Quality Management District (SCAQMD) established the Young Leaders Advisory Council (YLAC) in 2017, to identify the air quality issues and concerns of young adults (aged 18-30) in the region. This group seeks to engage this generation specifically, and to benefit from their passion, commitment, and urgency to help improve our air.

#### **Advisory Council Mission**

The mission of the Young Leaders Advisory Council is for SCAQMD to educate and engage young adults regarding the region's clean air issues and at the same time to garner from them greater insight into their generation's concerns, values and priorities about air quality.

#### **Goals**

1. Establish a geographically and ethnically diverse advisory council that will provide guidance to SCAQMD on addressing air quality issues in the South Coast Air Basin that are of particular concern to young adults (ages 18-30);
2. Help strengthen and build upon SCAQMD's relationships and alliances with young adults by supporting SCAQMD's outreach efforts;
3. Ensure that SCAQMD makes meaningful and continuous progress towards cleaning the air through its decisions and activities;
4. Maximize the opportunity for young adults to learn more about SCAQMD, air quality and clean technology issues.

#### **Objectives**

The Young Leaders Advisory Council shall achieve its goals by meeting quarterly to:

1. Obtain information from participating parties regarding their efforts to help clean the air;
2. Report on their communities' concerns regarding air pollution;
3. Share information about ways to engage young adults on air quality, environmental sustainability, and clean technology issues;

4. Promote communication among related agencies, YLAC Members, and community stakeholders;
5. Assist with the creation and implementation of air quality related events and workshops that best address the needs of people aged 30 and under;
6. Empower young leaders with more information and knowledge about air quality, air quality management, SCAQMD, and the intersection of air pollution, clean technology and other environmental laws and issues; and
7. Identify next steps and action items.

### **Membership Qualifications and Composition**

The Young Leaders Advisory Council shall reflect the ethnic and geographic diversity of the South Coast Air Basin. Members shall represent a variety of backgrounds and expertise, including, but not limited to, representatives of environmental justice groups, community organizations, schools and universities, businesses, and health organizations.

YLAC will consist of no more than 20 members, with at least two members from each county within the SCAQMD jurisdictional boundaries in Los Angeles, Orange, Riverside, and San Bernardino counties. Appointments will be made by the Governing Board Chairman with consideration for Board Member input, and following review by the Administrative Committee. The same process, as above, applies for reappointments to fill any vacancy or for removal of a member. The potential members, who represent some of the most highly impacted communities within SCAQMD's jurisdiction, will serve a one-year term with the possibility of being reappointed for additional one-year terms.

### **Operational Guidelines**

Agendas for the meetings will be prepared and distributed to members pursuant to any SCAQMD and state requirements and any relevant laws. Members may submit questions, comments, and guest speaker recommendations to SCAQMD staff, to be considered for upcoming meetings. Meetings may be held at SCAQMD, off site, or via teleconference. A quorum shall consist of a majority of the total number of individuals serving on the panel.

### **Reporting**

The Governing Board's Administrative Committee shall be the Young Leaders Advisory Council's Board liaison. The Advisory Council shall provide the Administrative Committee and Governing Board with an annual written report addressing the YLAC's goals and objectives as stated above, describing the council's accomplishments, and proposing its agenda for the coming year.

### **Compensation**

The standing members of this Advisory Council shall be eligible for per diem of \$100 per meeting and reimbursement of actual and necessary mileage and parking expenses for attending meetings of the YLAC.