

Air Resources Board

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WORKSHOP NOTICE

Public Workshops for Vision for Clean Air: A Framework for Air Quality and Climate Planning

The Air Resources Board (ARB or Board), the South Coast Air Quality Management District (South Coast AQMD), and the San Joaquin Valley Unified Air Pollution Control District (San Joaquin Valley APCD) invite you to participate in three public workshops to discuss the Public Review Draft of the document, "*Vision for Clean Air: A Framework for Air Quality and Climate Planning.*"

At the June 28, 2012 Board meeting, ARB staff briefed the Board on the Vision effort, which is intended to outline a framework for exploring common strategies for achieving both air quality and climate goals and support the development of the needed comprehensive clean air strategies in ways that enhance both the economy and environment. The vision framework is a prelude to plans and not itself a plan. The goal is to use the Vision process in planning going forward, including SIPs required by the federal Clean Air Act, AB 32 Scoping Plan updates, and freight transport planning. Those detailed planning efforts will include refined analyses of costs and benefits.

As part of the framework, staff developed a new analysis tool that considers greenhouse gases and conventional pollutants at the same time. The tool starts with a series of technology assumptions of what might be possible and translates those assumptions into estimates of the scale and timing of the resulting emission reductions. Using the tool, ARB staff has performed preliminary analyses showing the importance of considering the impacts of technology and fuel choices on each key pollutant, the scale of transformation needed to meet critical milestone dates, and the importance of understanding the impacts of technology transformation on energy demand.

At the workshops, staff will describe the process and tools developed and used in this effort, as well as the scenario inputs and model outputs. The two workshops in the South Coast and San Joaquin Valley will provide the opportunity to discuss the scenario inputs and results in the context of the regional needs for long-term air quality progress.

The energy challenge facing California is real. Every Californian needs to take immediate action to reduce energy consumption. For a list of simple ways you can reduce demand and cut your energy costs, see our website: <u>http://www.arb.ca.gov</u>. All Interested Parties August 9, 2012 Page 2

The meetings will be held at the following times and places:

Date: Time: Place:	Tuesday, August 21, 2012 9:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. San Joaquin Valley APCD VTC Room 1990 E. Gettysburg Ave. Fresno, California	
	The Fresno workshop will be video teleconferenced to the San Joaquin Valley Air Pollution Control District satellite sites:	
	San Joaquin Valley APCD Northern Region Office VTC Room 4800 Enterprise Way Modesto, California	San Joaquin Valley APCD Southern Region Office VTC Room 34946 Flyover Court Bakersfield, California
Date: Time: Place:	Wednesday, August 22, 2012 9:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. Cal/EPA Headquarters Building Sierra Hearing Room, 2 nd Floor 1001 I Street Sacramento, California	
Date: Time: Place:	Thursday, August 23, 2012 1:30 p.m 4:30 p.m. South Coast AQMD Headquarters Auditorium 21865 Copley Drive Diamond Bar, California	

The meeting in Sacramento on Wednesday, August 22 will be webcast for those unable to attend in person. The broadcast can be accessed on the day of the workshop at http://www.calepa.ca.gov/broadcast/?BDO=1. Information on submitting questions or comments will be provided during the webcast for remote participants. Staff's presentation and any associated documents will be posted in advance on ARB's website at http://www.arb.ca.gov/planning/vision/vision.htm.

If you require a special accommodation, please contact the staff member listed below as soon as possible, but no later than 5 business days before the scheduled meeting. TTY/TDD/Speech to Speech users may dial 711 for the California Relay Service.

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If you have questions regarding the workshop, please contact Ms. Carol Sutkus, Air Pollution Specialist, at (916) 322-1229 or csutkus@arb.ca.gov. We welcome and appreciate your participation in this workshop.