Aworld Can Change Thousands of Southland Students
Attend High School Conference on Air Quality

ore than 8,000 high school students and their teachers from 140 high schools throughout the South Coast Air Quality Management District (SCAQMD) region attended the "A World We Can Change" conference on May 27 at the Los Angeles Convention Center. Some of the attendees travelled from as far away as Big Bear and Desert Hot Springs.

The conference program included scientific experts from the Jet Propulsion Laboratory, the University of Southern California's Wrigley Institute for Environmental Studies, and SCAQMD. There were also speakers who focused on empowering youth to take action on air quality and climate issues, such as Alec Loorz, a high school student who established his own organization, Kids vs. Global Warming. Environmental films were showcased in a special screening room and 93 exhibitors and alternative vehicle displays filled the Expo Hall.

The lunchtime session was opened by the Diamond Bar High School Marching Band, the only California school to receive a 2009 Grammy Signature School award for their outstanding commitment to music education. William A. Burke, Ed.D., Chair of the SCAQMD Governing Board, welcomed the students and said, "I want to make sure we make the connection between air quality science, clean energy, and your daily lives because that's what this is all about: the quality of your health and the quality of your life." Sarah Backhouse, host of The Discovery Channel show Planet 100, emceed the session.

The keynote speaker was world champion skateboarder Pierre-André Senizergues, Chief Executive Officer and founder of Sole Technology, an action sports apparel company in Orange county known for its green business philosophy. Next on the program was a clean vehicle showcase and parade featuring alternative-fuel technologies including battery-electric, plug-in hybrid-electric, hydrogen fuel cell, and compressed natural gas. Participants included technology champions Tom Gage, CEO of legendary clean-tech developer AC Propulsion and Chelsea Sexton, co-founder of Plug-in America, as well as baseball All-Star Ken Landreux and drift racer Stephan Papadakis.

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# Air Quality Institute Educates and Engages Community Leaders

Since 2006, the SCAQMD's Air Quality Institute has held briefings in Los Angeles, Orange, San Bernardino, and Riverside counties.

Over the course of

the program, the Institute has held 30 briefings, educating over 1,000 leaders from all walks of life.

The briefings focus on the fundamentals of air quality and environmental justice issues and are presented to community, government, business, labor, faith and health sector leaders throughout the South Coast Air Basin.

The Air Quality Institute briefings, which are often cosponsored by state legislators, business groups, or community organizations, provide an understanding of the complexity of the issues that are challenging our region today, and the different air quality perspectives involved in these challenges.

Presentations at the briefings

cover a variety of issues targeted to each briefing's specific audience. These topics have included air quality standards, the impact of air pollution on public health and on business, climate change, technological advancements in reducing air pollution, the permitting process, statutory and regulatory policies, environmental justice concepts, land use, and other current issues in air quality and environmental justice.

The briefings occur approximately once every six to eight weeks and seek to engage participants in discussions which help them understand not only the air quality issues, but also what they can do to help address the air quality challenges in their area.

For more information, contact Marc Carrel at (909) 396-3213, mcarrel@aqmd.gov.



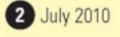
New Boiler Protocol Adopted to Help Quantify Greenhouse Gas Reductions

A s part of its climate change regulations, SCAQMD has adopted a new protocol to help

businesses quantify greenhouse gas emission reductions from boiler and process heater efficiency projects. SCAQMD-approved protocols are voluntary and are available for use by private parties or SCAQMD through pooled mitigation funds in order to generate certified greenhouse gas emission reductions.

The purpose of the protocol is to establish a method to measure reductions in greenhouse gas emissions and co-benefits resulting from an improvement in the efficiency of a boiler or process heater. Options to improve efficiency for existing boilers include an economizer or oxygen trim system. Boilers and process heaters under this protocol include units used in medical facilities, educational institutions, office buildings, hotels, and industrial facilities.

For more information, contact Jill Whynot at (909) 396-3104 or jwhynot@aqmd.gov.





# SCAQMD APPROVES FUNDING TO REPLACE HUNDREDS OF DIRTY DIESEL TRUCKS

he South Coast Air Quality
Management District approved
more than \$34 million in state
and federal grants to replace
nearly 600 dirty diesel trucks
with new, lower-emission models
at the ports and in other goods
movement activities throughout
the Southland.

"Replacing these diesel trucks with lower-emission models will help reduce the cancer risk to residents exposed to diesel fumes near freeways, ports and warehouses," said William A. Burke, Ed.D., Chair of SCAQMD's Governing Board.

The funds will help replace a total of 598 trucks operating at the ports of Long Beach and Los Angeles, as well as trucks moving goods across the Southland. Funding includes:

 \$17.45 million to replace 400 diesel trucks used in goods movement activities;

\$13.17 million to replace 132 diesel trucks with natural gas-fueled trucks used in goods movement activities; and

\$3.44 million to

replace 66 diesel trucks operating at ports and intermodal rail yards.

In addition, the funding includes \$85,000 for one truck-stop electrification project in Wilmington and \$3 million to re-power four Burlington Northern Santa Fe (BNSF) Railway switcher locomotives to operate at the BNSF rail yard in San Bernardino.

Funding comes from voterapproved Proposition 1B which provides funds to replace older diesel trucks servicing the ports with new diesel or natural gaspowered trucks. Additional funding for natural gas trucks comes from the federal American Recovery and Reinvestment Act.

Since November 2009, SCAQMD has awarded more than \$100 million to replace older diesel trucks operating in the Southland, the majority of which were operating as drayage trucks hauling containers between the ports of Los Angeles and Long Beach and nearby rail yards. Heavy-duty trucks are one of the

largest sources of

smog-forming nitrogen oxides and diesel particulate matter in Southern California

matter in
Southern
California.

ore information, contact Fred

For more information, contact Fred Minassian at (909) 396-2641 or fminassian@aqmd.gov.

# U.S. Senate Draft Bill Introduced to Tackle Greenhouse Gas Emissions and Energy Needs

n May 12, 2010 United States Senators John Kerry and Joseph Lieberman unveiled draft climate change and energy legislation entitled the "American Power Act" which takes a comprehensive approach to enhancing energy security, spurring the development and deployment of clean energy technologies, and reducing greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions.

This bill would establish a carbon cap that aims to reduce U.S. GHG emissions to 17% below 2005 levels by 2020, 42% by 2030, and 83% below those levels by 2050. The bill covers emissions from approximately 7,500 major stationary sources that emit more than 25,000 tons per year of GHG emissions. However, the bill would prohibit statelevel GHG emissions cap-and-trade programs such as the one to be created by AB 32 in California.

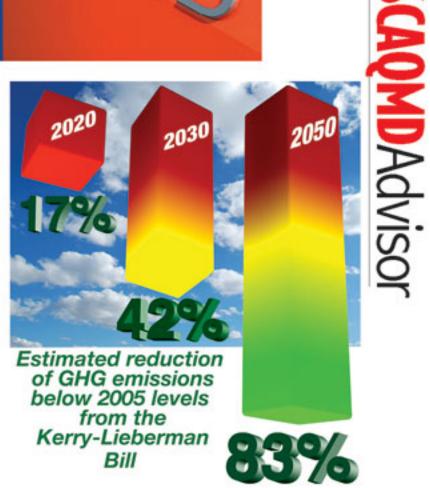
The bill creates various grants and projects to promote clean energy career development and training. It establishes funds for clean energy and clean vehicle technology and promotes

U.S. leadership in developing and deploying advanced technologies. The bill also enhances alternative fuel credits for natural gas vehicles.

Additionally, the bill promotes domestic energy production and energy security through various incentives and other efforts that would increase production of nuclear power, expand domestic supplies of oil, and support the continued use of coal with carbon capture and storage.

As ideas and alternatives regarding the regulation of GHGs continue to swirl in Washington, D.C., the Kerry-Lieberman bill currently stands at the center of the federal climate change and energy debate. The bill is likely to change as negotiations ensue as part of the legislative process.

The Senate bill follows legislation introduced and passed out of the U.S. House regarding climate change and energy, H.R. 2454, also known as the Waxman-Markey bill. If the Kerry-



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Lieberman bill is passed out of the Senate, it will need to be reconciled with the House bill before going to the President. SCAQMD will continue to monitor this legislation in order to protect clean air interests and promote the reduction of GHG emissions.

For more information, contact Jill Whynot at (909) 396-3104 or jwhynot@aqmd.gov.

## U.S. EPA Issues Greenhouse Gas Tailoring Rule

n May, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (U.S.EPA) issued a final rule that establishes a more streamlined approach to

addressing greenhouse gas emissions from major stationary sources under the Clean Air Act (CAA). This final rule sets thresholds for greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions that define when permits under two key programs are required for new and existing industrial facilities.

This final rule tailors the requirements of these permitting programs to limit which facilities will be required to obtain permits under the New Source Review Prevention of Significant Deterioration Program and Title V Operating Permit program. Facilities responsible for nearly 70 percent of the national GHG emissions from stationary sources will be subject to permitting requirements under this rule. This includes the nation's largest GHG emitters—power plants, refineries and cement production facilities. Emissions from small farms, restaurants, and all but the very largest commercial facilities will not be covered by these programs.

The Clean Air Act permitting program sets emissions thresholds for criteria pollutants such as lead, sulfur dioxide and nitrogen dioxide. While these thresholds are appropriate for criteria pollutants, they are not feasible for GHGs, because GHGs are emitted in much higher volumes. Without this tailoring rule, the lower emissions thresholds would apply to GHGs on January 2, 2011, and would lead to dramatic increases in the number of permits required. State, local, and tribal permitting authorities would be overwhelmed with millions of new permits required for GHG emissions.

U.S. EPA will phase in the permitting requirements for GHGs in two initial steps. Step One will be from January 2, 2011 through June 30, 2011, and Step Two will be July 1, 2011 to June 30, 2013.

For more information, contact Jill Whynot at (909) 396-3104 or jwhynot@aqmd.gov.



n one of its largest school bus funding awards, the South Coast Air Quality Management District awarded \$16.6 million in May to help school districts replace older diesel school buses with new, cleanerburning compressed natural gas buses.

Additionally, SCAQMD awarded \$8.8 million to help retrofit 545 diesel school buses with particulate traps to reduce diesel exhaust emissions.

"Thanks to today's award, hundreds of children will breathe easier when they ride the bus to school,"William A. Burke, Ed.D., Chair of SCAQMD's Governing Board stated at the May Governing Board meeting."This brings us one step closer to our goal of

cleaning up all school bus fleets in the Southland."

Six school districts in the Southland will be able to replace a total of 96 pre-1987 diesel school buses with cleaner-burning compressed natural gas (CNG) buses, as well as utilize funding for necessary fueling infrastructure.

New CNG-fueled school buses are substantially cleaner than the older diesel buses they replace. In addition, these buses emit no diesel soot, which is the source of about 84 percent of the air pollution cancer risk in the region.

Since 2000, SCAQMD has approved more than \$177 million to replace over 1,000 older diesel school buses with cleaner models and retrofit 3,536 newer diesel school buses with particulate traps.

For more information, contact Fred Minassian at (909) 396-2641 or fminassian@aqmd.gov.



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# More Than 9,000 Residents Help Mow Down Air Pollution



ue to popular demand,
SCAQMD nearly doubled the
number of zero-emission lawn
mowers available for its annual
"Mow Down Air Pollution"
program this year over last. For
the eighth year, the exchange
program has enabled Southern
California residents to save
money and help reduce air

pollution by exchanging a working gasolinepowered lawn mower for a new electric mower at a deeply discounted price. The popularity of the program has increased each year, with last year's 4,800 registration spots selling out in a record five days. Because of the high demand and additional funding, this year's program made 9,380 electric mowers available for \$100 to \$165, depending on which one of the four models a consumer chose.

When the program ends in July, SCAQMD will have scrapped more than 37,800 highly polluting gasoline mowers, removing about 80 tons of smog-forming volatile organic compound emissions from the Southland's air.

The 2010 program was sponsored by SCAQMD and the California Air Resources Board (CARB), in cooperation with Southern California Edison and the Los Angeles Department of Water and Power. The program was funded through SCAQMD's Air Quality Investment Program, which is financed by Southland companies that pay a fee in lieu of offering rideshare incentives

as required by SCAQMD's Rule 2202. The lawn mower exchange program will reduce more emissions than would be achieved by an employer rideshare program. Additional funding provided this year came from CARB through AB 118, a measure to fund clean vehicle and equipment projects.

This year, eleven events have been scheduled across the Southland between May 1 and July 24. To confirm the availability of lawnmowers for the remaining dates in July, go to the SCAQMD website at www.aqmd.gov or call (888) 425-6247.

For more information, contact Shashi Singeetham at (909) 396-3298 or ssingeetham@aqmd.gov.



# Reminder:

SCAQMD Permit Application Penalty Holiday Ends August 4, 2010

CAQMD recognizes the current economic challenges that face small businesses and local governments. The permit penalty holiday allows government agencies and business owners an opportunity to come into compliance on permits for their equipment without incurring penalties and late fees that could have adverse financial impact on their operations. This temporary permit application penalty holiday started on February 5, 2010 and will run through August 4, 2010. A list of equipment subject to either a permit or a filing requirement can be found at www.aqmd.gov/permit/ permitamnesty.htm.

Call SCAQMD's Permit Application Fee Holiday Hotline at (909) 396-3385, or send an email to permit\_amnesty@aqmd.gov.

# reen Team Takes Action at SCAQMD

ate last year, a Green Team of SCAQMD staff from each office division, as well as representatives from two employee unions, was formed at the SCAQMD Governing Board's directive. Their task is to review current policies and practices at SCAQMD and look for ways to further "green" the agency's Diamond Bar Headquarters. Some of the key areas of focus are potential enhancements to:

- Improve energy efficiency
- · Conserve water
- Decrease waste and use of hazardous substances
- Decrease criteria, toxic and greenhouse gas emissions
- · Improve indoor air quality
- · Minimize environmental impacts
- Encourage employees to improve the environment at work and at home

The Green Team met several times and has utilized employee suggestions.

Accomplishments so far include installing battery recycling containers, reducing paper usage and implementing sustainability changes in the Blue Sky Café cafeteria.

Next, the Green Team will look at ways to further reduce paper and water usage. The group will also examine janitorial and other maintenance practices and recommend ways to "green" those processes as well.

For more information, contact Jill Whynot at (909) 396-3104 or jwhynot@aqmd.gov.

# Save the Date for the 22nd Annual Clean Air Awards

S CAQMD will be recognizing individuals and organizations for their contributions to clean air at the 2010 Clean Air Awards scheduled for Friday, Oct. 1, at the Millennium Biltmore Hotel in downtown Los Angeles.

The awards luncheon will honor Clean Air Award recipients for achievement in technological, transportation, community, public education and environmental stewardship initiatives.

Tickets to the 22nd Annual Clean Air Awards in the Biltmore's Crystal Ballroom at 506 South Grand Avenue in Los Angeles are \$40 per person or \$400 for a table of 10.

For more information, contact Lourdes Cordova Martinez at (909) 396-3214 or lcmartinez@aqmd.gov.



# CAPCOA Hosts Climate Change Forum In August

he California Air Pollution Control Officers Association (CAPCOA), along with the California Air Resources Board, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, and local air districts throughout the state, will be holding "The CAPCOA Climate Change Forum" on August 30 and 31, 2010 in San Francisco.

The CAPCOA Climate Change Forum's goal is to create a collaborative environment where progress can be made towards the harmonization of climate programs. The conference will focus on how federal, state, and local agencies can most effectively align efforts to advance climate change programs in California.

For more information, call (888)993-0302 or visit www.capcoaclimateforum.com.

# DID YOU KNOW



**D** uring the summer, a 5 degree higher setting on your thermostat can save about 5-15% on cooling costs? Saving energy not only saves money, but also helps reduce air pollution.

\*Source: California Energy Commission



### Pasadena Hosts Women in Green Forum

S CAQMD is a sponsor of The Women in Green Forum, September 1-2, 2010 at the Pasadena Convention Center. The Forum will serve to recognize the achievements of women across a wide range of environmental topics. It will feature two days of exciting general sessions and breakout sessions with interactive presentations from over 100 industry leaders, authors, innovators and trendsetters.

Attendees will be encouraged to use social media tools to interact live with the presenters, pose questions to the panels and audience and participate in online polls during the presentations. For registration information please visit the conference website at http://www.womeningreenforum.com/.

For more information, contact Lourdes Cordova Martinez at (909) 396-3214 or lcmartinez@aqmd.gov.

# Ask the SCAQMD Advisor...

#### Question

What is an SCAQMD Town Hall meeting?







#### **ANSWER**

own Hall meetings are part of SCAQMD's environmental justice commitment to the communities the agency serves. These meetings are held several times a year in communities throughout SCAQMD's four-county region. Senior level staff present information on local air quality issues and answer questions from local residents. The most recent

> Town Hall meetings were held at Inglewood in May, Duarte in

April and Boyle Heights in March. To find out if there is a Town Hall meeting scheduled in your community you can go to the SCAQMD website at www.aqmd.gov, or you can join the Clean Air Congress at www.CleanAirCongress.org to receive advance notification of Town Hall meetings and other SCAQMD meetings and events in your area.

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The following proposed and amended rules and tentatively scheduled for hearing at upcoming of meetings. To verify whether scheduling changes visit the SCAQMD Web site at www.aqmd.gov/check the Rule and Control Measure item on the meeting agenda or call the Clerk of the Board's (909) 396-2500.

Copies of SCAQMD rules and regulations can from the Web site at www.aqmd.gov/rules/rules SCAQMD's Public Information Center, (909) 396-2500. The following proposed and amended rules and regulations are tentatively scheduled for hearing at upcoming Governing Board meetings. To verify whether scheduling changes have occurred, visit the SCAQMD Web site at www.aqmd.gov/hb/gb\_cal95.html and check the Rule and Control Measure item on the Governing Board meeting agenda or call the Clerk of the Board's Office at

Copies of SCAQMD rules and regulations can be downloaded from the Web site at www.aqmd.gov/rules/rules.html or provided by SCAQMD's Public Information Center, (909) 396-2039.

#### September

#### Rule 1903 - Emission Budgets and Mitigation Program for **General Conformity Projects**

Rule 1903 would implement Control Measure EGM-02 of the 2007 AQMP. The rule would specify procedures for how federal projects subject to general conformity could access an emission budget and/or pay mitigation fees for emissions from the project.

For more information, contact Joe Cassmassi at (909) 396-3155 or jcassmassi@aqmd.gov.

#### Reg. XX - Regional Clean Air Incentives Market (RECLAIM)

Proposed amendments will implement best available retrofit control technology (BARCT Standards) for RECLAIM SOx emission sources. For more information, contact Joe Cassmassi at (909) 396-3155 or jcassmassi@aqmd.gov.

#### Rule 1401 - New Source Review of Toxic Air Contaminants (TACs) Rule 1402 - Control of Toxic Air Contaminants from Existing Sources

The Office of Environmental Health Hazard Assessment (OEHHA) periodically reviews the list of toxic compounds and revises or establishes risk values. Rules 1401 and 1402 will be amended to revise the list of TACs. In addition, other administrative changes may be proposed. For more information, contact Susan Nakamura at (909) 396-3105 or snakamura@aqmd.gov.

#### Rule 1150.1 - Control of Gaseous **Emissions from Inactive** Landfills

Staff will propose amendments to this rule to make it consistent with the recently adopted CARB early action measure. For more information, contact Jill Whynot at (909)396-3104 or jwhynot@aqmd.gov.

#### Reg. XXX - Title V Permits Reg. XVII - Prevention of **Significant Deterioration**

Amend to assure compliance with greenhouse gas requirements and align rules with federal minimum threshold. For more information, contact Jill Whynot at (909) 396-3104 or jwhynot@aqmd.gov.

#### October

#### Rule 1133.3 - Emission **Reductions from Green Waste** Composting

Proposed Rule 1133 would reduce volatile organic compounds and ammonia (NH3) emissions from green waste.

For more information, contact Jill Whynot at (909) 396-3104 or jwhynot@aqmd.gov.

#### Rule 2202 - On-Road Motor **Vehicle Mitigation Options**

Proposed Rule 2202 amendments will include language to clarify program options, facilitate meeting rule emission reduction targets, and clarify definitions. Rule 2202 supporting guidelines will also be updated to reflect rule requirements, policies, and

For more information, contact Carol Gomez, at (909) 396-3264 or cgomez@aqmd.gov.

# Recent Events

### Sixth Annual Clean Air Car Showcase





n Saturday, June 5, several thousand people attended the TalkRadio790 KABC Sixth Annual Clean Air Car Showcase at The Americana at Brand in Glendale. SCAQMD was a sponsor of the event and provided information on the Clean Air Congress, SCAQMD's new iPhone app and the updated 2010 Clean Air Chaices vehicle list.

This free event featured the latest in clean-air and fuel-efficient technologies being used in the automotive industry today. Experts were on-hand from five auto manufacturers who exhibited some of the most eco-friendly cars available to consumers. Several vehicles were also available for a Ride 'N Drive.

KABC's "Motorman" Leon Kaplan broadcast live during a portion of the event interviewing experts in the fields of cleanair technology and alternative fuel sources. Other KABC on-air celebrities emceed the event throughout the day.

For more information, contact Lisa Mirasola (909) 396-2638 or Imirasola@aqmd.gov.

## Bike-to-Work Day



wenty-one SCAQMD staff rode their bikes to work on May 20, in support of national Bike-to-Work Day. Cyclists traveled from as far away as Long Beach. Prior to participating in the event, the cyclists were briefed on safety and were encouraged to team up with a buddy, or a group of buddies, and cycle to work together.

Future goals include increasing employee awareness and participation, providing input on future bicycle facilities, coordinating lunchtime bike rides and possibly establishing a bike

Leading up to Bike-to-Work Day, national, regional and local bicycle advocacy groups encouraged commuters to cycle as a healthy and safe alternative to driving a conventionally fueled automobile.

For more information, contact Eyvonne Drummonds (909) 396-3287, or esells@aqmd.gov.





Meet the diversely talented staff at the SCAQMD

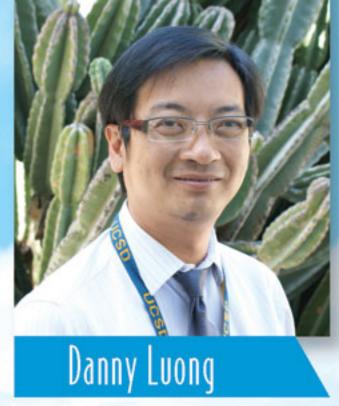
anny Luong has one of the more unique job assignments at SCAQMD. He oversees two distinctly different groups, the Rule 461 team and the REgional CLean Air Incentives Market (RECLAIM) administration staff. The Rule 461 team enforces the vapor recovery rules for gas stations, which are nearly all small businesses. The RECLAIM administration group is responsible for coordination, emissions reporting and audits for very large industries, such as power plants, refineries, and cement plants. He says that he is "blessed with good groups of coworkers who work together like a family."

Danny joined SCAQMD in 1994, while he was completing his MS in Chemical Engineering at California Polytechnic

University, Pomona. He previously earned a BS in Chemical Engineering at the University of California, San Diego. He is also a registered Professional Engineer in California. He started as an Assistant Air Quality Engineer, and in 2006 he was promoted to his current position as Senior Enforcement Manager in the Engineering and Compliance Division.

Danny was born in Vietnam. His parents sent Danny and his two brothers to Hong Kong during the Vietnam War so that they could continue their education in a safe environment. He recalls that it was quite an adjustment at first, but he and his brothers definitely benefitted from the experience.

Danny lives in Arcadia with his wife



Cecilia, who is a travel agent, and their daughter Charissa, who is in 11th grade and son Chauncey who will start high school in September. Danny and Chauncey go hiking and camping in the local mountains with the Boy Scouts. The family enjoys local travel, as well as trips to Hong Kong. Due to his busy work and family life, Danny has limited time for his favorite hobby, photography.



## Diana Thai

iana Thai joined the Toxics and Refinery group of the Engineering and Compliance Division in February 2010. Her job entails permitting soil vapor extraction systems. She came to SCAQMD after

seeing a job announcement on the SCAQMD website. She was researching BACT (Best Available Control Technologies) as part of her job as an Air Pollution Control Engineer at the San Diego Air Pollution Control District. She was happy with her job in San Diego, but missed living close to family and friends in the Long Beach area where she grew up. Diana also appreciates that there are significant opportunities to advance and grow at SCAQMD.

Diana credits Captain Planet, an environmentally focused animated children's show character, with sparking her interest in the environment. Captain Planet's super powers were weakened when he would be in contact with pollutants, radiation, smog, etc. With such powerful messages as "Go Planet!" and "The power is yours!" she was convinced that she needed to find ways to help the planet. Diana was able to build on her strong math skills and engineering interests to put her on the path to her current career.

Diana earned a BS in Environmental Engineering, with a minor in Psychology, from the University of California, San Diego. She lives in Long Beach and enjoys cooking, hiking, touring art museums and indoor rock climbing. She is part of the SCAQMD Long Beach vanpool, which helps make her otherwise long commute much easier.



## Maura Matute-Bustamante

aura Matute-Bustamante just passed the 20-year mark at SCAQMD. "It was my first full-time job, and I never left." She had just completed coursework at El Dorado College in West Covina and Mount San Antonio College

in Walnut and was planning to work as a legal secretary when she learned of an opportunity at SCAQMD. She started as an Office Assistant in the Annual Emissions Reporting group and currently is a Senior Office Assistant in the Chemical and Mechanical Group in the Engineering and Compliance Division. She is responsible for keeping track of engineering applications, monthly reports, research, public records requests and other reports for 22 engineers.

Maura's busy home life doesn't allow much time for hobbies, but she enjoys her family life in Baldwin Park. She has been married for 12 years to Adolfo, who owns two retail furniture businesses. They have two daughters, Isabella, who is 8 and wants to learn karate this summer, and Arianna, who is 18 months old.

Maura has achieved high praise from many of her co-workers not only for her outstanding work and positive attitude, but also for her salsa recipes, which she often enters in the annual SCAQMD employee competition. Maura likes her work team and enjoys "having a job that has an environmental purpose cleaning up the air."



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#### Rule Compliance Promotion Classes

#### Rule 403 – Controlling Dust in the South Coast Air Basin

 Every third Wednesday of the month

This half-day class is held at SCAQMD's Diamond Bar headquarters from 8:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. There is no fee, but pre-registration is required. To register, call toll free 1-866-861-DUST (3878) or email dustcontrol@aqmd.gov.

#### Rule 403.1 – Controlling Dust in the Coachella Valley

 Every third Thursday of the month

This course is held from 1:00 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. at the Coachella Valley Association of Governments, Room 119, 73-710 Fred Waring Dr., Palm Desert, CA, 92260. There is no fee, but pre-registration is required.

To register, call toll free 1-866-861-DUST (3878) or email dustcontrol@aqmd.gov.

#### Rule 2202 – Employee Transportation Coordinator Training

 July 21, Foothill Transit, West Covina

- August 12, SCAQMD Diamond Bar Headquarters
- August 25, Courtyard by Marriott, Burbank
- September 8, Aerospace Corporation, El Segundo
- September 23, SCAQMD Diamond Bar Headquarters
- October 6, SCAQMD Diamond Bar Headquarters
- October 14, Warner Center Marriott, Woodland Hills
- October 27, State of California, California Tower, Riverside

Classes are held from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Registration fee is \$154.81 per person. Enrollment is limited to 20 students and classes will be filled on a first-come first-served basis. Class information is located at www.aqmd.gov under Business/Transportation/Rule 2202 Training. To register, call (909) 396-2777 or email etctraining@aqmd.gov.

#### Rule 1403 – Asbestos Demolition/ Renovation Activities

Classes are held from 8:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. at SCAQMD Diamond Bar Headquarters. Registration fee is \$32.75 per person and pre-registration is required.

- July 21
- August 11
- · September 15
- October 21
- November 10
- December 8

To register, call (909) 396-2658 or email doswald@aqmd.gov.

#### Rule 461 – Gasoline Transfer and Dispensing

The Rule 461 series provide attendees with a fundamental understanding of vapor recovery systems and other information necessary to comply with Rule 461 requirements. Since each class is designed for a particular activity conducted under Rule 461, please refer to the rule to determine which class or classes are required. Other topics covered include: the history of the SCAQMD; how gasoline vapors contribute to smog formation and the important role this program plays in SCAQMD's efforts to achieve healthy air quality within our basin.

Daily Self-Inspection Class for Gasoline Service Station Owners/ Operators - \$50.00/person

October 29

Annual Periodic Inspection Class for Gasoline Service Station Owners/ Operators (two day class)- \$150.00/ person

October 7 & 8

Tester Orientation Training - \$100.00/ person

- August 13
- October 22

Classes are held from

8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. at the SCAQMD's Diamond Bar Headquarters. Pre-registration is required. No walk-in registration. Contact Yvonne Hoo at (909) 396-2387 or email yhoo@aqmd.gov for additional information.

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