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## **Air District approves \$5 million for electric vehicle charging stations**

**SAN FRANCISCO** – Today the Bay Area Air Quality Management District Board of Directors approved \$5 million to support further development of a regional electric vehicle charging infrastructure program in the Bay Area.

The electric vehicle charging stations and home chargers is part of the Air District's Spare the Air program which will make owning an electric vehicle in the Bay Area a viable option for residents.

"The past several years have seen exciting progress in the development of electric vehicle technology," said Air District Executive Officer Jack P. Broadbent. "Creating a useful charging network will make it easier for Bay Area residents to Spare the Air every day by going electric."

The Air District is working to support at-home electric vehicle charging and to establish a network of accessible charging sites where electric vehicle owners can conveniently recharge while conducting their normal business, running errands or shopping.

The program will leverage up to \$5 million in Air District funds to support electric vehicle charging infrastructure grants including:

- 3,000 home chargers at single family and multi-family dwellings
- 2,000 public chargers at employer and high-density parking areas
- 50 fast chargers within close proximity to highways

In the Bay Area, the transportation sector accounts for more than 50 percent of air pollution. Significant emission reductions from the transportation sector will help the Bay area attain and maintain state and national air quality standards.

The Bay Area Air Quality Management District ([www.baaqmd.gov](http://www.baaqmd.gov)) is the regional agency chartered with protecting air quality in the nine-county Bay Area.

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