



BAY AREA
AIR QUALITY
MANAGEMENT
DISTRICT

**BOARD OF DIRECTORS
LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE MEETING**

COMMITTEE MEMBERS

**BRAD WAGENKNECHT –
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**PAMELA TORLIATT–VICE CHAIRPERSON
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MARK ROSS**

**MONDAY
JUNE 9, 2003
9:30 A.M.**

**FOURTH FLOOR CONFERENCE ROOM
DISTRICT OFFICES**

AGENDA

1. CALL TO ORDER - ROLL CALL

2. PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

(Public Comment on Non-Agenda Items Pursuant to Government Code § 54954.3) Members of the public are afforded the opportunity to speak on any agenda item. All agendas for regular meetings are posted at District headquarters, 939 Ellis Street, San Francisco, CA, at least 72 hours in advance of a regular meeting. At the beginning of the regular meeting agenda, an opportunity is also provided for the public to speak on any subject within the Committee's subject matter jurisdiction. Speakers will be limited to three (3) minutes each.

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF APRIL 9, 2003

4. CONSIDERATION OF NEW LEGISLATION AND CORRESPONDING AGENCY POSITIONS

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(a) SB 288 (Sher)--New Source Review Restoration Act of 2003

(b) AB 170 (Reyes)—Requires air quality elements in San Joaquin Valley general plans

(c) AB 1409 (Wolk)—Allows buses longer than 40 feet to have bike racks in front

Staff will present recommended positions on these bills.

**5. DISCUSSION OR COMMENTS BY COMMITTEE MEMBERS ON ANY PREVIOUSLY
AGENDIZED LEGISLATION, OR BILLS INCLUDED ON ATTACHED “BAAQMD BILL
DISCUSSION LIST—JUNE 2003”**

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Staff will answer questions about any of the bills of potential air quality interest

6. COMMITTEE MEMBERS' COMMENTS

Any member of the Committee, or its staff, on his or her own initiative or in response to questions posed by the public, may; ask a question for clarification, make a brief announcement or report on his or her own activities, provide a reference to staff regarding factual information, request staff to report back at a subsequent meeting concerning any matter or take action to direct staff to place a matter of business on a future agenda. (Gov't Code § 54954.2)

7. TIME AND PLACE OF NEXT MEETING AT THE CALL OF THE CHAIR

8. ADJOURNMENT

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- To submit written comments on an agenda item in advance of the meeting.
- To request, in advance of the meeting, to be placed on the list to testify on an agenda item.
- To request special accommodations for those persons with disabilities (notification to the Clerk's Office should be given at least three working days prior to the date of the meeting so that arrangements can be made accordingly).

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DRAFT MINUTES

Summary of Board of Directors
Legislative Committee Meeting
9:30 a.m., Wednesday, April 9, 2003

1. **Call to Order - Roll Call:** Chairperson Wagenknecht called the meeting to order at 9:50 a.m.

Present: Brad Wagenknecht, Chairperson, Maria Ayerdi, Chris Daly, Liz Kniss, Mark Ross.

Absent: Mark DeSaulnier, Dena Mossar, John Silva, Pam Torliatt.
2. **Public Comment Period:** There were none.
3. **Approval of Minutes of June 5 and October 16, 2002:** Director Kniss moved approval of both sets of minutes; seconded by Director Ross; carried unanimously by acclamation.
4. **Consideration of new Legislation and Corresponding Agency Positions:** Staff presented the following bills with a recommendation for each one:

Bill	Brief Description	Staff Recommendation
AB 471 (Simitian)	<i>Requires cruise ships to cut air emissions</i>	Support
AB 698 (Lieber)	<i>Establishes "Perc" Cost Recovery Fund, and charges \$10 per gallon of perc used by dry cleaners</i>	Support
AB 720 (Matthews)	<i>Specifies statewide policy on woodburning and voids local or air district rules</i>	Oppose
AB 729 (Lieber)	<i>Requires BAAQMD to impose refinery controls and grants BAAQMD indirect source authority</i>	Oppose unless amended
AB 740 (Pavley)	<i>Clean Air, Clean Water, and Coastal Protection Bond Act of 2004</i>	Support and seek amendments
AB 788 (Chavez)	<i>Delays ARB ability to regulate disinfectants</i>	Oppose

AB 854 (Koretz)	<i>Eliminates perc use in dry cleaning and provides grants for less toxic alternatives</i>	Support and seek amendments
AB 925 (Richman)	<i>Extends and increases air district expedited powerplant permitting</i>	Oppose
AB 998 (Lowenthal)	<i>Establishes grant program for non-toxic alternatives to perc dry cleaning</i>	Support
AB 1468 (Pavley)	<i>Requires testing of negative air machines at asbestos abatement sites</i>	Support in concept
AB 1500 (Diaz)	<i>Establishes Petroleum Pollution Cleanup and Prevention Act with \$1 per barrel petroleum fee</i>	Support
AB 1624 (Benoit)	<i>Limits percentage of vehicles required to go to test-only smog check stations</i>	Oppose
AB 1637 (La Suer)	<i>Deletes ARB's administrative penalty authority</i>	Oppose
SB 207 (Ackerman)	<i>Removes district enforcement authority over vapor recovery equipment</i>	Oppose
SB 656 (Sher)	<i>Requires ARB and districts to reduce PM emissions</i>	Support
SB 700 (Florez)	<i>Eliminates exemption for agriculture from air quality regulation</i>	Support in concept
SB 702 (Florez)	<i>Exempts medium-weight farm equipment from Moyer cost-effectiveness</i>	Oppose
SB 705 (Florez)	<i>Eliminates agricultural burning and requires districts to develop alternative programs</i>	Support if amended
SB 706 (Florez)	<i>Specifies statewide policy on woodburning, and voids local or air district rules</i>	Oppose
SB 708 (Florez)	<i>Partially removes current smog check exemption for vehicles more than 30 years old</i>	Support
SB 825 (Torlakson)	<i>Creates Pedestrian and Bicyclist Safety and Mobility Fund</i>	Support
SB 916 (Perata)	<i>Calls for election on \$1 bridge toll surcharge for transit</i>	Support in concept
SB 981 (Soto)	<i>Establishes Petroleum Pollution Cleanup and Prevention Act with \$0.30 per barrel fee</i>	Support

Tom Addison, Advanced Projects Advisor, highlighted the following bills:

SB 656 (Sher), which focuses on strategies to reduce particulate emissions. The focus has been on ozone, but particulates are a greater public health issue. Mr. Addison stated that there might be opposition of the bill from industry. During discussion, Chairperson

Wagenknecht suggested that a Legislative Day in Sacramento could be set up to show support of the bill.

AB 1500 (Diaz and Pavley) would establish a \$1 per barrel fee on crude petroleum and the funds would be used for a variety of programs. The Western States Petroleum Association is opposed to this bill.

SB 981 (Soto) is being sponsored by the South Coast AQMD and is similar to AB 1500. This bill would impose a 30¢ per barrel fee on petroleum, and is titled the Children's Health and Petroleum Pollution Remediation Act of 2003.

AB 740 (Pavley) would establish the Clean Air, Clean Water, and Coastal Protection Bond Act of 2004. Mr. Addison stated that the Board should support this bill with amendments that would clarify that local districts, rather than the Air Resources Board, are the implementing agencies.

Mr. Addison reviewed the three bills listed below that deal with dry cleaning and the use of perchlorethylene (perc), which is a toxic air contaminant.

AB 998 (Lowenthal) proposes a fee of \$3 per gallon of perc used and the fee would increase a dollar every year until 2013.

AB 854 (Koretz) would ban all use of perc by the year 2014 and establishes an incentive program to encourage cleaners to switch to non-toxic and less-toxic alternatives.

AB 698 (Lieber) would impose a \$10 per gallon fee on perc sold in California and it would establish a program to pay for cleanup of perc-contaminated water supplies.

During discussion of the list of bills, the Committee requested the staff recommendation for SB 916 (Perata) be changed from "Support in concept" to "Support and seek amendments." Mr. Addison added that this bill is more of a transportation bill than an air quality bill. There was also discussion on SB 705 (Florez), which would eliminate agricultural burning and require air districts to develop alternative programs.

Committee Action: Director Kniss moved that the Committee recommend the Board adopt the staff's recommendation on the list of bills presented, including changing the position on SB 916 (Perata) from "Support in concept" to "Support and seek amendments;" seconded by Director Daly; carried unanimously by acclamation.

5. Consideration of use of District Contract Lobbyist: *Staff discussed the current role of the District's contract lobbyist, and provided information about the details of this contract and alternatives to the current arrangement.*

Mr. Addison discussed the role of the District's contract lobbyist and how the District has significantly increased the legislative advocacy done by District staff.

Committee Action: Director Kniss moved that the Committee recommend the Board terminate the current contract and hire an outside lobbyist on an as-needed basis throughout the year; seconded by Director Daly; carried unanimously by acclamation.

6. **Committee Members' Comments:** Director Ross requested staff provide him with more information on SB 571 (Alarcon). Chairperson Wagenknecht requested staff set up a "Legislative Day" in Sacramento.
7. **Time and Place of Next Meeting:** At the Call of the Chair.
8. **Adjournment:** The meeting adjourned at 10:51 a.m.

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Clerk of the Boards

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BAY AREA AIR QUALITY MANAGEMENT DISTRICT
Inter Office Memorandum

To: Chairperson Brad Wagenknecht and
Members of the Legislative Committee

From: Thomas Addison
Advanced Projects Advisor

Date: June 2, 2003

Re: Discussion of New Bills

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

Recommend the Board adopt positions on the bills as proposed below.

BACKGROUND

We are now essentially halfway through the legislative cycle of the first year of the two-year session. The deadline for bills to make it out of their house of origin was June 6th. Many bills have not made this or earlier deadlines, and are thus no longer actively moving along the path to becoming law. Because of California's fiscal crisis, many bills that would impose additional costs upon the State did not clear the fiscal committees in each house.

Staff is bringing the Committee three new bills for consideration, with recommended positions given below. Copies of the current version of each of the bills follow this memorandum.

RECOMMENDED POSITIONS

Bill	Brief Description	Staff Recommendation
SB 288 (Sher)	New Source Review Restoration Act of 2003	Support in concept, and seek amendments
AB 170 (Reyes)	Mandates that, over time, local governments in the San Joaquin Valley adopt air quality elements in their General Plans	Support
AB 1409 (Wolk)	Allows buses longer than 40 feet to have bike racks in front	Support

BILL ANALYSES

SB 288 (Sher). This bill surfaced late in the legislative year, and is sponsored by the California League of Conservation Voters, the Natural Resources Defense Council, and the Sierra Club. It is being called the New Source Review Restoration Act of 2003, and ostensibly is designed to prevent what some view as a US EPA-sponsored regulatory weakening of a major portion of the federal Clean Air Act. The so-called 'new source review' (NSR) requirements of the Act essentially stipulate that new major sources of air pollution, or modifications to existing major sources, use the latest and most effective commercially available pollution control equipment.

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Furthermore, it requires large sources to either cut their emissions or purchase credits from another source that has cut its emissions.

At the end of 2002, the US EPA announced major changes to its rules on NSR. While lengthy and complex, EPA's position is that these changes in essence are designed to make it easier for older, dirtier sources to modernize and reduce their emissions. They contend that many older sources are not undergoing environmentally beneficial improvements because of the costs and trouble associated with installing modern pollution controls and acquiring offsets. Others, including the State of California and environmental groups, contend that the proposed "reforms" are in fact major weakenings of the Act, and will dramatically increase emissions from stationary sources, both now and in the future. Several factors cloud what effect the changes will have: they are the subject of litigation, and it is still unknown how US EPA staff will consider implementing the changes in relation to local NSR programs.

SB 288, as currently drafted, contains both intent language that it is intended to prevent weakening of the NSR program that has been in place for many years, and specific statutory language. Essentially, the bulk of the statutory language would adopt the previous NSR rules and regulations wholesale into State law. Additionally, SB 288 would set up a new category of citizen suits whereby stationary sources, local districts, and the ARB could all be sued by anyone, and could end up paying attorneys' fees to the plaintiffs, regardless of whether the plaintiffs won or lost. These citizen suit provisions are very similar to last year's unsuccessful AB 2221, which the District opposed.

Unfortunately, the bill as drafted would actually weaken our existing NSR program, since the District program (like most in California) is more stringent than that previously mandated by the US EPA. The citizen suit provisions are very problematic. Nevertheless, the idea of using State law to prevent weakening our current NSR program is fundamentally a sound concept. Staff have discussed the bill with both the drafters and Senator Sher's staff, and have reviewed alternative language drafted by the South Coast Air District that would accomplish the bill's stated goal, with no undesirable effects. It appears the Senator is receptive to substantial amendments. Staff are recommending a "support in concept and seek amendments" position.

AB 170 (Reyes). Assembly Member Reyes is concerned about the poor air quality both in her district of Fresno and throughout the San Joaquin Valley. She recently introduced this measure, which would mandate that local governments in the Valley include air quality elements in their general plans. The Assembly Member believes that the Valley's air pollution problems will only be solved by cooperation of land use and transportation planning authorities, transit operators, the development community, the local air district, and the public. She believes that addressing air quality in general plans will help achieve that cooperation.

The San Joaquin Air District has prepared guidance for local governments on how to include air quality elements in general plans, as has our District. In fact, we recently sent a letter to every local government in the Bay Area, which included the offer of assistance on incorporating air quality in the local planning process. Here in the Bay Area, for 15 years or more, we have encouraged adoption of air quality elements, although this has never been mandated by the State.

AB 170 as drafted would apply only to the San Joaquin Valley. The League of California Cities expressed opposition to the initial version of the bill. They argued that local cities cannot control pollution from adjacent cities, that air quality planning mandates should not be put on cities since local air districts already have such mandates, and that this bill would conflict with existing laws encouraging local governments to provide more housing. Staff note that the bill

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does not stipulate what each jurisdiction's air quality element must include, and that it gives local governments five years to meet the new requirement.

Staff recommend a "support" position on AB 170. Staff believe that transportation, land use, and air quality are intrinsically linked, and this bill acknowledges that and tries to address this. It is consistent with our encouragement of air quality element adoption locally, and that different land use and development patterns in the San Joaquin Valley will help improve air quality both there and in the Bay Area, since emissions are transported across air district borders.

AB 1409 (Wolk). This bill is sponsored by the Metropolitan Transportation Commission, and would amend state law to allow bike racks to be placed on the front of buses longer than 40 feet. Since 1998, when legislation was passed allowing bike racks on the front of urban buses and articulated trolleys (which are up to 60 feet long), there has been a major increase in 45-foot commuter buses. While AC Transit, among others, has installed bike racks on the fronts of such buses, technically this is not allowed under current law. This bill would make it legal, thus encouraging transit and bike use and reducing automobile emissions.

The District has funded a number of bike-racks-on-buses projects through the Transportation Fund for Clean Air. Earlier opposition to the bill from organized labor (bus drivers) has been removed, after the bill was amended to address concerns about potential unsafe routes for buses equipped with the racks. Staff recommend a "support" position.

BUDGET CONSIDERATION/FINANCIAL IMPACT

There is no budget or financial impact of this decision.

Respectfully submitted,

Thomas Addison
Advanced Projects Advisor

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BAY AREA AIR QUALITY MANAGEMENT DISTRICT
Inter Office Memorandum

To: Chairperson Brad Wagenknecht and
Members of the Legislative Committee

From: Thomas Addison
Advanced Projects Advisor

Date: June 2, 2003

Re: Discussion of Previously Agendized Bills

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

Information item.

BACKGROUND

The BAAQMD Bill Discussion List for June 2003 is attached. This identifies the broad range of legislation of potential significance to the District, including bills that the District has already adopted positions on as well as bills the District is tracking. Staff will update the Committee on the status of some of the most significant bills, as well as try to answer any questions from the Committee about these bills.

BUDGET CONSIDERATION/FINANCIAL IMPACT

There is no budget or financial impact of this decision.

Respectfully submitted,

Thomas Addison
Advanced Projects Advisor

FORWARDED: _____

BAAQMD BILL DISCUSSION LIST – JUNE 2003

June 2, 2003

* Light type indicates a position is being recommended by Staff to the Legislative Committee. If a date appears after the recommendation, the Committee has taken action and approved Staff's recommendation. Bold type indicates an official position of the agency, and the date the Board of Directors adopted that position.

** Bill has been significantly amended since the District took its position.

BILL NO.	AUTHOR	SUBJECT	BAAQMD POSITION*	PRIORITY	STATUS	LAST VERSION	OTHER AGENCY POSITIONS
AB 114	Nakano	Allows hybrid vehicles in HOV lanes	Watch	Low	Asm. Transp.	1/14/03	
AB 126	Campbell	Requires public advertisements to list source of public funding in the ad	Watch	Low	Asm. Approps.	4/3/03	
AB 151	Vargas	Air emission mitigation fee on imported Mexican-generated electricity	Watch	Low	Asm. Floor	4/30/03	
AB 170	Reyes	Air Quality Elements in San Joaquin Valley General Plans	Support	Medium	Senate	5/23/03	
AB 204	Nation	Transportation Fund for Clean Water	Watch	Low	Asm. Trans.	3/20/03	
AB 219	Reyes	San Joaquin Valley air quality improvements	Watch	Medium	Asm.Nat.Res	1/29/03	
AB 291**	Aghazarian	<i>Now a water quality bill</i>	Watch	Low	Asm. Rev. & Tax	3/26/03	
AB 390	Montanez	Requires regular testing of diesel backup hospital generators	Watch	Low	Sen. Health	4/3/03	
AB 392	Montanez	Spot bill on environmental justice	Watch	Low	Asm. Rules	2/14/03	
AB 404	Garcia	Air emission mitigation fee on imported Mexican-generated electricity	Watch	Low	Asm. Utilities & Commerce	2/14/03	
AB 406	Jackson	CEQA lead agency requirements	Watch	Low	Asm.Nat.Res	5/28/03	
AB 469	Samuelian	Spot bill on air district permits	Watch	Low	Asm. Rules	2/14/03	

AB 471	Simitian	Reduces emissions from cruise ships	Support 4/16/03	Low	Asm. Floor	5/28/03	
AB 489	Oropeza	Spot bill on flared gas power production	Watch	Low	Asm. Rules	2/14/03	
AB 574	Yee	Lets San Francisco impose a registration fee surcharge for local roads	Watch	Low	Asm. Floor	2/18/03	
AB 594	Leno	Exempts certain bike lanes from CEQA	Watch	Low	Senate	3/24/03	
AB 698	Lieber	\$10 per gallon perc fee	Support 4/16/03	Low	Asm.Approps	5/6/03	
AB 720	Matthews	Requires ARB to adopt hearth products clean-burning standards	Oppose 4/16/03	Medium	Asm.Nat.Res	2/19/03	
AB 729	Lieber	Authorizes BAAQMD to adopt indirect source rules, and requires refinery fugitive and flare regulations	Oppose unless amended 4/16/03	High	Asm.Nat.Res	2/19/03	
AB 740	Pavley	Clean Air, Clean Water, & Coastal Protection Bond Act of 2004	Support 4/16/03	High	Asm.Approps	4/10/03	
AB 788	Chavez	Delays ARB's ability to regulate disinfectants	Oppose 4/16/03	Low	Senate	4/22/03	
AB 829	Salinas	Spot bill on Bay Area regional govt.	Watch	Low	Asm. Rules	2/20/03	ABAG: Support in concept
AB 854	Koretz	Eliminates use of perc in dry cleaning, & establishes grant program to accelerate use of non-toxic alternatives	Support & seek amdmt 4/16/03	Medium	Asm. Env. Safety	2/20/03	
AB 875	Wyland	Requires existing gas tax to be spent only on freeway construction	Watch	Low	Asm. Transp.	2/20/03	League: Oppose
AB 901**	Jackson	<i>Now integrated waste mgmt bill</i>	Watch	Low	Asm. Rules	2/20/03	
AB 925	Richman	Extends & increases air district expedited powerplant permitting	Oppose 4/16/03	Medium	Asm.Nat.Res	2/20/03	
AB 927	Campbell	Requires ARB to develop guidelines for hydrogen fuel cell refueling stations	Watch	Low	Asm. Transp.	2/20/03	
AB 998	Lowenthal	Establishes grant program to accelerate use of non-toxic alternatives to perc in dry cleaning	Support & seek amdmt 4/16/03	Medium	Asm. Floor	4/10/03	

AB 1063	Firebaugh	Engine retrofit program in SCAQMD	Watch	Low	Asm. Transp.	4/10/03	
AB 1090	Longville	Changes requirement for SCAQMD Board membership	Watch	Low	Sen. Local Govt.	5/14/03	
AB 1214	Firebaugh	Net energy metering for fuel cells	Watch	Low	Asm. Utilities	2/21/03	
AB 1279	S.Horton	Allows SOVs into HOV lanes	Oppose 4/16/03	Low	Asm. Transp.	2/21/03	
AB 1316	Parra	Study Enhanced Smog Check program in coastal areas	Watch	Low	Asm. Transp.	5/20/03	
AB 1317	Parra	Extends Agricultural Biomass-to-Energy Incentive Grant Program	Watch	Low	Asm.Floor	5/5/03	
AB 1394	Levine & Montanez	Extends ARB Carl Moyer Program reports to Legislature	Watch	Low	Sen. Rules	5/6/03	
AB 1409	Wolk	Allows bike racks on buses longer than 40 feet	Support	Low	Sen. Rules	5/7/03	MTC: Support
AB 1468	Pavley	Requires testing of negative air machines at asbestos abatement sites	Support in concept 4/16/03	Medium	Asm. Floor	5/14/03	
AB 1500	Diaz & Pavley	Petroleum Pollution Cleanup & Prevention Act; \$1 per barrel fee	Support 4/16/03	High	Asm. Env. Safety	2/21/03	
AB 1546	Simitian	Allows San Mateo County to impose a \$4 vehicle fee for congestion and storm water management	Watch	Low	Asm. Floor	4/22/03	
AB 1624	Benoit	Limits percentage of vehicles required to go to test-only smog check stations	Oppose 4/16/03	Medium	Asm. Rules	2/24/03	
AB 1630	Maddox	Spot bill on distributed energy resources	Watch	Low	Asm. Rules	2/21/03	
AB 1637	La Suer	Deletes ARB's administrative penalty authority	Oppose 4/16/03	Low	Asm.Nat.Res	2/21/03	
AB 1656	Bermudez	Spot bill on transit village development	Watch	Low	Asm. Rules	2/21/03	
AB 1685	Leno	Incentivizes solar electric generation	Watch	Low	Asm. Floor	5/13/03	
AB 1696	Pavley	Requires county-specific asthma reports	Watch	Low	Asm. Health	2/21/03	
SB 170	Torlakson	Bay Area Infrastructure Planning	Watch	High	Sen. Rules	2/12/03	
SB 207	Ackerman	Removes district enforcement authority over vapor recovery equipment	Oppose 4/16/03	Medium	Sen. Env. Quality	4/21/03	

SB 234	Oller	Allows disabled placard vehicles into HOV lanes	Watch	Low	Sen. Transp.	2/14/03	
SB 288	Sher	New Source Review Restoration Act	Support in concept	High	Assembly	4/10/03	
SB 352	Escutia	Implements measures to protect school children from air pollution	Watch	Low	Sen. Floor	5/19/03	
SB 367	Sher	Allows bike racks on longer buses	Watch	Low	Sen. Transp.	2/19/03	MTC: Support
SB 380	McClintock	Requires Caltrans to evaluate HOV lanes and consider HOT lane creation	Watch	Low	Sen. Floor.	2/19/03	
SB 444	Vasconcellos	Encourages California to cut greenhouse gas emissions	Watch	Low	Sen. Rules	2/20/03	
SB 480	Kuehl	Deletes archaic SCAQMD Board language	Watch	Low	Sen. Rules	2/20/03	
SB 502	Florez	Establishes dairy farm incentives to cut air and water pollution	Watch	Low	Sen. Rules	2/20/03	
SB 532	Romero	Redefines cumulative impacts, and establishes environmental justice as guiding criterion under CEQA	Watch	Medium	Sen. Approps.	4/21/03	
SB 541	Torlakson	Allows state gas tax to increase with inflation	Watch	Low	Sen. Transp.	2/20/03	MTC, CSAC, League: all support
SB 571	Alarcon	Creates Environmental Education Fund	Watch	Low	Sen. Judiciary	3/24/03	
SB 656	Sher	Requires ARB and districts to reduce PM emissions from diesel, stationary, and area sources	Support 4/16/03	High	Sen. Floor	5/19/03	
SB 700	Florez & Sher	Eliminates agricultural exemption, and requires districts to regulate ag. sources	Support in concept 4/16/03	High	Asm. Floor	5/13/03	
SB 701	Florez	Provides tax credits for diesel agricultural pump cleanup	Watch	Low	Sen. Approps	4/21/03	
SB 702	Florez	Exempts medium-weight farm equipment from Moyer cost-effectiveness requirement	Oppose 4/16/03	Low	Sen. Env. Quality	2/21/03	

SB 703	Florez	Cuts utility charges for electric agricultural pumps	Watch	Low	Sen. Energy, Utilities	4/30/03	
SB 704	Florez	Requires SJVUAPCD to oversee agricultural waste amounts in biomass	Watch	Low	Sen. Floor	5/6/03	
SB 705	Florez	Eliminates ag. burning, & requires districts to develop alternative programs	Support if amended 4/16/03	Medium	Assembly	5/20/03	
SB 706	Florez	Specifies statewide policy on woodburning and voids local rules	Oppose 4/16/03	Medium	Sen. Env. Quality	2/21/03	
SB 707	Florez	Requires buffer zones around dairies/feedlots and urban areas	Watch	Low	Assembly	5/5/03	
SB 708**	Florez	<i>Very minor smog check changes</i>	Support & seek amdmt 4/16/03	Medium	Sen. Floor.	5/27/03	
SB 709	Florez	Adds 3 members to SJVUAPCD Board	Watch	Low	Sen.Approps	5/21/03	
SB 807	Denham	Major stationary sources	Watch	Low	Sen. Rules	4/28/03	
SB 825	Torlakson	Creates Pedestrian & Bicyclist Safety and Mobility Fund	Support 4/16/03	Low	Sen. Transp.	2/21/03	
SB 871	Burton	Creates minor violation for gasoline cargo tanks	Watch	Medium	Assembly	4/30/03	
SB 916	Perata	Calls for election on whether to impose a \$1 bridge toll surcharge for transit	Support & seek amdmt 4/16/03	Low	Sen. Floor	5/7/03	MTC: Support & seek amdmt
SB 954	Murray	Spot bill on asbestos work	Watch	Low	Sen. Rules	2/21/03	
SB 981	Soto	Petroleum Pollution Prevention & Cleanup Act; \$0.30 per barrel fee	Support 4/16/03	High	Sen. Rev. & Tax	4/24/03	
SB 998	Bowen	Infrastructure bond act with \$50M in Moyer funding	Watch	Medium	Sen. Gov. Organization	2/21/03	
SB 999	Machado	Adds 4 members to SJVUAPCD Board	Watch	Low	Asm. Local Govt.	4/29/03	
SB 1015	Morrow	Changes distributed energy generation law	Watch	Low	Sen. Energy, Utilities	2/21/03	