

**Bay Area Air Quality Management District
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APPROVED MINUTES

Summary of Board of Directors
Climate Protection Committee
9:30 a.m., Thursday, September 18, 2008

- 1. Call to Order - Roll Call:** Chair Pamela Torliatt called the meeting to order at 9:38 a.m.

Present: Pamela Torliatt, Chair, Tom Bates, Chris Daly, John Gioia, Scott Haggerty, Mark Ross.

Absent: Yoriko Kishimoto, Jake McGoldrick and Gayle B. Uilkema
- 2. Public Comment Period:** There were none.
- 5. Update on Development of Air District's Climate Protection Strategic Work Plan:** *The Committee received an update on the development of the Air District's Climate Protection Work Plan.*

Senior Policy Advisor, Ana Sandoval, provided an update on development of the Air District's Climate Protection Strategic Work Plan, discussed the program's history, major achievements, ongoing activities, and development of the Strategic Work Plan. The plan's purpose is to identify effective and appropriate District roles, projects, and timeframes for climate protection activity from 2009 to 2011. The District's roles would complement state action at the local level, support regional and local efforts using resources and expertise unique to the District, and seek GHG reductions that yield criteria/toxic co-benefits.

Ms. Sandoval further discussed ongoing initiatives such as climate incentives, local government assistance, stationary source initiatives, regional GHG inventory, education and outreach, land use and planning and collaboration with ARB, CAPCOA, JPC and SVLG, and she outlined ongoing and new initiatives by incentive category from 2009 through 2011.

Committee members discussed with staff the timeline of the Draft Strategic Plan program, the District's involvement in working with a community action panel, and development of an agreement with the Attorney General's office relating to the Conoco settlement and cap. Committee members proposed incorporating specific target dates to track the progress and implementation of initiatives, which will help form the basis for a climate protection program, work to develop an indirect source rule and a multi-pollutant plan for the purpose of achieving air quality improvements, and said SB 375 would hopefully be signed by the Governor to serve as a tool to achieve targets. Committee members further discussed ARB's work on a Scoping Plan which will be brought to the ARB Board in November which will better define the Air District's role. Mr. Broadbent said the ARB has adopted early action measures

which are moving forward. The ARB is committing to regulatory actions by 2012, enforcement should evolve to the Air District, and a key mechanism is how broadly the cap and trade rule is written.

Committee members voiced interest in having legislative bill information return to the Committee and suggested the Air District coordinate with agencies to track milestones and ensure focus is given to the Bay Area. Also suggested was, once GHG's were quantified, that there be a way to track them, post them to the District's website, and identify the overall regional impact based from decisions and choices made. Jean Roggenkamp noted the District has an inventory of GHG's for the region for 2002 which is being updated to 2005. She said the District currently tracks reductions and agreed staff could also begin to track increases, as well. In response to a question regarding projects benefitting from grant funds, Ms. Roggenkamp reported the District was receiving its first round of results back from different projects and results could be shared at the next Committee meeting.

Committee members further discussed a coordinated effort be made with the region, and Mr. Broadbent noted the topic would be discussed at the Joint Policy Committee meeting the next day, a climate coordinator has been hired by the JPA, he noted the concept was a public/private partnership, and discussed key leaders involved. Committee members then discussed strategies to connect concepts with the new administration, grant funding, how to further link strategies statewide, federally, and nationally, share what the District is doing with San Joaquin, Sacramento and Monterey Air Districts, and the need to recognize the differences between regions and what is already being done through efforts in the Bay Area.

3. **Approval of Minutes of June 12, 2008:** Director Gioia moved approval of the minutes; seconded by Director Bates; carried unanimously without objection.
4. **Update on AB 32 Climate Change Draft Scoping Plan:** *The Committee received an update on the Climate Change Draft Scoping Plan.*

Deputy Air Pollution Control Officer Jean Roggenkamp provided an update on the AB 32 Scoping Plan, stating the District commended ARB for their work but said missing was information relating to meeting 1990 emission targets by 2020 and no contingencies identified if any of the measures do not meet what is anticipated. Staff expressed concerns about the lack of specificity with the cap and trade component, noting it is about one-fifth of the expected emissions reductions, it should be coupled with regulatory actions and it did not touch on how to ensure that communities would not be impacted.

Ms. Roggenkamp noted that the District made specific comments on stationary sources as the draft Scoping Plan said nothing about new and modified sources. The District also recommended permitting for facilities that might need to be done and those that should be integrated into the District's permitting program. The District, as well as ABAG, MTC and BCDC, commented on the land use and transportation components and recommended stronger regional targets in this area, recognizing that cities, counties and regions will need support and incentives to do this uniformly to meet targets. The District also expressed the need for state support for local government activities.

Ms. Roggenkamp further discussed the development schedule, as follows:

- June 26, 2008 – Draft Scoping Plan released

- October 3, 2008 – Proposed Scoping Plan release
- November 20, 2008 – Proposed Scoping Plan to ARB
- January 2012 – Regulations enforceable
- Re-visit Scoping Plan in 5 years

She said the Scoping Plan will be taken to the ARB Board on November 20, 2008 and staff anticipates action to occur because the on-road mobile source rule has been moved to the December meeting. Another milestone is that all regulations must be adopted and enforceable by January 2012.

Committee members discussed potential opportunities to go beyond what is contained in the Scoping Plan; however, Ms. Roggenkamp noted the ARB is already working on the rule development process for early action measures and the plan did not yet have a schedule. Committee members voiced an interest in working with cities and counties to form an overall strategy to better coordinate GHG plans, targets and emissions.

- 6. Discussion of Initial Concepts for a 2009 Local Government Climate Summit and Consideration of Authorization to Enter into Contract for Consulting Services:** *The committee received an overview of initial concepts for a Local Government climate Summit and considered recommending Board of Directors' authorization of the APCO to enter into a contract not to exceed \$200,000 for consulting services to assist with event planning and logistics.*

Principal Environmental Planner, Abby Young, presented a PowerPoint presentation on the 2009 Climate Protection Summit, scheduled to be held in early May next year. She said goals of the summit include:

- Accelerating implementation of GHG-reducing policies and projects;
- Local government focused;
- Helping local governments meet new regional targets and planning requirements;
- Bringing local government decision-makers and staff, business and nongovernmental organizations together to exchange information and ideas.

Target audiences include local elected officials, city/county administrators and staff. The location of the summit will be in an accessible location to BART and public transit, and the format will include inspiring keynote speakers and interactive hands-on work sessions. Sessions will focus on meeting new planning and compliance process requirements, implementing policies and projects, and sharing and learning best practices. There will also be a special session for elected officials on green jobs/community development.

Next steps include hiring a consultant to help with logistics of the event. Initial activities will be to secure keynote speakers, the venue and key sponsorships. A not-to-exceed contract of \$200,000 is recommended for event planning consultant services and pass-through costs. Staff therefore recommends that the Climate Protection Committee recommend Board of Directors' authorization for the Executive Officer to execute a contract with O-Rorke, Inc., for an amount not to exceed \$200,000, to perform event planning and logistical support activities.

Committee members discussed venue and location options, suggested distributing draft climate action plan resolutions and inviting the League of California Cities, CSC Institute and state organizations, estimated that the total attendance would be between 300 to 500 participants, and supported the request.

Committee Action: Director Haggerty made a motion to recommend Board of Directors' authorization for the Executive Officer to execute a contract with O-Rorke, Inc., for an amount not to exceed \$200,000, to perform event planning and logistical support activities; seconded by Director Gioia; carried unanimously without objection.

7. **Committee Members' Comments:** None
8. **Time and Place of Next Meeting:** 9:30 a.m., November 20, 2008, 939 Ellis Street, San Francisco, CA 94109.
9. **Adjournment:** The meeting was adjourned at 10:47 a.m.

Lisa Harper
Clerk of the Boards