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## **BUY AN ELECTRIC MOWER FOR \$100 OFF**

**On Saturday, May 21<sup>st</sup> at the Concord Home Depot from 8:00 AM to noon,** Bay Area residents can make a clean air choice by exchanging their old gas-powered lawn mower for a "clean air" electric mower and receive an instant rebate of \$100 off a Black and Decker electric corded mower. Two models, the Black & Decker MM 575 and MM 875 are available. The mowers normally retail for \$199 and \$229 and will be available for the reduced price of \$99 and \$129, respectively, plus tax, with a gas mower trade-in. The old gasoline mowers will be crushed and recycled. **The event is open to all Bay Area residents.**

"This event gives Bay Area residents an opportunity to make a clean air choice," said Jack Broadbent, the Air District's Executive Officer. "We hope to exchange about 400 gasoline lawn mowers at the Concord event for new, less-polluting models," said Broadbent.

### **Facts:**

- Gasoline-powered lawn mowers create over eight tons of air pollution every summer day in the Bay Area.
- Running a gas mower for an hour pollutes as much as forty late-model cars idling for the same time period.
- Grass trimmings also make up a significant portion of the waste that gets buried in local landfills.
- By switching to an electric mulching mower, residents save money and cut down air pollution and yard waste to ZERO.

Mowers must be drained of oil and gas. Call your local solid waste management agency for disposal information. Mowers are available on a first come, first served basis; supplies are limited. The Concord Home Depot is located at 2090 Meridian Park Boulevard. For more info, call **1-800-HELP-AIR** or go to **[www.baaqmd.gov](http://www.baaqmd.gov)**.

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