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## Air District seeks new technologies to combat climate change

New Technology Implementation Office will assess technology for funding potential

**SAN FRANCISCO** – The Bay Area Air District is opening a search for innovative and disruptive technologies that can help combat climate change and improve air quality in the Bay Area.

The Air District's new Technology Implementation Office will assess emerging technologies for their potential to reduce greenhouse gas emissions from stationary air pollution sources such as gas stations, buildings, energy producers, landfills, refineries and other industrial facilities. This effort will enable the Air District to direct incentive money, grants or other potential resources to accelerate these technologies into the mainstream.

"The Bay Area is the global hub for technological advancement," said Jack Broadbent, executive officer of the Air District. "Innovative technologies can quickly transform our lives and how we do business. We are looking for technologies that can have the same effect to protect the global climate and air quality."

Those who submit information may be eligible for project-based financing and may have access to the Air District's network of technology partners. The Air District is asking companies, non-profits, research organizations and other interested parties to submit information about technologies that have been successfully piloted in a commercial setting. Technologies may include, but are not limited to, equipment, software, smart/connected technologies or other innovations that reduce use of non-renewable energy, reduce emissions or optimize energy efficiency.

This effort will help direct current and future Air District grant programs.

To submit information, interested parties can fill out an <u>online form</u>. The deadline to submit is December 15, 2017. The Bay Area Air Quality Management District is the regional agency responsible for protecting air quality in the nine-county Bay Area.

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