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The Bay Area Air Quality Management District



Opening for Environmental Planner in Air District's Climate Protection Section

The Air District is recruiting for an Environmental Planner I/II position in the Climate Protection Section of the Planning & Climate Division. The Planner will assist in implementing the regional climate protection strategy described in the Air District's 2017 Clean Air Plan and help to support climate action planning by local governments throughout the Bay Area.

Applications must be submitted no later than **5:00 pm on Friday, February 2**. For additional information and application instructions, see:

www.baaqmd.gov/about-the-air-district/job-opportunities/job-opportunities



***Charge!* Program Application Deadline Extended**

The application deadline for the Air District's *Charge!* program has been **extended to March 9**.

The Air District's *Charge!* program provides funding to expand the network of electric vehicle charging stations in the Bay Area. Both public and private entities are eligible to apply.

Applicants who want to apply in the current funding cycle must attend a pre-application webinar before submitting an application. Upcoming webinars on the *Charge!* program are scheduled for February 8 and March 1. For additional information and to register for a webinar, see:

<http://www.baaqmd.gov/grant-funding/businesses-and-fleets/charge>





Updating CEQA Guidelines & Thresholds of Significance

The Air District is updating the [CEQA Guidelines](#) and thresholds of significance that it provides to assist public agencies in evaluating and minimizing air quality and greenhouse gas (GHG) impacts from proposed land use development projects and plans. The update will include a full review of all current thresholds of significance, but will focus on post-2020 GHG thresholds, as well as provide updated guidance on post-2020 Climate Action Plans. The updated Guidelines will help to ensure that new land use projects do not impede the State's ability to achieve GHG reduction targets for 2030 and 2050.

Air District staff welcome your input. Staff are available to participate in meetings, provide presentations, or take written/oral feedback on CEQA threshold development. Please contact Jackie Winkel at jwinkel@baaqmd.gov, and visit the [CEQA Guidelines](#) webpage for draft documents and updates that will be posted when available.



Metro Talks on February 1: Learning from the North Bay Wildfires

The North Bay wildfires in October demonstrated how climate change can dramatically impact air quality, public health, our housing stock, and public infrastructure in the Bay Area. As part of the "Metro Talks" speaker series at the Bay Area Metro Center, on Thursday, February 1, Sonoma County Supervisor and Air District Board Member Shirley

Thursday, February 1 Sonoma County Supervisor and Air District Board member Shirley Zane and Air District staff will discuss the air quality and public health impacts of the fires, and how this experience can inform our response to future disasters. Refreshments will be served from 5:30 to 6:00. The presentation will begin at 6:00. For more information and to RSVP, see

<https://www.bayareametrocenter.com/#events-section>



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