

Bay Area Air Quality Management District
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Community Equity, Health, and Justice Committee Meeting
Wednesday, May 14, 2025

APPROVED MINUTES

This meeting was webcast, and a video recording is available on the website of the Bay Area Air Quality Management District at [Board Resolutions, Agendas, and Minutes](#)

CALL TO ORDER

1. **Opening Comments:** Community Equity, Health, and Justice Committee (Committee) Vice Chairperson, John Gioia, called the meeting to order at 1:04 p.m.

Roll Call:

Present, In-Person (Bay Area Metro Center, 375 Beale Street, 1st Yerba Buena Room, San Francisco, CA, 94105): Chairperson Noelia Corzo; and Directors Mark Salinas and Shamann Walton.

Present, In-Person Satellite Location: (Office of Contra Costa County Supervisor John Gioia, 11780 San Pablo Ave., Suite D, Conference Room, El Cerrito, CA 94530): Vice Chairperson John Gioia; and Director Steve Young.

Present, In-Person Satellite Location: (Napa County Administration Building, 1195 Third Street, Suite 310, Crystal Conference Room, Napa, CA 94559): Director Joelle Gallagher.

Present, In-Person Satellite Location: (Marin County, District 2, Office of Marin County Supervisor Brian Colbert, 3501 Civic Center Dr., Room 324A, San Rafael, CA 94903): Director Brian Colbert.

Present, In-Person Satellite Location: (San Mateo County Board of Supervisors Offices, 500 County Center, 5th Floor, Redwood City, CA 94063): Director Ray Mueller.

Absent: Directors Dionne Adams, Brian Barnacle, Monica Brown.

2. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

CONSENT CALENDAR

3. APPROVAL OF THE DRAFT MINUTES OF THE COMMUNITY EQUITY, HEALTH, AND JUSTICE COMMITTEE MEETING OF APRIL 9, 2025

Public Comments

No requests received.

Committee Comments

None.

Committee Action

Director Young made a motion, seconded by Director Walton, to approve the Draft Minutes of the Community, Equity, Health, and Justice Committee Meeting of April 9, 2025; and the motion carried by the following vote of the Committee:

AYES: Colbert, Gallagher, Gioia, Mueller, Salinas, Walton, Young.
NOES: None.
ABSTAIN: None.
ABSENT: Adams, Barnacle, Brown, Corzo.

ACTION ITEM

4. AUTHORIZATION TO CONTINUE FUNDING AND TO EXECUTE MASTER SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH IQAIR FOUNDATION FOR HOME AND SCHOOL AIR FILTRATION PROGRAMS

Anna Lee, Environmental Justice Manager, gave the staff presentation *Home and School Air Filtration Program Funding*, including: outline; School Air Filtration Program background and outcomes; Home Air Filtration Program background and outcomes; community impact; Community Air Protection incentives; proposal to expand program impact; and recommended action.

NOTED PRESENT: Chair Corzo was noted present at 1:11 p.m.

Public Comments

Public comments were given by Jan Warren, Interfaith Climate Action Network of Contra Costa County.

Committee Comments

The Committee and staff discussed whether the Committee was being asked to vote on a recommendation to the Board that would include a list of particular schools, and concern that certain schools in the Richmond/San Pablo area are not being prioritized but should be; the desire for Air District intervention regarding the operation of rock quarries in Napa County, as well as for the extension of the home and school air filtration programs into Napa County; the number of

public elementary schools that have been identified in Bayview Hunters Point/Southeast San Francisco to receive new filtration systems, as an expansion/continuation of the School Air Filtration Program; and whether the continuation of these programs will require Board action.

Committee Action

Director Salinas made a motion, seconded by Director Walton, to recommend that the Board allocate \$4,000,000 of Community Air Protection Incentives funding to support Home and School Air Filtration Programs and authorize the Executive Officer/Air Pollution Control Officer (APCO) to execute a Master Services Agreement with IQAir Foundation in an amount of \$3,000,000 to support the continuation of a School Air Filtration Program; and the motion carried by the following vote of the Committee:

AYES: Colbert, Corzo, Gallagher, Gioia, Mueller, Salinas, Walton, Young.
NOES: None.
ABSTAIN: None.
ABSENT: Adams, Barnacle, Brown.

INFORMATIONAL ITEM

5. COMMUNITY PERSPECTIVES

Elinor Mattern, Senior Staff Specialist, and Eliana Batrez of Sustainable Contra Costa, gave the presentation *Community Perspectives: Sustainable Contra Costa*, including: outline; James Cary Smith (JCS); JCS Community Grant Program details; The East Bay Clean Air Coalition; who we are; East Contra Costa County; Year 1; community needs assessments; community dinners and public events; Year 2; Clean Air Coalition and membership; project approach; Year 3; experience as a JCS grantee; hopes for the JCS Program; and acknowledgments.

Public Comments

Public comments were given by Jan Warren, Interfaith Climate Action Network of Contra Costa County.

Committee Comments

The Committee and staff discussed whether the Sustainable Contra Costa plans to extend efforts that were focused on East Contra Costa County to West Contra Costa County; whether JCS grants are only awarded to applicants in Assembly Bill (AB) 617 communities; the geographic location of the headquarters of the organizations that are members of the Clean Air Coalition; and admiration for the organization's ability to adjust its project approach until the best fit for East Contra Costa County was developed.

Committee Action

No action taken.

6. **ASSEMBLY BILL 617 PROGRAM UPDATE**

Staff presentation *Assembly Bill 617 Program Update*, was presented by the following Air District staff members: Diana Ruiz, Acting Environmental Justice Director; Karissa White, Staff Specialist II; Aneesh Rana, Senior Staff Specialist; and Daniel Madrigal, Senior Staff Specialist.

Slides included: AB 617 overview; West Oakland overview and milestones; next steps for West Oakland; Richmond-North Richmond-San Pablo overview and milestones; next steps for Richmond-North Richmond-San Pablo; East Oakland overview and milestones; next steps for East Oakland; Bayview Hunters Point/Southeast San Francisco overview and milestones; and next steps for Bayview Hunters Point/Southeast San Francisco.

Public Comments

Public comments were given by Jan Warren, Interfaith Climate Action Network of Contra Costa County.

Committee Comments

None.

Committee Action

No action taken.

OTHER BUSINESS

7. **PUBLIC COMMENT ON NON-AGENDA MATTERS**

No requests received.

8. **COMMITTEE MEMBER COMMENTS**

Director Walton thanked Air District staff for their work on the AB 617 program, reducing exposure in communities most impacted by air pollution, and developing and implementing new strategies to measure air pollution and reduce health impacts.

9. **REPORT OF THE DEPUTY EXECUTIVE OFFICER OF EQUITY AND COMMUNITY PROGRAMS**

Arsenio Mataka, Deputy Executive Officer of Equity and Community Programs, made the following announcements:

The Community Advisory Council will be holding a retreat in San Jose on May 16 and 17 this month. The retreat will explore how the Environmental Justice priorities identified by the CAC are integrated into the Air District's work through the implementation of the Strategic Plan. The opening session begins by listening to community members, throughout the two days there will be sessions on air monitoring, cumulative impacts, data transparency, the inspection program, rules and community investments. This will also be an opportunity for the CAC to help the Air District identify priorities in specific areas of work. Topics at the CAC Retreat include:

- EJ Community Voices and Air District Response on Air Quality Concerns
- Roadmap to Improved Air Monitoring Programs
- Cumulative Impacts and Permitting – Update on Advisory Council Work
- Air Quality Complaint Data Web Tool
- Notice of Violation Trends & Data-Driven Insights
- Development of a Targeted Inspection Program and Policy
- Air District Five-Year Rulemaking Schedule
- Managing Community Investments

The Community Investments Office launched in April and continues gathering input from people throughout the Bay through a survey that is available in multiple languages from our website. Staff have been presenting an overview of local and regional funds to various groups and listening to community priorities. On Monday, we will be presenting to the Benicia Sustainability Commission. We will continue arranging presentations and discussions with other groups along the refinery corridor. We plan to provide an update on these activities to the Board at the June meeting.

10. **TIME AND PLACE OF NEXT MEETING**

At the end of the meeting, the next Community Equity, Health, and Justice Committee meeting was scheduled for Wednesday, June 11, 2025. After the meeting adjourned, the next meeting was scheduled for Wednesday, September 10, 2025, and then changed to Wednesday, October 8, 2025, and then changed again to November 12, 2025 at 1:00 p.m. at 375 Beale Street, San Francisco, CA, 94105. The meeting will be in-person for the Community Equity, Health, and Justice Committee members and members of the public will be able to either join in-person or via webcast.

11. **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 2:13 p.m.

/s/ Marcy Hiratzka
 Marcy Hiratzka
 Clerk of the Boards