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Air District hosts open houses to showcase 2016 Clean Air Plan, Regional Climate Protection Strategy and New Source Review Rule

SAN FRANCISCO – The Bay Area Air Quality Management District is hosting a series of open houses to present potential new control measures and strategies that may be included in the 2016 Clean Air Plan/Regional Climate Protection Strategy, and proposed revisions to Regulation 2, Rule 5, New Source Review of Toxic Air Contaminants.

The Bay Area Air Quality Management District is planning to include a regional strategy to protect the climate as part of its latest Clean Air Plan update. Bay Area residents are encouraged to attend open houses to learn about proposed actions that will become the roadmap for the Air District over the next few years to reduce air pollution and protect public health and the global climate. The open house events are organized to offer community members and stakeholders an opportunity to learn about the air quality benefits of the proposals, ask questions and provide input into the planning process. Interactive displays will allow visitors to review materials in multiple formats.

"These plans are roadmaps for the Bay Area to address the significant challenges our region faces to reduce air pollution and greenhouse gases in our communities," said Jack Broadbent, executive officer of the Air District. "The open house events are a great opportunity to speak to air quality experts, ask questions and make suggestions that will shape the region's air quality and climate in the future."

Clean Air Plan and Regional Climate Protection Strategy

The Clean Air Plan details the Air District's efforts over the next few years to reduce air pollution and protect public health and the global climate. This update will also include the Bay Area's first ever comprehensive Regional Climate Protection Strategy, which will identify potential rules, control measures and strategies the Air District can pursue to reduce greenhouse gases in the region. See website for more information on the proposals:

http://www.baagmd.gov/plans-and-climate/air-quality-plans/plans-under-development

New Source Review of Toxic Air Contaminants

This rule implements the Air District's new source review program for stationary sources of toxic air contaminant emissions. The rule requires health risk assessments for new and modified sources, if the toxic air contaminant emissions from a proposed project will exceed the Air District's health risk assessment trigger levels. The proposed rule revisions will increase the health protectiveness of the Air District's New Source Review of Toxic Contaminants Program by:

- Implementing the state's revised Health Risk Assessment and Risk Management Guidelines for Stationary Sources
- Incorporating new and revised toxic air contaminant emission rate trigger levels for health risk assessment requirements

Workshops will take place in six locations throughout the Bay Area:

Thursday, January 28 5-7 p.m.	Tuesday, February 2 6-8 p.m.	Wednesday, February 3 6-8 p.m.
Redwood City	San Jose	Santa Rosa
Sequoia High School, Multipurpose Rm. 1201 Brewster Avenue Redwood City, CA 94062	San Jose Elks Lodge 444 West Alma Avenue San Jose, CA 95110	Sonoma County Water Agency 404 Aviation Boulevard Santa Rosa, CA 95403
*includes New Source Review	*includes New Source Review	
Thursday, February 4 6-8 p.m.	Monday, February 8 6-8 p.m.	Tuesday, February 9 4-6 p.m.
Richmond	Dublin/Pleasanton	Oakland
East Bay Center for the Performing Arts 339 11th Street Richmond, CA 94801	Sheraton Pleasanton, Salon 5990 Stoneridge Mall Road Pleasanton, CA 94588	Laney College, Bistro 900 Fallon Street Oakland, CA 94607
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^{*}Proposed revision to New Source Review of Toxic Air Contaminants will be presented at the following dates and locations:

- Thursday, January 28 in Redwood City
- Tuesday, February 2 in San Jose
- Thursday, February 4, in Richmond

Interpretation will be available for visitors who primarily speak Spanish or Chinese.

Para asistencia en español, llame al 415-749-4609.

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