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Air District draft Clean Air Plan online for public comment

Public has until March 9 to submit comments

SAN FRANCISCO - The Bay Area Air District has made the draft 2017 Clean Air plan, *Spare the Air, Cool the Climate* available online, on [Open Air Forum](#) for comment through March 9th.

The public comment period for the draft plan opened on January 12, 2017, with eight open house events in Cupertino, San Francisco, San Rafael, Yountville, Walnut Creek, Dublin, San Jose and Oakland.

The draft 2017 plan aims to lead the region to a post-carbon economy, to continue progress toward attaining all state and federal air quality standards, and to eliminate health risk disparities from exposure to air pollution among Bay Area communities. It includes a wide range of proposed “control measures” - actions to reduce combustion-related activities, decrease fossil fuel combustion, improve energy efficiency and decrease emissions of potent greenhouse gases.

The draft plan outlines numerous measures to reduce ozone, particulate matter, air toxics and greenhouse gases. Specific measures focus on a single type of pollutant – super GHG’s like methane and black carbon – or are progressive actions to remove harmful particles in the air.

Open Air Forum is an online resource that offers the public an additional opportunity to interact with the Air District and provide feedback on specific Air District topics. Open Air Forum can be accessed through the Air District website homepage at www.baaqmd.gov or directly at <http://www.baaqmd.gov/in-your-community/open-air>. Interested members of the public can access the information and provide comments before the end of the posted comment period.

The Bay Area Air Quality Management District (www.baaqmd.gov) is the regional agency responsible for protecting air quality in the nine-county Bay Area.

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