

SACRAMENTO VALLEY

TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE

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Butte Colusa Feather River Glenn Placer Sacramento Shasta Tehama Yolo-Solano

September 21, 2007 MINUTES

1. The regular meeting was called to order by the Chair, Ross Bell (Shasta County) at 10:05 a.m., September 21, 2007, at the Butte County Air Quality Management District Chico, California.

TAC MEMBERS PRESENT:	OTHERS PRESENT:
Matt Ehrhardt, Yolo-Solano AQMD	Amy Gwinnup, Secretary-Treasurer
Ross Bell, Shasta County AQMD	Paul Buttner, California Rice Commission
Jim Wagoner, Butte County AQMD	Stephen Ertle, Butte County AQMD rep
Susan Engstrom, Sac-Metro AQMD	
Alan Abbs, Tehama County APCD	
David Valler, Feather River AQMD	
Kevin Tokunaga, Glenn County APCD rep	
Carol McLaughlin, ARB	
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2. Approval of Minutes

Minutes from the August 17, 2007 regular meeting were posted for review. There were no additions or corrections requested.

MOTION: It is moved by Mr. Wagoner (Butte County), seconded by Mr. Valler (Feather River AQMD) to approve the minutes as submitted. Motion carried: all yes.

3. Additional Agenda Items/Public Comment

Mr. Wagoner (Butte County) requests the San Joaquin Valley Action Plan regarding pollution transport from other basins be added to the Agenda. Chairman Bell (Shasta County) so directs.

There were no public comments.

4. Reports:

CAPCOA – Jim Wagoner (Butte) reported on the following:

- Attended Rural Districts September 10-11, 2007 in South Lake Tahoe where various items were discussed including subvention, Carl Moyer Program funding, and the development of the 5 year organizational plan.
- Attended CAPCOA Conference September 19-20, 2007 with the topic to be “Understanding and Addressing the Health Effects of Pollution on Communities”.
- General Membership conference to be held October 23, 2007 in Monterey.
- Board will hold legislative meeting second week in October.

CARB Liaison Report - Carol McLaughlin (CARB) reported on the following:

- Main Engine workshop and Shore Power Conference in Sacramento on September 24, 2007, in Long Beach on September 25, 2007, and in Oakland on September 26, 2007.
- Board hearing re: research proposals regarding in vehicle air pollution exposure.
- Board hearing re: revised state strategies for ozone and PM 2.5.
- South Coast ozone and PM 2.5 SIPS rule.

- Air cleaner regulation standards and appointing research screening committee.
- US EPA workshop on Global climate change in San Francisco on October 11, 2007.
- Workshop re: Bond Program in Long Beach on October 1, 2007, in San Diego on October 3, 2007, in Oakland on October 4, 2007, in Fresno on October 9 and 10, 2007, and in Sacramento on October 11, 2007.
- Two meetings re: low carbon fuel standards on October 4, 2007.
- On Road Heavy Duty Diesel Vehicle Regulations scheduled at multiple locations: Oakland on October 24, 2007, Redding on October 18, 2007, San Diego on October 19, 2007, Sacramento on October 22, 2007, Fresno on October 23, 2007 and in El Monte October 23.

SVAQEEP Report: Stephen Ertle (Butte) reported on the following:

- Next meeting on November 7, 2007; Started discussions clarifying and distributing action items from the TAC approved 2007-2008 Work Plan.

5. Financial Status Report

Ms. Gwinnup (Secretary-Treasurer) briefly summarizes the financial status report dated September 12, 2007.

Mr. Valler requests clarification regarding a previous year expenditure which was not budgeted in the current fiscal year and how that will impact the budget situation for this fiscal year.

Ms. Gwinnup states that the expenditure was budgeted in a previous year's budget and funds would need to be transferred from the fund balance to cover the expense.

Chairman Bell directs the Clerk to place the transfer on the next BCC agenda.

6. Direction regarding costs associated with September 5, 2007 Special Meeting.

Ms. Gwinnup (Secretary-Treasurer) requests direction regarding the method of invoicing Districts for costs associated with the September 5, 2007 Special BCC meeting. She states that the original discussion at the TAC level was for the BCC to cover the expense of the food provided and then to invoice each district for the cost. She requests clarification regarding whether to divide the expense up equally between each district, invoice for each districts individual attendees, or to have the BCC cover the entire expense.

Discussion is held.

MOTION: It is moved by Mr. Wagoner (Butte), seconded by Ms. Engstrom (Sac-Metro) to recommend to the BCC that expenses incurred in relation to the September 5, 2007 Special BCC Meeting be paid out of the BCC Budget Account of Travel, Food, and Lodging. Motion carried: all yes.

7. Discuss BCC web page.

Ms. Engstrom updates the TAC regarding the development of the BCC website. She states that she recently posted the Smoke Management Plan online and is continuing to update the site with information.

Mr. Ehrhardt suggests adding the web address to the Google search engine for members of the public to search for the information.

Discussion is held.

8. Records Retention Policy

Mr. Wagoner states he is continuing to work on this policy but has no new information.

Mr. David Lusk (Butte County) is present.

9. Consider Diesel Engine ATCM implementation policy.

Mr. Lusk distributes a document entitled "Policy for Portable Engines in Ag Operations". He summarizes the contents of the document.

Mr. Wagoner (Butte) states that CAPCOA has requested from ARB a definition of what is portable vs. stationary. He states that there needs to be one set of requirements to operate under.

Mr. Ehrhardt states there is limitation on how the draft was written. He states this white paper is ARB's attempt to clarify portable vs. stationary without doing rule making. He expresses concern with how to define portable vs. stationary and which engines will require registration.

Extensive discussion is held.

10. Set next BCC meeting and agenda:

December 7, 2007 at the Sacramento Metropolitan AQMD. The consensus of the TAC is to include the following items on the December 7, 2007 BCC agenda:

- Budget adjustment to cover unbudgeted expense.
- Briefing on Ag equipment.
- Approval of 2008 BCC meeting schedule.
- Approve schedule of hearings for Smoke Management Program.
- San Joaquin Valley Action Plan regarding pollution transport from other basins.

11. Update on Rice Straw Burning ERCs

Mr. Ehrhardt reported the EPA has requested to reschedule their meeting and they will move forward once the date has been set.

12. Additional Agenda Items

Mr. Wagoner (Butte) distributes a document regarding San Joaquin Valley pollution transport from other air basins: better quantify the magnitude and the impact of pollution transport from the neighboring air basins and pursue actions to minimize such impacts. He states that San Joaquin is requesting permission from their Board to further evaluate transport data from other basins. He states that as a result of the two fires in northern California there was smoke impact and transport to the San Joaquin basin that may not have been covered in the transport analysis. He states the TAC may consider paying close attention to this issue as it unfolds.

Mr. Ehrhardt (Yolo-Solano) states they need to recognize that there is transport to and from the valley. He states that he thinks the BCC should ask for a seat at the table when this analysis is done. He states that San Joaquin staff and not someone independent are doing this analysis.

Discussion is held. After discussion it is the consensus of the TAC to add this item to the December 7, 2007 BCC agenda for further consideration.

13. Set next TAC meeting date and agenda – August 17, 2007 @ 10:00 a.m.

The next TAC meeting is scheduled for October 19, 2007 at Colusa County APCD.

14. Adjournment at 11:32 a.m.