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### **Sac Metro Air District Celebrates Renovated Folsom Monitoring Station** *Station Provides Critical Air Quality Data During Wildfire Smoke Events*

**Sacramento, Calif.** – Today, the Sacramento Metropolitan Air Quality Management District (Sac Metro Air District) hosted a special celebration to mark the completion of a critical air quality infrastructure project – the renovation of its Folsom Monitoring Station. Residents, elected officials, City of Folsom staff, and members of the media were granted behind-the-scenes access to the station, which boasts high-tech air monitoring equipment that helps protect public health, especially during wildfire season.

Sac Metro Air District Air Pollution Control Officer Dr. Alberto Ayala welcomed guests to kick off the event.

“Sac Metro Air District’s renovation of the Folsom Air Quality Monitoring Station is a mission-critical investment ensuring our ability to provide the City of Folsom, as well as the larger Sacramento region, with accurate, real-time air quality data,” said Ayala. “Our air quality data empowers residents to take steps to protect their health when air quality is poor and during wildfire smoke events.”

In addition to exploring the monitoring station equipment, guests also were able to view portable air sensors, as well as review outdoor displays showcasing photos from several phases of the project and real-time air quality data from the station.

Sac Metro Air District Director and Folsom Councilmember Sarah Aquino commented on the importance of the monitoring station to the City of Folsom.

“As a Board Director for the Sac Metro Air District, I am proud to be contributing to air quality investments in the Sacramento region,” said Aquino. “As a Folsom Councilmember and resident, I am thankful that this air monitoring station is here in the core of the community, right behind City Hall. Seeing all the work that has gone into renovating the Folsom station, I am confident that our residents are being well-served now and into the future.”

Event photos will be available to download after the event [here](#). More information about the Sac Metro Air District and local air quality is available at [AirQuality.org](http://AirQuality.org).

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