

SACRAMENTO VALLEY

TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE

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

**** MEETING NOTICE ****

Date: Wednesday, May 21, 2025

Time: 1:30pm

Location: Sacramento-Metropolitan AQMD
777 12th Street, 3rd Floor
Sacramento, CA 95814

Alternate
Locations:

Butte County AQMD
629 Entler Avenue, Suite 15
Chico, CA 95928

Colusa County APCD
100 Sunrise Blvd, Suite F
Colusa, CA 95932

Feather River AQMD
541 Washington Street
Yuba City, CA 95991

Glenn County APCD
720 N Colusa Street
Willows, CA 95988

Placer County APCD
110 Maple Street
Auburn, CA 95603

Shasta County AQMD
1855 Placer Street, Suite 101
Redding, CA 96001

Tehama County APCD
1834 Walnut Street
Red Bluff, CA 96080

Yolo-Solano AQMD
1947 Galileo Court, Suite 103
Davis, CA 95618

Members of the public may attend by calling:

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82145185437?pwd=rfGYesxxFeHNlo2IKh34jdAD53mkLb.1>

Meeting ID: 821 4518 5437

Passcode: 771868

Phone: +1 669 900 9128 US (San Jose)

AGENDA

ITEM NO.

1. Call to Order / Roll Call / Introductions

2. Period of Public Comment

- 3. Approval of Minutes from April 16, 2025 Meeting**
Motion needed.
- 4. Approval of Financial Status Report as of April 30, 2025**
Motion needed.
- 5. Draft Budget – BCC/TAC Secretary-Treasurer**
Review and approve budget for FY2025-26 (motion needed).
- 6. Status Reports**
 - a. CA Air Pollution Control Officers Association (CAPCOA)
 - b. PEEPs – Allyson Smith
 - c. CA Air Resources Board (CARB) – Adam Gerber
 - d. Smoke Management Program (SMP) – SMP Coordinator Kai Tawa
- 7. BCC Legislative Day Review – Amy Roberts**
Receive report from Sacramento AQMD about the April event. Discuss the event and review action items:
 - a) Draft an expenditure plan for possible influx of state funding.
 - b) Identify what is necessary to streamline biomass permitting.
 - c) Draft a legislative platform to streamline quick BCC support letters for new legislation.
 - d) Develop working relationship with new EPA Region 9 administrator.
- 8. June 6th BCC Special Meeting and Colusa County Biomass Field Trip – Colusa County APCD**
Review plans for field trip, day schedule and invited guests.
- 9. Biomass Energy**
Reports, discussions and plans related to Biomass Energy.
- 10. SB 88 Progress – Amy Roberts**
Receive report about SB 88.
- 11. Member Reports and Future Agenda Items**
Receive reports from local air districts and suggestions for potential topics at future meetings.
- 12. Additions or Deletions to June 2025 TAC Agenda**
Recommended action: set agenda for TAC for June 18, 2025 meeting.
- 13. Next TAC meeting: June 18, 2025, at 1:30pm. Hosted by: Shasta County AQMD**
- 14. Next BCC meeting: June 6, 2025, at 1:30pm. Hosted by: Colusa County APCD**
SPECIAL MEETING (different time): in-person meeting following a biomass facility field trip.

15. Adjourn Meeting

MEETING AGENDAS ARE POSTED BY EACH MEMBER AIR DISTRICT OF THE SACRAMENTO VALLEY BASIN AND AT THE SVBCCWEB SITE LISTED BELOW.

Meeting information can be viewed at www.airquality.org/SVBCC
Questions, comments, and correspondence may be directed to:

Sacramento Valley Basinwide Air Pollution Control Council
Laurie LaGrone, Secretary-Treasurer
629 Entler Avenue Suite 15
Chico, CA 95928
530-332-9400 ext. 105
bcctacsecretary@gmail.com

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Technical Advisory Committee

Title: Approval of Minutes from April 2025 Meeting

Presenter: BCC/TAC Secretary-Treasurer

Recommended action: approve minutes (motion needed).

ATTACHMENTS:

Description	Upload Date	Type
2025-04-16 TAC Meeting Minutes DRAFT	5/16/2025	Supporting Documents

SACRAMENTO VALLEY
BASINWIDE AIR POLLUTION CONTROL COUNCIL
TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE

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MEETING MINUTES
April 16, 2025

1. Call to Order / Roll Call / Introductions

A regular meeting of the Sacramento Valley Basinwide Air Pollution Control Council, Technical Advisory Committee was called to order by Chair Joe Tona at 1:38 pm via Zoom teleconference, after a brief delay caused by a Zoom system outage. Attendees were as follows:

Butte County AQMD – Stephen Ertle
Colusa County APCD – Casey Ryan
Feather River AQMD – Chris Brown
Glenn County APCD – Marcie Skelton, Allyson Smith
Placer County APCD – Erik White
Sacramento-Metropolitan AQMD – Angela Thompson (non-voting)
Shasta County AQMD – Rob Stahl
Tehama County APCD – Joe Tona
Yolo-Solano AQMD – Gretchen Bennitt

SMP Coordinator – absent
California Air Resources Board – Dar Mims
PEEPs – Allyson Smith
BCC Secretary-Treasurer – Laurie LaGrone

2. Period of Public Comment

Mr. Tona opened the floor to public comment; hearing none, the public comment period was closed.

3. Approval Minutes from the March 19, 2025 Meeting

MOTION: Mr. Ertle moved to approve the minutes as presented. The motion was seconded by Mr. White, and the motion passed with no objections or abstentions.

4. Approval of Financial Status Report as of March 31, 2025

Ms. LaGrone submitted financial reports through March 31, 2025 and warrants to be paid.

MOTION: Mr. Ertle moved to approve the financial reports as presented. The motion was seconded by Mr. Brown, and the motion passed with no objections or abstentions.

5. Status Reports

- CAPCOA – Mr. Tona said CAPCOA is developing a cap and trade fact sheet in conjunction with CARB.

CARB Chair Liane Randolph and new Region 9 leader Josh Cook will attend the CAPCOA Spring Membership meeting.

Mr. Brown gave a brief history of the Mendocino Air District, which has been operating without an APCO for a few years, and recently lost their Asst. APCO. The county has taken over district operations.

- PEEPs – Ms. Smith made a presentation of the findings of the Basinwide Fee Project and explained their process. For each district the team created a burn permit and two stationary source permits, and then compared the rules and the resulting rates.
- CA Air Resources Board (CARB) – Mr. Mims reported that recent areas of interest at CARB include the Governor’s emergency proclamation regarding prescribed fire, the PFIRS upgrade, and how emissions are calculated from air curtain incinerators.
- SMP Coordinator – no report.

6. **Smoke Management Working Group Issues** – no report. This agenda item will appear on an as-needed basis going forward.

7. **BCC Legislative Day** – Sacramento-Metropolitan AQMD

Mr. Tona reviewed the action items. There was discussion of multiple possibilities among them:

- a) Draft an expenditure plan for possible influx of state funding: this item tabled until May.
- b) Identify what is necessary to streamline biomass permitting: model rule creation or MOU across multiple districts? Ms. Thompson added the need to provide guidance early in the permitting process based on the most stringent emissions requirements within the BCC districts, as a basis.

<<Mr. Tona left the meeting at this point; Ms. Bennitt conducted the rest of the meeting>>

- c) Draft a legislative platform to streamline quick BCC support letters for new legislation: Ms. Bennitt provided Yolo-Solano AQMD’s legislative platform as an example, with the recommendation of creating a platform of 10-items or fewer. Ms. Bennitt plans to develop a draft for the May TAC meeting.
- d) Develop working relationship with new EPA Region 9 administrator.

8. **Biomass Energy** – no report

9. **Member Reports and Future Agenda Items**

The May meeting conflicts with schedules for a few of the APCOs, who will need to send their alternate members.

10. **Additions or Deletions to May 2025 TAC Agenda**

No items were added or deleted.

11. **Next TAC meeting: May 21, 2025 at 1:30pm. Hosted by: Sacramento-Metropolitan AQMD.**

12. **Next BCC meeting - SPECIAL MEETING (time change): Friday, June 6th at 1:30pm Hosted by: Colusa County APCD.**

An in-person meeting following a field trip to two Colusa County biomass facilities. Zoom-enabled.

13. **Meeting adjourned at 3:01 pm.**

Respectfully Submitted, Laurie LaGrone, TAC Secretary-Treasurer

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Technical Advisory Committee

Title: Approval of Financial Status Reports as of April 30, 2025

Presenter: BCC Secretary/Treasurer

Recommended action: approve warrants for May 2025.

Reconcile Warrants for April 2025:

BCAQMD – Administrative Services, April: \$1424.19

Western Weather Group – Burn Coordinator Services, April: \$4283.33

Western Weather Group – Meteorological Services, April: \$814.67

Approve Warrants for May 2025:

BCAQMD – Administrative Services, May: \$1424.19

BCAQMD – Custodial Records Storage Fees, May: \$300.00

Western Weather Group – Burn Coordinator Services, May: \$4283.33

Western Weather Group – Meteorological Services, May: \$814.67

ATTACHMENTS:

Description	Upload Date	Type
Warrants and Reconciliation, 5-21-2025 TAC Meeting	5/16/2025	Supporting Documents
Financial Report - Bank Account Register 4-30-2025	5/16/2025	Supporting Documents
Financial Report - Profit & Loss Budget vs Actual 4-30-2025	5/16/2025	Supporting Documents

SACRAMENTO VALLEY

BASINWIDE AIR POLLUTION CONTROL COUNCIL - TAC

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WARRANTS LIST FOR May 2025

TAC Meeting Date: 5/21/2025

Vendor	Amount	Invoice #	Invoice Date	Check Number
Butte County Air Quality Management District	\$300.00	30830	4/21/2025	1099
Butte County Air Quality Management District	1424.19	30832	5/1/2025	1100
Western Weather Group	\$4,283.33	PS-INV106	5/1/2025	1101
Western Weather Group	\$814.67	PS-INV106	5/1/2025	1102

Please review invoices and return to the Secretary-Treasurer.

Reviewed and approved: _____ (initials)

Date: _____

RECEIVED

Butte Co. Air Quality Mgmt. Dist.
629 Entler Avenue, Ste 15
Chico, CA 95928-7424

MAY 1 2025

Invoice

DATE	INVOICE #
4/21/2025	30830

Butte County AQMD

BILL TO
Sacramento Valley BCC c/o Butte County AQMD Stephen Ertle 629 Entler Avenue, Suite 15 Chico, CA 95928

LOCATION SITE

	TERMS	DUE DATE
	Net 30 days	5/21/2025

PAYMENT TYPE	QTY	DESCRIPTION	RATE	AMOUNT
Miscellaneous	1	12 months (July 2024-June 2025) storage of 16 boxes of BCC Custodian Records; Lump sum per MOU	300.00	300.00

PAY YOUR INVOICE BY CREDIT/DEBIT CARD OR ELECTRONIC CHECK. Call 1-800-487-4567 or visit www.officialpayments.com. Use Jurisdiction code 1597. You will need your invoice number, payment type and to pay the exact dollar amount of your invoice.

A 1.5% per month (18% annually) late charge will be assessed on all balances remaining after due date.

Total	\$300.00
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PAYMENT COUPON

Please detach coupon and return with your payment

Sacramento Valley BCC
c/o Butte County AQMD
Stephen Ertle
629 Entler Avenue, Suite 15
Chico, CA 95928

INVOICE DATE	4/21/2025
INVOICE #	30830
Total	\$300.00

Please make checks payable to: BCAQMD. If you have any questions, please call (530) 332-9400 ext 109.

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Butte Co. Air Quality Mgmt. Dist.
629 Entler Avenue, Ste 15
Chico, CA 95928-7424

MAY 1 2025

Invoice

DATE	INVOICE #
5/1/2025	30832

Butte County AQMD

BILL TO
Sacramento Valley BCC c/o Butte County AQMD Stephen Ertle 629 Entler Avenue, Suite 15 Chico, CA 95928

LOCATION SITE

	TERMS	DUE DATE
	Net 30 days	5/31/2025

PAYMENT TYPE	QTY	DESCRIPTION	RATE	AMOUNT
BCCTAC	1	Miscellaneous - May 2025 BCC Secretarial/Treasurer Duties	1,424.19	1,424.19

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Total

\$1,424.19

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c/o Butte County AQMD
Stephen Ertle
629 Entler Avenue, Suite 15
Chico, CA 95928

INVOICE DATE	5/1/2025
INVOICE #	30832
Total	\$1,424.19

Please make checks payable to: BCAQMD. If you have any questions, please call (530) 332-9400 ext 109.

Sales Invoice

Invoice No: PS-INV106525

Invoice Date: May 1, 2025

Due Date: May 31, 2025



Bill To:

Sacramento Valley
Laurie LaGrone
629 Entler Ave, Suite
Chico, 95928

Ship To:

Sacramento Valley
Laurie LaGrone
629 Entler Ave, Suite
Chico, 95928

Customer PO #:

Payment Terms: Net 30 days

Shipment Method:

Tracking #:

bcctacsecretary@gm

Sales Rep:

Project Description

Qty	Unit	Item No	Description	Unit Price (\$)	Line Total (\$)
1	Each	7002	Basin Burn Coordinator Contract	4,283.33	4,283.33

Billing Period: May 2025

Subtotal (\$)	4,283.33
Sales Tax (\$)	0.00
Total	4,283.33

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Butte County AQMD

Sales Invoice

Invoice No: PS-INV106526

Invoice Date: May 1, 2025

Due Date: May 31, 2025



Bill To:

Sacramento Valley
Laurie LaGrone
629 Entler Ave, Suite
Chico, 95928

Ship To:

Sacramento Valley
Laurie LaGrone
629 Entler Ave, Suite
Chico, 95928

Customer PO #:

Payment Terms: Net 30 days

Shipment Method:

Tracking #:

bcctacsecretary@gm

Sales Rep:

Project Description

Meteorological Services

*Agricultural weather forecasts are strictly for the use of personnel within the county AQMD offices. Forecasts may not be retransmitted to companies or individuals outside the AQMD offices.

Qty	Unit	Item No	Description	Unit Price (\$)	Line Total (\$)
1	Each	7002	Weather Forecasting - Custom	814.67	814.67

Billing Period: May 2025

Subtotal (\$)	814.67
Sales Tax (\$)	0.00
Total	814.67

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Butte County AQMD

Western Weather Group Inc.
686 Rio Lindo Ave., Chico, CA 95926

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Reconciliation Detail

Tri Counties Bank, Period Ending 04/20/2025

Type	Date	Num	Name	Clr	Amount	Balance
Beginning Balance						69,559.38
Cleared Transactions						
Checks and Payments - 3 items						
Bill Pmt -Check	03/25/2025	1092	Western Weather G...	X	-4,283.33	-4,283.33
Bill Pmt -Check	03/25/2025	1091	Butte County AQMD	X	-1,389.45	-5,672.78
Bill Pmt -Check	03/25/2025	1093	Western Weather G...	X	-814.67	-6,487.45
Total Checks and Payments					-6,487.45	-6,487.45
Total Cleared Transactions					-6,487.45	-6,487.45
Cleared Balance					-6,487.45	63,071.93
Register Balance as of 04/20/2025					-6,487.45	63,071.93
Ending Balance					-6,487.45	63,071.93

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Bank Accounts Register

Accrual Basis

As of April 30, 2025

Type	Date	Num	Name	Split	Debit	Credit	Balance
Tri Counties Bank							28,464.98
Bill Pm...	07/17/2024	1066	Butte County AQMD	Accounts Payable		1,389.45	27,075.53
Bill Pm...	07/17/2024	1067	Western Weather Group	Accounts Payable		4,283.33	22,792.20
Bill Pm...	07/17/2024	1068	Western Weather Group	Accounts Payable		814.67	21,977.53
Deposit	08/15/2024			-SPLIT-	66,266.00		88,243.53
Bill Pm...	08/22/2024	1069	Butte County AQMD	Accounts Payable		1,389.45	86,854.08
Bill Pm...	08/22/2024	1070	Western Weather Group	Accounts Payable		4,283.33	82,570.75
Bill Pm...	08/22/2024	1071	Western Weather Group	Accounts Payable		814.67	81,756.08
Deposit	09/11/2024			-SPLIT-	27,226.00		108,982.08
Bill Pm...	09/18/2024	1072	Butte County AQMD	Accounts Payable		1,389.45	107,592.63
Bill Pm...	09/18/2024	1073	Western Weather Group	Accounts Payable		4,283.33	103,309.30
Bill Pm...	09/18/2024	1074	Western Weather Group	Accounts Payable		814.67	102,494.63
Bill Pm...	10/16/2024	1075	Butte County AQMD	Accounts Payable		1,389.45	101,105.18
Bill Pm...	10/16/2024	1076	Western Weather Group	Accounts Payable		4,283.33	96,821.85
Bill Pm...	10/16/2024	1077	Western Weather Group	Accounts Payable		814.67	96,007.18
Bill Pm...	11/20/2024	1078	CA Special Districts Assn	Accounts Payable		500.00	95,507.18
Bill Pm...	11/20/2024	1079	Butte County AQMD	Accounts Payable		1,389.45	94,117.73
Bill Pm...	11/20/2024	1080	Western Weather Group	Accounts Payable		4,283.33	89,834.40
Bill Pm...	11/20/2024	1081	Western Weather Group	Accounts Payable		814.67	89,019.73
Bill Pm...	12/18/2024	1082	Butte County AQMD	Accounts Payable		1,389.45	87,630.28
Bill Pm...	12/18/2024	1083	Western Weather Group	Accounts Payable		4,283.33	83,346.95
Bill Pm...	12/18/2024	1084	Western Weather Group	Accounts Payable		814.67	82,532.28
Bill Pm...	01/15/2025	1085	Butte County AQMD	Accounts Payable		1,389.45	81,142.83
Bill Pm...	01/15/2025	1086	Western Weather Group	Accounts Payable		4,283.33	76,859.50
Bill Pm...	01/15/2025	1087	Western Weather Group	Accounts Payable		814.67	76,044.83
Bill Pm...	02/19/2025	1088	Butte County AQMD	Accounts Payable		1,389.45	74,655.38
Bill Pm...	02/19/2025	1089	Western Weather Group	Accounts Payable		4,283.33	70,372.05
Bill Pm...	02/19/2025	1090	Western Weather Group	Accounts Payable		814.67	69,557.38
Genera...	03/01/2025	Jrnl 6		Annual District Assessme...	2.00		69,559.38
Bill Pm...	03/25/2025	1091	Butte County AQMD	Accounts Payable		1,389.45	68,169.93
Bill Pm...	03/25/2025	1092	Western Weather Group	Accounts Payable		4,283.33	63,886.60
Bill Pm...	03/25/2025	1093	Western Weather Group	Accounts Payable		814.67	63,071.93
Total Tri Counties Bank					93,494.00	58,887.05	63,071.93
U. S. Bank							
Total U. S. Bank							
TOTAL					93,494.00	58,887.05	63,071.93

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Cash Basis

Sacramento Valley Basinwide Air Pollution Control Council

Profit & Loss Budget vs. Actual

July 2024 through April 2025

	Jul '24 - Apr 25	Budget	% of Budget
Ordinary Income/Expense			
Income			
Annual District Assessments	93,494.00		
Total Income	93,494.00		
Expense			
Professional Services			
Administrative Services	12,505.05		
Ag Burn Services	38,549.97		
Meteorological Services	7,332.03		
Total Professional Services	58,387.05		
Special Department Expense			
Memberships	500.00		
Total Special Department Expense	500.00		
Total Expense	58,887.05		
Net Ordinary Income	34,606.95		
Net Income	34,606.95		

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Technical Advisory Committee

Title: Proposed FY2025-26 BCC Budget

Presenter: BCC Secretary-Treasurer

Recommended action: Approve the proposed 2025-26 BCC budget (motion needed).

ATTACHMENTS:

Description

2025-26_Proposed Budget_BCC__05-6-2025

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Supporting Documents

SACRAMENTO VALLEY BASINWIDE AIR POLLUTION CONTROL COUNCIL

Proposed Budget FY 2025-26

NOTE: Maintain Cash Reserves at approximately 15% of budgeted expenses.

	Adopted Budget FY 2024-25	Proposed Budget FY25-26
REVENUE		
Butte	\$ 12,529.00	\$ 12,529.00
Colusa	\$ 7,549.00	\$ 7,549.00
Feather River	\$ 16,026.00	\$ 16,026.00
Glenn	\$ 11,500.00	\$ 11,500.00
Placer	\$ 6,327.00	\$ 6,327.00
Sacramento Metropolitan	\$ 15,726.00	\$ 15,726.00
Shasta	\$ 6,350.00	\$ 6,350.00
Tehama	\$ 5,085.00	\$ 5,085.00
Yolo-Solano	\$ 12,400.00	\$ 12,400.00
TOTAL REVENUE	\$ 93,492.00	\$ 93,492.00
EXPENDITURES		
Insurance	\$ 2,737.00	\$ 3,159.00
Miscellaneous	\$ 350.00	\$ 360.50
Office Expenses	\$ 275.00	\$ 283.25
Professional Services		
Ag Burn Services	\$ 51,400.00	\$ 51,400.00
Meteorological Services	\$ 9,776.00	\$ 9,776.00
Administrative Services	\$ 16,777.63	\$ 17,090.28
Financial Audit (Biannual)	\$ -	\$ 6,896.00
Special Department Expense		
Memberships	\$ 500.00	\$ 515.00
Public Notices	\$ 750.00	\$ 1,545.00
Software	\$ 100.00	\$ 103.00
Storage Fees	\$ 300.00	\$ 300.00
Contribution, Biomass Energy Conference		
Travel, Food, Lodging		
Meetings	\$ 100.00	\$ 103.00
*Based on 2019 Permit Count		
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$ 83,065.63	\$ 91,531.03
Excess of revenues over/under expenditures:	\$ 10,426.37	\$ 1,960.97
Prior year projected fund balance (unaudited):	\$ 38,282.12	\$ 36,248.00
<Less required cash reserves at 15% of expenses>	\$ (12,460.00)	\$ (13,730.00)
Unassigned:	\$ 36,248.49	\$ 24,478.97

* calculated 3% increase from prior year.

Historical Fund Balances (Reference)	Audited Fund Balance
6/30/2020	\$ 14,285.06
Projected Fund Balance FY 2020-21: \$8,90	6/30/2021 \$ 17,442.40
Projected Fund Balance FY 2021-22: \$13,3	6/30/2022 \$ 38,282.12
Projected Fund Balance FY 2022-23: \$17,4	6/30/2023 \$ 38,282.00
Projected Fund Balance FY 2023-24: \$	6/30/2024 \$ 36,248.00

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Title: Letter of Support, SB 88

Presenter: BCC Secretary-Treasurer

Recommended action: receive report about SB 88.

ATTACHMENTS:

Description	Upload Date	Type
2025-04-09 SB 88 (Caballero) Support Letter	5/16/2025	Supporting Documents

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BASINWIDE AIR POLLUTION CONTROL COUNCIL

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May 15, 2025

The Honorable Chair Monique Limón
1021 O Street, Suite 3220
Sacramento, CA 95814

Re: Senate Bill 88 (Caballero): The Biomass Utilization for Carbon Reduction Act: Support

Dear Senator Limón,

On behalf of the Sacramento Valley Basin Basinwide Air Pollution Control Council (BCC), I am writing to formally inform you of our support for SB 88, which would require CARB, CalFire and the CEC to take specific steps to track, locate, and quantify the emissions from the burning of forest and agricultural waste and to encourage beneficial uses of those residues to help prevent wildfires, reduce air and climate pollution, and spur economic and job opportunities in rural regions of California.

The Sacramento Valley Basinwide Air Pollution Control Council (BCC) is authorized under state law to adopt and oversee the Smoke Management Program for agricultural burning in the northern Sacramento Valley Air Basin. The BCC consists of elected officials representing nine air districts including Butte, Colusa, Feather River, Glenn, Placer, Sacramento, Shasta, Tehama, and Yolo-Solano. The BCC encompasses an 11-county region representing over three million inhabitants. The Smoke Management Program the council administers allows for agricultural and prescribed burning while limiting impacts to air quality to protect public health and the environment. The BCC engages in ongoing coordination with state agencies and is instrumental in organizing other activities to ensure the region will be in compliance with the requirements of State and Federal air quality laws.

Wildfires and managed open air burning of forest and agricultural wastes cause ongoing concerns for air quality that can impact public health, agricultural productivity, and the state's progress in reducing carbon emissions. California has adopted numerous policies to mitigate wildfire risks and air pollution from agricultural burns, but more progress is needed to incentivize and scale up biomass utilization to realize the significant economic and environmental benefits. Monetizing the value of avoided emissions when waste biomass is converted to alternative beneficial products or uses instead of burned is one way to accelerate the pace of biomass utilization.

SB 88 (Caballero) would support biomass utilization in the following ways:

- Requires CARB to assess the potential for developing a protocol for products like biochar (and adopt if found to be feasible) one of the best mechanisms to incentivize the beneficial use of bioresources that would otherwise be burned.
- Requires CalFire to include a disposal plan for forest residues to track the amount and location of prescribed fire needed and encourage alternatives to pile burning.
- Requires CEC to consider the value of biomass utilization for energy reliability, biofuels, emissions reductions, wildfire mitigation and other co-benefits in plans and reports related to energy planning, resource availability, and related issues.

For these reasons, SB 88 (Caballero) would further the BCC's goals of achieving air quality standards within the Northern Sacramento Valley Air Basin by incentivizing biomass utilization and capitalizing on the many benefits the use of this valuable resource has for California. We are therefore pleased to be a co-sponsor of SB 88 (Caballero) and highly encourage your "aye" vote when it is heard in your committee.

Respectfully,

Eric Guerra
BCC Chair, Sacramento County

cc: Doug Teeter, BCC Councilmember, Butte County
Randy Wilson, BCC Councilmember, Colusa County
Brian Abe, BCC Councilmember, City of Wheatland
Grant Carmon, BCC Councilmember, Glenn County
Kevin Crye, BCC Councilmember, Shasta County
Pati Nolen, BCC Councilmember, Tehama County
Angel Barajas, BCC Councilmember, Yolo-Solano Counties
Greg Janda, BCC Councilmember, Placer County

Sacramento Valley

Technical Advisory Committee

Title: Preliminary June TAC Regular Meeting Agenda

Presenter: BCC Secretary/Treasurer

Recommended action: set agenda for TAC for June 16, 2025 regular meeting.

ATTACHMENTS:

Description	Upload Date	Type
2025-6-18 PRELIMINARY June TAC Agenda	5/16/2025	Supporting Documents

SACRAMENTO VALLEY

TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE

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

**** MEETING NOTICE ****

Date: Wednesday, June 18, 2025

Time: 1:30pm

Location: Shasta County AQMD
1855 Placer Street, Suite 101
Redding, CA 96001

Alternate
Locations:

Butte County AQMD
629 Entler Avenue, Suite 15
Chico, CA 95928

Colusa County APCD
100 Sunrise Blvd, Suite F
Colusa, CA 95932

Feather River AQMD
541 Washington Street
Yuba City, CA 95991

Glenn County APCD
720 N Colusa Street
Willows, CA 95988

Placer County APCD
110 Maple Street
Auburn, CA 95603

Sacramento-Metropolitan AQMD
777 12th Street, 3rd Floor
Sacramento, CA 95814

Tehama County APCD
1834 Walnut Street
Red Bluff, CA 96080

Yolo-Solano AQMD
1947 Galileo Court, Suite 103
Davis, CA 95618

Members of the public may attend by calling:

Join Zoom Meeting

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AGENDA

ITEM NO.

1. Call to Order / Roll Call / Introductions

2. Period of Public Comment

- 3. Approval of Minutes from May 21, 2025 Meeting**
Motion needed.
- 4. Approval of Financial Status Report as of May 31, 2025**
Motion needed.
- 5. RFP for Audit – BCC/TAC Secretary-Treasurer**
Recommended action: approve RFP for auditor to cover 2025 and 2027 (motion needed).
- 6. Status Reports**
 - a. CA Air Pollution Control Officers Association (CAPCOA)
 - b. PEEPs – Allyson Smith
 - c. CA Air Resources Board (CARB) – Adam Gerber
 - d. Smoke Management Program (SMP) – SMP Coordinator Kai Tawa
- 7. Colusa County Biomass Field Trip Review – Anastacia Allen**
Receive report from Colusa County APCD about the June 6th event, and review any action items.
- 8. Biomass Energy**
Reports, discussions and plans related to Biomass Energy.
- 9. SB 88 Progress – Amy Roberts**
Receive report about SB 88.
- 10. Member Reports and Future Agenda Items**
Receive reports from local air districts and suggestions for potential topics at future meetings.
- 11. Additions or Deletions to July 2025 TAC Agenda**
Recommended action: set agenda for TAC for July 16, 2025 meeting.
- 12. Next TAC meeting: July 16, 2025, at 1:30pm. Hosted by: Tehama County APCD**
- 13. Next BCC meeting: August 1, 2025, at 10:00am. Hosted by: Shasta County AQMD**
- 14. Adjourn Meeting**

MEETING AGENDAS ARE POSTED BY EACH MEMBER AIR DISTRICT OF THE SACRAMENTO VALLEY BASIN AND AT THE SVBCCWEB SITE LISTED BELOW.

Meeting information can be viewed at www.airquality.org/SVBCC

Questions, comments, and correspondence may be directed to:

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