PLACER COUNTY AIR POLLUTION CONTROL DISTRICT BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Thursday, April 10, 2008 2:30 P.M.

Meeting Minutes

The Board of Directors of the Placer County Air Pollution Control District met in session at 2:30 P.M., Thursday, April 10, 2008 at the Placer County Board of Supervisors' Chambers, 175 Fulweiler Avenue, Auburn, California. Representing the District were: Tom Christofk, Air Pollution Control Officer; Todd Nishikawa, Compliance and Enforcement Manager; Yu-Shuo Chang, Planning and Monitoring Manager; Jane Bailey, Administrative Services Manager; and Heather Kuklo, Air Pollution Control Specialist II.

- 1. Call to Order: Chairman Nakata
- 2. Flag Salute:
- 3. Roll Call / Determination of a Quorum

Present: Mike Holmes, Robert Weygandt, Sherrie Blackmun, Tom Millward, Kent

Nakata, Jim Holmes, and Peter Hill **Absent:** Kirk Uhler and Jim Gray

Quorum established

- **4. Approval of Minutes:** February 14, 2008 Regular Board Meeting **Motion: M. Holmes/Weygandt/Unanimous**
- **Public Comment:** Mike Holmes gave a briefing on the Cap-to-Cap trip to Washington D.C. and stated that he and Mr. Nakata would prepare a report on their trip at a later date. He said that the government in Washington D.C. was preparing for the change in administration coming in January of 2009.
- 6. Synopsis of Agenda (information only, no action needed)
- 7. Approval of Agenda: Motion: J. Holmes/Millward/Unanimous

Chairman Nakata made a motion to move item 10, 2008 Clean Air Grants and Contract Authorization, ahead of item 9 due to the many people in the audience who had specifically come for the Clean Air Grant item. The motion was seconded by Jim Holmes and unanimously approved.

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Consent Calendar Item: 8

8. Hearing Board Appointment: (Consent)

The Board approved the reappointed of current Hearing Board Members, Mr. Alexander Constantino as the representative of the legal profession, and Mr. Timothy Woodall as the alternate representative of the legal profession, to the Placer County APCD Hearing Board, with their terms of office ending February 28, 2011.

Motion for approval of Hearing Board Members: J. Holmes/M. Holmes/Unanimous

Public Hearing/Action Item

9. Sacramento Regional Nonattainment Area 8-Hour Ozone 2011 Reasonable Further Progress Plan (RFP): (Public Hearing/Action)

Dr. Yu-Shuo Chang, Planning and Monitoring Manager, presented this item. He said that the purpose of this item is to hold a public hearing regarding the Sacramento Regional Nonattainment Area 8-Hour Ozone Reasonable Further Progress (RFP) demonstration plan and for the Board to consider its adoption. In February of 2008, this Board voted to reclassify the Sacramento Federal Ozone Non-attainment area as severe for the national 8-hour ozone ambient air quality standards. Approving this RFP is the second component in the process required to satisfy the Clean Air Act requirements. The Federal Clean Air Act (CAA) and EPA 8-hour ozone regulations require nonattainment areas classified "moderate and above" to annually reduce volatile organic compound (VOC) emissions by 3 percent per year to demonstrate reasonable further progress toward attaining the federal ozone standard.

The RFP requirement for 2011 is for a 27% reduction from 2002 base year emissions or 3% per year. In February 2006, the District submitted an early 8-hour ozone RFP plan to the EPA demonstrating that the required minimum reduction from 2002-2008 for the Sacramento nonattainment area could be achieved with existing control strategies.

The EPA recently issued the Region a finding of "failure to submit" because the Region did not meet the June 15, 2007 deadline for submittal of the RFP. (This subject was covered in the February 14, 2008 Board meeting.) The result of this finding is that a "sanction clock" has begun and will run for 18 months or until the EPA accepts the RFP. If the RFP is not accepted by the 18 month deadline, the clock will run for an additional six months at which time the Region may be declared to be in conformity lapse which could effect transportation funding.

The RFP plan must include motor vehicle emissions budgets for transportation conformity purposes. District Staff do not expect EPA to find the RFP 2011 motor vehicle budgets adequate for conformity purposes prior to submittal of the attainment demonstration plan.

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Dr. Chang concluded his presentation and asked the Board if there were any questions. As there were no questions from the Board, Chairman Nakata opened the public hearing portion of the item. There were no comments from the public. Chairman Nakata asked for a motion to adopt resolution #08-04 thereby approving the Sacramento Regional 8-Hour Ozone 2011 Reasonable Further Progress demonstration plan.

Motion for adoption: Hill/Weygandt/Unanimous

Action Item:

10. 2008 Clean Air Grants and Contract Authorization (Action)

Ms. Heather Kuklo, Air Pollution Control Specialist II and Program Manager for the Clean Air Grant Program, presented this item with a power point presentation. She outlined the different funding sources for the program and the specifics of how each revenue source may be spent. The total funding available this year is \$1,720,824. The goal of the program is to reduce emissions from sources that are not required by law to be regulated; as well as, assisting with transit programs, public outreach projects and other types of projects. Projects with emission reductions are aimed at the criteria pollutants which are: NOX (oxides of nitrogen), ROG (reactive organic gasses) and PM (particulate matter).

In order to maximize outreach for the CAG program, ads were placed in several newspapers in the area, mailers were sent out, workshops were held, and radio ads were posted with local stations. The District website was also updated with all the information and application packages.

This year the District received 59 applications requesting a total of \$5,273,684. This was over four times the amount that the District has available for the program which made the process very competitive this year. This year Staff used a project ranking system which was developed to evaluate each application/project on a qualitative and quantitative basis. The applications were reviewed by two planners and an engineer to assist with the ranking process. Based on this ranking system, District Staff are recommending the funding of 28 projects totaling \$1,623,090. Due to restrictions on funding sources and having no projects that qualified for those funding sources, \$97,734 was left over from the total available funds. This revenue will be held over for next year's program cycle.

The primary categories for the grants this year were: heavy duty on & off road, alternative fuels infrastructure, new and expanding transit services, light duty low emission vehicles, public education-outreach, agriculture pump repower and "other". Assuming that the recommended projects are approved, 168.9 tons of NOX, ROG and PM will be reduced over the life of this year's projects. The overall cost effectivity of the recommended projects is \$12,320 per ton whereas the cost effectivity of the non-recommended projects was \$339,448 per ton. The District uses the State's Carl Moyer

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Guidelines to establish project cost effectivity and project life. Cost effectivity is one of the primary ranking checkpoints and District Staff are pleased with the variety of projects and the projected emission reductions.

Ms. Kuklo gave a short overview of each project to the Board and asked the Board if they had any questions about the recommended projects. Director Mike Holmes asked what percent of the total costs of the projects was being funded by the CAG program. She said that the average comes to between 50-60 percent of the requested funding for the recommended projects. Ms. Kuklo then elaborated on the project ranking analysis form and how it worked to establish the requirements for the recommended projects.

Chairman Nakata thanked Ms. Kuklo and the APCD staff for all the hard work it took to get the projects analyzed and presented in a timely manner. He also complimented District Staff for making sure the recommended projects achieved the most emission reduction for the money spent. Chairman Nakata then opened the floor for public comment.

Brett Storey, from the Placer County CEO' office, Jim Worley from Ace Hardware, Ed Craig from A & A Stepping Stone, Jason Shykowski from the City of Roseville and Stuart McMarrow from the North Tahoe Fire Protection District all took a turn speaking at the podium. Each was thankful that their project(s) had been recommended and were very complimentary to District Staff, especially Ms. Kuklo.

Chairman Nakata closed public comment and asked for a motion.

Motion to adopt Resolution #08-05 thereby approving the expenditure of funds for Clean Air Grants: J. Holmes/Blackmun/Unanimous

Closed Session

11. Annual Air Pollution Control Officer Evaluation: (Closed Session)

The Board adjourned to closed session to discuss the APCO's annual evaluation. They returned shortly thereafter and Chairman Nakata reported that Mr. Christofk exceeds standards and has done excellent work for the District. Director Nakata said that he would get the appropriate paperwork to the District for the evaluation by the end of the month.

12. Air Pollution Control Officer's Report

a. State Implementation Plan Update

Mr. Christofk said that this would be a quick update of the SIP timeline. Dr. Chang showed a chart of the schedule for the SIP. Since this is a Regional plan, the other air districts in the Region are involved with the timeline. In September 2009 there will be public workshops on the draft plan and the draft EIR. From

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January 2009, to March 2009, the various Air District Boards will hold hearings for the 8-hour plan and EIR. Then in March 2009, the plan will be submitted to CARB and the EPA. This timeline is subject to revision depending on the receipt of modeling results from CARB.

b. Woodstove Incentive Program

Mr. Christofk gave a short presentation on this program outlining the basic steps involved in applying for the incentive funding, the funding for FY 2007-08, the program launch date, and the public outreach. Details and applications are on the District website. He will continue to give briefings on the program in future meetings.

c. Fiscal Update

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Ms. Bailey gave a short report on the District's fiscal status. The handout showed that the District is running about 49% low in expenditures in comparison to the District's budget for the same time frame, but with the approval of the clean air grants, that figure will change as the grant money is encumbered. Otherwise the District is where it should be with approximately a 23% over run in revenue.

Adjournment: M. Holmes/Weygandt/Unanimous

NEXT REGULARLY SCHEDULED MEETING: Thursday, June 12, 2008 at 2:30 PM