

**County of Santa Clara**  
**Board of Supervisors**  
Supervisory District Four  
Supervisor Ken Yeager



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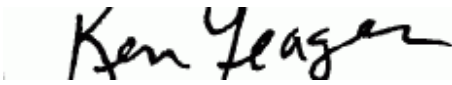
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TO: Board of Supervisors

FROM:   
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Supervisor, District 4

SUBJECT: Report from the Board Delegate to the Bay Area Air Quality Management District relating to the meeting of March 4, 2009

**RECOMMENDED ACTION**

Accept report from Board Delegate to the Bay Area Air Quality Management District relating to the meeting of March 4, 2009. (Yeager)

**REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATION**

The Board met on March 4, 2009, in San Francisco.

The Board approved the report of the Climate Protection Committee. The Committee received an update on the Conoco Phillips funded grant program. Given that the state Attorney General entered into a settlement agreement with Conoco Phillips, the Air District is expected to receive up to \$7 million, which will be placed in a Carbon Offset Fund. The memorandum of

understanding between the Attorney General's Office and the Air District identifies projects that include energy efficiency or conservation in existing buildings, renewable energy generation, motor vehicle projects, cool roofs and/or pavement on existing buildings, water conservation, and trip reduction.

The Board also approved the report of the Legislative Committee. The Committee discussed legislative options regarding Board size, population growth, and thresholds. They directed staff to conduct a poll of the Board of Directors.

The Budget and Finance Committee report was given to the Board, and approved unanimously. The Committee discussed the proposed amendments to the Air District's Regulation 3 fees. The fee regulation amendments would increase revenue by an estimated \$2.5 million, representing a 9% increase. An update is to be provided following a written comment period. Fee review and adoption is scheduled to be considered by the Board of Directors on April 15 and May 20, 2009.

The Board received and approved the report from the Mobile Source Committee. The Committee received the annual report on the 2008 Vehicle Buy Back Program. They considered recommendations from staff on changes to increase the program's effectiveness. The Committee requested that staff include in the recommendation a cost-effectiveness limit and the maximum range of vehicles eligible for funding under that limit. The approved recommendations request that the Air District receive and file the 2008 Vehicle Buy Back Program annual report, increase the amount paid to \$1,000 per eligible vehicle under the program, and establish the range of vehicles eligible under the program to pre-1989 model years, and establish a cost-effectiveness limit for the program of \$16,000 per ton of emissions reduced.

The Board approved the Personnel Committee report. In addition, the Board approved the project schedule outlined by Management Partners Incorporated for the 360-degree evaluation of the Air District's Executive Officer and District Counsel.

The Board conducted a public hearing related to dry cleaning operations. The public provided comments and feedback to staff's recommendations. After much discussion, the Board approved the proposed amendments to these regulations.

The Board received the Executive Officer's Report. In the report, the Board was informed of over 1,400 complaints during wood smoke season this past winter. Air District staff is

investigating non-compliance to warnings. Staff plans a review of the entire program and will report back to committees.

The next meeting was held on March 18, 2009 at 939 Ellis Street, San Francisco.