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PCAPCD Board of Directors Meeting
Thursday, April 8, 2021, at 2:30 PM
Via Zoom Meeting ID 976 1277 6202

Zoom Meeting Information:

Meeting link: <https://placer-ca-gov.zoom.us/j/97612776202>

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The Board of Directors of the Placer County Air Pollution Control District (Board) met for a regular meeting at 2:30 PM, Thursday, April 8, 2021, via Zoom Webinar ID 976-1277-6202.

Public participation procedures due to COVID-19 concerns: In order to protect public health and safety due to concerns regarding COVID-19, this meeting was held remotely via the Zoom meeting listed above, in accordance with Governor Newsom's Executive Order N-29-20.

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson, Robert Weygandt. Roll call was taken by the Clerk of the Board, with the following members in attendance: Scott Alvord, Daniel Berlant, Jeff Duncan, Jim Holmes, Greg Janda, Suzanne Jones, Alyssa Silhi, and Robert Weygandt. Trinity Burruss was absent. A quorum was established.

Representing the District were: Erik White, Air Pollution Control Officer; Adam Baughman, Deputy Air pollution Control Officer; Maria Swan, Administrative & Fiscal Officer II; Yushuo Chang, Planning and Monitoring Section Manager; Emmanuel Orozco, Air Pollution Control Engineer; Christiana Darlington, District Counsel; Russell Moore, I.T. Technician; and Shannon Harroun, Clerk of the Board.

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Roll Call / Determination of a Quorum

Approval of Minutes: February 11, 2021 Regular Meeting.

Motion: Holmes/Duncan

Action: Approved 2/11/21 Minutes / Unanimous Vote 8:0

Ayes: Alvord/Berlant/Duncan/Holmes/Janda/Jones/Silhi/Weygandt

Public Comment: No public comment.

Consent: Item 1

1. Authorization to Extend Term of Plug In America Electric Vehicle Dealer Incentive Program. *Adopted Resolution #21-02, thereby authorizing the Placer County Air Pollution Control District (District) to extend the current Electric Vehicle incentive agreement with Plug In America by one year, to July 31, 2022, without increasing the expenditure amount; and authorizing the Air Pollution Control Officer to negotiate, sign, and amend, as needed, associated agreements and contracts.*

Motion: Holmes/Berlant

Action: Approved Consent Item 1 / Unanimous Vote 8:0

Ayes: Alvord/Berlant/Duncan/Holmes/Janda/Jones/Silhi/Weygandt

Public Hearing / Action: Item 2

- 2. Adoption of Amended Rule 501, General Permit Requirements.** *Conducted a Public Hearing for the proposed amendment of Rule 501, General Permit Requirements; and adopted Resolution #21-03, thereby approving the text of amended Rule 501, General Permit Requirements, as shown in Exhibit I to the Resolution, and directing staff to forward the amended Rule 501, General Permit Requirements, and all necessary supporting documents to the California Air Resources Board for submittal to the United States Environmental Protection Agency (U.S. EPA) as a requested revision to the State Implementation Plan.*

Mr. Emmanuel Orozco presented the proposed amendment to Rule 501, General Permit Requirements. He explained that Rule 501 is an essential part of the District's General Permitting Program, which provides an orderly procedure for the review of new and modified sources of air pollution through the issuance of permits; and that a federally-approved permit program for every air district is required to be included as a part of the California State Implementation Plan. He provided the history of the initial adoption of the amendment in 1993, and the subsequent "Limited Disapproval" issued by the U.S. EPA in 2020, explaining in detail the deficiencies noted by U.S. EPA.

Mr. Orozco explained how the proposed amendment addresses the U.S. EPA's noted deficiencies, stating that an additional change to comply with state requirements was also being proposed. He noted that an additional rule amendment will be needed for District Rule 502, New Source Review, in order to address the U.S. EPA deficiency regarding public notice for new and modified sources in the Lake Tahoe Air Basin.

Motion: Holmes/Silhi

Action: Approved Item 2 / Unanimous Vote 8:0

Ayes: Alvord/Berlant/Duncan/Holmes/Janda/Jones/Silhi/Weygandt

Information: Item 3

- 3. 2021 Legislative Update.** *No action required. This was an informational item to provide an update on bills introduced in the Legislature which are relevant to the District.*

Ms. Christiana Darlington provided an update regarding recent state legislative activities affecting the District. She explained that wildfire response is a top priority, and that bioenergy continues to be a viable option to deal with fuel reductions and agricultural waste that is recognized by legislature. In addition, she conveyed that commitment to low-income and disadvantaged communities is strong. She described activity on two bills the District is actively supporting: AB 322 (Salas), "Energy: Electric Program Investment Charge (EPIC): biomass", and AB 843 (Aguiar-Cury), "California Renewables Portfolio Standard Program: renewable feed-in tariff". She provided a list of the numerous current assembly bills related to forest policy, biomass and renewable fuels, in addition to referencing additional bills relating to various District interests. Ms. Darlington described one bill that we are opposing this year, which would require needless administrative changes to the Carl Moyer Grant Program. She also highlighted the state budget's early action funding of several air quality and community

programs. In response to a question from Director Alvord, Ms. Darlington and APCO, Erik White discussed efforts related to limiting liability of non-commercial private land-owners who perform prescribed burn activities. In response to Director Weygandt, Ms. Darlington spoke further about the level of commitment and activities to address forest wildfire concerns in the state. APCO, Erik White added that there is a bill in progress that would extend incentive programs, including the Moyer incentive program, which currently sunset in 2023.

Air Pollution Control Officer Report

A. General APCO Updates

Mr. Erik White introduced the District's new Administrative & Fiscal Officer II, Maria Swan. He described the District's current office schedule, and the plan to reopen the office and consider instituting a continuing teleworking policy for staff.

Mr. White discussed the District's recent engagement with strategic health partners, primarily Kaiser Permanente and Sutter, which will eventually expand to include U.C. Davis and Dignity Health.

Mr. White described the District's coordination on the County's five year update of the Local Hazard Mitigation Plan, which identifies hazards and fundable mitigation. The District is providing input to the Plan, with regards to topics such as public education and outreach, air quality sensors, and clean air center facilitation.

B. Hearing Board Update

Mr. White announced the resignation of its alternate legal representative hearing board member, and that the District will pursue recruiting alternates for this and all of the legally required hearing board positions. He reported an overview of the hearing board's activities from 2019 to date.

C. Air Quality Incentive Program Update.

Mr. White provided an update on the District's incentive program, noting that the solicitation period was open at the time, through May 31, 2021; and describing the various advertisement media the District is using to promote the program. He then spoke about the District's activities and planned schedule related specifically to the Community Air Protection incentive program, including plans to engage with the community, preferably via an in-person format. In addition, Mr. White described the current woodsmoke reduction incentive program, and potential future opportunities and activities of the program.

D. Fiscal update

Ms. Maria Swan provided a fiscal update, reporting that through Month 9, the District had received 97% of budgeted revenue and expended only 54% of budgeted expenditures.

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Meeting Adjournment: 3:41 p.m.

Next regularly scheduled Board Meeting: June 10, 2021, at 2:30 PM

Minutes prepared by:

Shannon Harroun

Shannon Harroun, Clerk of the Board

Minutes approved by Board of Directors:

Attest: Shannon Harroun
Clerk of the Board

8/12/2021

Date