

# VALLEY AIR NEWS

February 2020



## District holds workshops on Conservation Management Practices

The Air District is holding a series of workshops for agricultural operators to ensure a clear understanding and compliance with Rule 4550, Conservation Management Practices (CMP).

District staff will provide hands-on assistance to growers and dairy families to modify existing CMP Plans and obtain new plans designed to reduce fugitive dust emissions from ag sources. Staff will also be available to answer questions regarding District permitting and emission reduction incentive grant programs.

Upcoming workshop dates and locations:

- Tulare County – Feb. 25, 9am-12n, Tulare County Ag Commissioner's Hall, 4437 S. Laspina St., Tulare
- Kings County – Feb. 25, 1:30pm-4:30pm, Kings County Fairgrounds, 801 S. 10th Ave., Hanford
- Merced County – March 4, 9am-12n, Merced County Farm Bureau, 646 CA-59, Merced
- Madera County – March 5, 9am-12n, Madera County Farm Bureau, 1102 S. Pine St., Madera
- Stanislaus County – March 11, 9am-12n, Stanislaus County Ag Center, 3800 Cornucopia Way, Modesto
- San Joaquin County – March 18, 10am-1pm, San Joaquin County Farm Bureau, 3290 Ad Art Rd., Stockton

For more information on CMP workshops, visit: [https://www.valleyair.org/Workshops/postings/2020/2020\\_CMP/notice.pdf](https://www.valleyair.org/Workshops/postings/2020/2020_CMP/notice.pdf).

## Southwest Stockton holds first meeting for Community Air Protection Program

Southwest Stockton was selected by the California Air Resources Board (CARB) in Dec. 2019 as the San Joaquin Valley's third community to benefit from resources dedicated under AB 617, following the selection of South Central Fresno and Shafter in 2018.

District staff and the community of Southwest Stockton held a standing-room-only kickoff meeting in January (attended by AB 617 author Assemblymember Cristina Garcia) and is in the process of assembling a steering committee, made up of residents and community members to address the area's air quality needs and produce a Community Emissions Reduction Program (CERP) with a deadline of Jan. 1st, 2021.

The District has already begun implementation of the CERPs for South Central Fresno and Shafter, which just received approval by CARB at their February board hearing.

Upcoming AB 617 Steering Committee meetings:

- Wed. March 4 – Southwest Stockton Community Steering Committee meeting #1, Stockton Memorial Civic Auditorium, 525 N. Center. St., Stockton
- Mon. March 9 – Shafter Community Steering Committee meeting #18, Shafter Veterans Hall, 309 California Ave., Shafter
- Wed. March 11 – South Central Fresno Community Steering Committee meeting #19, Fresno Deputy Sheriffs Association, 1360 Van Ness Ave, Fresno

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