District Highlights

September 15, 2016 Actions by the Governing Board

District to Receive $25 Million in State Funding for Vehicle Replacement Program
The Valley Air District Governing Board accepted up to $25 million in state Cap and Trade funds for the District’s light duty vehicle replacement program. Since 2010, the District has partnered with Valley Clean Air Now (Valley CAN) to operate the award-winning Tune In Tune Up vehicle repair program. Through this innovative program, the District has repaired more than 18,300 vehicles. In 2014, the District expanded this program to include a vehicle replacement option to replace vehicles for which repair was not a viable option. With funding provided through the state’s Enhanced Fleet Modernization Program, the District has replaced more than 750 old, high-polluting vehicles with newer, cleaner vehicles. Due to the success of these programs, the District’s efforts in this area were recognized by the state and have led to this significant increase in funding. The Governing Board also approved a suite of program enhancements to increase the Valley’s capacity to utilize new funds and to provide for a more efficient and expeditious reimbursement to local businesses, such as smog shops, providing services for this program.

District to Receive $75,000 to Enhance the Healthy Air Living Schools Program
The District Governing Board approved an agreement with federal Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) through which the District, will receive $75,000 in Supplemental Environmental Project (SEP) funds being paid by Halliburton Energy Services Inc. This payment is due to a Consent Agreement and Financial Order with Halliburton Energy Services Inc. resulting from violation of California’s Truck and Bus Regulation as alleged by EPA. The District will utilize SEP funds in partnership with the Central California Asthma Collaborative to expand the District’s Healthy Air Living Schools program to reduce school site vehicle idling and provide more schools with hourly real time data and other tools to protect students from exposure to elevated air pollution levels.

August District Activities

Outreach and Communications
• The District spent August revealing the names of the new Healthy Air Heroes and awarding prizes to the children of the Valley that won. The month of August was also about Back to School Season and encouraging Valley schools to support our No Idling Campaign. The District also spent time educating the public on how to safeguard their health from the surrounding wildfires that deteriorated the air quality.

• In August, District staff responded to 26 media calls and 127 public calls and 45 emails, issued five news releases and attended 3 events and presentations.

Grant and Incentive Programs
• In August, the District received 543 incentive program applications. 146 were for the Wood Stove Change-Out Program and 141 were for the Heavy Duty Engine Program.

• In August, $4,059,809.70 was placed under contract in the Heavy Duty Engine Program and 151 claims were paid.

• In August, $1,234,062.90 was paid out in REMOVE II program claims.

• In August, $162,212.52 was paid in Burn Cleaner program claims and 95 claims were processed.
**Operations Overview**

- Completed 3,253 inspections in August, and 171 NOVs were issued. Mutual settlement case completions totaled 217.
- Received 132 permit applications in August, and 233 permits were issued.
- Received 22 smoking vehicle reports in August.
- Received 266 environmental documents in August.
Upcoming Meetings


9:00 a.m. Nov. 17, 2016  10:00 a.m. Dec. 6, 2016  5:30 p.m. Dec. 1, 2016

Meetings are held in the Fresno office Governing Board Room and via video teleconference to the Modesto and Bakersfield offices. Details: www.valleyair.org

*Webcast