

DATE: May 6, 2014  
TO: SJVUAPCD Citizens Advisory Committee  
FROM: Seyed Sadredin, Executive Director/APCO  
RE: **REPORT ON DISTRICT ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE  
ADVISORY GROUP (EJAG) ACTIVITIES**

Attached are highlights from the Environmental Justice Advisory Group meeting of April 24, 2014.

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HIGHLIGHTS FROM THE ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE ADVISORY GROUP (EJAG)  
MEETING OF APRIL 24, 2014

**Note:** Quorum was not met; only 6 EJAG members were present.

**Update on Bicycle Infrastructure Incentive Funding** – Todd DeYoung, Strategies & Finance Workgroup Program Manager provided information on the current incentive program including eligible project types and available funding. Mr. DeYoung also shared examples of projects throughout California. The main focus of this presentation was the proposed enhancements to the program.

**AB 32 Cap and Trade Funding for Valley EJ Communities** – Tom Jordan, Senior Policy Advisor, provided an overview of AB 32 Cap and Trade. During the last legislative session, SB 535 passed which would require to allocate 25% of the available moneys in the Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund to projects that provide benefits to disadvantaged communities, as specified, and to allocate a minimum of 10% in EJ communities. The State of California is currently deliberating how to spend Cap and Trade revenues through the budget process and Mr. Jordan noted that this would be a good opportunity for the Valley to advocate for its fair share of funding given that 22 of the 30 most impacted communities are in the San Joaquin Valley, according to the CalEnviro Screen tool's latest version. After discussion, EJAG reached a consensus position to submit a letter recommending that the State allocated Cap and Trade revenues as follows:

- A portion of Cap and Trade revenues should be directed to projects in areas that are already disproportionately impacted by air pollution.
- The floor amount allocated to the San Joaquin Valley should not be less than the 35% of the total funds generated pursuant to SB 535 for the benefit of the Valley's EJ communities.
- Said funds should be allocated to and managed by the San Joaquin Valley Air Pollution Control District to fund grants programs previously identified by the EJAG.
- Projects funded with Cap and Trade revenues should achieve greenhouse gas reductions, with priority given to projects that achieve reductions in criteria pollutants as well.

**Elect Vice Chair for One-Year Term** – Item was tabled until the June meeting because quorum was not met.

**Next EJAG meeting** – 5:30 p.m., Thursday, June 26, 2014

Further information may be obtained at:

[http://www.valleyair.org/Programs/EnvironmentalJustice/Environmental\\_Justice\\_idx.htm](http://www.valleyair.org/Programs/EnvironmentalJustice/Environmental_Justice_idx.htm)