

# News Release

For immediate release

DATE 7-10-12

For: local news and assignment editors



**San Joaquin Valley**  
AIR POLLUTION CONTROL DISTRICT



**Northern Region Media Contact – Modesto**  
Anthony Presto (209) 557-6472  
**Spanish language Media Contact**  
Maricela Velasquez (559) 230-5849

## **Free electric-vehicle workshop in Modesto on July 21**

*State-of-the-art vehicles to be displayed at Air District office*

Learn about the latest in electric-vehicle technology, talk to EV owners and find out about valuable rebates for their purchase at an electric-vehicle rebate workshop, sponsored by the Valley Air District and the California Center for Sustainable Energy (CCSE), on Sat., July 21 in Modesto.

The free workshop runs from 10 a.m. to 1p.m. at the Valley Air District's Modesto office, 4800 Enterprise Way. On the agenda are presentations by representatives of the Valley Air District, CCSE, the Modesto Irrigation District and a drivers' panel to answer questions and share their experiences as electric-vehicle owners.

"Besides the obvious benefits of cleaner air for the Valley, imagine NEVER having to buy gas for your vehicle again," said Todd DeYoung, manager of the Air District's grants program.

During the workshop District representatives will provide information about the new Drive Clean! Rebate program, which offers up to \$3,000 for the purchase of selected electric and plug-in hybrid vehicles.

Additional rebates are available through the California Air Resources Board's Clean Vehicle Rebate Project, administered by CCSE, a San Diego-based nonprofit organization that conducts workshops throughout the state to educate the public about the benefits of electric-vehicle ownership. Even further incentives are available through federal government and electric vehicle buyers could qualify for up to \$13,000 in incentives.

Lunch will be provided after the presentations, and attendees will have the opportunity to test drive some of the electric vehicles on display, including the Nissan LEAF, Mitsubishi i-MiEV and Chevy Volt. Pre-registration is required at: [www.energycenter.org/cvrp-events](http://www.energycenter.org/cvrp-events).

For more information about the Valley Air District's Drive Clean! Rebate Program, and other Air District programs, call 559-230-6000 or visit [www.valleyair.org](http://www.valleyair.org). For information about the state Clean Vehicle Rebate Project, visit [www.energycenter.org/cvrp](http://www.energycenter.org/cvrp).