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## Air District's lawn mower trade-in this weekend

The San Joaquin Valley Air Pollution Control District will hold a lawn mower trade-in event this Saturday, June 3, in Visalia. The Air District offers Valley residents a \$229 discount on an electric lawn mower when they trade in their gasoline-powered lawn mowers during this year's annual Clean Green Yard Machines program.

Neuton non-polluting, cordless, electric lawn mowers are available to Valley residents who bring their old gas-burning mower, drained of all fluids, to any of five scheduled events. They will then be able to purchase one of 1,200 electric mowers for \$150 -- a 60 percent discount off the retail price of \$379.

The trade-in is conducted on a first-come, first-served basis and the offer is good only while supplies last. Saturday's event is the second of five and begins at 9am. The location is at College of the Sequoias, Lot #7, Mooney Blvd and Meadow Lane.

Other upcoming events are as follows:

- FRESNO - June 10, Fresno State University, Lot "Q"
- MERCED - June 17, Merced College, Lot "C"
- STOCKTON - June 24, San Joaquin Delta College, Lot "H2"

Participants will also be eligible for t-shirt and garden rake giveaways, and drawings will be held at each event for Neuton electric trimmer lawn mower attachments.

"This has been a really successful program in past years and provides real, measurable pollution reductions in the Valley. I'm extremely pleased to see this program extended into Tulare County for the convenience of county residents," said Steven Worthley, governing board member for the Valley Air District.

The Clean Green Yard Machines program, now in its sixth year, highlights the negative impact gas-powered lawn care equipment has on the Valley's summertime smog problem. One gas mower can emit as much pollution as 40 late-model cars operating over the same period of time, while electric mowers produce no on-site emissions.

The Air District thanks the following partners and sponsors for making this event possible: Neuton Lawn Mower Company; Operation Clean Air; Valley Clean Air Now; the California Air Resources Board; Golden State Metals; Levi's Iron; and Metal and Stockton Recycling Center.

The Valley Air District serves San Joaquin, Stanislaus, Merced, Madera, Fresno, Kings, Tulare and the valley portion of Kern counties. For more information, log onto [www.valleyair.org](http://www.valleyair.org) or call the nearest District office: in Modesto at (209) 557-6400; in Fresno at (559) 230-6000; and in Bakersfield at (661) 326-6900.

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