Four new members added to Governing Board

On August 31, a Valley mayor and three city council members were appointed to the San Joaquin Valley Air Pollution Control District Governing Board.

The four new board members are:
- Councilmember David G. Ayers, City of Hanford;
- Councilmember Jesus Gamboa, City of Visalia;
- Mayor Ann Johnston, City of Stockton; and
- Councilmember Randy Miller, City of Taft.

The new board members join the current board members:
- Councilmember Chris Vierra, City of Ceres, Board Chair;
- Kings County Supervisor Tony Barba, Vice Chair;
- Fresno County Supervisor Judith G. Case;
- Madera County Supervisor Ronn Dominici;
- Henry Jay Forman, Ph.D., appointed by the Governor;
- Merced County Supervisor Michael G. Nelson;
- San Joaquin County Supervisor Leroy Ornellas;
- Stanislaus County Supervisor William O'Brien;
- John G. Telles, M.D., appointed by the Governor;
- Kern County Supervisor Ray Watson; and
- Tulare County Supervisor J. Steven Worthley.

The appointments take effect immediately, and are for a three-year term, which began in January 2009.

These locally elected officials and appointees, acting as policy makers, ensure that implementation of state and federal air pollution mandates in the Valley are tailored to local conditions and are responsive to local needs.

These appointments were made by the Valley-wide City Selection Committee, which appoints city representatives to boards, commissions and agencies as required by law.