

Bay Area Air Quality Management District
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APPROVED MINUTES

Summary of Board of Directors
Executive Committee Meeting
9:30 a.m., Friday, April 30, 2004

1. **Call to Order - Roll Call:** Chairperson Scott Haggerty called the meeting to order at 9:45 a.m.

Present: Scott Haggerty, Chair, Mark DeSaulnier, Jerry Hill, Julia Miller, Pamela Torliatt, Gayle Uilkema.

Absent: Mark Ross, Tim Smith, Marland Townsend.
2. **Public Comment Period:** There were no public comments.
3. **Approval of Minutes of March 29, 2004:** Director Hill moved approval of the minutes; seconded by Director DeSaulnier; carried unanimously without objection.
4. **U.S. EPA Designations for the National 8-Hour Ozone Standard:** *Staff presented a report on EPA's recent designation of attainment and non-attainment areas and implementation for the national 8-hour ozone standard rule.*

Peter Hess, Deputy APCO, presented the report and reviewed the following:

- The health impacts of ozone;
- The new eight-hour standard is set to be more health protective and the one-hour standard will be phased out in the future;
- The averaging period and stringency has changed;
- The definition of violation of the Standard has been changed;
- The calculation method for the eight-hour standard;
- The Bay Area is classified as a Marginal Non-attainment area;
- The planning requirements to meet the new standard by 2007;
- The one-hour standard will be revoked on June 15, 2005;
- The locations of the monitoring stations in the Bay Area that have exceeded the eight-hour standard and how weather and time of day affect ozone concentrations;
- Since 1995 ozone precursors have been declining, with one peak in 2001 due to the energy crisis;
- The Spare the Air program has been announced based on the eight-hour standard for the last four years; and
- The current regulatory program has been directed towards attainment of both the federal and the more stringent state standards.

In conclusion, Mr. Hess noted that based on discussions the Air District has had with EPA, it is anticipated that additional implementation rules will be forthcoming. The current implementation rules are considered "Phase One;" "Phase Two" will address the remaining issues not included in Phase One, such as control requirements, attainment demonstrations and reasonable further progress. Mr. Hess stated that the current rules may be challenged in court.

During discussion, the Committee directed staff to work with the Sacramento and San Joaquin Valley radio stations when a Spare the Air day is called in the Bay Area District. The Committee also discussed working on a five-day forecast for Spare the Air. It was noted this Air District calls a Spare the Air day at a lower standard than the Sacramento and San Joaquin districts. There was discussion on the lack of mass transit in these corridors and that this Air District should be encouraging transit agencies to put transit in these corridors.

The Committee requested that this presentation be given to the Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC), the Association of Bay Area Governments (ABAG), and the Regional Agency Coordinating Committee (RACC). The Committee also recommended that staff work on an outreach program to go to as many of the Congestion Management Agencies (CMAs) as possible.

There was one speaker on this item: Dennis Bolt of the Western States Petroleum Association (WSPA).

5. Closed Session – Conference with District Labor Negotiator (Government Code § 54957.6(a):

Agency Negotiator: Jack P. Broadbent
Un-Represented Employees: Management

The Committee adjourned to Closed Session at 10:33 a.m.

The Committee reconvened to Open Session at 11:02 a.m.

Brian Bunker, Counsel, reported that the Committee met in Closed Session with Mr. Broadbent to continue discussions regarding salary adjustments for management employees for fiscal year 2004/2005. General direction was given to the Executive Officer on the matter.

6. Committee Member Comments: There were none.

7. Time and Place of Next Meeting: 9:30 a.m., Wednesday, June 30, 2004, 939 Ellis Street, San Francisco, CA.

8. Adjournment. The meeting was adjourned at 11:03 a.m.

/s/ Mary Romaidis
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Clerk of the Boards

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