

State of California
AIR RESOURCES BOARD

Summary of Board Meeting
November 1, 2001

Elihu Harris Building
Auditorium
1515 Clay Street
Oakland, California 94612

MEMBERS PRESENT: Hons. Alan C. Lloyd, Ph.D., Chairman
Doreen D'Adamo
Mark J. DeSaulnier
William F. Friedman, M.D.
Barbara Patrick
Barbara Riordan

AGENDA ITEM #

01-6-6 Continuation of a Public Hearing to Consider Approval of a Revision to the Ozone State Implementation Plan for the San Francisco Bay Area

SUMMARY OF AGENDA ITEM:

On November 1, 2001, the Board approved the *San Francisco Bay Area 2001 Ozone Attainment Plan for the 1-Hour National Ozone Standard* (2001 Plan) as a revision to the State Implementation Plan (SIP). This was a continuation of the initial hearing of this item on July 26, 2001. The Bay Area Air Quality Management District (District) and its co-lead agencies, the Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC) and the Association of Bay Area Governments (ABAG) adopted the 2001 Plan on October 26, 2001.

The District prepared the 2001 Plan because the Bay Area failed to attain the federal ozone standard by its 2000 deadline. As a result, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency disapproved the Bay Area's 1999 Plan and required a new plan with an updated volatile organic compounds (VOC) and nitrogen oxides (NOx) emissions inventory, new transportation conformity budgets, and that shows attainment of the federal ozone standard by 2006.

The 2001 Plan contains a control strategy with seven new stationary source measures, five new transportation control measures (TCMs), and eleven further-study measures. In the 2001

Plan, the District commits to strengthen the Smog Check program by requesting the State Bureau of Automotive Repair to implement two VOC reducing program elements. The new measures and on-going programs will provide 271 tons per day of combined VOC and NOx emission reductions between 2000 and 2006. The 2001 Plan also includes a new attainment assessment based on currently available data for the Bay Area. The Bay Area co-lead agencies have committed to reassess the attainment assessment in 2003 using data from the Central California Ozone Study and to submit a revised SIP to U.S. EPA in 2004 with any needed modifications to the control strategy.

The Board heard testimony from over 50 witnesses. Community and environmental groups focused on the need for an expanded public process and more controls to reduce emissions from power plants and refineries. Local government officials and business representatives from the Central Valley urged the Board to require imposition of further controls in the Bay Area, including enhanced Smog Check, to reduce downwind pollutant transport.

A large number of local Bay Area officials, mostly from transportation agencies, testified in favor of the 2001 Plan. They cited the serious impacts that would occur from a transportation conformity lapse if the 2001 Plan was not approved. Several industry representatives testified in support of the 2001 Plan, but requested that further study measures, especially those related to refineries, be based on sound science.

The Board directed the Executive Officer to convene a meeting between Bay Area and Valley representatives to discuss bringing Bay Area into enhanced Smog Check to mitigate transport and other inter-regional issues. The Board also urged the Bay Area District to complete its evaluation of the refinery further study measures by the end of 2002, and to develop any feasible measures in the near-term. In addition, the Board asked the Executive Officer to work with MTC to expand use of strategies to reduce the rate of growth in transportation demand. Finally, the Board directed staff to report back on these items in mid-2002.

ORAL TESTIMONY:

Dave Jones	Counsel for Assemblyman Dennis Cardoza
Kenni Friedman	City of Modesto Councilmember
Randy Attaway	BAAQMD Chairman
Sharon Brown	MTC Chairperson
Dick Spees	ABAG Past Chairman
Ellen Garvey	BAAQMD Executive Officer
Steve Heminger	MTC Executive Director

Bill Haywood	Ultramar Inc./WSPA
George B. Smith	Harding ESE
Shanna O'Hare	City of Oakland, Public Works Agency
Dennis Fay	Alameda County Congestion Management Agency
Marcie Keever	Environmental Law & Justice Clinic/Our Children's Earth
Margaret Bruce	Silicon Valley Manufacturing Group
George Britton	City Manager Modesto
Maria Brown	Citizen
A. J. Napolis	Communities for a Better Environment
Julia May	Communities for a Better Environment
Greg Karras	Communities for a Better Environment
John Holtzclaw	Sierra Club
Judith Lamare	Cleaner Air Partnership
Betty Turner	American Lung Association of Sacramento-Emigrant Trails
Cindy Tuck	CA Council for Environment and Economic Balance
Richard Napier	San Mateo County Congestion Management Association
Bruce Stewart	Richmond Improvement Association
John Sakemoto	Eichleay Engineers
Ethan Vaneklasen	CA Alliance for Jobs
Barbara Lee	Northern Sonoma APCD
Andrew Michael	Bay Area Council
Suzanne Phinney	Sacramento Metro Chamber
Dave Jones	San Joaquin Valley Unified APCD
Tina Consentino	Communities for a Better Environment
Suma Peesapati	Communities for a Better Environment
Flora Campbell	West County Toxics Coalition
Azabuike Akaba	Communities for a Better Environment
Jana Coons	City of Modesto
Annie Saido	Student, San Jose State University
Mike Tomas	Communities for a Better Environment
Marty Dinidin	Communities for a Better Environment
Lynn Brown	Communities for a Better Environment
Donna Pindia	Communities for a Better Environment
Ralph Sattler	Communities for a Safe Environment
Vincent Mow	Waekon Corp.
Dan Christians	Solano Transportation Authority
Jeff Hartwig	Chevron Corp.
Stuart Rupp	NUMMI
John Wolfe	Contra Costa Taxpayers Association
Ethel Dotson	Communities for a Better Environment
Charlie Peters	Clean Air Performance Professionals
David Schonbrunn	Transportation Solutions Defense and Education Fund
Joanna Monk	Communities for a Better Environment

Larry Armstrong	Side B Corporation DBA Quality Tuneup Shops
Jennifer Gunderson	Moffet Park Business and Transportation Association
Bob Shattuck	Lennar Communities-BIA of Sacramento
Raymond Lambert	Self

FORMAL BOARD ACTION:

The Board approved Resolution No. 01-27 by a 4-2 vote.

RESPONSIBLE DIVISION: PTSD

STAFF REPORT: Yes (41 pages)