

Bay Area Air Quality Management District
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Mobile Source & Climate Impacts Committee
Wednesday, May 10, 2023

APPROVED MINUTES

This meeting was webcast, and a video recording is available on the website of the Bay Area Air Quality Management District at www.baaqmd.gov/bodagendas

CALL TO ORDER

1. **Opening Comments:** Mobile Source & Climate Impacts Committee (Committee) Chairperson, Myrna Melgar, called the meeting to order at 1:01 p.m.

Roll Call:

Present, In-Person (Bay Area Metro Center (375 Beale Street, Yerba Buena Room, San Francisco, California, 94105): Chairperson Myrna Melgar; Vice Chairperson Sergio Lopez; Board Chairperson John J. Bauters; and Directors Juan Gonzalez, and Lynda Hopkins.

Present, In-Person Satellite Location (Office of Contra Costa County Supervisor John Gioia, Conference Room, 11780 San Pablo Ave., Suite D, El Cerrito, CA 94530): Directors John Gioia and Steve Young.

Absent: Directors David Hudson, Otto Lee, Ray Mueller, and Shamann Walton.

2. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

CONSENT CALENDAR

3. **APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE MOBILE SOURCE AND CLIMATE IMPACTS COMMITTEE MEETING OF APRIL 12, 2023**

Public Comments

No requests received.

Committee Comments

None.

Committee Action

Director Hopkins made a motion, seconded by Vice Chair Lopez, to **approve** the Minutes of the Mobile Source and Climate Impacts Committee meeting of April 12, 2023; and the motion **carried** by the following vote of the Committee:

AYES: Gioia, Gonzalez, Hopkins, Lopez, Melgar, Young.
NOES: None.
ABSTAIN: None.
ABSENT: Bauters, Hudson, Lee, Mueller, Walton.

ACTION ITEMS

4. **TRANSPORTATION FUND FOR CLEAN AIR (TFCA) COUNTY PROGRAM MANAGER (CPM) EXPENDITURE PLANS FOR FISCAL YEAR ENDING (FYE) 2024**

Dr. Minda Berbeco, Manager in the Strategic Incentives Division, gave the staff presentation *Transportation Fund for Clean Air County Program Manager Expenditure Plans for Fiscal Year Ending 2024*, including: action item; outline; TFCA CPM Program background; proposed allocation for CPMs in FYE 2024; and recommendations. _____

Public Comments

No requests received.

Committee Comments

The Board and staff discussed whether the TFCA funds that are passed to the CPMs allocations reflect the Department of Motor Vehicles registration fees collected for the associated vehicles; and reprogrammed funds.

Committee Action

Director Hopkins made a motion, seconded by Vice Chair Lopez, to recommend the Board **approve** the proposed allocation of new Transportation Fund for Clean Air revenue to each of the nine County Program Managers for Fiscal Year Ending 2024, and **authorize** the Executive Officer/Air Pollution Control Officer (APCO) to enter into funding agreements with the County Program Managers for TFCA revenues to be programmed in FYE 2024; and the motion **carried** by the following vote of the Committee:

AYES: Gioia, Gonzalez, Hopkins, Lopez, Melgar, Young.
NOES: None.
ABSTAIN: None.
ABSENT: Bauters, Hudson, Lee, Mueller, Walton.

5. **TRANSPORTATION FUND FOR CLEAN AIR REGIONAL FUND POLICIES AND EVALUATION CRITERIA FOR FISCAL YEAR ENDING 2024**

Dr. Berbeco gave the staff presentation *Transportation Fund for Clean Air Regional Fund Policies & Evaluation Criteria for Fiscal Year Ending 2024*, including: action item; outline; TFCA background; public outreach process; proposed updates; and recommendation.

NOTED PRESENT: Board Chair Bauters was noted present at 1:16 p.m.

Public Comments

Public comments were given by Jan Warren, Interfaith Climate Action Network of Contra Costa County.

Committee Comments

The Committee and staff discussed how frequently the policy is revisited; the reason for the removal of the On-Road Diesel Truck Replacements category; desire to support policy that addresses the most polluting vehicles; the need for light-duty electric vehicle (EV) charging infrastructure at affordable housing units; whether last mile connections can include electric bicycles or scooters, per the State’s definition of vehicles, the request that the Air District seeks legislation to include electric bicycles as last mile connections; and concerns that the removal of a program category may result in the increase of emissions.

Committee Action

Director Gonzalez made a motion, seconded by Director Hopkins, to recommend the Board **approve** the proposed updates to the Transportation Fund for Clean Air Regional Fund Policies and Evaluation Criteria for Fiscal Year Ending 2024; and the motion **carried** by the following vote of the Committee:

- AYES: Bauters, Gioia, Gonzalez, Hopkins, Lopez, Melgar, Young.
- NOES: None.
- ABSTAIN: None.
- ABSENT: Hudson, Lee, Mueller, Walton.

6. **FISCAL YEAR ENDING 2023 CHARGE! PROGRAM PROJECT RECOMMENDATIONS**

Ada Truong, Staff Specialist in the Technology Implementation Office, gave the staff presentation *Charge! Program*, including: outcome; outline; presentation requested action; grants overview; Bay Area EV trends and goals; existing Bay Area EV infrastructure; Charge! Program overview; FYE 2023 solicitation; application scoring; FYE 2023 program summary; and requested action.

Public Comments

No requests received.

Committee Comments

The Committee and staff discussed which Air District funds could be used to fund the Charge! Program in 2024 as the program was oversubscribed in 2023, and subsequent concerns about taking funding from other areas; the differences between the three types of EV charging stations; how the Air District determines which types of chargers are installed where; the way in which applications are scored, and whether scoring is different for projects in low-income, multi-family housing complexes; whether any scoring criteria has generated inconsistencies, and the suggestion of examining criteria that is not as objective, to make sure it is sufficiently objective; the frequency of funding cycles/how often applications are accepted; whether applications require matched funding; the request for a chart of awards, by project type, and highlighting awards in low-income areas in priority population areas; the request for a presentation of Charge! Program awarded projects in designated Assembly Bill (AB) 617 communities which indicates “before and after” air quality data; the need for light-duty EV charging infrastructure in low-income communities; funding allocation trends by the State for the Charge! Program; whether the Air District has received Charge! Program applications for municipal curbside charging infrastructure, and whether such projects are eligible; grant funding from the California Energy Commission that was awarded to the Air District to support EV charger installations at multi-family housing, and the types of affordable housing that are eligible to receive those installations; whether the number of EV chargers that can be funded depends on a given number of parking spaces; and the reason for more submitted applications for Level 2 chargers instead of DC fast chargers.

Committee Action

Board Chair Bauters made a motion, seconded by Vice Chair Lopez, to recommend the Board **approve** the Charge! Program rank list and recommended projects with proposed grant awards, and **authorize** the Executive Officer/APCO to enter into all necessary agreements with applicants for the recommended projects; and the motion **carried** by the following vote of the Committee:

AYES: Bauters, Gioia, Gonzalez, Hopkins, Lopez, Melgar, Young.
NOES: None.
ABSTAIN: None.
ABSENT: Hudson, Lee, Mueller, Walton.

OTHER BUSINESS

7. PUBLIC COMMENT ON NON-AGENDA MATTERS

Public comments were given by Jan Warren, Interfaith Climate Action Network of Contra Costa County.

8. COMMITTEE MEMBER COMMENTS

None.

9. **TIME AND PLACE OF NEXT MEETING**

Wednesday, June 14, 2023, at 1:00 p.m. at 375 Beale Street, San Francisco, CA 94105. The meeting will be in-person for the Committee members and members of the public will be able to either join in-person or via webcast.

10. **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 2:03 p.m.

/s/ Marcy Hiratzka
Marcy Hiratzka
Clerk of the Boards