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Fifth annual YES Conference encouraging youth action for clean air returns this weekend

SAN FRANCISCO - The Bay Area Air Quality Management District and the Metropolitan Transportation Commission are co-sponsoring the Youth for the Environment and Sustainability, or YES Conference, at 9 a.m. on Saturday, February 24, 2017, at Laney College, 900 Fallon Street in Oakland.

WHO: The Air District and MTC are hosting middle and high school students from the nine San Francisco Bay Area counties

WHAT: The free day-long YES Conference will bring together nearly 1,000 middle and high school students from the nine San Francisco Bay Area counties to discuss topics ranging from climate change and public health to transportation and air pollution.

WHEN: Event begins at 9 a.m. on Saturday, February 24, 2017

                      Key events for media include the opening welcome and keynote speaker at 10 – 10:45 a.m. Two additional keynote speakers will speak from 2 – 2:30 p.m.

                      The full YES Conference agenda can be found here.

WHERE: Laney College, 900 Fallon Street in Oakland

Hundreds of Bay Area students will have the opportunity to learn directly from their peers' efforts by discussing advocacy, communication, leadership development and skill building. Students will learn about paid internships and the latest climate science and technologies. The program will include interactive presentations led by students and youth leaders from various schools and cities in the region.

The Air District is the regional agency responsible for protecting air quality in the nine-county Bay Area. Connect with the Air District via Twitter, Facebook, and YouTube. MTC is the regional transportation planning, coordinating and financing agency for the nine-county San Francisco Bay Area.

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