## Clean Air Fund Advisory Committee Meeting Summary January 17, 2013

- I. Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 5:00 p.m. by Chairman Mike Stubblefield.
- II. Approve summary of the May 31, 2012 meeting: Mr. King moved and Mr. DeGeorge seconded approval. The Committee approved the summary without any changes.
- III. Public Comment: There was no public comment.
- IV. Staff Report: Mr.Villegas, Air Pollution Control Officer, stated that the county air quality was in attainment with the 1997 federal ozone standard one year ahead of schedule. The air district is still nonattainment for the 2008 federal ozone standard.

## V. Old Business:

The Clean Air Fund permanent endowment is approximately \$706,000. The Ventura County Community Foundation Endowment funds are professionally managed in a diversified portfolio, which is up about \$45,000 since 2009, despite having granted \$130,000 since then.

- 1. Available funds for projects is approximately \$200,000, which includes \$150,000 set aside for the Ventura County Fire Department Burn Building Training center, which was approved in 2001/2002 but never built. Mr. Villegas commented that he would write a letter to the new Fire Chief to see if the commitment to this funding could be released.
- 2. <u>Low Rolling Resistance Tire Voucher Project Status Report</u>: This grant to incentivize the purchase of aftermarket low rolling resistance (fuel efficient) tires for passenger vehicles and light duty trucks started in October 2011. Since that time, staff has only issued two vouchers, and each voucher is worth \$50 off the purchase of a set of four tires. Staff indicated that they will contact each of the participating tire dealers and attempt to streamline the program to boost program participation. Another possible way to kick start the program might be to increase the value of the voucher from \$50 to \$100; this action will be discussed at a future meeting.

## VI. New Business:

## 1. Proposed Project: Electric Vehicle (EV) Infrastructure Grant

Ever since Ventura County APCD was awarded a \$200,000 planning grant in 2011 from the California Energy Commission for siting EV Charging Stations along the Central Coast, staff has been working to plan and implement EV Infrastructure to support clean electric transportation. Recently, the APCD Board has approved \$52,000 from DMV fees to assist with the installation of EV Charging Stations at the Ventura Harbor, Cal State University Channel Islands, Camarillo Metrolink Station, East Ventura Metrolink Station, and three sites in Oxnard (College Park, 5<sup>th</sup> Street and Downtown Parking Lots). These local grant

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funds were leveraged with either state or federal grants, which cover equipment costs and part of the installation cost.

The proposed project is a Level 3 DC Fast Charging Station at the Thousand Oaks Transportation Center. This equipment can replenish over 80 percent of the battery capacity of a Nissan Leaf EV in less than 30 minutes, which is considerably faster than a Level 2 Charger that typically requires over 5 hours for the same level of charging. The equipment vendor, Ecotality was awarded an \$80,000 federal Department of Energy grant to cover the equipment cost and part of the installation. The City of Thousand Oaks is requesting \$25,500 from the Clean Air Fund to pay for the remainder of the installation cost, and enable the completion of this project.

Mr. King moved and Mr. DeGeorge seconded the motion to fund \$25,500 for this project. The committee unanimously approved recommending funding of this project by the Board.

VII. Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 5:45 p.m..

Prepared by:

Stan Cowen, Air Pollution Control District Staff

		Fast Charge EV Charging Station in Thousand Oaks		
Member	Attendance	Moved	Second	Vote
Bayman	A			
DeGeorge	P		X	Y
King	P	X		Y
Kromka	A			
Montoya	A			
Neiswender	P			Y
Stubblefield	P			Y

Attendance - P(present), A(absent), E(excused)

**Guests:** 

Vote - Y(yes), N(no), A(abstain)

APCD Staff: Mike Villegas

None

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