SACRAMENTO VALLEY

TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE

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<u>AGENDA</u>

ITEM NO.

- 1. Call to Order/ Roll Call/ Introductions
- 2. Period of Public Comment
- 3. Approval of Minutes from February 19, 2025 Meeting
- 4 Approval of Financial Status Report as of February 28, 2025
- 5. Status Reports
 - CA Air Pollution Control Officers Association (CAPCOA)
 - Sacramento Valley Air Quality Engineering and Enforcement Professionals (QEEPS)
 - CA Air Resources Board (CARB)
 - Smoke Management Program (SMP) Kai Tawa, SMP Coordinator

6. Contract for Renewal

Approve for renewal Butte County AQMD Secretarial Services contract (motion needed).

- 7. New Working Group, Smoke Management Issues Receive report from new working group.
- 8. BCC Legislative Day

Receive updates about plans for this 2-day event. Discuss talking points as developed by working group.

9. Biomass Energy

Reports, discussions and plans related to Biomass Energy.

10. Member Reports and Future Agenda Items

Receive reports from local air districts and suggestions for potential topics at future meetings.

11. Additions or Deletions to April 2025 TAC Agenda

Recommended action: set agenda for TAC for April 16, 2025 meeting.

- 12. Next BCC meeting: April 3, 2025, at 9am. Hosted by: Sacramento-Metropolitan AQMD In-person meeting.
- 13. Next TAC meeting: April 16, 2025, at 1:30pm. Hosted by: Placer County APCD
- 14. Next BCC meeting: April 3, 2025, at 9am. Hosted by: Sacramento-Metropolitan AQMD

15. Adjourn Meeting.

MEETING AGENDAS ARE POSTED BY EACH MEMBER AIR DISTRICT OF THE SACRAMENTO VALLEY BASIN AND AT THE SVBCC WEBSITE LISTED BELOW.

*Meeting information can be viewed at www.airquality.org/SVBCC

Questions, comments, and correspondence may be directed to:

Sacramento Valley Basinwide Air Pollution Control Council Laurie LaGrone, Secretary-Treasurer 629 Entler Avenue, Suite 15 Chico, CA 95928 530-332-9400 ext. 105 bcctacsecretary@gmail.com Sacramento Valley Technical Advisory Committee

Title: Approval of Minutes from February 19, 2025 Meeting

Presenter: BCC/TAC Secretary/Treasurer

Motion needed.

ATTACHMENTS: Description 2025-02-19 TAC Meeting Minutes DRAFT

Upload Date

3/14/2025

Type Supporting Documents

SACRAMENTO VALLEY BASINWIDE AIR POLLUTION CONTROL COUNCIL TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE

 Chair
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 MEETING MINUTES

February 19, 2025

1. Call to Order / Roll Call / Introductions

A regular meeting of the Sacramento Valley Basinwide Air Pollution Control Council, Technical Advisory Committee was called to order by Chair Joe Tona at 1:32 pm via Zoom teleconference. Attendees were as follows:

Butte County AQMD – Stephen Ertle Colusa County APCD – Casey Ryan Feather River AQMD – Chris Brown Glenn County APCD – Marcie Skelton Placer County APCD – Adam Baughman Sacramento-Metropolitan AQMD – Alberto Ayala, Amy Roberts Shasta County AQMD – Rob Stahl Tehama County APCD – Joe Tona Yolo-Solano AQMD – Gretchen Bennitt

SMP Coordinator – Kai Tawa California Air Resources Board – absent The Professionals – Allyson Smith BCC Secretary-Treasurer – Laurie LaGrone

2. Period of Public Comment

Mr. Tona opened the floor to public comment; hearing none, the public comment period was closed.

3. Approval Minutes from December 18, 2024 and January 15, 2025 Meetings MOTION: Ms. Skelton moved to approve the minutes as presented. The motion was seconded by Mr. Ertle, and the motion passed with no objections or abstentions.

4. Approval of Financial Status Report as of January 31, 2025

Ms. LaGrone submitted financial reports through January 31, 2025, and warrants to be paid. **MOTION:** Ms. Bennitt moved to approve the financial reports as presented. The motion was seconded by Mr. Ayala, and the motion passed with no objections or abstentions.

5. Status Reports

• <u>CAPCOA</u> – Mr. Tona reported recent CAPCOA discussions include the impacts of a funding freeze and future plans regarding funding, and AB 617.

Region 9 update: clean air is still a pillar of concern and an EPA priority.

There was a discussion of the coming prescribed burning executive order from the Governor as part of the state's response to increasing wildfires. Ms. Skelton proposed adding the topic to the April BCC Legislative Day. Mr. Tona suggested creating a subgroup to develop talking points; Mr. Brown, Mr. Tona, Ms. Bennitt and Ms. Skelton formed the group.

- <u>The Professionals</u> Ms. Smith reported that as part of the fee summary project the group has prepared example permits to compare and contrast. The professionals hope to present their analysis in March. The next meeting will be March 13th.
- <u>CA Air Resources Board (CARB)</u> no report.
- <u>SMP Coordinator</u> Coordinator Tawa offered no updates to the season summary report, which was approved by the BCC in February.

6. State Response to the Los Angeles Wildfires

This discussion was covered during the CAPCOA report, item #5a.

7. BCC Legislative Day – Amy Roberts

Ms. Roberts detailed the agenda and schedule. The deadline to sign up is Friday February 28; TAC members are urged to attend. The BCC meeting on Day 2 will offer in person and ZOOM attendance. Ms. Roberts and the TAC Secretary will get a reminder email out to members this week.

8. June BCC Field Trip, Colusa County

Mr. Ryan said that a morning field trip to two biomass energy operations is planned, pending confirmation from the facilities. Transportation will be provided.

9. Biomass Energy - no report.

10. Member Reports and Future Agenda Items

Mr. Brown reported a recent request to FRAQMD for information about policies and procedures regarding burning, wildfires, smoke management. After a discussion it was decided that Feather River staff would work with Ms. Smith and SMP Coordinator Tawa to formulate a unified response reflecting basinwide rules and procedures.

11. March 2025 TAC Agenda

Additions/eliminations: a) make "Additions or Deletions to Agenda" a standing agenda item b) change time of April BCC meeting to 9a.m.

12. Next TAC meeting: March 19, 2025 at 1:30pm. Hosted by: Glenn County APCD.

13. Next BCC meeting: <u>THURSDAY April 3, 2025, at 9am.</u> Hosted by: Sacramento-Metro AQMD

14. Meeting adjourned at 3:13 pm.

Respectfully Submitted, Laurie LaGrone, TAC Secretary-Treasurer

Title: Approval of Financial Status Report as of February 28, 2025

Presenter: BCC/TAC Secretary/Treasurer

Motion needed.

ATTACHMENTS:

Description

Warrants and Reconciliation, 3-19-2025 TAC Meeting Financial Report - Bank Account Register 2-28-2025 Financial Report - Profit & Loss Budget vs Actual 2-28-2025

Upload Date	Туре
3/14/2025	Supporting Documents
3/14/2025	Supporting Documents
3/14/2025	Supporting Documents

SACRAMENTO VALLEY BASINWIDE AIR POLLUTION CONTROL COUNCIL - TAC

							Chair	Vice Chair
Butte	Colusa	Feather River	Glenn	Placer	Sacramento	Shasta	Tehama	Yolo-Solano

WARRANTS LIST FOR March 2025 TAC Meeting Date: 3/19/2025

Vendor	Amount	Invoice #	Invoice Date	Check Number
Butte County Air Quality Management District	\$1389.45	30664	3/3/2025	1091
Western Weather Group	\$4,283.33	PS-INV106301	3/1/2025	1092
Western Weather Group	\$814.67	PS-INV106302	3/1/2025	10903

Please review invoices and return to the Secretary-Treasurer.

Reviewed and approved: ______(initials)

Date: _____

Butte Co. Air Quality Mgmt. Dist. 629 Entler Avenue, Ste 15 Chico, CA 95928-7424

Invoice

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						Total	\$1,389.45

Please make checks payable to: BCAQMD. If you have any questions, please call (530) 332-9400 ext 109.

Sales Invoice WESTERN WEATHER Invoice No: PS-INV106301 Invoice Date: March 1, 2025 Due Date: March 31, 2025 Bill To: Ship To: Customer PO #: Sacramento Valley Sacramento Valley Payment Terms: Net 30 days Laurie LaGrone Laurie LaGrone Shipment Method: 629 Entler Ave, Suite 629 Entler Ave, Suite Tracking #:

bcctacsecretary@gm

Sales Rep:

Chico, 95928

Project Description

Qty	Unit	Item No	Description	Unit Price (\$)	Line Total (\$)
1	Each	7002	Basin Burn Coordinator Contract	4,283.33	4,283.33

Billing Period: February 2025

Chico, 95928

Subtotal (\$)	4,283.33
Sales Tax (\$)	0.00
Total	4,283.33

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Butte County AQMD

Sales Invoice

Invoice No: PS-INV106302 Invoice Date: March 1, 2025 Due Date: March 31, 2025

Bill To: Sacramento Valley Laurie LaGrone 629 Entler Ave, Suite Chico, 95928

Ship To: Sacramento Valley Laurie LaGrone 629 Entler Ave, Suite Chico, 95928

WESTERN WEATHER

Customer PO #: Payment Terms: Net 30 days Shipment Method: Tracking #:

bcctacsecretary@gm

Sales Rep:

Project Description

Meteorological Services

*Agricultural weather forecasts are strictly for the use of personnel within the county AQMD offices. Forecasts may not be retransmitted to companies or individuals outside the AQMD offices.

Qty	Unit	Item No	Description	Unit Price (\$)	Line Total (\$)
1	Each	7002	Weather Forecasting - Custom	814.67	814.67

Billing Period: March 2025

814.67	Subtotal (\$)	
0.00	Sales Tax (\$)	
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Western Weather Group Inc. 686 Rio Lindo Ave., Chico, CA 95926 03/13/25

Sacramento Valley Basinwide Air Pollution Control Council Reconciliation Detail

Tri Counties Bank, Period Ending 02/20/2025

Туре	Date	Num	Name	Cir	Amount	Balance
Beginning Balance						82,534.28
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Bill Pmt -Check	01/15/2025	1086	Western Weather G	Х	-4,283.33	-4.283.33
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Bill Pmt -Check	01/15/2025	1087	Western Weather G	х	-814.67	-6,487.45
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Bill Pmt -Check	02/19/2025	1090	Western Weather G		-814.67	-5,100.00
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Ending Balance					-12,976.90	69,557.38

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Sacramento Valley Basinwide Air Pollution Control Council Bank Accounts Register As of February 28, 2025

Accrual	Basis	

Type	Date	Num	Name	Split	Debit	Credit	Balance
Tri Co	unties Bank						28,464.98
Bill Pm	07/17/2024	1066	Butte County AQMD	Accounts Payable		1,389.45	27,075.53
Bill Pm	07/17/2024	1067	Western Weather Group	Accounts Payable		4,283.33	22,792.20
Bill Pm	07/17/2024	1068	Western Weather Group	Accounts Payable		814.67	21,977.53
Deposit	08/15/2024		-	-SPLIT-	66,266.00		88,243.53
Bill Pm	08/22/2024	1069	Butte County AQMD	Accounts Payable		1,389.45	86,854.08
Bill Pm	08/22/2024	1070	Western Weather Group	Accounts Payable		4,283.33	82,570.75
Bill Pm	08/22/2024	1071	Western Weather Group	Accounts Payable		814.67	81,756.08
Deposit	09/11/2024		-	-SPLIT-	27,226.00		108,982.08
Bill Pm	09/18/2024	1072	Butte County AQMD	Accounts Payable		1,389.45	107,592.63
Bill Pm	09/18/2024	1073	Western Weather Group	Accounts Payable		4,283.33	103,309.30
Bill Pm	09/18/2024	1074	Western Weather Group	Accounts Payable		814.67	102,494.63
Bill Pm	10/16/2024	1075	Butte County AQMD	Accounts Payable		1,389.45	101,105.18
Bill Pm	10/16/2024	1076	Western Weather Group	Accounts Payable		4,283.33	96,821.85
Bill Pm	10/16/2024	1077	Western Weather Group	Accounts Payable		814.67	96,007.18
Bill Pm	11/20/2024	1078	CA Special Districts Assn	Accounts Payable		500.00	95,507.18
Bill Pm	11/20/2024	1079	Butte County AQMD	Accounts Payable		1,389.45	94,117.73
Bill Pm	11/20/2024	1080	Western Weather Group	Accounts Payable		4,283.33	89,834.40
Bill Pm	11/20/2024	1081	Western Weather Group	Accounts Payable		814.67	89,019.73
Bill Pm	12/18/2024	1082	Butte County AQMD	Accounts Payable		1,389.45	87,630.28
Bill Pm	12/18/2024	1083	Western Weather Group	Accounts Payable		4,283.33	83,346.95
Bill Pm	12/18/2024	1084	Western Weather Group	Accounts Payable		814.67	82,532.28
Bill Pm	01/15/2025	1085	Butte County AQMD	Accounts Payable		1,389.45	81,142.83
Bill Pm	01/15/2025	1086	Western Weather Group	Accounts Payable		4,283.33	76,859.50
Bill Pm	01/15/2025	1087	Western Weather Group	Accounts Payable		814.67	76,044.83
Bill Pm	02/19/2025	1088	Butte County AQMD	Accounts Payable		1,389.45	74,655.38
Bill Pm	02/19/2025	1089	Western Weather Group	Accounts Payable		4,283.33	70,372.05
Bill Pm	02/19/2025	1090	Western Weather Group	Accounts Payable		814.67	69,557.38
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TOTAL					93,492.00	52,399.60	69,557.38

Cash Basis

Sacramento Valley Basinwide Air Pollution Control Council Profit & Loss Budget vs. Actual

July 2024 through I	February 2025
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	Jul '24 - Feb 25	Budget	% of Budge
rdinary Income/Expense Income			
Annual District Assessments	93,492.00		
Total Income	93,492.00		
Expense			
Professional Services			
Administrative Services	11,115.60		
Ag Burn Services	34,266.64		
Meteorological Services	6,517.36		
Total Professional Services	51,899.60		
Special Department Expense			
Memberships	500.00		
Total Special Department Expense	500.00		
Total Expense	52,399.60		
et Ordinary Income	41,092.40		
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Sacramento Valley Technical Advisory Committee

Title: Contract for Renewal

Presenter: BCC/TAC Secretary/Treasurer

Approve for renewal Butte County AQMD Secretarial Services contract (motion needed).

ATTACHMENTS:
Description
FY25-26_AdminServices_Contract_DRAFT

Upload Date Туре 3/14/2025

Contracts

CONTRACT FOR SACRAMENTO VALLEY BASINWIDE AIR POLLUTION CONTROL COUNCIL – ADMINISTRATIVE SECRETARY/ TREASURER SERVICES

THIS CONTRACT is entered into on April 1, 2025 by and between the SACRAMENTO VALLEY BASINWIDE AIR POLLUTION CONTROL COUNCIL, a political subdivision of the State of California, hereinafter called "COUNCIL" and BUTTE COUNTY AIR QUALITY MANAGEMENT DISTRICT (BCAQMD), hereinafter called "CONTRACTOR."

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual promises herein, the parties hereto COVENANT, PROMISE and AGREE as follows:

1. The CONTRACTOR agrees to perform for the COUNCIL Secretary and Treasurer Services and administrative duties outlined in attachment Exhibit A.

All work products provided by CONTRACTOR under this contract shall be complete and accurate. Any necessary corrections or revisions will be completed by CONTRACTOR at CONTRACTOR'S expense. The compensation is for work on the projects specified in the attachment. Performance of services which fall outside the scope of this contract, and compensation for such services will be negotiated separately in additional contracts between the COUNCIL and the CONTRACTOR.

CONTRACTOR agrees to keep records of services rendered and reimbursable costs.

2. Except as provided herein, the COUNCIL agrees to compensate, and the CONTRACTOR agrees to accept as compensation, the amount of \$16986.03 per fiscal year to be paid in monthly installments of \$1424.19 after receiving an invoice, which has attached a record of services rendered, plus reimbursement for up to \$2,500.00 for continuously comprehensive professional and general liability insurance. Total compensation shall not exceed \$18,766.75 per fiscal year without prior approval from the Council. With the prior approval of the COUNCIL or their designated representative, CONTRACTOR may invoice, and the COUNCIL agrees to pay, for any hours expended over 500 total hours per fiscal year during this agreement, at the billing rate of \$32.53 per hour. The COUNCIL also agrees to reimburse CONTRACTOR for standard office supplies, computer software (subject to prior approval by the COUNCIL or their designated representative).

3. This contract shall commence April 1, 2025, and shall terminate on March 31, 2025,

with the option to renew in one-year intervals including a 2.5% increase in total and hourly compensation in each year of renewal upon approval of the COUNCIL and CONTRACTOR. The contract may be terminated as set forth below.

- 4. This contract may be terminated as follows:
 - A. By mutual consent of the parties;
 - B. At any time on a material breach of any of the provisions hereof; or
 - C. By the COUNCIL on delivery of written notice thereof to CONTRACTOR for any or no reason, whatsoever, including, but not limited to, the failure by the Basin Districts or Control Boards to appropriate funds for this Contract or any portion hereof. Such notice shall be delivered to the CONTRACTOR at least 30 days prior to the termination date of the contract.
 - D. By the CONTRACTOR on delivery of written notice thereof to COUNCIL with at least a 30 day notice.

5. If this contract is terminated by COUNCIL under the provisions of Paragraph 4 for any reason other than CONTRACTOR'S breach, CONTRACTOR shall be compensated only for the work performed by CONTRACTOR prior to the termination hereof.

6. CONTRACTOR shall not assign any interest in this Contract and shall not transfer any interest in the same without the prior written consent of the COUNCIL except that claims for money due or to become due the CONTRACTOR from the COUNCIL under this contract may be assigned by the CONTRACTOR to a bank, trust company, or other financial institution without such approval. Written notice of any such transfer shall be furnished promptly to the COUNCIL. Any attempt at assignment of rights under this contract, except for those specifically consented to by both parties or as stated above, shall be void.

7. CONTRACTOR shall, during the entire term of this agreement, be construed to be an independent contractor and nothing in this agreement is intended nor shall be construed to create an employer-employee relationship, or a joint venture relationship. The services to be provided by CONTRACTOR shall be provided in a manner consistent with the professional standards applicable

to such services. The sole interest of the COUNCIL is to ensure that the services shall be rendered and performed in a competent, efficient, and satisfactory manner. CONTRACTOR shall be fully responsible for payment of all taxes due to the State of California or Federal Government which would be withheld from compensation if CONTRACTOR were a COUNCIL employee. COUNCIL shall not be liable for deductions for any amount for any purpose from CONTRACTOR'S compensation. CONTRACTOR shall not be eligible for coverage under COUNCIL'S Workers' Compensation Insurance Plan nor shall CONTRACTOR be eligible for coverage for any other COUNCIL benefit.

8. CONTRACTOR shall hold harmless and indemnify the COUNCIL, Butte, Colusa, Feather River, Glenn, Placer, Sacramento, Shasta, Tehama, Yolo/Solano air districts, their elected officials, officers and employees, and agents against all claims, suits, actions, costs, counsel fees, expenses, damages, judgments or decrees by reason of any person's bodily injury, including death or property damage by CONTRACTOR or any person employed by CONTRACTOR or in any capacity during the progress of the work, whether by negligence or otherwise. CONTRACTOR shall also indemnify COUNCIL of any adverse determination made by the Internal Revenue Service or State Franchise Tax Board against COUNCIL with respect to CONTRACTOR'S "independent contractor" status that would establish a liability for failure to make social security or income tax withholding.

9. All certificates, endorsements, cancellations, and other notices required under this contract shall be delivered by CONTRACTOR to the following address:

Sacramento Valley Basinwide Air Pollution Control Council C/O Butte County AQMD 629 Entler Ave, Suite 15 Chico, CA 95928

All certificates, endorsements, cancellations, and other notices required under this contract shall be delivered by COUNCIL to the following address:

Butte County AQMD 629 Entler Ave, Suite 15 Chico, CA 95928 bcctacsecretary@gmail.com 10. In the performance of the work authorized under this contract, CONTRACTOR shall not discriminate against any worker because of race, creed, color, ancestry, religion, marital status, medical condition, age, physical or mental handicaps, veteran or non-veteran status, sex or national origin.

11. If any action at law or in equity is necessary to enforce or interpret the terms of this contract, the prevailing party shall be entitled to reasonable attorneys' fees, cost, and necessary disbursements in addition to any other relief to which such party may be entitled.

12. All non-proprietary reports, drawings, renderings, or other documents or materials prepared by CONTRACTOR hereunder shall become the property of the COUNCIL.

13. CONTRACTOR hereby covenants that, at the time of the execution of this contract, CONTRACTOR has no interest and shall not acquire any interest in the future, direct or indirect, which would conflict in any manner or degree with the performance of services required to be performed under this contract. CONTRACTOR also covenants that in the performance of this work, no person having any such interest shall be employed. CONTRACTOR will comply with any conflict of interest code approved by COUNCIL.

14. CONTRACTOR shall obtain and maintain continuously comprehensive professional and general liability insurance/or other insurance necessary to protect the public with limits of liability of not less than \$500,000 combined single-limit automotive bodily injury and property damage with appropriate coverage endorsements to include broad form contractual, broad form property damage, products and completed operations, hired and non-owned auto, personal injury, employee dishonesty and fire-legal liability applicable to this agreement. As an alternative, CONTRACTOR may procure and maintain the above insurance in the single limit of \$1,000,000.

Such insurance shall include the COUNCIL, Butte, Colusa, Feather River, Glenn, Placer, Sacramento, Shasta, Tehama, Yolo/Solano air districts, their elected officials, officers and employees, and agents as additionally insureds, and shall not be canceled without 30 days written notice delivered to the COUNCIL. CONTRACTOR shall provide COUNCIL with a certificate of insurance as evidence of insurance protection provided. Insurance certificates provided by any insurance company or underwriter shall not contain the language "endeavor to" and "but failure to mail such notice shall impose no obligation or liability of any kind upon the company," or similar language. If CONTRACTOR has employees, he/she shall obtain and maintain continuously Workers' Compensation Insurance to cover CONTRACTOR and CONTRACTOR'S employees and partners.

15. This agreement supersedes all previous agreements and constitutes the entire understanding of the parties hereto. CONTRACTOR shall be entitled to no other benefits other than those specified herein. No changes, amendments, or alterations shall be effective unless in writing and signed by both parties. CONTRACTOR specifically acknowledges that in entering into and executing this agreement, CONTRACTOR relies solely upon the provisions contained in this agreement and no others.

EXECUTED at <u>Sacramento County, California</u>.

SACRAMENTO VALLEY BASINWIDE AIR POLLUTION CONTROL COUNCIL

By:____

Eric Guerra, Chair, Basin Control Council

Date:_____

EXECUTED at <u>Butte County, California</u>.

CONTRACTOR

By:____

Stephen Ertle, Air Pollution Control Officer, BCAQMD

Date: _____

EXHIBIT A

RESPONSIBILITIES/ DUTIES OF THE SECRETARY-TREASURER

MEETINGS

- Prepare agendas and minutes for the BCC meetings and Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) meetings. Secretary shall assemble agenda packets for BCC members and submit to each member. Meeting packets for the TAC meetings will be distributed via electronic mail.
- Agendas shall be distributed no later than 72 hours prior to the meeting date and time in order to comply with the Brown Act.
- Attend TAC and BCC meetings as scheduled.

ADMINISTRATION

- Maintain a roster of current BCC members and TAC representatives including contact information.
- Receive and distribute correspondence and pertinent documents relating to the BCC and TAC.
- File updates with the California Secretary of State as necessary.
- Coordinate Form 700 filings with BCC and TAC members.
- Coordinate biennial Conflict of Interest Code review.
- Provide meeting material information for posting to the website.
- Respond to requests for public records from the public or districts.
- Provide all official records to the Records Custodian at the completion of the annual audit for the current fiscal year. Official records include but are not limited to meeting agendas and minutes, financial reports, fiscal records, bank statements, correspondence, budgets, contracts, and any other document associated with a meeting of the TAC or BCC.

FINANCIAL

- Invoice individual districts for the annual assessment fee as outlined in the approve budget for the BCC for the fiscal year.
- Prepare and present monthly fiscal reports to the TAC and BCC.
- Receive invoices and process payments for services for vendors.
- Review and reconcile monthly bank account statements utilizing QuickBooks.
- Coordinate bi-annual audit with outside auditors including providing any and all financial documentation necessary to facilitate the audit.
- Provide comments on draft audits as necessary.
- Prepare draft management discussion on audit reports.
- Present audit to TAC and BCC.
- Secretary-Treasurer shall coordinate with the TAC Chair to prepare and present draft budget for upcoming fiscal year.
- Draft public notice for hearing on the Smoke Management Plan and the annual budget and publish those notices in the newspapers of local circulation within the jurisdiction of the Sacramento Valley and participating districts.
- Coordinate with Districts to obtain permit totals for fee calculations.
- Prepare and file the Special Districts Financial Transactions Report and Government

Compensation Report with the State of California.

MISCELLANEOUS

- The Secretary-Treasurer shall be a mutual point of contact for all participating agencies of the BCC. Information exchange for districts may be coordinated by the Secretary via electronic mail or other means necessary for distributing information that is mutually beneficial to participating districts.
- The Secretary-Treasurer may complete other administrative tasks assigned by the TAC or BCC as they see fit within the 500 hour allotment provided for herein. Other such administrative tasks are not to be construed as additional duties.
- Should the Secretary-Treasurer be unable to attendance at any regularly scheduled or special meeting of the TAC or BCC, the Secretary shall notify the TAC Chair no later than 72 hours prior to the meeting (or in an emergency situation as soon as possible prior to the start of the meeting) and coordinate alternate arrangements for the recordation of the meeting proceedings.

RESPONSIBILITIES/ DUTIES OF THE BCC, TAC, AND DISTRICTS

MEETINGS

- Submit agenda items to the Secretary-Treasurer for placement on the agenda.
- Confirm BCC quorums.
- Recommend meeting schedule.
- Post meeting information on the internet. (Currently assigned to the Sacramento Metropolitan Air Quality Management District).

ADMINISTRATION

- TAC members shall provide information and documentation for agenda items to the Secretary-Treasurer via electronic mail at least 7 days prior to the meeting date.
- Districts shall provide current and up to date contact information for all TAC and BCC members at all times.
- The TAC Chair is to provide direction to the Secretary-Treasurer on all matters directly relating to the BCC and TAC.

FINANCIAL

- Proposed expenditures and revenue for the annual budget.
- The TAC Chair shall coordinate with the Secretary-Treasurer to prepare and present the draft budget for the upcoming fiscal year.
- The TAC Chair shall review and approve monthly invoices for payment prior to the issuance of payment by the Secretary-Treasurer.

Sacramento Valley Technical Advisory Committee

Title: BCC Legislative Day

Presenter: Sacramento-Metropolitan AQMD

Receive updates about plans for this 2-day event. Discuss talking points as developed by working group.

ATTACHMENTS:		
Description	Upload Date	Туре
Biomass Advocacy Schedule Rev 1 (DRAFT)	3/14/2025	Supporting Documents
Biomass to Bioenergy Benefits_DRAFT	3/14/2025	Supporting Documents
Edited 2025 Biomass Info Sheet for Legislative Day	3/14/2025	Supporting Documents



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Biomass Utilization Legislative Education Event

April 2-3, 2025

Wednesday, April 2, 2025

Travel to Sacramento

Time	Event	Where
11:00 AM – 12:30 PM	BCC Preparation Meeting & Working Lunch	TBD
1:00 – 4:00 PM	Meetings with Legislators and Relevant Committees	State Captiol
5:00 – 7:00 PM	BCC Dinner (On own or Group, TBD)	TBD

Thursday, April 3, 2025

Time	Event	Where
9:00 AM – 10:30 AM	BCC Meeting & Advocacy Preparation	TBD
10:30 AM – 12:00 PM	Meetings with Key Members (Senate Pro Tempe, Assembly Speaker, Governor's Office)	State Captiol
12:00 PM – 1:30 PM	Working Lunch (w/ Agency Staff)	TBD
1:30 PM – 3:30 PM	Meetings with Key Agencies (CDFA, Governor's Office, etc.)	State Capitol
3:30 PM – 4:00 PM	Wrap up	TBD

Travel Home

Goals for Biomass Legislative Education Event

The Basinwide Control Council is charged with overseeing the Smoke Management Program and promoting air quality in the Sacramento Valley Air Basin (SVAB). A key focus in recent years has been to increase biomass utilization for bioenergy and beneficial bioproducts and reduce agricultural and prescribed burning and associated smoke and impacts to air quality. The planned legislative education event will focus on educating key legislators, committees and other state agencies to seek funding for biomass utilization projects in the SVAB region.

General Event Logistics

- Meetings with legislators will be done by separate BCC member teams.
- Each team will be made up of 2-3 representative districts and 3-6 BCC/TAC members.
- Meetings will generally last 30 minutes.
- Day 1 will focus on meeting with legislators (Thursday legislators are in session and less available to meet)
- Day 2 will focus on meeting with other key agencies and potential supporters

BCC Member Expectations

- BCC Members will be essential to reaching out to their regional legislator(s) to schedule a meeting on April 2.
- BCC members that agree to assist with this effort will need to make contact with their legislator in the first week of March.
- Materials will be provided to support BCC Members
 - Save the Date email template
 - Education 2-page document
 - o Talking Points



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AGRICULTURAL BIOMASS UTILIZATION FOR CLEAN ENERGY BENEFITS

WHAT IS THE PROBLEM?

With nearly \$60 billion in cash receipts from the growing of hundreds of different commodities, California's agricultural industry is a major contributor to the state's economic growth. Northern California accounts for approximately 10% of this output. Biomass generated from ag crops has long been considered a waste biproduct slated for destruction through open burning. Burning waste is economical and convenient relative to chipping, shredding, and mulching, which are practices made possible only with state funds to offset the higher costs. But burning creates ozone and particle pollution and a ban is in effect in the San Joaquin Valley. The state's carbon neutrality goals also include priorities for increased carbon storage and biomass utilization, but funding is needed to scale up projects.

WHAT IS THE SOLUTION?

There is a better way to utilize this ubiquitous and renewable resource that will result in significant air quality benefits, contribute to California's push toward clean energy alternatives, and provide increased prosperity to rural communities that need jobs and innovation the most. Biomass-to-fuels is a viable option for producing high-value liquid and gaseous carbon-negative fuels. The Bioeconomy Development Opportunity Zone Initiative (BDO Zone) recently assessed Northern California as having tens of thousands of tons of agricultural residue annually that can be converted into usable products like biochar and hydrogen. In essence, the region is ready for a new "biomass energy 2.0" that transitions the industry from conventional biomass energy combustion practices to new sustainable approaches with the right legislative signals, supportive policies, and public and private investments to harness the potential opportunities. The solutions we are pursuing here for agricultural biomass are similarly viable and relevant for forest biomass.

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WHAT IS THE ASK?

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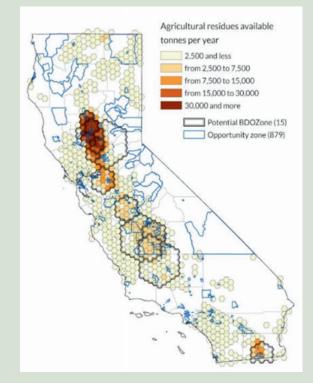
THE MULTIPLE BENEFITS OF BIOMASS UTILIZATION

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WHAT IS THE PROBLEM?

To maintain optimal production rates, growers pull out tree and vine crops when sustained production levels drop (varying years for each commodity) or when significant market demands change that economically justify a new crop to be planted. With nearly \$60 billion in cash receipts from the growing of hundreds of different commodities, California's agricultural industry is a major contributor to the state's economic growth. Northern California accounts for approximately 10% of this output. Biomass generated from agricultural crops has long been considered a waste byiproduct slated for destruction often through open burning. Burning waste is economical and convenient relative to chipping, shredding, and mulching, which are practices made possible only with state funds to offset the higher costs. <u>Furthermore, But</u> burning creates ozone and particle pollution and a ban is <u>now</u> in effect in the San Joaquin Valley. The state's carbon neutrality goals also include priorities for increased carbon storage and biomass utilization, <u>but funding is needed</u> to scale up projects. To reach these goals, a collaborative approach with impacted industry groups, biomass entrepreneurs, and air quality regulators is imperative.

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Expanding the options available to farmers when orchard tear-outs occur; creates a bigger toolbox of solutions. It is vital that increased choices are available which are both economically viable for the farmer and the user of the by-product, as well as provide solutions that measurably improves

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ON FARM DIVERSIFICATION

When farmers have opportunities to diversify their operations it builds in additional financial benefits. For example, when growing almonds, the nut is the primary product and the shell the secondary product each year. With an economically viable biomass project developed and the life of the orchard is over at about 25-30 years of age, the farmer can direct that orchard for a final use. Commodity prices are always fluctuating; anytime farmers have ways to expand markets and increase sales it helps build stability to the overall farming operation. The development of a biomass market would have to provide a greater financial benefit over open burning.

IMPROVES AIR QUALITY BY REDUCING A CLIMATE POLLUTANT-_FOR HEALTHIER COMMUNITIES

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Sacramento Valley Technical Advisory Committee

Title: Additions or Deletions to April 2025 TAC Agenda

Presenter: BCC/TAC Secretary/Treasurer

Recommended action: set agenda for TAC for April 16, 2025 meeting.

ATTACHMENTS: Description 2025-4-16 PRELIMINARYApril TAC Agenda

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- 1. Call to Order / Roll Call / Introductions
- 2. Period of Public Comment

- **3.** Approval of Minutes from March 19, 2025 Meeting Motion needed.
- **4.** Approval of Financial Status Report as of March 31, 2025 Motion needed.
- 5. Status Reports
 - a. CA Air Pollution Control Officers Association (CAPCOA)
 - **b.** The Professionals Allyson Smith
 - c. CA Air Resources Board (CARB) Adam Gerber
 - d. Smoke Management Program (SMP) SMP Coordinator Kai Tawa

6. Draft 2025-26 Budget

Review FY2025-26 budget (motion needed).

- 7. New Working Group, Smoke Management Issues Chris Brown Receive report from new working group.
- 8. BCC Legislative Day Sacramento-Metropolitan AQMD Receive report about 2-day event.

9. Biomass Energy Reports, discussions and plans related to Biomass Energy.

10. Member Reports and Future Agenda Items Receive reports from local air districts and suggestions for potential topics at future meetings.

- **11.** Additions or Deletions to May 2025 TAC Agenda Recommended action: set agenda for TAC for May 21, 2025 meeting.
- 12. Next TAC meeting: May 21, 2025, at 1:30pm. Hosted by: Sacramento-Metropolitan AQMD
- 13. Next BCC meeting: June 6, 2025, at 10am. Hosted by: Colusa County APCD In-person meeting.

14. Adjourn Meeting

MEETING AGENDAS ARE POSTED BY EACH MEMBER AIR DISTRICT OF THE SACRAMENTO VALLEY BASIN AND AT THE SVBCCWEB SITE LISTED BELOW.

Meeting information can be viewed at <u>www.airquality.org/SVBCC</u> Questions, comments, and correspondence may be directed to:

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