

## **MEMORANDUM**

**TO:** Community Advisory Council Members

**FROM:** Ron Tan (961-8812)

**DATE:** October 14, 2009

**SUBJECT:** Input on the format for presenting the 2010 Clean Air Plan to the Community

**Advisory Council** 

The California Clean Air Act requires that we report our progress in meeting state mandates and revise our 1991 Air Quality Attainment Plan to reflect changing conditions on a triennial basis. There are two major items required to be in the triennial update: a Triennial Progress Report and a Triennial Plan Revision. The Triennial Progress Report must assess the overall effectiveness of an air quality program and the extent of air quality improvement resulting from the Plan. The Triennial Plan Revision must correct for deficiencies in meeting the interim measures of progress and incorporate new data or projections into the Plan.

Our next Triennial Plan Revision and Progress report will be our 2010 Clean Air Plan (2010 Plan) which we are currently preparing. The 2010 Plan will be brought chapter-by-chapter to the CAC for your review commencing in early 2010. Our proposed plan organization is:

**Executive Summary** 

Chapter 1, <u>Introduction</u>, describes the purpose of the 2010 Plan

Chapter 2, <u>Local Air Quality</u>, provides a summary of Santa Barbara County's climatology, air quality trends, and discusses the status of ARB's re-assessment of our transport contributions to neighboring air districts.

Chapter 3, <u>Emission Inventory</u>, establishes a baseline emissions inventory for Santa Barbara County by quantifying the emissions of reactive organic compounds and oxides of nitrogen for the year 2007. This emission inventory is tailored to meet state requirements.

Chapter 4, <u>Emission Control Measures</u>, provides an overview of the APCD's control measures in relation to the "every feasible measure" requirement of the State Act. This chapter identifies the status of each control measure in relation to state requirements.

Chapter 5, <u>Transportation Control Measures</u>, describes all transportation-related control measures, and identifies their applicability to state requirements.

Chapter 6, <u>Emission Forecasting</u>, details the forecast procedures used to develop future year emission inventories for 2020 and 2030.

Chapter 7, <u>State Clean Air Requirements</u>, provides an overview of all state Clean Air Act planning requirements and discusses how the work completed in conjunction with this 2010 Plan complies with all applicable requirements.

Chapter 8. <u>State mandated Triennial Progress Report and Triennial Plan Revision</u> satisfies Health and Safety Code requires to document our progress towards meeting the state ambient air quality standards.

Chapter 9, <u>Climate Protection</u>, presents an overview of global climate change issues and provides a baseline 2007 carbon dioxide (CO<sub>2</sub>) inventory for the county.

Chapter 10, <u>Public Participation</u>, summarizes all public input received during the development of this 2010 Plan.

In the past, we have taken several approaches when presenting a new plan for the CAC's review. One, the most used approach, is to provide each chapter in the new plan in its entirety. Another, which has been requested by past CACs, relies on the fact that each successive Triennial Plan Revision and Progress report is based in large part on the previous one. Rather than to provide a chapter of the new plan in it's entirety, only those pages of a chapter which have been modified (as shown in strikeout and underline format) from the previous plan are given to the CAC. The third approach, somewhat of a hybrid of the first two, is to provide each chapter of the new plan in its entirety, but to indicate changes from the previous version using strikeouts and underlining.

Staff is requesting the CAC for input as to which format it prefers.