

AB 617 Community Participants Needed

Through implementation of the new AB 617 Community Air Protection Program, new resources have been committed to the Valley to reduce air pollution, improve quality of life, and help the region meet its clean air mandates. The California Air Resources Board (CARB) announced the selection of South Central Fresno (including Calwa and Malaga) and the City of Shafter as the first Valley communities to receive additional resources under AB 617.

The Valley Air District is now establishing a steering committee for each of those communities and is seeking involvement from interested residents, businesses and other members of the community to help the District understand the specific needs of each community and develop effective clean air strategies.

The basic role of the Steering Committee will include:

- Work with the District to establish a Steering Committee Charter
- Help the District understand community concerns, including socioeconomic burdens, location of sensitive receptors, etc.
- Identification of local mobile and stationary sources
- Assist in developing any community monitoring plan necessary to determine whether local sources are impacting community air quality
- Assist in developing community-specific steering committee webpage
- Assist with the public engagement process
- Assist in identifying and evaluating emission reduction opportunities, including socioeconomic considerations of actions identified

Membership

- The core of the steering committee should directly represent the residents and businesses in the community.
- Additional committee members may include representatives from city and county planning agencies, transportation agencies, health departments, faith-based groups, and schools.
- All interested stakeholders not appointed to the steering committee will be encouraged to participate at all public meetings.
- To ensure that the community steering committee focuses on the needs of the residents, a majority of the members must be community residents.

If you are interested in becoming a member of the Steering Committee for your community, please complete and return the application below as soon as possible. You will then be contacted about upcoming meetings and the Community Steering Committee membership selection process.

If you have questions about the process, please email AB617@valleyair.org or call 559-230-6000.

Application on following page

Information provided by you on this application (including contact or other personal information) is a public record and may be released in response to a California Public Records Act request. Names of all applicants will be posted on the District's AB 617 webpage.



AB 617 South Central Fresno Steering Committee Membership

Applicant Info

First and Last Name _____

Mailing Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____

E-mail Address _____ Primary Phone _____

Community Involvement

Community Involvement *(check all that apply)* **Home Address within Boundary**

Resident of community _____

Own, manage, or directly represent business in community
Name _____
Address _____

Locally-based business association
(Association's address must be within boundary)
Name _____
Address _____

Work at business in community
(Representing self, not business)
Name _____
Address _____

Please provide name of Entity/Agency

Local Government Name _____

Health Care, School Association or Faith-based Name _____

Local Community-based Environmental Justice Organization Name _____

Briefly explain your involvement with the community and knowledge, experience, or perspective you can bring to the Community Steering Committee. These statements may be posted on the AB 617 website as part of the community steering committee member page.

Verify

Being a member of this Steering Committee will require commitment, participation and attendance at regular meetings. If selected for the community steering committee, limited personal information (excluding contact details) may be shared with the public and posted on the AB 617 website.

By signing this application, I hereby certify that all the information provided is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Signature _____ Date _____

Submit

Submit application to: AB617@valleyair.org **Or by mail to:** San Joaquin Valley Air Pollution Control District
(Digital or wet signatures are accepted) Attention: AB617 Steering Committee Application
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