

AB 617 Community Participants Needed in Arvin/Lamont Area

The California Air Resources Board (CARB) recently announced the selection of Arvin/Lamont Area as the next Valley AB 617 community. Through implementation of the 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 Valley meet its clean air goals.

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

The basic role of the Community Steering Committee will be to assist the District in:

- *Establishing final community boundary*
- *Establishing a Community Steering Committee Charter*
- *Understanding community concerns, including socioeconomic burdens, location of sensitive receptors, etc.*
- *Identifying local sources of emissions, including mobile and stationary sources*
- *Developing a community monitoring plan necessary to determine whether local emission sources are impacting community air quality*
- *Identifying and evaluating emission reduction opportunities, including socioeconomic considerations of actions identified*
- *Engaging the public with the process*

Membership

- *The core of the community steering committee should directly represent the residents and businesses in the community, with the majority of members consisting of residents of 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 community 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 Community Steering Committee for Arvin/Lamont Area, 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.

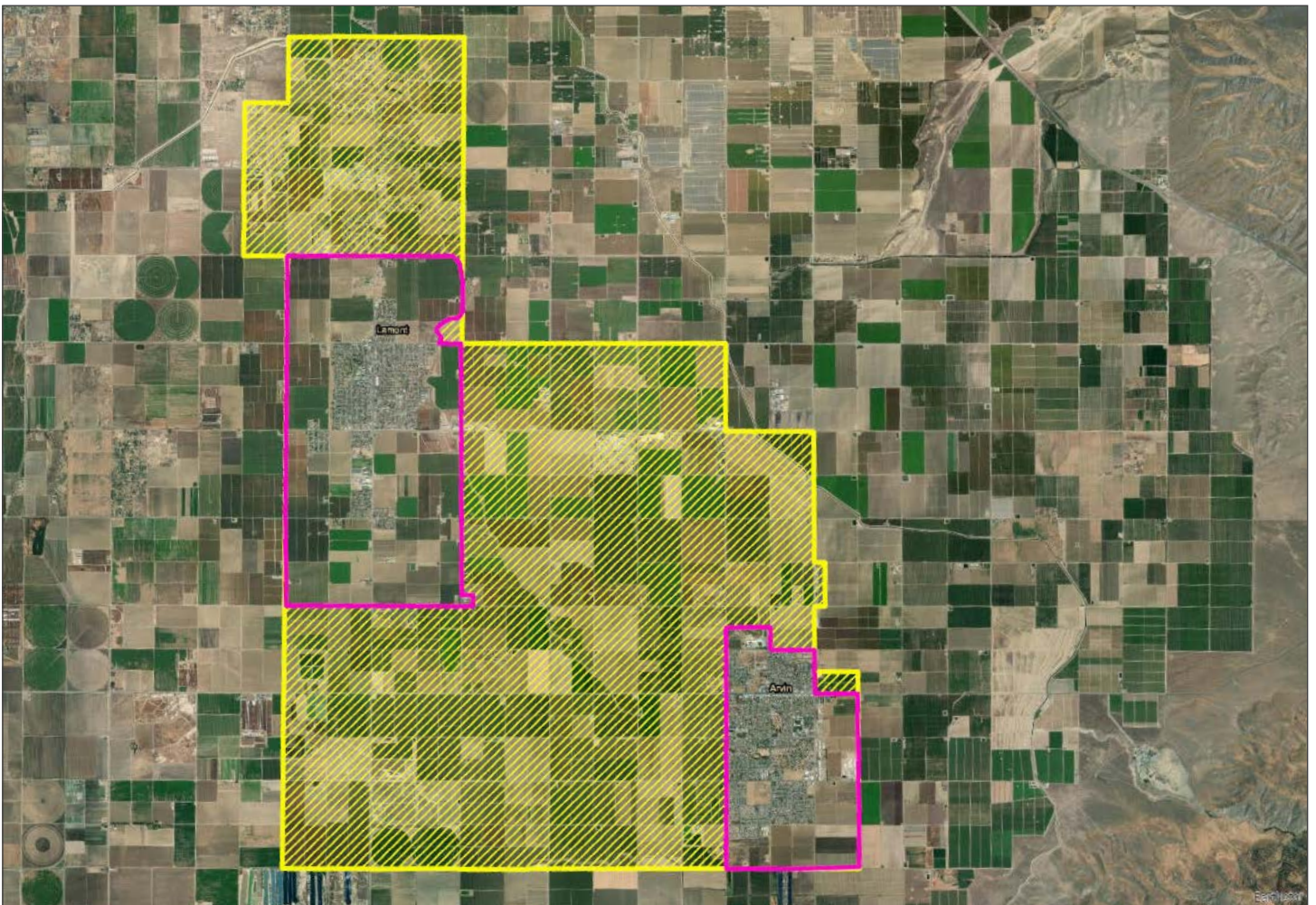
If you have questions about the process, please email AB617@valleyair.org or call 559-230-6000.

Community Steering Committee Application for Expanded Boundary

On May 26, 2021, the Arvin/Lamont AB 617 Community Steering Committee voted to expand the boundary from the PINK highlighted area to both the PINK and YELLOW highlighted areas of the map below. The District is now accepting applications from individuals who live or work within the **expanded** area highlighted in YELLOW. The District will not be accepting applications for the original boundaries highlighted in PINK.

Completed applications are due back to the District no later than **June 9, 2021**. Visit the District's AB 617 website www.valleyair.org/community for other information.

Please email AB617@valleyair.org with any questions.



^Click on map to open web-based map^

Application on following page



AB 617 Arvin/Lamont Area Community Steering Committee Membership

Applicant Info

First and Last Name _____

Mailing Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____

E-mail Address _____ Primary Phone _____

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

Resident of community _____

Please Provide Name of Business AND Corresponding Address within Boundary

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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