

1-29-09 BCCAC Meeting Minutes

1. Announcements from Members;

- ❑ IBM is now LEAD Certified (SILVER). They are currently working on a single waste stream, and compost program.
- ❑ Car Shares is now eGo Car Shares- The program is now electronic with access cards to for easy access to vehicles. Denver is offering free parking to all car share (eGo) members. RTD Pilot in 2009 will use Access Cards instead of the Ecopass.

2. Mow Down Pollution- Lawn Mower Exchange with the RAQC

The BCCAC will partner with the Regional Air Quality Council to sponsor a lawn mower change out on Saturday May 2, 2009. The RAQC would like us to find a location in Longmont that is accessible by Highway, has two entrances, and is large enough to accommodate a trailer and high traffic and ok with the property owner. IBM is looking into the possibility of using their facility and we will research other options in Longmont.

3. 2008 Clean Air Challenge Summary/Result

This year's challenge generated the largest participation turnout to date with 374 registered participants and 218 competed. A summary table of the results from the last 5 Clean Air Challenges was provided and is attached.

4. Planning & Outreach for 2009 (Clean Air Challenge Changes/Direction)

BCCAC has decided to continue the Clean Air Challenge in 2009. In order to improve the contest and continue to rally new participation the following changes will be made: Work at getting other Counties involved, promote the challenge through new avenues such as through the Commission Report, Boulder Film Festival (Bike Festival), and partnerships; streamline the participation instruction and data input, e-mail participants with status and point tallies; offer choices for the Grand Prize (bike, RTD pass, Energy Efficient Home Improvement). Add other environmentally friendly prizes, as Energy Audits, Car Share for a month, 10-card RTD pass.

5. Updates:

- ❑ Clean Car/CAFÉ standards- Obama administration has requested a review of the Clean Car & CAFÉ standard waiver for California. Federal CAFÉ short-term standards are being looked at which is good news for Greenhouse Gas emissions. 13 States have already adopted the standards. This will affect half of the car produced in the U.S. and 40% of those are sold in the US. New standards could begin as early as 2011.
- ❑ The Air Quality Control Commission adopted the Denver Metro Area Northern Action Plan for Ozone. The plan focuses on reducing ground level ozone emissions from Oil & Gas, resetting motor vehicle cut points, re-instating the

- Inspection Maintenance program in the Northern Front Range, and tightening up rules for collector plates.
- Second Phase of the ozone plan will begin a process of reducing emissions prior to 2014 and include ozone fuel strategies such as reformulated fuel and ethanol considerations. The Ozone Action Plan can be found at <http://www.cdphe.state.co.us/ap/ozonestakeholder.html>
 - Regional Haze: The state has begun modeling for ozone in the 2015 and 2020 timeframe. This is being done to respond to the Governor's directive that staff moves quickly to bring the state into compliance with the new health-based ozone standard of .075 ppm. In addition, this modeling will inform the Regional Haze planning process by identifying any possible increases in ozone formation that could occur due to reductions in nitrogen oxides that could be advantageous for visibility. Recent modeling showed slight increases in areas well below the ozone standard with a reduction in nitrogen oxides, due to the scavenging effect of nitrogen. The Air Quality Control Commission will be holding a rulemaking hearing in December on Regional Haze strategies.