

REPORT

DATE: February 20, 2020

TO: Governing Board Delegates and Alternates

FROM: South Coast Air Quality Management District

RE: **MONTHLY LIAISON REPORT**

FEBRUARY GOVERNING BOARD LIAISON REPORT

The Award-Winning Air Quality App now available in Spanish - App Now includes Info on UV Index and Access to South Coast AQMD videos

On January 30, the South Coast AQMD announced the launch of the Spanish version of its award-winning smartphone application. This is the first government agency in California to provide air quality information in Spanish to residents.

“Los Angeles County has the largest Spanish-speaking population of any county in the United States,” said Wayne Nastri, South Coast AQMD’s Executive Officer. “It is important that we provide access to air quality information that can have a direct impact to the millions of residents who live in the air district.”

The app features interactive maps of the South Coast Air Basin showing current and forecasted air quality conditions that can be set for multiple cities, such as work, home, and frequently visited places, all at the same time. The app also allows users to get alerts when air quality changes in your area or for health alerts due to events such as smoke from wildfires.

Additional features include locations for alternative fueling, agency announcements, public events, meetings, and workshops. Recent enhancements now allow live streaming of events and archived videos directly from your phone. Other featured upgrades include atmospheric information such as UV index, humidity, and wind.

Pressing the app’s 1-800-CUT-SMOG button will place a call to the South Coast AQMD’s 24-hour complaint hotline where users can report smoking vehicles, other air quality complaints and businesses with air quality permits can report equipment breakdowns.

The South Coast AQMD app won two awards at the Government Technology (GovTech) and AT&T Special Districts award ceremony back in March. The app itself was recognized for technology innovation in the “Citizens Category” while South Coast AQMD’s Chief Information Officer, Ron Moskowitz, was recognized in the “Leadership Category.”

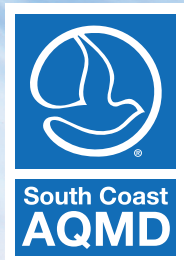
The app is free and available on Android and Apple devices, including the Apple Watch (www.aqmd.gov/mobileapp). The app will detect the default language on your phone and changes its language to match. To test out this feature, you can simply switch your phone’s default language into Spanish or English and head back to the South Coast AQMD app to see the change.

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ATTACHMENTS

Attachment A - Commercial Lawn & Garden Equipment Incentive & Exchange Program



**South Coast
Air Quality
Management
District**

Attachment A Commercial *Electric*

Lawn & Garden EQUIPMENT Incentive & Exchange Program

Find your local **Participating Dealer** location by visiting:

www.aqmd.gov/lawnmower

Eligibility

- Commercial Gardeners/Landscapers
- Local Government Agencies, School Districts & Colleges
- Non-Profit Organizations
- Participants Must Reside or Provide Service Within the South Coast Basin

To speak to a staff person call 888-425-6247 (Tuesday – Friday 7:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.)



| | EQUIPMENT | PROGRAM PRICE | INCENTIVE FUNDS | CUSTOMER PAYS* |
|------------------|------------------------------------|---------------|-----------------|----------------|
| Oregon | Backpack Blower Model BL120V-NA | \$1,088 | \$816 | \$272 |
| Stihl | Leaf Blower BGA 100, AR 3000 | \$1,080 | \$810 | \$270 |
| Echo | Handheld Blower CPLB 58V2AH | \$184 | \$138 | \$46 |
| Husqvarna | Quiet Leaf Blower 550iBTx | \$1,200 | \$900 | \$300 |
| Makita | Handheld Blower XBU02PT1 | \$290 | \$218 | \$72 |

To view a full list of available equipment, please visit our website!

Products
Available



*Prices effective January 27, 2020

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