

State Advisory Board on Air Pollution (SABAP) Meeting Minutes  
DEQ – Piedmont Regional Office  
January 19, 2012  
10:00am – 2:00pm

- Meeting was called to order by SAB Chair, Charlie Forbes at 10:00 am.
- In attendance were: Daniel Ancona, Jim Christman, Dan Demers, Dean Downs, Charlie Forbes, Ted Handel, Richard Langford, Joe Loschiavo, Kevin McGunnigle, Anil Mehrotra, John Roland, and Cathy Taylor.
- Members unable to attend were: Andrea Arredondo, Brian Castelli, Dave Coffin, Tom Cormons, Evans Drake, Daniel Goldstein, Paige Holt, Ron Jefferson, Gerald Pellett, Deborah Randolph, Sheryl Raulston, Bill Shobe, and Lowell Smith.
- Rodney Sobin was in attendance for Brian Castelli.
- DEQ staff in attendance was Alma Banks, Mike Dowd, and Tamera Thompson.
- The SAB Chair distributed the charter to the board members for an overview of roles and responsibilities.
- Selection for Vice Chair was tabled until the next meeting.
- Discussed the following topics for possible group projects for 2012:
  1. [A review of resources](#) on converting energy efficiency (EE) and renewable energy (RE) measures into avoided emissions for both criteria pollutants and greenhouse gases.
  2. Examination of the potential for further use in Virginia of output-based emissions standards and for crediting emissions benefits of useful heat recovery in CHP and energy recovery from otherwise flared gases.
  3. Impacts to Virginia air quality due to highway congestion. The air quality impacts that result from the lack of an adequate transportation program in the state have received very little discussion by either the administration or general assembly. It may prove helpful to provide the Virginia Air Pollution Control Board with a summary report which quantifies, to the extent possible, the significance of the congestion problem and increased emissions from idling as well as the additional time it takes for backed-up vehicles to reach their destination. This report could then be forwarded to the appropriate agencies and/or general assembly to add the detrimental environmental impacts of congestion as an important element in the decision process on transportation infrastructure improvements.
  4. Inventory and trends in methane and soot sources in Virginia.

- After discussion, the Board agreed to table ideas for new projects. Brief summaries of possible topics should be submitted for future consideration. The group agreed to focus initially on completing the two unfinished projects from last year. If time remains after we get the existing projects done, we will consider other topics at that time.
- SABAP meeting schedule for 2012 is:
  - Tuesday, March 13, 2012
  - Wednesday, May 23, 2012
  - Wednesday, July 18, 2012
  - Wednesday, September 19, 2012
  - Wednesday, November 14, 2012
- The next SABAP meeting will be held on March 13, 2012 in the PRO Training Room.
- The meeting adjourned at 2:00 pm.