

**BAYVIEW HUNTESPOINT ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE RESPONSE TASK FORCE
MEETING MINUTES**

Thursday, September 20, 2018

The Bayview Hunters Point Environmental Justice Response Task Force convened the monthly meeting at the Southeast Community Facility at 1800 Oakdale Avenue, Alex Pitcher Room, Bayview Hunters Point, San Francisco, California. Facilitated by Bradley Angel of Greenaction for Health and Environmental Justice. Minutes taken by Sheridan Noelani Enomoto of Greenaction for Health and Environmental Justice.

5:30pm Dinner provided by Janice of Greenaction for Health and Environmental Justice

6:10pm Welcome by Bradley Angel from Greenaction for Health and Environmental Justice

Review of August 2018 Minutes and Meeting Agenda

Review of New Pollution Complaints filed on IVAN (Identifying Violations Affecting the Neighborhood) – No pollution complaints at this time

6:15pm Bayview Hunters Point Diesel Education and Emissions Reduction Project Results and Update by Bradley Angel:

This Project focused on the affects of diesel idling within BVHP and informing the community, both diesel truckers and residents. Funding was provided by the California Air Resources Board (CARB). The groundwork of the Project included Community Outreach Workers/Team-Leaotis Martin from the Bayview Hunters Point Mothers and Fathers Committee, Chris Hunter contracted by Greenaction for the Health and Environmental Justice, and Tashaun Holloway, a youth and resident of BVHP. Janice Hunter of Greenaction served as the Project Coordinator. The Community Outreach Team monitored and provided educational information for a period of 10 months in BVHP. The Project proved to be successful-diesel idling has significantly reduced.

6:28pm Preliminary Report of Volatile Organic Compounds (VOCs) Analysis in Bayview Hunters Point presented by San Francisco State University, student Emily Fan and Professor Peter T. Palmer

Power Point Presentation is attached with the Minutes:

The preliminary report covered 3 months, 6 locations throughout BVHP, and 10 VOCs were analyzed.

Community Questions and Concerns:

There needs to more data for analysis.

The limit measurements are calculated differently by agencies, such as the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) What are the limits for BAAQMD (Bay Area Air Quality

Management District)? OEHHA (Office of Environmental Health Hazard Assessment)? SFDPH (San Francisco Department of Public Health)?

7:06pm Update on Community Air Monitoring Project by Bradley Angel from Greenaction for Health and Environmental Justice

The AB 617 Air Monitoring Project is a two-year project and is comprised of a ten person advisory group that included BVHP community members/organizations, an academic, and is in partnership with the California Health Tracking Program, the Public Health Institute and Comite Civico del Valle who founded IVAN. The advisory group plans to meet in January. The goal is to place 10 air monitors in 10 locations based on community knowledge and technical expertise. Once the air monitors are functioning, the results will be directly fed into the BVHP IVAN.

7:16pm Presentation by Miriam Gordon from UPSTREAM regarding changing our “throw-away culture”

Power Point Presentation is attached with the Minutes:

The presentation described the challenges of plastic pollution in waterways and airways. UPSTREAM is working for resolutions to these challenges.

Community Questions and Concerns:

How does plastic get into the Bay? Can I receive a discount if I bring my own mug?

The San Francisco Plastic Bag Ban-We were there from the beginning...when are we are going to stop wrapping everything in plastic? Let's get to the real source and not keep placing the burden on consumers...

Could they take that program and work on cleaning up the streets?

In regards to food service and the use of reusable containers- can the Health Department provide a wavier for businesses or what is the health code?

7:53pm Announcements

September 27th- CARB Resource Fair

October 16th –Breast Cancer Listening Session –Nancy Buermeyer with Flyer

October 16th-India Basin Appeal at City Hall- Board of Supervisors Land Use Committee Meeting

October 17th- Environmental Justice Tour for Government Officials will be attending October's Task Force Meeting, please attend

October 17th-Next Task Force Meeting at the Southeast Community Facility, from 2:00p-4:00pm

8:00 pm Meeting Adjourned

Additional Community Comments to the Minutes Added September 24th from meeting attendee Michelle Pierce:

Per your request at the BVHP EJ Task Force meeting on September 20, 2018, I conveyed 2 questions to Karen Cohn for responses. Please see below for the answers. Please share the answers with the Task Force.

1. What standard does SFDPH use for analysis of levels of VOCs?

ANSWER: Are we talking about air or soil? In soil we use the RWQCB's Environmental Screening Levels or the DTSC's Human Health Screening Levels, we also use Title 22 or Title 23 regulatory standards.

VOC measurement in air is a BAAQMD standard.

2. What is the status of a waiver for use of personal reusable containers at restaurants and fast food outlets? Is any work being done to add food to the waiver for reusable beverage containers?

ANSWER: We are working with the department of the Environment as this is their legislation. We are considering allowing people to bring containers from home to place an order in, however, the food will come from the kitchen to a delivery area where the customer will put the food item into their containers. The container will not go to the food preparation area.