

VALLEY AIR NEWS

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Two new city representatives join the District's Governing Board

During the Special City Selection Committee Meeting in April, two new city representatives were appointed to the Valley Air District's Governing Board.

Councilmember Rosa Escutia-Braaton, who represents District 1 on the Modesto City Council, is the new Large City Representative for Stanislaus County. Before her election to the City Council in 2020, she was appointed to Modesto's Cultural Commission in 2013 and the City's Planning Commission in 2014. She also is a member of the Stanislaus Council of Governments.

Councilmember Gilberto Reyna, who represents District 1 on the Wasco City Council, is the new Small City Representative for Kern County. A former Wasco mayor, Reyna is a board member of Kern Council of Governments and served on the Wasco Union Elementary School Board.



Shafter CSC holds its May meeting in person

More than 40 people attended the Shafter Community Steering Committee (CSC) meeting on May 8 at the Shafter Ford Theater. The doors opened at 4:30 p.m. to check-in, enjoy food and settle down at a table.

After an icebreaker, the bulk of the meeting was interactive with attendees visiting three main tables where they could learn more about and provide feedback on each of these topics, which pertain to measures in the Community Emissions Reduction Program: Residential Vehicle Replacement, Electric Vehicle Charging Infrastructure and Bike Paths.

Attendees also had a chance to visit other tables that were set up around the venue. One of the tables had staff from the Department of Pesticide Regulation, and they were available to answer any questions from the participants. At another table, participants were able to review a map that included CSC feedback from previous meetings to show possible Vegetative Barrier locations.

After the May meeting, CSC meetings are returning to Zoom.

To learn more about the Shafter AB 617 Community Steering Committee or to participate in meetings as a public member, visit the Shafter AB 617 [website](#).

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