

SACRAMENTO METROPOLITAN AIR QUALITY MANAGEMENT DISTRICT

The Sacramento Metropolitan Air Quality Management District (SMAQMD), created by state legislation (see State Health & Safety Code §40960), includes all of Sacramento County and its incorporated cities. State law (H&SC §40963) also allows the incorporation of all or part of Placer County but neither Sacramento nor Placer have pursued incorporation.

The SMAQMD is not a state or county agency. It is one of 35 local or regional air quality districts in California. It is part of the Sacramento Federal Nonattainment Area (SFNA), which is comprised of all of Sacramento and Yolo Counties, the eastern portion of Solano County, the southern portion of Sutter County and the western slopes of El Dorado and Placer Counties up to the Sierra crest and includes four other local air districts.

The SMAQMD is governed by a 14-member Board of Directors. The Board of Directors appoints an executive director/air pollution control officer to manage the SMAQMD's operations and a district counsel to advise the staff and Board. The district currently has about 90 employees.

District Operations:

Since the SMAQMD has no direct authority over vehicle emissions, its resources are primarily directed at the following efforts:

- Develop plans and regulations
- Enforcement
- Monitor Air Quality
- Provide incentive funding to clean up mobile sources of pollution
- Review land use and transportation-related projects to minimize air quality impacts
- Public education

SMAQMD Funding: Although the SMAQMD has about thirty sources of funding, its primary sources include:

- Department of Motor Vehicles
- Measure A
- Permits fees
- State and Federal grants
- Moyer and SECAT Programs

The SMAQMD is not within the Local Agency Formation Commission Authority's purview.

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