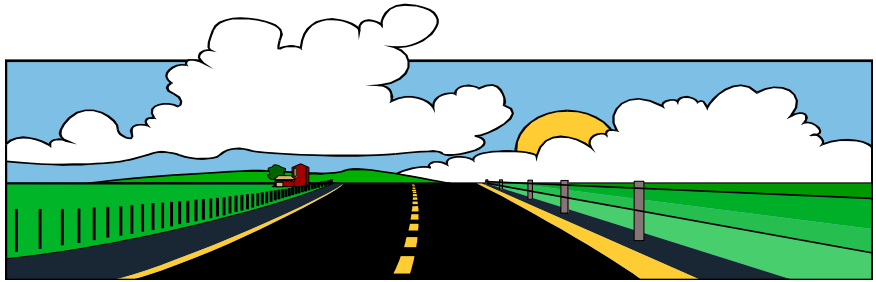


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CLEAN SCHOOL BUS U.S.A.

The solicitation announcement to allocate **\$7.5 million in funding for school districts** nationwide to upgrade their diesel bus fleets with emission control equipment will soon be posted at www.epa.gov/cleanschoolbus.

This is fiscal year 2005 cost-shared grant program funds and only school districts can apply.

U.S. EPA is suggesting school districts assess their fleets now and check the website regularly for application requirements and due dates!

CLEAN AIR AWARDS LUNCHEON

The **American Lung Association (ALA) of Sacramento-Emigrant Trails'** 29th Annual Clean Air Awards Luncheon will be held on May 5, 2005 from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. at the Sacramento Memorial Auditorium. This event honors area individuals and organizations that have shown their commitment to the ALA's mission of clean air, healthy lungs and the elimination of lung disease.

Major sponsors of the event include **Kaiser Permanente, KXJZ and KXPR, the Sacramento Air District, Sacramento Regional Transit and Sacramento Municipal Utility District.**

Contact Judy at 916-444-5864 or judyb@saclung.org for more information.

SACRAMENTO AIR DISTRICT RECEIVES \$150K AWARD TO CLEAN UP AMTRAK

On February 23rd the **U.S. EPA** awarded the **Sacramento Air District** a \$150,000 grant to install two **Cleaire Advanced Emission Controls** devices on **Amtrak** trains running between Sacramento and Oakland. Amtrak trains are owned by **Caltrans**. This project will reduce more than 6 tons of diesel particulate and nitrogen oxide emissions per year which will help the Sacramento region meet its air quality goals.

The grant is part of \$1.6 million in funding from the U.S. EPA's **National Clean Diesel Campaign**.

The U.S. EPA, Sacramento Air District, Caltrans, Amtrak and Cleaire hope to expand this pilot project to 11 more trains that operate from Oakland to Bakersfield as well as the Sacramento route.

For more information on the National Clean Diesel Campaign visit www.westcoastdiesel.org

FLEET CONFERENCE POSTPONED

The CAPCOA Fleet Conference originally scheduled for April 4th and 5th has been postponed until August 15th and 16th. The Clean Technologies Forum newsletter will inform you when RSVP information is available for the conference.

THANKS FOR READING!

PORTABLE CNG FUELING STATION AVAILABLE

Mid Coast Gas L.P. is making available portable CNG fueling stations for on-site fueling of cars and busses for \$150,000. The fueling station provides a compression rate of 90 CFM at 4,000 PSI with a storage capacity of 13,525 cubic feet and requires a natural gas line at 5 PSI and 110V electrical service. The station can be configured to provide fast fill and time fill operation.

Contact Mid Coast Gas L.P. at 209-824-5890 or info@midcoastgas.com.

HOT WEBSITES

The Sacramento Air District is pleased to announce that the **SECAT** website is back on the internet. Visit www.4secat.com for updated incentive program guidelines, application form, and both the on-road and off-road project calculators.

A new web page has been added to the Sacramento Air District's website. Visit www.airquality.org/sacdev for a quick reference for developers and construction companies on the Air District's **land use and construction mitigation requirements**. The web page provides the Air District's California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Guidance document and other useful evaluation tools.

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SPOTLIGHT on the SAN JUAN UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

The **San Juan Unified School District (SJUSD)** has been very proactive in cleaning up its diesel vehicle fleet.

Fleet Profile

Diesel	178
CNG	5
Gasoline	29

"Our goal is to retrofit 100 percent of our qualifying buses," said Nikki Hughes the Director of Transportation of SJUSD. Approximately 50 percent of the qualifying diesel powered vehicles currently utilize ultra low sulfur diesel and are retrofitted with **Donaldson DPM** diesel particulate filters. The DPM is a California Air Resources Board (CARB) Level III control devices, which guarantees an 85% reduction in particulate emissions. Although the SJUSD has utilized incentive funds from the CARB's Low-Emission School Bus program and the Toyota Mutual Settlement program to help clean up its fleet, SJUSD plans to move forward to install additional DPMs.

The SJUSD serves over 45,000 students in the northeast area of Sacramento County, including Sacramento, Arcade, Arden, Carmichael, Citrus Heights, Fair Oaks, portions of Folsom, Gold River, and Orangevale. The Sacramento Air District hopes the students, families and communities served by SJUSD would join us in saying "thank you" for making children's health a priority!

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