

WASHOE COUNTY HEALTH DISTRICT

ENHANCING QUALITY OF LIFE

WHEREAS, the Ozone Advance Program is a voluntary local approach to ozone attainment whose purpose is to encourage early emission reductions keeping Washoe County in attainment of the health-based National Ambient Air Quality Standard (NAAQS) for ozone; and

WHEREAS, an action plan under the Ozone Advance Program would achieve emission reductions by implementing voluntary measures tailored to Washoe County; and

WHEREAS, the Air Quality Management Division (AQMD) of the Washoe County Health District is responsible for ensuring the air we breathe meets the health-based NAAQS for all pollutants including ozone; and

WHEREAS, breathing harmful levels of ozone can trigger a variety of health problems including chest pain, coughing, throat irritation, and congestion; and

WHEREAS, children, the elderly, and those with existing respiratory illnesses are at greatest risk from exposure to ozone; and

WHEREAS, motor vehicles are the largest category of ozone precursor emissions; and

WHEREAS, measures to improve air quality benefit public health, the environment, and economic development; and

WHEREAS, clean air is essential to a healthy community; and

WHEREAS, a successful Ozone Advance Program will require a collaborative effort by all of the Health District's partners.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,

The Washoe County District Board of Health commits to support the following measures as part of the AQMD's Ozone Advance Program:

Measure 1: Support Health District and Regional plans that reduce ozone levels including:

- Air Quality State Implementation Plans
- Community Health Improvement Plans
- Regional Transportation Plans

Measure 2: Encourage sustainable plans, policies, and codes throughout Washoe County that:

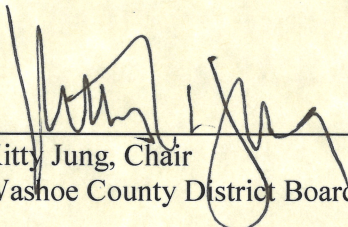
- Minimize motor vehicle trips and vehicle miles traveled
- Support active transportation such as walking and biking
- Support public transportation
- Minimize vehicle idling
- Reduce per capita energy usage
- Reduce per capita waste material taken to landfills
- Minimize water consumption and street runoff
- Increase the community's tree canopy

Measure 3: Implement sustainable practices in Health District operations including:

- Employee Trip Reduction programs
- Energy conservation and efficiency projects
- Limiting Health District vehicle idling to less than 3 minutes
- Keeping Health District vehicles maintained including properly inflated tires
- Increasing zero emissions and alternative fuel vehicles in the Health District fleet

This Resolution shall become effective upon adoption by the Washoe County District Board of Health.

ADOPTED this 25th day of February, 2016.



Kitty Jung, Chair
Washoe County District Board of Health