



**OHMVR COMMISSION MEETING
Upper Lake, CA 95485**

February 28, 2014

STAFF REPORT: Visitors Services Section
STAFF: Mike Lair, State Park Superintendent II
SUBJECT: Red Sticker Update

Summary

In early December 2013, staff from the California Air Resources Board (CARB) met with the Off-Highway Motor Vehicle Recreation (OHMVR) Division regarding upcoming workshops addressing the Red Sticker vehicle program. CARB discussed why they were holding the workshops and wanted to engage stakeholders in the assessment and development of an emission reduction strategy.

Discussion

At the July 2013 CARB meeting, one of the agenda items was regulations expanding evaporative emission control requirements for off-highway vehicles (OHVs), including both red and green sticker vehicles. The Board approved for adoption the proposed regulations with amendments, which included excluding red sticker vehicles from the standards until a study could be done to see what the true emissions were from the red sticker vehicle. The Board directed CARB staff to further assess red sticker vehicle usage, control technology, and costs. CARB staff is to provide an update and a proposed direction for moving forward to the Board in November 2014.

To meet the Board's direction at the July Board meeting for further data gathering, CARB put on three workshops in December 2013 at three locations. The first workshop was held in Sacramento followed by workshops in Fresno and Diamond Bar. The intent of the workshops was to involve stakeholders in developing solutions and to collaborate with state/federal agencies. Another part of the assessment is a public survey facilitated by California State University Sacramento with the help of CARB and the OHMVR Division.

A public workshop will be held on February 27, 2014, in Southern California to discuss the testing process of the motorcycles. The test will consist of 18 new motorcycles, both red and green sticker motorcycles, to establish a baseline for emissions.

Once the testing of the motorcycles is completed and the data are compiled and analyzed, a report will be generated. The results of the study, along with the public surveys, will be presented to CARB's Board for review and a proposed direction for moving forward. Some possible scenarios could be (1) do nothing, (2) require evaporative control devices on the motorcycles, or (3) set standards so red sticker motorcycles meet the 2018 standard of green sticker vehicles.

CARB has the authority to regulate emissions for all vehicles. The agency's authority comes from Health and Safety Code Section 39602.

Commission Action

For information only.

Attachments

None