



## Environmental Committee Meeting

Thursday, October 22, 2015 | 3:00pm – 4:30pm

**Special location for this meeting:**  
**Lennox Constituent Service Center, Del Aire Conference Room**  
**4343 Lennox Blvd, Lennox, CA 90904 (Parking available, enter on Hawthorne Blvd)**

**Committee Co-Chairs:** Scott Chan and Carla Truax  
**Second District Staff:** Lacey Johnson and Karly Katona

- Welcome/Introductions. Participants: David, Scott, Carla, Ava. See attendance sheet.
- Second District Update – tabled for next meeting
- Youth program planning
  - Environmental tour Nov 7: advertising and recruiting participants.
    - See outreach list and flyer draft
    - Added everyone to the shared folder for the youth program, including Ava and Andrew's new email addresses.
    - Added to outreach sheet for tour participants, wait for the final flyer and create a draft email we can use: Carla.
  - Recap of tour and deciding on planning for 2016 sessions – next meeting.
- Empowerment Congress Summit, January 16, 2016
  - Planning for Environmental Committee session

### Summit workshop outline:

- Parks: what you need in your neighborhood? Do you have park space in your neighborhood? Does your park need more trees, a community garden, a playground?
- Goals:
- Participants gain an awareness of the parks needs assessment meetings and planning process.
- Have large paper to write on, and stickers for an activity.
- Activity: how to get involved in the parks needs assessment and planning process. What are your Park needs? How do we get communities of color involved? Share our thoughts at the end with the supervisor in a short summary.
- Theme: environment, community involvement.
- “Zero” campaign on air pollution



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- Carla gave brief review on this coalition of organizations working on air pollution issues, opportunity to join. <http://zeroemissionsnow.net/>
- Announcements & general committee
  - EC and Committee Calendar
  - Membership: plan outreach to grow committee membership. Do this by choosing a theme, then inviting organizations who do that works.
  - Theme for next year: urban agriculture and parks.
  - Urban agriculture Summit March 12-13, Ava will send more information. Group proposed this to be an official committee event, and to have it at the exposition Park office.
- Next meeting dates:
  - Reschedule for November and December due to holidays, see what dates are available then poll the committee.
  - For next meeting: send a date poll. Daytime meeting at the Expo Park office. For November and December.
- Items for next meeting
  - Summit
  - Youth programs

### Committee calendar

#### 2015:

- A Tour of Your Flood Control District, October 24  
<http://empowermentcongress.org/2014/12/09/environmental-upcoming/>
- Transforming neighborhoods tour Nov 7

#### 2016:

- 24th Annual Empowerment Congress Summit, January 16, 2016
- Annual committee work plan due March 31, 2016
- Youth Environmental Leadership Institute, Spring/Summer 2016 (to be determined)
- April 15: 1st-quarter report due
- July 15: 2nd quarter report due
- October: Summit session proposal due
- October 15: 3rd quarter report due
- January 15: 4th quarter report due
- August: no meeting