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Favorable vote for clean air commuting

Fresno—Today the San Joaquin Valley Air Pollution Control District adopted its first clean air commuter rule, requiring Valley-based employers with more than 100 employees to reduce individual car trips made by their workers. Cars are currently the second largest source of smog-forming emissions in the region, so it is clear that employers should promote clean air commuting options to their employees.

“A clean air commute decreases pollution from cars and trucks and improves air quality; plus it boosts public health and employee performance,” said Fresno resident and Coalition for Clean Air (CCA) Campaign and Outreach Associate Laura Fultz Stout. “Clean air commuting is good for workers and employers alike.”

The ruling comes on the heels of a report released by CCA in June 2009, [Getting to work: your clean air commute. The report](#) highlights proven programs that can help workers improve their commutes while leaving their automobiles at home. With the adoption of today’s rule, employers can turn to CCA’s report to find many innovative and effective programs worthy of implementing among their employees.

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