

## **Energy Action Plan Highlights November 2007**

- March 2007: Energy Conservation Subcommittee established by CVAG Executive Committee. Subcommittee includes elected officials, city staff, utilities, members at large.
- April 2007: First Annual Energy Conservation Fair held over Earth Day weekend including Southern California Edison Energy Efficient Lamp Exchange.
- July 2007: Energy Conservation Subcommittee approves Energy Conservation Action Plan. This action plan lays out goals for the subcommittee and for the CVAG Energy Conservation/Efficiency Program including:
  - A Valley-wide goal to reduce per capita energy use in the Coachella Valley by 10% by 2012
  - Effort by each jurisdiction to develop model energy efficiency projects and showcase energy conservation in their building, facilities, and programs
  - Development of an Energy Sustainability Resource Manual, highlighting best practices
  - Development of baseline data on energy use to identify opportunities for energy conservation, track progress and measure successes
- September 2007: CVAG Executive Committee approves Energy Conservation Action Plan
- September – December 2007: Energy Conservation Subcommittee gathering baseline energy use data for each jurisdiction, with assistance from Southern California Edison, Southern California Gas Company, and Imperial Irrigation District
- November 2007 – April 2008: Energy Conservation Subcommittee approves model resolution for consideration by each jurisdiction whereby they will adopt energy conservation and efficiency goals and pledge to support energy programs
- December 2007: Baseline data to be analyzed by working group including Southern California Edison and other utilities
- January 2008: Energy Conservation Subcommittee will work with baseline energy use data to begin to formulate a Coachella Valley Energy Initiative, focused on ways to reduce energy use and improve energy efficiency. Jurisdictions would coordinate with utilities to identify programs suited to their individual energy use profile
- April 2008: CVAG partners with UC Riverside – Palm Desert to offer an Energy, Environment, and Economic Change Summit to focus on policy makers, to inspire and inform them about energy issues (April 25, 2008).