

Greetings,

Four major announcements for March 2008:

1. The Airshed Management Society in partnership with the Province of BC is delighted to announce two summer job postings for the Skeena- BVLVD Idling Reduction Campaign. Job applications close March 31, 2008. We are also looking for temporary housing and office space for these two individuals from May 19 – August 29; they will be on the road about 50% of the time. If you can help, contact me directly at info@cleanairplan.ca. For more details, visit <http://www.cleanairplan.ca> or apply directly to <http://bcconservationcorps.ca>.

2. *If you think it's smoky, and you want some money...* The **Skeena-BVLVD Woodstove Exchange Program** continues – in-store discounts are in effect until April 30, and many rebates are available from our municipal partners in addition to the AMS rebate of \$250. For more details, visit cleanairplan.ca or contact the Woodstove Xchange Hotline at 1-888-334-0335. Additional efforts are also underway to test the limits of local bylaws regarding nuisance smoke and how to approach neighbours who are good candidates for the Exchange Program. If this last statement resonates with you, contact us directly to offer or seek advice.

3. Mark your calendars! The BVLVD AMS 2008 AGM is officially scheduled for **Monday, June 16, 2008** and will be held in **Smithers BC**. This year's theme will be **"Are We Making A Difference?"**, Agenda items to include reports on beehive burner shutdown impacts, initial results from the BVLVD woodsmoke health study, assessment of woodsmoke bylaws, status of woodstove exchange program, and overall air quality assessment by BC Ministry of Environment. In addition, we will report out on AMS milestones, ask for input on past, present, and future directions, and review nominations for Clean Air Awards. Nomination forms and details on the AGM will be available on our website starting in April.

4. Decker Lake Mills near Burns Lake (Hampton Affiliates, formerly West Fraser) has issued a press release noting the closure of their beehive burner. Visit our Clean Air Fact File for more details at <http://cleanairplan.ca/CleanairFactFile.shtml>.