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## **South Coast AQMD to Honor Clean Air Heroes**

*Honorees include Former Governor Arnold Schwarzenegger, Mayor Judith Mitchell (Ret.)  
and Dr. Ryan Sinclair*

**DIAMOND BAR** – On Friday December 3, 2021, the South Coast Air Quality Management District (South Coast AQMD) will virtually host the 32<sup>nd</sup> Annual Clean Air Awards that will honor those who have made outstanding clean air contributions to the health of our communities and our economy.

NBC Channel 4 Meteorologist Shanna Mendiola will serve as Mistress of Ceremonies for the virtual event. Among the honorees to be recognized are:

**Former California Governor Arnold Schwarzenegger** will be honored with the **S. Roy Wilson Leadership in Government Award**, for his past and continued work to implement policies to reduce pollution, promote clean air and health, and educate future leaders on the importance of a sustainable future.

**Mayor Judith Mitchell (Ret.)**, former California Air Resources Board and South Coast AQMD Governing Board member, will be honored with the newly created **Dr. William A. Burke Award for Leadership in Environmental Justice** for her contributions to clean air policies that left a positive impact on communities most impacted by pollution and the region's air quality and public health.

**Dr. Ryan Sinclair** will be honored with the **Dr. Robert M. Zweig, M.D. Memorial Award**, for his contributions towards improving air quality and public health in Southern California including the Eastern Coachella Valley, San Bernardino, and Muscoy.

Additional awardees will be announced on the day of the event. This event is free, but registration is required. Please visit [www.CleanAirAwards.com](http://www.CleanAirAwards.com) or call (909) 396-2432 to register or for more information.

**Who:**

South Coast AQMD Governing Board Members

South Coast AQMD Executive Officer, Wayne Nastri

NBC4 Meteorologist, Shanna Mendiola  
Honorees and other Award Nominees

**What:** The Annual Clean Air Awards honors those who have made outstanding clean air contributions to improve the health of our communities.

**When:** Friday, December 3, 2021 at 11:30 a.m.

**Where:** Registration is required. Please visit [www.CleanAirAwards.com](http://www.CleanAirAwards.com) or call (909) 396-2432.

South Coast AQMD is the regulatory agency responsible for improving air quality for large areas of Los Angeles, Orange County, Riverside and San Bernardino counties, including the Coachella Valley. For news, air quality alerts, event updates and more, please visit us at [www.aqmd.gov](http://www.aqmd.gov), download our award-winning app, or follow us on [Facebook](#), [Twitter](#) and [Instagram](#).

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