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Success Story

Harney County has participated with the State TPEP program since it began. In these many years since, we are finally passing our first smoke free policy for our County Fair & properties. I have been the TPEP Coordinator for Harney County for the past 2 ½ years during this time I began developing a relationship with the fair board. I borrowed a lot of information facts with examples from the Eastern Oregon counties. At our last meeting the board stated they would be putting forth a policy and signing it August 2014. They especially liked the way Umatilla County had accomplished their policy and narrowed it down to using some of what they did. We have come a long way since their declaration to go smoke free was put into notes in May of 2013. The formal no smoke policy will include every form of tobacco, electronic devices and marijuana and its paraphernalia. They liked the pamphlet with all of the counties who had gone smoke free and are looking forward to having their name added to this list! I am proud to be a part of the Harney County Fair Boards land mark decision.

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