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Board Agenda Item

TO: Air Pollution Control District Board
FROM: Terry Dressler, Air Pollution Control Officer
CONTACT: Bobbie Bratz, 961.8890
SUBJECT: Agreement with ExxonMobil

RECOMMENDATION:

Approve an Operating Agreement between Exxon Mobil Corporation (ExxonMobil) and the Santa Barbara County Air Pollution Control District (APCD) to enable the APCD to operate the Nojoqui Air Monitoring Station on behalf of ExxonMobil.

DISCUSSION:

ExxonMobil has permit requirements to operate ambient air monitoring stations to track the local and regional effects of the onshore oil and gas projects. ExxonMobil also has a permit condition requiring them to take over operation of the Nojoqui monitoring station in the event that the Gaviota Terminal Company ceases operation. The Gaviota Terminal Company has ceased operation and the bypass pipeline is completed. The APCD currently operates the Nojoqui Air Monitoring Station under an Operating Agreement with the Gaviota Terminal Company.

An Agreement is necessary to spell out each party's responsibilities and to provide APCD with access to the monitoring station. In the event that either party terminates the Agreement, ExxonMobil will resume responsibility for operating the station.

We have worked with ExxonMobil to document APCD's operation of the Nojoqui Air Monitoring Station into their Permit to Operate No. 5651. ExxonMobil will pay the APCD for operating the station. The APCD currently operates two other Air Monitoring Stations, located in Las Flores Canyon, for ExxonMobil.

Attachment: Operating Agreement between ExxonMobil and APCD Santa Barbara County

SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS:

Clerk of the Board, please return one fully executed, complete board package for this item to the contact named above.