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TO: Air Pollution Control District Board

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SUBJECT: Outlook for 2015-2016 from the National Weather Service

RECOMMENDATION:

Receive an update on the outlook for 2015-2016 from Eric Boldt, Warning Coordination Meteorologist, at the National Weather Service (NWS) Los Angeles/Oxnard.

DISCUSSION:

The NWS office located in Oxnard, California provides weather and climate predictions for Los Angeles, Ventura, Santa Barbara, and San Luis Obispo Counties including the nearby coastal waters. Eric Boldt is responsible for the NWS office's weather operations and warning programs, severe weather coordination and preparedness activities, and public outreach programs for the 3rd largest population center and the 2nd largest media industry in the nation. A graduate of the University of Kansas, Boldt has worked in the field of meteorology for more than 25 years, with experience in the last ten years in southern California.

He will update your Board on the weather outlook for 2015-2016. Topics will include:

- The prospects for El Niño and precipitation this winter;
- Perspectives on the drought in the near term and long term; and
- Issues specific to Santa Barbara County meteorology.