
SOUTH CENTRAL COAST BASINWIDE AIR POLLUTION CONTROL COUNCIL

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MEETING MINUTES

September 22, 2022

Meeting Commenced at 10:00 a.m.

Present Council

Members:

Lynn Edmonds, Jimmy Paulding, Paula Perotte.

Staff:

Ali Ghasemi, Aeron Arlin Genet, Garry Willey, David Harris, and Lyz Bantilan.

1. Consider the Circumstances of the COVID-19 State of Emergency

- a. Consider the circumstances of the COVID-19 state of emergency;
- b. Consider whether state or local officials continue to impose or recommend measures to promote social distancing;
- c. Find that the legislative body has reconsidered the circumstances of the state of emergency, and that state or local officials continue to impose or recommend measures to promote social distancing; and
- d. Direct staff to continue to notice and hold hearings as remote hearings consistent with Government Code §54953(e)(3).

A motion was made by BCC member Perotte, seconded by BCC member Paulding, that the council has reconsidered the circumstances of the state of emergency, that State or local officials continue to impose or recommend measures to promote social distancing, and directed staff to continue to notice and hold hearings as remote hearings consistent with Government Code § 54953(e)(3). The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: 3 - Edmonds, Paulding, Perotte.

Noes: 0 - None.

Abstain: 0 - None.

Absent: 0 - None.

2. Approval of Minutes of the June 23, 2022 Regular Meeting and Minutes of the July 18, 2022, August 17, 2022, and September 13, 2022 Special Meetings.

A motion was made by Mr. Paulding, seconded by Mr. Perotte that the minutes be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: 3 - Edmonds, Paulding, Perotte.
Noes: 0 - None.
Abstain: 0 - None.
Absent: 0 - None.

3. Public Comment Period

There were no public comments.

4. San Luis Obispo APCD's 2022-2027 Fiscal Plan and Inflation's Effect on Funding from DMV Fees. (Willey)

Item Received.

Gary Willey outlined SLOAPCD's 5-year fiscal plan. The Plan was developed following all accounting controls, regular financial reporting, annual independent audits, and separate grant funding in separate trust accounts. He outlined the goals and objectives of the Plan, reviewed current and projected expenditure trends, revenue trends, and District fiscal needs. Mr. Willey informed the committee of strategies the District will or plans to implement to balance their budget including staffing changes, increased fees, and strategies for the use of the reserve funds.

Mr. Willey also gave the committee a presentation on the Budget impacts from the depreciating value of DVM \$4 funding. He summarized the background of AB 2766, walked the committee through factors affecting revenue from AB 2766, and briefly discussed future statewide impacts.

5. Enhancement to Ventura County Wildfire Smoke Text Alert System for Farmworkers. (Ghasemi)

Item Received.

Ali Ghasemi gave the committee a presentation on their wildfire smoke text alert system for farmworkers. Mr. Ghasemi briefly summarized the background that brought about this system, summarized Cal/OSHA regulation – Title 8, how their text system works, showed what the text messages look and sound like in English, Spanish, Mixteco, and Zapoteco, and when and how frequently messages would be sent out.

6. Electric Grid Reliability Issues. (Arlin Genet/Harris)

Item Received.

David Harris gave a presentation about energy reliability. He summarized the background of energy demands especially during high temperature and/or other emergency situations, the levels of notifications issued by Caliso when there are strains on the energy supply, Executive Orders and Emergency proclamations recently declared by the California Governor in order to use less energy during emergencies, the use diesel generators, and agency coordination to ensure air quality concerns

are taken into consideration. Mr. Harris also summarized Santa Barbara County APCD's outreach efforts during recent heat emergencies. Lastly, he informed the committee of current projects by SoCal Edison and the Department of Water Resources.

7. The Massive Retirement Wave created by the California Clean Air Act of 1988 and the Federal Clean Air Act of 1990.

(Willey)

Item Received.

Gary Willey detailed staffing changes from 1988 to current years. Informed the committee of the challenges of turnover, mass transitions into retirements, competition with remote jobs, and low levels of experienced of individuals during the recruitment process.

8. Clean Air Day October 5.

(Arlin Genet)

Items Received.

Aeron Arlin Genet informed the committee of Clean Air Day on October 5, 2022. Ms. Arlin Genet gave a summary of the background of this event, outreach efforts to inform the public on what they can do, the Clean Air Day Pledge and how one can take said pledge, and 8 microgrants awarded. One aspect that the District showcased during Clean Air Day was Zero-Emission technology including charging stations and electric landscape equipment. Lastly, she informed the committee on the District wildfire smoke preparedness awareness including the creation of a Clean Air Room and/or signing up for alert messages.

9. Other Business/Confirm Next Meeting Dates and Format

Following the guidelines of the BCC By-Laws, the following regular meeting date was selected at the first regular meeting of 2022:

- March 23, 2022 at 10:00 am

10. Adjourn

Meeting was adjourned at approximately 11:25 a.m.