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## Board Agenda Item

TO: Air Pollution Control District Board

FROM: Terry Dressler, Air Pollution Control Officer

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SUBJECT: Large Confined Animal Facilities

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### RECOMMENDATION:

Adopt the attached resolution (Attachment 1) determining that there are no large confined animal facilities in Santa Barbara County.

### SUMMARY:

In September 2003, state Senate Bill 700 (SB700) was signed into law. The bill took effect January 1, 2004, and repealed the permit exemption which had existed in the California Health and Safety Code (H&SC) for all agricultural sources. The bill also included provisions for regulating the emissions from certain large confined animal facilities based on an area's federal air quality status. As an *attainment* area for the federal ozone standard, Santa Barbara County is required by H&SC 40724.7 to adopt a rule or regulation by July 1, 2006, requiring large confined animal facilities to obtain permits from the district to reduce emissions of air contaminants unless your Board makes a determination that such large confined animal facilities will not contribute to a violation of any state or federal ambient air quality standard.

Large confined animal facilities include a wide variety of livestock categories such as dairy cows, chickens, turkeys, swine, sheep, and others. In accordance with SB700, the California Air Resources Board (ARB) adopted large confined animal facility thresholds for the various livestock categories on June 23, 2005. APCD staff has reviewed ARB's livestock thresholds and have determined that there are no large confined animal facilities operating in Santa Barbara County. Therefore, there are no large confined animal facilities to which this requirement would apply. Consequently, staff recommends that your Board make the determination as provided in Attachment 1. If it appears that a large confined animal facility will be located in the county in the future, staff will return to your Board with recommendations on how to proceed at that time.