

November 30, 2018

Ms. Aeron Arlin Genet
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Dear Ms. Genet:

In 2016, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) requested that the California Air Resources Board (CARB) and the Santa Barbara County Air Pollution Control District (District) work collaboratively to develop a joint proposal on the redesignation of air monitoring stations that are currently identified as *Prevention of Significant Deterioration/Industrial*. I would like to thank the District for working with CARB on developing a mutually agreeable solution that meets the needs of both agencies.

Based on our November 6, 2018 phone conversation and our agreement that the District will assume responsibility for operating the Santa Barbara and Santa Maria air monitoring stations, CARB supports the District's proposal as outlined in the August 7, 2018 letter to EPA. In addition to taking over the operational responsibilities of Santa Barbara and Santa Maria, the District will shut down all monitoring of parameters at the El Capitan, Nojoqui, and Vandenberg Air Force Base-STS air monitoring stations. The District will also redesignate the Las Flores Canyon 1, Carpinteria, and Paradise Road ozone monitors as *State and Local Air Monitoring Stations (SLAMS)*.

Over the next few months, CARB will work with District staff to develop a transition plan to complete the transfer of ownership and operation of the Santa Barbara and Santa Maria stations to the District by no later than November 30, 2019. Kathy Gill, Chief of the Air Quality Surveillance Branch, will oversee the transition for CARB. CARB will continue to provide quality assurance oversight for all SLAMS sites, including conducting all necessary annual audits. Annual audits of the non-regulatory sites will become the responsibility of the District.

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Again, thank you for helping to find a workable solution, and if you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact Kathy Gill at (916) 445-9483 or kathy.gill@arb.ca.gov.

Sincerely,



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