## AGENDA

## **HYBRID GOVERNING BOARD MEETING** MARCH 7. 2025

A meeting of the South Coast Air Quality Management District Board will be held at 9:00 a.m. on Friday, March 7, 2025 through a hybrid format of in-person attendance in the Dr. William A. Burke Auditorium at the South Coast AQMD Headquarters, 21865 Copley Drive, Diamond Bar, California, and/or virtual attendance via videoconferencing and by telephone. Please follow the instructions below to join the meeting remotely.

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# **Meeting Procedures**

- The public meeting of the South Coast AQMD Governing Board begins at 9:00 a.m. The Governing Board generally will consider items in the order listed on the agenda. However, <u>any item</u> may be considered in <u>any order</u>.
- After taking action on any agenda item not requiring a public hearing, the Board may reconsider or amend the item at any time during the meeting.

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## **CALL TO ORDER**

- Pledge of Allegiance
- Roll Call
- Swearing in of Newly-Appointed Board Members Janet Nguyen and Brenda Olmos

Opening Comments: Vanessa Delgado, Chair

Other Board Members

Wayne Nastri, Executive Officer

Staff/Phone (909) 396-

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD – (Public Comment on Non-Agenda Items, Pursuant to Government Code Section 54954.3) The public may comment on any subject within the South Coast AQMD's authority that does not appear on the agenda, during the Public Comment Period. Each speaker addressing non-agenda items may be limited to a total of (3) minutes.

## CONSENT AND BOARD CALENDAR (Items 1 through 17)

Note: Consent and Board Calendar items held for discussion will be moved to Item No. 18.

## Item 1 – Action Item/No Fiscal Impact

1. Approve Minutes of February 7, 2025

Thomas/3268

## <u>Items 2 through 4 – Budget/Fiscal Impact</u>

 Adopt Resolution Recognizing Funds for FY 2024-25 Carl Moyer Program, Issue Program Announcements, and Execute and Modify Agreements for Carl Moyer, and Surplus Off-Road Opt-in for NOx Programs Katzenstein/2219

These actions are to: 1) adopt a Resolution recognizing up to \$47,159,728 in Carl Moyer Program grant funds from CARB into the Carl Moyer Program SB 1107 Fund (32) and authorize the Executive Officer to accept the terms and conditions for FY 2024-25 award; 2) issue two Program Announcements for "Year 27" of the Carl Moyer Program and the SOON Provision to solicit applications; 3) authorize the Executive Officer to execute or amend agreements for eligible zero and low-emitting on- and offroad vehicles and equipment, including marine vessels, locomotives, and supporting infrastructure projects; and 4) modify three no-cost agreements to extend their milestone dates for the zero-emission infrastructure projects from a prior year Carl Moyer solicitation. (Reviewed: Technology Committee, February 21, 2025; Recommended for Approval)

3. Authorize Purchase of Hardware Maintenance and Support Services for Servers and Storage Devices

Servers and storage devices are used by enterprise-level software applications that currently support the Clean Air Support System, a set of computer applications used in South Coast AQMD core activities. Maintenance support for these systems will expire on April 30, 2025. This action is to obtain approval for

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the sole source purchase of hardware and software maintenance and support services for servers and storage devices from Hewlett Packard Enterprise Company for one year, in an amount not to exceed \$190,000. Funds for these purchases are included in Information Management's FY 2024-25 Budget. (Reviewed: Administrative Committee, February 14, 2025; Recommended for Approval)

 Authorize Purchase of Server Software, Database, and Microsoft Support Software Under Microsoft Enterprise Agreement

South Coast AQMD maintains a data center that includes 32 servers used to run various critical applications and services. These servers run a suite of software, including operating system, database, and support software. This action is to authorize the purchase of Microsoft software and support for a period of three years in the amount not to exceed \$380,000. Funds for the first year are included in the current fiscal year budget, with provisions for subsequent years to be included in future budget requests. (Reviewed: Administrative Committee, February 14, 2025; Recommended for Approval)

# Items 5 through 11 – Information Only/Receive and File

5. Legislative, Public Affairs and Media Report

This report highlights the January 2025 outreach activities of the Legislative, Public Affairs and Media Office, which includes: Major Events, Community Events/Public Meetings, Environmental Justice Update, Speakers Bureau/Visitor Services, Communications Center, Public Information Center, Business Assistance, Media Relations and Outreach to Business and Federal, State and Local Government. (No Committee Review)

6. Hearing Board Report

This reports the actions taken by the Hearing Board during the period of January 1 through January 31, 2025. (No Committee Review)

7. Civil Filings and Civil Penalties Report

This report summarizes monthly penalties and legal actions filed by the General Counsel's Office from January 1, 2025 through January 31, 2025. An Index of South Coast AQMD Rules is attached with the penalty report. (Reviewed: Stationary Source Committee, February 21, 2025) Moskowitz/3329

Tanaka/3327

Ali

Gilchrist/3459

8. Intergovernmental Review of Environmental Documents and CEQA Lead Agency Projects

Krause/2706

This report provides a listing of environmental documents prepared by other public agencies seeking review by South Coat AQMD between January 1, 2025 and January 31, 2025, and proposed projects for which South Coast AQMD is acting as lead agency pursuant to CEQA. (No Committee Review)

9. Rule and Control Measure Forecast

Rees/2856

This report highlights South Coast AQMD rulemaking activities and public hearings scheduled for 2025. (No Committee Review)

10. FY 2024-25 Contract Activity

Jain/2804

This report lists the number of contracts let during the first six months of FY 2024-25, the respective dollar amounts, award type, and the authorized contract signatory for South Coast AQMD. (No Committee Review)

11. Status Report on Major Ongoing and Upcoming Projects for Information Management

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Information Management is responsible for data systems management services in support of all South Coast AQMD operations. This action is to provide the monthly status report on major automation contracts and planned projects. (Reviewed: Administrative Committee, February 14, 2025)

## Items 12 through 17 – Reports for Committees, MSRC, and CARB

Note: The MSRC February 20, 2025 meeting was cancelled. The next regular meeting of the MSRC is scheduled for March 20, 2025.

Chair: Delgado 12. Administrative Committee (Receive & File) Nastri/3131

Chair: Cacciotti

Receive and file; and take the following action as

recommended:

Agenda Item **Recommended Action** Approve

2025 South Coast AQMD Sponsored State Legislative Proposal for Emergency

13. Legislative Committee

Response

Chair: Kracov 14. Mobile Source Committee (Receive & File) Rees/2856

Chair: McCallon 15. Stationary Source Committee (Receive & File) Aspell/2491

Chair: Rodriguez 16. Technology Committee (Receive & File) Katzenstein/2219

Board Rep.: Kracov 17. California Air Resources Board Monthly Report Thomas/3268

(Receive & File)

18. Items Deferred from Consent and Board Calendar

## STAFF PRESENTATION/BOARD DISCUSSION/RECEIVE & FILE

19. Permitting Enhancement Program Status Update (Presentation in Lieu of Board Letter)

Aspell/2491

Staff will present a status update on the Workplan to implement the Permitting Enhancement Program. In August 2023, as part of the Chair's priorities, staff presented a comprehensive Workplan to overcome current and future permit processing challenges which included several short-term and long-term actions. Staff will present their progress on the actions and upcoming efforts. (No Committee Review)

## **PUBLIC HEARINGS**

20. Approve and Adopt Technology Advancement Office Clean Fuels Program 2024 Annual Report and 2025 Plan Update, Resolution and Membership Changes for Clean Fuels Advisory Group Katzenstein/2219

Each year by March 31, South Coast AQMD must submit to the California Legislative Analyst an approved Annual Report for the past year and a Plan Update for the current calendar year for the Clean Fuels Program. These actions are to: 1) approve and adopt the Technology Advancement Clean Fuels Program Annual Report for 2024 and 2025 Plan Update; 2) adopt the Resolution finding that proposed projects do not duplicate any past or present programs; 3) approve and adopt membership changes to the SB 98 Clean Fuels Advisory Group; and 4) receive and file membership changes to the Technology Advancement Advisory Group. (Reviewed: Technology Committee, February 21, 2025; Recommended for Approval)

Aspell/2491

21. Approve Annual RECLAIM Audit Report for 2023 Compliance Year

The Annual RECLAIM Audit Report for 2023 Compliance Year for the NOx and SOx RECLAIM program is prepared in accordance with Rule 2015 - Backstop Provisions. This report assesses emission reductions, availability and average annual prices of RECLAIM Trading Credits (RTCs), job impacts, compliance issues, and other measures of performance for the 30th year of this program. Recent trends in trading future year RTCs are analyzed and presented in this report. A list of facilities that did not reconcile their emissions for the 2023 Compliance Year is also included in the report. This action is to adopt the Resolution: 1) Approving the Annual RECLAIM Audit Report for Compliance Year; 2) Approving recommendation to determine that paragraphs (d)(1) through (d)(4) of Rule 2004 continue without change, as reported in the August 2022 evaluation and review of the compliance and enforcement aspects of the RECLAIM program; and 3) Directing the Executive Officer to submit to CARB and U.S. EPA, the Annual RECLAIM Audit Report and the August 2022 evaluation and review of the compliance and enforcement aspects of the

RECLAIM program, including the determination that paragraphs (d)(1) through (d)(4) of Rule 2004 continue without change. (Reviewed: Stationary Source Committee, February 21, 2025)

## BOARD MEMBER TRAVEL - (No Written Material)

Board member travel reports have been filed with the Clerk of the Boards, and copies are available upon request.

## CLOSED SESSION -- (No Written Material)

Gilchrist/3459

#### **CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - EXISTING LITIGATION**

It is necessary for the Board to recess to closed session pursuant to Government Code sections 54956.9(a) and 54956.9(d)(1) to confer with its counsel regarding pending litigation which has been initiated formally and to which the South Coast AQMD is a party. The actions are:

- In the Matter of South Coast Air Quality Management District v. Southern California Gas Company, Aliso
   <u>Canyon Storage Facility</u>, South Coast AQMD Hearing Board Case No. 137-76 (Order for Abatement);
   <u>People of the State of California</u>, ex rel South Coast Air Quality Management District v. Southern California
   <u>Gas Company</u>, Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. BC608322; Judicial Council Coordinated Proceeding
   <u>No.4861</u>;
- South Coast Air Quality Management District, et al. v. NHTSA, EPA, et al., United States Court of Appeals,
  D.C. Circuit, Case No. 20-1173 (consolidated with Competitive Enterprise Institute, et al. v. NHTSA, No. 201145);
- <u>Natural Resources Defense Council, et al. v. City of Los Angeles, et al.</u>, San Diego Superior Court, Case No. 37-2021-00023385-CU-TT-CTL (China Shipping Case) (transferred from Los Angeles Superior Court, Case No. 20STCP02985); Fourth District Court of Appeal, Division One, No. D080902;
- <u>In the Matter of South Coast Air Quality Management District v. Baker Commodities</u>, South Coast AQMD Hearing Board Case No. 6223-1 (Order for Abatement);
- Western States Trucking Association, Inc. v. EPA, et al., Unites States Court of Appeals, United States Court of Appeals, D.C. Circuit, Case No. 23-1143 (amicus brief);
- Rinnai America Corp. et al. v. South Coast Air Quality Management District, U.S. District Court for the Central District of California, Case No. 2:24-cv-10482; and
- Eng v. EPA, et al., United States Court of Appeals for Ninth Circuit, Case No. 25-138.

#### **CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - INITIATING LITIGATION**

It is also necessary for the Board to recess to closed session pursuant to Government Code section 54956.9(a) and 54956.9(d)(4) to consider initiation of litigation (four cases).

#### **CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – ANTICIPATED LITIGATION**

Also, it is necessary for the Board to recess to closed session pursuant to Government Code section 54956.9(d)(2) to confer with its counsel because there is a significant exposure to litigation against the South Coast AQMD (two cases).

## **CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATORS**

It Is also necessary to recess to closed session pursuant to Government Code section 54957.6 to confer with labor negotiators:

Agency Designated Representative: A. John Olvera, Deputy Executive Officer – Administrative & Human Resources:

- Employee Organization(s): Teamsters Local 911, and South Coast AQMD Professional Employees Association; and
- Unrepresented Employees: Executive Officer, General Counsel, Designated Deputies and Management and Confidential employees.

## PUBLIC EMPLOYEE PERFORMANCE EVALUATION

It is also necessary to recess to closed session pursuant to Government Code section 54957 to evaluate the performance of public employees:

Title: Executive Officer and General Counsel

## **ADJOURNMENT**

#### \*\*\*PUBLIC COMMENTS\*\*\*

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Note that on items listed on the Consent Calendar and the balance of the agenda any motion, including action, can be taken (consideration is not limited to listed recommended actions). Additional matters can be added and action taken by two-thirds vote, or in the case of an emergency, by a majority vote. Matters raised under the Public Comment Period may not be acted upon at that meeting other than as provided above.

Written comments will be accepted by the Board and made part of the record. Individuals who wish to submit written or electronic comments must submit such comments to the Clerk of the Board, South Coast AQMD, 21865 Copley Drive, Diamond Bar, CA 91765-4178, (909) 396-2500, or to <a href="mailto:cob@aqmd.gov">cob@aqmd.gov</a>, on or before 5:00 p.m. on the Tuesday prior to the Board meeting.

#### **ACRONYMS**

AQ-SPEC = Air Quality Sensor Performance

**Evaluation Center** 

AQIP = Air Quality Investment Program

AQMP = Air Quality Management Plan

AVR = Average Vehicle Ridership

BACT = Best Available Control Technology

BARCT = Best Available Retrofit Control Technology

Cal/EPA = California Environmental Protection Agency

CARB = California Air Resources Board

CEMS = Continuous Emissions Monitoring Systems

CEC = California Energy Commission

CEQA = California Environmental Quality Act

CE-CERT =College of Engineering-Center for Environmental

Research and Technology

CNG = Compressed Natural Gas

CO = Carbon Monoxide

DOE = Department of Energy

EV = Electric Vehicle

EV/BEV = Electric Vehicle/Battery Electric Vehicle

FY = Fiscal Year

GHG = Greenhouse Gas HRA = Health Risk Assessment LEV = Low Emission Vehicle

LNG = Liquefied Natural Gas

MATES = Multiple Air Toxics Exposure Study
MOU = Memorandum of Understanding

MSERCs = Mobile Source Emission Reduction Credits

MSRC = Mobile Source (Air Pollution Reduction) Review

Committee

NAAQS = National Ambient Air Quality Standards

NATTS = National Air Toxics Trends Station

NESHAPS = National Emission Standards for

Hazardous Air Pollutants

NGV = Natural Gas Vehicle

NOx = Oxides of Nitrogen

NSPS = New Source Performance Standards

NSR = New Source Review

OEHHA = Office of Environmental Health Hazard

Assessment

PAMS = Photochemical Assessment Monitoring

Stations

PEV = Plug-In Electric Vehicle

PHEV = Plug-In Hybrid Electric Vehicle

PM10 = Particulate Matter ≤ 10 microns

PM2.5 = Particulate Matter ≤ 2.5 microns

RECLAIM=Regional Clean Air Incentives Market

RFP = Request for Proposals

RFQ = Request for Quotations

RFQQ=Request for Qualifications and Quotations

SCAG = Southern California Association of Governments

SIP = State Implementation Plan

SOx = Oxides of Sulfur

SOON = Surplus Off-Road Opt-In for NOx SULEV = Super Ultra Low Emission Vehicle

TCM = Transportation Control Measure

ULEV = Ultra Low Emission Vehicle

U.S. EPA = United States Environmental Protection

Agency

VOC = Volatile Organic Compound

ZEV = Zero Emission Vehicle

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- El número de identificación de la reunión es 928-3000-3925
- Si desea hacer un comentario público, marque \*9 en su teclado para indicar que desea comentar.