

BOARD MEETING DATE: October 6, 2023

AGENDA NO. 8

PROPOSAL: Adopt Resolution, Recognize Revenue, Appropriate Funds, Execute and/or Amend Contracts, and Issue Solicitations and Purchase Orders for Continued AB 617 Implementation

SYNOPSIS: South Coast AQMD was approved to receive a \$21,880,000 grant from the CARB Community Air Protection Program. In May 2023, the Board recognized \$18,553,333 for the most recent allocation of the AB 617 implementation program funding. This action is to adopt a resolution to accept the terms and conditions of the grant, recognize up to an additional \$3,326,667 from CARB into the General Fund, appropriate up to \$3,400,000 into the FY 2023-24 and/or 2024-25 Budgets, execute and/or amend contracts, and issue solicitations and purchase orders for AB 617 implementation.

COMMITTEE: Administrative, September 8, 2023; Recommended for Approval

RECOMMENDED ACTION S:

1. Adopt resolution to accept the terms and conditions for the AB 617 Implementation Community Air Protection Program grant award;
2. Recognize revenue, upon receipt, up to \$3,326,667 from CARB into the General Fund for continued AB 617 implementation;
3. Appropriate up to \$3,400,000 from the General Fund Undesignated (Unassigned) Fund Balance (AB 617 funds) into the FY 2023-24 and/or FY 2024-25 Budget for AB 617 implementation; and
4. Authorize the Executive Officer to execute and/or amend contracts, and issue solicitations and purchase orders for AB 617 implementation in accordance with South Coast AQMD Procurement Policy and Procedure for items listed in Tables 1-3.

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Executive Officer

Background

Assembly Bill 617 was signed into state law in July 2017 and focuses on improving air quality and reducing exposure to criteria air pollutants and toxic air contaminants in communities most impacted by air pollution. Assembly Bill 617 recognizes the disproportionate impacts environmental justice (EJ) communities experience from sources of air pollution near residences and seeks to address these impacts through community-driven actions.

Since 2018, CARB has selected six communities for development of both a Community Emissions Reduction Plan (CERP) and Community Air Monitoring Plan (CAMP): East Los Angeles, Boyle Heights, West Commerce (ELABHWC); San Bernardino, Muscoy (SBM); Wilmington, Carson, West Long Beach (WCWLB); Eastern Coachella Valley (ECV); Southeast Los Angeles (SELA); and South Los Angeles (SLA). Each CERP and CAMP have been adopted by the South Coast AQMD Board and approved by CARB. The implementation of AB 617 initiatives includes approximately 300 CERP actions among the six CERPs. South Coast AQMD is required to implement the CERPs and CAMPs. Implementation of the CERPs will reduce localized air quality impacts and implementation of the CAMPs will provide additional information to communities regarding localized air quality through community monitoring efforts.

As part of the implementation process, South Coast AQMD utilizes robust community engagement efforts to ensure that community concerns are heard, identified, and addressed. Community outreach and engagement programs are integral to the success of AB 617 and CERP implementation. The proposed funds would enable staff to implement CERP actions and conduct meetings for each Community Steering Committee (CSC). Community Steering Committee meetings require venues, services for meeting facilitation, language interpretation, document translation, audio/visual equipment, meeting logistics, educational and informational events, and outreach and engagement opportunities.

To better address Diversity, Equity and Inclusion issues and concerns and to further our engagement with community members, Community Air Programs was transitioned under the Diversity Equity and Inclusion division in January 2023. Funds for this upcoming year allocated to Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion with Community Air Programs (DEI with CAP) will primarily address administrative and operational needs of the Community, Outreach, Relations, and Engagement (CORE) and Community Emissions Reductions Plan (CERP) Teams. These monies will directly support increased community engagement (e.g., events, data collection), facilitation of regular CSC working team/subcommittees and quarterly CSC meetings. Additionally, the monies will support implementation of approximately 200 CERP actions remaining (e.g., public health outreach, project plan development) and programmatic needs (e.g., development of dashboard, notification systems, training).

In addition, AB 617 also requires that BARCT be implemented by December 31, 2023 for sources in the state greenhouse gas program. Intensive rulemaking efforts have already been underway to implement these requirements and many rules have already been adopted. Other areas that require significant work from South Coast AQMD include coordinating with CARB to support their BARCT and (Best Available Control Technology) BACT clearinghouse, and implementing CARB's recent statewide emissions reporting regulation, which expands the requirements for annual emissions reporting.

During the annual budget process, in May 2023, the AB 617 implementation grant amount was unknown and the Board recognized revenue of \$18,553,333. This Board letter will authorize the recognition of an additional \$3,326,667 of AB 617 implementation funds for a total of \$21,880,000 as awarded by CARB and will authorize the appropriation of up to \$3,400,000 into the General Fund for continued AB 617 implementation as described below.

Proposal

Staff is seeking Board approval to adopt a resolution to accept the terms and conditions of the grant award from CARB, recognize revenue, appropriate funds, purchase capital outlays and execute and/or amend contracts as listed in Table 1 and Table 2 and procure related services and supplies as listed in Table 3 to support work required under AB 617. These items are described below:

Pfeiffer SplitFlow Turbomolecular Pump

South Coast AQMD's Proton Transfer Reaction-Mass Spectrometry (PTR-MS) mobile laboratory has been used to conduct mobile monitoring of VOCs in AB 617 communities. A turbomolecular pump is used to create the final vacuum on the PTR-MS instrument and is an integral part of its operation. An unanticipated shutdown of the pump could result in damage to the PTR-MS instrument. The Pfeiffer SplitFlow pump is customized for use with the PTR-MS mobile platform. The estimated cost of one Pfeiffer SplitFlow Turbomolecular Pump is \$20,000. The purchase will be made by sole-source purchase order with Aerodyne Research, Inc.

Liquid Calibration Unit

Gas standards are needed to calibrate the PTR-MS instrument used by South Coast AQMD to conduct mobile monitoring surveys in AB 617 communities. Availability of these gas standards is limited and often requires substantial lead times. The purchase of a liquid calibration unit will significantly decrease the calibration time of the PTR-MS and increase the number of compounds that can be calibrated with this instrument. The purchase of a liquid calibration unit was approved in the FY 2023-24 adopted budget for Monitoring and Analysis at an amount not to exceed \$30,000. However, due to unanticipated cost increases, an additional \$15,000 is needed to complete this order. The

total estimated cost for the purchase of one liquid calibration unit is \$45,000. The purchase will be made by sole-source purchase order with Aerodyne Research, Inc.

Ebara EV-PA500 Fore Pump

A fore pump is needed to create an initial vacuum on the PTR-MS instrument used by South Coast AQMD to conduct mobile monitoring surveys in AB 617 communities. The current fore pump requires frequent maintenance, which results in significant downtime of the mobile platform. A second fore pump is needed as backup to ensure instrument functionality during required maintenance windows and in case of pump failure. The estimated cost of an Ebara Fore Pump is \$20,000. This purchase will be made through a solicitation process, followed by issuance of a purchase order.

Replacement Parts for Existing Optical Remote Sensing Mobile Laboratory

South Coast AQMD's Optical Remote Sensing Mobile Laboratory (ORS-ML) has been used to conduct mobile monitoring surveys near refineries, oil wells and other sources of VOCs in AB 617 communities. The manufacturer of the core instrumentation used in the ORS-ML has developed a series of improvements to the original thermal stabilization design of the optical analyzers installed aboard this mobile platform. These funds will be used to implement several enhancements, including installation of updated thermal stabilization, and other hardware and software upgrades. This will substantially improve detection capabilities of benzene, toluene, ethylbenzene, xylene (BTEX) and other VOCs that are critical for leak detection measurements. The estimated cost for these upgrades is \$200,000. The purchase will be made by sole-source purchase order with FluxSense, Inc.

Condensation Particle Counter

South Coast AQMD currently operates three mobile monitoring platforms for measurements of particle-bound pollutants including PM, particle number concentration, black carbon, and metals. These platforms are used to conduct mobile monitoring surveys on freeways and major roadways, around railyards, near industrial facilities and other sources of air pollution in AB 617 communities. The two Condensation Particle Counter (CPC) instruments used for measuring particle number concentrations have reached five years of service, and up to two new CPCs are needed to reduce downtime in case service is required, and to continue to identify areas potentially impacted by diesel exhaust emissions. The estimated cost for the purchase of up to two units is \$45,000. This purchase will be made through a solicitation process, followed by issuance of a purchase order.

Annual Emission Reporting and Requirements for the Criteria and Toxics Reporting Regulation

CARB's Criteria and Toxics Reporting Regulation (CTR) significantly expanded the number of facilities that report emissions through the South Coast AQMD Annual Emission Reporting (AER) program. Software upgrades not to exceed \$250,000 are

needed to accommodate the increased number of facilities utilizing the AER reporting tool, as well as to include the ability to report information required by the CTR, such as additional toxics compounds and release location data.

Vocus PTR-MS Warranty Extension

The PTR-MS instrument used onboard South Coast AQMD 's PTR-MS mobile laboratory is a highly technical, research-grade instrument manufactured by Tofwerk AG. Extending the warranty on this instrument is necessary to receive critical software updates and ensure technical support when needed. The estimated cost for a one-year warranty extension is \$30,000. The purchase will be made by sole-source purchase order with Aerodyne Research, Inc., the U.S. distributor for Tofwerk AG.

Cloud Data Platform Development and Monthly Subscription

South Coast AQMD has been developing a data platform to validate, analyze, display, and store the large volume of data generated under AB 617 and other community programs. Phase 1 of this project (development of the data platform architecture) has been fully supported using AB 617 funds and is nearing completion. Phase 2 (data ingestion and display) will begin later in 2023. A monthly subscription to Microsoft Azure Cloud Services is also needed for data storage and processing. The estimated cost to complete the development and implementation of Phase 2 of this project and for Microsoft Azure Cloud Services monthly subscription fees is \$250,000.

Calibration of Meteorological Devices

Meteorological devices are used in AB 617 communities to characterize local wind patterns and better understand transport of air pollutants. These devices need periodic maintenance and calibration to provide robust and reliable meteorological data. These funds are to identify a contractor to conduct the required calibration and maintenance of meteorological devices in AB 617 communities. The estimated annual cost for calibration services of meteorological devices in AB 617 communities is \$50,000. A contractor will be selected through a solicitation process.

Analysis of AB 617 Data

South Coast AQMD has been conducting air monitoring in AB 617 communities to measure baseline air quality conditions, identify potential sources of air pollution and assess their impact in nearby communities and, overall, satisfy all CERP and CAMP requirements. Through this process, South Coast AQMD has established strong collaborations and partnerships with public and private research institutions with specific knowledge and expertise on local air quality issues. There is a need to partner with one or more public, private, academic institution(s) and/or other stakeholders to conduct an in-depth analysis of the data collected in AB 617 communities, support ongoing air measurement studies, and better address the air quality concerns identified in the CAMPs and CERPs. The estimated cost for this work is \$50,000. One or more contractors will be selected through a solicitation process.

Community Co-Lead Contracts for CERP Implementation Tasks – SLA

The development of the CERP for SLA, was developed in partnership with three co-lead organizations: Physicians for Social Responsibility-Los Angeles (PSR-LA), Strategic Concepts in Organizing and Policy Education Los Angeles (SCOPE-LA), and Watts Clean Air and Energy Committee (Watts Clean Air). The three co-leads have continued the partnership with South Coast AQMD and have been providing co-leadership services to the South Coast AQMD for the implementation of the SLA CERP and CAMP. Staff has worked with PSR-LA, SCOPE-LA, and Watts Clean Air to develop specific tasks that include collaborating on agendas for CSC meetings, conducting CSC meetings, weekly check-ins, community engagement, public outreach, and implementation of CERP actions. The co-leads incorporate their lived experiences and provide input to South Coast AQMD to enhance and re-shape communication approaches with the community. The estimated cost for these three sole-source contracts is \$113,400 for the FY 2023-24 and may be extended to FY 2024-25. Payment is based on completion and participation in the various tasks in the contract.

Facilitator Contract – ECV

Facilitator (VMA Communications) has been providing facilitation services since 2020 for ECV and will continue to provide meeting facilitation services for ECV AB 617-related meetings including, but not limited to, CSC, Sub-Committee, and working team meetings. VMA Communications is familiar with the community participants, South Coast AQMD, and overall meeting format. The meeting facilitation services include, preparation activities leading to each of the scheduled meetings, and meeting participation and facilitation. The estimated cost for this sole-source contract is \$32,000.

Facilitator Contract – SLA

Facilitator (Castillo Consulting) has been providing facilitation services since 2020 and will continue to provide meeting facilitation services for SLA AB 617-related meetings including, but not limited to, CSC, Sub-Committee, and Community Co-Lead meetings. Since Castillo Consulting has been facilitating development of the CERP, Staff conducts CSC meetings quarterly and community co-lead meetings occur on a weekly basis throughout the fiscal year. The meeting facilitation services include preparation activities leading to each of the scheduled meetings, and meeting participation and facilitation. The estimated cost for this sole-source contract is \$40,000.

CERP Implementation Contracts – All CSCs

CERP Implementation Contracts (To Be Determined) will include releasing public solicitations to work with contractors knowledgeable about AB 617 to support implementation of South Coast AQMD's six CERPs. There are approximately 200 CERP actions remaining to be implemented that staff will be seeking contract assistance for certain actions such as developing outreach materials, conducting outreach and education events which includes advertisement, food, rental fees for venue, and asthma

van. Consultant services may be needed to help interface with cities and counties and implement actions related to truck idling and truck routes. The estimated cost for contract services and/or outreach events is \$600,000 for six CSC communities for FY 2023-24 and/or FY 2024-25. Funds will generally be distributed amongst the six CSC communities, but will vary based on the type of CERP actions with a great emphasis on communities that are nearing their fifth year of implementation.

Services & Supplies – Monitoring & Analysis

Up to \$750,000 for utilities, maintenance of equipment, lab supplies, communications, small tools, and equipment is required to operate and maintain multiple air monitoring stations at existing AB 617 communities to satisfy the requirements of the CERPs and CAMPs which include: baseline measurements to characterize local air quality conditions; mobile survey monitoring to identify potential air pollution hotspots; additional fixed monitoring near specific air quality priorities identified by the community; sensor deployment and maintenance to complement existing air monitoring activities in specific areas and to educate community members on the use and application of this technology.

Document Translation, Interpretation Services, And Outreach Materials

Document translation and interpretation services are made available at each CSC meeting to bridge any language gaps and provide equitable access to information. Each year, South Coast AQMD facilitates four quarterly meetings within each of the six CSCs. Each meeting requires two translators for up to three hours of interpretation. The documents for each meeting require a minimum of translation into Spanish; this includes meeting agendas, PowerPoint presentations, and informational handouts. As communities diversify, funding for translation services may be needed for multiple languages. As CERP implementation continues, additional community engagement opportunities including working teams and subcommittees, listening sessions, outreach and educational events require translation and interpretation services. Services are intended to provide meaningful input, feedback, and community perspectives in CSC meeting attendee's preferred language. Interpretation services provide effective communication, enhanced understanding, and inclusion of diverse, multi-lingual participants who can actively participate and contribute to CSC discussions. Outreach campaigns may include public awareness initiatives that are delivered in the languages spoken in the CSC communities for an increased level of participation. The estimated cost for these Services & Supplies is \$385,150 for FY 2023-24 and/or FY 2024-25.

Meeting Coordination and Services

Logistical components at quarterly CSC meetings and additional workshops (e.g., working team/subcommittee meetings) are integral to creating meaningful AB 617 community engagement and successful CERP implementation. In addition to translation and interpretation services, logistical components of hosting community meetings, workshops, and events include audio visual services and venue rentals. As meetings are

held during post-work and dinner hours, refreshments are served. Refreshments at meetings, workshops, and events recognizes the importance of fostering a sense of community and encouraging participation. To ensure that presentations, visual aids, and multimedia materials are accessible to all attendees and to maximize the visual and auditory experience for community members to contribute to meaningful discussions, professional, high-quality services and equipment are used. Selecting suitable venues within the communities served that are ADA-compliant and easily accessible by public transportation are considered. Additional workshops include, but are not limited to Listening Sessions, CARB Annual Progress Report Meetings, CSC Meetings, Education and Information Events, Incentives Workshops, Training Sessions, and CSC On-Boarding Sessions. The estimated cost for these Services & Supplies is \$236,900 for FY 2023-24 and/or FY 2024-25.

Services and Supplies – Diversity, Equity & Inclusion with Community Air Programs
Services and Supplies are intended to fund the operational tasks routinely needed for the administration of the AB 617 program. Professional development includes trainings and conferences for staff to increase their cultural competency skills and knowledge relevant to individual communities, and proficiency of new technologies. Through these opportunities, staff will be able to apply this new knowledge to better implement AB 617. Additionally, staff can utilize trainings and conferences to collaborate with colleagues across the state working on AB 617 and environmental justice, in particular CSC members, air district staff, and other technical and non-technical entities. The estimated cost for these Services & Supplies is \$113,500.

Community Outreach Mileage and Travel

Members of the CERP and CORE teams are expected to participate in individual community activities on an ongoing basis. This includes interactions with CSC members, local stakeholders, and local agencies outside of the CSC meetings and within the different neighborhoods represented in the CSC. Funds for community outreach mileage and travel are to reimburse employees for these costs. The estimated cost for these Services & Supplies is \$54,900.

CSC Member Stipends & CSC Member Meeting Facilitation Stipends

Allocation for CSC member stipends is essential for ongoing community engagement and retention. These stipends represent a recognition of CSC members' expertise and provides critical cultural capital for South Coast AQMD. The estimated cost for these Services & Supplies is \$84,150.

Public Noticing, Postage, Advertising

Public noticing and advertising are needed to publicize AB 617 related public hearings, CSC events, RFPs, RFQs, and Program Announcements in local newspapers and general circulation. Some newspapers may include the Los Angeles Times, the Orange County Register, the San Bernardino Sun, and the Riverside County's Press Enterprise

to leverage the most cost-effective method of outreach to the South Coast Basin. The estimated cost for these Services & Supplies is \$60,000.

Sole-Source Justification

Section VIII.B.2 of the Procurement Policy and Procedure identifies four major provisions under which a sole-source award may be justified: The request for sole-source purchases from Aerodyne Research Inc. and FluxSense, Inc. are made under Sections VIII.B.2.c (1): The unique experience and capabilities of the proposed contractor; VIII.B.2.c (2): The project involves the use of proprietary technology; and VIII.B.2.d (6): Projects requiring compatibility with existing specialized equipment. There are no other vendors who can provide this equipment, supplies and software meeting all required specifications and that are compatible with existing specialized equipment already in operation.

Section VIII.B.2 of the Procurement Policy and Procedure identifies a major provision under which a sole-source award may be justified: The request for sole-source contacts for the three South Los Angeles Co-Leads listed in Table 2; Castillo Consulting Partners; and VMA Communications are made under Sections VIII.B.2.c (1): The unique experience and capabilities of the proposed contractor.

As part of our commitment to effectively implement AB 617 and ensure the successful development and implementation of CERPs, South Coast AQMD has selected the following community local partners: Physicians for Social Responsibility-Los Angeles, Watts Clean Air and Energy Committee (WCAEC), and Strategic Concepts in Organizing and Policy Education (SCOPE - LA). Their unique expertise, deep-rooted connections, and contextual understanding possessed by these contractors are ideal for AB 617 co-leadership collaboration. These selected community partners have an established history of active engagement and collaboration within the communities affected by air quality issues. Their direct interactions and relationships with community members provide insight into local concerns and air quality priorities, and they have been selected as the Community Co-Lead for the South LA CSC.

VMA Communications was selected as a third-party facilitator to lead the Eastern Coachella Valley (ECV) CSC Meeting. The facilitator has a unique skill set, experience with the ECV CSC, and established rapport with community members. The third-party facilitator brings a neutral, unbiased perspective that fosters a more collaborative environment in both English and Spanish languages.

The SLA Community Co-Lead selected Castillo Consulting Partners, which demonstrated the capacity to conduct and facilitate CSC meetings and Co-lead planning meetings. Their ability to navigate cultural and local nuances, languages and sensitivities ensure that CSC engagement efforts are respectful, inclusive, and effective.

Benefits to South Coast AQMD

The equipment, contracts, and related services and supplies will help support South Coast AQMD efforts to fulfill the legislative directives of AB 617 to implement the six CERPs and CAMPs, which will result in air quality and public health benefits specifically to the AB 617 environmental justice communities and to the entire region.

Resource Impacts

South Coast AQMD receives funding annually from CARB's Air Protection Program. This funding will provide resources for the continued implementation of South Coast AQMD's AB 617 program as proposed.

Attachments

1. Table 1: FY 2023-24 and/or FY 2024-25 Proposed Capital Outlay/Intangible Asset Expenditures for AB 617 (Capital Outlays Major Object)
2. Table 2: FY 2023-24 and/or FY 2024-25 Proposed Contracts/Contract Amendments for AB 617 (Services & Supplies Major Object)
3. Table 3: FY 2023-24 and/or FY 2024-25 Proposed Other Services and Supplies Expenditures for AB 617 (Services & Supplies Major Object)
4. Resolution

Table 1
FY 2023-24 and/or FY 2024-25 Proposed Capital Outlay/Intangible Asset
Expenditures for AB 617
(Capital Outlays Major Object)

Description	Org Unit	Estimated Amount	Contracting Method
Pfeiffer SplitFlow Turbomolecular Pump (Qty 1)	MAD	\$20,000	Sole-Source
Liquid Calibration Unit (Qty 1)	MAD	\$15,000	Sole-Source
Ebara EV-PA500 Fore Pump (Qty 1)	MAD	\$20,000	RFQ
*Replacement Parts for Existing Optical Remote Sensing Mobile Laboratory	MAD	\$200,000	Sole-Source
Condensation Particle Counter (Up to two)	MAD	\$45,000	RFQ
AER Reporting	PRDI	\$250,000	IM Pre-approved Contractor
TOTAL		\$550,000	

*Note: Expenditures may be appropriated in the Services & Supplies Major Object as warranted.

Table 2
FY 2023-24 and/or FY 2024-25 Proposed Contracts/Contract
Amendments for AB 617
(Services & Supplies Major Object)

Contractor	Description	Org Unit	Estimated Amount	Contracting Method
Aerodyne Research, Inc.	Vocus PTR-MS Warranty Extension	MAD	\$30,000	Sole-Source
TBD	Cloud Data Platform Development and Monthly Subscription	MAD	\$250,000	Solicitation to Prequalified and/or Outside Vendors
TBD	Calibration of Meteorological Devices	MAD	\$50,000	RFP
TBD	Analysis of AB 617 Data	MAD	\$50,000	RFP
PSR-LA	Community Co-Lead Contract for CERP Implementation Tasks	DEI with CAP	\$37,800	Sole-Source
WCAEC	Community Co-Lead Contract for CERP Implementation Tasks	DEI with CAP	\$37,800	Sole-Source
SCOPE - LA	Community Co-Lead Contract for CERP Implementation Tasks	DEI with CAP	\$37,800	Sole-Source
VMA Communications	Facilitator for ECV CSC Meetings	DEI with CAP	\$32,000	Sole-Source
Castillo Consulting Partners	Facilitator for SLA Community Co-Lead and CSC Meetings	DEI with CAP	\$40,000	Sole-Source
TBD	Contracts CERP Implementation Projects (\$100,000 per CSC community)	DEI with CAP	\$600,000	RFP/RFQ/ Program Announcement
TOTAL			\$1,165,400	

Note: Expenditures may be appropriated in the Capital Outlays Major Object as warranted.

Table 3
FY 2023-24 and/or FY 2024-25 Proposed Other Services and Supplies
Expenditures for AB 617
(Services & Supplies Major Object)

Description	Org Unit	Account	Estimated Amount
Includes: rents, utilities, maintenance of equipment, lab supplies, communications, small tools, etc.	MAD	Various	\$750,000
Includes: Document Translation, Interpretation Services, Outreach Materials	DEI with CAP	Various	\$385,150
Includes: Meeting Coordination and Services, such as Venues, Audio/Visual Services, and Refreshments	DEI with CAP	Various	\$236,900
Includes Services and Supplies: Phones, Office Expenses, Equipment, and Professional Development	DEI with CAP	Various	\$113,500
Includes: Community Outreach Mileage and Travel	DEI with CAP	Various	\$54,900
Includes: Stipends, CSC Member Facilitator	DEI with CAP	Various	\$84,150
Includes: Public Noticing, Postage, Advertising	DEI with CAP	Various	\$60,000
Total			\$1,684,600

RESOLUTION NO. 23-

**A Resolution of the South Coast Air Quality Management District Board
Recognizing Funds and Accepting the Terms and Conditions of the
FY 2022-23 Community Air Protection Program Grant Award G22-CAPP-31**

WHEREAS, under Health & Safety Code § 40400 et seq., the South Coast Air Quality Management District (South Coast AQMD) is the local agency with the primary responsibility for the development, implementation, monitoring and enforcement of air pollution control strategies, clean fuels programs and motor vehicle use reduction measures; and

WHEREAS, the South Coast AQMD is authorized by Health & Safety Code § 40400 et seq. and Assembly Bill (AB) 617 (Chapter 136, Statutes of 2017), the South Coast AQMD is authorized to implement programs to support selecting locations for consideration by the California Air Resources Board (CARB) under AB 617, to deploy community air monitoring systems, deploy fence-line monitoring and develop Community Emissions Reduction Programs to reduce emissions of toxic air contaminants and criteria pollutants at selected locations, and to develop an expedited schedule for requiring best available retrofit control technology; and

WHEREAS, the Governing Board has adopted several programs to support selecting locations for CARB consideration under AB 617, deploy community air monitoring systems, deploy fence-line monitoring, develop Community Emissions Reduction Programs, and develop an expedited schedule for requiring best available retrofit control technology.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Governing Board, in regular session assembled on October 6, 2023, does hereby authorize the Executive Officer to accept the terms and conditions of the FY 2022-23 Community Air Protection Program G22-CAPP-31 grant award and recognize up to \$21,880,000 from CARB to support location selection for CARB consideration under AB 617, deploy community air monitoring systems, deploy fence-line monitoring, develop Community Emissions Reduction Programs, and develop an expedited schedule for requiring best available retrofit control technology.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Executive Officer is authorized and directed to take all steps necessary to carry out this Resolution.

AYES:

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ABSENT:

DATE:

Faye Thomas, Clerk of the Boards