



South Coast Air Quality Management District



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LOCAL GOVERNMENT & SMALL BUSINESS ASSISTANCE ADVISORY GROUP MEETING

Advisory Group Members

Mayor Ben Benoit, Chair
Dr. Clark E. Parker, Sr.
Supervisor V. Manuel Perez
Supervisor Janice Rutherford
Felipe Aguirre
Rachelle Arizmendi
Paul Avila
Geoffrey Blake
Todd Campbell
LaVaughn Daniel
John DeWitt
Bill LaMarr
Rita Loof
Eddie Marquez
Cynthia Moran
David Rothbart

NOTE: TIME AND LOCATION CHANGE

**Friday, December 14, 2018 ♦ 11:30 a.m. ♦
Centro Basco, 13432 Central Ave., Chino, CA 91710**

(The public may attend at location listed above.)

AGENDA

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CALL TO ORDER

DISCUSSION ITEMS (Items 1 and 2):

1. Call to Order/Opening Remarks
(No Motion Required)
*Mayor Ben Benoit
Committee Chair*
2. Review of Follow-Up/Action Items
(No Motion Required)
Staff will review the follow-up/action items identified in the previous meeting.
*Derrick J. Alatorre,
Deputy Executive Officer
Legislative, Public Affairs &
Media*

ACTION ITEMS (Items 3 and 4):

3. Approval of November 9, 2018 Meeting Minutes
(Motion Required)
[Attachment 1]
Derrick J. Alatorre
4. Approval of Local Government & Small Business Assistance
Advisory Group 2018 Accomplishments and Seek Items for 2019
Goals & Objectives
(Motion Required)
*Staff will present and seek approval on the 2018 accomplishments, as well
as seek items to include in the 2019 Goals & Objectives of the LGSBA
Advisory Group.*
[Attachment 2]
Derrick J. Alatorre

WRITTEN REPORT:

5. **Monthly Report on Small Business Assistance Activities**
(No Motion Required)
*Summary of assistance and outreach activities conducted by
SCAQMD's Small Business Assistance Office for November 2018.*
[Attachment 3 - Written Report]
All

OTHER MATTERS:

6. Other Business
*Any member of this body, or its staff, on his or her own initiative or in
response to questions posed by the public, may ask a question for
clarification, may make a brief announcement or report on his or her
own activities, provide a reference to staff regarding factual
information, request staff to report back at a subsequent meeting
concerning any matter, or may take action to direct staff to place a
matter of business on a future agenda. (Govt. Code Section 54954.2)*

7. **Public Comment Period**

At the end of the regular meeting agenda, an opportunity is provided for the public to speak on any subject within the Local Government and Small Business Assistance Committee's authority that is not on the agenda. Speakers may be limited to three (3) minutes each.

8. **Next Meeting Date** - Friday, January 11, 2019 at 11:30 a.m.

ADJOURNMENT

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LOCAL GOVERNMENT & SMALL BUSINESS ASSISTANCE ADVISORY GROUP FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 9, 2018 MEETING MINUTES

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Ben Benoit, Mayor Pro Tem, City of Wildomar and LGSBA Chairman
V. Manuel Perez, Supervisor
Janice Rutherford, Supervisor, Second District, San Bernardino County
Felipe Aguirre
Paul Avila, P.B.A. & Associates
Geoffrey Blake, Metal Finishers of Southern California
John DeWitt, JE DeWitt, Inc.
Bill LaMarr, California Small Business Alliance
Rita Loof, RadTech International
Eddie Marquez, Roofing Contractors Association
David Rothbart, Los Angeles County Sanitation District

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Dr. Clark E. Parker, Sr., Senate Rules Committee Appointee
Rachelle Arizmendi, Mayor Pro Tempore, City of Sierra Madre
Todd Campbell, Clean Energy
LaVaughn Daniel, DancoEN
Cynthia Moran, Council Member, City of Chino Hills

OTHERS PRESENT:

Mark Abramowitz, Board Member Consultant (*Lyou*)
Ruthanne Taylor Berger, Board Member Consultant (*Benoit*)
Andy Silva, San Bernardino County

SCAQMD STAFF:

Fabian Wesson, Asst. Deputy Executive Officer/Public Advisor
Jason Low, Ph.D., Asst. Deputy Executive Officer
Nancy Feldman, Principal Deputy District Counsel
Al Baez, Program Supervisor
Vasileios Papapostolou, Program Supervisor
Tom Lee, Senior Air Quality Engineer
De Groeneveld, Sr. Information Technology Specialist
Elaine-Joy Hills, AQ Inspector II
Stacy Garcia, Secretary

Agenda Item #1 - Call to Order/Opening Remarks

Chair Ben Benoit called the meeting to order at 11:32 a.m.

Agenda Item #2 – Approval of October 12, 2018 Meeting Minutes/Review of Follow-Up/Action Items

Chair Benoit called for approval of the October 12, 2018 meeting minutes. The minutes were approved unanimously.

Agenda Item #3 – Follow Up/Action Items

Ms. Fabian Wesson stated that Mr. David Rothbart had requested a presentation on Emission Reductions Credits (ERCs). Mr. Derrick Alatorre checked with SCAQMD staff and they are not ready to present on ERCs at this time.

In response to Supervisor V. Manuel Perez's request for a symposium in Eastern Riverside County, Ms. Wesson indicated that an AB 617 meeting will be scheduled in 2019.

Ms. Wesson stated that during the October meeting, Ms. Rita Loof requested a report on activities that SCAQMD staff is working on with California Air Resources Board (CARB), in regards to AB 617. Ms. Wesson responded that reports are given at each coordination meeting and Ms. Loof stated that she would like a recap. Ms. Wesson indicated that an AB 617 update will be given at a future meeting. Ms. Wesson further stated that the steering committees for the three AB 617 communities have been formed and each consists of approximately 30 people including residents, businesses, and community based organizations. The next AB 617 meeting is in East Los Angeles on November 28, 2018. The meeting information is posted on the AB 617 webpage (<http://www.aqmd.gov/nav/about/initiatives/environmental-justice/ab617-134>) and will provide LGSBA members the information via e-mail. Ms. Rita Loof asked how trade associations are going to be able to represent communities and sit on advisory committees. Ms. Wesson stated that SCAQMD staff can provide the list of the steering committee members.

Action Item: Provide presentation on AB 617 updates.

Action Item: Provide list of steering committee members to LGSBA members.

Action Item: E-mail flyer for AB 617 meeting on November 28, 2018 to LGSBA members.

Mr. Bill La Marr requested that AB 617 meeting materials and presentations be posted on our website at least 24 hours in advance of a scheduled meeting. Ms. Wesson stated that it is a work in progress and staff will speak to the coordinator about it.

Ms. Loof reiterated her request on an update on outreach activities entered into with the business industry on Rule 219.

Action Item: Provide presentation on Rule 219 updates.

Mr. Paul Avila previously inquired on SCAQMD's involvement in the Sriracha case to which Ms. Nancy Feldman gave details in that it was a public nuisance matter. Mr. Avila stated that he would like information about SCAQMD's policies regarding public nuisance. Ms. Feldman stated that there is no specific number of complaints and in order to find a public nuisance, a considerable number of people need to be impacted which can vary from case to case. Ms. Feldman offered to present on public nuisance policies in the future.

Action Item: Provide presentation on public nuisance by Nancy Feldman.

Supervisor Janice Rutherford requested for Agenda Item #5 to be moved up.

Agenda Item #5 –Air Quality Sensing & Monitoring in Citizen Science

Mr. Vasileios Papapostolou provided an overview on the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) funded Science to Achieve Results grant, entitled “Engage, Educate, and Empower California Communities on the Use and Applications of Low-Cost Air Monitoring Sensors.”

Ms. Loof inquired if SCAQMD gets involved with public assistance on sensor usage. Mr. Papapostolou stated that SCAQMD is involved with community groups, community members, CAPCOA agencies, and the Bay Area AQMD.

Mr. Avila inquired about all sensors that were considered. Mr. Papapostolou said that approximately 30 pollutant-type devices have been brought in and around 15 have been tested. Mr. Avila asked about the cost of a dome-type sensor. Mr. Papapostolou responded that they cost around \$200, but do have limitations.

Mr. John DeWitt asked if the sensor sites are listed publicly. Mr. Papapostolou responded that they are displayed on a map on the web. Mr. DeWitt wanted to know about the process of getting a sensor. Mr. Papapostolou indicated that the distribution of sensors are through the STAR Grant Program. Mr. Papapostolou suggested visiting AQ-SPEC webpage (<http://www.aqmd.gov/aq-spec/home>).

Supervisor Rutherford asked how the program will integrate with AB 617 community monitoring. Mr. Papapostolou said that local sensors will be involved and then will be proposed in AB 617 and other programs.

Mr. LaMarr inquired as to why San Bernardino does not have sensors. Mr. Papapostolou responded that there are sensors in San Bernardino, but are not part of the STAR Grant Program. Mr. LaMarr asked if the emissions data that will be made available at the AB 617 meetings could also be given to this group, to which Mr. Papapostolou responded yes.

Action Item: Provide presentation on AB 617 emissions data.

Ms. Loof stated that different sensors may give differing results on emissions and asked what standard SCAQMD is using to validate certain types of technologies. Mr. Papapostolou stated that we are involved in discussions of establishing a performance verification program at the state level. At the national level, there are discussions of a certification program, which will be led by the US EPA.

Dr. Jason Low indicated that there are limitations to the devices being used, and they are not being used for compliance targets at this point.

Mr. Rothbart asked, for anyone having a device, if they are made aware that it is a screening tool and may identify a potential area that needs to be validated by a regulatory entity. As to AB 617, Dr. Low stated that module 2 will be heavily emphasized on air monitoring.

Mr. Rothbart asked for validation of samples and how to properly sample. Mr. Papapostolou stated that guidance is provided.

Mr. LaMarr asked if data will be reliable enough, if it will be included in other studies. Mr. Papapostolou said that the local sensors are not yet approved methods. They complement existing regulatory networks. Dr. Low stated that the technology provides information, which is good enough to supplement smoke advisory.

Ms. Loof stated that it would be helpful to be part of the conversation in ongoing discussions of certification of sensors.

Supervisor Perez inquired as to what the sensors are monitoring, where they are located in his district, and requested a copy showing the locations of said sensors. He explained that nosebleeds have been reported at the schools around the Salton Sea. Mr. Papapostolou stated that the sensors that he has been discussing measure PM_{2.5} and PM₁₀, with the numbers referring to size of particles. Supervisor Perez asked if there is any link between PM₁₀ and nosebleeds. Mr. Papapostolou stated that he is not aware of any association, but exposure to poor air quality can cause nosebleeds. Supervisor Perez requested meetings and further data in regards to nosebleeds at the schools in his district. Dr. Low said that there are three devices in Eastern Coachella, and agreed to facilitate a conversation about PM₁₀ data and nosebleeds.

***Action Item:** Send map with locations of monitors in 4th District to Supervisor Perez.*

***Action Item:** Schedule meeting to discuss any correlation between nosebleeds and PM₁₀.*

Mr. Harvey Eder commented on solar and other environmental issues.

Agenda Item #4 – Proposed Updates to the Best Available Control Technology (BACT) Guidelines

Mr. Al Baez presented on proposed updates on the Best Available Control Technologies (BACT) Guidelines.

Ms. Loof requested a copy of the Engineering & Permitting policy memorandum. Mr. Tom Lee indicated there is a link to the memorandum on the BACT webpage.

Mr. DeWitt and Mr. LaMarr inquired about costs per ton. Mr. Baez stated that costs were established in 2005 on a cost per ton basis and it will be in the board package. Mr. Baez indicated that in BACT, we get in touch with actual facilities, get input on costs for installation, compare to costs per ton. BACT is case specific.

Mr. Rothbart suggested that BACT should have a more formal process. Mr. Baez said a BACT public meeting for proposed updates will be scheduled and what Mr. Rothbart is suggesting would require Board action.

Mr. Blake asked if BACT guidelines pass, how long it would take for all permits to be re-written. Mr. Baez said rules are not impacted and that it only applies to anything new, modified or relocated.

Mr. Eder requested to enter into the record documents of clerk's transcript from appellate court and commented about solar.

Agenda Item #6 – Monthly Report on Small Business Assistance Activities

No comments.

Agenda Item #7 - Other Business

Ms. Wesson stated that the December meeting will be held at Centro Basco. The item on the agenda will be regarding goals and objectives, and to submit any recommendations to Ms. Stacy Garcia.

Agenda Item #8 - Public Comment

Mr. Eder provided public comment on solar and other environmental issues.

Agenda Item #9 – Next Meeting Date

The next regular Local Government & Small Business Assistance Advisory Group meeting is scheduled for Friday, December 14, 2018 at 11:30 a.m. at Centro Basco located at 13432 Central Ave., Chino, 91710.

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 12:59 p.m.

Local Government & Small Business Assistance Advisory Group

2018 Accomplishments

Throughout the year, the LGSBA Advisory Group receives information and/or provides direct input on a variety of policy initiatives and proposed regulations that affect local governments, small businesses, and the general public. Such input is of particular value to the staff and Governing Board members in the process of developing such items and approving them, respectively.

Where appropriate, new additions and/or revisions were made by staff to improve proposals or policies, based on LGSBA members' input. A wide variety of comments were received on each of these items from LGSBA members representing local governments, small businesses, and the communities in general. Further details may be found in the Minutes of meetings where each item was discussed in depth.

Significant Items Addressed in 2018

Significant discussions were held during 2018 on many items. A few notable items that were addressed during 2018 are summarized below, while an additional list of issues discussed follows.

(1) AB 617 Community Identification Process

Dr. Philip Fine summarized the requirements and program elements for AB 617, including the identification of communities for monitoring. The communities that were identified are Wilmington/West Long Beach/Carson, San Bernardino/Muscoy, and East Los Angeles/Boyle Heights/Commerce.

(2) AB 134 & Carl Moyer Activities

Ms. Vicki White provided information regarding the adoption of AB 134 to fund community air quality projects and an update on Carl Moyer activities. AB 134 was signed by the Governor in September 2017 and provides immediate funding for projects that will reduce emissions in environmental justice communities.

(3) Update on Multiple Air Toxics Exposure Study (MATES V)

Dr. Payam Pakbin presented an update on MATES V. The purpose of MATES is to evaluate regional air toxics health risks in the South Coast Air Basin. MATES V includes fixed site monitoring at 10 sites, emissions inventory, and health risk modeling.

(4) Permit Backlog Reduction Report

Dr. Laki Tisopulos presented an end of the year report on permit backlog reduction. The backlog has been reduced to less than 3,600. In regards to converting application forms to electronically fillable smart forms, the goal is for that to take place within the next 1 – 1 ½ years. In addition, online permitting tools are being developed, where the simpler applications can be written online.

List of Items Addressed in 2018

A more complete list of items addressed during 2018 is shown below, with the dates of discussions noted in parenthesis, for reference and further details.

1. Monthly Report on Small Business Assistance Activities (monthly)
2. AB 617 Community Identification Process (February)
3. Proposed Amended Rule 1420 Emissions Standard for Lead (February)
4. AB 134 & Carl Moyer Activities (March)
5. Update on New Source Review (March)
6. Update on SCAG's Regional Transportation Plan/Sustainable Communities Strategies (March)
7. Update on 2016 AQMP Implementation (June)
8. Update on Community Air Toxics Monitoring Efforts (June)
9. SCAQMD Laboratory Tour (June)
10. Update on Multiple Air Toxics Exposure Study (MATES V) (July)
11. FY 2018-19 General Fund Budget and Fee Adjustment (July)
12. Commercial Fuel Cell and Electric Battery Vehicles (July)
13. Renewable Fuels (September)
14. Update on SCAQMD's Incentive Programs (September)
15. Permit Backlog Reduction (October)
16. Local Government Land Use Policies to Reduce Air Pollution Exposure from Mobile Sources (October)
17. Proposed Updates to the Best Available Control Technology (BACT) Guidelines (November)
18. Air Quality Sensing & Monitoring in Citizen Science (November)

Local Government & Small Business Assistance Advisory Group

Proposed 2019 Goals & Objectives

For 2019, the LGSBA Advisory Group will provide input about regulatory policies and practices and suggest enhancements to promote small business economic growth while furthering air quality and public health protection, consistent with the LGSBA Advisory Group mission statement.

The following items are proposed to be discussed in depth for 2019:

1. Updates on the 2016 Air Quality Management Plan funding.
2. Implementation of AB 2766 requirements.
3. Significant SCAQMD rule proposals or initiatives as necessary.
4. Status update on SCAQMD's state and federal legislative agenda at periodic intervals.
5. Status update on the health studies related to air pollutants.
6. Update on FY 2018-19 Draft Budget and Work Program.
7. Update on Clean Fuels Program.
8. Status update on Technology Advancement projects.
9. Update on Greenhouse Gas-related activities.
10. Updates on SCAQMD Incentive programs.
11. Updates on SCAQMD's implementation of OEHHA's updated methods for estimating cancer risks.
12. Updates on proposed rule amendments for 2019.
13. Update on BACT Guidelines.
14. Status update on permit backlog reduction.
15. Update on AB 617 progress.
16. Update on Mates V.
17. Update on Rule 219, if available.

The approved Minutes, reflecting the discussions, will be forwarded to the Administrative Committee and the Governing Board. Not all items may be covered due to time constraints. The LGSBA Chair may also make further changes to accommodate requests received or cover issues not anticipated at the beginning of the year.



Small Business Assistance Report on November 2018 Activities for LG&SBA Advisory Group Meeting of 12/14/2018

Services Offered – November

■ Permit Application Assistance	139
■ On-site Consultations	7
■ Fee Review Committee Request	4
■ 1 Granted (Payment Plan)	
■ 3 Denied (Waive/Reduce Fees)	
■ Air Quality Permit Checklist Processed	58

Permit Assistance – November

- 139 Activities Providing Help with Permit Applications. Examples include:
 - 15 *Auto Body Shops*
 - 14 *Restaurants*
 - 11 *Manufacturing Facilities*
 - 11 *Offices*
 - 10 *General Contractors/ Consultants/ Architects*
 - 9 *Warehouses (Storage/ Distribution)*
 - 3 *Printing Facilities*
 - 1 *Dry Cleaner*

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Activities – November

- Conducted 7 free on-site consultations
 - Furniture Refinishing
 - Offices
 - Warehouse
 - Manufacturing Facility
 - Government Agency

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Dry Cleaner Grants Issued (as of 11/2018)

■	Professional Wet Cleaning	148
■	CO ₂ Machines	4
■	Hydrocarbon (funds expended)	488

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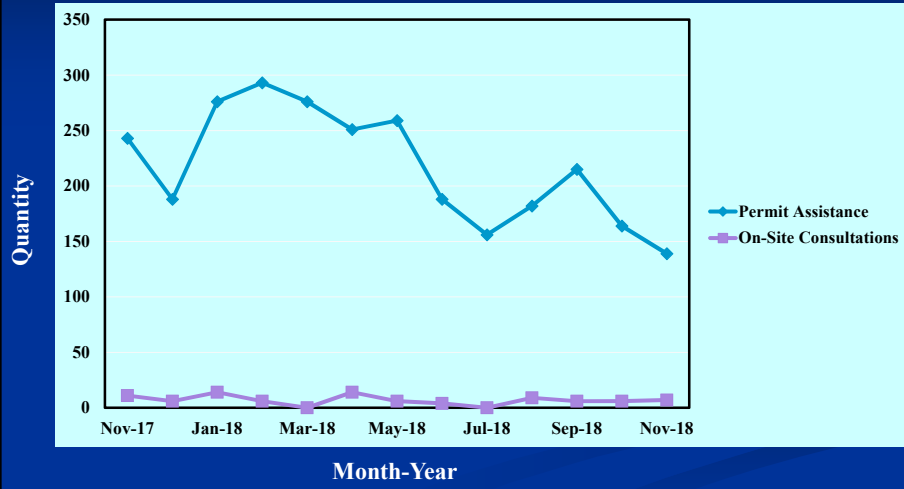
Small Business Activity November 2017 – November 2018

ACTIVITY	Permit Assistance	On-Site Consultations	Variance Assistance	Fee Review Requests	Air Quality Permit Checklists
Nov-2017	243	11	0	7	97
Dec-2017	188	6	0	5	70
Jan-2018	276	14	1	4	60
Feb-2018	293	6	1	4	60
Mar-2018	276	0	0	2	62
Apr-2018	251	14	0	3	62
May-2018	259	6	0	0	82
Jun-2018	188	4	0	5	62
Jul-2018	156	0	0	2	51
Aug-2018	182	9	1	3	49
Sep-2018	215	6	0	2	68
Oct-2018	164	6	0	2	54
Nov-2018	139	7	0	4	58
TOTAL	2830	89	3	43	835

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