



# South Coast Air Quality Management District

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## A G E N D A

### HYBRID GOVERNING BOARD MEETING JUNE 5, 2026

A meeting of the South Coast Air Quality Management District Board will be held at 9:00 a.m. on Friday, June 5, 2026 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 91765 and/or virtual attendance via videoconferencing and by telephone. Please follow the instructions below to join the meeting remotely.

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**CALL TO ORDER**

- Pledge of Allegiance
- Roll Call
- Opening Comments: Michael A. Cacciotti, 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 28)**

Note: Consent and Board Calendar items held for discussion will be moved to Item No. 29.

**Items 1 and 2 – Action Items/No Fiscal Impact**

1. Approve Minutes of May 1, 2026 Board Meeting **Thomas/3268**

2. Set Public Hearings August 7, 2026 to Consider **Nastri/3131**  
Adoption of and/or Amendments to South Coast  
AQMD Rules and Regulations:

A. Determine That South Coast Air Basin Redesignation Requests and Maintenance Plans for PM2.5 and PM10 NAAQS Are Exempt from CEQA; Adopt South Coast Air Basin Redesignation Requests and Maintenance Plans for PM2.5 and PM10 NAAQS; and Submit for Inclusion Into State Implementation Plan **Rees/2856**

The South Coast Air Basin Redesignation Requests and Maintenance Plans for PM2.5 and PM10 National Ambient Air Quality Standard (NAAQS) include the redesignation requests and maintenance plans for the 1997 annual and 24-hour PM2.5 NAAQS and the second maintenance plan for the 1987 PM10 NAAQS for the South Coast Air Basin (Basin). The Basin is in “moderate” nonattainment for the 1997 annual and 24-hour PM2.5 NAAQS. Over the past two decades, air quality in the Basin has significantly improved, and current PM2.5 levels now meet these standards. This plan requests that U.S. EPA redesignate the Basin to attainment for the 1997 NAAQS and includes maintenance plans demonstrating continued attainment through 2039. In addition, U.S. EPA approved the Basin’s first maintenance plan for the 1987 24-hour PM10 standard in 2013. This plan includes the required second maintenance plan to ensure continued attainment of the PM10 standard through 2033. This action is to adopt the Resolution: 1) Determining that the South Coast Air Basin Redesignation Requests and Maintenance Plans are exempt from the requirements of the

California Environmental Quality Act; 2) Adopting the South Coast Air Basin Redesignation Requests and Maintenance Plans; 3) Directing staff to submit the South Coast Air Basin Redesignation Requests and Maintenance Plans for inclusion into the State Implementation Plan. (Reviewed: Mobile Source Committee, May 15, 2026)

- B. Determine That Proposed Amended Rule 1302 - Definitions, Is Exempt from CEQA; and Amend Rule 1302

**Krause/2706**

Rule 1302 defines terms used in Regulation XIII – New Source Review, which sets forth the federal and state mandated pre-construction review program for new, modified, or relocated sources for non-RECLAIM air contaminants. Proposed Amended Rule 1302 will amend the definition of Essential Public Service to include composting operations under specific circumstances, thus allowing qualified operations to draw from credits in the Priority Reserve. This action is to adopt the Resolution: 1) Determining that Proposed Amended Rule 1302 – Definitions, is exempt from the requirements of the California Environmental Quality Act; and 2) Amending Rule 1302. (To Be Reviewed: Stationary Source Committee, June 26, 2026)

- C. Determine That Proposed Amended Rule 1401 – New Source Review of Toxic Air Containments, Is Exempt from CEQA; and Amend Rule 1401

**Krause/2706**

Proposed amendments to Rule 1401 will update the list of toxic air containments to reflect new compounds identified by OEHHA or existing compounds with new risk thresholds. This action is to adopt the Resolution: 1) Determining that Proposed Amended Rule 1401 – New Source Review of Toxic Air Containments, is exempt from the requirements of the California Environmental Quality Act; and 2) Amending Rule 1401. (To Be Reviewed: Stationary Source Committee, June 26, 2026)

**Items 3 through 14 – Budget/Fiscal Impact**

3. Execute Contract to Evaluate Emissions of Hydrogen-Fueled Internal Combustion Engines

**Katzenstein/2219**

Hydrogen-fueled internal combustion engines represent a lower emission alternative to conventional engines and may play an important role in reducing emissions from the transportation sector. Key advantages of hydrogen engine technology include having mechanical similarity to traditional engines, high efficiency, potential to support hydrogen market growth, and ability to reduce criteria pollutants and greenhouse gas emissions. The University of California, Riverside's Center for

Environmental Research and Technology (UCR/CE-CERT), together with the Sacramento Metropolitan Air Quality Management District, and PHINIA, Inc. have proposed a comprehensive research project to evaluate emissions from a prototype hydrogen engine vehicle under both laboratory and real-world operating conditions. This action is to execute a contract with UCR/CE-CERT, in an amount not to exceed \$122,000, from the Clean Fuels Program Fund (31) to evaluate the emissions profile of the hydrogen-fueled internal combustion engine vehicle. (Reviewed: Technology Committee, May 15, 2026; Recommended for Approval)

4. Adopt Resolution and Accept Terms and Conditions, Execute Agreement, Recognize Revenue, Transfer Funds, and Reimburse General Fund to Deploy Zero-Emission Municipal Vehicles

**Katzenstein/2219**

CARB awarded South Coast AQMD \$35,110,390 for the Transportation Electrification Advancement for Municipalities (TEAM) project to deploy zero-emission municipal vehicles in the South Coast AQMD region under its Advanced Technology Demonstration and Pilot Projects program. The TEAM project is a deployment initiative to address the unique challenges municipalities face in electrifying their fleets. These actions are to: 1) adopt a Resolution and accept grant terms and conditions for TEAM per CARB's Advanced Technology Demonstration and Pilot Projects program solicitation; 2) authorize the Executive Officer to execute and amend the agreement with CARB for TEAM; 3) recognize, upon receipt, up to \$35,110,390 from CARB into the GHG Reduction Projects Special Revenue Fund (67); 4) Transfer up to \$10,565,000 from the Clean Fuels Program Fund (31) into the GHG Reduction Projects Special Revenue Fund (67) for cost share; and 5) reimburse the General Fund of up to \$2,449,315 for administrative costs to implement TEAM from the GHG Reduction Projects Special Revenue Fund (67). (Reviewed: Technology Committee, May 15, 2026; Recommended for Approval)

5. Execute Contracts to Develop and Demonstrate Two Repowered Class 6/7 Medium-Duty Battery Electric Trucks

**Katzenstein/2219**

Medium-duty trucks are well suited to a broad range of vocational applications and are increasingly transitioning to zero-emission (ZE) technologies. Although several new Class 6/7 ZE truck options are commercially available there is growing demand for a lower-cost alternative. Repowered battery-electric vehicle options can provide a lower-cost alternative compared to original equipment manufacturer ZE trucks. This action seeks authorization to execute a contract with Evolectric, Inc. to develop and demonstrate two repowered Class 6/7 battery electric trucks for refrigeration and high-power utility applications, in an amount not to exceed \$791,674 from the Clean Fuels Program Fund (31). (Reviewed: Technology Committee, May 15, 2026; Recommended for Approval)

6. Execute Contracts to Implement INVEST CLEAN Program

**Katzenstein/2219**

In July 2024, U.S. EPA awarded South Coast AQMD a Climate Pollution Reduction Grant of nearly \$500 million for the Infrastructure, Vehicles, and Equipment Strategy for Climate, Equity, Air Quality, and National Competitiveness (INVEST CLEAN). In June and August 2025, an RFP for battery electric locomotives and three Program Announcements (PAs), for charging infrastructure, heavy-duty trucks, and cargo handling equipment were released and subsequently closed in December 2025 and January 2026. Projects have been evaluated and eligible projects were selected based on completeness and criteria detailed in the RFP and PAs, with additional consideration of the grant funds' geographical distribution. This action is to execute contracts from the U.S. EPA Climate Pollution Reduction Grant (CPRG) Special Revenue Fund (90) to implement INVEST CLEAN in the amount not to exceed \$249,797,891, including up to \$38,397,891 for charging infrastructure deployment, \$20,600,000 for battery electric cargo handling equipment, and \$190,800,000 for battery electric locomotives. (Reviewed: Technology Committee, May 15, 2026; Recommended for Approval)

7. Execute Contracts to Deploy Supporting Infrastructure for Zero-Emission Trucks

**Katzenstein/2219**

In December 2023, the Board recognized an award of \$76,250,003 from the California State Transportation Agency (CalSTA) under the 2022 Port and Freight Infrastructure Program (PFIP), of which \$35,372,904 was to demonstrate a short-line hydrogen fuel cell locomotive with Wabtec Corporation, and \$40,877,099 was to deploy direct current fast chargers and hydrogen refueling dispensers for heavy-duty trucks with Prologis Mobility, LLC. Recently, Prologis Mobility, LLC. withdrew their projects awarded under this grant and staff has worked with CalSTA to move these funds to other freight infrastructure projects that South Coast AQMD has received under several program announcements. This action is to execute contracts with Greenlane Infrastructure LLC., Pilot Travel Centers LLC., Zeem Solutions, LLC., KRD Logistics, Inc., and Tesla, Inc. to install charging and hydrogen fueling infrastructure, for a total of up to \$38,931,000, from the CalSTA Special Revenue Fund (89), upon CalSTA's final approval. (Reviewed: Technology Committee, May 15, 2026; Recommended for Approval)

8. Appropriate Funds, Issue Solicitation, Execute and/or Amend Contracts for Continued Implementation of Inflation Reduction Act Grant

**Low/2269**

South Coast AQMD previously received a federal grant award from U.S. EPA under the Inflation Reduction Act (IRA) Multipollutant Air Monitoring grant in the amount of \$1,210,708 to fund air monitoring network upgrades. These actions are to

appropriate IRA Multipollutant Air Monitoring grant funds up to \$150,000 into the Monitoring and Analysis FY 2026-27, 2027-28 and/or 2028-29 Budgets, issue an RFP and execute a contract for the development of software for the Laboratory weigh room, and authorize the Executive Officer to amend a contract for the development of the Diamond Bar Air Monitoring Equipment Testing and Education Center. (Reviewed: Administrative Committee, May 8, 2026; Recommended for Approval)

9. Authorize Purchase of Oracle PeopleSoft Software and Support

**Moskowitz/3329**

South Coast AQMD uses Oracle's PeopleSoft Integrated Financial/Human Resources System. The software package provides purchasing, accounting, asset management, financial management, project reporting, payroll and human resources functionality for South Coast AQMD. The maintenance support for this system expires August 29, 2026. This action is to obtain approval for a three-year contract with Oracle America, Inc. in the amount not to exceed \$1,255,000. Funds for the first year's purchase are included in Information Management's FY 2026-27 Budget and will be included in subsequent fiscal year budget requests. (Reviewed: Administrative Committee, May 8, 2026; Recommended for Approval)

10. Approve New and Revised Class Specifications; Amend Salary Resolution and Teamsters MOU to Establish New and Revised Class Specifications and, as Needed, to Revise Salaries; Amend FY 2025-26 Budget By Adding and Deleting Positions

**Olvera/2309**

Based upon a review of operational needs, staff is recommending changes to class specifications in the Finance Division and the Legal Office. This item proposes to revise the Fiscal Assistant and Senior Fiscal Assistant class specifications and to create a new class specification related to this series for Finance, and proposes to revise the Legal Office positions of Legal Secretary and Administrative Secretary/Legal. This item would also establish salaries for the proposed Account Clerk I, Account Clerk II, and Senior Account Clerk class specifications. In addition, staff is recommending adding and deleting positions in the Monitoring and Analysis Division to address operational needs. Sufficient funding exists in the FY 2025-26 Budget, and funding will be included in future budgets. (Reviewed: Administrative Committee, May 8, 2026; Recommended for Approval)

11. Amend Administrative Code to Revise Board Member Assistant and Board Member Consultant Policy and Executive Officer's Settlement Authority

**Olvera/2309**

This item is to amend South Coast AQMD's Administrative Code Section 112 – Board Assistant and Board Member Consultant Policy to remove obsolete language and to clarify the

compensation provisions. This item also proposes to amend Section 160.7 - Authority for Settlement of Claims and Lawsuits to increase the Executive Officer's settlement authority from \$50,000 to \$100,000, and to authorize funding from the General Fund Undesignated (Unreserved) Fund Balance. (Reviewed: Administrative Committee, May 8, 2026; Recommended for Approval)

12. Authorize Cooperative Purchasing Agreement for Printing Equipment and Multi-Function Devices

**Olvera/2309**

South Coast AQMD's printing equipment and multi-function devices contract is set to expire on June 30, 2026. This action is to execute a new five-year lease and maintenance agreement with Xerox Corporation, from July 1, 2026 to June 30, 2031, for a total amount not to exceed \$863,880, utilizing a cooperative purchase program. The agreement provides for two color production printers, one black and white production printer system, a cutter, and 29 walk-up floor multi-function devices. Funding is included in the FY 2026-27 budget and will be requested in successive fiscal years. (Reviewed: Administrative Committee, May 8, 2026; Recommended for Approval)

13. Establish List of Prequalified Agencies for Temporary Employment Services

**Olvera/2309**

On March 5, 2026, the Executive Officer approved the release of an RFQ for temporary employment services. This action is to establish a list of prequalified agencies that will be used, as needed, to obtain temporary employment services for a three-year period from July 1, 2026, to June 30, 2029. (Reviewed: Administrative Committee, May 8, 2026; Recommended for Approval)

14. Approve Allocation of Funds as Approved by MSRC

**McCallon**

The MSRC approved a funding allocation of \$5,000,000 to partner with South Coast AQMD on the Transportation Electrification Advancement for Municipalities project to deploy zero emission municipal vehicles in the South Coast AQMD region. The MSRC seeks Board approval of the funding allocation as part of the FYs 2024-27 Work Program. (Reviewed: Mobile Source Air Pollution Reduction Review Committee, May 21, 2026; Recommended for Approval)

**Items 15 through 21 – Information Only/Receive and File**

15. Legislative, Public Affairs and Media Report

**Tanaka/3327**

This report highlights the April 2026 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, Small Business Assistance, Media Relations, and Outreach to Community Groups and Governments. (No Committee Review)

16. Hearing Board Report **Ali**  
This reports the actions taken by the Hearing Board during the period of April 1 through April 30, 2026. (No Committee Review)
17. Civil Filings and Civil Penalties Report **Gilchrist/3459**  
This report summarizes monthly penalties and legal actions filed by the General Counsel's Office from April 1, 2026 through April 30, 2026. An Index of South Coast AQMD Rules is attached with the penalty report. (Reviewed: Stationary Source Committee, May 15, 2026)
18. 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 Coast AQMD between April 1, 2026 and April 30, 2026, and proposed projects for which South Coast AQMD is acting as lead agency pursuant to CEQA. (Reviewed: Mobile Source Committee, May 15, 2026)
19. Rule and Control Measure Forecast **Rees/2856**  
This report highlights South Coast AQMD rulemaking activities and public hearings scheduled for 2026. (No Committee Review)
20. Report of RFQs/RFPs Scheduled for Release in June **Jain/2804**  
This report summarizes the RFQs/RFPs for budgeted services over \$100,000 scheduled to be released for advertisement for the month of June. (Reviewed: Administrative Committee, May 8, 2026)
21. Status Report on Major Ongoing and Upcoming Projects for Information Management **Moskowitz/3329**  
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, May 8, 2026)

**Items 22 through 28 – Reports for Committees, MSRC, and CARB**

22. Administrative Committee (Receive & File) Chair: Cacciotti **Nastri/3131**

23.	Legislative Committee (Receive & File)	Chair: Perez	<b>Tanaka/3327</b>
	<u>Agenda Item</u>	<u>Recommendation/Action</u>	
	AB 2647 (Calderon) Energy: nuclear powerplants: assessment.	Watch	
	SB 1075 (Reyes) Air resources: toxic air contaminants: criteria air pollutants: community emissions reduction programs: local community emissions reduction plans.	Work with Author	
24.	Mobile Source Committee (Receive & File)	Chair: Delgado	<b>Rees/2856</b>
25.	Stationary Source Committee (Receive & File)	Chair: McCallon	<b>Aspell/2491</b>
26.	Technology Committee (Receive & File)	Chair: Rodriguez	<b>Katzenstein/2219</b>
27.	Mobile Source Air Pollution Reduction Review Committee (Receive & File)	Board Rep.: Cacciotti	<b>Katzenstein/2219</b>
28.	California Air Resources Board Monthly Report (Receive & File)	Board Rep.: Lock Dawson	<b>Thomas/3268</b>
29.	<u>Items Deferred from Consent and Board Calendar</u>		

**PUBLIC HEARINGS**

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| 30. | Determine That Proposed Amended Rule 1136 – Wood Products Coatings, Is Exempt from CEQA; Amend Rule 1136; and Submit for Inclusion Into State Implementation Plan <b><i>(This item was continued from the May 1, 2026 Board Meeting by operation of Governing Board Procedures, Administrative Code §30.10)</i></b>  | <b>Krause/2706</b> |
|     | Rule 1136 establishes VOC limits for wood products coatings. The California Office of Environmental Health Hazard Assessment determined that two compounds, para-Chlorobenzotrifluoride (pCBtF) and tert-Butyl Acetate (t-BAc), which are used in many wood products coatings, have carcinogenic health effects. Proposed Amended Rule 1136 includes a future effective prohibition for pCBtF and t-BAc, equivalent alternative Product Weighted Maximum Incremental Reactivity (PW-MIR) VOC limits, sell-through and use-through provisions, and removes outdated provisions. This action is to adopt the Resolution: 1) Determining that PAR 1136 – Wood Products Coatings is exempt from the requirements of the California Environmental Quality Act, 2) Amending Rule 1136 – Wood Products Coatings; and 3) Directing staff to submit PAR 1136 - Wood Products Coatings for Inclusion into the State Implementation Plan. (Reviewed: Stationary Source Committee, February 20 and April 17, 2026) |                    |

31. Determine That Proposed Amended Rule 2011 – Requirements for Monitoring, Reporting, and Recordkeeping for Oxides of Sulfur (SOx) Emissions, Proposed Amended Rule 2012 – Requirements for Monitoring, Reporting, and Recordkeeping for Oxides of Nitrogen (NOx) Emissions, and Proposed Amended Rule 2015 – Backstop Provisions, Are Exempt from CEQA; and Amend Rules 2011, 2012, and 2015

**Krause/2706**

Proposed Amended Rules 2011 and 2012 will allow an additional pathway for reporting emissions data for SOx and NOx RECLAIM sources, respectively. Proposed Amended Rule 2015 will revise the publication date and streamline the RECLAIM annual audit report. The proposed amendments also include minor editorial corrections and revisions for clarity. This action is to adopt the Resolution: 1) Determining that Proposed Amended Rule 2011 – Requirements for Monitoring, Reporting, and Recordkeeping for Oxides of Sulfur (SOx) Emissions, Proposed Amended Rule 2012 – Requirements for Monitoring, Reporting, and Recordkeeping for Oxides of Nitrogen (NOx) Emissions, and Proposed Amended Rule 2015 – Backstop Provisions, are exempt from the requirements of the California Environmental Quality Act; and 2) Amending Rules 2011, 2012, and 2015. (Reviewed: Stationary Source Committee, April 17, 2026)

32. Determine That Proposed Rule 444.1 – Particulate Matter Emission Reductions from Forestry and Agricultural Waste, Proposed Amended Rule 401 – Visible Emissions, Proposed Amended Rule 404 – Particulate Matter - Concentration, Proposed Amended Rule 405 – Solid Particulate Matter - Weight, Proposed Amended Rule 219 – Equipment Not Requiring a Written Permit Pursuant to Regulation II, and Proposed Amended Rule 222 – Filing Requirements for Specific Emission Sources Not Requiring a Written Permit Pursuant to Regulation II, Are Exempt from CEQA; and Adopt Rule 444.1 and Amend Rules 401, 404, 405, 219, and 222

**Krause/2706**

Proposed Rule 444.1 will establish requirements for air curtain incinerators (ACIs) and prescribed fire vehicles used to reduce vegetative waste and will help reduce PM emissions from forestry and agricultural waste management practices. Proposed Amended Rules 401, 404, and 405 will include an exemption for ACIs and prescribed fire vehicles to allow the use of these technologies in South Coast AQMD jurisdiction provided certain criteria are met. Proposed Amended Rule 219 will exempt some ACIs and prescribed fire vehicles not subject to Title V from permitting requirements. Proposed Amended Rule 222 will require ACIs and prescribed fire vehicles exempt from permitting in Proposed Amended Rule 219 to be registered. This action is to adopt the Resolution: 1) Determining that Proposed Rule 444.1 –Particulate Matter Emission Reductions from Forestry and

Agricultural Waste, Proposed Amended Rule 401 – Visible Emissions, Proposed Amended Rule 404 – Particulate Matter - Concentration, Proposed Amended Rule 405 – Solid Particulate Matter - Weight, Proposed Amended Rule 219 – Equipment Not Requiring a Written Permit Pursuant to Regulation II, and Proposed Amended Rule 222 – Filing Requirements for Specific Emission Sources Not Requiring a Written Permit Pursuant to Regulation II, are exempt from the requirements of the California Environmental Quality Act; and 2) Adopting Rule 444.1 and Amending Rules 401, 404, 405, 219, and 222. (Reviewed: Stationary Source Committee, April 17, 2026)

### **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:

- 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. 20-1145); challenge to federal efficiency standards for automobiles and claim that they preempt ZEV rules;
- Natural Resources Defense Council, et al. v. City of Los Angeles, et al., 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;
- Western States Trucking Association, Inc. v. EPA, et al., 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, United States Court of Appeals, Ninth Circuit, Case No. 25-5129 (appealing U.S. District Court, Central District of California, Case No. 2:24-cv-10482); challenge to Rule 1146.2 requiring transition to zero-emission boilers and process heaters;
- Communities for a Better Arvin, et al., v. U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, et al., United States Court of Appeals, Ninth Circuit, Case No. 24-7270 (amicus brief); regarding feasibility of contingency measures;
- Jason Konopisos and Tara Norris v. South Coast Air Quality Management District, et al., United States Court of Appeals, Ninth Circuit, Case No. 26-2117 (appealing U.S. District Court for the Central District of California, Case No. 2:25-cv-05683); appeal of order dismissing case with prejudice;
- Cruz Lopez Parra v. South Coast Air Quality Management District & John David Eckert, Los Angeles Superior Court, Case No. 25NNCV00710; and

- Center for Biological Diversity v. South Coast Air Quality Management District, Governing Board of the South Coast Air Quality Management District and Does 1 through 10, inclusive, Defendants: Harbor Commission of the Port of Los Angeles; Harbor Commission of the Port of Long Beach; Does 11-20, inclusive, Real Parties in Interest, Los Angeles Superior Court, Case No. 25STCP04685 (challenge to Ports Cooperative Agreement).

#### **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 (three 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 (three cases).

- Center for American Public Health Association v. EPA, United States Court of Appeals, D.C. Circuit, No. 26-1037 (and consolidated cases) (amicus brief).

#### **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.

#### **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 [cob@aqmd.gov](mailto:cob@aqmd.gov), on or before 5:00 p.m. on the Tuesday prior to the Board meeting.

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**ACRONYMS**

AQ-SPEC = Air Quality Sensor Performance Evaluation Center	NAAQS = National Ambient Air Quality Standards
AQIP = Air Quality Investment Program	NATTS = National Air Toxics Trends Station
AQMP = Air Quality Management Plan	NESHAPS = National Emission Standards for Hazardous Air Pollutants
AVR = Average Vehicle Ridership	NGV = Natural Gas Vehicle
BACT = Best Available Control Technology	NOx = Oxides of Nitrogen
BARCT = Best Available Retrofit Control Technology	NSPS = New Source Performance Standards
Cal/EPA = California Environmental Protection Agency	NSR = New Source Review
CARB = California Air Resources Board	OEHHA = Office of Environmental Health Hazard Assessment
CEMS = Continuous Emissions Monitoring Systems	PAMS = Photochemical Assessment Monitoring Stations
CEC = California Energy Commission	PEV = Plug-In Electric Vehicle
CEQA = California Environmental Quality Act	PHEV = Plug-In Hybrid Electric Vehicle
CE-CERT = College of Engineering-Center for Environmental Research and Technology	PM10 = Particulate Matter $\leq$ 10 microns
CNG = Compressed Natural Gas	PM2.5 = Particulate Matter $\leq$ 2.5 microns
CO = Carbon Monoxide	RECLAIM=Regional Clean Air Incentives Market
DOE = Department of Energy	RFP = Request for Proposals
EV = Electric Vehicle	RFQ = Request for Quotations
EV/BEV = Electric Vehicle/Battery Electric Vehicle	RFQQ=Request for Qualifications and Quotations
FY = Fiscal Year	SCAG = Southern California Association of Governments
GHG = Greenhouse Gas	SIP = State Implementation Plan
HRA = Health Risk Assessment	SOx = Oxides of Sulfur
LEV = Low Emission Vehicle	SOON = Surplus Off-Road Opt-In for NOx
LNG = Liquefied Natural Gas	SULEV = Super Ultra Low Emission Vehicle
MATES = Multiple Air Toxics Exposure Study	TCM = Transportation Control Measure
MOU = Memorandum of Understanding	ULEV = Ultra Low Emission Vehicle
MSERCs = Mobile Source Emission Reduction Credits	U.S. EPA = United States Environmental Protection Agency
MSRC = Mobile Source (Air Pollution Reduction) Review Committee	VOC = Volatile Organic Compound
	ZEV = Zero Emission Vehicle

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Click the interpretation Globe icon at the bottom of the screen

Select the language you want to hear (either English or Spanish)

Click "Mute Original Audio" if you hear both languages at the same time.

**Para interpretación de idiomas:**

Haga clic en el icono de interpretación el globo terráqueo en la parte inferior de la pantalla

Seleccione el idioma que desea escuchar (inglés o español)

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- If you would like to make public comment, please dial \*9 on your keypad to signal that you would like to comment.

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- El número de identificación de la reunión es 161 104 2947
- Si desea hacer un comentario público, marque \*9 en su teclado para indicar que desea comentar.