



South Coast Air Quality Management District

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VIRTUAL LOCAL GOVERNMENT & SMALL BUSINESS ASSISTANCE ADVISORY GROUP MEETING

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Councilmember Carlos Rodriguez, LGSBA Chair (Board Member)
Senator Vanessa Delgado (Board Member)
Felipe Aguirre
Councilmember Rachele Arizmendi, City of Sierra Madre
Paul Avila, P.B.A. & Associates
Geoffrey Blake, Metal Finishers of Southern California
Todd Campbell, Clean Energy
LaVaughn Daniel, DancoEN
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 Districts

Friday, February 10, 2023 ♦ 11:30 a.m.

Pursuant to Assembly Bill 361, the South Coast Air Quality Management District Local Government & Small Business Advisory Group meeting will be held at 11:30 a.m. on Friday, February 10, 2023, through virtual attendance via videoconferencing and by telephone. Please follow the instruction below to join the meeting remotely.

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CALL TO ORDER

1. Call to Order/Opening Remarks
(No Motion Required)

*Councilmember Carlos Rodriguez
Committee Chair*

ACTION ITEM:

2. Approval of January 13, 2023 Meeting Minutes
(Motion Required)
[Attachment 1]

Councilmember Carlos Rodriguez

3. Approval of Local Government and Small Business Assistance Advisory Group 2022 Accomplishments and 2023 Goals and Objectives
Staff will present and seek approval of the 2022 accomplishments and 2023 Goals & Objectives of the LGSBA Advisory Group document.
(Motion Required)
[Attachment 2]

*Lisa Tanaka O'Malley
Assistant Deputy Executive Officer
Legislative, Public Affairs & Media*

DISCUSSION ITEMS (Items 4 through 6):

4. Review of Follow-Up and Action Items
Staff will review follow-up/action items identified in the previous meeting.
(No Motion Required)
5. Update on Assembly Bill (AB) 617 for 2022
Staff will provide an update on the AB 617 program for 2022
(No Motion Required)
[Attachment 3]
6. Summary of Compliance and Enforcement (C&E) Activities for 2022
Staff will provide an update on inspections, complaint investigations, and enforcement activities during the last calendar year, including a brief discussion of how enforcement works and what happens after notices of violations are issued.
(No Motion Required)
[Attachment 4]

Lisa Tanaka O'Malley

*Bernard Tolliver
Senior Public Affairs Specialist
Executive Office*

*Terrence Mann
Deputy Executive Officer
Compliance & Enforcement*

OTHER MATTERS:

7. Other Business

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9. **Next Meeting Date** – Friday, March 10, 2023, at 11:30 a.m.

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LOCAL GOVERNMENT & SMALL BUSINESS ASSISTANCE ADVISORY GROUP FRIDAY, JANUARY 13, 2023 MEETING MINUTES

MEMBERS PRESENT:

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David Rothbart, Los Angeles County Sanitation Districts
Geoffrey Blake, Metal Finishers of Southern California

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Supervisor Janice Rutherford (Board Member)
Todd Campbell, Clean Energy

OTHERS PRESENT:

Mark Abramowitz
Harvey Eder
Andrew Silva
Mark Taylor, Board Member Consultant (*Rutherford*)

SOUTH COAST AQMD STAFF:

Susan Nakamura, Chief Operating Officer
Derrick Alatorre, Deputy Executive Officer
Aaron Katzenstein, Deputy Executive Officer
Anissa Heard-Johnson, Deputy Executive Officer
Terrence Mann, Deputy Executive Officer
Ron Moskowitz, Deputy Executive Officer
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Agenda Item #1 – Roll Call/Call to Order/Opening Remarks

Chair Carlos Rodriguez called the meeting to order at 11:30 a.m.

For additional details of the Local Government and Small Business Assistance (LGSBA) Advisory Group meeting, please refer to the Webcast at [Live Webcast \(aqmd.gov\)](http://aqmd.gov)

Agenda Item #2 – Approval of December 9, 2022 Meeting Minutes

Chair Rodriguez called for approval of the December 9, 2022 meeting minutes.

No public comment.

Bill LaMarr commented that he previously asked what percentage of the backlog includes small businesses and Jason Aspell, Deputy Executive Officer, Engineering and Permitting, would provide the information and would like the request reflected in the minutes. Derrick Alatorre, Deputy Executive Officer, Legislative, Public Affairs and Media, responded that staff would follow up and provide it by the next meeting.

Action Item #1: Provide Mr. LaMarr with an update on his request.

Barbara Baird, Chief Deputy Counsel, Legal, stated that members may vote on the minutes and include Mr. LaMarr's amendment.

Motion to approve minutes with the amendment request made by Geoffrey Blake; seconded by Rachelle Arizmendi; approved.

Ayes: Daniel, Delgado, DeWitt, LaMarr, Loof, Marquez, Rodriguez, Rothbart

Noes: None

Absent: Avila, Campbell, Rutherford, Aguirre

For additional details, please refer to the [Webcast](#) beginning at 6:02.

Agenda Item #3 – Review of Follow-Up and Action Items

Mr. Alatorre reviewed the action items from the December 9, 2022 meeting, which was to provide an update on potential changes to ozone and particulate matter (PM) standards. Mr. Alatorre gave a response that was provided by Dr. Sarah Rees, Deputy Executive Officer, Planning, Rule Development and Implementation.

Rita Loof stated that U.S. EPA is revising the PM standards and would like to request an update in the future.

Susan Nakamura, Chief Operating Officer, commented that staff will provide a presentation on the new PM_{2.5} standard at next month's Governing Board meeting.

No public comment.

For additional details, please refer to the [Webcast](#) beginning at 10:48.

Agenda Item #4 – LGSBA 2022 Accomplishments and 2023 Goals and Objectives

Mr. Alatorre discussed the LGSBA 2022 Accomplishments and 2023 Goals and Objectives.

Ms. Loof commented that accomplishments in 2022 were staff presentations and suggested that the Advisory Group participate more actively in meetings. Ms. Loof requested that Rule 219 - Equipment Not Requiring a Written Permit Pursuant to Regulation II, be added to the 2023 Goals and Objectives list and presented at the next meeting. Mr. Alatorre responded that he will discuss with staff. For additional details, please refer to the [Webcast](#) beginning at 16:01.

***Action Item #2:** Place on the next meeting agenda a presentation on Proposed Amended Rule 219.*

Geoffrey Blake commented on the helpfulness of the Small Business Assistance (SBA) team and asked if the Governing Board would consider having an ombudsman. Mr. Alatorre explained that the SBA team also provides assistance to big businesses and clarified that his role as a Public Advisor is similar to an ombudsman. For additional details, please refer to the [Webcast](#) beginning at 21:00.

David Rothbart expressed support for Ms. Loof's comment about members having a more active role in the meetings. As for the Goals and Objectives, Mr. Rothbart suggested to add a discussion on enforcement policies, amend #17 to add a discussion on fee equivalency and amend #8 to state, "Status of CARB's efforts to electrify the mobile source sector." For additional details, please refer to the [Webcast](#) beginning at 24:13.

Mr. LaMarr suggested to add a discussion on the Advisory Group's roles and contributions throughout the year. For additional details, please refer to the [Webcast](#) beginning at 28:18.

Ms. Loof commented that many local governments are unaware of the committee structure and suggested creating a subcommittee that focuses on outreach to local governments and small businesses. Chair Rodriguez asked if there is a distribution list for stakeholders and businesses that are alerted to these meetings. Mr. Alatorre responded there is a mailing list for City Managers. Mr. Alatorre also stated that the outreach team could also make an announcement at Chamber of Commerce meetings about the LGSBA meetings. Chair Rodriguez asked if there was a list of Chambers of Commerce. Mr. Alatorre confirmed that there was one. Chair Rodriguez requested that the Chambers of Commerce are included in the emails sent to City Managers. Rachelle Arizmendi suggested to include City Councilmembers. For additional details, please refer to the [Webcast](#) beginning at 33:02.

***Action Item #3:** Expand outreach to City Managers, Chambers of Commerce and City Councilmembers to promote LGSBA meetings.*

Chair Rodriguez commented that a subcommittee may be created if directed by the Governing Board and explained the process. Ms. Baird stated that the Governing Board would have to determine if there was a need for subcommittees as staff resources would have to be considered. For additional details, please refer to the [Webcast](#) beginning at 40:30.

Ms. Baird stated that this item was placed under discussion items on the agenda and cannot be voted on today. Chair Rodriguez stated that staff will make edits based on the suggestions and place it under action items for voting next month. For additional details, please refer to the [Webcast](#) beginning at 45:13.

John DeWitt suggested to add retrospective review of regulations. For additional details, please refer to the [Webcast](#) beginning at 46:16.

Mr. LaMarr and Mr. Rothbart commented on HRAG subcommittees. For additional details, please refer to the [Webcast](#) beginning at 48:00.

Ms. Loof retracted her request to create an outreach subcommittee and suggested having a group of volunteers instead. Ms. Loof suggested to amend #13 to include a discussion on Community Steering Committee (CSC). For additional details, please refer to the [Webcast](#) beginning at 54:20.

No public comment.

For additional details on the presentation and discussions, please refer to the [Webcast](#) beginning at 14:53.

Agenda Item #5 – Clean Fuels Plan Update

Dr. Maryam Hajbabaee, Program Supervisor, Technology Advancement Office, provided an update of the Clean Fuels Plan.

Harvey Eder provided public comment. For additional details, please refer to the [Webcast](#) beginning at 1:10:26.

Mr. Rothbart asked if there is guidance for selecting near-zero vs. electric vehicles in terms of cost-effectiveness. Aaron Katzenstein, Deputy Executive Officer, Technology Advancement Office, replied that the cost-effectiveness for the technologies has increased. The goal is to promote the vehicles and reduce the costs in the future. Mr. Rothbart and Mr. Katzenstein discussed South Coast Air Quality Management District's (South Coast AQMD) and California Air Resources Board's (CARB) proposed Advanced Clean Fleets (ACF) regulations. For additional details, please refer to the [Webcast](#) beginning at 1:13:50.

Mr. LaMarr asked if there have been discussions by the Federal government and the State regarding the adjustments to the timetable for upgrading the infrastructure for zero-emission. Dr. Hajbabaee responded that the program includes an infrastructure element to prepare for the charging demand. For additional details, please refer to the [Webcast](#) beginning at 1:18:30.

For additional details on the presentation and discussions, please refer to the [Webcast](#) beginning at 58:05.

Agenda Item #6 – Update on 2023 Legislative Priorities

Philip Crabbe III, Sr. Public Affairs Managers, Legislative, Public Affairs and Media, presented an update on 2023 Legislative Priorities.

Ms. Loof asked for the Assembly Bill (AB) number regarding independent special district proposal. Mr. Crabbe responded that this bill does not have a number yet, but the language is similar to AB 2852 Bloom. Ms. Loof commented that U.S. EPA has proposed policies that are harmful to the businesses in Southern California and asked South Coast AQMD to advocate for the best interest of the businesses. For additional details, please refer to the [Webcast](#) beginning at 1:30:16.

Harvey Eder provided public comment. For additional details, please refer to the [Webcast](#) beginning at 1:32:40.

For additional details on the presentation and discussions, please refer to the [Webcast](#) beginning at 1:23:20.

Agenda Item #7 – Other Business

Ms. Loof highlighted a proposed amendment to Rule 219 - Equipment Not Requiring a Written Permit Pursuant to Regulation II, which is to require facilities to apply for a permit modification for physical changes to the equipment. Ms. Loof announced that Radtech will be having a webinar on Jan 26, 2023, at 1-2 PM EST, titled, “Potential for UV/EB Technology Within the Energy Storage Sector.” For additional details, please refer to the [Webcast](#) beginning at 1:35:02.

Agenda Item #8 – Public Comment

No public comment.

Agenda Item #9 – Next Meeting Date

The next regular LGSBA Advisory Group meeting is scheduled for Friday, February 10, 2023, at 11:30 a.m.

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 1:06 p.m.

Local Government & Small Business Assistance Advisory Group

2022 Accomplishments

Throughout the year, the Local Government & Small Business Assistance (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.

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 2022

Significant discussions were held during 2022 on many items. A few notable items that were discussed during 2022 are summarized below and an additional list of topics discussed follows.

(1) Update on South Coast AQMD Mobile Source Incentive Programs

Mr. Walter Shen, Planning & Rules Manager, Technology Advancement Office, presented an overview and highlights of South Coast AQMD mobile source incentive programs. Funding for these programs is approved by South Coast AQMD Governing Board. The programs require that electrification projects meet cost-effectiveness thresholds established by the Carl Moyer guidelines, which is based on public feedback. Programs use the cost-effectiveness threshold of \$30,000 per weighted ton of total reduced emissions to get equipment to current standards, while the \$100,000 per weighted ton of reduced emissions is for zero-emission projects.

(2) Update on 2022 Air Quality Management Plan (AQMP) Related Activities

Dr. Sarah Rees, Deputy Executive Officer, Planning, Rule Development and Implementation, presented a summary of the overall process and work completed to date on the 2022 AQMP. Dr. Rees stated that it is important that the federal government develop and implement new regulations as most of the nitrogen oxides (NOx) come from federal sources such as ships, locomotives, aircrafts, and interstate trucks. Dr. Rees discussed South Coast AQMD's regulatory authority and rulemaking proceedings which require public input, including the business community, and support for science-based targets. Dr. Rees stated that NOx and volatile organic compound (VOC) reductions are important for attainment of the ozone standard.

(3) Health Effects of Criteria Pollutants

Dr. Rees presented a summary of the Health Effects Analysis of the Revised Draft 2022 AQMP. Dr. Rees indicated that U.S. EPA models were used for health effects modeling and did not include actual physical samples. Baseline models are used for the Draft 2022 AQMP and does not account for unusual weather events. Dr. Rees further stated that lower ozone standards would impact urbanized areas with high number of mobile sources, including highways and transportation hubs.

List of Items Addressed in 2022

A more complete list of items addressed during 2022 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. Annual Report on Assembly Bill (AB) 2766 Funds from Motor Vehicle Registration Fees for Fiscal Year 2019-2020 (January)
3. Proposed Updates to Best Available Control Technology Guidelines (January)
4. Update on AB 617 for 2021 (February)
5. Update on South Coast AQMD Mobile Source Incentive Programs (February)
6. Information on Ultraviolet/Electron Beam/Light-Emitting Diode Technology in Printing and Industrial Applications & Ultraviolet-C for Air Filtration (March)
7. Updates on the 2022 State Legislative Priorities (March)
8. 2022 AQMP Overview (June)
9. Update on Technology Advancement Office Clean Fuels Program 2021 Annual Report and 2022 Clean Fuels Plan (June)
10. Update on Progress of 2022 LGSBA Goals & Objectives (August)
11. Fiscal Year 2022-23 General Fund Budget (August)
12. Draft 2022 AQMP Overview (August)
13. Health Effects of Criteria Pollutants (September)
14. End-of-Year Summary Report on State Legislature's and Governor's Actions during 2022 Legislative Session (September)
15. Update on Draft Socioeconomic Report for the Revised Draft 2022 AQMP (October)
16. Update on Engineering and Permitting – Online Filing (December)
17. Overview of 2022 AQMP (December)
18. 2023 Rules Outlook (December)

Local Government & Small Business Assistance Advisory Group

Proposed 2023 Goals & Objectives

For 2023, 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 2023:

1. Update on 2022 Air Quality Management Plan (AQMP):
2. Implementation of Assembly Bill (AB) 2766 requirements.
3. Significant South Coast AQMD rule amendments, proposals or initiatives as necessary.
 - a. Rule 219 - Equipment Not Requiring a Written Permit Pursuant to Regulation II
4. Update on South Coast AQMD's state and federal legislative agenda at periodic intervals.
5. Update on health studies related to air pollutants.
6. Update on Fiscal Year 2023-24 Draft Budget and Work Program.
7. Update on Technology Advancement projects.
8. Update on greenhouse gas-related activities.
9. Update on South Coast AQMD's incentive programs.
10. Update on South Coast AQMD's implementation of Office of Environmental Health Hazard Assessment's (OEHHA's) updated methods for estimating cancer risks.
11. Update on Best Available Control Technology Guidelines.
12. Update on permit application inventory and staffing efforts.
13. Update on Assembly Bill (AB) 617 progress.
 - a. Community Steering Committee participation requirements.
14. Summary of Compliance and Enforcement activities
15. Update on OEHHA's and California Air Resources Board's (CARB's) presentations on addressing unassessed chemicals and using provisional health values.
16. Overview of U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's emissions during periods of Startup, Shutdown, & Malfunction (SSM) provisions.

17. Overview of Rule 317: Fee Equivalency Account Reconciliation Report and discussion on fee equivalency.
18. Status of CARB's effort to electrify the mobile source sector.
19. Presentation and update on CARB's Environmental Justice Committee managing the AB 32 Scoping Plan.
20. Compliance & Enforcement policies.
21. Advisory Group's roles and contributions throughout the year.
22. Information on staff discussions with U.S. EPA on policy proposals that may have an impact on local government and/or businesses.

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.

ASSEMBLY BILL 617 (AB 617) UPDATE

Local Government & Small Business
Assistance Advisory Group
February 10, 2023

Bernard Tolliver
Senior Public Affairs Specialist



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ASSEMBLY BILL (AB) 617

- Authored by Assemblymember Cristina Garcia (58th District)
- California law - signed July 26, 2017
- Requires local air districts to address air pollution impacts in environmental justice communities
- Community driven process
- Community Steering Committees (CSCs)
 - Residents, community organizations, business, industry



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KEY ELEMENTS OF AB 617



Community Air Monitoring and Emission Reduction Plans



Clean Technology Investments



Best Available Retrofit Control Technology (BARCT) Rules

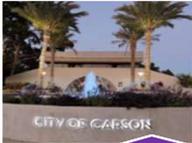


Easier Access to Emissions Data



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CURRENT AB 617 COMMUNITIES



Wilmington, Carson, West Long Beach
Year 1 (2018)



East Los Angeles, Boyle Heights, West Commerce
Year 1 (2018)



San Bernardino, Muscoy
Year 1 (2018)



Southeast Los Angeles
Year 2 (2019)



Eastern Coachella Valley
Year 2 (2019)



South Los Angeles
Year 3 (2020)



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HOW IS THE COMMUNITY INVOLVED?

Community Steering Committee (CSC)



Residents & Community Leaders

Community Organizations

Business

Industry

Government Agencies

Community Stakeholders



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WHAT ARE THE ELEMENTS OF AN AB 617 COMMUNITY PLAN?



Incentives



Outreach and Education



Regulation



Enforcement



Monitoring



Exposure Reduction



Public Information



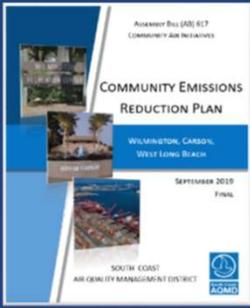
Collaboration with Stakeholders



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HOW DOES AB 617 ADDRESS AIR POLLUTION?

Community Emissions Reduction Plan (CERP)



e-flyers

Instagram

Newsletters

AB 617 Web page

Zoom platform

Facebook live streaming

Where Are We Now?

- **Year 1 Communities**
 - CERP Implementation phase
 - CSCs meet quarterly
- **Year 2 Communities**
 - CERP Implementation phase
 - CSCs meet quarterly
- **Year 3 community – South Los Angeles**
 - CERP adopted by SCAQMD Board on June 3, 2022 and CARB Board approved on August 25, 2022
 - CERP Implementation phase
 - CSC meets quarterly



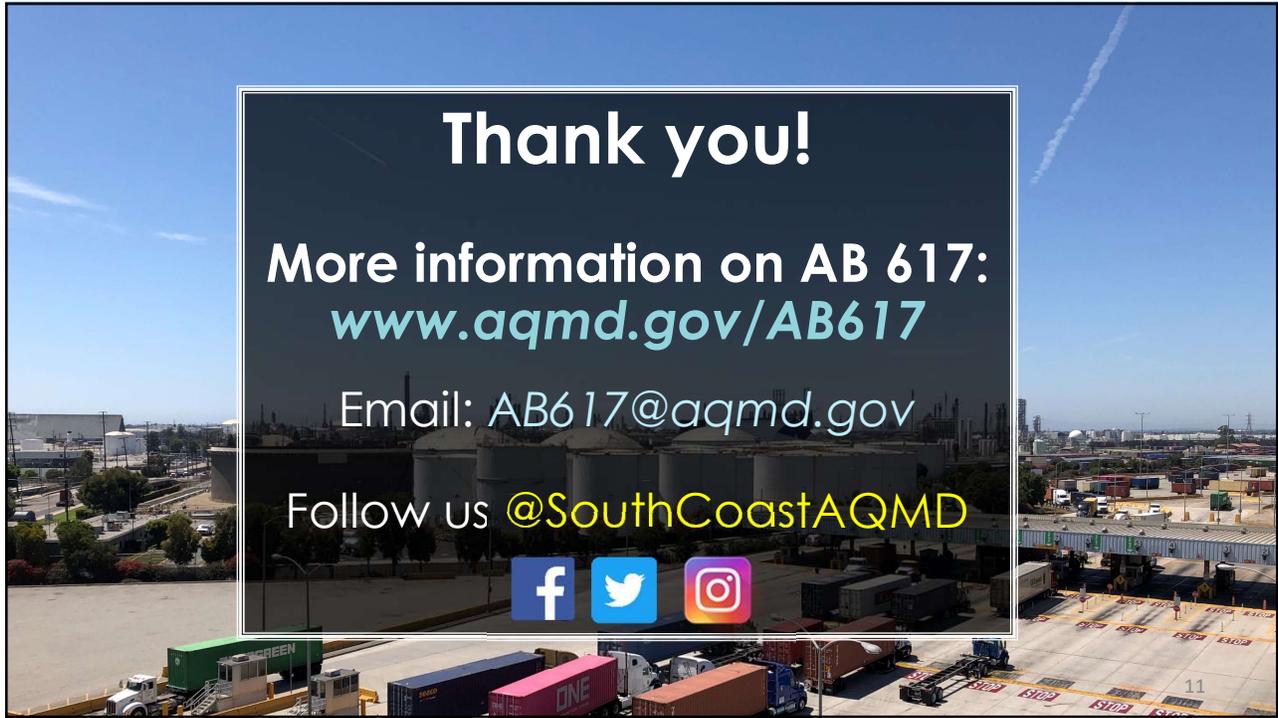
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AB 617 Highlights

- **300+ Public Meetings**
 - CSC Meetings, Working Team Meetings, Public Workshops, Community Tours
- **CERP Implementation**
 - Rule 2305 – Warehouse Indirect Source Rule (Adopted May 2021)
 - Rule 1109.1 – Emissions of Oxides of Nitrogen from Petroleum Refineries and Related Operations (Adopted November 2021)
- **CAMP Implementation**
 - Ongoing air monitoring in all AB 617 communities



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Thank you!

More information on AB 617:
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South Coast AQMD

Office of Compliance & Enforcement (OCE)

Terrence Mann
Deputy Executive Officer



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OCE Inspection Staff & Teams

Air Quality Inspectors

- Approx. 85 inspectors
- geographic sectors & specialized teams
- Long Beach Office focused on refineries
- Administrative Unit



Industrial, Commercial, Government Operations



Refinery/Energy



Retail Gasoline Dispensing



Major Sources



Toxics and Waste Management



Area Sources

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Primary Enforcement Activities

<p>Inspect Permitted Facilities 27,000 facilities 67,000 permits</p>	<p>Portable Equipment Inspections ~11,000 registered units</p>	<p>Notifications <i>Equipment breakdowns, refinery flaring events, renovations/demolitions</i></p>	<p>Complaint Response ~10,000 complaints annually</p>
<p>Special Projects <i>Investigations, interagency coordination, emergency responses</i></p>	<p>Enforcement Action <i>Notices to Comply, Notices of Violation, Orders for Abatement</i></p>	<p>Source Education & Outreach Compliance classes, AB 617 meetings & events</p>	

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Sources Inspected



- Refineries
- Oil & Gas Production Sites
- Power Plants
- Landfills
- Sewage Treatment
- Aerospace
- Chemical & other Manufacturing Operations
- Metal & Wood Coating Operations
- Auto Body Shops
- Gas Stations
- Dry Cleaners
- Emergency Generators

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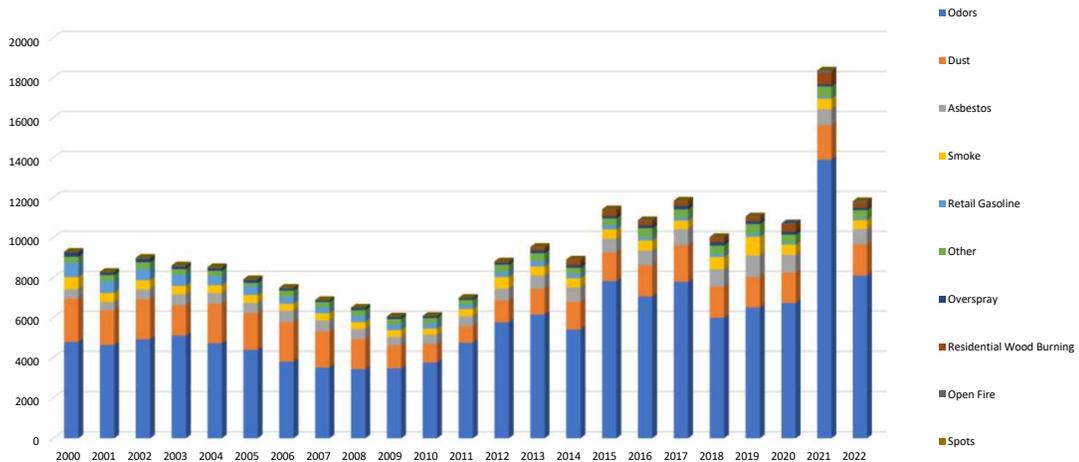
2022 Inspection Highlights

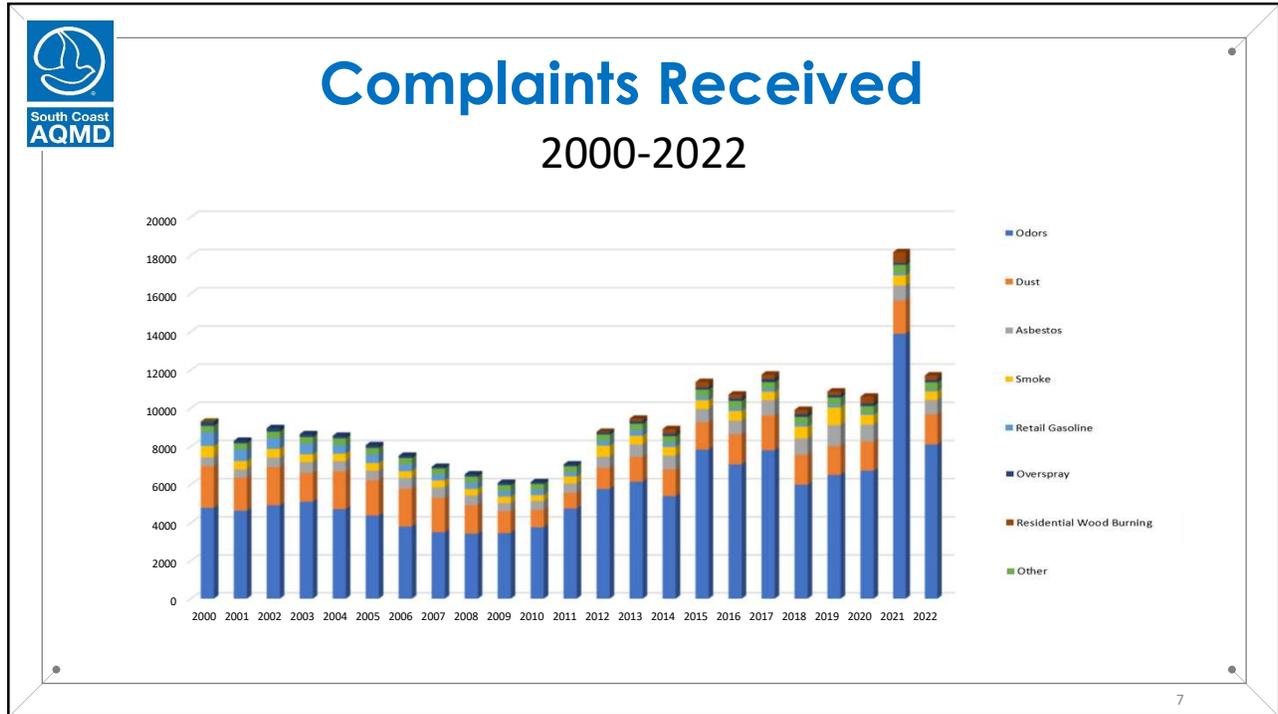
- Title V – 334 facilities received a Full Compliance Evaluation (FCE)
- Hexavalent Chromium Electroplating and Chromic Acid Anodizing – 87 facilities inspected quarterly
- Major Sources/RECLAIM – 232 facilities inspected annually & emission audits
- PERP – Over 3,900 CARB registered equipment inspected
- Complaints – Over 11,000 complaints addressed



Complaints Received

2000-2022





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Filing a Complaint

- **1-800-CUT-SMOG®** or online @ www.aqmd.gov.
- Live attendant during business hours Monday-Friday or to our standby system after hours
- Common Complaints: Odors, Dust, Smoke, Retail Gas Stations, Asbestos, Residential Wood Burning, Refinery Flaring
- Complainant information = confidential
- Complaints can be made anonymously, but may be insufficient and will not receive a live response
- ***INSPECTORS RESPOND TO ALL COMPLAINTS***

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Enforcement Actions

- Our inspectors issue notices:
 - **Notice to Comply (NC)** for first-time noncompliance with administrative requirements, or to obtain records/information
 - **Notice of Violation (NOV)** for emissions-related noncompliance or repeated administrative violations
- South Coast AQMD Hearing Board: Orders for Abatement sought to stop ongoing noncompliance; can lead to curtailment
- If no settlement of violation is reached, a lawsuit may be filed in Superior Court



Examples of Violations in 2022



Hyperion Water Reclamation Plant – 30 NOVs for public nuisance issued in 2022, plus Order for Abatement proceedings

Ethylene Oxide (EtO) Facilities – NOVs issued to sterilization facilities in Vernon, Carson, and Ontario for rule and permit violations

Rendering Plants – NOVs issued to Baker Commodities in Vernon followed by curtailment proceedings before the Hearing Board

All American Asphalt – 5 NOVs for public nuisance issued in 2022
