

BOARD MEETING DATE: August 7, 2026

AGENDA NO. 1

MINUTES: Governing Board Monthly Meeting

SYNOPSIS: Attached are the Minutes of the June 5, 2026 Meeting

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

Approve the June 5, 2026 Board Meeting Minutes.

Faye Thomas
Clerk of the Boards

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FRIDAY, JUNE 5, 2026

Notice having been duly given, the meeting of the South Coast Air Quality Management District Board was conducted in 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 remotely via videoconferencing and telephone.

Members Present:

Councilmember Michael A. Cacciotti, Chair
Cities of Los Angeles County – Eastern Region

Councilmember Larry McCallon, Vice Chair
Cities of San Bernadino County

Mayor Patricia Lock Dawson
Cities of Riverside County

Senator Vanessa Delgado (Ret.)
Senate Rules Committee Appointee

Councilmember Adrin Nazarian
City of Los Angeles

Supervisor Janet Nguyen
County of Orange

Mayor Brenda Olmos
Cities of Los Angeles County – Western Region

Board Member Veronica Padilla-Campos
Speaker of the Assembly Appointee

Supervisor V. Manuel Perez
County of Riverside

Mayor Carlos Rodriguez (Arrived at 9:18 a.m.)
Cities of Orange County

Absent: Supervisor Curt Hagman
County of San Bernardino

Supervisor Holly J. Mitchell
County of Los Angeles

Cedric Jamie Rutland, MD FCCP
Governor's Appointee

For additional details of the Governing Board Meeting, please refer to the recording of the [Webcast](#) at: Live Webcast (aqmd.gov)

CALL TO ORDER: Chair Cacciotti called the meeting to order at 9:03 a.m.

- Pledge of Allegiance: Led by Supervisor Perez
- Roll Call

Mayor Rodriguez was absent at roll call.

- Opening Comments

Chair Cacciotti opened with a tribute to Dr. William A. Burke, former Chair of the South Coast AQMD Governing Board, who passed away on May 28, 2026. Chair Cacciotti and Vice Chair McCallon highlighted Dr. Burke's 27-year tenure on the Board, including 23 years as Chair, and recognized his legacy and pioneering contributions to environmental justice. A video presentation, featuring an excerpt from South Coast AQMD's signature film *The Right to Breathe*, was shown in honor of Dr. Burke's life and accomplishments, followed by a moment of silence.

Board Members Perez, McCallon, and Rodriguez shared personal reflections on Dr. Burke's leadership, his collaborative approach to working with others, and his ability to build consensus with fairness and integrity. They also recognized his legacy in advancing environmental justice and shared personal memories. For additional details, please refer to the [Webcast](#) beginning at 17:10, 22:14, & 31:14.

Vice Chair McCallon reported that he represented the South Coast AQMD at the 41st Annual ATHENA of Riverside Award luncheon on May 28, 2026, and invited everyone to join him in congratulating Mayor Lock Dawson as the 2026 ATHENA award recipient. For additional details, please refer to the [Webcast](#) beginning at 23:13.

Supervisor Nguyen expressed appreciation to South Coast AQMD staff for their partnership and response to the chemical leak at GKN Aerospace in Garden Grove during the Memorial Day weekend. She commended staff for their support, technical expertise, leadership, professionalism, and commitment to protecting public health. Supervisor Nguyen also thanked her fellow Board members for offering their assistance and support. For additional details, please refer to the [Webcast](#) beginning at 24:25.

Mayor Rodriguez commended the coordinated response of local, state, and federal agencies, the Orange County Board of Supervisors and Supervisor Nguyen for their strong leadership, and South Coast AQMD staff for their commitment and service throughout the GKN incident. He also reported on the Leaders in Energy Summit held in Ontario, California on June 4, 2026, which he and Supervisor Hagman attended. For additional details, please refer to the [Webcast](#) beginning at 33:03.

Chair Cacciotti thanked South Coast AQMD staff for working throughout the Memorial Day holiday in response to the GKN incident and for their efforts to protect the community. He also described and shared photos of recent events he attended. For additional details, please refer to the [Webcast](#) beginning at 37:11.

Executive Officer Nastri thanked Supervisor Nguyen for her leadership and support during the GKN incident response. He also reported that South Coast AQMD staff responded to several incidents over the Memorial Day weekend and made several announcements regarding upcoming events, including the start of the Summer Student Internship Program, the annual student internship breakfast before the August 7 Board meeting, and that there will be no Board or committee meetings in July. A video was also shown highlighting the May 29 media event featuring technologies to address windblown dust pollution in the Coachella Valley. For additional details, please refer to the [Webcast](#) beginning at 42:34.

Supervisor Perez expressed appreciation for the May 29 Coachella Valley media event and efforts to address windblown dust concerns. He commented on the importance of collaborating on new technologies designed to better identify where the dust is coming from, understand its impacts, and to develop strategies to mitigate windblown dust. For additional details, please refer to the [Webcast](#) beginning at 49:37.

Throughout the meeting, several speakers made remarks about Dr. Burke and offered their condolences.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD – (Public Comment on Non-Agenda Items, Pursuant to Government Code Section 54954.3)

The General Public Comment Period for matters not on the agenda was opened. The following individuals addressed the Board.

Carmen Martinez, Riverside resident (via Spanish interpreter)
Mari Nishitani, Pomona resident
Maria Galvan, Ontario resident
Marven Norman, Center for Community Action and Environmental Justice (CCA EJ) and San Bernardino resident
Maria Velasquez, CCA EJ and Rialto resident (via Spanish interpreter)
Luz Maria Hernandez, Ontario resident (via Spanish interpreter)
Jennifer De Tejada, CCA EJ, SoCal Clean Manufacturing Coalition, and San Bernardino resident
Anna Gutierrez, Ontario resident
Marcela Contreras, Community Member (via Spanish interpreter)
Claudia Cuevas, CCA EJ (via Spanish interpreter)
Patty Tewell, Jurupa Valley resident (via Spanish interpreter)
Marty McBride, Ontario resident
Erik Morden, Community Member
Alec Aragon, CCA EJ and Ontario resident

Mari, Fontana resident and CCAEJ
Celes, CCAEJ
Ashley Avila, Perris resident
Stephanie Munson, Ontario resident
Tomas Castro, Orange County resident
Ediberto Torres, Jurupa Valley resident
Juanita Chavez, Sierra Club – (refer to [Webcast](#) at 1:49:59)

The above speakers discussed the following:

- Health impacts of air pollution on communities in San Bernardino and Riverside counties from warehouses, industrial sources, and fires;
- Urged South Coast AQMD to continue promoting cleaner technologies;
- Advocated for industrial decarbonization efforts, including support for strengthening Rules 1146 and 1146.1;
- Reduction of emissions from industrial equipment
- Need to protect communities disproportionately impacted by pollution; and
- Expressed support for the GO Zero Incentive Program, recommending additional funding to expand the program.

For additional details, please refer to the [Webcast](#) beginning at 57:15.

Joel Berman, Health Science Associates
Jon G. Dickason, Quantum Environmental Testing, Inc.

The above speakers expressed concerns regarding South Coast AQMD staff's implementation and enforcement of Rule 1403 – Asbestos Emissions from Demolition/Renovation Activities. For additional details, please refer to the [Webcast](#) beginning at 1:19:33 & 1:45:38.

Abril Villanueva, Compton resident and Compton Golden Block Club, expressed concerns regarding health impacts from the recent fire at the World Oil Recycling facility in Compton and the complaint process. She requested that air monitors be installed at Jefferson Elementary School in Compton. For additional details, please refer to the [Webcast](#) beginning at 1:28:00.

Theral Golden, West Long Beach Association, commented on public health concerns in West Long Beach related to methyl bromide emissions and urged that the use of methyl bromide be eliminated. For additional details, please refer to the [Webcast](#) beginning at 1:31:08.

Magali Sanchez Hall, EMeRGE Wilmington, expressed concern with the Port of Los Angeles' continued use of diesel for its operations, stated that South Coast AQMD is perceived as easing its regulations, and asked for the closure of the World Oil Recycling facility. For additional details, please refer to the [Webcast](#) beginning at 1:32:51.

Harvey Eder, Public Solar Power Coalition, provided notice of his intent to litigate against the South Coast AQMD, expressed concern that solar energy was not evaluated in the AQMP, called for artificial intelligence equity, and referenced a pending Supreme Court ruling related to the authority of states on climate policies. For additional details, please refer to the [Webcast](#) beginning at 1:36:58.

Olivia Goldstein, Enery Holdings [moved under the Public Comment Period for Agenda Item No. 31.] For additional details, please refer to the [Webcast](#) beginning at 1:38:44.

There being no further requests to speak, the General Public Comment Period for matters not on the agenda was closed.

Written Comments Submitted Supporting Rules 1146 & 1146.1

- Nora Lewis, Nipomo, CA
- R. Mallory, Los Angeles

Written Comments Submitted Opposing Proposed Data Center and Battery Storage Project in City of Industry

- Simon Liu, Hacienda Heights

Written Comments Submitted Regarding Rule 1403 Enforcement and Lack of Written Authority (May 11 & May 28, 2026)

- Jon G. Dickason, Quantum Environmental Testing, Inc.

Written Comments Submitted Supporting PR Rule 1495 – Commodity Fumigation

- One letter signed by the following organizations: Alison Hahm, Natural Resources Defense Council; Nathan Vu, Boston University School of Law; Sylvia Betancourt, Long Beach Alliance for Children with Asthma; Paola Vargas, East Yard Communities for Environmental Justice; Theral Golden, West Long Beach Association; and Peter Warren, San Pedro Homeowners Association

Written Comments Submitted Regarding CAAP Plus Measures Recommendations for Ports Cooperative Agreement

- Davina Hurt/Cristhian Tapia-Delgado/Reemah Bzeih, Pacific Environment



CONSENT AND BOARD CALENDAR

Items 1 and 2 – Action Items/No Fiscal Impact

1. Approve Minutes of May 1, 2026 Board Meeting
2. Set Public Hearings August 7, 2026 to Consider 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

- B. Determine That Proposed Amended Rule 1302 - Definitions, Is Exempt from CEQA; and Amend Rule 1302
- C. Determine That Proposed Amended Rule 1401 – New Source Review of Toxic Air Containments, Is Exempt from CEQA; and Amend Rule 1401

Items 3 through 14 – Budget/Fiscal Impact

- 3. Execute Contract to Evaluate Emissions of Hydrogen-Fueled Internal Combustion Engines
- 4. Adopt Resolution and Accept Terms and Conditions, Execute Agreement, Recognize Revenue, Transfer Funds, and Reimburse General Fund to Deploy Zero-Emission Municipal Vehicles
- 5. Execute Contracts to Develop and Demonstrate Two Repowered Class 6/7 Medium-Duty Battery Electric Trucks
- 6. Execute Contracts to Implement INVEST CLEAN Program
- 7. Execute Contracts to Deploy Supporting Infrastructure for Zero-Emission Trucks
- 8. Appropriate Funds, Issue Solicitation, Execute and/or Amend Contracts for Continued Implementation of Inflation Reduction Act Grant
- 9. Authorize Purchase of Oracle PeopleSoft Software and Support
- 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
- 11. Amend Administrative Code to Revise Board Member Assistant and Board Member Consultant Policy and Executive Officer's Settlement Authority
- 12. Authorize Cooperative Purchasing Agreement for Printing Equipment and Multi-Function Devices
- 13. Establish List of Prequalified Agencies for Temporary Employment Services
- 14. Approve Allocation of Funds as Approved by MSRC

Items 15 through 20 – Information Only/Receive and File

- 15. Legislative, Public Affairs and Media Report
- 16. Hearing Board Report
- 17. Civil Filings and Civil Penalties Report
- 18. Intergovernmental Review of Environmental Documents and CEQA Lead Agency Projects
- 19. Rule and Control Measure Forecast

20. Report of RFQs/RFPs Scheduled for Release in June
21. Status Report on Major Ongoing and Upcoming Projects for Information Management

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

22. Administrative Committee
23. Legislative Committee
24. Mobile Source Committee
25. Stationary Source Committee
26. Technology Committee
27. Mobile Source Air Pollution Reduction Review Committee
28. California Air Resource Board Monthly Report (*was not available for inclusion*)
29. Items Deferred from Consent and Board Calendar

There were no items deferred.



General Counsel Bayron Gilchrist reported that the Splash Transport Inc. project listed in Table 2 of Agenda Item No. 6 was removed from consideration for a battery electric cargo handling equipment award under the U.S. EPA Climate Pollution Reduction Grant program because the company did not complete the required campaign contribution disclosure form. For additional details, please refer to the [Webcast](#) beginning at 1:40:06.

Disclosures

Mayor Lock Dawson reported that she does not have a financial interest in Agenda Item No. 4 but is required to identify for the record that she is a Board Member for CARB, which is involved in this item.

Supervisor Nguyen reported that she does not have a financial interest in Agenda Item No. 6 but is required to identify for the record that she is a County Supervisor for the County of Orange, which is involved in this item.

Vice Chair McCallon reported that he does not have a financial interest in Agenda Item Nos. 4 or 14 but is required to identify for the record that he is Chair of the Mobile Source Air Pollution Reduction Review Committee, which is involved in these items.

Chair Cacciotti reported that he does not have a financial interest in Agenda Item No. 4 but is required to identify for the record that he is a Councilmember for the City of South Pasadena and a Member of the Mobile Source Air Pollution Reduction Review Committee, which may be involved in this item. Chair Cacciotti also reported that he does not have a financial interest in Agenda Item No.14 but is required to identify for the record that he is a Member of the Mobile Source Air Pollution Reduction Review Committee, which is involved in this item.



Supervisor Nguyen expressed support for recognizing composting operations as an essential public service and for PAR 1302 moving forward for Board consideration at the August meeting. She thanked South Coast AQMD staff for their collaboration and efforts on the issue and expressed appreciation to colleagues on the Board 1:41:17 & 1:43:08

The public comment period was opened for Agenda Item Nos. 1-28. The following individual addressed the Board.

Jon G. Dickason, Quantum Environmental Testing, Inc. [moved under the General Public Comments section] For additional details, please refer to the [Webcast](#) beginning at 1:45:38.

Agenda Item Nos. 2, 6, & 7

Harvey Eder commented on his experience requesting information for the Public Consultation meeting held on May 20, 2026 regarding the South Coast Air Basin Redesignation Requests and Maintenance Plans for PM2.5 and PM10 NAAQS. He expressed concerns about the health impacts and mortality rate associated with PM2.5, as well as regulatory and administrative matters. For additional details, please refer to the [Webcast](#) beginning at 1:48:02.

Juanita Chavez, Sierra Club [moved under the General Public Comments section] For additional details, please refer to the [Webcast](#) beginning at 1:49:59.

Agenda Item No 6

Lupe Valdez, Union Pacific Railroad, expressed support for the staff and Technology Committee's recommendations to approve Agenda Item No. 6. She also offered condolences on the passing of Dr. Burke. For additional details, please refer to the [Webcast](#) beginning at 1:51:46

Mike DiBernardo, Port of Los Angeles
Martin Yarnall, Alameda Belt Line
Christopher Allen, APM Terminals

The above speakers expressed support for the Invest Clean grant awards and highlighted the significance of investments that help move toward the goal of cleaner technologies at the ports. For additional details, please refer to the [Webcast](#) beginning at 1:53:07, 1:56:24, & 1:59:03

Adrian Martinez, Earthjustice, commented on the increase in "dirty air days" in the region this year compared to the last decade and expressed appreciation for investments to support clean air and zero-emission initiatives. He also urged the Board to pass strong regulations that address industrial equipment. For additional details, please refer to the [Webcast](#) beginning at 1:54:55

There being no further requests to speak, the public comment period was closed for Agenda Item Nos. 1-28.

Written Comments Submitted Regarding Agenda Item No. 25, Go Zero Incentive Program

- Thomas Iorio, Hot Swap USA
- One letter signed by the following organizations: Adrian Martinez, Earthjustice; Yassi Kavezade, Building Decarbonization Coalition; Kim Orbe, Sierra Club; Ana Gonzalez, Center for Community Action and Environmental Justice, Andrea Vidaurre and Gen Montes, People's Collective for Environmental Justice; Lauren Weston, Acterra; David Diaz, Active SGV; Sean Armstrong, Redwood Energy; Isabel Ebner, Sustainable Claremont



Board Action (Items 1-28)

MOVED BY LOCK DAWSON AND SECONDED BY MCCALLON TO APPROVE AGENDA ITEM NOS. 1 THROUGH 28 AS RECOMMENDED, INCLUDING THE MODIFICATION TO AGENDA ITEM NO. 6 BY DELETING THE AWARD FOR SPLASH TRANSPORT INC. FROM TABLE 2, AND TO:

ADOPT RESOLUTION NO. 26-13 AND ACCEPT THE GRANT TERMS AND CONDITIONS FOR TRANSPORTATION ELECTRIFICATION ADVANCEMENT FOR MUNICIPALITIES (TEAM) PER THE CARB ADVANCED TECHNOLOGY DEMONSTRATION AND PILOT PROJECTS PROGRAM SOLICITATION);

RECEIVE AND FILE THE REPORTS FOR THE BOARD COMMITTEES, MSRC, AND CARB; AND

APPROVE THE RECOMMENDATION ON LEGISLATION AS SET FORTH BELOW.

THE MOTION PASSED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES: Cacciotti, Lock Dawson, Delgado, McCallon, Nazarian, Nguyen, Olmos, Padilla-Campos, Perez, and Rodriguez

NOES: None

ABSENT: Hagman, Mitchell, and Rutland

Legislation/Agenda Item

Recommendation

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 plan.

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PUBLIC HEARINGS

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 (This item was continued from the May 1, 2026 Board Meeting by operation of Governing Board Procedures, Administrative Code §30.10)

Heather Farr, Planning and Rule Manager/Planning, Rule Development, and Implementation, gave the staff presentation. For additional details, please refer to the [Webcast](#) beginning at 2:01:18.

Michael Krause, Assistant Deputy Executive Officer/Planning, Rule Development, and Implementation presented proposed language to include in the resolution language that directs staff to evaluate the level and form of the one-gallon exemption and report back by the January 1, 2029 technology check-in to address stakeholder requests for a low-use exemption. For additional details, please refer to the [Webcast](#) beginning at 2:07:50.

The public comment period was opened for Agenda Item No. 30. The following individuals addressed the Board.

Rita Loof, RadTech, expressed concerns with the lack of transparency in the Rule 1136 rulemaking process as staff had not provided evidence to support their position about high-VOC coatings used with UV/EB/LED curing technologies. She also acknowledged staff's proposed modification to the resolution language, which addresses a request from her organization. For additional details, please refer to the [Webcast](#) beginning at 2:08:47.

Harvey Eder supported the previous speaker's comments regarding issues with staff evaluating technologies. [Mr. Eder was interrupted as his subsequent comments were not relevant to Agenda Item No. 30.] For additional details, please refer to the [Webcast](#) beginning at 2:10:32.

Chris Chavez, Coalition for Clean Air, thanked the Board for approving Agenda Item No. 6. He expressed support for PAR 1136, including the removal of pCBtF and t-Bac and for including the high-VOC exemption technology review. He encouraged staff to work with stakeholders to address the UV/EB/LED industry's ongoing issues. For additional details, please refer to the [Webcast](#) beginning at 2:11:11.

Bill Quinn, California Council for Environmental and Economic Balance (CCEEB), expressed support for the staff proposal, as well as the accompanying resolution language. He acknowledged that reformulating coatings requires time and resources but that the proposal provides a workable solution. For additional details, please refer to the [Webcast](#) beginning at 2:12:47.

Howard Weigand, UV coating manufacturer, expressed concern that the proposal regulates product usage volume instead of actual emission reductions. He also questioned staff's position that UV coating generates high VOC emissions and that staff has not provided the material safety data sheet requested by industry to support that information. For additional details, please refer to the [Webcast](#) beginning at 2:14:05.

Doug Raymond, consultant for Waterlox Coatings Corporation, expressed support for PAR 1136 and highlighted the sound science of a reactivity-based approach to reducing VOCs. Waterlox currently uses pCBtF and plans to reformulate its products to meet the proposed reactivity limits. For additional details, please refer to the [Webcast](#) beginning at 2:15:52.

Bill LaMarr, California Alliance of Small Business Associations, expressed support for PAR 1136 to phase out pCBtF and t-BAC while maintaining the one-gallon per day low-use exemption and commended staff's response to issues raised during the public process. He requested that the Board approve the PAR 1136 package. For additional details, please refer to the [Webcast](#) beginning at 2:17:25.

There being no further requests to speak, the public comment period was closed for Agenda Item No. 30.

Written Comments Submitted Regarding Proposed Modification to PAR 1136 Resolution Language

- Rita Loof, RadTech



Vice Chair McCallon acknowledged that the Stationary Source Committee reviewed PAR 1136 twice and forwarded the staff proposal to the full Board for consideration without any changes. He expressed support for maintaining the one-gallon per day exemption, noting that any changes should occur after coatings are reformulated and through a public process involving all stakeholders. He urged the Board to approve the staff recommendations. For additional details, please refer to the [Webcast](#) beginning at 2:18:58.

Board Action (Item 30)

MOVED BY MCCALLON AND SECONDED BY PEREZ TO APPROVE AGENDA ITEM NO. 30 AS RECOMMENDED, INCLUDING MODIFICATION TO THE RESOLUTION AS SET FORTH BELOW, AND ADOPT RESOLUTION 26-14:

1. DETERMINING THAT PROPOSED AMENDED RULE 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 PROPOSED AMENDED RULE 1136 – WOOD PRODUCTS COATINGS TO CARB AND U.S. EPA FOR INCLUSION INTO THE STATE IMPLEMENTATION PLAN.

THE MOTION PASSED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES: Cacciotti, Lock Dawson, Delgado, McCallon, Nazarian, Nguyen, Olmos, Padilla-Campos, Perez, and Rodriguez

NOES: None

ABSENT: Hagman, Mitchell, and Rutland

Modifications to Page 4, paragraph 8 of the Resolution are shown in underline and strikethrough text:

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the South Coast AQMD Governing Board directs staff to conduct a technology status update on the progress of the pCBtF and t-BAc phase-out, including an update on the reformulation progress for Clear Primers, Sealers, and Undercoats; Pigmented Primers, Sealers, and Undercoats; Clear Topcoats; Pigmented Topcoats; High-Solids Stains; Low-Solids Stains; Toners, and Washcoats; and Strippers, and evaluate the one-gallon per-day exemption where staff will evaluate the level and form of the exemption such as mass emissions, VOC content, and usage; and report to the Stationary Source Committee by January 1, 2029; and



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

Michael Krause, Assistant Deputy Executive Officer/Planning, Rule Development, and Implementation gave the staff presentation on Agenda Item No. 31. For additional details, please refer to the [Webcast](#) beginning at 2:21:30.

The public comment period was opened for Agenda Item No. 31. The following individuals addressed the Board.

Harvey Eder expressed concerns about CARB's proposed changes to its Cap-and-Invest Program that could reduce the state's Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund revenue by half and commented on the number of premature deaths related to air pollution. [Mr. Eder was interrupted as his subsequent comments were not related to Agenda Item No. 31.] For additional details, please refer to the [Webcast](#) beginning at 2:25:07.

Bill Quinn reported that CCEEB reviewed the proposed amendments and supports the staff proposal. For additional details, please refer to the [Webcast](#) beginning at 2:25:52.

There being no further requests to speak, the public comment period was closed for Agenda Item No. 31.

Mr. Krause provided the total number of facilities that remain in the RECLAIM NOx program, in response to Mayor Olmos' inquiry. For additional details, please refer to the [Webcast](#) beginning at 2:26:15.

Olivia Goldstein, Enery Holdings, requested that staff review and approve the use of laser-based CEMS and establish a clear process for stakeholders to submit such requests, citing challenges her facility has experienced. For additional details, please refer to the [Webcast](#) beginning at 1:38:44.

Board Action (Item 31)

MOVED BY MCCALLON AND SECONDED BY PEREZ TO
APPROVE AGENDA ITEM NO. 31 AS RECOMMENDED AND
ADOPT RESOLUTION 26-15:

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.

THE MOTION PASSED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES: Cacciotti, Lock Dawson, Delgado, McCallon,
Nazarian, Nguyen, Olmos, Padilla-Campos,
Perez, and Rodriguez

NOES: None

ABSENT: Hagman, Mitchell, and Rutland



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

Michael Krause gave the staff presentation on Agenda Item No. 32. For additional details, please refer to the [Webcast](#) beginning at 2:27:00.

Chair Cacciotti inquired about the Open Burn Program. Staff explained the protocols for the Open Burn Program, how requests are processed, exceptions, and associated compliance activities. For additional details, please refer to the [Webcast](#) beginning at 2:35:05.

Mayor Rodriguez asked for clarification on the origins of the proposal and emphasized the importance of proactive fire mitigation measures in light of the impacts of wildfires. He urged support for the proposal and made a motion to approve the staff recommendation. For additional details, please refer to the [Webcast](#) beginning at 2:37:14.

Mayor Lock Dawson inquired about the California Fuel Reduction Plan, commented on vegetation management efforts in Riverside County, and asked for clarification on the CEQA exemption for the proposals. Executive Officer Nastri provided a brief overview of factors that have elevated the rulemaking for this issue and explained the overall goal. Mr. Krause explained the justification for the CEQA exemption. For additional details, please refer to the [Webcast](#) beginning at 2:39:18 & 2:41:34.

Chair Cacciotti asked whether fire agencies are receptive to using the air curtain incinerators. Mr. Krause outlined the availability of the incinerators, which agencies are aware of them, and the potential for expanding their use moving forward. For additional details, please refer to the [Webcast](#) beginning at 2:43:01.

The public comment period was opened for Agenda Item No. 32. The following individual addressed the Board.

Harvey Eder recommended converting to alcohol fuels. [Mr. Eder was interrupted as his subsequent comments were not related to Agenda Item No. 32.] For additional details, please refer to the [Webcast](#) beginning at 2:44:25.

There being no further requests to speak, the public comment period was closed for Agenda Item No. 32.

Written Comments Submitted Supporting

- Darin Clause, Air Burners, Inc.



Board Action (Item 32)

MOVED BY RODRIGUEZ AND SECONDED BY LOCK DAWSON
TO APPROVE AGENDA ITEM NO. 32 AS RECOMMENDED AND
ADOPT RESOLUTION 26-16:

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.

THE MOTION PASSED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES: Cacciotti, Lock Dawson, Delgado, McCallon,
Nazarian, Nguyen, Olmos, Padilla-Campos,
Perez, and Rodriguez

NOES: None

ABSENT: Hagman, Mitchell, and Rutland



CLOSED SESSION

The Board recessed to closed session at 11:44 a.m. to discuss the following items.

CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – INITIATING LITIGATION, It is also necessary to recess to closed session pursuant to Government Code § 54956.9(a) and § 54956.9(d)(4) to consider initiation of litigation (one case):

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

Following closed session, General Counsel Bayron Gilchrist announced that a report of any reportable actions taken in closed session will be provided to the Clerk of the Board.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned by General Counsel Gilchrist at 12:08 p.m.

The foregoing is a true statement of the proceedings held by the South Coast Air Quality Management District Board on June 5, 2026.

Respectfully Submitted,

Faye Thomas
Clerk of the Boards

Date Minutes Approved: _____

Michael A. Cacciotti, Chair

ACRONYMS

CARB = California Air Resources Board
CEMS = Continuous Emission Monitoring System
CEQA = California Environmental Quality Act
FY = Fiscal Year
MSRC = Mobile Source Air Pollution Reduction Review Committee
PAR = Proposed Amended Rule
PR = Proposed Rule
pCBtf = para-Chlorobenzotrifluoride
t-BAc = tert-Butyl Acetate
UV/EB/LED = Ultraviolet/Electron Beam/Light Emitting Diodes