BOARD MEETING DATE: May 1, 2026 AGENDA NO. 30

PROPOSAL: Determine That Proposed Amendments to Regulation III – Fees Are Exempt from CEQA; Amend Regulation III – Fees; and Adopt Executive Officer's Proposed Goals and Priority Objectives, and Proposed Budget for FY 2026-27

SYNOPSIS: The Executive Officer's Proposed Goals and Priority Objectives, and Proposed Budget for FY 2026-27 have been developed and are recommended for adoption. The Proposed Budget includes expenditures of $225,195,464 and revenues of $223,895,464 and adjustments to Executive Staff salaries to establish a 10 percent differential between Designated Deputy position levels. Proposed Amended Regulation III includes: an increase of most fees by the Consumer Price Index (CPI) of 3.2 percent; new or modified fees which are necessary to provide more specific cost recovery for regulatory actions taken by the agency such as fees for system evaluation, permitting, and application processing; as well as administrative changes that include clarifications, deletions, insertions, or corrections of existing rule language, which have no fee impact. This action is to adopt the Resolution: 1) Determining that the proposed amendments to Regulation III – Fees are exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act; 2) Amending Regulation III - Fees; 3) Adopting the Executive Officer's Proposed Goals and Priority Objectives, and Proposed Budget for FY 2026-27; and 4) Approving the South Coast Air Quality Management District Salary Resolution Article 7 – Designated Deputy Annual Salaries.

COMMITTEE: Special Governing Board Meeting Workshop, April 10, 2026

RECOMMENDED ACTIONS:

1. Adopt the attached Resolution regarding the proposed amendments to Regulation III – Fees:
   a. Determining that the proposed amendments to Regulation III – Fees, which include Proposed Amended Rule 301 – Permitting and Associated Fees, Proposed Amended Rule 303 – Hearing Board Fees, Proposed Amended Rule 304 – Equipment, Materials and Ambient Air Analyses, Proposed Amended Rule 304.1 – Analyses Fees, Proposed Amended Rule 306 – Plan Fees, Proposed Amended Rule 307.1 – Alternative Fees for Air Toxics Emissions Inventory, Proposed Amended Rule 308 – On-Road Motor Vehicle Mitigation Options Fees, Proposed Amended Rule 309 – Fees for Regulation XVI and Regulation XXV, Proposed Amended Rule 311 – Air Quality Investment Program (AQIP) Fees, Proposed Amended Rule 313 – Authority to Adjust Fees and Due Dates,

Proposed Amended Rule 314 – Fees for Architectural Coatings, Proposed Amended Rule 315 – Fees for Training Classes and License Renewal, Proposed Amended Rule 316 – Fees for Rule 2305, and Proposed Amended Rule 316.2 – Fees for Rule 2306, are exempt from the requirements of the California Environmental Quality Act; and

b. Amending Regulation III – Fees, which includes Proposed Amended Rules 301, 303, 304, 304.1, 306, 307.1, 308, 309, 311, 313, 314, 315, 316, and 316.2.

2. Approve the Executive Officer's Proposed Goals and Priority Objectives, and Proposed Budget for FY 2026-27;
3. Remove from Reserves and Designations all amounts associated with the FY 2025-26 Budget;
4. Approve appropriations in the Major Objects for FY 2026-27 of:

Salary and Employee Benefits	$188,944,295
Services and Supplies	33,426,169
Capital Outlays	825,000
Transfers Out	2,000,000
Total	$225,195,464

5. Approve revenues for FY 2026-27 of $223,895,464;
6. Approve the deletion of four net authorized/funded positions as detailed in the FY 2026-27 Budget; and
7. Approve a projected June 30, 2027 Fund Balance of the following:

Classification[1]	**Reserves/Unreserved Designations**	**Amount**
Committed	Reserve for Encumbrances	$22,500,000
Nonspendable	Reserve for Inventory of Supplies	80,000
Assigned	Designated for Enhanced Compliance Activities	883,018
Assigned	Designated for Other Post Employment Benefit (OPEB) Obligations	2,952,496
Assigned	Designated for Permit Streamlining	234,159
Assigned	Designated for Self-Insurance	2,000,000
Assigned	Designated for Unemployment Claims	80,000
Total Reserved & Unreserved Designations		$28,729,673
Unassigned	Undesignated Fund Balance	$88,534,302

8. Approve the South Coast Air Quality Management District Salary Resolution Article 7 – Designated Deputy Annual Salaries.

Wayne Nastri
Executive Officer

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[1] The fund balance classifications of Committed, Nonspendable, Assigned, and Unassigned are established by the Government Accounting Standards Board 54.

Background
The period covered by the FY 2026-27 budget is from July 1, 2026 to June 30, 2027. The General Fund budget is the agency's operating budget and is structured by office and account code. The accounts are categorized into three Major Objects: Salaries and Employee Benefits, Services and Supplies, and Capital Outlays. The budget is supplemented with a Work Program which estimates staff resources and expenditures along program and activity lines. A Work Program Output Justification is completed for each Work Program which identifies performance goals, measurable outputs, legal mandates, activity changes and revenue categories.

The annual expenditure and revenue budget for the General Fund is adopted on a modified accrual basis. All annual expenditure appropriations lapse at fiscal year-end if they have not been expended or encumbered. Throughout the year, budget amendments may be necessary to accommodate additional revenues and expenditure needs.

Regulation III – Fees establishes the fee rates and schedules to recover South Coast AQMD's reasonable costs of regulating and providing services to the regulated community, primarily permitted sources. The agency's permit program is principally supported by three types of fees, namely permit processing fees, annual renewal operating fees (equipment-based), and emissions-based operating fees. Also included in the agency's permit program are Rule 222 registration fees and plan fees since these are similar to permits for the sources to which they apply. Regulation III also establishes fees and rates for other fee programs, unrelated to the agency's permit program, including, but not limited to, Transportation Programs fees, Clean Air Act non-attainment fees, indirect source fees for warehouses subject to Rule 2305 and freight rail yards subject to Rule 2306, and Area Source fees (architectural coatings).

Additional fees also have been authorized by the legislature and are included in South Coast AQMD's existing fee regulation. These fees include: variance and other Hearing Board fees; fees to recover the costs to the air district and state agencies of implementing and administering the Air Toxics Hot Spots Program (AB 2588); fees for refinery-related community air monitoring systems; and fees for notices and copying documents. All above-referenced fees and Hot Spots reimbursements to the General fund comprise approximately 66 percent of South Coast AQMD's revenue.

South Coast AQMD continues to implement cost recovery initiatives and cost reduction efforts, including limited increases in Services and Supplies expenditures and budgeting a 13 percent vacancy rate. In the upcoming years, South Coast AQMD will continue to face a number of fiscal challenges and uncertainties, including global economic impacts and resulting fluctuations in the financial market which determine the performance of South Coast AQMD's retirement investments and thus impact pension liability. Other challenges include potential changes in federal and state grant funding levels, the need for major information technology and building infrastructure improvement projects, and annual variations in penalties and settlement revenue. South Coast AQMD staff monitors funding sources, the retirement plan, and actual financial results on a

continuous basis and are prepared to make timely resource allocation adjustments as warranted.

Proposal

The following provides a summary of the Proposed FY 2026-27 Budget and Proposed Amended Regulation III.

Proposed FY 2026-27 Budget

The proposed budget for FY 2026-27 includes expenditures of $225,195,464 and revenues of $223,895,464, using unreserved fund balance to supplement FY 2026-27 estimated revenues. The proposed FY 2026-27 budget represents an increase of $5,567,219 (2.5%) in total expenditures from the budget adopted by the Board in May 2025, primarily due to Board-approved four-year labor agreements. The proposed FY 2026-27 budget represents an increase of $8,454,124 (3.9%) in total revenue from the budget adopted by the Board in May 2025. As part of this budget package, specific fees in Regulation III – Fees will be automatically adjusted by the California Consumer Price Index (CPI) as provided for under South Coast AQMD Rule 320 – Automatic Adjustment Based on Consumer Price Index for Regulation III Fees. The proposed budget includes a 3.2 percent CPI fee increase.

For Salaries and Employee Benefits, the proposed budget includes a net decrease of four positions for FY 2026-27, which is a result of realigning staffing to increase efficiency and effectiveness of South Coast AQMD programs. The FY 2026-27 budget also includes an increase in salaries for Deputies and similar positions to provide a 10 percent gap between positions. The total annual cost for this adjustment is about $184,000. In Services and Supplies, the proposal for FY 2026-27 reflects a net increase of $725,191 (2.2%) compared to the FY 2025-26 adopted budget primarily due to relocation of air monitoring sites, photographic and video services, and critical information management projects. Capital Outlay expenditures are decreasing by $725,000 (-46.8%) compared to the FY 2025-26 adopted budget and includes WAIRE POP upgrades, and monitoring and analysis equipment to support the ambient air monitoring network.

Proposed Amended Regulation III

Proposed Amended Regulation III will, pursuant to Rule 320, increase most fees, where applicable, by 3.2 percent consistent with the California CPI. In addition, the following proposals are necessary to allow for recovery of the reasonable costs of South Coast AQMD's regulatory activities: 1) amend Rule 301 to add refund criteria for rejected permit applications, include a fee category for laser cutters, and remove the maximum fee cap for CEMS and alternative systems evaluations; and 2) amend Rule 303 to include diesel particulate matter as a toxic air contaminant, clarify petition filing fees and refund applicability, correct excess emission fees for toxic air contaminants, remove the Consent Calendar fee table, and add a fee for verifying excess emission fee calculations.

In addition to the proposed Regulation III amendments with fee impacts, staff is proposing administrative changes in Regulation III that include clarifications, deletions, insertions, or corrections of existing rule language, which have no fee impact. The proposed amendments with no fee impacts are to amend Rule 301 to include clarifications to the public notice distribution fee and clean fuel fees, make changes to deadlines for emission reports and payments, establish optional periodic invoicing for processing Title V permit initial applications and renewals, and clarify the preparation activities for which costs are recovered related to CEQA.

Public Process

During the rulemaking process for Proposed Amended Regulation III, two public consultation meetings were held on March 17, 2026 and April 7, 2026. Proposed Amended Regulation III was also discussed at the Budget Advisory Committee on April 2, 2026 and the Governing Board Workshop on April 10, 2026. Documents related to Proposed Amended Regulation III, including draft rule language, draft staff report, draft socioeconomic impact assessments, and presentation materials, have been made available on South Coast AQMD's website.

Key Issues

Throughout the rulemaking process, staff has worked with stakeholders to address and resolve a number of issues. Concerns were raised regarding the initial proposal to increase to NOx emission fees. To allow greater time for the public process, the proposed NOx emission fee increase has been removed from this amendment and may be considered at a later time.

During the public process, comments were raised regarding the backlog of source testing protocols and reports, and the need for additional resources to address pending approvals of protocols and reports. The Proposed FY 2026-27 Budget does include two additional Full-Time Employees (FTEs) for the source test protocol and report evaluations team, that is funded through AB 2588 monies. In addition, South Coast AQMD is working on a Source Testing portal to help increase efficiency and provide data analytics to better track and identify areas of improvement for review and approval of source tests protocols and reports. Based on additional data collected, future budgets may identify the need for additional FTEs for this team to reduce the backlog.

Concerns were also raised by stakeholders regarding the extension of the proposed AER deadline to April 1. Stakeholders requested that the permanent deadline be extended to May 1, to allow more time for CARB's Criteria and Toxics Reporting (CTR) facilities to complete the reports and payments. The proposed April 1 deadline is an extension from the existing deadline which is 75 days following January 1 (March 17), for annual emission report and payment. Extending the due date to May 1 would adversely impact Finance Department's ability to accurately recognize revenue and finalize the budget for the fiscal year. However, due to the concerns raised by stakeholders, the initially proposed April 1st deadline will be extended further to April 10th to benefit new and existing facilities by allowing them more time to complete the report in light of the additional report content pursuant to CTR while not compromising other program requirements.

California Environmental Quality Act

Pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Guidelines Sections 15002(k) and 15061, the proposed amendments to Regulation III which involve charges by public agencies for the purpose of meeting operating expenses and financial reserve needs and requirements are statutorily exempt from CEQA pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15273. In addition, the proposed amendments to Regulation III, which have no fee impact and are strictly administrative in nature, are exempt from CEQA pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15061(b)(3). A Notice of Exemption has been prepared pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15062 and is included as Attachment J to this Board letter. If the proposed project is approved, the Notice of Exemption will be filed for posting with the county clerks of Los Angeles, Orange, Riverside, and San Bernardino counties, and with the State Clearinghouse of the Governor's Office of Land Use and Climate Innovation.

Socioeconomic Impacts

The socioeconomic analysis for the proposed amendments to Regulation III includes two documents: 1) the Socioeconomic Report for Adjustment Based on CPI for Regulation III Fees, included as Attachment I to this Board letter, which analyzed the fee impacts for the automatic increase of 3.2 percent to most Regulation III fees (e.g., emission fees, permit processing fees, annual permit renewal fees, toxic hot spot fees, source test fees, asbestos fees, architectural coatings fees, Rule 2305 reporting fees, a portion of Rule 2202 fees, area source fees and Hearing Board fees) as authorized by Rule 320; and 2) the Socioeconomic Impact Assessment for the proposed amendments to Regulation III, included in the Final Staff Report as Attachment H of this Board letter, which analyzed eight proposed amendments to Regulation III that were identified as having separate fee impacts from the automatic CPI adjustment as required by Rule 320.

The Socioeconomic Report projected additional revenue totaling $4.11 million as a result of the 3.2 percent CPI-based fee-rate increase and the manufacturing sector would incur the largest increase in fees. The largest fee impact identified in the Socioeconomic Impact Assessment was estimated to be $430,000 in FY 2026-27 and thereafter, due to the proposed removal of the maximum fee cap for conducting evaluations of CEMS,

FSMS, and ACEMS from Rule 301. The analysis also identified a substantial cost savings of $281,836 in FY 2026-27 and thereafter, due to adding a laser cutting category to Schedule B1 in Rule 301. In addition, the other six proposed amendments were projected to have an estimated fee impact of approximately $181,296 in FY 2026-27 and thereafter. Overall, the total fee impacts of all eight proposed amendments were estimated to be $329,460 in FY 2026-27 and thereafter and facilities within the Utilities sector would bear the majority of the annual fee impacts at approximately 37 percent.

Implementation and Resource Impacts

The proposed CPI-based adjustments by 3.2 percent to most Regulation III fees, which is commensurate with the change in the California CPI from December 2024 to December 2025, pursuant to Rule 320, is estimated to result in an increase in South Coast AQMD's revenue by approximately $3.8 million for FY 2026-27.

Based on the proposed amendments to Regulation III, the fee impact is estimated to be $0.33 million in FY 2026-2027, and thereafter.

Attachments

A. Summary of Proposals
B. FY 2026-27 Proposed Budget and Proposed Goals and Priority Objectives
C. Key Issues and Responses
D. Rule Development Process for Proposed Amended Regulation III
E. Key Contacts List
F. Resolution
G. Proposed Amended Regulation III
G1-G14. Proposed Amended Rules 301, 303, 304, 304.1, 306, 307.1, 308, 309, 311, 313, 314, 315, 316, and 316.2
H. Final Staff Report, with Socioeconomic Impact Assessment, for Proposed Amended Regulation III – Fees
I. Final Socioeconomic Report for Adjustment Based on Consumer Price Index for Regulation III Fees
J. Notice of Exemption from CEQA
K. Salary Resolution, Article 7 - Designated Deputy Annual Salaries
L. Board Presentation

ATTACHMENT A

SUMMARY OF PROPOSALS

Proposed Amended Regulation III – Fees

Fiscal Year 2026-27

Rule 320 Consumer Price Index (CPI)-Based Fee Increase

Proposed Amended Rules: 301, 303, 304, 304.1, 306, 307.1, 308, 309, 311, 313, 314, 315, 316 and 316.2

1) Increase in fee rates by 3.2 percent, which is commensurate with the percent change in the California CPI from December 2024 to December 2025, with the following exceptions:
    a. Fee rates set by state law;
    b. Rule 311(c) Air Quality Investment Program Fees, which pay for programs to reduce emissions and do not support the South Coast AQMD budget; and
    c. Rule 1180 and Rule 1180.1 Community Air Monitoring Annual Operating, and Maintenance Fees.

Targeted Proposals with Fee Impacts for Cost Recovery

Proposed Amended Rules: 301 and 303

1) Include laser cutters on the permit fee schedule;
2) Retain administrative processing fees for application rejections;
3) Clarify Hearing Board filing fees;
4) Clarify Hearing Board refund fees;
5) Remove Hearing Board Consent Calendar fees;
6) Correct Hearing Board toxic excess emission fees;
7) Include an administration fee for excess emissions; and
8) Remove the maximum fee for CEMS evaluations.

Proposals with No Fee Impacts and/or Administrative Changes

Proposed Amended Rule: 301

1) Clarify the public notice distribution fee;
2) Clarify CEQA evaluation and preparation costs;
3) Change deadlines for emission reports and payments;
4) Clarify the clean fuels fee; and
5) Allow periodic invoicing of time and materials fees for Title V permit applications.

Budget

Fiscal Year 2026-2027

South Coast Air Quality Management District

SOUTH COAST

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BUDGET

FISCAL YEAR 2026-2027

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May 1, 2026

South Coast Air Quality Management District Board and Stakeholders

Transmittal of the Executive Officer's
Fiscal Year 2026-27 Budget and Work Program

This document represents South Coast Air Quality Management District's (South Coast AQMD) proposed General Fund Budget and Work Program for FY 2026-27. The budget was developed in accordance with statutory requirements and in consultation with South Coast AQMD's executive and program staff.

In the upcoming year, South Coast AQMD will continue to face fiscal challenges and uncertainties, including the global economic impacts and financial market fluctuations. South Coast AQMD staff will closely monitor the financial impacts and, if significant changes occur in the economic landscape, will make adjustments to the FY 2026-27 budget being proposed.

This budget presents a multi-year financial summary detailing all revenues, expenditures, and staffing allocations across South Coast AQMD's programs, which are dedicated to cleaning the air and protecting the health of all residents in the South Coast Air District through practical and innovative strategies. The proposed budget for FY 2026-27 includes $225.2 million in expenditures, $223.9 million in revenue, and 1,030 positions. It aligns with the long-term financial projection approved in the FY 2025-26 adopted budget and strategically utilizes prior-year revenues to supplement estimated FY 2026-27 funding.

The proposed FY 2026-27 expenditure level, reflecting a 2.5 percent increase from the FY 2025-26 adopted budget, is primarily attributed to higher costs for salaries and benefits. This increase is due to the labor agreements approved in FY 2023-24. Additionally, this budget proposal requests a net decrease of four positions to support ongoing efficiency improvements.

The proposed revenue budget for FY 2026-27 is $223.9 million, up 3.9 percent from the FY 2025-26 adopted budget. This includes steady progress in South Coast AQMD's implementation of the US EPA's Climate Pollution Reduction Grants (CPRG) program, Carl Moyer program, AB 617 implementation programs, and CAPP (incentives) programs. At $137.0 million, or 61 percent of the projected revenue budget, stationary source revenues, represent the largest revenue source.

While substantial effort has been dedicated to developing a comprehensive budget for the upcoming fiscal year, including a five-year projection, uncertain economic factors, such as inflation, present challenges. These challenges are compounded by global economic impacts and fluctuations in financial market, which will influence the performance of South Coast AQMD's

retirement investments and in return affect pension liabilities. Additionally, challenges include the need for significant information technology and building infrastructure improvements, as well as annual variations in penalties and settlement revenue. South Coast AQMD staff will closely monitor funding sources, retirement plan performance, and actual financial results throughout the fiscal year, and is prepared to make timely and strategic adjustments to resource allocations as necessary. Furthermore, the proposed budget includes an assigned/unassigned general fund balance of 42 percent of FY 2026-27 revenues, providing a reasonable financial safety net to ensure South Coast AQMD can maintain stability and respond effectively to unforeseen challenges.

The public and the business community have multiple opportunities to participate in the budget development process. This includes Budget Advisory Committee meetings which consist of representatives from the business and environmental communities, a public consultation meeting to discuss the proposed budget and work program, and two Governing Board meetings where key budget decisions are made. The public consultation meeting and Governing Board meetings are publicly noticed through direct mail and email to permitted facilities and other stakeholders, as well as through print media, and South Coast AQMD website to ensure broad awareness and participation.

In summary, I am proposing a budget for FY 2026-27 that enables South Coast AQMD programs to operate efficiently, transparently, and in a manner sensitive to public agencies, businesses, and the public, while providing continued emission reductions and health benefit improvements. The proposed FY 2026-27 Budget serves to ensure the continued strength and stability of the South Coast AQMD as we make progress toward attaining the federal and state clean air mandates and further protect public health.

Respectfully,

Wayne Nastri,
Executive Officer

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GOVERNMENT FINANCE OFFICERS ASSOCIATION

Distinguished Budget Presentation Award

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For the Fiscal Year Beginning

July 01, 2025

Executive Director

Government Finance Officers Association of the United States and Canada (GFOA) presented a Distinguished Budget Presentation Award to South Coast Air Quality Management District, California, for its Annual Budget for the fiscal year beginning July 01, 2025. In order to receive this award, a governmental unit must publish a budget document that meets program criteria as a policy document, as a financial plan, as an operations guide, and as a communications device.

This award is valid for a period of one year only. We believe our current budget continues to conform to program requirements, and we are submitting it to GFOA to determine its eligibility for another award.

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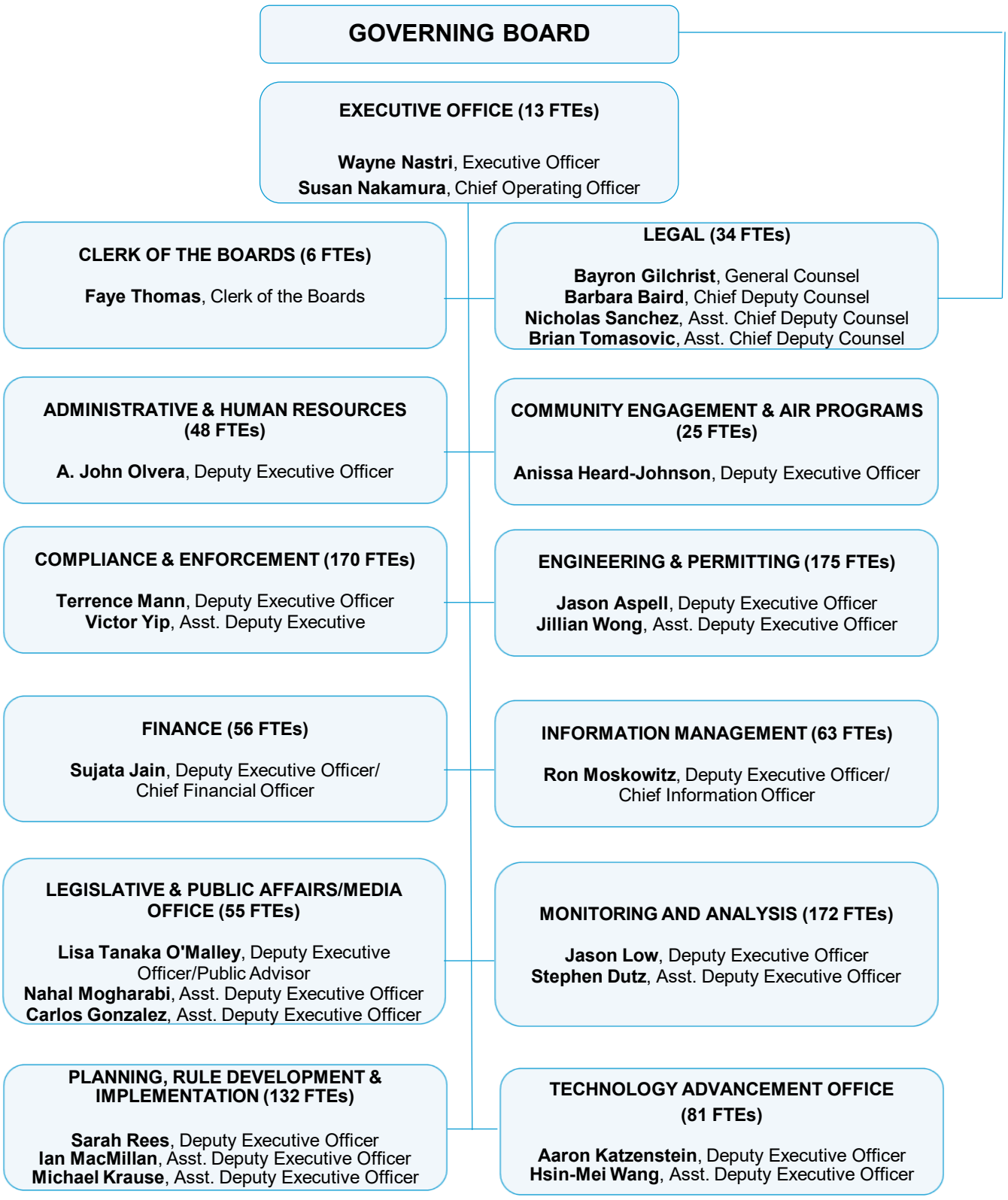


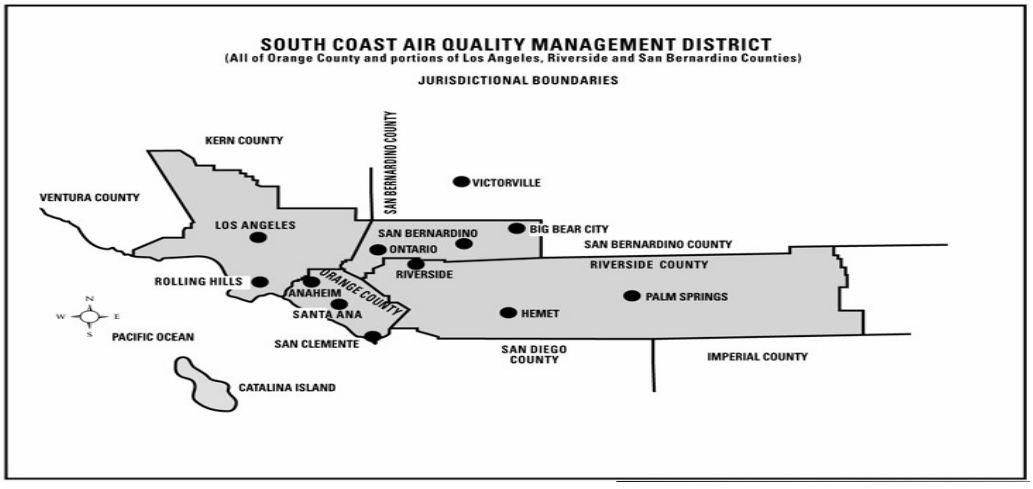
SUMMARY

Preface

This document represents the proposed FY 2026-27 Budget and Work Program of the South Coast Air Quality Management District (South Coast AQMD). The proposed budget was available for public review and comment during the month of April. A public consultation meeting was held to discuss the proposed budget and proposed fees changes on April 7, 2026. In addition, a Governing Board Budget and Fee Workshop was held on April 10, 2026. A final Proposed Budget and Work Program, which may include changes based on input from the public and Board, was presented for adoption at a public hearing on May 1, 2026.

Introduction

The South Coast Air Quality Management District (South Coast AQMD) began operation on February 1, 1977 as a regional governmental agency established by the California Legislature pursuant to the Lewis Air Quality Management Act. The South Coast AQMD encompasses all of Orange County and parts of Los Angeles, San Bernardino, and Riverside Counties. It succeeded the Southern California Air Pollution Control District (APCD) and its predecessor four county APCDs, of which the Los Angeles County APCD was the oldest in the nation, having been formed in 1947. The South Coast AQMD Governing Board is composed of 13 members, including four members appointed by the Boards of Supervisors of the four counties in South Coast AQMD's jurisdiction, six members appointed by cities in the South Coast AQMD's jurisdiction, and three members appointed by the Governor, the Speaker of the State Assembly, and the Rules Committee of the State Senate, respectively. The members appointed by the Boards of Supervisors and cities consist of one member of the Board of Supervisors of Los Angeles, Orange, Riverside, and San Bernardino Counties, respectively, and a mayor or member of the city council of a city within Orange, Riverside, and San Bernardino Counties. Los Angeles County cities have three representatives, one each from the western and eastern portions and one member representing the City of Los Angeles.

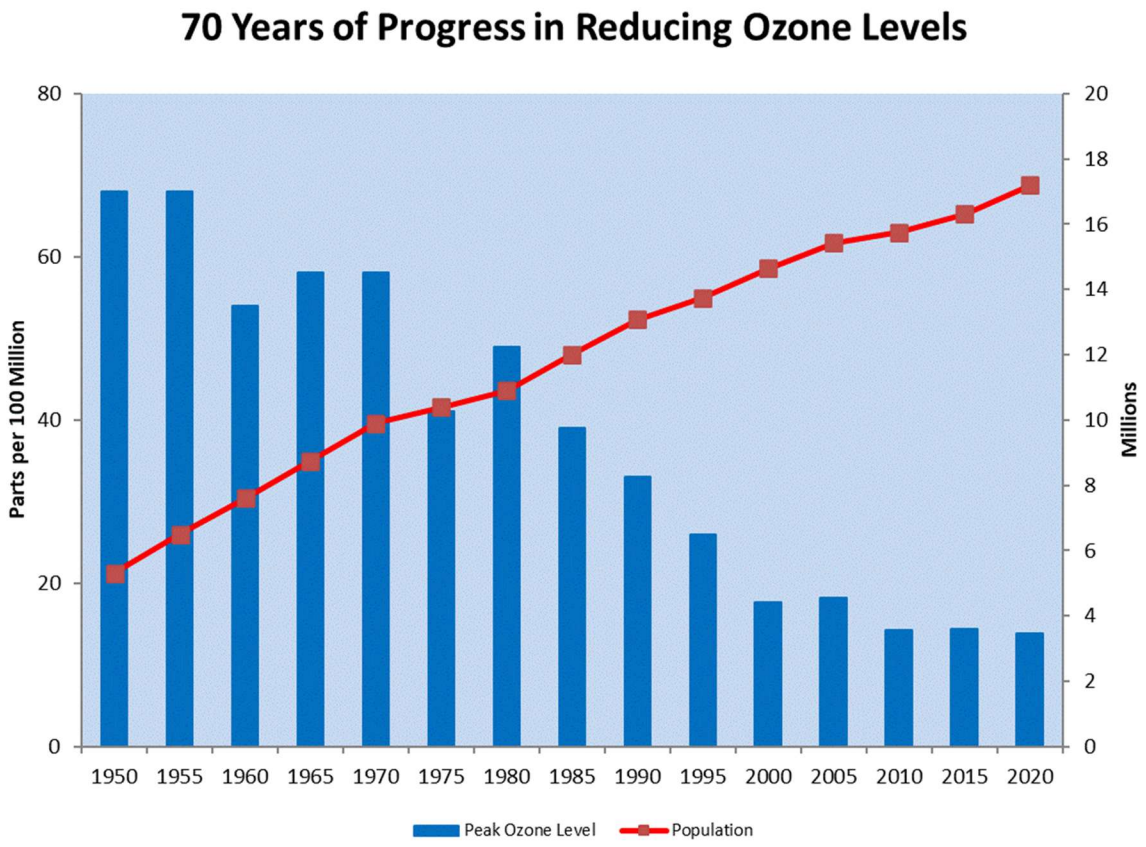


Air Quality History

The South Coast Air Basin (Basin) has suffered unhealthful air since its rapid population growth and industrialization during World War II. While air quality has improved, the residents of the Basin still breathe some of the most polluted air in the nation.

The 70-year history of the region's air pollution control efforts is, in many ways, one of the world's key environmental success stories. Peak ozone levels have been cut by almost three-fourths since air monitoring began in the 1950s. Population exposure was cut in half during the 1980s alone.

Since the late 1940s, when the war on smog began, to 2020, the region's population has more than tripled from 4.8 million to 17.2 million; the number of motor vehicles has increased more than six-fold from 2.3 million to 14.1 million; and the area has grown into one of the most prosperous regions of the world. This phenomenal economic growth illustrates that pollution control and strong economic growth can coincide.



Mission

South Coast AQMD's mission is to clean the air and protect the health of all residents in the South Coast Air District through practical and innovative strategies. This mission is pursued through a comprehensive program of planning, regulation, education, enforcement, compliance incentives, technical innovation, and promoting public understanding of air quality issues. The South Coast AQMD has implemented a policy of working with regulated businesses to ensure their participation in making the rules which will impact them. This cooperative approach has resulted in greater business support of rulemaking efforts for air that is more healthful to breathe.

To carry out its mission, South Coast AQMD develops a set of Goals and Priority Objectives which are evaluated and revised annually and presented as part of the budget proposal. The following proposed goals have been identified as being critical to meeting South Coast AQMD's Mission for FY 2026-27:

I. Achieve Clean Air Standards.
II. Enhance Public Education and Equitable Treatment for All Communities.
III. Operate Efficiently and Transparently.

These goals are the foundation for South Coast AQMD's Work Program categories. Each goal is supported by multiple activities, which target specific areas of program performance.

Air Quality

Overview

South Coast AQMD has jurisdiction over an area that includes large portions of Los Angeles, Riverside, San Bernardino, and Orange counties. There are three air basins within this region: the South Coast Air Basin, the Riverside County portion of the Salton Sea Air Basin (Coachella Valley), and the Riverside County portion of the Mojave Desert Air Basin. The South Coast Air Basin (Basin) and the Coachella Valley have some of the highest air pollution levels in the United States. The federal government has designated seven pollutants that are pervasive enough to warrant federal health standards, called National Ambient Air Quality Standards (NAAQS). Known as "criteria pollutants," these are: ozone (O_3); nitrogen dioxide (NO_2); particulates (PM10); fine particulates (PM2.5); carbon monoxide (CO); lead (Pb); and sulfur dioxide (SO_2).

In addition, the State of California sets ambient air quality standards for these same pollutants through the California Air Resources Board (CARB). California's standards are in some cases tighter than the United States Environmental Protection Agency's (U.S. EPA) standards, which strengthens the public health protection. Toxic compounds also are a potential problem. More toxic pollutants are emitted into the air in the Basin than in any other region in California. Large number of motor vehicles and stationary sources, including large and small facilities and households are the sources of criteria air pollutants and air toxics.

Air Quality Trends

While our air quality has improved significantly over the past several decades, the Basin continues to have some of the worst air pollution in the country. Ozone levels have fallen by more than three-quarters since peaks in the mid-1950s, but the Basin fails to meet current federal ozone standards. Based on preliminary data, in 2025, the 2015 8-hour ozone NAAQS was exceeded in the Basin on 108 days. The Basin also exceeded the former 2008 8-hour ozone and 1997 8-hour ozone NAAQS on 87 and 54 days, respectively. The 2015 8-hour ozone NAAQS was exceeded in the Basin on 138 days in 2024 and 115 days in 2023. The 2015 8-hour ozone NAAQS was exceeded on 48 days in 2025 in the Coachella Valley. The Coachella Valley continues to meet the 1997 8-hour ozone NAAQS in 2023-2025, based on preliminary measurements subject to removal of one or more potential exceptional events caused by wildfire smoke. Smoke from the Gifford and Rosa fires potentially caused exceedances of the 1997 8-hour ozone NAAQS at Palm Springs on August 8 and 9, 2025 and smoke from Lake and Vista Fires potentially caused exceedances on July 8 and 9, 2024. If South Coast AQMD submits an exceptional events demonstration for August 8 and 9 2025 or either July 8 or July 9, 2024 and U.S. EPA concurs on the exclusions, then the 2023-2025 1997 NAAQS would be 0.08 ppm, and the Coachella Valley would meet the 1997 NAAQS. The 2015 8-hour ozone NAAQS was exceeded in the Coachella Valley on 65 days in 2024 and 36 days in 2023, after removal of the Rabbit fire exceptional events. Coachella Valley first met the 1997 NAAQS in the 2022-2024 period after U.S. EPA concurrence of an exceptional events demonstration showing that two high ozone days at the Palm Spring monitor in the summer of 2023 were caused by wildfire smoke emissions from the Rabbit, Reche, and Highland wildfires.

Though the ozone air quality has improved substantially over the long term, ozone levels in the South Coast Air Basin have remained relatively stable over the past decade and a half. However, continued reductions in ozone precursor emissions are expected to improve ozone air quality. Meteorological conditions such as hot temperatures, prolonged stagnation and limited vertical mixing contribute to year-to-year variability. Changes in the relative emissions of volatile organic compounds (VOCs) or oxides of nitrogen (NOx) also affect the chemistry of ozone formation and can lead to marginal short-term increases in ozone concentrations in certain locations as NOx is reduced. While the ozone control strategy continued to reduce precursor emissions from man-made sources in the Basin, emissions of natural ozone precursors are not controllable. Ozone-forming emissions transported from frequent summer wildfires throughout California and year-to-year changes in the VOC emissions from vegetation resulting from dry and wet rainy-seasons can affect year-to-year differences in ozone concentrations. The maximum observed ozone levels also show some year-to-year variability. The highest 8-hour ozone level in the 2025 data in the Basin was 112 ppb, compared to 131 ppb in 2024 and 118 ppb in 2023.

PM2.5 levels have decreased dramatically in the Basin since 1999. In 2025, the 24-hour PM2.5 NAAQS was exceeded on 24 days in the South Coast Air Basin based on preliminary PM2.5 measurements. In 2024, there were 26 exceedance days, based on continuous and filter-based PM2.5 measurements. Because the highest PM2.5 concentrations typically occur during the rainy-season, design values are heavily dependent on the frequency of wintertime storm

systems, which increase ventilation and remove PM when rainfall is present. PM2.5 concentrations are also significantly influenced by firework emissions and wildfire smoke, which can be transported across wide distances. PM2.5 levels during Independence Day on July 4th and 5th are typically among the highest days of the year in the Basin. In 2025, most of the exceedances of the 24-hour standard were recorded during periods of wildfire smoke impacts during January 2025 Eaton and Palisades fires and the August 2025 Gifford fire (5 days) and periods of unfavorable meteorology in the winter months (17 days). The 2023-2025 24-hour and annual design values for the South Coast Air Basin are still under evaluation as they depend on the influence of exceptional events. PM2.5 levels have remained below the 24-hour PM2.5 NAAQS in the Coachella Valley, with a 2023-2025 24-hour design value of 14 $\mu g/m^3$ at Palm Springs based on preliminary monitoring data. In 2025 there were no exceedances of the 24-hour PM2.5 NAAQS in the Coachella Valley, one exceedance day in 2024, and no exceedance days in 2023 and 2022. The Coachella Valley attains the 2024 annual PM2.5 NAAQS with a 2023-2025 design value of 6.1 $\mu g/m^3$ at Palm Springs based on preliminary data.

In 2006, the U.S. EPA rescinded the annual federal standard for PM10 but retained the 24-hour standard. The U.S. EPA re-designated the Basin as attainment of the health-based standard for PM10, effective July 26, 2013. Apart from a handful of dust events caused by high winds, ambient levels of PM10 in the Basin have continued to meet the federal 24-hour PM10 NAAQS through 2025. South Coast AQMD is preparing an exceptional events demonstration for October 18, 2024 and November 6, 2024 at Mira Loma (Van Buren) for PM10 exceedances caused by high wind dust exceptional events. If U.S. EPA concurs on the exclusions, then the Basin will continue to meet the 24-hour PM10 NAAQS for the 2023-2025 period.

In November 2008, the U.S. EPA revised the lead NAAQS from a 1.5 $\mu g/m^3$ quarterly average to a rolling 3-month average of 0.15 $\mu g/m^3$ and added new near-source monitoring requirements. The Los Angeles County portion of the Basin has been designated non-attainment for lead due to monitored concentrations near one facility prior to the 2012-2014 3-year design value period. However, starting with the 2012-2014 design value, all lead stations in the Basin have met the lead standard through 2024. 2025 concentrations are not available at the time of publication.

Nitrogen dioxide, sulfur dioxide, and carbon monoxide levels meet all federal national ambient air quality standards. In 2007, the U.S. EPA formally re-designated the Basin to attainment of the carbon monoxide NAAQS. Maximum levels of carbon monoxide in the Basin have been consistently less than one-third of the federal standards since 2004. In 2010, the U.S. EPA revised the NO_2 1-hour standard to 100 ppb and the SO_2 1-hour standard to 75 ppb. In 2025, the Basin attained these standards based on preliminary data.

Mandates

South Coast AQMD is governed and directed by a comprehensive federal law (Federal Clean Air Act) and several state laws that provide the regulatory framework for air quality management in the Basin. These laws require South Coast AQMD to take prescribed steps to improve air quality.

South Coast AQMD is responsible for stationary sources such as factories. CARB and U.S. EPA are primarily responsible for motor vehicles. South Coast AQMD and CARB share responsibilities with respect to area sources which are aggregation of smaller facilities such as gas stations and combustion sources within buildings. South Coast AQMD and the Southern California Association of Governments (SCAG) share limited responsibilities with CARB regarding mobile source emissions related to transportation and land use. Control of emissions from sources such as aircrafts, ocean going vessels, trains, trucks with international and out-of-state registration, and selected off-road equipment is primarily overseen by U.S. EPA. Without adequate efforts by CARB and U.S. EPA to control emission sources under their sole authority, it is impossible for the region to reach federal clean air standards.

The following is a more specific summary of the laws governing South Coast AQMD.

Federal Law:
Federal Clean Air Act (CAA): The CAA requires attainment of National Ambient Air Quality Standards (NAAQS) for criteria air pollutants, i.e., pollutants causing human health impacts due to their release from numerous sources. The following criteria pollutants have been identified by U.S. EPA: ozone, particulate matters (PM10 and PM2.5), carbon monoxide, lead, nitrogen dioxide, and sulfur dioxide. Current deadlines vary by pollutant and severity of pollution in the region.

State Implementation Plans: The CAA requires each state to develop a State Implementation Plan (SIP) to attain the NAAQS by the applicable attainment deadlines. SIPs must be approved by U.S. EPA as containing sufficient measures to timely attain NAAQS and meet other requirements described below. SIPs must contain air pollution measures to be adopted as "regulatory" form. Upon approval by U.S. EPA, SIP requirements can be enforced against regulated sources by U.S. EPA and by any citizen. South Coast AQMD must develop and submit to CARB for their concurrence and submittal to U.S. EPA, an element of the SIP referred to as the South Coast AQMD Air Quality Management Plan (AQMP) demonstrating how the Basin and Coachella Valley will attain the NAAQS.

Among the numerous other CAA requirements are: a mandate that the region achieve a three percent annual reduction in emissions of ozone precursors (VOC and NOx); a requirement that new sources over 10 tons per year of VOC or NOx, and modifications to such sources, achieve lowest achievable emission rate (LEAR) and offset their emission increases by equal reductions elsewhere in the region and transportation control measures to reduce vehicle trips.

To date, the South Coast AQMD's Governing Board has adopted major AQMPs in 1989, 1991, 1994, 1997, 1999 (amendments to the plan adopted in 1997), 2003, 2007, 2012, 2017, and 2022. The 2022 AQMP, adopted in December 2022, addresses attainment of the 2015 8-hour ozone NAAQS. In addition, revisions to existing AQMP/State Implementation Plan are conducted on a as-needed basis to address newly identified requirements by U.S. EPA and/or new monitoring data.

Sanctions, Federal Implementation Plans, and Conformity Findings: The CAA mandates that sanctions be imposed on an area if a suitable SIP is not submitted to or approved by U.S. EPA. These sanctions can include loss of key federal funds and more stringent requirements on new or expanding industries. Specific requirements for South Coast AQMD's AQMP include stringent requirements plus LAER and offsets for major new sources. Federal law also requires an operating permit program for major stationary sources, known as Title V, which must be supported by permit fees. In addition, air toxics regulations adopted by U.S. EPA pursuant to Title III must be implemented by South Coast AQMD.

Motor Vehicle Emission Controls: The CAA initially required U.S. EPA to adopt emission limitations for motor vehicles. The 1990 Amendments require U.S. EPA to adopt regulations to achieve further reductions in emissions from motor vehicles, as well as from other mobile sources such as locomotives. States are preempted from adopting emission limitations for motor vehicles and certain other mobile sources. Exception: California can adopt motor vehicle standards, and standards for some --but not all-- other mobile sources, and other states can adopt the California standards.

Hazardous Air Pollutants: In addition to criteria pollutants, the CAA regulates "hazardous air pollutants," i.e., those which can cause cancer or other severe localized health effects due to emissions from a single facility. U.S. EPA is required to adopt regulations mandating that new and existing sources emitting 10 tons per year or more of such pollutants employ Maximum Achievable Control Technology (MACT) according to specified schedules. U.S. EPA is to consider further reductions in the future to eliminate any remaining unacceptable residual risk.

California Law:

The California Clean Air Act (CCAA): The CCAA establishes numerous requirements for Air District air quality plans to attain state ambient air quality standards for criteria air contaminants. For example, a plan must contain measures adequate to achieve five percent per year emission reductions or must contain all feasible measures and an expeditious adoption schedule. For Air Districts with serious air pollution, its attainment plan should include the following: no net increase in emissions from new and modified stationary sources; and best available retrofit control technology for existing sources.

Toxic Air Contaminants: The Air Toxic Hot Spots Act (Health & Safety Code §§ 44300, et seq.) requires facilities emitting specified quantities of pollutants to conduct risk assessments describing the health impacts to neighboring communities created by their emissions of numerous specified hazardous compounds. If an Air District determines the health impact to be significant, neighbors must be notified. In addition, state law requires the facility to develop and implement a plan to reduce the health impacts to below significance, generally within five years. Additional control requirements for hazardous emissions from specific industries are established by the state and enforced by Air Districts.

AB 617: A requirement for Air Districts to conduct air monitoring and adopt a Community Emissions Reduction Plan for communities designated by CARB under the AB 617 statewide program.

State law also includes the following measures:

- Tanner Air Toxics Process (AB 1807) which requires CARB to adopt air toxic control measures to limit emissions of toxic air contaminants from classes of industrial facilities. Local Air Districts are required to enforce these regulations or adopt equally or more stringent regulations of their own;
- Health & Safety Code §42705.5 which requires Air Districts to deploy a community air monitoring system in selected locations and Section 42706.5 which requires Air Districts to design, develop, install, operate and maintain refinery-related community air monitoring systems;
- Authority for South Coast AQMD to adopt a command-and-control regulatory structure requiring Best Available Retrofit Control Technology (BARCT);
- A requirement for South Coast AQMD to establish an expedited schedule for implementing BARCT at pre-determined greenhouse cap and trade facilities;
- A requirement for South Coast AQMD to establish a program to encourage voluntary participation in projects to increase the use of clean-burning fuels; and
- A requirement for South Coast AQMD to adopt and enforce rules to ensure no net emission increases from stationary sources.

Air Quality Control

Developing solutions to the air quality problem involve highly technical processes and a variety of resources and efforts to meet the legal requirements of California and federal laws.

Monitoring: The first step in air quality control is to determine the smog problem by measuring air pollution levels. South Coast AQMD currently operates 32 monitoring stations in the South Coast Air Basin and a portion of the Salton Sea Air Basin in Coachella Valley. These range from fully equipped monitoring stations that measure levels of criteria pollutants, as well as some air toxic pollutant levels, to those which measure a specific pollutant in critical areas. These measurements provide the basis of our knowledge about the nature of the air pollution problem and the data for planning and compliance efforts to address the problem.

Pollution Sources: South Coast AQMD, in cooperation with CARB and SCAG, estimates the sources of emissions causing the air pollution problem. Nature itself causes a portion of the emissions and must be considered. In general, South Coast AQMD estimates emissions from majority of stationary and selected mobile sources as well as natural sources such as emissions from vegetation and soil. SCAG develops the information such as population and traffic activity necessary to estimate emissions. CARB has primary responsibility to develop and maintain on road mobile source emissions with the input from SCAG for traffic activity and demographic information. This data is then consolidated in South Coast AQMD's AQMP for use in developing the necessary control strategies.

Air Quality Modeling: Using photochemical, meteorological and emissions models, South Coast AQMD planners predict future air quality to demonstrate attainment of the applicable air quality standards and the impacts of sources to local and regional air quality. Due to the nature of air pollution, air quality models can be very complex. Some pollutants are not emitted directly into the air but are products of photochemical reactions in the atmosphere. For example, VOCs mix with nitrogen dioxide (NO_2) and react in sunlight to form ozone; similarly, nitrogen oxide gases from tailpipes and smokestacks can be transformed into nitrates or particulates (PM2.5 and PM10). The planners thus must consider transport, land use characteristics, and chemical reactions of emissions in the atmosphere to evaluate air quality impacts. Using model output, planners can look at different control scenarios to determine the best strategies to reduce air pollution for the lowest cost. The considerable data required for these analyses is collected on an ongoing basis by South Coast AQMD staff. These include, but not limited to, satellite-based air quality data, sensor-based traffic volume, ocean going vessel data collected through Automatic Identification System (AIS) transponders, and aircraft data collected using Aircraft Communications, Addressing and Reporting System (ACARS).

Planning: With emissions data and an air quality model in place, planners can develop possible control strategies and scenarios. South Coast AQMD focuses most of its effort on stationary source controls. As mentioned earlier, strategies to reduce vehicle miles traveled (VMT) are developed primarily by SCAG, while mobile source standards and control programs are developed primarily by CARB and U.S. EPA. South Coast AQMD also has limited authority over mobile sources (e.g. public fleets, indirect sources), even though South Coast AQMD adopted facility based mobile source measures targeting major facilities such as commercial airports and warehouses.

Once a plan of emission controls to achieve the NAAQS is outlined, South Coast AQMD is required to hold multiple public meetings, workshops, and hearings to present the proposed control strategies and receive public input. South Coast AQMD also conducts a socioeconomic analysis of the strategies. South Coast AQMD maintains an ongoing and independent advisory group of outside experts for both its air quality modeling and socioeconomic assessment methodologies.

To meet federal air quality standards, the AQMPs and SIP submittals, including the 2022 AQMP, called for significant emissions reductions from projected baseline emissions in order to meet the NAAQS by the federal attainment deadlines (2031 for the 2008 8-hour ozone NAAQS, and 2037 for the 2015 8-hour ozone NAAQS). These combined reductions, while meeting the NAAQS, will still not result in attainment of all California State ambient air quality standards. The 2022 AQMP, the latest adopted AQMP, addresses attainment of the 2015 8-hour ozone NAAQS in the Basin and Coachella Valley in 2037. The 2022 AQMP employed a state-of-the-science emissions inventory and photochemical modeling platform. Six working groups were established to support the development of control strategies for the 2022 AQMP. There were a total of 22 working group meetings, 10 AQMP Advisory Group meetings, 8 public workshops and hearings, 2 Advisory Council meetings, and numerous public outreach meetings. This process resulted in the adoption of the most ambitious plan in the history of the agency which calls for aggressive deployment of zero emission technologies wherever feasible.

Rulemaking: The regulatory process, known as rulemaking, takes the concepts of control measures outlined in the AQMP and turns them into proposed rule language. This process involves the following: extensive research on technology; site inspections of affected industries to determine feasibility; typically, a year or more of public task force and workshop meetings; in-depth analyses of environmental, social and economic impacts; and thorough review with appropriate Governing Board Committees.

This extensive process of public and policymaker participation encourages consensus in development of rule requirements so that affected sources have an opportunity for input into the rules that will regulate their operations. Once the requirements are developed, the proposed rule, along with an Environmental Assessment and a socioeconomic report, is presented to South Coast AQMD's Governing Board at a public hearing. Public testimony is presented and considered by the Board before any rule is adopted. The adopted or amended rules are then submitted to CARB and U.S. EPA for their approval. It is not uncommon for rulemaking to include follow-up implementation studies. These studies may extend one or more years past rule adoption/amendment and prior to rule implementation. Such studies are typically submitted to the Governing Board or appropriate Governing Board Committees.

Enforcement and Education: South Coast AQMD issues permits to construct and operate equipment to companies to ensure equipment is operated in compliance with adopted rules. Follow-up inspections are made to ensure that equipment is being operated under permit conditions.

Technical Innovation: In the late 1980s, South Coast AQMD recognized that technological innovation, as well as rule enforcement, would be necessary to achieve clean air standards. Thus, the Technology Advancement Office was created to look for and encourage technical innovation to reduce emissions. The California State Legislature supported this effort by providing a $1 surcharge on every DMV registration fee paid within the Basin. These funds have been matched at a ratio of approximately three-to-one with funds from the private sector to develop new technologies such as near-zero and zero emission vehicles, low-NO_x burners for boilers and water heaters, zero-pollution paints and solvents, fuel cells, and other innovations.

An additional $4 vehicle registration fee was authorized by the state legislature in 1990. These fees are administered through South Coast AQMD with $1.20 going to South Coast AQMD for mobile source emissions reductions, $1.60 subvened directly to cities and counties to support their air quality programs, and $1.20 to the Mobile Source Air Pollution Reduction Review Committee (MSRC). The MSRC is an outside committee established by state law whose function is to make the decisions on the actual projects to be funded from that portion of the revenue.

Public Education: South Coast AQMD's efforts to clean up the air will be successful only to the extent that the public understands air quality issues and supports and participates in cleanup effort. Thus, South Coast AQMD strives to involve and inform the public through the Legislative and Public Affairs/Media Office, public meetings, publications, the press, public service announcements, and social media.

Budget Synopsis

South Coast AQMD's annual budget is adopted for the General Fund for a fiscal year that runs from July 1 through June 30. The period covered by the FY 2026-2027 budget is from July 1, 2026 to June 30, 2027. The General Fund budget is the agency's operating budget and is structured by Office and account. The accounts are categorized into three Major Objects: Salaries and Employee Benefits, Services and Supplies, and Capital Outlays. The budget is supplemented with a Work Program containing nine program categories, which estimate staff resources and expenditures along program and activity lines. Each category consists of a number of Work Programs, or activities. A Work Program Output Justification form is completed for each Work Program, which identifies performance goals, quantifiable outputs, legal mandates, activity changes, and revenue categories.

The annual expenditure and revenue budget for the General Fund is adopted on a modified accrual basis. All annual expenditure appropriations lapse at fiscal year-end if they have not been expended or encumbered. Throughout the year, budget amendments may be necessary to accommodate additional revenues and expenditure needs. Any amendments due to budget increases or transfers between expenditure accounts in different Major Objects must be approved by South Coast AQMD's Governing Board. They are submitted to the Governing Board for approval at a monthly Board meeting in the format of a board letter which documents the need for the request and the source of funding for the expenditure. Budget amendments resulting from transfers between expenditure accounts within the same Major Object are approved at the Office level.

The South Coast AQMD does not adopt annual budgets for its Special Revenue Funds. Special Revenue Funds are used to record transactions applicable to specific revenue sources that are legally restricted for specific purposes. Special Revenue Fund appropriations are approved by the Governing Board on an as-needed basis at a monthly Board meeting in the format of a board letter which documents the need for the request and the source of funding for the expenditure. South Coast AQMD reports Special Revenue Funds on a modified accrual basis in the Annual Comprehensive Financial Report.

<u>Budget Process</u>

The South Coast AQMD budget process begins with the Chief Financial Officer issuing instructions and guidelines to the Offices. Under the guidance of the Executive Officer, Chief Operating Officer, and Chief Financial Officer, the Offices also begin establishing Goals and Priority Objectives for the fiscal year. The proposed annual budget and multi-year forecast is then developed by the Offices, Finance, Executive Council, the Chief Operating Officer, and the Executive Officer, based on the Goals and Priority Objectives, as well as guidelines issued by the Executive Officer. Each Office submits requests for staffing, select Salary accounts, Services and Supplies accounts, and Capital Outlay accounts. The remaining salary and benefit costs are developed by Finance. Capital expenditure requests are reviewed by an in-house committee who prioritizes the requests. Revenue projections are developed by Finance based on input received from the appropriate Offices and incorporate any proposed changes to Regulation III - Fees. This information is integrated into an initial budget request, including a multi-year forecast, and then fine-tuned under the direction of the Chief Operating Officer and Executive Officer to arrive at a

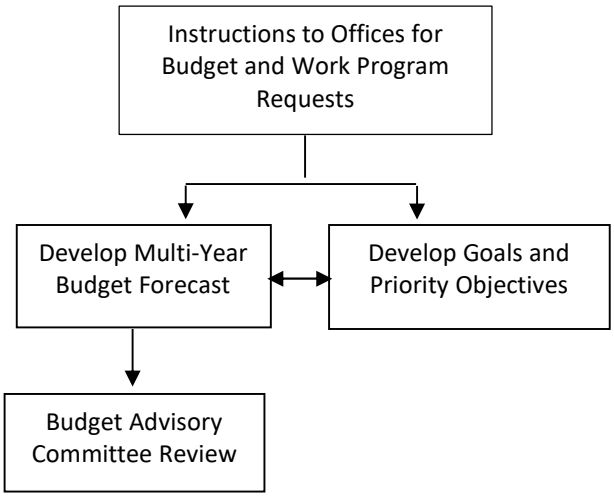
proposed budget. The public, business community, and other stakeholders have several opportunities to participate in the budget process, up to and at the budget adoption hearing by the Governing Board, including:

- Two meetings of the Budget Advisory Committee, whose members include various stakeholder representatives
- Two public consultation meetings to discuss the automatic CPI increase
- A public hearing on the Proposed Budget and Work Program

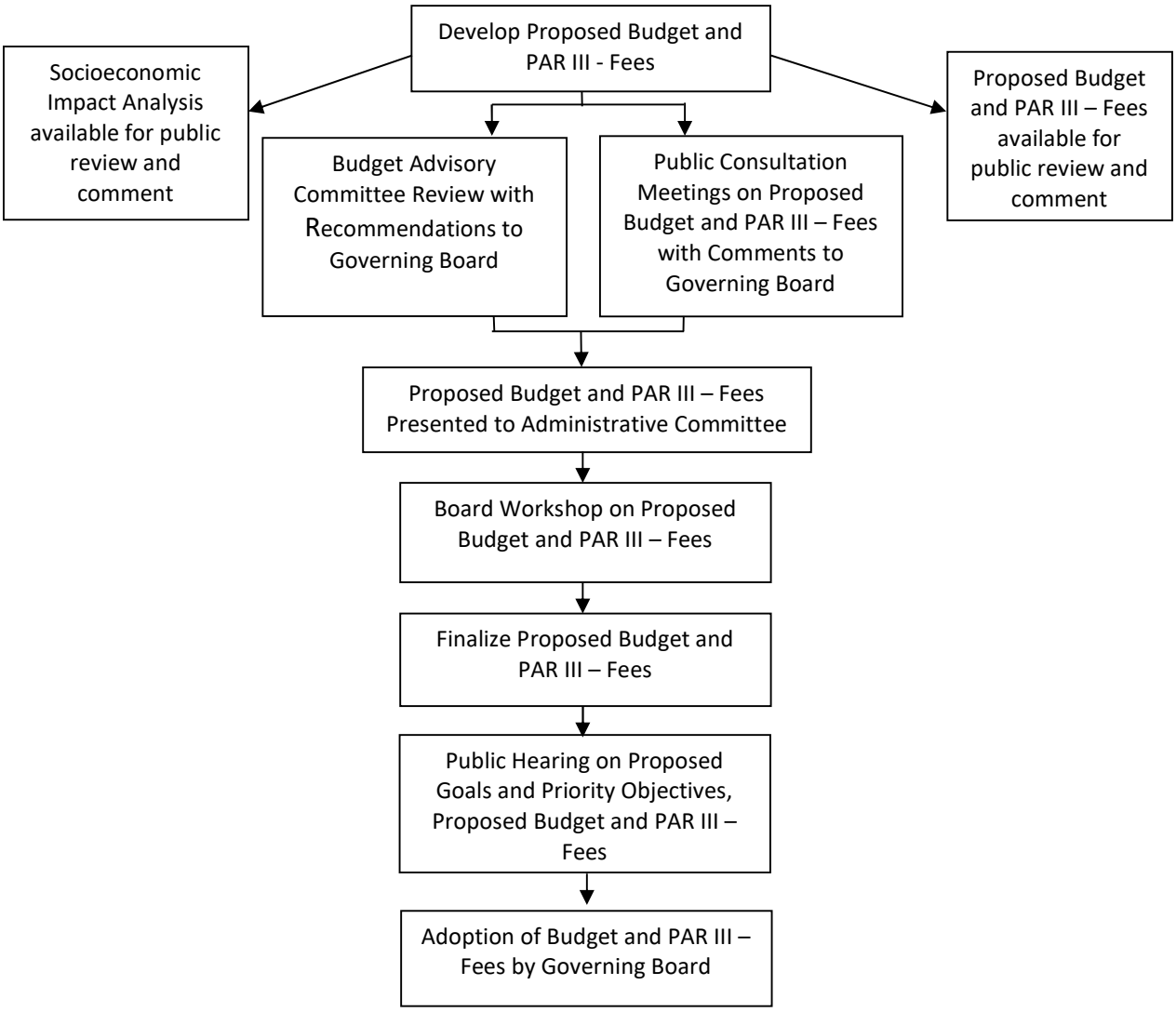
The proposed budget is presented to South Coast AQMD's Governing Board at a budget workshop and to South Coast AQMD's Administrative Committee. Any public comments and Budget Advisory Committee recommendations are submitted to the Governing Board by April 15th of each year. The proposed budget is adopted by the Governing Board and is in place on July 1st for the start of the new fiscal year.

The following flow charts represent the typical major milestones and budget processes that take place in developing South Coast AQMD's annual budget.

Preliminary Budget Process



Annual Budget Process



FY 2026-27 Budget Timeline	
Budget Advisory Committee meeting	Jan 15, 2026
Budget submissions received from Offices	Jan 16, 2026
Proposed budget available for public review	April 1, 2026
Budget Advisory Committee meeting on proposed budget	April 2, 2026
Public Consultation Meeting on proposed budget	April 7, 2026
Governing Board Budget and Fee Workshop	April 10, 2026
Budget Advisory Committee recommendations submitted to Governing Board	April 15, 2026
Public Hearing & Governing Board adoption of budget	May 1, 2026

Proposed Budget & Work Program

Budget Overview

The proposed budget for FY 2026-27 is an unbalanced budget with revenues/transfers in of $223.9 and expenditures/transfers out of $225.2 million. To compare against prior years, the following table shows South Coast AQMD's amended budget and actual expenditures for FY 2024-25, adopted and amended budgets for FY 2025-26, and proposed budget for FY 2026-27.

Description	FY 2024-25 Amended	FY 2024-25 Actual	FY 2025-26 Adopted	FY 2025-26 Amended[1]	FY 2026-27 Proposed
Staffing	1,029	-	1,034	-	1,030
Revenue/Transfers In	$216.8	$221.9	$215.4	$220.8	$223.9
Expenditures/ Transfers Out	$221.2	$218.7	$219.6	$224.4	$225.2

[1] Includes Board approved changes through February 2026

The FY 2026-27 proposed budget reflects an increase of $0.8 million in expenditures/transfers out from the FY 2025-26 amended budget and an increase of $5.6 million in expenditures/transfers out from the FY 2025-26 adopted budget. The increase in expenditures/transfers out from the FY 2025-26 adopted budget is mainly due to increased costs for salaries resulting from the approved labor agreements. The FY 2026-27 proposed budget of 1,030 positions includes a net decrease of four positions over the FY 2025-26 amended budget.

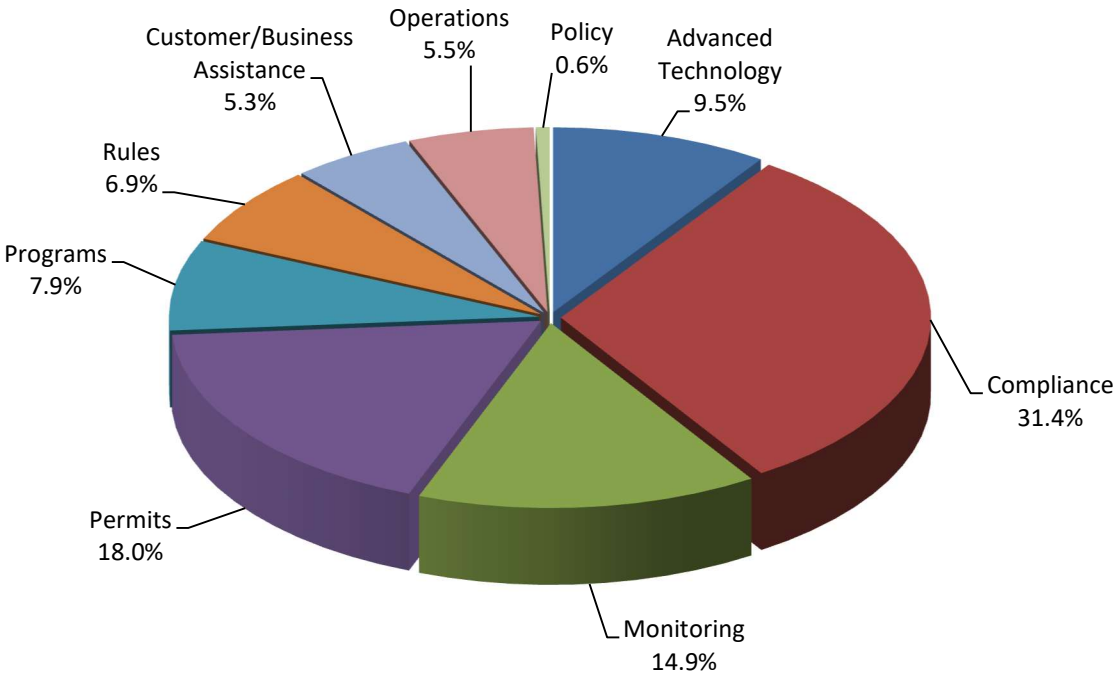
Expenditures

Work Program

South Coast AQMD expenditures are organized into nine Work Program Categories: Advance Clean Air Technology; Ensure Compliance with Clean Air Rules; Customer Service and Business Assistance; Develop Programs to Achieve Clean Air; Develop Rules to Achieve Clean Air; Monitoring Air Quality; Operational Support; Timely Review of Permits; and Policy Support. Each category consists of Work Programs, or activities, which are classified according to the nature of the activity being performed.

Each Work Program ties to the goals and objectives of the agency and identifies resources, performance measures/outputs, and legal mandates. A complete description of each program category along with a detailed work program sorted by program is included in the Goals and Priority Objectives and Work Program section. The following pie chart represents the fully burdened budgeted expenditures by Program Category for FY 2026-27.

Work Program Category Expenditures



The following table compares South Coast AQMD Work Program expenditures by category for the FY 2025-26 adopted budget and FY 2026-27 proposed budget.

Work Program Categories	FY 2025-26 Adopted Budget	FY 2026-27 Proposed Budget
Advance Clean Air Technology	$20,481,635	$21,397,818
Customer Service and Business Assistance	11,673,631	11,882,548
Develop Programs to Achieve Clean Air	18,436,560	17,820,233
Develop Rules to Achieve Clean Air	14,198,649	15,600,339
Ensure Compliance with Clean Air Rules	69,486,029	70,580,341
Monitoring Air Quality	32,379,000	33,548,397
Operational Support	11,901,336	12,471,495
Policy Support	1,528,250	1,322,204
Timely Review of Permits	39,543,155	40,572,089
Total	$219,628,245	$225,195,464

Note: Fully burdened expenditures based on the Cost Allocation Schedule

Account Categories

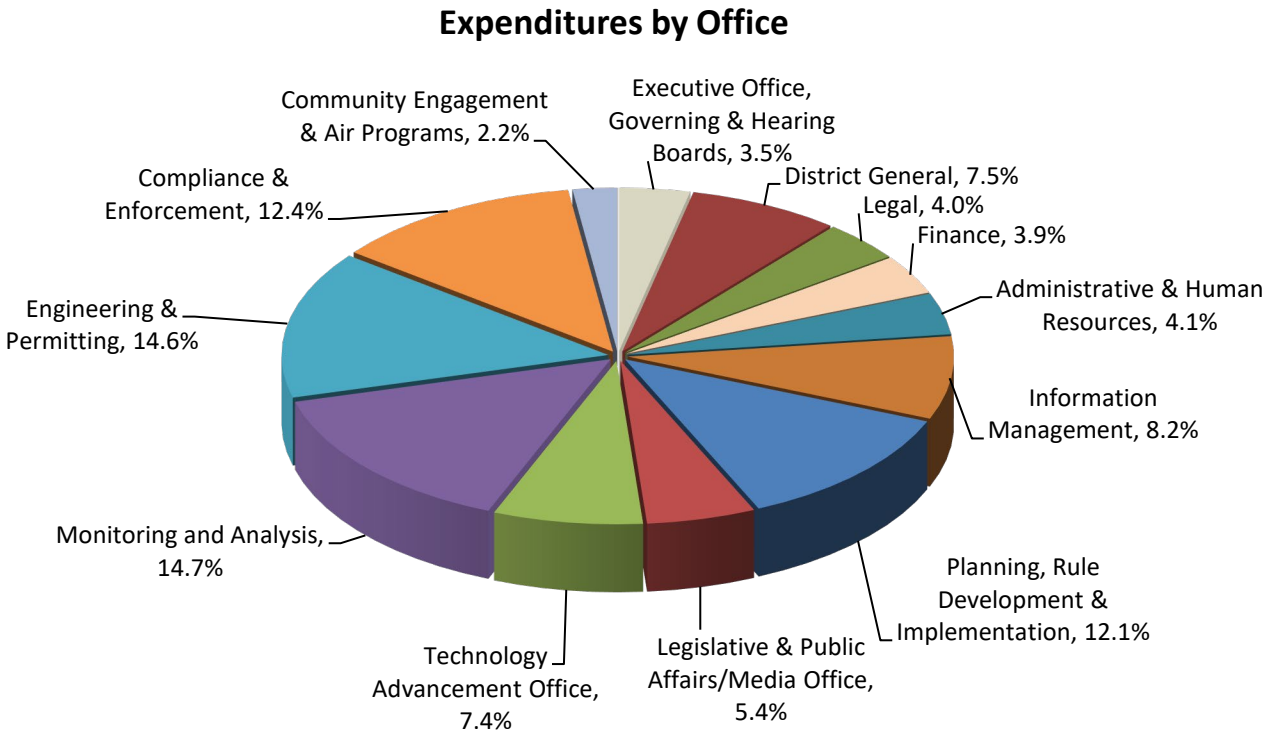
The following table compares the FY 2025-26 adopted budget and the FY 2025-26 amended budget to the proposed budget for FY 2026-27 by account category. The FY 2025-26 amended budget includes the Board-approved mid-year adjustments through February 2026.

Account Description	FY 2025-26 Adopted Budget	FY 2025-26 Amended Budget[1]	FY 2026-27 Proposed Budget
Salaries/Benefits	$183,377,267	$183,377,267	$188,944,295
Insurance	3,147,080	3,147,080	3,147,080
Rents	1,488,039	1,631,931	1,425,559
Supplies	4,278,406	6,644,339	4,563,477
Contracts and Services	15,971,766	15,239,635	16,312,361
Maintenance	1,958,189	2,325,669	1,984,189
Travel/Auto Expense	958,342	1,086,070	951,952
Utilities	1,965,620	1,965,620	1,965,620
Communications	1,213,040	1,234,133	1,210,320
Capital Outlays	1,550,000	3,879,080	825,000
Other	1,720,496	1,893,191	1,865,611
Debt Service	-	-	-
Transfers Out	2,000,000	2,000,000	2,000,000
Total	$219,628,245	$224,424,015	$225,195,464

[1] Includes Board approved changes through February 2026

As mentioned previously, the proposed budget for FY 2026-27 represents an approximately $0.8 million increase in expenditures from the FY 2025-26 amended budget. The FY 2025-26 amended budget includes mid-year increases associated with the following: monitoring equipment, services and supplies and capital outlays for critical projects and programs, and grant-related expenditures offset by revenue.

The following pie chart represents budgeted expenditures by Office for FY 2026-27.

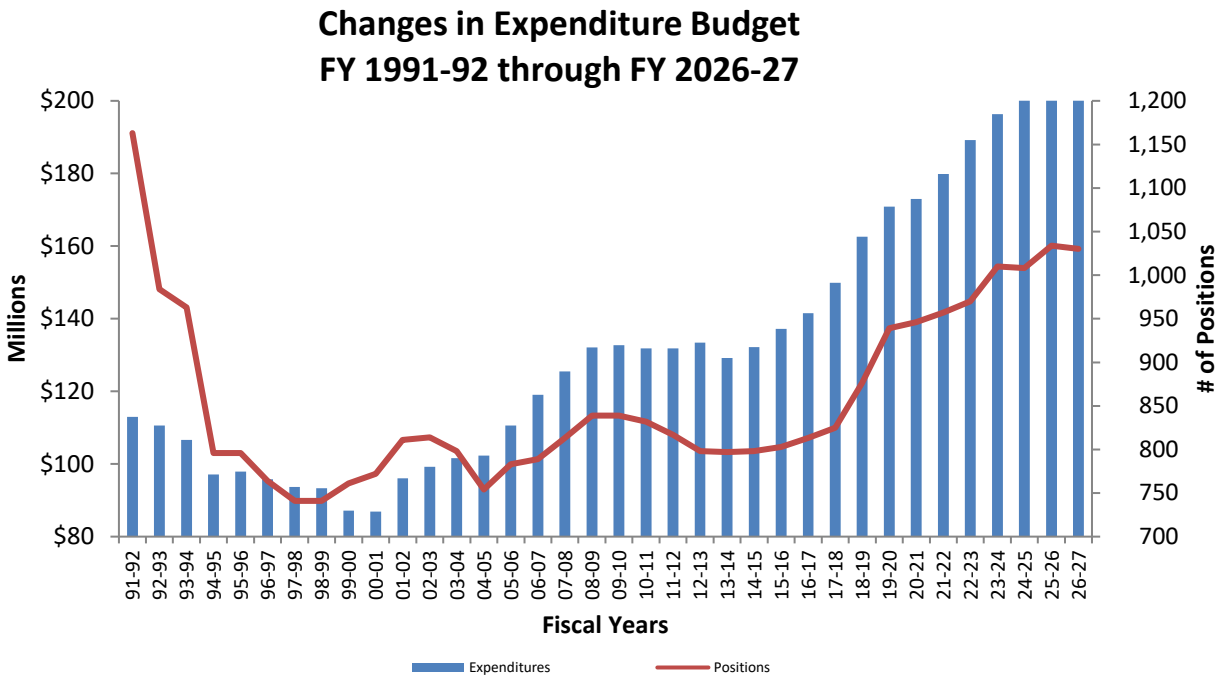


Budget Strategy

Over the years, South Coast AQMD has focused on streamlining many of its operations while still meeting its program commitments despite new federal and state mandates and increased workload complexity. The focus has been maximizing the efficient use of staff resources to enable select vacant positions to remain vacant, be deleted, or be unfunded whenever possible. In FY 2017-18, South Coast AQMD began to receive funding from the California Air Resources Board under AB 617 to reduce exposure in neighborhoods most impacted by air pollution as well as funding under the Community Air Protection Fund (CAPP). In FY 2019-20, South Coast AQMD began receiving funding through the California Air Resources Board under the Volkswagen Mitigation Settlement Agreement. These new programs, resulting in additional funding sources, have increased South Coast AQMD's workload substantially. Nonetheless, South Coast AQMD continues to focus on the efficient use of its resources. South Coast AQMD performs an on-going review of revenues, expenditures, and staffing levels and regularly presents results to the Board.

The proposed vacancy rate for FY 2026-27 is 13%, which has remained the same from the FY 2025-26 adopted budget.

The following charts show South Coast AQMD's staffing and budget levels starting in FY 1991-92 when staffing was at 1,163 FTEs. The proposed budget for FY 2026-27 reflects a staffing level of 1,030 FTEs. This staffing level is 11% (133 FTEs) below the FY 1991-92 level.

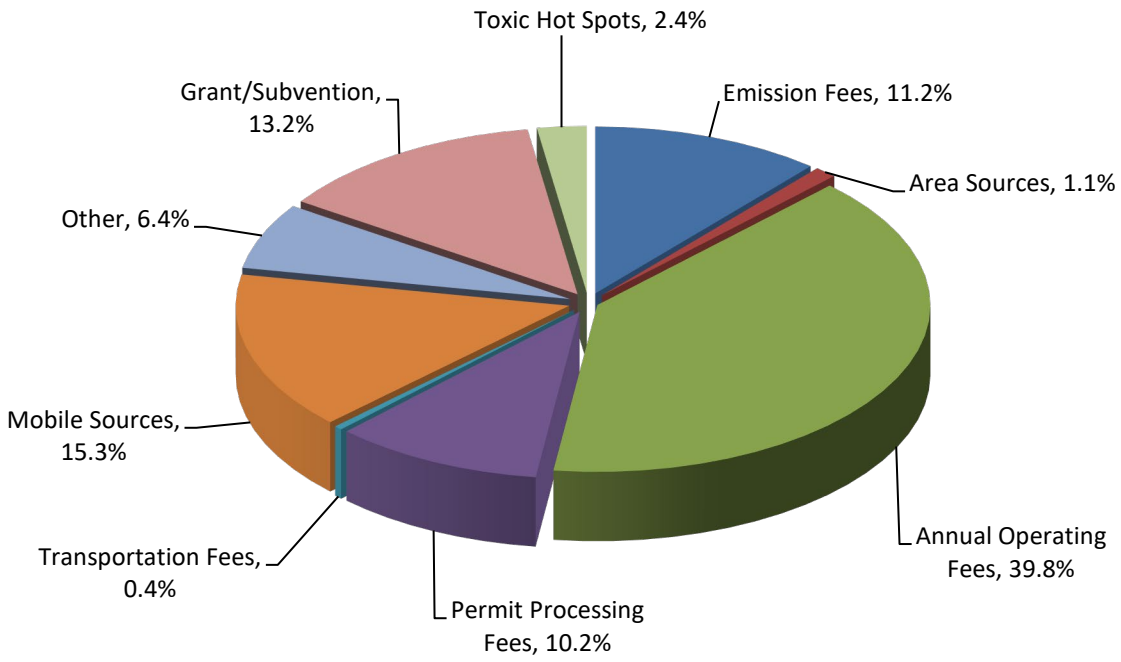


Revenues

Revenue Categories

Each year, in order to meet its financial needs, the South Coast AQMD Governing Board adopts a budget supported by a system of annual operating and emission fees, permit processing fees, toxic "Hot Spots" fees, area sources fees, source test/analysis fees, and transportation plan fees. In FY 2026-27, these fees are projected to generate approximately $147.0 million or 66% of South Coast AQMD revenues; of this $147.0 million, $137.0 million or 61% of South Coast AQMD's projected revenues are from stationary sources. Other sources, which include penalties/settlements, Hearing Board fees, interest, and miscellaneous income, are projected to generate approximately 6% of total revenues in FY 2026-27. The remaining 28% of revenue is projected to be received in the form of federal and state grants, California Air Resources Board (CARB) subvention, and California Clean Air Act motor vehicle fees. Beginning in Fiscal Year 1978-79, the South Coast AQMD became a fee supported agency no longer receiving financial support from property taxes. The following pie chart represents revenues by Major Category for the proposed FY 2026-27 budget.

Revenues by Major Category



The following table compares the FY 2025-26 adopted revenue budget and the FY 2025-26 amended revenue budget to the proposed revenue budget for FY 2026-27. The FY 2025-26 amended revenue budget includes Board-approved mid-year changes through February 2026.

Revenue Description	FY 2025-26 Adopted Budget	FY 2025-26 Amended Budget[1]	FY 2026-27 Proposed Budget
Annual Operating Emission Fees	$22,039,380	$22,039,380	$25,157,850
Annual Operating Permit Renewal Fees	86,001,470	86,594,621	89,114,914
Permit Processing Fees	21,008,620	21,008,620	22,745,170
Portable Equipment Registration Program	1,910,000	1,910,000	1,900,000
Area Sources	2,235,100	2,235,100	2,425,200
Grants/Subvention	30,942,140	34,441,000	29,686,895
Mobile Sources	34,489,170	34,489,170	34,239,124
Transportation Programs	932,050	932,050	815,380
Toxic Hot Spots	3,000,000	3,000,000	5,419,772
Other[2]	9,840,640	9,840,640	10,613,109
Transfers In	3,042,770	4,339,680	1,778,050
Total	$215,441,340	$220,830,261	$223,895,464

[1] Includes Board approved changes through February 2026

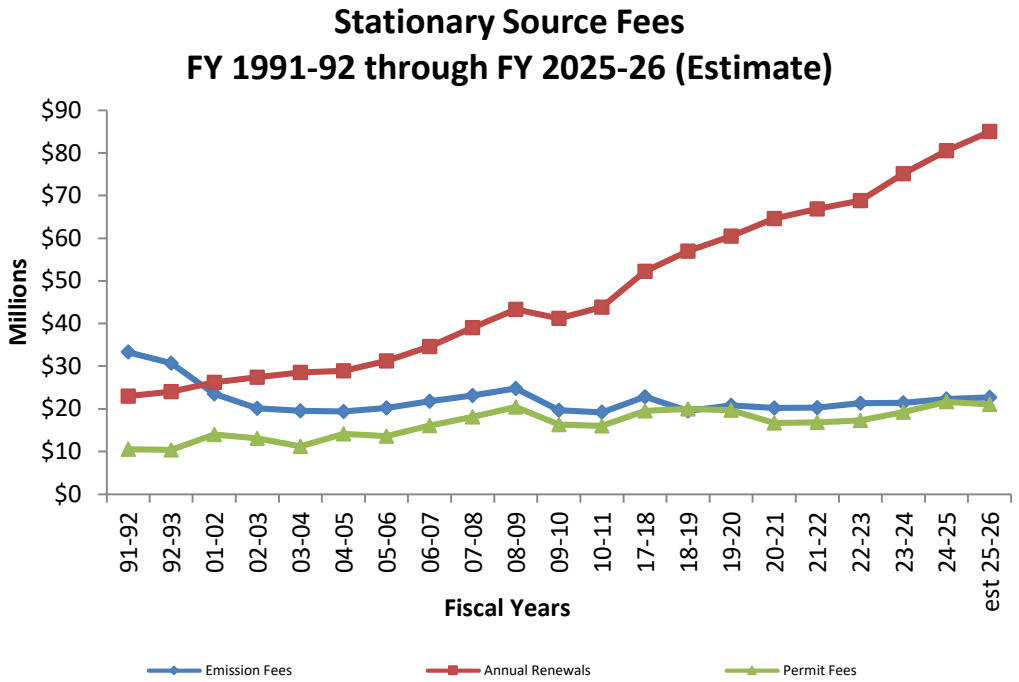
[2] Includes revenues from Interest, Lease Income, Source Testing, Hearing Board, Penalties/Settlements, Subscriptions, and Other

Over the past three decades, total permit fees (including permit processing, annual operating permit, and annual emissions-based fees) collected from stationary sources has increased by about 92% from $66.9 million in FY 1991-92 to $128.8 million (estimated) in FY 2025-26.

Mobile source revenues that are subvened to the South Coast AQMD by the Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV) are projected to remain at the same level as the FY 2025-26 budgeted amounts based on vehicle registration information from the DMV and recent revenue received. In addition, this category reflects reimbursements of incentive programs (Clean Fuels, Carl Moyer, Prop 1B, VW Mitigation and CAPP) whose contract activities and revenues are recorded in special revenue funds (outside the General Fund). These incentive program costs incurred by the General Fund are reimbursed to the General Fund from the various special revenue funds (subject to any administrative caps) and are reflected under the Mobile Source revenue category.

Revenues from the federal government are projected to decrease in FY 2026-27 from FY 2025-26 budgeted levels reflecting the anticipated level of federal funding from grants in support of air quality efforts. State Subvention funding is expected to remain at the current level for FY 2026-27. The AB 617 Community Air Protection Program implementation funding from CARB is projected at a slightly higher amount than FY 2025-26 and reflects proposed activity levels.

The following graph tracks actual stationary source revenues by type of fee from FY 1991-92 (when CPI limits were placed on South Coast AQMD fee authority) to estimated revenues for FY 2025-26.



Debt Structure

Pension Obligation Bonds

As of FY 2023-2024, the South Coast AQMD has fully met its financial obligations, completing all pension obligation bond payments. South Coast AQMD currently does not have any remaining liabilities.

Fund Balance

South Coast AQMD is projecting an Unreserved (Unassigned) Fund Balance for June 30, 2027 of $88,534,302 in addition to the following Reserved and Unreserved Designated Fund Balances for FY 2026-27.

Classification	Reserves/Unreserved Designations	Amount
Committed	Reserve for Encumbrances	$ 22,500,000
Nonspendable	Reserve for Inventory of Supplies	80,000
	Unreserved Designations:	
Assigned	For Enhanced Compliance Activities	883,018
Assigned	For Other Post Employment Benefit (OPEB) Obligations	2,952,496
Assigned	For Permit Streamlining	234,159
Assigned	For Self-Insurance	2,000,000
Assigned	For Unemployment Claims	80,000
	Total Reserved & Unreserved Designations	$ 28,729,673

Reserves are portions of the fund balance set aside for future use and are therefore not available for appropriation. These funds consist of encumbrances which represent the estimated amount of current and prior years' purchase orders and contract commitments at year-end and inventory which represents the value at cost of office, computer, cleaning, and laboratory supplies on hand at year-end.

Unreserved Designations in the fund balance indicate plans for use of financial resources in future years. The Designation for Enhanced Compliance Activities provides funding for inspection/compliance efforts. The Designation for Other Post Employment Benefit Obligations (OPEB) provides funding to cover the current actuarial valuation of the inherited OPEB obligation for long-term healthcare costs from the County of Los Angeles resulting from the consolidation of the four county Air Pollution Control Districts (APCDs). The Designation for Permit Streamlining was established to fund program enhancements to increase permitting efficiency and customer service. South Coast AQMD is self-insured for general liability, workers' compensation, automobile liability, premises liability, and unemployment.

Long-Term Projection

South Coast AQMD continues to face a number of challenges in the upcoming years, including continued higher operating costs, the need for major information technology and building infrastructure improvement projects with the aging of our headquarters building, and growing program commitments while meeting air quality goals and permit processing targets. Recruiting, training, and retaining the high level of technical staffing expertise necessitated by the Community Air Protection Program established in 2017 under AB 617, the Volkswagen Mitigation Settlement Projects, the Refinery Fenceline Air Monitoring Plans under Rule 1180, and additional incentive funding under CAPP, as well as for South Coast AQMD's ongoing projects and programs, will continue to be a challenge further complicated by the retirement of current and long-term staff.

Retirement costs and any future actions SBCERA may take due to financial market fluctuations which could significantly impact South Coast AQMD's level of expenditures remains a primary uncertainty. Any legislative action that may impact the level of federal and state funding from grant awards, particularly AB 617 funding, and subvention funds is another unknown that must be considered as South Coast AQMD plans for the future. Cost recovery within the constraints of Proposition 26 is an additional uncertainty as South Coast AQMD strives to balance program operating expenses with revenues collected from fees.

In order to face these challenges, South Coast AQMD has a five year plan in place that provides for critical infrastructure improvement projects, maintains a stable vacancy rate in order to maximize cost efficiency, better aligns program revenues with costs, and strives to keep the percentage of unreserved fund balance to revenue within the Governing Board policy of 20%.

The following table, outlining South Coast AQMD's financial projection over this time period, shows the agency's commitment to meet these challenges and uncertainties while protecting the health of the residents within the South Coast AQMD boundaries and remaining sensitive to business.

Fiscal 2025-26 Estimate and Five-Year Projection ($ in Millions)						
	FY 25-26 Estimate	**FY 26-27 Proposed**	**FY 27-28 Projected**	**FY 28-29 Projected**	**FY 29-30 Projected**	**FY 30-31 Projected**
STAFFING	1,034	1,030	1,030	1,030	1,030	1,030
REVENUES/TRANSFERS IN*	$218.2	$223.9	$228.9	$231.7	$232.7	$235.6
EXPENDITURES/TRANSFERS OUT	$220.5	$225.2	$239.3	$245.3	$249.3	$251.8
Change in Fund Balance	($2.3)	($1.3)	($10.4)	($13.6)	($16.6)	($16.2)
UNRESERVED FUND BALANCE (at year-end)	$96.0	$94.7	$84.3	$70.7	$54.1	$37.9
% of REVENUE	44%	42%	37%	31%	23%	16%

* CPI fee increase for FY 2026/27 = 3.2% . Projected CPI fee increases are as follows: FY 2027/28 – 3.3% and FY 28/29 through 2030/31- 3.2%.

As part of the Five-Year Projection, South Coast AQMD has identified projected building maintenance and capital outlay improvement projects for its headquarters building. These projects are outlined in the following chart. In addition, the Infrastructure Improvement Special Revenue Fund was created with unanticipated one-time revenues from the General Fund for some of the capital outlay building-related improvement projects.

GENERAL FUND POTENTIAL BUILDING MAINTENANCE and CAPITAL OUTLAY PROJECTS FY 2026-27 through 2030-31
Atrium and Building Expansion Joint Waterproofing
Automatic Transfer Switch Upgrade (2)
Building Window and Structural Joint Sealing
Child Care Playground Renovation
Cleveland Steamer Oven for Cafeteria
Concrete Replacement in East Courtyard & Pedestrian Areas
Cooling Fan Units 1 & 2 Replacement
Irrigation System Renovation
Landscape Renovation
LED Replacement of fluorescent office lighting (2 floors)
Patio Crack and Joint Sealing
Refurbish/Replace Restroom Panels
Repair and Recoat Roofing Surface (Sure Coat Systems)
Repair and Reseal Parking Lot
Replacement of Defective Air Handler Fan Wheels (3)
Replacement of Post Indication Valves on Fire Sprinkler System
Restroom and Copy/Coffee Sink and Counter Tops
Saw Tooth Lab Roof refurbishment
Security System Upgrade - Replacement of Old Cameras
Update pneumatic HVAC controls to electronic control

SUMMARY OF FISCAL YEAR 2026-27 PROPOSED BUDGET				
	FY 2025-26 Adopted Budget	FY 2025-26 Amended Budget [1]	FY 2025-26 Estimate [2]	FY 2026-27 Proposed
Funding Sources				
Revenue	$ 212,398,570	$ 216,490,581	$ 212,254,832	$ 222,117,414
Transfers-In	3,042,770	4,339,680	5,928,760	1,778,050
Total Funding Sources	$ 215,441,340	$ 220,830,261	$ 218,183,592	$ 223,895,464
Funding Uses				
Salaries & Employee Benefits	$ 183,377,267	$ 183,377,267	$ 183,081,551	$ 188,944,295
Services & Supplies	32,700,978	35,167,668	31,538,856	33,426,169
Capital Outlays	1,550,000	3,879,080	3,879,080	825,000
Transfers-Out	2,000,000	2,000,000	2,000,000	2,000,000
Total Funding Uses	$ 219,628,245	$ 224,424,015	$ 220,499,487	$ 225,195,464

Fund Balances - Reserves & Unreserved Designations	Classification	Projected June 30, 2026	Projected June 30, 2027
Reserve for Encumbrances	Committed	$ 20,900,000	$ 22,500,000
Reserve for Inventory of Supplies	Nonspendable	80,000	80,000
Designated for Enhanced Compliance Activities	Assigned	883,018	883,018
Designated for Other Post Employment Benefit (OPEB) Obligations	Assigned	2,952,496	2,952,496
Designated for Permit Streamlining	Assigned	234,159	234,159
Designated for Self-Insurance	Assigned	2,000,000	2,000,000
Designated for Unemployment Claims	Assigned	80,000	80,000
Total Reserves & Unreserved Designations		$ 27,129,673	$ 28,729,673
Unassigned Fund Balance	Unassigned	$ 89,834,302	$ 88,534,302
Total Fund Balances		$ 116,963,975	$ 117,263,975

[1] The FY 2025-26 Amended Budget includes mid-year changes through February 2026.

[2] Includes estimated encumbrances of $14,900,000 which will be applicable to the fiscal year ending June 30, 2026.

ANALYSIS OF PROJECTED JUNE 30, 2026 FUND BALANCE			
Fund Balances as of June 30, 2025			
Reserves	$ 16,557,565		
Designated	6,149,673		
Unassigned	92,172,632		
Total Fund Balances, June 30, 2025		$	114,879,870
Add Excess Fiscal Year 2025-26 Revenues over Expenditures			
Revenues	$ 218,183,592		
Expenditures[1]	205,599,487		
Sub-Total		$	12,584,105
Deduct Decrease in Encumbrances Open on June 30, 2026			(10,500,000)
Total Projected Fund Balances, June 30, 2026		$	116,963,975
Fund Balances (Projected) at June 30, 2026			
Reserve for Encumbrances		$	20,900,000
Reserve for Inventory of Supplies			80,000
Designated for Enhanced Compliance Activities			883,018
Designated for Other Post Employment Benefit (OPEB) Obligations			2,952,496
Designated for Permit Streamlining			234,159
Designated for Self-Insurance			2,000,000
Designated for Unemployment Claims			80,000
Unassigned			89,834,302
Total Projected Fund Balances, June 30, 2026		$	116,963,975
Note: This analysis summarizes the estimated amount of funds that will be carried into FY 2026-27.			
[1] Expenditures do not include estimated $14,900,000 encumbrances for the Fiscal Year ended June 30, 2026.			

SCHEDULE OF AVAILABLE FINANCING AND PROPOSED FISCAL YEAR 2026-27 RESERVES AND DESIGNATIONS		
Fund Balances	$ 116,963,975	
Emission Fees	25,157,850	
Annual Renewal Fees	89,114,914	
Permit Processing Fees	22,745,170	
Portable Equipment Registration Program	1,900,000	
State Subvention	3,856,414	
State Grant	18,741,581	
Federal Grant	7,088,900	
Interest Revenue	3,019,290	
Lease Revenue	67,410	
Source Test/Analysis Fees	1,343,250	
Hearing Board Fees	737,970	
Penalties and Settlements	4,600,000	
Area Sources	2,425,200	
Transportation Programs	815,380	
Mobile Sources/Clean Fuels	34,239,124	
Air Toxics "Hot Spots"	5,419,772	
Other Revenues/Transfers In	2,623,239	
Total Funds		$ 340,859,439
Less Projected Fiscal Year 2026-27 Reserves and Designations		
Reserve for Encumbrances	$ 22,500,000	
Reserve for Inventory of Supplies	80,000	
Designated for Enhanced Compliance Activities	883,018	
Designated for Other Post Employment Benefit (OPEB) Obligations	2,952,496	
Designated for Permit Streamlining	234,159	
Designated for Self-Insurance	2,000,000	
Designated for Unemployment Claims	80,000	
Total Proposed Reserves and Designations		$ 28,729,673
Available Financing		$ 312,129,766

ANALYSIS OF PROJECTED JUNE 30, 2027 FUND BALANCE		
Fund Balances as of June 30, 2026		
Reserves	$ 20,980,000	
Designated	6,149,673	
Unassigned	89,834,302	
Total Fund Balances, June 30, 2026		$ 116,963,975
Add Excess Fiscal Year 2026-27 Revenues over Expenditures		
Revenues	$ 223,895,464	
Expenditures[1]	210,195,464	
Sub-Total		$ 13,700,000
Deduct Decrease in Encumbrances Open on July 1, 2026		(13,400,000)
Total Projected Fund Balances, June 30, 2027		$ 117,263,975
Fund Balances (Projected) Fiscal Year 2026-27		
Reserve for Encumbrances		$ 22,500,000
Reserve for Inventory of Supplies		80,000
Designated for Enhanced Compliance Activities		883,018
Designated for Other Post Employment Benefit (OPEB) Obligations		2,952,496
Designated for Permit Streamlining		234,159
Designated for Self-Insurance		2,000,000
Designated for Unemployment Claims		80,000
Unassigned		88,534,302
Total Projected Fund Balances, June 30, 2027		$ 117,263,975

[1] Expenditures do not include estimated $15,000,000 encumbrances for the Fiscal Year ended June 30, 2027.

Revenue Comparison				
Revenue Account	FY 2024-25 Actual	FY 2025-26 Adopted Budget	FY 2025-26 Estimated	FY 2026-27 Proposed
Emission Fees	$ 22,394,782	$ 22,039,380	$ 22,748,759	$ 25,157,850
Annual renewal Fees	80,494,933	86,001,470	85,014,415	89,114,914
Permit Processing Fees	21,707,533	21,008,620	21,048,337	22,745,170
Portable Equipment Registration Program	2,003,559	1,910,000	1,650,000	1,900,000
State Subvention	3,822,526	3,822,530	3,856,414	3,856,414
State Grant	15,668,545	18,506,930	16,255,581	18,741,581
Federal Grant	8,802,301	8,612,680	7,485,008	7,088,900
Interest Revenue	7,790,900	2,731,020	6,137,856	3,019,290
Lease Revenue	74,104	82,950	85,710	67,410
Source Test/Analysis Fees	879,600	633,660	871,600	1,343,250
Hearing Board Fees	785,375	600,660	445,442	737,970
Penalties and Settlements	8,288,952	4,600,000	6,869,856	4,600,000
Area Sources	2,314,406	2,235,100	2,235,100	2,425,200
Transportation Programs	795,937	932,050	718,002	815,380
Mobile Sources/Clean Fuels	32,859,344	34,489,170	32,071,500	34,239,124
Air Toxics "Hot Spots"	3,119,253	3,000,000	3,157,470	5,419,772
Other Revenues/Transfers In	10,115,866	4,235,120	7,532,543	2,623,239
Total Revenue	$ 221,917,919	$ 215,441,340	$ 218,183,592	$ 223,895,464

EXPLANATION OF REVENUE SOURCES

Annual Operating Emissions Fees

The Lewis-Presley Air Quality Management Act (Health & Safety Code Section 40400-40540) authorizes the South Coast AQMD to collect fees for permitted sources to recover the costs of District programs related to these sources. (Health & Safety Code 40410(b)). South Coast AQMD initiated an annual operating emissions fees program in January 1978. As the program currently exists, all permitted facilities pay a flat fee for up to four tons of emissions. In addition to the flat fee, facilities that emit four tons or greater (from both permitted and unpermitted equipment) of any organic gases, specific organics, nitrogen oxides, sulfur oxides, or particulate matter, or 100 tons per year or greater of carbon monoxide, also pay fees based on the facility's total emissions. These facilities pay for emissions from permitted equipment as well as emissions from unpermitted equipment and processes which are regulated, but for which permits are not required, such as solvent use. In addition, a fee-per-pound is assessed on ozone depleters (ammonia, chlorofluorocarbons, 1,1,1 trichloroethane) over thresholds as well as base toxics fees, device fees, and cancer-potency weighted fees for the following toxic air contaminants: asbestos; benzene; cadmium; carbon tetrachloride; chlorinated dioxins and dibenzofurans; ethylene dibromide; ethylene dichloride; ethylene oxide; formaldehyde; hexavalent chromium; methylene chloride; nickel; perchloroethylene; 1,3-butadiene; inorganic arsenic; beryllium; polynuclear aromatic hydrocarbons (PAHs); vinyl chloride; lead; 1,4-dioxane; trichloroethylene; and diesel particulate. The rates are set forth in South Coast AQMD Rule 301.

FY 2026-27 Proposed Budget: The non-RECLAIM emissions are based on Annual Emission Report (AER) data for Calendar Year 2024. The RECLAIM NOx and SOx emission projection is based on holdings according to the RECLAIM Trading Credit (RTC) listing. The flat emission fees are projected based on the number of active facilities with at least one permit. The proposed budget includes a 3.2% CPI fee increase.

Annual Operating Permit Renewal

State law authorizes South Coast AQMD to have an annual permit renewal program and authorizes fees to recover the costs of the program (Health & Safety Code Section 42300; 40510(b). The annual operating permit renewal program, initiated by the South Coast AQMD in February 1977, requires that all active permits be renewed on an annual basis upon payment of annual renewal fees. The annual renewal rates are established in South Coast AQMD Rule 301 and are based on the type of equipment, which is related to the complexity of related compliance activity. For basic equipment (not control equipment) the operating fee schedule also corresponds to some extent to the emission potential of the equipment. Along with annual operating emissions fees, annual operating permit renewal fees are intended to recover the costs of programs such as South Coast AQMD's compliance program, planning, rulemaking, monitoring, testing, source education, public outreach, civil enforcement, including the South Coast AQMD's Hearing Board, and stationary and area source research projects. This category includes Refinery Related Community Air Monitoring System Annual Operating and Maintenance Fees (Rule 301(aa), (Rule 1180)). Also included here are the Warehouse Actions and Investments to Reduce Emissions (WAIRE) program fees for the regulation of warehouse facilities to reduce emissions from the goods movement industry.

FY 2026-27 Proposed Budget: The projection is based on an estimated number of permits at the various equipment fee schedules as well as the Refinery Related Community Air Monitoring System Annual Operating and Maintenance Fees (Rule 301(aa)). The proposed budget includes a 3.2% CPI fee increase.

Permit Processing Fees

Under the Health & Safety Code 42300, South Coast AQMD may adopt and implement a program requiring that a permit be obtained from South Coast AQMD to construct or operate any equipment which emits or controls air pollution in South Coast AQMD's jurisdictional boundaries before the construction or operation of the equipment. South Coast AQMD has adopted rules requiring such permits, to ensure that equipment in South Coast AQMD's jurisdictional boundaries is in compliance with South Coast AQMD Rules and Regulations but exempts certain equipment which is deemed to have de minimis emissions (Rule 219). Permit fees are authorized by state law to recover the reasonable costs of the permit program involving permitting, planning, enforcement, and monitoring related activities. Permit processing fees support the permit processing program and the fee rate schedules for the different equipment categories are based on the average time it takes to process and issue a permit. Each applicant, at the time of filing, pays a permit processing fee which partially recovers the costs for normal evaluation of the application and issuance of the permit to construct and permit modifications. This category also includes fees charged to partially recover the costs of evaluation of plans, including but not limited to Rule 403 dust control plans, and Rule 1118 flare monitoring plans. The permit processing fees also cover the administrative cost to process Change of Operator applications, applications for Emission Reduction Credits, and Administrative Changes to permits. This category also includes a number of specific fees such as Title V permit processing fees and RECLAIM permit processing fees. Finally, this category includes some fees that are related to specific activity such as asbestos notification and Rule 222 'registration in lieu of permit.'

FY 2026-27 Proposed Budget: The projection is based on the anticipated number and type of applications that will be processed. The proposed budget includes a 3.2% CPI fee increase.

Portable Equipment Registration Program (PERP)

The California Air Resources Board (CARB) provides revenues to local air districts to offset the costs of inspecting equipment registered under CARB's Portable Equipment Registration Program (PERP). Fees for inspection of PERP-registered engines by South Coast AQMD field staff are collected by CARB at the time of registration and passed through to South Coast AQMD on an annual basis. Fees for inspection of all other PERP-registered equipment are billed at an hourly rate set forth in South Coast AQMD Rule 301, as determined by CARB and collected by South Coast AQMD at the time the inspection is conducted.

FY 2026-27 Proposed Budget: The revenue projection is based on the anticipated number of inspections.

EXPLANATION OF REVENUE SOURCES

Area Sources

Emissions fees and quantity–based fees from architectural coatings revenue covers architectural coatings' fair share of emissions supported programs. South Coast AQMD Rule 314 covers emission-based fees and quantity-based fees. Fees on area sources are authorized by Health & Safety Code §40522.5. Architectural coatings are assessed annually based on quantity (gallons) distributed or sold for use in South Coast AQMD's jurisdiction. This revenue allows South Coast AQMD to recover the costs of staff working on compliance, laboratory support, architectural coatings emissions data, rule development, and architectural coatings revenue collection.

FY 2026-27 Proposed Budget: Fees are based on the annual quantity and emissions of architectural coatings distributed or sold into or within and for use in South Coast AQMD's jurisdiction for the previous calendar year. Emissions are decreasing while sales volume is increasing. The proposed budget includes a 3.2% CPI fee increase.

California Air Resources Board Subvention

Under Health and Safety Code Section 39800-39811, the State appropriates monies each year to CARB to subvene to the air quality districts engaged in the reduction of air contaminants pursuant to the basin wide air pollution control plan and related implementation programs. South Coast AQMD has received subvention funds since its inception beginning in 1977.

FY 2026-27 Proposed Budget: The current amount of $3.9 million is included in the FY 2026-27 Proposed budget.

State Grant

Under AB 617, adopted by the state legislature, CARB funding is distributed to air districts to implement the Community Air Protection Program which includes monitoring and developing emissions reductions plans in disadvantaged communities with high cumulative exposure to air toxics.

FY 2026-27 Proposed Budget: The proposed budget includes the anticipated reimbursement from CARB funding for staff time, services and supplies, and equipment needed to implement the program.

Federal Grants/Other Federal Revenue

South Coast AQMD receives funding from EPA Section 103 and 105 grants to help support the South Coast AQMD in its administration of active air quality control and monitoring programs where the South Coast AQMD is required to perform specific agreed-upon activities. Other EPA and Department of Energy (DOE) grants provide funding for various air pollution reduction projects. When stipulated in the grant agreement, the General Fund is reimbursed for administrative costs associated with grant-funded projects. Most federal grants are limited to specific purposes, but EPA Section 105 grants are available for the general support of air quality-related programs.

FY 2026-27 Proposed Budget: The revenue projection is based on funding levels from current federal grants.

Interest

Revenue from this source is the result of investing South Coast AQMD's General Fund cash balances.

FY 2026-27 Proposed Budget: The revenue projection is based on average cash balances and anticipated interest rates.

Leases

Revenue in this category is a result of leasing available space at South Coast AQMD's Headquarters facility.

FY 2026-27 Proposed Budget: The projection is based on the existing lease agreements

Source Test/Sample Analysis Fees

Revenue in this category includes fees for source tests, test protocol and report reviews, continuous emissions monitoring systems (CEMS) evaluations and certifications, laboratory approval program (LAP) evaluations, and laboratory sample analyses. The revenue recovers a portion of the costs of performing tests, technical evaluations, and laboratory analyses.

FY 2026-27 Proposed Budget: The revenue projection is based on the anticipated number of tests and analyses. The proposed budget includes a 3.2% CPI fee increase and the removal of CEMS fee cap.

Hearing Board

Hearing Board revenue is from the filing of petitions for variances and appeals, excess emissions fees, and daily appearance fees. The revenue recovers a portion of the costs associated with these activities. Petitions for Orders for Abatement, which go before the Hearing Board, are filed by South Coast AQMD; therefore, there are no Hearing Board fees/revenue related to these proceedings.

FY 2026-27 Proposed Budget: The estimate is based on the projected number of hearings to be held and cases to be heard. The proposed budget includes a 3.2% CPI fee increase.

Penalties/Settlements

The revenue from this source is derived from cash settlements for violations of permit conditions, South Coast AQMD Rules, or state law. This revenue source is available for the general support of the South Coast AQMD's programs.

FY 2026-27 Proposed Budget: It is anticipated that revenue in this category will be approximately $4.6 million.

EXPLANATION OF REVENUE SOURCES

Mobile Sources

Mobile Sources revenue is composed of six components: AB2766 revenue and administrative/program cost reimbursements from five programs: Carl Moyer, Community Air Protection Program (CAPP), Proposition 1B, MSRC and Volkswagen Environmental Mitigation Trust.

AB2766:
Section 9250.17 of the Vehicle Code gives the Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV) the authority and responsibility to collect and forward to South Coast AQMD four dollars for every vehicle registered in South Coast AQMD's jurisdictional boundaries. Thirty percent of the money ($1.20 per vehicle) collected is recognized in South Coast AQMD's General Fund as mobile sources revenue and is used for programs to reduce air pollution from motor vehicles and to carry out related planning, monitoring, enforcement, and technical studies authorized by, or necessary to implement, the California Clean Air Act of 1988 or the South Coast AQMD Air Quality Management Plan. A proportionate share of programs that are not associated with any individual type of source (e.g., air quality monitoring) is supported by these revenues. The remaining monies are used to pay for projects to reduce air pollution from mobile vehicles: 40% ($1.60 per vehicle) to the Air Quality Improvement Special Revenue Fund to be passed through to local governments and 30% ($1.20 per vehicle) to the Mobile Source Air Pollution Reduction Fund (MSRC) to pay for projects recommended by the MSRC and approved by the South Coast AQMD Governing Board (see MSRC below).

Carl Moyer Program:
The Carl Moyer Memorial Air Quality Standards Attainment Program (Carl Moyer Program) provides funding from the State of California for the incremental cost of cleaner heavy-duty vehicles, off-road vehicles and equipment, marine, and locomotive engines. The General Fund receives reimbursements from the Carl Moyer Fund for staff time and other program implementation/administration costs up to specified limits.

CAPP (Incentives):
CAPP Incentive increases funding for the Carl Moyer program. The General Fund will receive reimbursements from the CAPP Incentive Special Revenue Fund (up to 6.25 percent) for administrative costs incurred to implement the program.

Proposition 1B:
The Proposition 1B Program is a $1 billion bond program approved by California voters in November 2006. This incentive program is designed to reduce diesel emissions and public health risks from goods movement activities along California's trade corridors. The General Fund receives reimbursements from the Proposition 1B Funds for staff time and other program implementation/administration costs up to specified limits.

MSRC:
MSRC revenue reflects the reimbursement from the Mobile Source Air Pollution Reduction Special Revenue Fund for the cost of staff support provided to the MSRC in administering a mobile source program. These administrative costs are limited by state law and the MSRC adopts a budget for staff support each year.

Volkswagen Environmental Mitigation Trust:
The Volkswagen Environmental Mitigation Trust was established as part of a settlement with Volkswagen for their role in utilizing illegal defeat devices in certain 2.0- and 3.0-liter VW vehicles that resulted in excess emissions. South Coast AQMD has been identified by CARB as the administrator of two project funding categories: Zero Emission Class 8 Freight and Port Drayage Trucks; and Combustion Freight and Marine Projects. The General Fund receives reimbursements from the Volkswagen Environmental Mitigation Fund for staff time and other program implementation/administration costs up to specified limits.

FY 2026-27 Proposed Budget: Revenue projections are based on vehicle registration data from the DMV, other state revenue received and anticipated reimbursable implementation/administration costs for the Carl Moyer, CAPP Incentives, Prop 1B, MSRC and Volkswagen Environmental Mitigation Trust programs.

Clean Fuels

The General Fund receives reimbursements from the Clean Fuels Program Special Revenue Fund for staff time and other program implementation/administration costs necessary to implement the Clean Fuels Program.

Section 9250.11 of the Vehicle Code gives the DMV authority to collect and forward to South Coast AQMD money for clean fuels technology advancement programs and transportation control measures related to motor vehicles, according to the plan approved pursuant to Health & Safety Code §40448.5. One dollar is collected by the DMV for every vehicle registered in South Coast AQMD's jurisdictional boundaries, forwarded to South Coast AQMD, and deposited in the Clean Fuels Program Special Revenue Fund.

Clean Fuels fees from stationary sources are recorded in a separate revenue account within the Clean Fuels Program Special Revenue Fund. Fees authorized by Health & Safety Code §40512 are collected from sources that emit 250 tons or more per year of Nitrogen Oxides (NOx), Sulfur Oxides (SOx), Reactive Organic Compounds (ROC), or Particulate Matter (PM). The fees collected are used to develop and implement activities that promote the use of clean-burning fuels. These activities include assessing the cost effectiveness of emission reductions associated with clean fuels development and use of new clean fuels technologies, and other clean fuels related projects. The General Fund receives reimbursements from the Clean Fuels Program Fund for staff time and other program implementation/administration costs necessary to implement a Clean Fuels Program.

FY 2026-27 Proposed Budget: Revenue projections are based on anticipated reimbursable staff and other program costs to implement the Clean Fuels Program.

Transportation Programs

In accordance with federal and state Clean Air Act requirements, South Coast AQMD's Rule 2202 – On-Road Vehicle Mitigation Options provides employers with various options to either reduce mobile

source emissions generated from employee commutes or implement mobile source emission reduction programs. Employers with 250 or more employees at a worksite are subject to Rule 2202 and are required to submit an annual registration to implement an emission reduction program that will obtain emission reductions equivalent to a worksite specific emission reduction target. The revenue from this category is used to recover a portion of the costs associated with filing, processing, reviewing, and auditing the registrations and the ridesharing programs. Fees for indirect sources, which are sources that attract mobile sources, such as the large employers covered by Rule 2202, are authorized by Health & Safety Code §40522.5.

FY 2026-27 Proposed Budget: The projection is based on the anticipated number of registrations. The proposed budget includes a 3.2% CPI fee increase.

Toxic "Hot Spots"

Health and Safety Code Section 44380 requires South Coast AQMD to assess and collect fees from facilities that emit toxic compounds. Fees collected are used to recover state and South Coast AQMD costs to collect and analyze data regarding air toxics and their effect on the public. Costs recovered include a portion of the administrative, outreach, plan processing, and enforcement costs to implement this program. Staff has also noticed a large number of Air Toxics Inventory Reports (ATIR) and Health Risk Assessments (HRA) which require substantial modifications or revisions that the facility is unable to perform without errors or delays. Therefore, the amendments to Rule 307.1 also include cost recovery for these efforts.

FY 2026-27 Proposed Budget: The revenue projection is based on estimated General Fund reimbursements from the Air Toxics Fund for staff time and other program and administrative expenditures.

Other

Miscellaneous revenue includes revenue attributable to professional services South Coast AQMD renders to other agencies and reimbursements from special revenue funds (non-mobile source).

FY 2026-27 Proposed Budget: The revenue projections are based on historical trend information and anticipated receipts.

SCAQMD Line Item Expenditure						
Major Object / Account # / Account Description		FY 2024-25 Actuals	FY 2025-26 Adopted Budget	FY 2025-26 Amended Budget	FY 2025-26 Estimate *	FY 2026-27 Proposed Budget
Salary & Employee Benefits						
51000-52000	Salaries	$ 115,143,309	$ 122,345,182	$ 121,380,949	$ 121,137,058	$ 126,985,110
53000-55000	Employee Benefits	60,263,482	61,032,085	61,996,318	61,944,493	61,959,185
Sub-total Salary & Employee Benefits		$ 175,406,791	$ 183,377,267	$ 183,377,267	$ 183,081,551	$ 188,944,295
Services & Supplies						
67250	Insurance	$ 2,818,507	$ 3,147,080	$ 3,147,080	$ 2,822,345	$ 3,147,080
67300	Rents & Leases Equipment	94,625	864,660	968,354	868,433	793,680
67350	Rents & Leases Structure	267,431	623,379	663,577	595,105	631,879
67400	Household	814,578	919,986	926,286	830,706	929,986
67450	Professional & Special Services	9,586,123	13,178,179	12,066,083	10,821,032	13,464,774
67460	Temporary Agency Services	950,182	1,098,798	1,428,556	1,281,149	1,134,798
67500	Public Notice & Advertising	412,266	612,123	643,661	577,244	615,123
67550	Demurrage	38,741	162,680	175,049	156,986	167,680
67600	Maintenance of Equipment	1,378,813	896,710	1,357,750	1,217,649	902,710
67650	Building Maintenance	968,636	1,061,479	967,919	868,043	1,081,479
67700	Auto Mileage	86,619	78,927	156,006	139,908	95,437
67750	Auto Service	472,160	370,000	370,000	331,821	370,000
67800	Travel	351,032	509,415	560,064	502,273	486,515
67850	Utilities	1,872,518	1,965,620	1,965,620	1,762,796	1,965,620
67900	Communications	863,121	1,213,040	1,234,133	1,106,788	1,210,320
67950	Interest Expense	-	-	-	-	-
68000	Clothing	153,431	101,808	138,140	123,886	101,808
68050	Laboratory Supplies	468,648	595,000	651,940	584,669	595,000
68060	Postage	421,995	497,201	503,862	451,870	497,201
68100	Office Expense	3,537,215	2,250,050	4,210,301	3,775,857	2,546,164
68200	Office Furniture	107,626	98,169	175,086	157,020	97,500
68250	Subscriptions & Books	135,214	261,861	236,246	211,869	251,487
68300	Small Tools, Instruments, Equipment	482,369	193,296	447,743	401,542	193,296
68400	Gas and Oil	244,399	281,021	281,021	252,024	281,021
69500	Training/Conference/Tuition/ Board Exp.	818,054	1,081,687	1,049,360	941,081	1,063,780
69550	Memberships	227,301	203,495	330,877	296,735	265,250
69600	Taxes	41,860	65,300	63,300	56,768	67,300
69650	Awards	135,548	102,391	102,391	91,826	117,391
69700	Miscellaneous Expenses	156,858	267,623	347,263	311,431	351,890
69750	Prior Year Expense	33,652	-	-	-	-
69800	Uncollectable Accounts Receivable	716,253	-	-	-	-
89100	Principal Repayment	-	-	-	-	-
Sub-total Services & Supplies		$ 28,655,776	$ 32,700,978	$ 35,167,668	$ 31,538,856	$ 33,426,169
77000	**Capital Outlays**	$ 9,888,083	$ 1,550,000	$ 3,879,080	3,879,080	825,000
79050	**Building Remodeling**	-	-	-	-	-
99950	**Transfers Out**	2,000,000	2,000,000	2,000,000	2,000,000	2,000,000
Total Expenditures		$ 215,950,650	$ 219,628,245	$ 224,424,015	$ 220,499,487	$ 225,195,464

* Estimates based on July 2025 through February 2026 actual expenditures and February 2026 budget amendments.

Acct. #	Account Description	FY 2025-26 Adopted Budget	FY 2025-26 Amended Budget	FY 2025-26 Estimate	FY 2026-27 Proposed Budget	Increase/ (Decrease)[(a)]
51000-52000	**SALARIES**	**$122,345,182**	**$121,380,949**	**$121,137,058**	**$126,985,110**	**$4,639,928**
These accounts include salaries and special pays such as: Call-Back, Hazard, Night Shift, Rideshare, Skill-Based, Stand-By and Overtime. The main reason for the increase in Salaries is the labor agreements approved in FY 2023-24.						
53000	**EMPLOYEE BENEFITS**	**$5,579,589**	**$6,262,652**	**$6,262,652**	**$5,766,359**	**$186,770**
This account includes the costs associated with State Disability Insurance, employer share of unemployment insurance, Social Security and Medicare. In addition, this account includes individual memberships and/or management physicals. The increase is mainly due to the labor agreement approved in FY 2023-24.						
54000	**RETIREMENT**	**$38,689,027**	**$40,229,860**	**$40,229,860**	**$37,918,080**	**($770,947)**
This account includes the employer's share of the employee retirement system contributions. The decrease from the FY 2025-26 Adopted Budget is based on the contribution rates provided by the San Bernardino County Retirement Association (SBCERA) and the proposed personnel actions.						
55000	**INSURANCE**	**$16,763,469**	**$15,503,806**	**$15,451,981**	**$18,274,746**	**$1,511,277**
This account covers the employer's share of health, life, dental, vision care, and accident insurance. The increase from the FY 2025-26 Adopted Budget is primarily due to personnel actions adopted as part of the mid-year adjustments for FY 2025-26 and those included in this proposed budget, as well as higher healthcare prices and plan costs.						

(a)FY 2026-27 Proposed Budget vs. FY 2025-26 Adopted Budget.

South Coast AQMD Personnel Summary – Authorized/Funded Positions						
Positions as of	**Mid-Year Adjustments**		**Positions as of**	**FY 2026-27 Request**		**Positions as of**
July 1, 2025	Add	Delete	June 30, 2026	Add	Delete	July 1, 2026
1,033.5	-	-	1,033.5	13	(17)	1,029.5

Fiscal Year 2025-26 Mid-Year Changes in Authorized/Funded Positions				
Office	**Position**	**Add**	**Delete**	**Total**
No Changes				
Total Fiscal Year 2025-26 Mid-Year Changes				

Fiscal Year 2026-27 Proposed Personnel Actions				
Office	**Position**	**Add**	**Delete**	**Total**
Clerk of the Board	Senior Office Assistant		(1)	(1)
Engineering & Permitting	Air Quality Specialist		(2)	(2)
Engineering & Permitting	Senior Air Quality Engineer	3		3
Engineering & Permitting	Senior Office Assistant		(3)	(3)
Engineering & Permitting	Staff Assistant	2		2
Engineering & Permitting	Senior Staff Specialist		(1)	(1)
Information Manangement	Information Technology Specialist II	1		1
Legislative & Public Affairs/Media Office	Office Assistant		(1)	(1)
Legislative & Public Affairs/Media Office	Public Affairs Manager	1		1
Planning, Rule Development &	Air Quality Specialist	1		1
Planning, Rule Development &	Program Supervisor	1		1
Monitoring & Analysis	Administrative Assistant I		(1)	(1)
Monitoring & Analysis	Air Quality Engineer II	2		2
Monitoring & Analysis	Air Quality Specialist	1		1
Monitoring & Analysis	Air Quality Instrument Specialist I		(7)	(7)
Monitoring & Analysis	Program Supervisor	1		1
Monitoring & Analysis	Senior Air Quality Instrument Specialist		(1)	(1)
Total Fiscal Year 2026-27 Proposed Personnel Actions		**13**	**(17)**	**(4)**

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67250	**INSURANCE**	**$3,147,080**	**$3,147,080**	**$2,822,345**	**$3,147,080**	**$0**
This account is for insurance coverage for the following: commercial property (real and personal) with earthquake and flood coverage, boiler and machinery, public official liability, excess workers' compensation, and excess general liability. South Coast AQMD is self-insured for workers' compensation, general liability, and automobile liability. The amount requested reflects anticipated workers' compensation claims, insurance policy premiums, property losses above South Coast AQMD's insurance deductibles, and liability claim payments.						
67300	**RENTS & LEASES EQUIPMENT**	**$864,660**	**$968,354**	**$868,433**	**$793,680**	**($70,980)**
This account is for lease agreements and/or rental of office equipment, such as communication devices for emergency response inspectors, laboratory and atmospheric measurement equipment for special projects, audio visual equipment for outside meetings, printing equipment, photocopiers, and to lease vehicles through the Enterprise Fleet Management program.						
67350	**RENTS & LEASES STRUCTURE**	**$623,379**	**$663,577**	**$595,105**	**$631,879**	**$8,500**
This account is for expenditures associated with structures and lot leases, and off-site storage rentals: Long Beach field office - $355,043; Conference and meeting rooms - $9,000; Air monitoring sites/Wind Stations - $239,000; Public Meetings - $8,000; and Bay Area office space - $20,836 Free and low-cost public facilities are used whenever possible for public workshops and informational meetings. The FY 2026-27 Proposed Budget does not include amounts for federally funded grant programs. An expenditure appropriation will occur mid-year when the grants are awarded.						
67400	**HOUSEHOLD**	**$919,986**	**$926,286**	**$830,706**	**$929,986**	**$10,000**
This account is used for trash disposal, landscape maintenance, parking lot maintenance, janitorial supplies, and janitorial contracts. The increase from the FY 2025-26 Adopted Budget reflects the anticipated level of expenditures for FY 2026-27.						
67450	**PROFESSIONAL & SPECIAL SERVICES**	**$13,178,179**	**$12,066,082**	**$10,821,031**	**$13,464,774**	**$286,595**
This account is for services rendered to South Coast AQMD by outside contractors. The FY 2026-27 Professional & Special Services supporting detail is located at the end of this section. The increase from the FY 2025-26 Adopted Budget is primarily attributable to expenditures related to the relocation of air monitoring sites and expanded photographic and video services to support growing agency-wide media needs. The FY 2026-27 Proposed Budget also does not include amounts for federally funded grant programs. An expenditure appropriation will occur mid-year when the grants are awarded.						

(a)FY 2026-27 Proposed Budget vs. FY 2025-26 Adopted Budget.

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67460	**TEMPORARY AGENCY SERVICES**	**$1,098,798**	**$1,428,556**	**$1,281,149**	**$1,134,798**	**$36,000**
Funds budgeted in this account are used for specialized temporary services that supplement staff in support of South Coast AQMD programs. Amounts are budgeted as a contingency for long-term absences and retirements/resignations. Also budgeted in this account is the student internship program that provides college students with the opportunity to gain experience in the workplace. The increase is due to short-term staffing needs. The FY 2026-27 Proposed Budget does not include amounts for federally funded grant programs. An expenditure appropriation will occur mid-year when the grants are awarded.						
67500	**PUBLIC NOTICE & ADVERTISING**	**$612,123**	**$643,661**	**$577,244**	**$615,123**	**$3,000**
This account is used for legally required publications such as Requests for Proposals, Requests for Quotations, personnel recruitment, public outreach, advertisement of South Coast AQMD Governing Board and Hearing Board meetings, and public notification of South Coast AQMD rulemaking activities.						
67550	**DEMURRAGE**	**$162,680**	**$175,049**	**$156,986**	**$167,680**	**$5,000**
This account is for various freight and cylinder charges as well as workspace reconfigurations and personnel moves. The FY 2026-27 Proposed Budget does not include amounts for federally funded grant programs. An expenditure appropriation will occur mid-year when the grants are awarded.						
67600	**MAINTENANCE OF EQUIPMENT**	**$896,710**	**$1,357,750**	**$1,217,649**	**$902,710**	**$6,000**
This account is for maintenance costs of South Coast AQMD equipment such as: mainframe computer hardware, phone switch, air monitoring equipment, print shop equipment, copiers, and audio-visual equipment. The increase from the FY 2025-26 Adopted Budget reflects the anticipated level of expenditures for FY 2026-27. The FY 2026-27 Proposed Budget does not include amounts for federally funded grant programs. An expenditure appropriation will occur mid-year when the grants are awarded.						
67650	**BUILDING MAINTENANCE**	**$1,061,479**	**$967,919**	**$868,043**	**$1,081,479**	**$20,000**
This account reflects expenditures for maintaining South Coast AQMD offices and air monitoring stations. The account also includes the following: a contingency amount for unplanned repairs; Gateway Association dues; elevator maintenance; energy management; and compressor services. The increase from the FY 2025-26 Adopted Budget reflects the anticipated costs associated with various facility repair projects. The FY 2026-27 Proposed Budget does not include amounts for federally funded grant programs. An expenditure appropriation will occur mid-year when the grants are awarded.						

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67700	**AUTO MILEAGE**	**$78,927**	**$156,006**	**$139,908**	**$95,437**	**$16,510**
This account is used to reimburse employees for the cost of using personal vehicles while on South Coast AQMD business. The requests include the mileage incurred for staff who are required to work on their scheduled days off and for employees who use their personal vehicles on South Coast AQMD-related business, conferences, and seminars and to attend various community, business, and intergovernmental events. The FY 2026-27 Proposed Budget does not include amounts for federally funded grant programs. An expenditure appropriation will occur mid-year when the grants are awarded.						
67750	**AUTO SERVICE**	**$370,000**	**$370,000**	**$331,821**	**$370,000**	**$0**
This account is used for the maintenance, towing, and repair of South Coast AQMD fleet vehicles.						
67800	**TRAVEL**	**$509,415**	**$560,064**	**$502,273**	**$486,515**	**($22,900)**
This account is for business travel, including lodging and meals paid pursuant to the Administrative Code, for participation in legislative hearings and meetings involving state, federal, and inter-agency issues that affect air quality in the South Coast Air Basin. The decrease from the FY 2025-26 Adopted Budget reflects the anticipated level of expenditures for FY 2026-27. The FY 2026-27 Proposed Budget does not include amounts for federally funded grant programs. An expenditure appropriation will occur mid-year when the grants are awarded.						
67850	**UTILITIES**	**$1,965,620**	**$1,965,620**	**$1,762,796**	**$1,965,620**	**$0**
This account is used to pay gas, water, and electricity costs at the South Coast AQMD's headquarters building, the Long Beach field office, and air monitoring stations. An expenditure appropriation will occur mid-year when the grants are awarded.						
67900	**COMMUNICATIONS**	**$1,213,040**	**$1,234,133**	**$1,106,788**	**$1,210,320**	**($2,720)**
This account includes telephone and fax service, leased computer lines, video conferencing, wireless internet access for inspectors in the field, radio, and microwave services. The decrease from the FY 2025-26 Adopted Budget reflects the anticipated level of expenditures for FY 2026-27. The FY 2026-27 Proposed Budget also does not include amounts for federally funded grant programs. An expenditure appropriation will occur mid-year when the grants are awarded.						
67950	**INTEREST EXPENSE**	**$0**	**$0**	**$0**	**$0**	**$0**
This account is for the interest due on the 2004 Pension Obligation Bond. The 2004 Pension Obligation Bond has been paid off.						
68000	**CLOTHING**	**$101,808**	**$138,140**	**$123,886**	**$101,808**	**$0**
This account is for the purchase of safety equipment and protective clothing used by source testing, laboratory, compliance, and stockroom personnel.						

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Acct. #	Account Description	FY 2025-26 Adopted Budget	FY 2025-26 Amended Budget	FY 2025-26 Estimate	FY 2026-27 Proposed Budget	Increase/ (Decrease)[(a)]
68050	**LABORATORY SUPPLIES**	**$595,000**	**$651,940**	**$584,669**	**$595,000**	**$0**
This account is used to purchase various supplies such as chemicals, calibration gases and glassware for laboratory services. The proposed FY 2026-27 Budget reflects no change in anticipated need for Laboratory Supplies. The FY 2026-27 Proposed Budget does not include amounts for federally funded grant programs. An expenditure appropriation will occur mid-year when the grants are awarded.						
68060	**POSTAGE**	**$497,201**	**$503,862**	**$451,870**	**$497,201**	**$0**
This account covers the cost of mailing out annual billings, permits, notifications to the Governing Board and Advisory groups, monthly newsletters, warrants, outreach materials to local governments, and Rule 2202 notifications. An expenditure appropriation will occur mid-year when the grants are awarded.						
68100	**OFFICE EXPENSE**	**$2,250,050**	**$4,210,301**	**$3,775,857**	**$2,546,164**	**$296,114**
This account is used for the purchase of office supplies, computer hardware and software under $5,000, photocopier supplies, print shop and graphic art supplies, and stationery and forms. The FY 2026-27 Proposed Budget does not include amounts for federally funded grant programs. The increase from the FY 2025-26 Adopted Budget is primarily atributable to various updates and needs related to Information Management system upgrades.						
68200	**OFFICE FURNITURE**	**$98,169**	**$175,086**	**$157,020**	**$97,500**	**($669)**
This account is for office furniture under $5,000.						
68250	**SUBSCRIPTIONS & BOOKS**	**$261,861**	**$236,246**	**$211,869**	**$251,487**	**($10,374)**
This account is used to purchase reference materials, magazine subscriptions, books, and on-line database legal research services. The decrease from the FY 2025-26 Adopted Budget reflects the anticipated level of expenditures for FY 2026-27.						
68300	**SMALL TOOLS, INSTRUMENTS, EQUIPMENT**	**$193,296**	**$447,743**	**$401,542**	**$193,296**	**$0**
This account covers the purchase of small tools and equipment for air monitoring stations, laboratory, and headquarters building maintenance. The FY 2026-27 Proposed Budget does not include amounts for federally funded grant programs. Expenditure appropriations will occur mid-year for these programs.						
68400	**GAS & OIL**	**$281,021**	**$281,021**	**$252,024**	**$281,021**	**$0**
This account is for the purchase of gasoline, oil, and alternative fuels for the South Coast AQMD fleet. The proposed FY 2026-27 Budget reflects no change in anticipated need for gas and oil.						

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Acct. #	Account Description	FY 2025-26 Adopted Budget	FY 2025-26 Amended Budget	FY 2025-26 Estimate	FY 2026-27 Proposed Budget	Increase/ (Decrease)[(a)]
69500	**TRAINING/CONF/ TUITION/BOARD EXP**	**$1,081,687**	**$1,049,360**	**$941,081**	**$1,063,780**	**($17,907)**
This account is used for tuition reimbursement, conference and training registrations, certain costs associated with South Coast AQMD's Governing and Hearing Boards and advisory groups, and training-related travel expenditures. The decrease from the FY 2025-26 Adopted Budget reflects the anticipated level of expenditures for FY 2026-27.						
69550	**MEMBERSHIPS**	**$203,495**	**$330,877**	**$296,735**	**$265,250**	**$61,755**
This account provides for South Coast AQMD membership in scientific, clean fuels, advanced technology, and related environmental business/policy organizations. The increase from the FY 2025-26 Adopted Budget is largely attributable to higher membership costs, including CAPCOA dues, and additional funding required to support program-related memberships.						
69600	**TAXES**	**$65,300**	**$63,300**	**$56,768**	**$67,300**	**$2,000**
This account is for unsecured property and use taxes, fuel taxes, and sales taxes. The increase from the FY 2025-26 Adopted Budget reflects the anticipated level of expenditures for FY 2026-27.						
69650	**AWARDS**	**$102,391**	**$102,391**	**$91,826**	**$117,391**	**$15,000**
This account covers employee service awards for continuous service, employee recognition programs, plaques/awards the South Coast AQMD may present to individuals/businesses/community groups for outstanding contributions towards air quality goals, and promotional items for community events. The FY 2026-27 Proposed Budget reflects an increase in the anticipated level of expenditures.						
69700	**MISCELLANEOUS EXPENSE**	**$267,623**	**$347,263**	**$311,431**	**$351,890**	**$84,267**
This account is to record expenditures that do not fall in any other account such as South Coast AQMD advisory group per diems, meeting and event expenses, and sponsorships. The increase from the FY 2025-26 Adopted Budget reflects the anticipated level of expenditures for FY 2026-27.						
69750	**PRIOR YEAR EXPENSE**	**$0**	**$0**	**$0**	**$0**	**$0**
This account is used to record actual expenditures attributable to prior year budgets. No amount is budgeted for this account due to the nature of the account.						
69800	**UNCOLLECTIBLE ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE**	**$0**	**$0**	**$0**	**$0**	**$0**
No amount is budgeted for this account due to the nature of the account.						

(a)FY 2026-27 Proposed Budget vs. FY 2025-26 Adopted Budget.

SERVICES & SUPPLIES

Acct. #	Account Description	FY 2025-26 Adopted Budget	FY 2025-26 Amended Budget	FY 2025-26 Estimate	FY 2026-27 Proposed Budget	Increase/ (Decrease)[(a)]
89100	**PRINCIPAL PAYMENT**	**$0**	**$0**	**$0**	**$0**	**$0**
This account reflects the principal due on the 2004 Pension Obligation Bond. The 2004 Pension Obligation Bond has been paid off.						

(a)FY 2026-27 Proposed Budget vs. FY 2025-26 Adopted Budget.

Proposed Fiscal Year 2026-27 Professional & Special Services Detail by Office			
Office	**Program**	**Contract Description**	**Amount**
District General	Dist. General Overhead	Administrative Fees for 1995 & 2004 Pension Obligation Bonds (POBs)	$1,500
	Dist. General Overhead	Alliant Health Insurance Brokerage	$85,580
	Dist. General Overhead	Arbitration/Hearing Officer	$10,000
	Dist. General Overhead	Benefits Administrator	$15,000
	Dist. General Overhead	COBRA Administration Services	$6,000
	Dist. General Overhead	Custodial Fees for 1995 & 2004 POBs	$800
	Dist. General Overhead	Emergency Operations Center	$1,000,000
	Dist. General Overhead	Employee Assistance Program	$15,000
	Dist. General Overhead	Employee Relations Litigation	$200,000
	Dist. General Overhead	Health Reimbursement Arrangement Plan Administration	$5,000
	Dist. General Overhead	Insurance Brokerage	$57,000
	Dist. General Overhead	LACERA OPEB Actuary Services	$20,000
	Dist. General Overhead	Modular Furniture Maintenance, Setup, and Moving Services	$15,000
	Dist. General Overhead	Oracle Software Support	$30,400
	Dist. General Overhead	PeopleSoft License Increase	$145,000
	Dist. General Overhead	PeopleSoft Maintenance	$208,400
	Dist. General Overhead	Plans and Design Consulting Services	$95,000
	Dist. General Overhead	Security Guard Services	$755,056
	Dist. General Overhead	Wellness Program	$35,712
	Sub-total District General		**$2,700,448**
Governing Board	Operational Support	Board Member Assistants & Consultants	$114,000
	Sub-total Governing Board		**$114,000**
Executive Office	Develop Programs	Professional & Special Services	$120,000
	Sub-total Executive Office		**$120,000**
Finance	Customer Service and Business Assistance	AB 2766 Audit of DMV Fee Recipients	$10,000
	Operational Support	Bank Service Charges / Los Angeles County Treasurer Office	$60,000
	Ensure Compliance	Bank Services Fund 15, Hot Spots Lockbox	$12,000
	Operational Support	E-Check Fee	$3,000
	Operational Support	Financial Audit	$103,600
	Operational Support	Financial Consultant for Treasury Management	$23,000

Proposed Fiscal Year 2026-27 Professional & Special Services Detail by Office (cont.)			
Office	**Program**	**Contract Description**	**Amount**
Finance (cont.)	Operational Support	GASB 87 and 96 Software Licenses	$20,000
	Operational Support	LA County Treasurer Office – PGP Maintenance	$1,650
	Operational Support	Vault Alarm Services	$3,600
	Sub-total Finance		**$236,850**
Legal	Ensure Compliance	Experts/Court Reporters/Attorney Services	$30,000
	Ensure Compliance	Outside Counsel	$850,000
	Ensure Compliance	Software Maintenance & Licensing – Hyland & Varsun	$70,000
	Operational Support	Specialized Legal Services	$50,000
	Sub-total Legal		**$1,000,000**
Administrative & Human Resources	Operational Support	Consulting for Specialized Recruitment, Advertisement, and Consulting Services	$30,000
	Operational Support	FMLA Program Implementation	$50,000
	Operational Support	In-house Training Classes	$7,000
	Operational Support	LinkedIn Learning Pro for Government	$38,000
	Operational Support	Occupation Health and Medical Services Provider	$109,250
	Operational Support	Test Development	$18,000
	Operational Support	Third-Party Claims Administrator for Workers Compensation	$25,792
	Sub-total Administrative & Human Resources		**$278,042**
Clerk of the Boards	Ensure Compliance	Court Reporting, Audio-visual, and/or Security Services	$30,200
	Ensure Compliance	Outside Legal Contract	$25,000
	Ensure Compliance	Professional Interpreter Services	$30,000
	Operational Support	Vendor for Scanning Services	$7,000
	Sub-total Clerk of the Boards		**$92,200**
Community Engagement & Air Programs	Operational Support	ERG Guest Speakers	$10,000
	Operational Support	Pro & Special Services	$24,712
	Sub-total Community Engagement & Air Programs		**$34,712**
Information Management	Operational Support	Action Works Metro System Software Support	$20,000
	Operational Support	AD Upgrade	$80,000
	Operational Support	Adobe Creative Cloud Software Support	$2,500

Proposed Fiscal Year 2026-27 Professional & Special Services Detail by Office (cont.)			
Office	**Program**	**Contract Description**	**Amount**
Information Management (cont.)	Operational Support	AER & R1113/314 Upgrade & Maintenance	$15,000
	Operational Support	AIS (Address Information System) Five Digit Subscription	$1,200
	Operational Support	Anti-Spam (MailShield) Maintenance/Support	$15,000
	Operational Support	ArcGIS Online Annual Subscription	$1,000
	Operational Support	Automated Real-time Web Application Security Vulnerability Scanning	$45,000
	Operational Support	Backup Software	$50,000
	Operational Support	Backup Utility Maintenance	$11,500
	Operational Support	Class System Maintenance	$88,000
	Operational Support	Cloud Based Resources Annual Subscription	$85,000
	Operational Support	Compliance API Updates and Maintenance	$5,000
	Operational Support	Component One Software Support	$1,200
	Operational Support	Computer Operations – Email Infrastructure	$15,000
	Operational Support	Computer Operations – Office 365 Backup	$200,000
	Operational Support	Computer Operations – Remote Desktop Service License	$15,000
	Operational Support	Computer Operations – Server Management Software	$80,000
	Operational Support	Computer Operations – Web Certificates	$15,000
	Operational Support	Computer-Based Training Software Support	$1,800
	Operational Support	CourtView/DPO Maintenance	$10,000
	Operational Support	Crystal Reports Software Support	$22,000
	Operational Support	Cybersecurity – Anti-Spam (MailShield) Maintenance/Support	$23,000
	Operational Support	Cybersecurity – Change Management Solution	$60,000
	Operational Support	Cybersecurity – End-User Security Training	$20,400
	Operational Support	Cybersecurity – External vulnerability management	$20,000
	Operational Support	Cybersecurity – Internet Filter Software	$10,000
	Operational Support	Cybersecurity – Patch Management Solution	$32,000
	Operational Support	Cybersecurity – Virus Scan Support	$150,000
	Operational Support	Developer Tools for Testing and Code Checking	$3,500

Proposed Fiscal Year 2026-27 Professional & Special Services Detail by Office (cont.)			
Office	**Program**	**Contract Description**	**Amount**
Information Management (cont.)	Operational Support	Disaster Recovery Software	$60,000
	Operational Support	Dundas Chart Software Support	$700
	Operational Support	Dynamic Web Twain License Renewal	$5,700
	Operational Support	Email Protection Maintenance/Support	$45,000
	Operational Support	Email Recovery Software	$2,750
	Operational Support	Email Reporting	$4,000
	Operational Support	ERwin ERX & BPwin SW Support	$26,000
	Operational Support	ESRI ArcGIS Enterprise License and Maintenance	$75,000
	Operational Support	External Attack Surface Management	$45,000
	Operational Support	Faxcom FaxServer Support	$15,000
	Operational Support	Imaging Software Support	$145,000
	Operational Support	Infragistics Pro Software Support	$1,000
	Operational Support	Ingres Licenses	$290,000
	Operational Support	Ingres Licenses – Database Management	$290,000
	Operational Support	Ingres/OpenIngres Additional Licensing	$72,000
	Operational Support	Ingres/OpenIngres Advanced Success Pack	$140,000
	Operational Support	InstallShield Software Support	$3,800
	Operational Support	Internet Filtering (SmartFilter) Maintenance/Support	$70,000
	Operational Support	IT Services – Enhance Operational Efficiency and Productivity-Atlassian Confluence - Premium 25 users per year	$2,900
	Operational Support	IT Services – Helpdesk Support	$90,000
	Operational Support	IT Services – Enhance Operational Efficiency and Productivity - IT Industry Research	$160,000
	Operational Support	IT Services – Enhance Operational Efficiency and Productivity - Power Automate 20 users per year	$9,600
	Operational Support	IT Services – Enhance Operational Efficiency and Productivity - Jira Software-Standard for 25 users per year	$2,050
	Operational Support	Kronos Time Keeper	$2,000

Proposed Fiscal Year 2026-27 Professional & Special Services Detail by Office (cont.)			
Office	**Program**	**Contract Description**	**Amount**
Information Management (cont.)	Operational Support	Microsoft Developer Network – Application Development	$15,196
	Operational Support	Microsoft Developer Network Premium Renewal	$4,000
	Operational Support	Microsoft Technical Software Support (Server Applications)	$15,000
	Operational Support	Microsoft Virtual Earth Maintenance/Support	$15,000
	Operational Support	Mobile Cloud Testing	$5,000
	Operational Support	Mobile Online Services for Outreach and Assets	$500
	Operational Support	Network Analyzer (Sniffer) Maintenance/Support	$4,500
	Operational Support	Network Backbone Support	$15,000
	Customer Service and Business Assistance	New System Development – ESRI Enterprise agreement	$185,000
	Customer Service and Business Assistance	New System Development – Web API Management Software	$1,000
	Operational Support	NT Software Support – Proactive	$62,000
	Operational Support	Off-Site Document Destruction Services	$24,000
	Operational Support	Off-Site Storage Nightly Computer Backup	$22,000
	Operational Support	OnBase Managed Services	$165,000
	Operational Support	Online Application Filing (Olaf) Enhancements	$30,000
	Operational Support	Online Billing/Payment by Check API	$30,000
	Operational Support	Online Filing Infrastructure	$25,000
	Operational Support	Patch Management Solution	$15,000
	Operational Support	PowerBuilder Software Support	$24,000
	Operational Support	Preemptive Analytics Software Support	$7,000
	Operational Support	Project Portfolio Management (PPM) Solution	$40,000
	Operational Support	Proxy Reporting Support	$3,250
	Operational Support	PVCS Software Support	$4,900
	Operational Support	ScaleOut StateServer Maintenance	$8,500
	Operational Support	SCAQMD Web Application Modifications	$20,000
	Operational Support	Secure Server Digital ID Services	$2,000

Proposed Fiscal Year 2026-27 Professional & Special Services Detail by Office (cont.)			
Office	**Program**	**Contract Description**	**Amount**
Information Management (cont.)	Operational Support	Secure Service Digital Id Dec Internet Server	$850
	Operational Support	Sitefinity CMS Software Support	$9,500
	Operational Support	Software Support for EOS.WEB Enterprise	$6,300
	Operational Support	Software Support for On-Line Catalog	$2,050
	Operational Support	Source Control Upgrade / Git	$20,000
	Operational Support	Swiftview Software Support	$950
	Operational Support	System Maintenance Related Costs – AQMD Core API Enhancement	$30,000
	Operational Support	System Maintenance Related Costs – PDF Conversion Software	$8,400
	Operational Support	System Maintenance Related Costs – Rule 1109.1 Systems Enhancements	$15,000
	Operational Support	Telephone Switchview Software Support	$9,500
	Operational Support	Terminal Emulation (Reflection) Maintenance/Support	$1,175
	Operational Support	Videoteleconferencing Maintenance and Support	$20,000
	Operational Support	Virus Scan Support	$125,000
	Operational Support	Visual Expert Software Support	$6,000
	Operational Support	Web Consulting Support	$64,300
	Operational Support	Web Core Technology Upgrade	$10,000
	Operational Support	Website Evaluation and Improvement	$200,000
	Sub-total Information Management		**$3,927,471**
Planning, Rule Development & Implementation	Customer Service and Business Assistance	AB 2588 Printing and Mailing	$7,000
	Customer Service and Business Assistance	AB 2588 Public Notification Meeting Interpretive Services	$10,000
	Develop Programs	AB 2766 Web-Based Reporting Tool Maintenance	$5,000
	Ensure Compliance	AER Printing and Mailing	$7,000
	Ensure Compliance	AER Reporting System	$50,000
	Monitoring Air Quality	Air Quality Forecast and Alert Notification Support	$50,000

Proposed Fiscal Year 2026-27 Professional & Special Services Detail by Office (cont.)			
Office	**Program**	**Contract Description**	**Amount**
Planning, Rule Development & Implementation (cont.)	Develop Programs	California Emissions Estimator Model (CalEEMod) Upgrades/Support	$25,000
	Develop Programs	CEQA for AQMD Projects	$125,000
	Develop Programs	CEQA Special Studies	$50,000
	Timely Review of Permits	Dispersion Modeling Support	$25,000
	Ensure Compliance	Electronic Report Submissions and Notifications	$50,000
	Develop Programs	Language Interpretation/Translation Services	$5,000
	Monitoring Air Quality	Maintain Wind Stations and Analyze Data	$60,000
	Monitoring Air Quality	MATES VI	$5,000
	Monitoring Air Quality	Meteorological Data Services	$15,000
	Develop Rules	Mobile Source Related Data Licenses and Subscriptions	$130,000
	Develop Rules	PM and Ozone Model Consulting	$100,000
	Develop Programs	Rule 2202 Computer System Maintenance	$15,000
	Develop Programs	Rule 2202 EMovers System Maintenance	$15,000
	Develop Programs	Shipping Special Studies	$86,700
	Develop Programs	SIP, AQMP and Rule Printing	$12,000
	Develop Programs	Software, Data Products, and Technical Support for Economic Modeling	$150,000
	Develop Rules	Technical Assistance in Support of Regional Modeling	$75,000
	Ensure Compliance	WAIRE Program Online Portal Maintenance	$50,000
	Sub-total Planning, Rule Development & Implementation		**$1,122,700**
Legislative, Public Affairs & Media Office	Policy Support	After-hours Call Center Service	$3,500
	Policy Support	Clean Air Awards	$12,600
	Customer Service and Business Assistance	Community Outreach	$367,005
	Policy Support	Graphics and Printing	$37,616
	Policy Support	Legislative Advocacy – Sacramento	$465,000
	Policy Support	Legislative Advocacy – Washington DC	$707,130
	Policy Support	Legislative Computer Services	$10,000

Proposed Fiscal Year 2026-27 Professional & Special Services Detail by Office (cont.)			
Office	**Program**	**Contract Description**	**Amount**
Legislative, Public Affairs & Media Office (cont.)	Develop Programs	Multi-Lingual Translation – Public Participation	$70,000
	Policy Support	News Release Services	$9,000
	Policy Support	Photographic and Video Services	$155,000
	Customer Service and Business Assistance	Promotion Marketing of Smart Phone Tools	$50,000
	Policy Support	Radio/Television Monitoring	$11,000
	Sub-total Legislative, Public Affairs & Media Office		**$1,897,851**
Technology Advancement Office	Advance Clean Air Technology	Additional Contract Funds for Incentive Programs	$100,000
	Advance Clean Air Technology	Technical Assistance, Expert Consultation, Outreach/Education – Clean Fuels	$1,000,000
	Advance Clean Air Technology	Technical Assistance, Expert Consultation, Outreach/Education – CMP, AB923	$300,000
	Develop Programs	Technical Assistance, Expert Consultation, Outreach/Education – Prop 1B	$75,000
	Sub-total Technology Advancement Office		**$1,475,000**
Monitoring & Analysis	Monitoring Air Quality	Air Monitoring Site Relocations and Maintenance Upgrades	$350,000
	Customer Service and Business Assistance	Laboratory Analytical Contracts	$24,000
	Ensure Compliance	Laboratory Analytical Services	$15,000
	Ensure Compliance	Source Testing Services	$30,000
	Ensure Compliance	Technical Support for Air Monitoring and Community Complaint Resolution	$35,000
	Sub-total Monitoring & Analysis		**$454,000**
Engineering & Permitting	Customer Service and Business Assistance	Workspace Reconfiguration	$2,500
	Sub-total Engineering & Permitting		**$2,500**
Compliance & Enforcement	Ensure Compliance	Compliance Notice Printing	$4,500
	Customer Service and Business Assistance	Workspace Reconfiguration	$4,500
	Sub-total Compliance & Enforcement		**$9,000**
		Total Professional & Special Services	**$13,464,774**

Acct. #	Account Description	FY 2025-26 Adopted Budget	FY 2025-26 Amended Budget	FY 2025-26 Estimate	FY 2026-27 Proposed Budget	Increase/ (Decrease)[(a)]
77000	**CAPITAL OUTLAYS**	**$1,550,000**	**$3,879,080**	**$3,879,080**	**$825,000**	**($725,000)**

This account is for tangible asset expenditures with a value of at least $5,000 (currently) and a useful life of at least one year and intangible asset expenditures with a value of at least $5,000 (currently) and a useful life of at least one year. The FY 2026-27 Proposed Budget reflects projects that are either offset by revenue or critical for operational support. Depending on funding availability, budget will be requested mid-year for additional projects. The FY 2026-27 Proposed Budget does not include amounts for federally funded grant programs. An expenditure appropriation will occur mid-year when the grants are awarded.

A listing by office of the proposed Capital Outlays for FY 2026-27 is provided at the end of this section.

(a)FY 2026-27 Proposed Budget vs. FY 2025-26 Adopted Budget.

Acct. #	Account Description	FY 2025-26 Adopted Budget	FY 2025-26 Amended Budget	FY 2025-26 Estimate	FY 2026-27 Proposed Budget	Increase/ (Decrease)[(a)]
79050	**BUILDING REMODELING**	**$0**	**$0**	**$0**	**$0**	**$0**

This account is used for minor remodeling projects which become necessary as a result of reorganizations or for safety reasons. No projects are anticipated in FY 2026-27.

(a)FY 2026-27 Proposed Budget vs. FY 2025-26 Adopted Budget.

Acct. #	Account Description	FY 2025-26 Adopted Budget	FY 2025-26 Amended Budget	FY 2025-26 Estimate	FY 2026-27 Proposed Budget	Increase/ (Decrease)[(a)]
99950	**TRANSFERS OUT**	**$2,000,000**	**$2,000,000**	**$2,000,000**	**$2,000,000**	**$0**

The FY 2026-27 Proposed Budget includes transfers to the debt service fund, pursuant to Governing Board policy.

(a)FY 2026-27 Proposed Budget vs. FY 2025-26 Adopted Budget.

Fiscal Year 2026-27 Capital Outlays Detail				
Office	**Program**	**Category**	**Description**	**Amount**
District General	Operational Support	N/A	Unbudgeted Capital Outlay - This amount is set aside for unanticipated needs or emergency situations to avoid interruption of operations.	$350,000
	Sub-total District General			**$350,000**
Monitoring & Analysis	Monitoring Air Quality	Replacement	Replacement Air Monitoring Equipment (2 air monitoring shelters)	$125,000
	Sub-total Monitoring & Analysis			**$125,000**
Planning, Rule Development & Implementation	Ensure Compliance	New	WAIRE POP Upgrades (develop online portal to submit reports)	$350,000
	Sub-total Planning, Rule Development & Implementation			**$350,000**
			Total Capital Outlays	**$825,000**

SOUTH COAST AIR QUALITY MANAGEMENT DISTRICT
PROPOSED GOALS AND PRIORITY OBJECTIVES
FOR FY 2026-2027

MISSION STATEMENT

"To clean the air and protect the health of all residents in the South Coast Air District through practical and innovative strategies."

GOALS AND PRIORITY OBJECTIVES

The following Goals and Priority Objectives have been identified as being critical to meeting South Coast AQMD's Mission in Fiscal Year 2026-27.

GOAL I. Achieve Clean Air Standards.

Priority Objective		Performance Indicator	Performance Measurement
1	Address Air Quality Through Development and Implementation of Air Quality Management Plans and Toxic Rules	Develop and adopt plan updates and rules related to Air Quality Management Plans and air toxics.	Complete six rule adoptions and/or actions that result in achievements towards 2016 and 2022 AQMP's and 2024 PM plan emissions reductions and air toxic impacts.
2	Secure Incentive Funding for Emission Reductions	Maintain funding for pollution reduction projects.	Maintain funding received on or before FY 2026-27.
3	Implementation of Community Emissions Reduction Plans (CERPs) for Assembly Bill 617 (AB 617) Designated Communities and Workplan for Consistently Nominated Communities	Progress towards implementation of individual AB 617 designated communities and Community Emissions Reduction Plans and the engagement of Consistently Nominated Communities to begin identifying air quality concerns and ways to address those concerns.	Four quarterly Community Steering Committee (CSC) meetings for each designated community that is actively implementing Community Emissions Reduction Plans (CERPs). One Community Outreach Relations and Engagement event for designated communities. Progress and percentage completion of CERP action items for each designated community that is actively implementing CERPs. Complete, release for CSC and public comment, and submit CARB Annual Progress Reports for each designated community that is actively implementing CERPs. Update the CERP implementation dashboards quarterly for each AB 617 designated community that is actively implementing CERPs. Four Community Outreach Relations and Engagement events for Consistently Nominated Communities.

GOAL I. Achieve Clean Air Standards. (continued)

Priority Objective		Performance Indicator	Performance Measurement
4	Ensure Efficient Air Monitoring and Laboratory Operations	Achieve acceptable completion of valid data points out of the scheduled measurements in the South Coast AQMD air monitoring network for NAAQS pollutant before U.S. EPA deadline.	Achieve acceptable valid data completion submitted to U.S. EPA before deadline.
5	Ensure Timely Inspections of Facilities	Total number of Title V inspections completed annually.	Complete 100% of Title V inspections. Based on overlapping reporting periods, Title V inspections will be conducted between January 1 and June 30. During FY Q1 and Q2, staff will plan, review records and data, and conduct preliminary field operations, but inspections will not be completed. Goal is to complete inspections of 40% of Title V facilities in Q3 and 60% in Q4.
6	Implement Permitting Enhancement Program (PEP)	Implement key actions in PEP and provide periodic updates to the Board.	Semi-annual updates to the Board on key elements of PEP that include, but are not limited to: • Reduction in the permit backlog and permitting production rates; • Development of new paperless online permitting system; and • Enhancements to the Certified Permitting Professional (CPP) program.
7	Support Development of Cleaner Advanced Technology	Amount of clean technology projects funded.	Fund $10 Million of clean technology projects.
8	Incentive Programs	Timely implementation of grant awards.	Initiate implementation within six months of grant award.
9	Conduct the Multiple Air Toxics Exposure Study VI (MATES VI)	Progress towards implementation of the MATES VI program.	Complete monitoring air toxics and other pollutants at ten fixed sites for MATES VI, continue to evaluate background ethylene oxide levels, develop public outreach plan for releasing MATES data and present update to Mobile Source Committee.

GOAL II. Enhance Public Education and Equitable Treatment for All Communities.

Priority Objective		Performance Indicator	Performance Measurement
1	Evaluation of Low Cost Air Quality Sensors	Evaluation and posting of results of low cost air quality sensors that have reached the market.	Evaluate and post results of 75% of sensors that have reached the market.
2	Outreach	Number of community outreach events conducted in each County and effective information distribution for South Coast AQMD programs.	Conduct/participate in four community outreach events, including one in each County. Conduct six in-person community engagement events such as Critical Community Conversations for Purposeful Outreach (C3PO) and listening sessions.
3	Timely Investigation of Community Complaints	Initiate complaint investigation by close of business on the next business day, thereby allowing for flexibility to prioritize high priority incidents.	Contact 100% of complainants by the close of business on the next business day.
4	Social Media Efforts	Increase in audience engagement through impressions (views) of shared information via outreach for South Coast AQMD events, programs and major incidents across X, Facebook, Instagram and LinkedIn social channels.	Continue efforts to increase impressions and engagement on posts and/or campaigns with a monthly average goal of 4,000 LinkedIn impressions/2,400 Instagram impressions /8,000 Facebook impressions/48,000 X impressions on posts.
5	School Educational Outreach	Promote use of WHAM and CAPES curriculum to schools, youth groups, and other organizations throughout the four counties. Hold annual Earth Day webinars.	Outreach to 100 K-12 schools, youth groups, and/or other organizations in all four counties to provide WHAM and CAPES curriculum. Host one Earth Day webinar for elementary schools and one for middle and high schools, featuring WHAM and CAPES curriculum.
6	Interagency Coordination	Number of meetings with local, state, and/or federal agency partners to collaborate on investigations and other enforcement matters.	Conduct/participate in at least one interagency coordination meeting per quarter. Continue efforts to improve information sharing and conduct joint investigations with other governmental agencies, as well as to streamline referral procedures.

GOAL III. Operate Efficiently and Transparently.

Priority Objective		Performance Indicator	Performance Measurement
1	Ensure Transparent Governance	Percentage of Committee and Board meeting agendas with materials made available to the public one week prior to the meeting.	100% of Committee and Board meeting agendas with materials made available to the public one week prior to the meeting.
2	Ensure Transparent Governance	Percentage of Stakeholder and Working Group meeting agendas with materials made available prior to the meeting.	100% of Stakeholder and Working Group meeting agendas with materials made available to the public three days prior to the meeting.
3	Partner with Stakeholder Groups & Business Community	Number of meetings with Permit Streamlining Task Force subcommittee and public meetings with permitting stakeholders.	Conduct six total public meetings with the Permit Streamlining Task Force subcommittee and/or with permitting stakeholders.
4	Timely Financial Monitoring	Timely budgetary financial reporting.	Submit quarterly budgetary financial reports to the Governing Board within six working days of the end of the quarter for quarters 1-3. Submit the 4th quarter report within six working days of the end of July.
5	Facilitate Ongoing Engagement with Employee Resource Groups (ERG)	Facilitation of ERG Meetings.	Facilitate monthly ERG meetings for internal staff.
6	Staffing	Fill positions to reduce the vacancy.	Initiate the recruitment process such that if all positions were filled, the vacancy rate would be 13 percent.

PROGRAM CATEGORIES

ADVANCE CLEAN AIR TECHNOLOGY

Identify technologies from anywhere in the world that may have application in reducing emissions from mobile and stationary sources in South Coast AQMD's jurisdiction. Suggest strategies to overcome any barriers and, when appropriate, implement those strategies.

(A) Identify short-term and long-term technical barriers to the use of low-emission clean fuels and transportation technologies.

(B) Promote development and assess the use of clean fuels and low-emitting technologies.

(C) Work with industry to promote research and development in promising low-emission technologies and clean fuels.

(D) Provide technical and program support to the Mobile Source Air Pollution Reduction Review Committee (MSRC).

(E) Conduct source tests and analyses of samples to assess effectiveness of low-emissions technology.

(F) Implement and administer state-funded programs such as the Carl Moyer program for retrofitting, re-powering, or replacing diesel engines with newer and cleaner engines and the Proposition 1B program that provides funding for projects to reduce air pollution associated with freight movement along California's trade corridors.

ENSURE COMPLIANCE WITH CLEAN AIR RULES

Ensure compliance with South Coast AQMD rules for existing major and small stationary sources.

(A) Verify compliance with South Coast AQMD rules through inspections, sample collections, Visible Emissions Evaluations, certification of Continuous Emission Monitoring Systems (CEMS), and emissions audits.

(B) Issue Notices of Violation for major violations when discovered or Notices to Comply for minor violations or to request records.

(C) Respond to and resolve public complaints concerning air pollution.

(D) Participate in Hearing Board cases, investigate breakdowns and notifications of demolitions or renovations of structures which may contain asbestos, conduct periodic monitoring, and observe source tests.

(E) Respond to industrial and chemical emergencies when requested by other agencies.

(F) Provide training classes for compliance with various South Coast AQMD rules such as Gasoline Transfer and Dispensing (Rule 461), Asbestos Demolition and Renovation (Rule 1403), Chrome Plating Operations (Rule 1469), Fugitive Dust Plans (Rule 403 & 403.1), Sump and Wastewater Separators (Rule 1176) and Combustion Gas Portable Analyzer Training & Certification (Rules 1146, 1146.1 & 1110.2).

PROGRAM CATEGORIES

CUSTOMER SERVICE AND BUSINESS ASSISTANCE

Support local government, businesses, and the general public.

(A) Provide local government, business and the public with access and input into the regulatory and policy processes of South Coast AQMD.

(B) Assist cities and others with AB 2766 projects.

(C) Interact with local, state and federal agencies as well as others to share air quality information, resolve jurisdictional questions, and implement joint programs.

(D) Support air pollution reduction through implementation of comprehensive public information and legislative and customer service programs.

(E) Provide small business assistance services and support economic development and business retention activities.

(F) Make presentations to and meet with regulated organizations, individuals, public agencies and the media.

(G) Notify all interested parties of upcoming changes to air quality rules and regulations through public meetings, workshops, and printed and electronic information.

(H) Resolve permit-related and fee-related problems and provide technical assistance to industry.

(I) Respond to Public Records Act requests.

(J) Produce brochures, newsletters, television, radio and print media information and materials, and digital information.

(K) Respond to letters and Internet inquiries from the public and to media inquiries and requests.

DEVELOP PROGRAMS TO ACHIEVE CLEAN AIR

Develop a regional Air Quality Management Plan (AQMP) to achieve federal and state ambient air quality standards and to meet all other requirements of the federal and California Clean Air Acts.

(A) Analyze air quality data and provide an estimation of pollutant emissions by source category.

(B) Develop pollutant control strategies and project future air quality using computer models and statistical analysis of alternative control scenarios.

(C) Analyze issues pertaining to air toxics, acid deposition, and potential socioeconomic and environmental impacts (CEQA) of South Coast AQMD plans and regulations.

(D) Conduct outreach activities to solicit public input on proposed control measures.

(E) Implement Rule 2202 On-Road Motor Vehicle Mitigation Options and process employee commute reduction program submittals and registrations. Provide one-on-one assistance to employers to ensure compliance with the rule.

DEVELOP PROGRAMS TO ACHIEVE CLEAN AIR (Cont.)

(F) Develop and update emissions inventories; conduct in-house auditing of annual emission reports; conduct field audits.

DEVELOP RULES TO ACHIEVE CLEAN AIR

Develop emission reduction regulations for sulfur dioxide, nitrogen dioxide, organic gases, particulate matter, toxics, and other pollutants to implement the regional AQMP, Tanner Air Toxics Process (AB 1807), National Emission Standards for Hazardous Air Pollutants (NESHAPS), and Prevention of Significant Deterioration (PSD) requirements.

(A) Provide an assessment of control technologies, evaluation of control cost, source testing and analysis of samples to determine emissions.

(B) Test and analyze products and processes to demonstrate pollution reduction potential.

(C) Solicit public input through meetings and workshops.

(D) Prepare rules to provide flexibility to industry, ensure an effective permit program and increase rule effectiveness.

(E) Evaluate effectiveness of area source rules, evaluate area source emission inventories, and propose new rules or amendments to improve implementation of area source programs, including the certification/registration of equipment, and as necessary pursuant to statewide regulatory requirements.

(F) Implement the AQMP. Develop feasibility studies and control measures.

(G) Conduct research and analyze health effects of air pollutants and assess the health implications of pollutant reduction strategies.

MONITORING AIR QUALITY

Operate and maintain within South Coast AQMD's jurisdiction a network of air quality monitoring sites for ozone, nitrogen oxides, sulfur oxides, particulate matter, carbon monoxide and other pollutants to obtain data regarding public exposure to air contaminants.

(A) Analyze, summarize, and report air quality information generated from the monitoring sites.

(B) Provide continuous records for assessment of progress toward meeting federal and state air quality standards.

(C) Develop and prepare meteorological forecasts and models.

(D) Respond to emergency requests by providing technical assistance to first response public safety agencies.

MONITORING AIR QUALITY (Cont.)

(E) Notify the public, media, schools, regulated industries and others whenever predicted or observed levels exceed the episode levels established under state law.

(F) Conduct special studies such as MATES VI, National Air Toxics Trends (NATTS), and Photochemical Assessment Monitoring Stations (PAMS).

(G) Conduct measurement activities to identify and monitor potential sources of all toxics including high-risk facilities under the Community Air Toxics Initiative (CATI).

(H) Evaluate and deploy low-cost sensors to monitor air pollution within communities of the South Coast Air Basin.

(I) Assess the ability of optical remote sensing technology to characterize and quantify emissions from refineries and other sources, and to serve as a useful tool for enhancing existing leak detection and repair programs.

OPERATIONAL SUPPORT

Provide operational support to facilitate overall air quality improvement programs.

(A) Provide services that enable South Coast AQMD offices to function properly. Services include facility administration, human resources and financial services.

(B) Provide information management services in support of all South Coast AQMD operations, including automation of permitting and compliance records, systems analysis and design, computer programming and operations, records management, and library services.

(C) Provide legal support and representation on all policy and regulatory issues and all associated legal actions.

TIMELY REVIEW OF PERMITS

Ensure timely processing of permits for new sources based on compliance with New Source Review and other applicable local, state and federal air quality rules and regulations.

(A) Process applications for Permits to Construct and/or to Operate for new construction, modification and change of conditions for major and non-major sources.

(B) Process Title V permits (Initial, Renewal, and Revisions) and facility permits for RECLAIM sources.

(C) Process applications for Administrative Changes, Change of Operator, Plans, Emission Reductions Credits (ERCs) and RECLAIM Trading Credits (RTCs).

TIMELY REVIEW OF PERMITS (Cont.)

(D) Continue efforts to streamline and expedite permit issuance through:

(1) Equipment certification/registration programs
(2) Streamlined standard permits
(3) Enhancement of permitting systems (including electronic permitting)
(4) Expedited Permit Processing Program
(5) Maintaining adequate staff resources
(6) Improved training
(7) Revisiting policies and rules

POLICY SUPPORT

Monitor, analyze and attempt to influence the outcome of state and federal legislation.

(A) Track changes to the state and federal budgets that may affect South Coast AQMD.

(B) Respond to Congressional and Senatorial inquiries regarding South Coast AQMD programs, policies or initiatives.

(C) Assist South Coast AQMD consultants in identifying potential funding sources and securing funding for South Coast AQMD programs.

(D) Provide support staff to the Governing Board, Board committees, and various advisory and other groups including but not limited to: the Air Quality Management Plan Advisory Group, the Environmental Justice Advisory Group, the Home Rule Advisory Group, the Local Government and Small Business Assistance Advisory Group, the Mobile Source Air Pollution Reduction Review Committee (MSRC) and MSRC Technical Advisory Committee, the Scientific, Technical and Modeling Peer Review Advisory Group, the Technology Advancement Advisory Group, various Rule working groups, as well as ad hoc committees established from time to time.

REVENUE CATEGORIES

I. **Allocatable**

A portion of South Coast AQMD revenue offsets operational support costs of South Coast AQMD.

1a Allocatable South Coast AQMD: District-wide administrative and support services (e.g., Human Resources, Payroll, Information Management).
1b Allocatable Office: Administrative activities specific to a division/office.

II. **Annual Operating Emissions Fees**

III. **Permit Processing Fees**

IV. **Annual Operating Permit Renewal Fees**

V. **Federal Grants/Other Federal Revenue**

VI. **Source Test/Sample Analysis Fees**

VII. **Hearing Board Fees**

VIII. **Clean Fuels Fees**

IX. **Mobile Sources**

X. **Air Toxics AB 2588**

XI. **Transportation Programs**

XII - XIV. These revenue categories are no longer used.

XV. **California Air Resources Board Subvention/State Grants**

XVI. This revenue category is no longer used.

XVII. **Other Revenue**

XVIII. **Area Sources**

XIX. **Portable Equipment Registration Program (PERP)**

XX. **State Grant**

For a description of the revenue categories listed above, please refer to the corresponding revenue account in the FUND BALANCE & REVENUES section, "Explanation of Revenue Sources" within this document.

WORK PROGRAM OVERVIEW

The Work Program is a management tool that allocates resources by Office, Program Category, and project. It is developed from Program Output Justification forms prepared during the budget process by each Office. Work Programs for each Office can be found in the OFFICE BUDGETS section of this document. Work Programs by Program Category are within the following pages. A glossary of terms and acronyms used in the Work Programs are at the end of this section.

Professional & Special Services, Temporary Agency Services, and Capital Outlays expenditures are assigned to specific Work Program Codes associated with the project the expenditures support. All other expenditures (Salaries and Benefits and most Services and Supplies line items) are distributed within an Office based on Full-Time Equivalents (FTEs). A prorated share of the District General budget has been allocated to each line in the work program based on the number of FTEs reflected on the line.

The following is a brief description of each column in the Work Program:

The **#** column identifies each line in the Work Program in numerical order.

The **Program Code** is a five-digit code assigned to each program. The first two digits represent the Office. The last three digits are the Program.

The **Goal** column identifies which of the three Program Goals (defined in the Goals and Priority Objectives) applies to that output. The Goals are:

GOAL I	**Achieve Clean Air Standards.**
GOAL II	**Enhance Public Education and Equitable Treatment for All Communities.**
GOAL III	**Operate Efficiently and Transparently.**

The **Office** column, which appears on the Work Program by Category document, identifies the Office responsible for performing the work.

The **Program Category** column, which appears on the Work Program by Office document, identifies one of the nine Program Categories associated with an activity.

The **Program** column identifies the Program associated with the work.

The **Activities** column provides a brief description of the work.

The **FTEs** column identifies the number of Full Time Equivalent staff positions in the current-year adopted budget, mid-year and proposed changes (+/-), and the proposed budget for the next fiscal year. An FTE position represents one person-year.

The **Expenditures** column, found in the Work Program by Category document, identifies the expenditures in the current-year adopted budget, proposed changes (+/-) and the proposed budget for the next fiscal year. A prorated share of the District General budget has been allocated to each line in the work program based on the number of FTEs reflected on the line. Expenditures are not fully burdened.

The **Revenue Category** column identifies the revenue that supports the work. Revenue Category titles can be found within this section and revenue descriptions are in the FUND BALANCE & REVENUES section, “Explanation of Revenue Sources” within this document.

Advance Clean Air Technology
Work Program by Category

#	Program Code		Goal	Office	Program	Activities	FTEs FY 2025-26	+/-	FTEs FY 2026-27	Expenditures FY 2025-26	+/-	Expenditures FY 2026-27	Revenue Categories
1	08	001	I	LEG	AB2766/Mob Src/Legal Advice	AB2766 Leg Adv: Trans/Mob Source	0.05	0.00	0.05	$ 12,453	$ (81)	$ 12,372	IX
2	04	003	III	FIN	AB2766/MSRC	MSRC Program Administration	0.35	0.00	0.35	55,724	1,770	57,493	IX
3	08	003	I	LEG	AB2766/MSRC	Legal Advice: MSRC Prog Admin	0.20	0.00	0.20	49,813	(325)	49,488	IX
4	44	003	I	TAO	AB2766/MSRC	Mob Src Review Comm Prog Admin	1.00	0.00	1.00	196,611	6,288	202,898	IX
5	44	004	I	TAO	Advisory Group/Small Business	AB2766 Admin Discretionary Prog	2.00	0.00	2.00	393,221	12,575	405,796	IX
6	44	012	I	TAO	AQMP/Control Tech Assessment	Tech Supp: Quantify Cost Effec	0.40	-0.30	0.10	78,644	(58,354)	20,290	VIII
7	44	019	I	TAO	AB617-Prog Develop	AB617-Program Development	2.00	0.00	2.00	393,221	12,575	405,796	IX
8	08	030	I	LEG	AB134	AB134	1.00	0.00	1.00	249,067	(1,625)	247,442	IX
9	44	039	I	TAO	Admin/Office Mgt/Tech Adv	Admin Support/Coordination	5.27	0.00	5.27	839,528	265,546	1,105,074	Ib
10	44	046	I	TAO	Admin/Program Management	STA Program Administration	2.00	0.00	2.00	393,221	12,575	405,796	Ib
11	44	048	I	TAO	Admin/Prog Mgmt/Tech Advance	Overall TA Program Mgmt/Coord	1.00	0.00	1.00	196,611	6,288	202,898	VIII
12	44	086	I	TAO	Airshed FC Bus	Airshed FC Bus	0.15	-0.10	0.05	29,492	(19,347)	10,145	V
13	44	087	I	TAO	Airshed OGV	Airshed OGV	0.25	0.00	0.25	49,153	1,572	50,725	V
14	44	088	I	TAO	ALISO CANYON SEP	ALISO CYN AIR FILTRATION SEP	0.25	0.10	0.35	49,153	21,862	71,014	XVII
15	44	089	II	TAO	Albertsons SEP	Albertsons SEP	0.10	0.10	0.20	19,661	20,919	40,580	XVII
16	44	094	I	TAO	Capture and Control	Capture and Control Program	0.20	0.00	0.20	39,322	1,258	40,580	XV
17	44	095	I	TAO	CA Natural Gas Veh Partnership	CA Natural Gas Veh Partnership	0.05	-0.05	0.00	9,831	(9,831)	-	VIII
18	44	096	I	TAO	CAPP Year 2-SB 856	CAPP Year 2-SB 856	8.00	-5.00	3.00	1,572,886	(964,191)	608,695	IX
19	44	097	I	TAO	CAPP Year 3-AB 74	CAPP Year 3-AB 74	9.95	-6.95	3.00	1,956,276	(1,347,582)	608,695	IX
20	44	098	I	TAO	CARB SEP Sch Bus	CARB SEP Sch Bus Replacement	0.00	0.10	0.10	-	20,290	20,290	XVII
21	44	099	I	TAO	CARB At-Berth	CARB At-Berth	0.00	0.50	0.50	-	101,449	101,449	XVII
22	44	109	I	TAO	CAPP Year 5-AB128	CAPP Year 5-AB128	0.00	5.55	5.55	-	1,126,085	1,126,085	IX
23	44	121	I	TAO	China Cln Shipping	China Partnership Cleaner Shpng	0.25	0.00	0.25	49,153	1,572	50,725	IX
24	04	130	III	FIN	Clean Fuels/Contract Admin	Clean Fuels Contract Admin/Monitor	0.15	0.00	0.15	23,882	758	24,640	VIII
25	44	130	I	TAO	Clean Fuels/Contract Admin	Admin/Project Supp for TA Cont	2.90	0.30	3.20	570,171	79,103	649,274	VIII
26	08	131	I	LEG	Clean Fuels/Legal Advice	Legal Advice: Clean Fuels	0.20	0.00	0.20	49,813	(325)	49,488	VIII
27	44	132	I	TAO	Clean Fuels/Mobile Sources	Dev/Impl Mobile Src Proj/Demo	4.50	2.00	6.50	1,884,748	434,090	2,318,839	VIII
28	44	134	I	TAO	Clean Fuels/Stationary Combust	Dev/Demo Clean Combustion Tech	0.10	-0.10	0.00	19,661	(19,661)	-	VIII
29	44	135	I	TAO	Clean Fuels/Stationary Energy	Dev/Demo Alt Clean Energy	0.01	0.05	0.06	1,966	10,208	12,174	VIII
30	44	136	I	TAO	Clean Fuels/Tech Transfer	Disseminate Low Emiss CF Tech	0.46	0.00	0.46	90,441	2,892	93,333	VIII
31	44	191	I	TAO	DERA FY16 Locomotive	DERA_FY16_LOCOM	0.05	0.00	0.05	9,831	314	10,145	V
32	44	194	I	TAO	DERA FY18 Dray Trck	DERA FY18 Dray Trck	0.10	-0.10	0.00	19,661	(19,661)	-	XVII
33	44	196	I	TAO	DERA FY20 TRU	DERA FY20 TRU Electrification	0.20	-0.10	0.10	39,322	(19,032)	20,290	V
34	44	197	I	TAO	DERA FY21 Cargo	DERA FY21 Cleaner Freight	0.30	-0.25	0.05	58,983	(48,838)	10,145	V
35	44	203	I	TAO	EFMP Program Support	EFMP Program Support	4.50	-1.50	3.00	884,748	(276,053)	608,695	XVII
36	44	222	I	TAO	EPA-CPRG-M1-Charge	EPA-CPRG-Charging Infrastruct	0.50	0.80	1.30	98,305	165,462	263,768	V
37	44	223	I	TAO	EPA-CPRG-M2-Vehicle	EPA-CPRG-Bat Elec Freight Veh	0.30	1.00	1.30	58,983	204,784	263,768	V
38	44	224	I	TAO	EPA-CPRG-M3 Cargo	EPA-CPRG-Bat Elec Cargo Handl	0.20	1.00	1.20	39,322	204,156	243,478	V
39	44	234	I	TAO	EPA-CPRG-M4 Locomo	EPA-CPRG-Bat Elec Locomotivie	0.20	1.00	1.20	39,322	204,156	243,478	V
40	44	251	I	TAO	EPA-CHDV-CARE4KIDS	EPA-CHDV-CARE4KIDS	0.00	0.50	0.50	-	101,449	101,449	V
41	44	252	I	TAO	EPA-CHDV-ELECTRIC	EPA-CHDV-ELECTRIC	0.00	1.00	1.00	-	202,898	202,898	V
40	44	261	I	TAO	FARMER YEAR 3	Fund Ag Replacement Year 3	1.00	-1.00	0.00	196,611	(196,611)	-	XVII
41	44	262	I	TAO	FARMER YEAR 4	Fund Ag Replacement Year 4	0.50	0.00	0.50	98,305	3,144	101,449	XVII
42	44	263	I	TAO	FARMER YEAR 5	FARMER YEAR 5	0.00	1.00	1.00	-	202,898	202,898	XVII
43	44	272	I	TAO	FY19 TAG Volvo	FY 19 TAG Volvo Switch-On	0.15	-0.05	0.10	29,492	(9,202)	20,290	XVII
44	03	455	I	EO	Mobile Sources	Dev/Impl Mobile Source Strategies	0.05	-0.05	0.00	15,437	(15,437)	-	IX

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Advance Clean Air Technology (Cont.)
Work Program by Category

#	Program Code		Goal	Office	Program	Activities	FTEs FY 2025-26	+/-	FTEs FY 2026-27	Expenditures FY 2025-26	+/-	Expenditures FY 2026-27	Revenue Categories
45	04	457	III	FIN	Mobile Source/Moyer Adm	Carl Moyer: Contract/Fin Admin	1.02	0.00	1.02	$ 162,394	$ 5,157	$ 167,551	IX
46	08	457	I	LEG	Mob Src/C Moyer/Leg Advice	Moyer/Implem/Program Dev	0.10	0.00	0.10	24,907	(162)	24,744	IX
47	16	457	I	AHR	MS/Carl Moyer Admin	C Moyer/Contractor Compliance	0.05	0.00	0.05	10,020	47	10,067	IX
48	44	457	I	TAO	Mob Src/C Moyer Adm/Outreach	Carl Moyer: Impl/Admin Grant	10.70	-0.15	10.55	2,513,734	36,842	2,550,576	IX
49	44	459	I	TAO	Mob Src/C Moyer/Impl/Prg Dev	Moyer/Implem/Program Dev	4.00	2.00	6.00	786,443	430,947	1,217,389	IX
50	44	460	I	TAO	VIP Admin	VIP Admin/Outreach/Impl	0.50	0.00	0.50	98,305	3,144	101,449	IX
51	44	489	I	TAO	One Stop Shop Proj	One Stop Shop Pilot Proj	0.10	0.00	0.10	19,661	629	20,290	XVII
52	04	542	I	FIN	Prop 1B:Goods Movement	Contracts/Finance Admin	0.50	0.00	0.50	79,605	2,528	82,133	IX
53	16	542	I	AHR	Prop 1B:Goods Movement	Prop 1B: Goods Movement	0.05	0.00	0.05	10,020	47	10,067	IX
54	04	544	I	FIN	Prop 1B:Low Emiss Sch Bus	Grants/Finance Admin	0.05	0.00	0.05	7,961	253	8,213	IX
55	44	677	I	TAO	School Bus/Lower Emission Prog	School Bus Program Oversight	2.00	-0.50	1.50	393,221	(88,874)	304,347	IX
56	44	731	I	TAO	TAG FY21 L&G	TAG FY21 EPA L&G	0.50	-0.10	0.40	98,305	(17,146)	81,159	V
57	44	732	I	TAO	TAG FY21 BE Loco	TAG FY21 EPA BE Locomotive	0.50	-0.30	0.20	98,305	(57,726)	40,580	V
58	44	733	I	TAO	TAG FY21 Bus-HFCTrk	TAG FY21 EPA Sch Bus-HFC Truck	0.30	-0.20	0.10	58,983	(38,693)	20,290	V
59	44	734	I	TAO	Air Shed Volvo	Targeted Air Shed Volvo Admin	0.25	-0.15	0.10	49,153	(28,863)	20,290	V
60	44	737	I	TAO	Air Shed Daimler	Targeted Air Shed Daimlr Admin	0.15	-0.15	0.00	29,492	(29,492)	-	V
61	44	740	I	TAO	Tech Adv/Commercialization	Assess CFs/Adv Tech Potential	0.25	-0.15	0.10	49,153	(28,863)	20,290	VIII
62	44	741	I	TAO	Tech Adv/Non-Combustion	Dev/Demo Non-Combustion Tech	0.20	-0.10	0.10	39,322	(19,032)	20,290	VIII
63	44	742	I	TAO	TAG FY22 Tugboat	TAG FY22 Tugboat	0.00	0.20	0.20	-	40,580	40,580	V
64	44	743	I	TAO	TAG FY22 ZEBRA	TAG FY22 ZEBRA	0.00	0.20	0.20	-	40,580	40,580	V
65	44	744	I	TAO	TAG FY22 HFC Trucks	TAG FY22 HFC Trucks	0.00	0.20	0.20	-	40,580	40,580	V
66	44	747	I	TAO	DOE Wabtec	DOE Wabtec	0.25	0.00	0.25	49,153	1,572	50,725	V
67	44	749	I	TAO	CALSTA Prologis	CALSTA Prologis	0.40	0.00	0.40	78,644	2,515	81,159	XVII
68	44	750	I	TAO	CALSTA Wabtec	CALSTA Wabtec	0.40	0.00	0.40	78,644	2,515	81,159	XVII
69	44	816	I	TAO	Transportation Research	Transport Research/Adv Systems	0.10	0.00	0.10	19,661	629	20,290	VIII
70	44	827	I	TAO	VW-General Admin	VW-General Admin	2.50	-0.50	2.00	491,527	(85,730)	405,796	XVII
71	44	840	I	TAO	VW-ZE Trucks-South Coast	VW-ZE Trucks-South Coast	1.00	0.00	1.00	196,611	6,288	202,898	XVII
72	44	841	I	TAO	VW-Combustion-South Coast	VW-Combustion-South Coast	1.00	0.50	1.50	196,611	107,737	304,347	XVII
73	44	856	I	TAO	ZANZEFF Volvo	ZANZEFF Volvo	0.20	-0.15	0.05	39,322	(29,177)	10,145	XVII
						Total Advance Clean Air Technology	77.91	0.10	78.01	$ 16,541,201	$ 721,608	$ 17,262,809	

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Customer Service and Business Assistance
Work Program by Category

#	Program Code		Goal	Office	Program	Activities	FTEs FY 2025-26	+/-	FTEs FY 2026-27	Expenditures FY 2025-26	+/-	Expenditures FY 2026-27	Revenue Categories
1	04	002	III	FIN	AB2766/Mobile Source	Prog Admin: Monitor/Dist/Audit	0.10	0.00	0.10	$ 25,921	$ 506	$ 26,427	IX
2	50	038	I	EP	Admin/Office Management	Dev/Coord Goals/Policies/Overs	3.50	0.00	3.50	690,608	30,898	721,505	Ib
3	60	038	III	CE	Admin/Office Budget	Dev/Coord Goals/Policies/Overs	7.00	-1.00	6.00	1,224,152	(126,296)	1,097,856	Ib
4	35	046	III	LPA	Admin/Prog Mgmt	Admin Office/Units/SuppCoord Staff	8.00	-1.00	7.00	1,548,184	(47,890)	1,500,294	Ib
5	50	047	I	EP	Admin/Operations Support	Budget/Contracts/Reports/Projects	3.50	0.00	3.50	693,108	17,148	710,255	Ib
6	60	047	I	CE	Admin/Operations Support	Budget/Contracts/Reports/Projects	10.00	0.00	10.00	1,752,289	59,054	1,811,344	Ib
7	04	170	I	FIN	Billing Services	Answer/Resp/Resolv Prob & Inq	8.00	0.00	8.00	1,292,180	40,447	1,332,627	II,III,IV
8	50	200	I	EP	Economic Dev/Bus Retention	Perm Proc/Public Participation	0.10	0.00	0.10	19,732	490	20,222	III
9	35	205	II	LPA	Environmental Education	Curriculum Dev/Project Coord	0.50	0.00	0.50	96,761	1,480	98,241	II,IX,XV
10	35	240	I	LPA	Environmental Justice	Impl Board's EJ Pgrms/Policies	3.50	0.00	3.50	677,330	10,359	687,690	II,IV
11	04	260	III	FIN	Fee Review	Cmte Mtg/Fee-Related Complaint	0.10	0.00	0.10	15,921	506	16,427	II,III,IV,XV
12	35	260	III	LPA	Fee Review	Cmte Mtg/Fee-Related Complaint	0.50	0.00	0.50	96,761	1,480	98,241	II,III,IV,XV
13	50	260	III	EP	Fee Review	Fee Review Committee	0.45	0.00	0.45	88,792	2,205	90,997	II,III,IV
14	04	355	III	FIN	Grants Management	Grant Anlyz/Eval/Negot/Acc/Rpt	1.00	0.00	1.00	159,210	5,056	164,266	IV,V
15	35	381	III	LPA	Interagency Liaison	Interact Gov Agns/Promote SCAQMD	0.30	0.00	0.30	58,057	888	58,945	Ia,XV
16	35	390	I	LPA	Intergov/Geographic Deployment	Dev/Impl Local Govt Outreach	8.00	0.00	8.00	1,586,184	23,678	1,609,862	II,IX
17	50	425	I	EP	Lobby Permit Services	Supp Perm Proc/Customer Svc	1.00	0.00	1.00	197,316	4,899	202,216	III
18	27	481	III	IM	New System Development	Dev sys in supp of Dist-wide	3.25	0.00	3.25	951,782	23,367	975,148	Ia,III
19	03	490	II	EO	Outreach	Publ Awareness Clean Air Prog	0.05	0.00	0.05	15,437	(912)	14,525	Ia
20	35	491	II	LPA	Outreach/Business	Chambers/Business Meetings	2.06	0.00	2.06	398,657	6,097	404,755	II,IV
21	35	492	II	LPA	Public Education/Public Events	Pub Events/Conf/Rideshare Fair	3.20	0.00	3.20	986,279	9,471	995,750	II,V,IX,XV
22	60	492	II	CE	Outreach/Business	Pub Events/Conf/Rideshare Fair	0.05	0.00	0.05	8,744	290	9,034	IX
23	35	496	II	LPA	Outreach/Visiting Dignitary	Tours/Briefings-Dignitary	0.25	0.00	0.25	48,381	740	49,121	Ia
24	35	514	I	LPA	Permit: Expired Permit Program	Assist w Permit Reinstatement	0.30	0.00	0.30	58,057	888	58,945	IV
25	50	520	I	EP	Perm Proc/Pre-Appl Mtg Outreac	Pre-App Mtgs/Genl Prescreening	1.00	0.00	1.00	197,316	4,899	202,216	III
26	16	540	III	AHR	Print Shop	Printing/Collating/Binding	3.50	-0.50	3.00	701,409	(97,408)	604,002	Ia
27	35	555	II	LPA	Public Information Center	Inform public of unhealthy air	1.00	0.00	1.00	283,523	2,960	286,483	II,V,IX
28	03	565	III	EO	Public Records Act	Comply w/ Public Req for Info	0.01	-0.01	0.00	3,087	(3,087)	-	Ia
29	04	565	I	FIN	Public Records Act	Comply w/ Public Rec Requests	0.02	0.00	0.02	3,184	101	3,285	Ia
30	08	565	III	LEG	Public Records Act	Comply w/ Public Rec Requests	1.30	0.00	1.30	323,787	(2,112)	321,675	Ia
31	16	565	III	AHR	Public Records Act	Comply w/ Public Rec Requests	0.30	0.00	0.30	60,121	279	60,400	Ia
32	17	565	III	CB	Public Records Act	Comply w/ Public Rec Requests	0.02	0.00	0.02	4,782	124	4,906	Ia
33	26	565	III	PRDI	Public Records Act	Comply w/ Public Rec Requests	0.02	0.00	0.02	4,090	124	4,213	Ia
34	27	565	III	IM	Public Records Act	Comply w/ Public Req for Info	4.75	0.00	4.75	1,087,643	34,151	1,121,794	Ia
35	35	565	III	LPA	Public Records Act	Comply w/ Public Req for Info	0.10	0.00	0.10	19,352	296	19,648	Ia
36	44	565	III	TAO	Public Records Act	Comply w/ Public Req for Info	0.20	0.00	0.20	39,322	1,258	40,580	Ia
37	46	565	III	MA	Public Records Act	Comply w/ Public Req for Info	0.50	0.00	0.50	98,813	2,463	101,276	Ia
38	50	565	III	EP	Public Records Act	Comply w/ Public Req for Info	0.25	0.00	0.25	49,329	1,225	50,554	Ia
39	60	565	III	CE	Public Records Act	Comply w/ Public Req for Info	0.60	0.00	0.60	104,927	3,483	108,411	Ia

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Customer Service and Business Assistance (Cont.)
Work Program by Category

#	Program Code		Goal	Office	Program	Activities	FTEs FY 2025-26	+/-	FTEs FY 2026-27	Expenditures FY 2025-26	+/-	Expenditures FY 2026-27	Revenue Categories
40	04	631	III	FIN	Cash Mgmt/Refunds	Research/Doc/Prep/Proc Refunds	0.30	0.00	0.30	$ 47,763	$ 1,517	$ 49,280	III,IV,XI
41	35	679	III	LPA	Small Business Assistance	Small Business/Financial Assistance	1.00	0.00	1.00	193,523	2,960	196,483	III
42	08	681	III	LEG	Small Business/Legal Advice	Legal Advice: SB/Fee Review	0.05	0.00	0.05	12,453	(81)	12,372	II,III
43	50	690	I	EP	Source Education	Prov Tech Asst To Industries	2.80	0.00	2.80	552,486	13,718	566,204	III,IV,V,XV
44	60	690	I	CE	Source Education	Prov Tech Asst To Industries	1.00	0.00	1.00	174,879	5,805	180,684	IV,V,XV
45	46	701	I	MA	Source Testing/Customer Svc	Conduct ST/Prov Data/Cust Svc	0.05	0.00	0.05	9,881	24,246	34,128	VI
46	35	710	I	LPA	Speakers Bureau	Coordinate/conduct speeches	0.10	0.00	0.10	19,352	296	19,648	Ia
47	26	719	I	PRDI	Other EtO Investigation	Other EtO Investigation	0.02	-0.02	0.00	4,090	(4,090)	-	XVII
48	16	720	I	AHR	Subscription Services	Rule & Gov Board Materials	1.50	0.00	1.50	300,604	1,397	302,001	IV
49	26	788	I	PRDI	AB2588 Mailing/Venue	AB2588 Mailing/Venue	0.10	0.00	0.10	37,448	619	38,067	XVII
50	35	791	I	LPA	Toxics/AB2588	Outreach/AB 2588 Air Toxics	0.20	0.00	0.20	38,705	592	39,297	X
51	35	805	III	LPA	Training	Training	0.25	0.00	0.25	48,381	740	49,121	Ib
52	26	833	II	PRDI	Rule 2202 ETC Training	Rule 2202 ETC Training	2.15	-0.15	2.00	439,639	(18,300)	421,339	XI
53	60	854	II	CE	WHAM Program		0.00	0.10	0.10	-	18,068	18,068	XVII
54	35	854	II	LPA	WHAM Program	WHAM Program	0.20	0.00	0.20	38,705	592	39,297	XVII
						Total Customer Service and Business Assistance	88.00	(2.58)	85.42	$ 17,588,439	$ 61,683	$ 17,650,122	

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Develop Programs
Work Program by Category

#	Program Code	Goal	Office	Program	Activities	FTEs FY 2025-26	+/-	FTEs FY 2026-27	Expenditures FY 2025-26	+/-	Expenditures FY 2026-27	Revenue Categories
1	26 002	I	PRDI	AB2766/Mobile Source	AB2766 Mobile Source Outreach	2.90	0.10	3.00	$ 598,002	$ 34,007	$ 632,009	IX
2	44 009	I	TAO	AB 1318 Mitigation	AB 1318 Projects Admn/Impl	0.05	0.00	0.05	9,831	314	10,145	XVII
3	03 010	I	EO	AQMP	Develop/Implement AQMP	0.05	-0.03	0.02	15,437	(9,627)	5,810	II,IX
4	08 010	I	LEG	AQMP	AQMP Revision/CEQA Review	0.50	0.00	0.50	124,533	(812)	123,721	IV,IX
5	26 010	I	PRDI	AQMP	AQMP Special Studies	3.00	0.00	3.00	625,450	18,558	644,009	IV,IX,XV
6	26 019	I	PRDI	AB617-Prog Develop	AB617-Program Development	0.40	0.10	0.50	81,793	23,541	105,335	IX
7	03 019	I	EO	AB617-Prog Develop	AB617-Program Development	0.07	-0.02	0.05	21,611	(7,086)	14,525	IX
8	50 019	I	EP	AB617-Prog Develop	AB617-Program Development	1.20	0.00	1.20	236,780	5,879	242,659	IX
9	70 019	I	CEAP	AB617-Prog Develop	AB617-Program Development	20.00	0.00	20.00	4,282,468	(41,335)	4,241,133	IX
10	03 028	I	EO	Admin/SCAQMD Policy	Dev/Coord Goals/Policies/Overs	0.15	0.05	0.20	166,310	11,790	178,099	Ia
11	26 038	I	PRDI	Admin/Office Management	Coordinate Off/Admin Activities	0.57	0.00	0.57	341,039	(183,787)	157,252	Ib
12	26 068	II	PRDI	SCAQMD Projects	Prepare Environmental Assessments	4.75	0.00	4.75	1,146,296	29,384	1,175,680	II,IV,IX
13	44 069	I	TAO	AQIP Evaluation	AQIP Contract Admin/Evaluation	0.10	0.00	0.10	19,661	629	20,290	IX
14	26 102	II	PRDI	CEQA Document Projects	Review/Prepare CEQA Comments	4.65	0.00	4.65	950,848	33,766	984,613	II,IX
15	26 104	I	PRDI	CEQA Policy Development	ID/Develop/Impl CEQA Policy	0.50	-0.05	0.45	127,242	(7,440)	119,801	IV,IX
16	26 106	II	PRDI	CEQA Resp Agy Proj	Review CEQA Docs/Perm Proj	0.50	0.00	0.50	102,242	3,093	105,335	IV,IX
17	44 107	I	TAO	CARB PilotPrj JETSI	CARB Pilot Project (JETSI)	1.05	-0.55	0.50	206,441	(104,992)	101,449	XVII
18	44 108	I	TAO	CEC PilotPrj JETSI	CEC Pilot Project (JETSI)	0.55	-0.05	0.50	108,136	(6,687)	101,449	XVII
19	26 121	I	PRDI	China Cln Shipping	China Partnership Cleaner Shpng	1.00	0.00	1.00	296,183	6,186	302,370	IX
20	26 217	I	PRDI	AER Hotline/Support	AER Hotline/Support	2.30	0.00	2.30	470,312	14,228	484,540	II,V,IX,XV
21	26 218	I	PRDI	AQMP/Emissions Inventory	Dev Emiss Inv: Forecasts/RFPs	1.25	0.00	1.25	255,604	7,733	263,337	II,IX
22	26 368	I	PRDI	Incentive RFP Emis Red Projs	Incentive Projects Admin	0.00	0.95	0.95	-	200,136	200,136	XVII
23	44 368	I	TAO	Incentive RFP Emis Red Projs	Incentive Projects Admin	0.15	-0.10	0.05	29,492	(19,347)	10,145	XVII
24	60 368	I	CE	Incentive RFP Emis Red Projs	Incentive Projects Admin	0.05	0.00	0.05	8,744	290	9,034	XVII
25	44 396	I	TAO	Lawnmower Exchange	Lawn Mower Admin/Impl/Outreach	0.25	0.25	0.50	49,153	52,296	101,449	XVII
26	26 397	II	PRDI	Lead Agency Projects	Prep Envrnmt Assmts/Perm Proj	1.15	0.00	1.15	235,156	7,114	242,270	III
27	26 451	I	PRDI	Mob Src/CARB/EPA Monitoring	CARB/US EPA Mob Src Fuel Policies	1.13	-0.88	0.25	231,066	(178,399)	52,667	IX
28	26 452	I	PRDI	Mob Src/CEC/US DOE Monitoring	CEC/US DOE Mob Src rulemaking proposals	0.70	-0.15	0.55	143,138	(27,270)	115,868	IX,XVII
29	44 458	I	TAO	Mobile Source Strategies	Implement Fleet Rules	0.45	0.00	0.45	88,475	2,829	91,304	VIII
30	26 503	I	PRDI	PM Strategies	PM10 Plan/Analyze/Strategy Dev	4.60	-2.05	2.55	940,624	(403,416)	537,207	II,V,XV
31	60 503	I	CE	PM Strategies	PM10 Plan/Analyz/Strategy Dev	0.05	-0.05	0.00	8,744	(8,744)	-	XV
32	44 542	I	TAO	Prop 1B:Goods Movement	Prop 1B:Goods Movement	2.70	0.50	3.20	605,849	118,426	724,274	IX
33	35 560	I	LPA	Public Notification	Public notif of rules/hearings	0.50	0.00	0.50	166,761	1,480	168,241	II,IV,IX
34	26 685	I	PRDI	Socio-Economic	Apply econ models/Socio-econ	4.15	0.00	4.15	998,606	25,672	1,024,279	II,IV
35	46 702	I	MA	ST Methods Development	Eval ST Methods/Validate	0.95	0.00	0.95	187,745	4,679	192,425	II
36	46 705	I	MA	ST Sample Analysis/Air Program	Analyze ST Samples/Air Prgms	0.25	0.00	0.25	49,407	1,231	50,638	II
37	26 745	I	PRDI	Rideshare	Dist Rideshare/Telecommute Prog	0.55	0.05	0.60	112,466	13,936	126,402	IX
38	26 816	I	PRDI	Transportation Regional Progs	Dev AQMP Meas/Coord w/Reg Agn	0.10	0.00	0.10	20,448	619	21,067	IX
39	26 834	I	PRDI	Rule 2202 Implement	Rule 2202 Proc/Sub Plans/Tech Eval	2.30	-0.50	1.80	470,312	(91,107)	379,205	XI
40	26 836	I	PRDI	Rule 2202 Support	R2202 Supt/CmptrMaint/WebSubmt	2.00	-0.30	1.70	438,967	(50,829)	388,138	V,XI
					Total Develop Programs	67.57	(2.73)	64.84	$ 14,971,370	$ (523,061)	$ 14,448,309	

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Develop Rules
Work Program by Category

#	Program Code		Goal	Office	Program	Activities	FTEs FY 2025-26	+/-	FTEs FY 2026-27	Expenditures FY 2025-26	+/-	Expenditures FY 2026-27	Revenue Categories
1	46	043	I	MA	Admin/Office Mgmt/Rules	Rules: Assign/Manage/Supp	0.10	0.00	0.10	$ 19,763	$ 493	$ 20,255	Ib
2	26	050	I	PRDI	Admin/Rule Dev/PRA	Admin: Rule Development	3.00	0.00	3.00	613,450	18,558	632,009	Ib
3	26	074	I	PRDI	AB 197	AB 197	1.75	0.00	1.75	357,846	10,826	368,672	XVIII
4	26	077	I	PRDI	Area Sources/Rulemaking	Dev/Eval/Impl Area Source Prog	1.70	0.60	2.30	347,622	136,918	484,540	II,IX
5	60	077	I	CE	Area Sources/Rulemaking	Dev/Amend/Area S Rules/Credits	0.05	-0.05	0.00	8,744	(8,744)	-	II,IX
6	26	165	I	PRDI	Conformity	Monitor Transp. Conformity	1.00	-0.50	0.50	204,483	(99,149)	105,335	V,IX
7	26	257	I	PRDI	Fac Based Mob Src	Facility Based Mobile Src Meas	4.98	1.02	6.00	1,148,327	245,690	1,394,017	IX
8	26	362	II	PRDI	Health Effects	Study Health Effect/Toxicology	0.01	0.00	0.01	2,045	62	2,107	II,III,IX
9	26	385	I	PRDI	Criteria Pollutants/Mob Srcs	Dev/Impl Intercredit Trading	0.20	0.13	0.33	40,897	28,624	69,521	IV,IX
10	26	449	I	PRDI	Mob Src/SCAQMD Rulemaking	Prepare SCAQMD Mob Src rulemaking proposals	3.93	-2.68	1.25	803,620	(540,283)	263,337	IX
11	44	456	I	TAO	MS & AQMP Control Strategies	AQMP Control Strategies	0.30	-0.25	0.05	58,983	(48,838)	10,145	VIII
12	26	460	I	PRDI	Regional Modeling	Rule Impact/Analyses/Model Dev	5.16	0.84	6.00	1,230,134	208,883	1,439,017	II,V,IX
13	26	642	I	PRDI	Rule 317.1 Implementation	Rule 317.1 Implementation	4.30	0.00	4.30	879,279	26,600	905,879	II
14	26	646	I	PRDI	R1180 Community Mon	R1180 Comm Monitoring Refinery	0.20	0.00	0.20	40,897	1,237	42,134	XVII
15	26	648	I	PRDI	R1405 Implmnt	R1405 Implementation (EtO)	0.25	0.25	0.50	51,121	54,214	105,335	XVII
16	03	650	I	EO	Rules	Develop & Implement Rules	0.02	0.03	0.05	6,175	8,350	14,525	IV,IX
17	50	650	I	EP	Rulemaking	Dev/Amend/Impl Rules	0.25	0.00	0.25	49,329	1,225	50,554	II,XV
18	08	651	I	LEG	Rules/Legal Advice	Legal Advice: Rules/Draft Regs	1.20	0.00	1.20	298,880	(1,950)	296,930	II
19	50	653	I	EP	Rulemaking/BACT	Dev/Amend BACT Guidelines	1.80	0.00	1.80	355,170	8,819	363,988	II
20	26	654	I	PRDI	Rulemaking/NOX	Rulemaking/NOx	8.50	-3.95	4.55	1,738,109	(779,562)	958,546	II,IV
21	26	655	I	PRDI	NSR/Adm Rulemaking	Amend/Develop NSR & Admin Rules	0.30	1.20	1.50	61,345	254,659	316,004	II,IV
22	26	656	I	PRDI	Rulemaking/VOC	Dev/Amend VOC Rules	7.60	1.80	9.40	1,554,074	426,220	1,980,293	II,IV,XV
23	44	657	I	TAO	Rulemaking/Support PRDI	Assist PRDI w/ Rulemaking	0.30	0.00	0.30	58,983	1,886	60,869	II
24	46	657	I	MA	Rulemaking/Support PRDI	Assist PRDI w/ Rulemaking	0.80	0.00	0.80	158,101	3,940	162,042	II
25	50	657	I	EP	Rulemaking/Support PRDI	Provide Rule Development Supp	0.25	0.00	0.25	49,329	1,225	50,554	II
26	60	657	I	CE	Rulemaking/Support PRDI	Provide Rule Development Supp	0.75	0.00	0.75	131,159	4,354	135,513	IV
27	26	659	I	PRDI	Rulemaking/Toxics	Develop/Amend Air Toxic Rules	9.25	1.60	10.85	1,891,471	394,293	2,285,764	II
28	08	661	I	LEG	Rulemaking/RECLAIM	RECLAIM Legal Adv/Related Iss	0.50	0.00	0.50	124,533	(812)	123,721	II
29	26	661	I	PRDI	Rulemaking/RECLAIM	RECLAIM Amend Rules/Related Is	0.30	-0.30	0.00	61,345	(61,345)	-	II
30	44	706	I	MA	ST Sample Analysis/Air Program	Analyze ST Samples/Rules	0.25	0.00	0.25	49,407	1,231	50,638	II
31	44	708	I	MA	VOC Sample Analysis/Rules	VOC Analysis & Rptg/Rules	0.25	0.00	0.25	49,407	1,231	50,638	II,XV
32	50	752	I	EP	Title III Rulemaking	Title III Dev/Implement Rules	0.25	0.00	0.25	49,329	1,225	50,554	II
33	50	773	I	EP	Title V & NSR Rulemaking-Supp	Title V Rules Dev/Amend/Impl	0.25	0.00	0.25	49,329	1,225	50,554	II
						Total Develop Rules	59.75	(0.26)	59.49	$ 12,542,685	$ 301,306	$ 12,843,991	

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Ensure Compliance
Work Program by Category

#	Program Code		Goal	Office	Program	Activities	FTEs FY 2025-26	+/-	FTEs FY 2026-27	Expenditures FY 2025-26	+/-	Expenditures FY 2026-27	Revenue Categories
1	46	015	I	MA	Acid Rain Program	Acid Rain CEMS Eval/Cert	0.20	0.00	0.20	$ 39,525	$ 985	$ 40,510	II,IV
2	60	019	I	CE	AB617-Prog Develop	AB617-Program Development	3.00	0.00	3.00	524,637	17,416	542,053	IX
3	46	042	I	MA	Admin/Office Mgmt/Compliance	Compliance: Assign/Manage/Supp	0.10	0.00	0.10	19,763	493	20,255	Ib
4	60	070	I	CE	CARB PERP Program	CARB Audits/Statewide Equip Reg	4.00	0.00	4.00	699,516	23,222	722,737	XIX
5	60	071	I	CE	Arch Ctgs - Admin	Report Review	0.20	0.00	0.20	34,976	1,161	36,137	XVIII
6	08	072	I	LEG	Arch Ctgs - End User	Case Dispo/Rvw, Track, Prep NOVs	0.50	0.00	0.50	124,533	(812)	123,721	XVIII
7	46	072	I	MA	Arch Ctgs - End User	Sample Analysis/Rpts	2.00	0.00	2.00	395,254	9,851	405,104	XVIII
8	60	072	I	CE	Arch Ctgs - End User	Compliance/Rpts/RuleImpmenta	0.10	0.10	0.20	17,488	18,649	36,137	XVIII
9	08	073	I	LEG	Arch Ctgs - Other	Case Dispo/Rvw, Track, Prep NOVs	0.50	0.00	0.50	124,533	(812)	123,721	XVIII
10	60	073	I	CE	Arch Ctgs - Other	Compliance/Rpts/Rule Implementation	0.10	0.00	0.10	17,488	581	18,068	XVIII
11	60	076	I	CE	Area Sources/Compliance	Area Source Compliance	5.00	0.00	5.00	874,395	29,027	903,422	IV,IX,XV
12	16	080	III	AHR	Auto Services	Vehicle/Radio Repair & Maint	3.50	0.00	3.50	701,409	3,259	704,669	Ia
13	60	093	I	CE	CARB Oil & Gas Reg.	GHG EM Stds Oil/NG Facilities	3.00	0.00	3.00	524,637	17,416	542,053	XVII
14	46	105	I	MA	CEMS Certification	CEMS Review/Approval	5.00	0.00	5.00	988,134	24,627	1,012,761	III,VI
15	35	111	II	LPA	Call Center/CUT SMOG	Smoking Vehicle Complaints	8.00	0.00	8.00	1,548,184	23,678	1,571,862	IX,XV
16	08	115	I	LEG	Case Disposition	Trial/Dispo-Civil Case/Injunct	4.00	0.00	4.00	996,267	(6,498)	989,768	II,IV,V,VII,XV
17	60	119	I	CE	Chiquita Cyn 2023		0.00	2.65	2.65	-	478,814	478,814	XVII
18	60	152	III	CE	Compliance/IM Related Activiti	Assist IM: Design/Review/Test	2.00	0.00	2.00	349,758	11,611	361,369	IV
19	08	154	I	LEG	Compliance/NOV Administration	Review/Track/Prep NOVs/MSAs	0.75	0.00	0.75	186,800	(1,218)	185,582	IV
20	60	155	I	CE	Compliance Guidelines	Procedures/Memos/Manuals	0.20	0.00	0.20	34,976	1,161	36,137	IV
21	50	156	I	EP	Perm Proc/Info to Compliance	Prov Permit Info to Compliance	3.00	0.00	3.00	591,949	14,698	606,647	III,IV
22	60	157	I	CE	Compliance/Special Projects	Prog Audits/Data Req/Brd Supp	1.00	0.00	1.00	174,879	5,805	180,684	II
23	60	158	I	CE	Compliance Testing	R461/Combustion Equip Testing	1.00	0.00	1.00	174,879	5,805	180,684	IV
24	46	175	I	MA	DB/Computerization	Develop Systems/Database	0.44	0.00	0.44	86,956	2,167	89,123	II,IV,VI
25	08	185	I	LEG	Database Management	Support IM/Dev Tracking System	0.75	0.00	0.75	256,800	(1,218)	255,582	IV
26	26	215	I	PRDI	AER Gen/Rev/Am/Aud	AER General/Review/Amend/Audit	2.30	-1.00	1.30	777,312	(446,441)	330,870	II,V
27	26	216	I	PRDI	AER Admin/Maint	AER Administration/Maintenance	4.05	0.00	4.05	828,158	25,054	853,212	II
28	08	235	I	LEG	Enforcement Litigation	Maj Prosecutions/Civil Actions	1.75	0.00	1.75	435,867	(2,843)	433,024	IV
29	50	240	I	EP	Environmental Justice	R461/Combustion Equip Testing	0.50	0.00	0.50	98,658	2,450	101,108	II,IX
30	60	358	I	CE	GHG Rules-Compl	Greenhouse Gas Rule Compliance	0.35	0.00	0.35	61,208	2,032	63,240	IV
31	17	364	I	CB	Hearing Board/Abatement Orders	Attnd/Recrd/Monitr Mtgs	0.10	0.00	0.10	23,910	618	24,529	IV
32	17	365	I	CB	Hearing Board/Variances/Appeal	Attend/Record/Monitor HB Mtgs	3.20	0.00	3.20	850,331	19,784	870,116	IV,V,VII
33	50	365	I	EP	Hearing Bd/Variances	Variances/Orders of Abatement	0.75	0.00	0.75	147,987	3,675	151,662	VII
34	60	365	I	CE	Hearing Bd/Variances	Variances/Orders of Abatement	0.30	0.00	0.30	52,464	1,742	54,205	VII
35	08	366	I	LEG	Hearing Board/Legal	Hear/Disp-Varian/Appeal/Rev	2.75	0.00	2.75	684,933	(4,468)	680,466	IV
36	26	371	I	PRDI	Indir Src Rule Cmpl	Indir Source Rule Compliance	6.30	1.50	7.80	1,338,245	704,977	2,043,222	IV
37	60	371	I	CE	Indir Src Rule Cmpl	Indir Source Rule Compliance	2.00	2.00	4.00	349,758	372,980	722,737	IV
38	60	375	I	CE	Inspections	Compliance/Inspection/Follow-up	91.65	-0.65	91.00	16,051,653	481,124	16,532,777	II,V,XV
39	50	377	I	EP	Inspections/RECLAIM Audits	Audit/Compliance Assurance	6.00	0.00	6.00	1,183,899	29,396	1,213,295	II,IV
40	60	377	I	CE	Inspections/RECLAIM Audits	Audit/Compliance Assurance	10.00	-6.00	4.00	1,748,789	(1,026,052)	722,737	II,IV
41	08	380	I	LEG	Interagency Coordination	Coordinate with Other Agencies	0.20	0.00	0.20	49,813	(325)	49,488	II,V

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Ensure Compliance (Cont.)
Work Program by Category

#	Program Code		Goal	Office	Program	Activities	FTEs FY 2025-26	+/-	FTEs FY 2026-27	Expenditures FY 2025-26	+/-	Expenditures FY 2026-27	Revenue Categories
42	08	403	III	LEG	Legal Rep/Litigation	Prep/Hearing/Disposition	3.50	0.00	3.50	$ 1,751,733	$ (5,686)	$ 1,746,047	Ia,II
43	46	450	I	MA	Microscopic Analysis	Asbestos/PM/Metals Analysis	3.00	0.00	3.00	592,880	14,776	607,657	VI
44	08	465	I	LEG	Mutual Settlement	Mutual Settlement Program	1.50	0.00	1.50	373,600	(2,437)	371,163	IV
45	50	492	I	EP	Customer Service	Compliance/Inspection/Follow-up	0.50	0.00	0.50	98,658	2,450	101,108	II,V,IX,XV
46	46	500	I	MA	PM2.5 Program	Est/Operate/Maint PM2.5 Network	10.30	0.00	10.30	2,035,556	50,732	2,086,288	II,V,IX
47	60	539	I	CE	Procedure 5 Review	Evaluate Proc 5 Asbestos Plans	3.00	0.00	3.00	524,637	17,416	542,053	XVII
48	60	550	II	CE	Public Complaints/Breakdowns	Compltresp/Invflwup/Resolutn	11.00	0.00	11.00	1,923,668	63,860	1,987,528	II,IV,V,XV
49	50	605	I	EP	RECLAIM/Admin Support	Admin/Policy/Guidelines	6.50	0.00	6.50	1,282,557	31,846	1,314,403	II,III,IV
50	60	605	I	CE	RECLAIM/Admin Support	Admin/Policy/Guidelines	0.05	0.00	0.05	8,744	290	9,034	II,III,IV
51	26	620	I	PRDI	Refinery Pilot Project	Refinery Pilot Project	0.40	0.00	0.40	131,793	2,474	134,268	II
52	60	645	I	CE	Rule 1610 Plan Verification	Old vehicle scrapping	0.05	0.00	0.05	8,744	290	9,034	IX
53	50	678	I	EP	School Siting	Identify Haz. Emission Sources near Schools	0.25	0.00	0.25	49,329	1,225	50,554	II
54	50	680	I	EP	Small Business Assistance	Asst sm bus w/ Permit Process	0.50	0.00	0.50	98,658	2,450	101,108	IV
55	46	700	I	MA	Source Testing/Compliance	Conduct ST/Prov Data/Compl	2.25	0.00	2.25	474,660	11,082	485,742	VI
56	46	704	I	MA	ST/Sample Analysis/Compliance	Analyze ST Samples/Compliance	5.00	0.00	5.00	988,134	24,627	1,012,761	VI
57	46	707	I	MA	VOC Sample Analysis/Compliance	VOC Analysis & Rptg/Compliance	6.50	0.00	6.50	1,446,574	(92,985)	1,353,589	IV,XV
58	46	716	I	MA	Special Monitoring	Rule 403 Compliance Monitoring	5.18	2.00	7.18	1,058,707	440,583	1,499,289	IV,IX,XV
59	60	721	I	CE	Sunshine Cyn Lndfll	Sunshine Cyn Lndfll	0.05	1.95	2.00	8,744	352,625	361,369	XVII
60	60	771	I	CE	Title V	Title V Compl/Inspect/Follow Up	7.00	1.00	8.00	1,224,152	221,322	1,445,475	II,IV
61	04	791	III	FIN	Toxics/AB2588	AB2588 Toxics HS Fee Collection	0.00	0.00	0.00	15,000	(3,000)	12,000	X
62	08	791	I	LEG	Toxics/AB2588	AB2588 Legal Advice: Plan & Impl	0.05	0.00	0.05	12,453	(81)	12,372	X
63	27	791	III	IM	Toxics/AB2588	AB2588 Database Software Supp	0.50	0.00	0.50	153,491	3,595	157,086	X
64	50	791	I	EP	Toxics/AB2588	AB2588 Rev Rprts/Risk Redplans	0.25	0.00	0.25	49,329	1,225	50,554	X
65	26	794	I	PRDI	Toxics/AB2588	AB2588/Toxics	12.40	1.00	13.40	2,535,594	287,378	2,822,971	X
66	46	794	I	MA	Toxics/AB2588	Eval Protocols/Methods/ST	2.00	2.00	4.00	395,254	390,049	785,302	X
67	46	795	I	MA	Toxics/Engineering	R1401 Toxics/HRA Prot/Rpt Eval	1.30	0.00	1.30	256,915	6,403	263,318	X
68	26	796	I	PRDI	AB2588/Support	AB2588/Support	0.50	2.00	2.50	102,242	418,163	520,405	X
69	08	805	III	LEG	Training	Continuing Education/Training	0.50	0.00	0.50	124,533	(812)	123,721	Ib
						Total Ensure Compliance	264.57	8.55	273.12	$ 51,897,060	$ 3,083,427	$ 54,980,487	

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Monitoring Air Quality
Work Program by Category

#	Program Code		Goal	Office	Program	Activities	FTEs FY 2025-26	+/-	FTEs FY 2026-27	Expenditures FY 2025-26	+/-	Expenditures FY 2026-27	Revenue Categories
1	46	019	I	MA	AB617-Prog Develop	AB617-Program Development	32.70	0.25	32.95	$ 6,462,397	$ 211,698	$ 6,674,095	IX
2	46	038	I	MA	Admin/Office Mgmt/Monitoring	Overall Program Mgmt/Coord	1.23	-1.00	0.23	243,081	(96,989)	146,092	Ib
3	46	046	I	MA	Admin/Program Management	STA Program Administration	1.75	0.00	1.75	357,847	8,619	366,466	Ib
4	26	061	I	PRDI	Air Quality Evaluation	Air Quality Evaluation	2.33	0.67	3.00	476,446	155,562	632,009	IX
5	46	063	I	MA	Ambient Air Analysis	Analyze Criteria/Tox/Pollutants	8.91	0.00	8.91	1,760,855	43,885	1,804,740	II,V,IX
6	46	064	I	MA	Ambient Network	Air Monitoring/Toxics Network	22.45	0.51	22.96	4,884,322	689,030	5,573,352	IV,V,IX
7	46	065	I	MA	Air Quality Data Management	AM Audit/Validation/Reporting	1.00	0.00	1.00	197,627	4,925	202,552	II,V,IX
8	46	067	I	MA	Ambient Lead Monitoring	Lead Monitoring/Analysis/Reporting	0.50	0.00	0.50	98,813	2,463	101,276	IV
9	46	073	I	MA	Arch Ctgs - Other	Sample Analysis/Rpts	2.00	0.00	2.00	395,254	9,851	405,104	XVIII
10	46	079	II	MA	AQ SPEC	AQ SPEC	6.69	0.50	7.19	1,322,123	134,227	1,456,350	XVII
11	44	082	I	TAO	Air Fltration Other	Air Filtration Other/Admn/Impl	0.20	0.10	0.30	39,322	21,547	60,869	XVII
12	46	091	I	MA	Aliso Cyn SEP MAD	Aliso Cyn SEP MAD	0.20	0.00	0.20	39,525	985	40,510	XVII
13	46	119	I	MA	Chiquita Cyn 2023	Chiquita Cyn 2023	0.25	0.00	0.25	49,407	1,231	50,638	XVII
14	46	151	I	MA	EPA-Com-Mobile Monitoring	EPA Com Scale Mobile Monitrng	0.25	-0.25	0.00	49,407	(49,407)	-	XVII
15	60	210	II	CE	Emergency Response	Emerg Tech Asst to Public Saf	0.30	0.00	0.30	52,464	1,742	54,205	IV,XV
16	26	437	I	PRDI	MATES VI	MATES VI	2.00	-0.34	1.66	413,967	(59,255)	354,711	II,IX
17	26	445	I	PRDI	Meteorology	ModelDev/Data Analysis/Forecast	2.33	-0.33	2.00	601,446	(55,107)	546,339	II,V,IX
18	46	468	I	MA	NATTS(Natl Air Tox Trends Sta)	NATTS (Natl Air Tox Trends)	2.00	0.00	2.00	395,254	9,851	405,104	II,V,IX
19	46	505	I	MA	PM Sampling Program (DHS)	PM Sampling Program - Addition	8.41	-8.41	0.00	1,662,041	(1,662,041)	-	V
20	46	507	I	MA	PM Sampling Spec	PM Sampling Special Events	0.10	-0.10	0.00	19,763	(19,763)	-	V
21	46	530	I	MA	Photochemical Assessment	Photochemical Assess & Monitor	3.00	0.00	3.00	592,880	14,776	607,657	V,IX
22	46	585	I	MA	Quality Assurance	Quality Assurance Branch	6.00	0.00	6.00	1,185,761	29,552	1,215,313	II,V,IX
23	46	646	I	MA	R1180 Community Mon	R1180 Comm Monitoring Refinery	18.50	0.00	18.50	3,656,096	91,120	3,747,216	XVII
24	46	649	II	MA	Rule 1180.1 Com Mon	Rule 1180.1 Com Mon Oth Ref	4.00	0.00	4.00	790,507	19,702	810,209	IV
25	46	663	I	MA	Salton Sea Monit	Mon/Analyze Hydrogen Sulfide	0.25	0.00	0.25	49,407	1,231	50,638	XVII
26	46	715	II	MA	Spec Monitoring/Emerg Response	Emergency Response	0.50	0.00	0.50	98,813	2,463	101,276	II
27	46	729	I	MA	STAR UCLA-EPA	STAR UCLA Reference Method Dev	0.50	0.00	0.50	98,813	2,463	101,276	V
28	46	730	I	MA	STAR Virg Tech-EPA	STAR Virg Tech Measurement HAPs	0.50	-0.50	0.00	98,813	(98,813)	-	V
						Total Monitoring Air Quality	128.85	(8.90)	119.95	$ 26,092,452	$ (584,452)	$ 25,508,000	

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1	08	019	I	LEG	AB617-Prog Develop	AB617-Program Development	1.20	0.00	1.20	$ 298,880	$ (1,950)	$ 296,930	IX
2	04	020	III	FIN	Admin/SCAQMD Budget	Analyze/Prepare/Impl/Track WP	4.71	0.00	4.71	749,879	23,813	773,692	Ia
3	04	021	III	FIN	Admin/SCAQMD Contracts	Contract Admin/Monitor/Process	3.20	0.00	3.20	509,472	16,179	525,651	Ia
4	04	023	III	FIN	Admin/SCAQMD Capital Assets	FA Rep/Reconcile/Inv/Acct	0.70	0.00	0.70	111,447	3,539	114,986	Ia
5	17	024	III	CB	Admin/SCAQMD/GB/HB Mgmt	Admin Governing/Hearing Brds	2.25	0.00	2.25	537,983	13,911	551,894	Ia,VII,XV
6	08	025	III	LEG	Admin/SCAQMD-Legal Research	Legal Research/Staff/Exec Mgmt	1.50	0.00	1.50	373,600	(2,437)	371,163	Ia
7	16	026	III	AHR	SCAQMD Mail	Posting/Mailing/Delivery	3.50	0.00	3.50	701,409	3,259	704,669	Ia
8	01	035	I	EO	AB617-Support	AB617-Support	0.00	0.05	0.05	-	14,525	14,525	IX
9	04	035	I	FIN	AB617-Support	AB617-Support	0.50	0.00	0.50	79,605	2,528	82,133	IX
10	16	035	I	AHR	AB617-Support	AB617-Support	1.25	-0.25	1.00	250,503	(49,169)	201,334	IX
11	27	035	I	IM	AB617-Support	AB617-Support	8.00	0.00	8.00	1,831,820	57,518	1,889,337	IX
12	03	038	III	EO	Admin/Office Management	Budget/Program Management	10.17	0.02	10.19	2,522,334	466,037	2,988,371	Ib
13	04	038	III	FIN	Admin/Office Management	Fin Mgmt/Oversee Activities	4.00	0.00	4.00	636,840	30,553	667,393	Ib
14	08	038	III	LEG	Admin/Office Management	Attorney Timekeeping/Perf Eval	3.00	0.00	3.00	754,450	107,193	861,643	Ib
15	16	038	III	AHR	Admin/Office Management	Reports/Proj/Budget/Contracts	4.80	1.00	5.80	991,933	256,133	1,248,066	Ib
16	27	038	III	IM	Admin/Office Management	Overall Direction/Coord of IM	1.00	0.00	1.00	457,955	(211,458)	246,497	Ib
17	04	045	III	FIN	Admin/Office Budget	Office Budget/Prep/Impl/Track	0.05	0.00	0.05	7,961	253	8,213	Ib
18	16	060	III	AHR	Equal Employment Opportunity	Program Dev/Monitor/Reporting	0.50	0.00	0.50	100,201	466	100,667	Ia
19	04	071	I	FIN	Arch Ctgs - Admin	Cost Analysis/Payments	0.04	0.00	0.04	6,368	202	6,571	XVIII
20	08	071	I	LEG	Arch Ctgs - Admin	Rule Dev/TA/Reinterpretations	0.50	0.00	0.50	124,533	(812)	123,721	XVIII
21	27	071	I	IM	Arch Ctgs - Admin	Database Dev/Maintenance	0.25	0.00	0.25	57,244	1,797	59,042	XVIII
22	04	085	III	FIN	Building Corporation	Building Corp Acct/Fin Reports	0.02	0.00	0.02	3,184	101	3,285	Ia
23	16	090	III	AHR	Building Maintenance	Repairs & Preventative Maint	7.50	0.00	7.50	1,503,020	6,984	1,510,004	Ia
24	16	092	III	AHR	Business Services	Building Services Admin/Contracts	2.80	0.00	2.80	561,127	52,607	613,735	Ia
25	04	096	I	FIN	CAPP Year 2-SB 856	CAPP Year 2-SB 856	2.00	0.00	2.00	318,420	10,112	328,532	IX
26	08	102	II	LEG	CEQA Document Projects	CEQA Review	0.50	0.00	0.50	124,533	(812)	123,721	II,III,IX
27	27	160	III	IM	Computer Operations	Oper/Manage Host Computer Sys	6.25	0.00	6.25	2,410,109	44,936	2,455,045	Ia
28	27	173	III	IM	CyberSecurity	CyberSecurity	3.00	0.00	3.00	1,032,332	21,569	1,053,902	Ia
29	27	184	III	IM	Database Information Support	Ad Hoc Reports/Bulk Data Update	1.00	0.00	1.00	243,006	7,190	250,196	Ia
30	27	185	III	IM	Database Management	Dev/Maintain Central Database	2.25	0.00	2.25	515,199	16,177	531,376	Ia
31	27	215	I	IM	Annual Emission Reporting	System Enhancements for GHG	0.50	0.00	0.50	114,489	3,595	118,084	II,XVII
32	16	225	III	AHR	Employee Benefits	Benefits Analysis/Orient/Records	3.00	0.00	3.00	601,208	2,794	604,002	Ia
33	16	226	III	AHR	Classification & Pay	Class & Salary Studies	1.00	0.00	1.00	200,403	931	201,334	Ia
34	08	227	III	LEG	Employee/Employment Law	Legal Advice: Employment Law	0.50	0.00	0.50	124,533	(812)	123,721	Ia
35	16	228	III	AHR	Recruitment & Selection	Recruit Candidates for SCAQMD	3.50	0.00	3.50	749,409	3,259	752,669	Ia
36	16	232	III	AHR	Position Control	Track Positions/Workforce Analys	0.75	-0.25	0.50	150,302	(49,635)	100,667	Ia
37	04	233	III	FIN	Employee Relations	Assist HR/Interpret Salary Res	0.10	0.00	0.10	15,921	506	16,427	Ia
38	16	233	III	AHR	Employee Relations	Meet/Confer/Labor-Mgmt/Grievance	2.00	0.00	2.00	400,805	1,862	402,668	Ia
39	16	255	III	AHR	Facilities Services	Phones/Space/Keys/Audio-Visual	1.50	0.00	1.50	300,604	1,397	302,001	Ia
40	04	265	III	FIN	Financial Mgmt/Accounting	Record Accts Rec & Pay/Rpts	10.27	0.00	10.27	1,824,031	69,579	1,893,610	Ia
41	04	266	III	FIN	Financial Mgmt/Fin Analysis	Fin/SCAQMD Stat Analysis & Audit	0.80	0.00	0.80	127,368	24,045	151,413	Ia

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42	04	267	III	FIN	Financial Mgmt/Treasury Mgmt	Treas Mgt Anlyz/Trk/Proj/Invst	1.00	0.00	1.00	$ 247,460	$ 5,056	$ 252,516	Ia
43	02	275	II	GB	Governing Board	Rep of Dist Meet/Conf/Testimony	0.00	0.00	0.00	2,720,451	161,465	2,881,916	Ia
44	08	275	III	LEG	Governing Board	Legal Advice:Attend Board/Cmte Mtgs	2.75	0.00	2.75	684,933	(4,468)	680,466	Ia
45	17	275	III	CB	Governing Board	Attend/Record/Monitor Meetings	1.40	-1.00	0.40	334,745	(77,427)	257,318	Ia
46	35	350	III	LPA	Graphic Arts	Graphic Arts	3.00	0.00	3.00	580,569	8,879	589,448	Ia
47	27	370	III	IM	Information Technology Svcs	Enhance Oper Effic/Productivity	2.75	1.00	3.75	956,988	170,398	1,127,386	Ia
48	27	371	I	IM	Indir Src Rule Cmpl	Indir Src Rule Cmpl	1.50	0.00	1.50	343,466	10,785	354,251	IV
49	26	376	I	PRDI	Placer Chrome Incentives	Placer Chrome Incentives	0.00	0.50	0.50	-	105,335	105,335	XVII
50	08	401	III	LEG	Legal Advice/SCAQMD Programs	General Advice: Contracts	1.50	0.00	1.50	423,600	(2,437)	421,163	Ia
51	27	420	III	IM	Library	General Library Svcs/Archives	0.25	0.00	0.25	65,594	1,797	67,392	Ia
52	16	446	III	AHR	Mentorship Program	Mentorship Program	1.00	0.00	1.00	200,403	931	201,334	Ia
53	26	446	III	PRDI	Mentorship Program	Mentorship Program	0.01	0.00	0.01	2,045	62	2,107	Ia
54	04	447	I	FIN	Mobile Sources/Accounting	Record Acct Rec & Pay/Special Funds	0.65	0.00	0.65	103,487	3,286	106,773	IX
55	27	470	III	IM	Network Operations/Telecomm	Operate/Maintain/Implem SCAQMD	8.25	0.00	8.25	2,752,912	(183,965)	2,568,947	Ia
56	27	480	III	IM	New System Development	Dev sys for special oper needs	3.00	0.00	3.00	1,802,604	(188,431)	1,614,174	II,IV
57	04	493	II	FIN	Outreach/SB/MB/DVBE	Outreach/Incr SB/DVBE Partic	0.05	0.00	0.05	7,961	253	8,213	Ia
58	04	510	III	FIN	Payroll	Ded/Ret Rpts/PR/St & Fed Rpts	4.10	0.00	4.10	700,261	20,729	720,990	Ia
59	04	570	III	FIN	Purchasing	Purch/Track Svcs & Supplies	2.50	0.00	2.50	398,025	12,640	410,665	Ia
60	04	571	III	FIN	Purchasing/Receiving	Receive/Record SCAQMD Purchases	1.20	0.00	1.20	191,052	6,067	197,119	Ia
61	04	572	III	FIN	Purchasing-Receiving/Stockroom	Track/Monitor SCAQMD Supplies	1.00	0.00	1.00	159,210	5,056	164,266	Ia
62	27	615	III	IM	Records Information Mgmt Plan	Plan/Impl/Dir/Records Mgmt plan	1.25	0.00	1.25	329,863	8,987	338,850	Ia
63	27	616	III	IM	Records Services	Records/Documents processing	3.75	0.00	3.75	1,003,665	26,961	1,030,627	Ia,III,IV
64	04	630	III	FIN	Cash Mgmt/Revenue Receiving	Receive/Post Pymts/Reconcile	6.25	0.00	6.25	995,063	31,599	1,026,662	II,III,IV,XI
65	16	640	III	AHR	Risk Management	Liabl/Property/Wk Comp/Selflns	3.50	0.00	3.50	881,451	3,259	884,711	Ia
66	27	735	III	IM	Systems Maintenance	Maintain Existing Software Prog	3.00	0.00	3.00	1,490,536	21,569	1,512,106	II,III,IV
67	27	736	III	IM	Systems Implementation/PeopleS	Fin/HR PeopleSoft Systems Impl	1.50	0.00	1.50	343,466	10,785	354,251	Ia
68	26	748	I	PRDI	CALTRANS CalEEMod	CALTRANS CalEEMod	0.00	0.05	0.05	-	10,533	10,533	XVII
69	26	797	I	PRDI	Go Zero Incentive	Go Zero Incentive	0.00	1.70	1.70	-	358,138	358,138	XVII
70	01	805	III	EO	Training	Training	0.00	0.01	0.01	-	2,905	2,905	Ib
71	04	805	III	FIN	Training	Continuing Education/Training	0.20	0.00	0.20	31,842	1,011	32,853	Ib
72	26	805	III	PRDI	Training	Training	0.60	0.00	0.60	122,690	3,712	126,402	Ib
73	50	805	III	EP	Training	Dist/Org Unit Training	3.10	0.00	3.10	611,681	15,188	626,869	Ib
74	60	805	III	CE	Training	Dist/Org Unit Training	4.00	0.00	4.00	699,516	23,222	722,737	Ib
75	04	825	III	FIN	Union Negotiations	Official Labor/Mgmt Negotiate	0.02	0.00	0.02	3,184	101	3,285	Ia
76	16	825	III	AHR	Union Negotiations	Official Labor/Mgmt Negotiate	2.00	0.00	2.00	400,805	1,862	402,668	Ia
77	26	825	III	PRDI	Union Negotiations	Official Labor/Mgmt Negotiate	0.20	0.00	0.20	40,897	1,237	42,134	Ia
78	35	825	III	LPA	Union Negotiations	Official Labor/Mgmt Negotiate	0.01	0.00	0.01	1,935	30	1,965	Ia
79	44	825	III	TAO	Union Negotiations	Labor/Mgmt Negotiations	0.02	0.00	0.02	3,932	126	4,058	Ia
80	46	825	III	MA	Union Negotiations	Labor/Mgmt Negotiations	0.03	0.00	0.03	5,929	148	6,077	Ia
81	50	825	III	EP	Union Negotiations	Official Labor/Mgmt Negotiate	0.05	0.00	0.05	9,866	245	10,111	Ia
82	60	825	III	CE	Union Negotiations	Official Labor/Mgmt Negotiate	0.05	0.00	0.05	8,744	290	9,034	Ia
83	04	826	III	FIN	Union Steward Activities	Rep Employees in Grievance Act	0.01	0.00	0.01	1,592	51	1,643	Ia
84	26	826	III	PRDI	Union Steward Activities	Rep Employees in Grievance Act	0.03	0.00	0.03	6,135	186	6,320	Ia
85	35	826	III	LPA	Union Steward Activities	Union Steward Activities	0.01	0.00	0.01	1,935	30	1,965	Ia

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Operational Support (Cont.)
Work Program by Category

#	Program Code		Goal	Office	Program	Activities	FTEs FY 2025-26	+/-	FTEs FY 2026-27	Expenditures FY 2025-26	+/-	Expenditures FY 2026-27	Revenue Categories
86	44	826	III	TAO	Union Steward Activities	Rep Employees in Grievance Act	0.02	0.00	0.02	$ 3,932	$ 126	$ 4,058	Ia
87	46	826	III	MA	Union Steward Activities	Rep Employees in Grievance Act	0.03	0.00	0.03	5,929	148	6,077	Ia
88	50	826	III	EP	Union Steward Activities	Rep Employees in Grievance Act	0.05	0.00	0.05	9,866	245	10,111	Ia
89	60	826	III	CE	Union Steward Activities	Rep Employees in Grievance Act	0.05	0.00	0.05	8,744	290	9,034	Ia
90	04	827	I	FIN	VW-General Admin	VW-General Admin	1.00	0.00	1.00	159,210	5,056	164,266	XVII
91	27	827	I	IM	VW-General Admin	VW-General Admin	1.00	0.00	1.00	228,977	7,190	236,167	XVII
92	08	827	I	LEG	VW-General Admin	VW-General Admin	0.05	0.00	0.05	12,453	(81)	12,372	XVII
93	03	855	II	EO	Web Tasks	Create/edit/review web content	0.03	0.00	0.03	9,262	(547)	8,715	Ia
94	04	855	II	FIN	Web Tasks	Create/edit/review web content	0.02	0.00	0.02	3,184	101	3,285	Ia
95	17	855	II	CB	Web Tasks	Create/edit/review web content	0.03	0.00	0.03	7,173	185	7,359	Ia
96	26	855	II	PRDI	Web Tasks	Create/edit/review web content	1.00	-0.10	0.90	204,483	(14,881)	189,603	Ia
97	27	855	II	IM	Web Tasks	Create/edit/review web content	3.25	0.00	3.25	1,026,395	23,367	1,049,761	Ia
98	35	855	II	LPA	Web Tasks	Create/edit/review web content	0.50	0.00	0.50	96,761	1,480	98,241	Ia
99	50	855	II	EP	Web Tasks	Creation/Update of Web Content	0.25	0.00	0.25	49,329	1,225	50,554	Ia
100	60	855	II	CE	Web Tasks	Creation/Update of Web Conten	0.15	0.00	0.15	26,232	871	27,103	Ia
101	03	900	III	EO	Justice Education	Justice Education	0.02	-0.01	0.01	6,175	(3,270)	2,905	Ia
102	26	900	III	PRDI	Justice Education	Justice Education	0.05	0.05	0.10	10,224	10,843	21,067	Ia
103	35	900	III	LPA	Justice Education	Justice Education	0.02	0.00	0.02	3,870	59	3,930	Ia
104	44	900	III	TAO	Justice Education	Justice Education	0.02	0.00	0.02	3,932	126	4,058	Ia
105	46	900	III	MA	Justice Education	Justice Education	0.03	0.00	0.03	5,929	148	6,077	Ia
106	60	900	III	CE	Justice Education	Justice Education	0.30	0.00	0.30	52,464	1,742	54,205	Ia
107	70	900	III	CEAP	Justice Education	Justice Education	5.00	0.00	5.00	1,091,735	57,590	1,149,325	Ia
						Total Operational Support	178.72	2.77	181.49	$ 45,121,177	$ 1,618,660	$ 46,739,837	

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Policy Support
Work Program by Category

#	Program Code		Goal	Office	Program	Activities	FTEs FY 2025-26	+/-	FTEs FY 2026-27	Expenditures FY 2025-26	+/-	Expenditures FY 2026-27	Revenue Categories
1	44	041	I	TAO	Admin/Office Mgmt/Policy Supp	Overall Policy Supp/Mgmt/Coord	0.30	0.00	0.30	$ 58,983	$ 1,886	$ 60,869	Ib
2	46	041	I	MA	Admin/Office Mgmt/Policy Supp	Overall Policy Supp/Mgmt/Coord	0.10	0.00	0.10	19,763	493	20,255	Ib
3	04	083	II	FIN	Hlth Effects Air Pollution Fou	Health Effects Air Poll Foundation Support	0.02	0.00	0.02	3,184	101	3,285	Ia
4	26	148	I	PRDI	Climate/Energy/Incentives	GHG/Climate Change Policy Development	1.24	-0.91	0.33	253,559	(184,038)	69,521	IV
5	50	148	I	EP	Climate/Energy/Incentives	GHG/Climate Change Support	0.50	0.00	0.50	98,658	2,450	101,108	II,IX
6	03	275	I	EO	Governing Board	Board/Committee Support	1.50	0.00	1.50	463,097	(27,351)	435,746	Ia
7	03	276	III	EO	Advisory Group/Governing Board	Governing Board Advisory Group	0.02	0.00	0.02	6,175	(365)	5,810	Ia
8	26	276	I	PRDI	Advisory Group/Small Business	Governing Board Advisory Group	0.01	0.00	0.01	2,045	62	2,107	Ia
9	44	276	I	TAO	Advisory Group/Technology Adva	Tech Adv Advisory Group Supp	0.05	0.00	0.05	9,831	314	10,145	VIII
10	50	276	I	EP	Board Committees	Admin/Stationary Source Committees	0.25	0.00	0.25	49,329	1,225	50,554	Ia
11	60	276	I	CE	Board Committees	Admin/Stationary Source Committee	0.15	0.00	0.15	26,232	871	27,103	Ia
12	26	277	I	PRDI	Advisory Group/AQMP	Governing Board AQMP Advisory Group	0.24	0.10	0.34	49,076	22,552	71,628	II,IX
13	26	278	I	PRDI	Advisory Group/Sci,Tech,Model	Scientific/Tech/Model Peer Rev	0.25	0.00	0.25	51,121	1,547	52,667	II,IX
14	35	280	I	LPA	Advisory Group/Ethnic Comm	GB Ethnic Comm Advisory Group	0.40	0.00	0.40	77,409	1,184	78,593	II,IX
15	35	281	I	LPA	Advisory Group/Small Business	SBA Advisory Group Staff Support	0.50	0.00	0.50	96,761	1,480	98,241	IV,IX
16	35	345	II	LPA	Goods Mvmt&Financial Incentive	Goods Movement & Financial Incentives Progr	1.00	0.00	1.00	193,523	2,960	196,483	IX
17	03	381	I	EO	Interagency Liaison	Local/State/Fed Coord/Interact	0.20	0.05	0.25	61,746	10,878	72,624	Ia
18	08	404	I	LEG	Legal Rep/Legislation	Draft Legis/SCAQMD Position/Mtgs	0.25	0.00	0.25	62,267	(406)	61,861	II,IX
19	03	410	I	EO	Legislation	Testimony/Mtgs:New/Current Leg	0.05	0.00	0.05	15,437	(912)	14,525	Ia
20	44	410	I	TAO	Legislation	Support Pollution Reduction thru Legislatio	0.15	-0.05	0.10	29,492	(9,202)	20,290	IX
21	46	410	I	MA	Legislation	Support Pollution Reduction thru Legislatio	0.10	0.00	0.10	19,763	493	20,255	IX
22	35	412	I	LPA	Legislation/Federal	Lobbying/Analyses/Tracking/Out	1.00	0.00	1.00	900,653	2,960	903,613	Ia
23	35	413	I	LPA	Legislation/Exec Office Suppor	Coord Legis w/ EO, EC, Mgmt	0.25	0.00	0.25	48,381	740	49,121	Ia
24	35	414	I	LPA	Legislation-Effects	Lobbying/Analyses/Tracking/Out	1.80	0.00	1.80	358,341	5,328	363,669	Ia,IX
25	60	416	I	CE	Legislative Activities	Legislative Activities	0.05	-0.05	0.00	8,744	(8,744)	-	Ia
26	03	416	I	EO	Legislative Activities	Supp/Promote/Influence Legis/Adm	0.03	-0.02	0.01	9,262	(6,357)	2,905	Ia
27	08	416	I	LEG	Legislative Activities	Lobbying: Supp/Promote/Influence legis/Adm	0.10	0.00	0.10	24,907	(162)	24,744	Ia
28	26	416	I	PRDI	Legislative Activities	Supp/Promote/Influence Legis/Adm	0.01	0.00	0.01	2,045	62	2,107	Ia
29	35	416	I	LPA	Legislative Activities	Supp/Promote/Influence Legis/Adm	0.50	0.00	0.50	561,761	1,480	563,241	Ia
30	50	416	I	EP	Legislative Activities	Legislative Activities	0.25	0.00	0.25	49,329	1,225	50,554	Ia
31	03	494	I	EO	Outreach/Media	Edits,Brds,Talk shows,Commercl	0.01	-0.01	0.00	3,087	(3,087)	-	Ia
32	35	494	I	LPA	Outreach/Collateral/Media	Edits,Brds,Talk shows,Commercl	4.00	1.00	5.00	938,808	337,441	1,276,249	Ia
33	03	717	III	EO	Student Interns	Gov Board/Student Intern Program	0.07	-0.06	0.01	21,611	(18,706)	2,905	Ia
34	08	717	II	LEG	Student Interns	Gov Board/Student Intern Program	0.10	0.00	0.10	37,657	(162)	37,494	Ia
35	16	717	II	AHR	Student Interns	Gov Board/Student Intern Program	0.50	0.00	0.50	100,201	466	100,667	Ia
36	26	717	II	PRDI	Student Interns	Gov Bd/Student Intern Program	0.20	0.00	0.20	40,897	1,237	42,134	Ia
37	35	717	II	LPA	Student Interns	Student Interns	0.10	0.00	0.10	19,352	296	19,648	Ia
38	60	717	II	CE	Student Interns	Gov Board/Student Intern Program	0.35	0.00	0.35	61,208	2,032	63,240	Ia
						Total Policy Support	16.60	0.05	16.65	$ 4,833,694	$ 142,267	$ 4,975,961	

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Timely Review of Permits
Work Program by Category

#	Program Code		Goal	Office	Program	Activities	FTEs FY 2025-26	+/-	FTEs FY 2026-27	Expenditures FY 2025-26	+/-	Expenditures FY 2026-27	Revenue Categories
1	50	120	I	EP	Certification/Registration Pro	Certification/Registration Prog	1.00	0.00	1.00	$ 197,316	$ 4,899	$ 202,216	III
2	50	253	I	EP	ERC Appl Processing	Process ERC Applications	3.50	0.00	3.50	690,608	17,148	707,755	III
3	50	367	I	EP	Hearing Board/Appeals	Appeals: Permits & Denials	0.25	0.00	0.25	49,329	1,225	50,554	III
4	26	461	I	PRDI	Permit & CEQA Modeling Review	Review Model Permit/Risk Assmt	0.33	0.00	0.33	92,480	2,041	94,521	III
5	50	475	I	EP	NSR Implementation	Implement NSR/Allocate ERCs	2.50	0.00	2.50	493,291	12,248	505,539	II,III,V
6	50	476	I	EP	NSR Data Clean Up	Edit/Update NSR Data	0.50	0.00	0.50	98,658	2,450	101,108	II
7	50	515	I	EP	Perm Proc/Non TV/Non RECLAIM	PP: Non TitlV/TitlIII/RECLAIM	58.30	-1.00	57.30	11,563,549	293,323	11,856,872	III
8	08	516	I	LEG	Permit Processing/Legal	Legal Advice: Permit Processing	0.10	0.00	0.10	24,907	(162)	24,744	III
9	50	517	I	EP	Permit Services	Facility Data-Create/Edit	13.50	0.00	13.50	2,663,772	66,141	2,729,913	III
10	50	518	I	EP	RECLAIM Non-Title V	Process RECLAIM Only Permits	4.00	0.00	4.00	789,266	19,597	808,863	III,IV,XV
11	50	519	I	EP	Perm Proc/Title III (Non TV)	Process Title III Permits	1.00	0.00	1.00	197,316	4,899	202,216	III
12	50	521	I	EP	Perm Proc/Expedited Permit	Proc Expedited Permits (301OT)	4.00	0.00	4.00	789,266	19,597	808,863	III
13	27	523	III	IM	Permit Streamlining	Permit Streamlining	0.25	0.00	0.25	57,244	1,797	59,042	III
14	50	523	I	EP	Permit Streamlining	Permit Streamlining	4.75	0.00	4.75	937,253	23,272	960,525	III
15	46	545	I	MA	Protocols/Reports/Plans	Eval Test Protocols/Cust Svc	2.10	0.00	2.10	415,016	10,343	425,360	III,IV
16	46	546	I	MA	Protocols/Reports/Plans	Eval Test Protocols/Compliance	6.15	0.00	6.15	1,215,405	30,291	1,245,696	IV,VI
17	50	607	I	EP	RECLAIM & Title V	Process RECLAIM & TV Permits	19.90	0.00	19.90	3,926,597	97,497	4,024,094	III
18	50	643	I	EP	Rule 222 Filing Program	Rule 222 Filing Program	0.50	0.00	0.50	98,658	2,450	101,108	IV
19	35	680	I	LPA	Small Business/Permit Streamln	Asst sm bus to comply/SCAQMD req	3.95	0.00	3.95	764,416	11,691	776,107	II,III,IV,V,XV
20	46	725	I	MA	Permit Processing/Support E&P	Assist E&P w/ Permit Process	0.35	0.00	0.35	69,169	1,724	70,893	III
21	50	728	I	EP	Perm Proc/IM Programming	Assist IM: Design/Review/Test	2.55	0.00	2.55	503,157	12,493	515,650	II,III,IV
22	08	770	I	LEG	Title V	Leg Advice: Title V Prog/Perm Dev	0.05	0.00	0.05	12,453	(81)	12,372	II,IV
23	27	770	I	IM	Title V	Dev/Maintain Title V Program	1.50	0.00	1.50	343,466	10,785	354,251	III
24	08	772	I	LEG	Title V Permits	Leg Advice: New Source Title V Permit	0.05	0.00	0.05	12,453	(81)	12,372	III
25	50	774	I	EP	TV/Non-RECLAIM	Process Title V Only Permits	19.45	0.00	19.45	3,837,805	95,292	3,933,097	III
26	50	775	I	EP	Title V – Admin	Title V Administration	1.00	0.00	1.00	197,316	4,900	202,216	III
						Total Timely Review of Permits	151.53	(1.00)	150.53	$ 30,040,167	$ 745,781	$ 30,785,948	
						Total South Coast AQMD	1,033.50	(4.00)	1,029.50	$ 219,628,244	$ 5,567,219	$ 225,195,464	

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WORK PROGRAM GLOSSARY

Below are descriptions of the activities related to the Work Program.

AB 617 (Implementations) – Community Air Protection Program to improve air quality in disadvantaged communities with high cumulative exposure through monitoring and emission reduction plans.

AB 1318 Mitigation – an eligible electrical generating facility shall pay mitigation fees for the transfer of emission credits from South Coast AQMD's internal emission credit accounts. Mitigation fees shall be used to finance emission reduction projects, pursuant to the requirements of AB 1318.

AB 2766 (Mobile Sources, MSRC) – programs funded from motor vehicle registration fees. The activities include: evaluation, monitoring, technical assistance, and tracking of AB2766 Subvention Fund Program progress reports including cost-effectiveness and emissions reductions achieved; supporting programs implemented by the Mobile Source Review Committee (MSRC); disbursing and accounting for revenues subvened to local governments; and performing South Coast AQMD activities related to reduction of emissions from mobile sources.

Acid Rain Program – developing and implementing the Continuous Emissions Monitoring (CEMS) Program in compliance with 40 CFR Part 75 of the Clean Air Act.

Administration/South Coast AQMD – supporting the administration of South Coast AQMD. Examples are tracking fixed assets, operating the mailroom, preparing and reviewing contracts, conducting oversight of South Coast AQMD activities, developing District-wide policies and procedures, preparing the South Coast AQMD budget, providing legal advice on South Coast AQMD programs and other activities, and performing activities in support of South Coast AQMD as a whole.

Admin/South Coast AQMD Capital Assets (Asset Management) – tracking of acquisitions, disposals/retirements and reconciliation of capital assets to the Capital Outlays account and conducting annual lab and biennial asset inventories.

Administration/Office Management – supporting the administration of an organizational unit or a unit within an Office. This includes preparing Office budgets, tracking programs, providing overall direction and coordination, providing program management and integration, preparing policies and procedures manuals, and preparing special studies and projects.

Advisory Group – providing support to various groups such as: AQMP (Air Quality Management Plan), Environmental Justice, Home Rule, Local Government and Small Business Assistance, Technology Advancement, and Permit Streamlining Task Force.

Air Filtration – installation of high-efficiency air filtration devices in schools with the goal of reducing children's exposure to particulate matter in the classroom.

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Air Quality Evaluation – analyzing air quality trends and preparing the Reasonable Further Progress (RFP) report.

Ambient Air Analysis/Ambient Network (Audit, Data Reporting, Special Monitoring) – complying with Federal regulations to monitor air quality for criteria pollutants at air monitoring stations to determine progress toward meeting the federal ambient air quality standards. This includes operating South Coast AQMD's air monitoring network and localized monitoring at landfill sites as well as conducting specialized monitoring in response to public nuisance situations. South Coast AQMD monitoring stations also collect samples which are analyzed by South Coast AQMD's laboratory. Also see Special Monitoring.

Ambient Lead Monitoring – maintaining the current ambient lead monitoring network to meet federal monitoring requirements.

Annual Emission Reporting (AER) – implementing the AER Program and tracking actual emissions reported by facilities, conducting audits of data, handling refunds, and preparing inventories and various reports.

Annual Emission Reporting Program Public Assistance – providing public assistance in implementing South Coast AQMD's AER program by conducting workshops, resolving fee-related issues, and responding to questions.

AQIP Evaluation – provides incentive funding for projects to meet VOC, Nox, and CO emission targets with funds generated from companies who pay fees in lieu of carpool programs. Projects are funded through a semi-annual solicitation process.

AQMP (Air Quality Management Plan) – Management Plan for the South Coast Air Basin and the Interagency AQMP Implementation Committee.

Air Quality Sensor Performance Evaluation Center (AQ-SPEC) – program to test commercially available, low-cost air quality sensors.

Architectural Coatings – Rule 314 requires architectural coatings manufacturers which distribute and/or sell their manufactured architectural coatings within South Coast AQMD for use in the South Coast AQMD to submit an Annual Quantity and Emissions Report. To recover the cost of the program, a fee is assessed to these manufacturers. The fee is based on the quantity of coatings sold as well as the cumulative emissions from the quantity of coatings distributed or sold for use in the South Coast AQMD.

Area Sources/Compliance – developing rules and compliance programs, as well as alternatives to traditional permitting for smaller sources of emissions of VOCs and Nox.

Auto Services – maintaining South Coast AQMD's fleet of automobiles, trucks, and vans as well as providing messenger services as needed.

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Billing Services – administering South Coast AQMD's permit billing system, responding to inquiries, and resolving issues related to fees billed.

Board Committees – participation in Governing Board committees by preparing materials, presenting information on significant or new programs and providing technical expertise.

Building Corporation – managing the South Coast AQMD Building Corporation. The Building Corporation issued Installment Sale Revenue Bonds in conjunction with the construction of South Coast AQMD's Diamond Bar headquarters facility.

Building Maintenance – maintaining and repairing the Diamond Bar Headquarters facility and South Coast AQMD air monitoring sites.

Business Services – overseeing operation of Facilities Services, Automotive Services, Print Shop and Mail/Subscriptions Services, negotiating and administering leases for the Diamond Bar facility, Long Beach Office, and air monitoring stations.

CARB Supplemental Environmental Project School Bus Replacement - Supplemental Environmental Program (SEP) to replace older diesel school buses with zero-emission school buses and to install supporting infrastructure.

CARB At-Berth - South Coast AQMD as the fund administrator uses remediation funds for alternative pathways for compliance with the Oceangoing Vessels At-Berth Regulation in limited circumstances where operators or ports are otherwise unable to reduce emissions. Monies paid by these entities will be collected into a remediation fund to be managed and distributed by the administrator to fund incentive projects designed to achieve emission reductions.

CalEEMod - Sustainable Transportation Planning Grant (Grant) from California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) to incorporate new transportation measures, new datasets, and additional reporting features, and increase the functionality of California Air Pollution Control Officers Association's (CAPCOA) California Emissions Estimator Model (CalEEMod) and Quantifying GHG Mitigation Measures Handbook (Handbook).

California Natural Gas Vehicle Partnership – strategic, non-binding partnership formed to work together in developing and deploying natural gas vehicles and implementing a statewide natural gas infrastructure.

California State Transportation Agency (CalSTA) - Port and Freight Infrastructure Program to demonstrate a short line hydrogen fuel cell locomotive and deploy direct current fast chargers and hydrogen refueling dispensers.

Call Center – operates the 24-hour radio communication system via telephone between South Coast AQMD headquarters and the public/field staff.

CAPP (Community Air Protection Program - Incentives) – under the Community Air Protection Program, funding from CARB is distributed to air districts for the implementation of projects pursuant to the Carl Moyer Memorial Air Quality Standards Attainment Program. (See Carl Moyer Program).

Capture and Control – South Coast AQMD is partnering with others to develop a capture and control system to demonstrate that the commercially available capture and control technologies currently used by container vessels can be adapted for oil tanker vessels at berth.

CARB Oil & Gas – Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) with CARB to coordinate the enforcement of CARB's Oil and Natural Gas Regulation for the implementation and enforcement of greenhouse gas emission standards for crude oil and natural gas facilities pursuant to California Health and Safety Code section 40701.

CARB/CEC Pilot Project (JETSI) – South Coast AQMD announced the Joint Electric Truck Scaling Initiative (JETSI), a clean technology demonstration project that includes funding from CARB and CEC to deploy 100 battery-electric regional haul and drayage trucks throughout California.

CARB PERP (Portable Equipment Registration Program) – a program established by CARB allowing the operation of portable equipment in any air district throughout the state without individual local district permits. Amended to enhance enforceability and expand CARB's requirements for portable engines and equipment units, creating a more comprehensive and inclusive statewide registration program that now provides for triennial inspection and renewal of PERP registration.

Carl Moyer Program – provides incentive funding for the repower, replacement, or purchase of new heavy-duty vehicles and equipment beyond the emission limits mandated by regulations. Awards are granted through an annual solicitation process. Separate program announcements are also issued for pre-1990 diesel Class 7 or 8 truck fleet and ports truck fleet modernization programs. Also see Mobile Sources.

Case Disposition – resolving Notices of Violation (NOV) issued by South Coast AQMD inspectors. This includes preparing both civil and criminal cases and administering South Coast AQMD's Mutual Settlement Agreement Program.

Cash Management – receiving revenue, posting of payments, processing of refunds associated with South Coast AQMD programs and bank and preparing cash reconciliations.

CEMS Certification (Continuous Emissions Monitoring System) – evaluating, approving, and certifying the continuous emissions monitoring systems installed on emissions sources to ensure compliance with South Coast AQMD rules and permit conditions.

CEQA Document Projects/Special Projects (California Environmental Quality Act) – reviewing, preparing, assessing, and commenting on projects which have potential air quality impacts.

Certification/Registration Program – manufacturers can voluntarily apply to have standard; off-the-shelf equipment certified by South Coast AQMD to ensure that it meets all applicable requirements.

China Partnership for Cleaner Shipping – initiative with China to encourage cleaner ships to come to the Ports.

Chiquita Cayon Landfill - air monitoring and oversight of monitoring network at the Chiquita Canyon Landfill. **Classification and Pay –** maintaining the classification plan and conducting job analyses to ensure South Coast AQMD positions are allocated to the proper class and conducting compensation studies to ensure classes are appropriately compensated and salaries remain competitive in the workforce.

Clean Air Connections – increased awareness of air quality issues and South Coast AQMD's programs and goals by developing and nurturing a region-wide group of community members with an interest in air quality issues.

Clean Fuels Program – accelerate the development and deployment of advanced, low emission technologies, including, but not limited to electric, hydrogen, and plug-in hybrid electric vehicles, low emission heavy-duty engines, after treatment for off-road construction equipment and identification of tailpipe emissions from biofuels.

Clean Heavy-Duty Vehicles (CHDV) – EPA program to replace internal combustion school buses with zero-emission school buses and to install supporting infrastructure under the CARE4Kids program and for the replacement of internal combustion Class 6 and 7 vocational freight vehicles with battery electric equivalents and charging infrastructure as needed under the ELECTRIC program.

Climate Pollution Reduction Grant (CPRG) – EPA program to implement the Infrastructure, Vehicles, and Equipment Strategy for Climate, Equity, Air Quality, and National Competitiveness (INVEST CLEAN) program in the Los Angeles - Long Beach - Anaheim and Riverside - San Bernardino - Ontario Metropolitan Statistical Areas.

Climate/Energy/Incentives – developing and evaluating policy and strategy related to local, state, federal and international efforts on climate change. Seek to maximize synergies for criteria and toxic reduction and minimize negative impacts.

Compliance – ensuring compliance of clean air rules and regulations through regular inspection of equipment and facilities, as well as responding to air quality complaints made by the public.

Compliance/Notice of Violation (NOV) Administration – NOV processing and review for preparation for assignment to Mutual Settlement Agreement (MSA), civil, or criminal handling.

Computer Operations – operating and managing South Coast AQMD's computer resources. These resources support South Coast AQMD's business processes, air quality data, and modeling activities and the air monitoring telemetry system. Also see Systems Maintenance.

Conformity - reviewing of federal guidance and providing input on conformity analysis for the Regional Transportation Improvement Program (RTIP). Staff also participates in various Southern California Association of Governments (SCAG) meetings, the Statewide Conformity Working group, and other meetings to address conformity implementation issues. Staff participate in the federal Conformity Rule revision process, and monitors and updates Rule 1902, Transportation Conformity, as needed.

Credit Generation Programs (Intercredit Trading) – rulemaking and developing and implementing a program that expands emission credit trading by linking South Coast AQMD's stationary and mobile source credit markets.

Criteria Pollutants/Mobile Sources – coordinating the implementation of the AQMP and conducting feasibility studies for mobile source categories; developing control measures and amended rules as warranted.

1-800-CUT-SMOG - The Call Center handles (1-800-CUT-SMOG) calls from drivers who identify a vehicle emitting excessive amounts of exhaust smoke.

Database Information Support – day-to-day support of ad hoc reports and bulk data updates required from South Coast AQMD's enterprise databases.

Database Management - developing and supporting the data architecture framework, data modeling, database services, and the ongoing administration of South Coast AQMD's central information repository.

DB/Computerization – developing laboratory instrument computer systems for data handling and control, evaluating the quality of the stored information. Further develop and maintain the Source Test Information Management System (STIMS).

DERA (Diesel Emission Reduction Act) – a U.S. EPA funded program to modernize diesel fleets by retrofitting and replacing diesel engines/vehicles with cleaner, more efficient options.

Economic Development/Business Retention – meeting with various governmental agencies to assist company expansion or retention in the Basin.

Emergency Response - responding to emergency air pollution (toxic) incidents, providing air quality monitoring support to local authorities.

Emissions Inventory Studies – developing major data andrce emissions data and area source emissions inventory, updating emissions factors, developing and updating control factors,

performing special studies to improve emission data, and responding to public inquiries regarding emission data.

Employee Benefits – administering South Coast AQMD's benefit plans, including medical, dental, vision, and life insurance, as well as State Disability Insurance, Section 125 plan, Long Term Care and Long-Term Disability plans, Section 457 Deferred Compensation Plan, and Consolidated Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act (COBRA) program.

Employee Relations – managing the collective bargaining process, administering Memorandum Of Understanding (MOU's), preparing disciplinary documents, and administering South Coast AQMD's performance appraisal program, Family and Medical Leave Act (FMLA) requests, tuition reimbursement, and outside training requests.

Employee/Employment Law – handling legal issues dealing with employment law in coordination with outside counsel.

Enhanced Fleet Modernization Program (EFMP) Admin Support – CARB-funded voluntary car retirement and replacement incentive program. The goal is to incentivize lower-income motorists to scrap their older, high-emitting cars and replace them with newer, cleaner, and more fuel-efficient cars to reduce smog-forming pollutants.

Enforcement Litigation – staff attorneys pursue enforcement litigation including actions for civil penalties or injunctions when violations have not been settled or circumstances otherwise dictate.

Environmental Education - informing and educating the public about air pollution and their role in bringing clean air to the basin.

Environmental Justice (EJ) - a strategy for equitable environmental policymaking and enforcement to protect the health of all persons who live or work in the South Coast District from the health effects of air pollution regardless of age, culture, ethnicity, gender, race, socioeconomic status, or geographic location. The Environmental Justice Initiatives help to identify and address potential areas where citizens may be disproportionately impacted by air pollutants and ensure clean air benefits are afforded to all citizens and communities of the region.

Equal Employment Opportunity – ensuring non-discrimination and equal employment for employees and applicants through broad-based, targeted advertising; training interviewers to ensure fairness in evaluating candidates; ensuring that selection processes and testing instruments are appropriate and job-related; coaching supervisors and managers regarding hiring processes; and gathering data and preparing related staffing reports.

Facilities Services – monitoring service contracts, supporting tenants, overseeing conference center use, administering identification badges, overseeing building access control, maintaining key/lock systems, and configuring workspaces.

Facility-Based Mobile Source Measures (FBMSMs) – effort to begin implementation of the five FBMSMs (Warehouse Distribution Centers, Commercial Airports, New or Redevelopment Projects, Commercial Marine Ports, and Railyard & Intermodal Facilities) adopted in the 2016 AQMP to reduce emissions from facilities and ensure that these reductions are counted towards the region's emissions budget.

FARMER (Funding Agricultural Replacement Measures For Emission Reductions) - CARB funding for projects that will reduce agricultural sector emissions by providing grants, rebates, and other financial incentives for agricultural harvesting equipment, heavy-duty trucks, agricultural pump engines, tractors, and other equipment used in agricultural operations.

Fee Review – activities relating to conducting Fee Review Committee hearings for businesses that contest South Coast AQMD fees (Rule 313).

Financial Management - managing the financial aspects of the South Coast AQMD. This includes cash management, treasury/investment, accounting, and program and financial audits. It also includes maintaining South Coast AQMD's permit-related financial and accounting records as well as maintaining and enhancing South Coast AQMD's payroll and accounting systems.

Goods Movement and Financial Incentives – programs to evaluate the air quality issues associated with goods movement and traffic congestion, and for the identification of financial incentives for expedited facility modernization and diesel engine conversion.

Governing Board – supporting the operation of the Governing Board and advisory groups of the South Coast AQMD. These activities range from preparing the agenda and minutes to providing support services, legal advice, speeches, letters, and conference coordination.

Grants Management - coordinating, negotiating, monitoring, accounting, and reporting of South Coast AQMD's air pollution program and financial activities relating to grants, including U.S. EPA, DOE, CEC, and DHS grants and CARB Subvention.

Graphics Arts - designing and producing presentation materials and South Coast AQMD publications.

Green House Gas Reporting (GHG) - many of the businesses and facilities within South Coast AQMD's jurisdiction are required to report their GHG emissions to CARB under the regulation for Mandatory Reporting of Greenhouse Gases (state) and, beginning in 2011, to the U.S. EPA under their Mandatory Reporting Rule (federal).

Green House Gas Reduction Fund – CARB's Low Carbon Transportation Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund (GGRF) Investment Program funds projects to demonstrate zero emission trucks.

Health Effects – conducting research and analyzing the health effects of air pollutants and assessing the health implications of pollutant reduction strategies; working with industry, trade associations, environmental groups, CARB and U.S. EPA and providing information to concerned citizens.

Hearing Board – supporting operation of South Coast AQMD's Hearing Board. These activities include accepting petitions filed; preparing and distributing notices; preparing minute orders, findings, and decisions of the Board; collecting fees; and general clerical support for the Board.

Incentive RFP Emissions Reduction Projects – the Board released an RFP to solicit stationary and mobile source projects that will result in emissions reductions of NOx, VOC, and PM in accordance with the approved control strategy in the 2016 AQMP. Project funding comes from existing special revenue funds related to mitigation fees, settlements, or grants from other agencies.

Information Technology Services - implementing new information technologies to enhance operational efficiency and productivity. Examples include developing workflow applications, training and supporting computer end users, and migrating network operating systems.

Inspections - inspecting facilities and equipment that emit or have the potential to emit air pollutants.

Inspections/RECLAIM Audits – conducting RECLAIM inspections and audits at facilities subject to Regulation XX (RECLAIM).

Interagency Coordination/Liaison - interacting with state, local, and federal control agencies and governmental entities.

Intergovernmental/Geographic Deployment - influencing local policy development and implementing a local government clean air program.

Justice Education (Community Engagement & Air Programs) – South Coast AQMD established the Community Engagement and Air Programs Office and through the Justice and Educational Development Initiatives team, work to educate staff and to engage with disproportionally impacted communities on equity as it relates to air quality.

Lawnmower Exchange – residents of the South Coast Air Basin may trade in their gas-powered lawnmower and purchase a new zero-emission, battery electric lawnmower at a significant discount.

Lead Agency Projects – South Coast AQMD permitting and rule development projects where a CEQA document is prepared and the South Coast AQMD is the lead agency.

Legal - providing legal support to South Coast AQMD in the areas of liability defense, writs of mandate, injunctions, and public hearings. This activity also includes reviewing contracts, and advising staff on rules, fees and other governmental issues.

Legislation - drafting new legislation, analyzing and tracking proposed legislation, and developing position recommendations on legislation which impacts air quality.

Library - acquiring and maintaining reference materials and documentation that support the South Coast AQMD's programs.

Lobby Permit Services – providing information and support to applicants to expedite permit processing. Includes consolidating forms, prescreening review for completeness of applications, providing internet access of certain forms, and providing "over-the-counter" permits in the lobby of South Coast AQMD's Diamond Bar headquarters.

MATES (Multiple Air Toxics Exposure Study) – this study provides unique information on air toxics and their associated health risks based on long-term monitoring at ten fixed locations throughout the South Coast Air Basin (Basin) and a detailed emissions inventory and modeling analysis.

Mentorship Program - program is designed to connect people from across the South Coast AQMD organization, to allow staff to share and learn valuable knowledge and skills, and to provide an opportunity for employees to take a proactive role in their career development**.**

Meteorology - modeling, characterizing, and analyzing both meteorological and air quality data to produce the South Coast AQMD's daily air quality forecast.

Microscopic Analysis - analyzing, identifying, and quantifying asbestos for compliance with South Coast AQMD, state, and federal regulations.

Mobile Sources - transportation monitoring, strategies, control measures, demonstration projects, the Mobile Source Air Pollution Reduction Review Committee (MSRC), implementation of Fleet Rules, High Emitter Repair & Scrappage Program, and locomotive remote sensing.

Mobile Source and AQMP (Air Quality Management Plan) Control Strategies – provide technical assistance on the mobile source element of the AQMP.

Moyer Program – see Carl Moyer Program

Mutual Settlement Program - resolving civil penalties without court intervention; this program is a mechanism to resolve violations and avoid criminal proceedings.

National Air Toxics Trends Stations (NATTS) – through U.S. EPA funding, two sites in the monitoring network are utilized to collect ambient VOC and particulate samples. Samples are

analyzed by the South Coast AQMD lab and reported to U.S. EPA where the data is used to determine toxic trends.

Network Operations/Telecommunications – installing, maintaining, and providing operational support of South Coast AQMD's PC, voice, data, image, and radio networks; planning, designing, and implementing new network systems or services in response to South Coast AQMD's communications and business needs; and providing training, support, and application development services for end-users of voice and PC systems.

New Systems Development – providing support for computer systems development efforts.

New Source Review (NSR) - developing and implementing New Source Review rules; designing, implementing, and maintaining the Emission Reduction Credits and the NSR programs. These programs streamline the evaluation of permit renewal and emissions reporting.

Outreach - increasing public awareness of South Coast AQMD's programs, goals, permit requirements, and employment opportunities; interacting, providing technical assistance, and acting as liaison between South Coast AQMD staff and various sectors of private industry, local governments, small businesses, and visiting dignitaries.

Outreach Media/Communications - monitoring local and national press accounts, both print and broadcast media, to assess South Coast AQMD's outreach and public opinion on South Coast AQMD rules and activities. This also includes responding to media calls for informational background material on South Coast AQMD news stories.

Payroll - paying salaries and benefits to South Coast AQMD employees, withholding and remitting applicable taxes, and issuing W2s.

Permit Processing - inspecting, evaluating, auditing, analyzing, reviewing and preparing final approval or denial to operate equipment which may emit or control air contaminants.

Permit Streamlining – activities relating to reducing organizational costs and streamlining regulatory and permit requirements on businesses.

Photochemical Assessment Monitoring Systems (PAMS) - promulgating PAMS (a federal regulation), which requires continuous ambient monitoring of speciated hydrocarbons during smog season. Through U.S. EPA funding, ozone precursors are measured at seven stations and samples are collected.

Portable Equipment Registration Program (PERP) – see CARB PERP Program.

Position Control – tracking Board-authorized positions and South Coast AQMD workforce utilization, processing personnel transactions for use by Payroll, and preparing reports regarding employee status, personnel transactions, and vacant positions.

Print Shop – performing in-house printing jobs and contracting outside printing/binding services when necessary.

Procedure 5 Review – evaluation of asbestos plans which are required for the clean-up any disturbed asbestos containing materials.

Proposition 1B - providing incentive funding for goods movement and lower emission school bus projects with funds approved by voters in November 2006.

Protocols/Reports/Plans/LAP - evaluating and approving protocols, source testing plans and reports submitted by regulated facilities as required by South Coast AQMD rules and permit conditions, New Source Review, state and federal regulations; and evaluating the capabilities of source test laboratories under the Laboratory Approval Program (LAP).

Public Complaints/Breakdowns - responding to air pollution complaints about odors, smoke, dust, paint overspray, or companies operating out of compliance; responding to industry notifications of equipment breakdowns, possibly resulting in emission exceedances.

Public Education/Public Events – implementing community events and programs to increase the public's understanding of air pollution and their role in improving air quality.

Public Information Center - notifying schools and large employers of predicted and current air quality conditions daily and providing the public with printed South Coast AQMD information materials.

Public Notification – providing timely and adequate notification to the public of South Coast AQMD rulemaking workshops and public hearings, proposed rules, upcoming compliance dates, and projects of interest to the public.

Public Records Act - providing information to the public as requested and as required by Government Code, Section 6254.

Purchasing (Receiving, Stockroom) - procuring services and supplies necessary to carry out South Coast AQMD programs.

Quality Assurance – assuring the data quality from the Monitoring and Analysis Division meets or exceeds state and federal standards and also assuring the appropriateness of the data for supporting South Coast AQMD regulatory, scientific and administrative decisions.

RECLAIM/Admin Support – developing and implementing rules and monitoring emissions of the REgional CLean Air Incentives Market (RECLAIM) program, a market incentives trading program designed to help achieve federal and state ambient air quality standards in a cost-effective

manner with minimal impacts to jobs or public health. The RECLAIM program will transition to a command-and-control regulatory structure.

RECLAIM and Title V – permit processing of applications from facilities that are both RECLAIM and Title V.

RECLAIM Non-Title V – permit processing of applications from RECLAIM facilities only.

Records Information Management Plan – providing the process to comply with internal and external requirements for the retention and retrieval of information pertinent to the mission and operation of the South Coast AQMD.

Records Services – maintaining South Coast AQMD's central records and files, converting paper files to images, and operating the network image management system; providing for all off-site long-term storage of records and for developing and monitoring South Coast AQMD's Records Retention Policy.

Recruitment and Selection – assisting South Coast AQMD management in meeting staffing needs by conducting fair and non-discriminatory recruitment and selection processes that result in qualified, diverse applicants for South Coast AQMD jobs; overseeing promotional and transfer processes and reviewing proposed staff reassignments.

Refinery Pilot Project – pursuant to the AQMP, a working group was formed to examine the efficacy of an alternative regulatory approach to reducing refinery emissions beyond the current requirements by establishing a targeted emission reduction commitment for each refinery for a set period of time and allow the use of on-site or off-site reduction strategies with acceptable environmental justice attributes.

Regional Modeling – designing, performing, and reviewing modeling and risk assessment analysis to assess the air quality impacts of new or modified sources of air pollution. Also see Meteorology.

Ridesharing - implementing South Coast AQMD's Rule 2202 Trip Reduction Plan.

Risk Management - developing and administering South Coast AQMD's liability, property, workers' compensation and safety programs.

Rule 1180 - adopted in December 2017, this rule requires real-time fenceline air monitoring systems and establishes a fee schedule to fund refinery-related community air monitoring systems that will provide air quality information to the public about levels of various criteria air pollutants, volatile organic compounds, metals and other compounds at or near the property boundaries of petroleum refineries and in nearby communities.

Rule 1405 Implementation - Control of Ethylene Oxide (EtO) from Sterilization and related operations.

Rule 1610 – ensuring compliance with Rule 1610, Old-Vehicle Scrapping.

Rule 2202 ETC Training – administering and conducting monthly Rule 2202 implementation training classes, workshops and/or forums for the regulated public and other interested individuals.

Rule 222 Implement/Support/Filing Program – ensuring compliance with Rule 222 for equipment subject to a filing requirement with South Coast AQMD.

Rule 317.1 Implementation – resource support for the implementation of Rule 317.1 – Clean Air Act Nonattainment Fees for 8-Hours Ozone Standards including identifying the applicable facilities, issuing notices and invoices, updating AER tool for proper emissions reporting, and assessing baseline emissions and nonattainment fees.

Rulemaking/Rules – developing new rules and evaluating existing South Coast AQMD and CARB rules and compliance information to assure timely implementation of the AQMP and its control measures.

Salton Sea Monitoring – maintaining the monitoring network for expected nuisance pollutants, primarily hydrogen sulfide, which are released from the Salton Sea area.

Sample Analyses – analyzing samples submitted by inspectors to determine compliance with South Coast AQMD Rules. Samples are also analyzed in support of rule development activities.

School Bus Lower Emission Program – funding to replace pre-1987 diesel school buses with new alternative fuel buses owned and operated by public school districts.

School Siting – identifying any hazardous emission sources within one-quarter mile of a new school site as required by AB3205. District activities include reporting criteria and toxic pollutant information and conducting inspections of permitted facilities within a quarter-mile radius of proposed schools.

Small Business Assistance - providing technical and financial assistance to facilitate the permit process for small businesses.

Socio-Economic - developing an economic database to forecast economic activity, analyzing economic benefits of air pollution control, and analyzing the social impact of economic activity resulting from air quality regulations and plans.

Source Education - providing classes to facility owners and operators to ensure compliance with applicable South Coast AQMD's rules and regulations.

Source Testing (ST) – conducting source tests as needed in support of permitting functions and to determine compliance with permit conditions and South Coast AQMD Rules. Additionally, data submitted by facilities is reviewed for protocol approval, CEMS certification, or test data acceptance.

South Coast AQMD Mail – processing and delivering all incoming and outgoing mail.

South Coast AQMD Projects – South Coast AQMD permitting and rule development projects where a California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) document is prepared and the South Coast AQMD is the lead agency.

Speaker's Bureau - training South Coast AQMD staff for advising local government and private industry on air quality issues.

Special Monitoring – performing special ambient air sampling at locations where public health, nuisance concern, or Rule 403 violations may exist; determining the impacts from sources emitting toxics on receptor areas; and performing special monitoring in support of the emergency response program and public complaints response. Also see Emergency Response.

STAR (Science to Achieve Results) – U.S. EPA-funded program for research to advance "Measurement and Monitoring Methods for Air Toxics and Contaminants of Emerging Concern in the Atmosphere". Current funding is for two projects: one to develop a low-cost sensing device for time-resolved measurements of volatile organic compounds (VOCs) and one to develop a reference method for validating measurements of hazardous air pollutants (HAPs) from open-path remote sensing systems.

Student Interns – providing mutually beneficial educational hands-on experience for high school and college students by providing them with the opportunity to engage in day-to-day work with mentoring professionals within South Coast AQMD.

Subscription Services – maintaining South Coast AQMD's rule subscription mailing list and coordinating the mailing of South Coast AQMD publications.

Sunshine Cyn Landfill – South Coast AQMD investigation of Sunshine Canyon Landfill seeks to address numerous odor complaints by local residents.

Systems Implementation PeopleSoft – implementing activities required to maintain an integrated Financial and Human Resources system, including additional features and functions introduced with scheduled software upgrades.

Systems Maintenance – routinely maintaining installed production data systems that support South Coast AQMD's business fluctuations, including minor modifications, special requests, fixes, and general maintenance.

TAG (Targeted Air Shed Grant) – funding from U.S. EPA to reduce air pollution in the nation's areas with the highest levels of ozone or particulate matter 2.5 ($PM_{2.5}$) exposure.

Technology Advancement – supporting the development of innovative controls for mobile and stationary sources, reviewing promising control technologies, and identifying those most deserving of South Coast AQMD developmental support.

Title III – permitting equipment that emits hazardous air pollutants in compliance with the federal Clean Air Act.

Title V – developing and implementing a permit program in compliance with the federal Clean Air Act.

Toxics/AB 2588 – evaluation of toxic inventories, risk assessments and risk reduction plans, with public notification as required. Analyzing, evaluating, reviewing, and making recommendations regarding toxic substances and processes and contributing input to District toxic rules and programs.

Training (Education, Organizational and Human Resources Development, Staff) – providing increased training in the areas of personnel education, computers, safety procedures, new programs, hazardous materials, and new technologies.

Transportation Regional Programs/Research – actively participating in Advisory Groups and Policy Committees involving the development and monitoring of South Coast AQMD's AQMP, Congestion Mitigation Air Quality Improvement Program (CMAQ), Safe Accountable Flexible Efficient Transportation Equity Act: A Legacy for Users (SAFETEA-LU), Transportation Control Measures (TCMs), and regional alternative commute mode programs.

Union Negotiations/Union Steward Activities – Union-related activities of union stewards including labor management negotiations and assisting in the filing of employee grievances.

VOC Sample Analysis – providing data and technical input for VOC rule development, performing analytical testing for compliance with South Coast AQMD rules regulating VOC content in coatings, inks, plastic foam, paint, adhesives, and solvents, and providing assistance and technical input to small businesses and other regulatory agencies, industry and the public.

Volkswagen (VW) Environmental Mitigation Trust – The Beneficiary Mitigation Plan for the Volkswagen (VW) Environmental Mitigation Trust identifies five funding categories for funded projects intended to mitigate the excess NOx emissions caused by VW vehicles.

Voucher Incentive Program (VIP) – incentive program designed to reduce emissions by replacing old, high-polluting vehicles with newer, lower-emission vehicles, or by installing a Verified Diesel Emission Control Strategy (VDECS).

WAIRE (Warehouse Actions and Investments to Reduce Emissions) – Rule 2305 otherwise known as the Warehouse Indirect Source Rule (ISR). The rule requires warehouses greater than 100,000 square feet to directly reduce nitrogen oxide (NOx) and diesel particulate matter (PM) emissions, or to otherwise facilitate emission and exposure reductions of these pollutants in nearby communities.

Web Tasks – preparing and reviewing materials for posting to South Coast AQMD's internet and/or intranet website.

Why Healthy Air Matters (WHAM) Program - Program to develop age-appropriate, engaging curriculums in middle and high schools to focused on air quality challenges, personal actions to clean the air, technology, and educational and career pathways.

WORK PROGRAM ACRONYMS

ORGANIZATIONAL UNITS

AHR	Administrative & Human Resources
CB	Clerk of the Boards
CE	Compliance & Enforcement
CEAP	Community Engagement & Air Programs
DG	District General
EP	Engineering & Permitting
EO	Executive Office
FIN	Finance
GB	Governing Board
IM	Information Management
LEG	Legal
LPAM	Legislative & Public Affairs/Media Office
M&A	Monitoring and Analysis
PRDI	Planning, Rule Development & Implementation
TAO	Technology Advancement Office

PROGRAMS

AB 617	Community Air Protection Program (Implementation)
AB 1318	Offsets-Electrical Generating Facilities
AB 2588	Air Toxics ("Hot Spots")
AB 2766	Motor Vehicle Subvention Program
APEP	Annual Permit Emissions Program
AQIP	Air Quality Investment Program
AQMP	Air Quality Management Plan
BACT	Best Available Control Technology
CAPP	Community Air Protection Program (Incentives)
CEMS	Continuous Emissions Monitoring Systems
CEQA	California Environmental Quality Act
CF	Clean Fuels Program
CMP	Carl Moyer Program
DERA	Diesel Emission Reduction Act
EFMP	Enhanced Fleet Modernization Program
FARMER	Funding Agricultural Replacement Measures For Emissions Reductions
GGRF	Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund
JETSI	Joint Electric Truck Scaling Initiative
MATES	Multiple Air Toxics Exposure Study
MS	Mobile Sources Program
NSR	New Source Review
PERP	Portable Equipment Registration Program
PR	Public Records Act
QA	Quality Assurance
RECLAIM	REgional CLean Air Incentives Market
SOON	Surplus Off-Road Opt-In for NO_x
ST	Source Test
STAR	Science to Achieve Results
TAG	Targeted Airshed Grant
Title III	Federally Mandated Toxics Program
Title V	Federally Mandated Permit Program
VIP	Voucher Incentive Program
VW	Volkswagen
WAIRE	Warehouse Actions & Investments to Reduce Emissions

GOVERNMENT AGENCIES

APCD	Air Pollution Control District (Generic)
CARB	California Air Resources Board
CEC	California Energy Commission
DHS	Department of Homeland Security
DOE	Department of Energy
EPA	Environmental Protection Agency
NACAA	National Association of Clean Air Agencies
SCAG	Southern California Association of Governments
CalSTA	California State Transportation Agency

GENERAL

AER	Annual Emissions Reporting
AM	Air Monitoring
AQ-SPEC	Air Quality Sensor Performance Evaluation Center
AVR	Average Vehicle Ridership
BARCT	Best Available Retrofit Control Technology
CERP	Community Emission Reduction Plan
CLASS	Clean Air Support System
CNG	Compressed Natural Gas
DB	Database
EIR	Environmental Impact Report
EJ	Environmental Justice
ERC	Emission Reduction Credit
ETC	Employee Transportation Coordinator
EV	Electric Vehicle
FBMSMs	Facility-Based Mobile Source Measures
FY	Fiscal Year
GHG	Greenhouse Gas
HB	Hearing Board
HRA	Health Risk Assessment
ISR	Indirect Source Rules
LAER	Lowest Achievable Emissions Rate
LEV	Low Emission Vehicle
LNG	Liquefied Natural Gas
MOU	Memorandum of Understanding
MSERCs	Mobile Source Emission Reduction Credits
MSRC	Mobile Source (Air Pollution Reduction) Review Committee
NATTS	National Air Toxics Trends Stations
NESHAPS	National Emission Standards for Hazardous Air Pollutants
NGV	Natural Gas Vehicle
NOV	Notice of Violation
NSR	New Source Review
NSPS	New Source Performance Standards
OEHHA	Office of Environmental Health Hazard Assessment
OGV	Ocean Going Vessels
PAMS	Photochemical Assessment Monitoring System
PAR	Proposed Amended Rule
PE	Program Evaluations
PEV	Plug-In Electric Vehicle
PHEV	Plug-In Hybrid Electric Vehicle
PR	Proposed Rule
RFP	Request for Proposal
RFQ	Request for Quotations
RFQQ	Request for Qualifications and Quotations
RTC	RECLAIM Trading Credit
SBA	Small Business Assistance
SIP	State Implementation Plan
SULEV	Super Ultra Low-Emission Vehicle
TCM	Transportation Control Measure
ULEV	Ultra- Low-Emissions Vehicle
VMT	Vehicle Miles Traveled
ZECT	Zero Emission Cargo Transport
ZEV	Zero-Emission Vehicle

POLLUTANTS

CO	Carbon Monoxide
NO_x	Oxides of Nitrogen
O_3	Ozone
$PM_{2.5}$	Particulate Matter <2.5 microns
PM_{10}	Particulate Matter $\leq$ 10 microns
ROG	Reactive Organic Gases
SO_x	Oxides of Sulfur
VOC	Volatile Organic Compound
EtO	Ethylene Oxide

GOVERNING BOARD

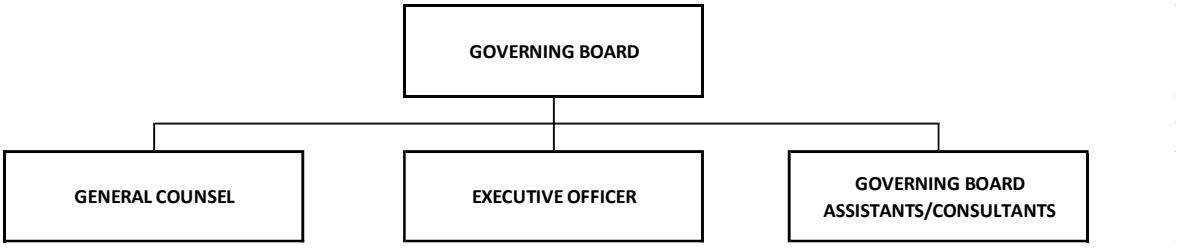
At a Glance:	
FY 2025-26 Adopted Budget	$2.7M
FY 2026-27 Proposed Budget	$2.9M
% of FY 2026-27 Proposed Budget	1.3%
Total FTEs FY 2026-27 Proposed Budget	**N/A**

DESCRIPTION OF MAJOR SERVICES:

The Governing Board is made up of 13 officials who meet monthly to establish policy and review new or amended rules for approval. The Governing Board appoints the South Coast AQMD Executive Officer and General Counsel, and members of the Hearing Board. Each Governing Board member is allocated funds to retain the services of Board Consultants and/or Assistants to provide support in their duties as Governing Board members.

Governing Board members include:

- One county Board of Supervisor's representative each from the counties of Los Angeles, Orange, Riverside, and San Bernardino;
- One representative each from cities within Orange, Riverside, and San Bernardino counties, two representatives from cities within Los Angeles County, and one city representative from the City of Los Angeles;
- One representative appointed by the Governor, one by the Assembly Speaker, and one by the Senate Rules Committee.



Governing Board Line Item Expenditure						
Major Object / Account # / Account Description		FY 2024-25 Actuals	FY 2025-26 Adopted Budget	FY 2025-26 Amended Budget	FY 2025-26 Estimate *	FY 2026-27 Proposed Budget
Salary & Employee Benefits						
51000-52000	Salaries	$ 971,179	$ 1,597,808	$ 930,110	$ 805,109	$ 1,722,800
53000-55000	Employee Benefits	87,395	779,170	80,919	73,964	791,643
Sub-total Salary & Employee Benefits		$ 1,058,574	$ 2,376,978	$ 1,011,028	$ 879,073	$ 2,514,443
Services & Supplies						
67250	Insurance	$ -	$ -	$ -	$ -	$ -
67300	Rents & Leases Equipment	-	-	-	-	-
67350	Rents & Leases Structure	-	-	-	-	-
67400	Household	-	-	-	-	-
67450	Professional & Special Services	57,835	87,173	87,173	78,178	114,000
67460	Temporary Agency Services	1,282	-	5,300	4,753	6,000
67500	Public Notice & Advertising	-	-	-	-	-
67550	Demurrage	-	-	-	-	-
67600	Maintenance of Equipment	-	-	-	-	-
67650	Building Maintenance	-	-	-	-	-
67700	Auto Mileage	13,021	9,500	9,500	8,520	20,000
67750	Auto Service	-	-	-	-	-
67800	Travel	67,498	134,300	134,300	120,442	123,800
67850	Utilities	-	-	-	-	-
67900	Communications	5,737	15,000	7,500	6,726	15,000
67950	Interest Expense	-	-	-	-	-
68000	Clothing	-	-	-	-	-
68050	Laboratory Supplies	-	-	-	-	-
68060	Postage	187	700	700	628	700
68100	Office Expense	65	1,000	1,000	897	1,000
68200	Office Furniture	-	-	-	-	-
68250	Subscriptions & Books	-	-	-	-	-
68300	Small Tools, Instruments, Equipment	-	-	-	-	-
68400	Gas and Oil	-	-	-	-	-
69500	Training/Conference/Tuition/ Board Exp.	2,417	95,000	82,700	74,167	78,973
69550	Memberships	-	-	-	-	-
69600	Taxes	-	-	-	-	-
69650	Awards	-	-	-	-	-
69700	Miscellaneous Expenses	2,784	800	7,800	6,995	8,000
69750	Prior Year Expense	-	-	-	-	-
69800	Uncollectable Accounts Receivable	-	-	-	-	-
89100	Principal Repayment	-	-	-	-	-
Sub-total Services & Supplies		$ 150,824	$ 343,473	$ 335,973	$ 301,305	$ 367,473
77000	**Capital Outlays**	$ -	$ -	$ -	$ -	$ -
79050	**Building Remodeling**	-	-	-	-	-
Total Expenditures		$ 1,209,398	$ 2,720,451	$ 1,347,001	$ 1,180,379	$ 2,881,916
* Estimates based on July 2025 through February 2026 actual expenditures and February 2026 budget amendments.						

EXECUTIVE OFFICE

WAYNE NASTRI
EXECUTIVE OFFICER

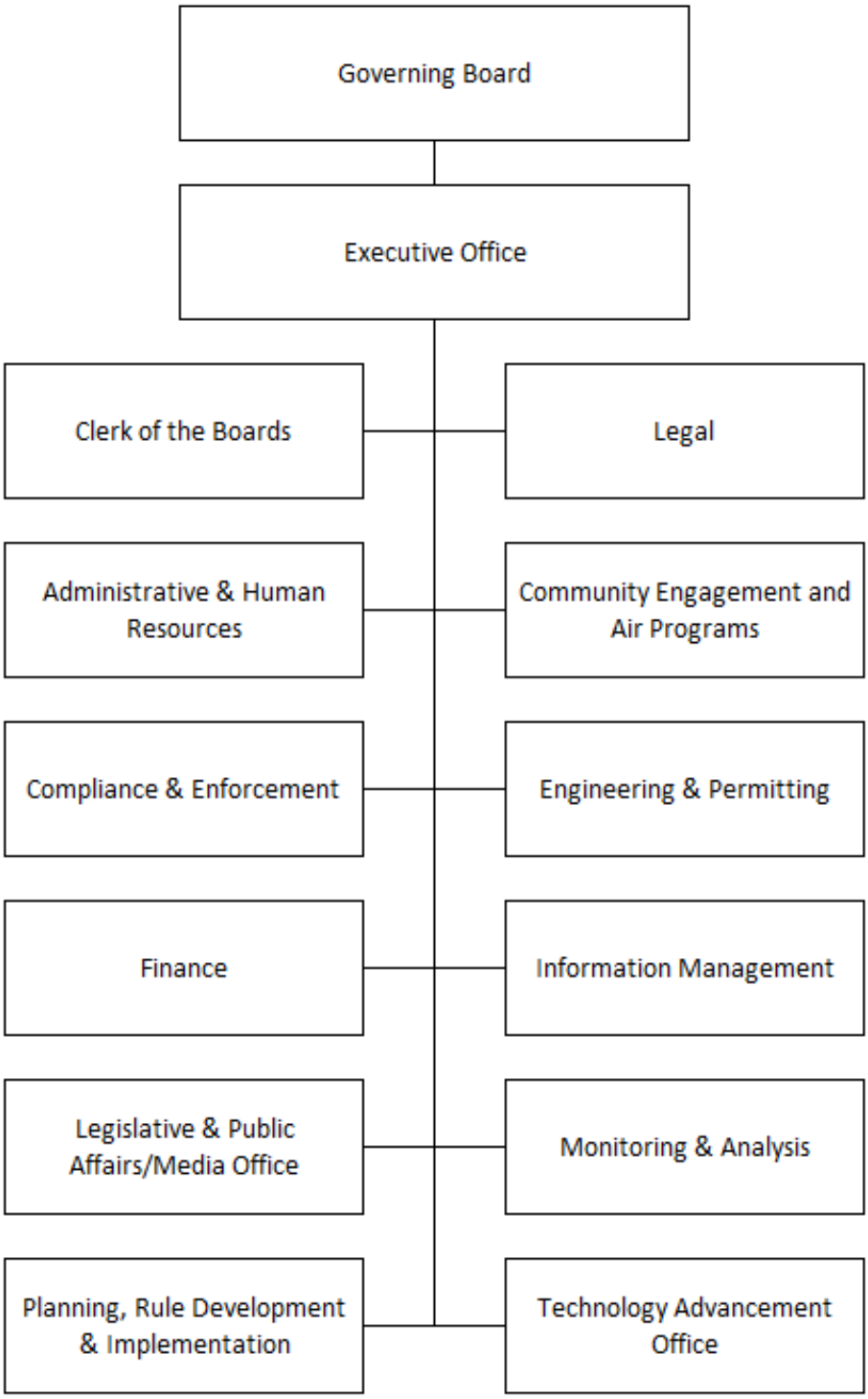
At a Glance:	
FY 2025-26 Adopted Budget	$3.2M
FY 2026-27 Proposed Budget	$3.6M
% of FY 2026-27 Proposed Budget	1.5%
Total FTEs FY 2026-27 Proposed Budget	12.5

DESCRIPTION OF MAJOR SERVICES:

The Executive Office is responsible for the comprehensive management of the South Coast AQMD and the development and implementation of near-term and long-term strategies to attain ambient air quality standards. The Executive Office also translates set goals and objectives into effective programs and enforceable regulations that meet federal and state statutory requirements, while being sensitive to potential socioeconomic and environmental justice impacts in the South Coast Air Basin.

The Executive Office consists of the Executive Officer, Chief Operating Officer, three support staff, and short-term positions. The Executive Officer serves as Chief of Operations in implementing policy directed by the agency's 13-member Governing Board and in working proactively with state and federal regulatory officials, works directly with Board Members, and works with other Air Pollution Control Officers through state and federal associations such as CAPCOA and NACAA. The Executive Officer, along with the Chief Operating Officer, oversees all of the day-to-day administrative functions and operations of the agency, coordinates with and supervises Executive Management, and the annual operating budget.

ORGANIZATIONAL CHART:



POSITION SUMMARY: 12.5 FTEs

Executive Office Unit	Amended FY 2025-26	Change	Proposed FY 2026-27
Administration	12.5	-	12.5

POSTION DETAIL:

FTEs	Title
1	Air Quality Specialist
1	Chief Operating Officer
0.5	Deputy Executive Officer (Short-Term)
1	Executive Officer
3	Executive Assistant
1	Human Resources Analyst (Short-Term)
1	Procurement Manager (Short-Term)
2	Program Supervisor (Short-Term)
1	Public Affairs Specialist
1	Senior Enforcement Manager (Short-Term)
12.5	Total FTEs

Executive Office Work Program by Office										
#	Program Code		Program Category	Goal	Program	Activities	FTEs FY 2025-26	+/-	FTEs FY 2026-27	Revenue Categories
1	03	010	Develop Programs	I	AQMP	Develop/Implement AQMP	0.05	-0.03	0.02	II,IX
2	03	019	Develop Programs	I	AB617-Prog Develop	AB617-Program Development	0.07	-0.02	0.05	IX
3	03	028	Develop Programs	I	Admin/SCAQMD Policy	Dev/Coord Goals/Policies/Overs	0.15	0.05	0.20	Ia
4	03	035	Operational Support	I	AB617-Support	AB617-Support	0.00	0.05	0.05	IX
5	03	038	Operational Support	III	Admin/Office Management	Budget/Program Management	10.17	0.02	10.19	Ib
6	03	275	Policy Support	I	Governing Board	Board/Committee Support	1.50	0.00	1.50	Ia
7	03	276	Policy Support	III	Advisory Group/Governing Board	Governing Board Advisory Group	0.02	0.00	0.02	Ia
8	03	381	Policy Support	I	Interagency Liaison	Local/State/Fed Coord/Interact	0.20	0.05	0.25	Ia
9	03	410	Policy Support	I	Legislation	Testimony/Mtgs:New/Current Leg	0.05	0.00	0.05	Ia
10	03	416	Policy Support	I	Legislative Activities	Supp/Promote/Influence Legis/Adm	0.03	-0.02	0.01	Ia
11	03	455	Advance Clean Air Technology	I	Mobile Sources	Dev/Impl Mobile Source Strategies	0.05	-0.05	0.00	IX
12	03	490	Customer Service and Business Assistance	II	Outreach	Publ Awareness Clean Air Prog	0.05	0.00	0.05	Ia
13	03	494	Policy Support	I	Outreach/Media	Edits,Brds,Talk shows,Commercl	0.01	-0.01	0.00	Ia
14	03	565	Customer Service and Business Assistance	III	Public Records Act	Comply w/ Public Req for Info	0.01	-0.01	0.00	Ia
15	03	650	Develop Rules	I	Rules	Develop & Implement Rules	0.02	0.03	0.05	IV,IX
16	03	717	Policy Support	III	Student Interns	Gov Board/Student Intern Program	0.07	-0.06	0.01	Ia
17	03	805	Operational Support	III	Training	Training	0.00	0.01	0.01	Ib
18	03	855	Operational Support	II	Web Tasks	Create/edit/review web content	0.03	0.00	0.03	Ia
19	03	900	Operational Support	III	Justice Education	Justice Education	0.02	-0.01	0.01	Ia
						Total Executive Office	12.50	(0.00)	12.50	

Executive Office Line Item Expenditure						
Major Object / Account # / Account Description		FY 2024-25 Actuals	FY 2025-26 Adopted Budget	FY 2025-26 Amended Budget	FY 2025-26 Estimate *	FY 2026-27 Proposed Budget
Salary & Employee Benefits						
51000-52000	Salaries	$ 1,246,078	$ 1,926,268	$ 1,193,265	$ 1,188,265	$ 2,166,697
53000-55000	Employee Benefits	639,868	944,505	609,506	604,142	1,036,712
Sub-total Salary & Employee Benefits		$ 1,885,946	$ 2,870,773	$ 1,802,771	$ 1,792,407	$ 3,203,409
Services & Supplies						
67250	Insurance	$ -	$ -	$ -	$ -	$ -
67300	Rents & Leases Equipment	-	-	-	-	-
67350	Rents & Leases Structure	-	-	-	-	-
67400	Household	-	-	-	-	-
67450	Professional & Special Services	33	120,000	110,500	99,098	120,000
67460	Temporary Agency Services	-	-	-	-	-
67500	Public Notice & Advertising	-	-	-	-	-
67550	Demurrage	-	-	-	-	-
67600	Maintenance of Equipment	-	400	400	359	400
67650	Building Maintenance	-	-	-	-	-
67700	Auto Mileage	499	800	800	717	800
67750	Auto Service	-	-	-	-	-
67800	Travel	45,446	66,000	66,000	59,190	66,000
67850	Utilities	-	-	-	-	-
67900	Communications	27,230	6,500	26,500	23,766	6,500
67950	Interest Expense	-	-	-	-	-
68000	Clothing	-	-	-	-	-
68050	Laboratory Supplies	-	-	-	-	-
68060	Postage	71	3,000	3,000	2,690	3,000
68100	Office Expense	3,237	6,300	6,300	5,650	6,300
68200	Office Furniture	-	3,000	12,500	11,210	3,000
68250	Subscriptions & Books	-	5,000	5,000	4,484	5,000
68300	Small Tools, Instruments, Equipment	-	-	-	-	-
68400	Gas and Oil	-	-	-	-	-
69500	Training/Conference/Tuition/ Board Exp.	9,052	8,500	8,500	7,623	11,500
69550	Memberships	43,769	51,000	51,000	45,738	88,000
69600	Taxes	-	-	-	-	-
69650	Awards	17,574	30,000	21,297	19,099	45,000
69700	Miscellaneous Expenses	4,721	20,000	20,000	17,936	15,000
69750	Prior Year Expense	-	-	-	-	-
69800	Uncollectable Accounts Receivable	-	-	-	-	-
89100	Principal Repayment	-	-	-	-	-
Sub-total Services & Supplies		$ 151,633	$ 320,500	$ 331,797	$ 297,560	$ 370,500
77000	**Capital Outlays**	$ -	$ -	$ -	$ -	$ -
79050	**Building Remodeling**	-	-	-	-	-
Total Expenditures		$ 2,037,579	$ 3,191,273	$ 2,134,568	$ 2,089,967	$ 3,573,909

* Estimates based on July 2025 through February 2026 actual expenditures and February 2026 budget amendments.

DISTRICT GENERAL

At a Glance:	
FY 2025-26 Adopted Budget	$16.8M
FY 2026-27 Proposed Budget	$17.0M
% of FY 2026-27 Proposed Budget	7.5%
Total FTEs FY 2026-27 Proposed Budget	N/A

Accounts associated with general operations of the South Coast AQMD are budgeted and tracked in District General. Included are such items as retirement payouts, insurance, utilities, taxes, housekeeping, security, and building maintenance and improvements.

District General Line Item Expenditure						
Major Object / Account # / Account Description		FY 2024-25 Actuals	FY 2025-26 Adopted Budget	FY 2025-26 Amended Budget	FY 2025-26 Estimate *	FY 2026-27 Proposed Budget
Salary & Employee Benefits						
51000-52000	Salaries	$ -	$ 2,440,578	$ 1,049,007	$ 1,043,807	$ 2,684,636
53000-55000	Employee Benefits	262,604	575,000	149,905	144,616	575,000
Sub-total Salary & Employee Benefits		$ 262,604	$ 3,015,578	$ 1,198,912	$ 1,188,423	$ 3,259,636
Services & Supplies						
67250	Insurance	$ 2,818,507	$ 3,147,080	$ 3,147,080	$ 2,822,345	$ 3,147,080
67300	Rents & Leases Equipment	-	104,000	104,000	93,269	104,000
67350	Rents & Leases Structure	4,104	20,836	20,836	18,686	20,836
67400	Household	808,135	874,052	874,052	783,862	884,052
67450	Professional & Special Services	1,628,836	2,700,448	2,620,652	2,350,237	2,700,448
67460	Temporary Agency Services	-	-	-	-	-
67500	Public Notice & Advertising	25,313	40,000	40,000	35,873	40,000
67550	Demurrage	-	100,000	100,000	89,681	100,000
67600	Maintenance of Equipment	281,455	480,400	480,400	430,829	480,400
67650	Building Maintenance	866,737	860,479	860,479	771,690	880,479
67700	Auto Mileage	-	-	-	-	-
67750	Auto Service	-	-	-	-	-
67800	Travel	-	-	-	-	-
67850	Utilities	1,872,518	1,935,620	1,935,620	1,735,891	1,935,620
67900	Communications	400,633	452,836	498,836	447,363	452,836
67950	Interest Expense	-	-	-	-	-
68000	Clothing	-	-	-	-	-
68050	Laboratory Supplies	-	-	-	-	-
68060	Postage	26,923	16,083	16,083	14,423	16,083
68100	Office Expense	743,085	516,069	595,865	534,380	516,069
68200	Office Furniture	30,788	32,500	32,500	29,146	32,500
68250	Subscriptions & Books	-	-	-	-	-
68300	Small Tools, Instruments, Equipment	-	-	-	-	-
68400	Gas and Oil	-	-	-	-	-
69500	Training/Conference/Tuition/ Board Exp.	-	-	-	-	-
69550	Memberships	-	-	-	-	-
69600	Taxes	27,886	57,800	57,800	51,836	57,800
69650	Awards	9,101	20,710	20,710	18,573	20,710
69700	Miscellaneous Expenses	16,452	23,160	23,160	20,770	33,160
69750	Prior Year Expense	13,389	-	-	-	-
69800	Uncollectable Accounts Receivable	716,253	-	-	-	-
89100	Principal Repayment	-	-	-	-	-
Sub-total Services & Supplies		$ 10,290,114	$ 11,382,073	$ 11,428,073	$ 10,248,856	$ 11,422,073
77000	**Capital Outlays**	$ 312,981	$ 375,000	$ 302,553	$ 302,553	$ 350,000
79050	**Building Remodeling**	-	-	-	-	-
99950	**Transfers Out**	2,000,000	2,000,000	2,000,000	2,000,000	2,000,000
Total Expenditures		$ 12,865,699	$ 16,772,651	$ 14,929,538	$ 13,739,831	$ 17,031,709

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ADMINISTRATIVE & HUMAN RESOURCES

A. JOHN OLVERA
DEPUTY EXECUTIVE OFFICER

At a Glance:	
FY 2025-26 Adopted Budget	$9.1M
FY 2026-27 Proposed Budget	$9.2M
% of FY 2026-27 Proposed Budget	4.1%
Total FTEs FY 2026-27 Proposed Budget	48

DESCRIPTION OF MAJOR SERVICES:

Administrative & Human Resources is comprised of several units: Employment & Labor Relations/Benefits & Records; Classification & Pay/Recruitment & Selection; Risk Management; Organizational Development & Training; Business Services; and Building Services. Human Resources units are responsible for planning and administering programs to maximize hiring, retention, training, and development of the highly-qualified employees necessary to meet South Coast AQMD's air quality goals. Risk Management is responsible for programs aimed at ensuring a healthy and safe work environment, including security, emergency preparedness, and business continuity programs, as well as programs to reduce liability and accident-related costs. Business Services oversees the administration of the South Coast AQMD headquarters facility services, its leases, the maintenance of fleet vehicles, and the management of the Print Shop and Mail/Subscription Services. Building Services is responsible for the maintenance and repair of the South Coast AQMD headquarters building, childcare center, field offices, air monitoring stations, and meteorological stations.

ACCOMPLISHMENTS:

RECENT:

- Administered benefits programs for employees, dependents and retirees, including health and life insurance plans, deferred compensation plans, wellness programs, and tuition reimbursement, including conducting open enrollment and an in-person Health Fair
- Implemented the agency's Telework Program Policy
- Conducted training on sexual harassment prevention and anti-bullying policies, as well as other training programs for manager/supervisorial skills, career development, and workforce education

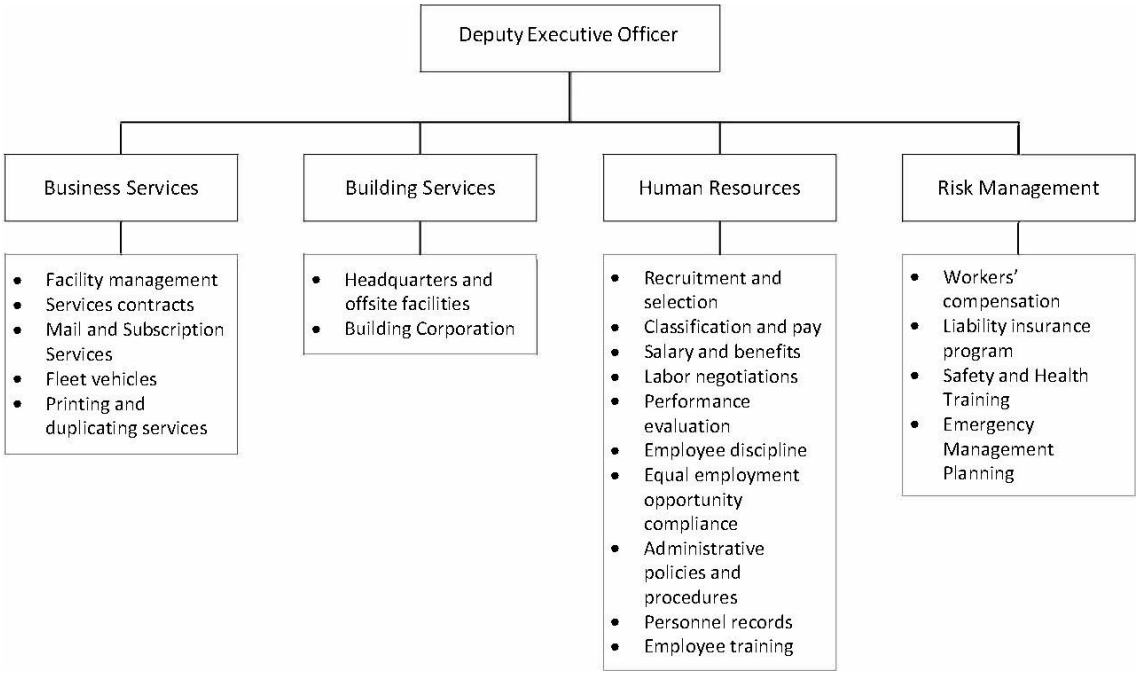
- Provided support and direction to management and staff with respect to adherence to relevant state and federal laws and South Coast AQMD policies, procedures and Memoranda of Understanding, including COVID-19-related legislation, regulations, policies and directives
- Conducted successful recruitment efforts for promotional opportunities and new hires
- Conducted classification studies and salary surveys for various positions
- Conducted emergency management evacuation drills, active assailant training, and de-escalation training
- Supported South Coast AQMD's Succession Planning and employee engagement programs through the Executive Office
- Implemented the Fleet Management Services program for District vehicles
- Administered contracts for janitorial, security, cafeteria, and copy/print equipment services
- Conducted ergonomic workspace evaluations and other safety training programs
- Completed workspace design and reconfiguration on several floors
- Constructed or renovated office spaces throughout the building to meet staffing needs
- Implemented the employee mentorship program
- Assisted with the implementation of the Governing Board Summer Internship Program
- Implemented several employee engagement programs, such as Coffee Break

ANTICIPATED:

- Prepare for successor MOUs for represented groups and terms for non-represented employees
- Provide financial, health, and mental wellness education for all employees
- Administer benefits programs for employees, dependents and retirees, including health and life insurance plans, deferred compensation plans, wellness programs, and tuition reimbursement
- Support South Coast AQMD's Succession Planning and employee engagement programs through the Executive Office
- Conduct training on sexual harassment prevention and anti-bullying policies, as well as other training programs for supervisorial skills, career development, and workforce education
- Expand Organization Development and Training unit programs and training options to meet workforce needs for career and skills development
- Conduct recruitment and selection efforts and classification studies
- Conduct review and training of the Continuity of Operations Plan (COOP) and Emergency Operations Plan (EOP) program
- Implement the employee mentorship program
- Assist with the implementation of the Governing Board Summer Internship Program
- Conduct quarterly emergency preparedness drills and training sessions
- Implement the Fleet Management Services program for District vehicles
- Administer contracts for janitorial, security, cafeteria, and copy/print equipment services
- Conduct ergonomic workspace evaluations and other safety training programs

- Complete workspace design and reconfiguration
- Construct or renovate office spaces throughout the building to meet staffing needs
- Upgrade security camera system for building exterior
- Continue the agency-wide onboarding program

ORGANIZATIONAL CHART:



POSITION SUMMARY: 48 FTEs

Administrative & Human Resources Units	Amended FY 2025-26	Change	Proposed FY 2026-27
Office Administration	2	1	3
Business Services	14	(1)	13
Building Services	9	-	9
Career Development Interns	6	-	6
Classification & Pay/Recruitment & Selection	5	-	5
Employee & Labor Relations/Benefits & Records	6	-	6
Organizational Development & Training	2	-	2
Risk Management	4	-	4
Total	48	-	48

POSITION DETAIL:

FTEs	Title
1	Administrative Assistant I
3	Administrative Assistant – Human Resources
1	Building Maintenance Manager
1	Building Supervisor
1	Business Services Manager
6	Career Development Intern
1	Deputy Executive Officer/Administrative & Human Resources
1	Facilities Services Technician
1	Fleet Services Supervisor
2	Fleet Services Worker II
5	General Maintenance Worker
7	Human Resources Analyst
3	Human Resources Manager
4	Human Resources Technician
2	Mail Subscription Services Clerk
1	Mail Subscription Services Supervisor
1	Office Assistant
1	Offset Press Operator
2	Print Shop Duplicator
1	Print Shop Supervisor
1	Senior Administrative Assistant
1	Senior Office Assistant
1	Staff Specialist
48	Total FTEs

Administrative & Human Resrouces
Work Program by Office

#	Program Code		Program Category	Goal	Program	Activities	FTEs FY 2025-26	+/-	FTEs FY 2026-27	Revenue Categories
1	16	026	Operational Support	III	SCAQMD Mail	Posting/Mailing/Delivery	3.50	0.00	3.50	Ia
2	16	035	Operational Support	I	AB617-Support	AB617-Support	1.25	-0.25	1.00	IX
3	16	038	Operational Support	III	Admin/Office Management	Reports/Proj/Budget/Contracts	4.80	1.00	5.80	Ib
4	16	060	Operational Support	III	Equal Employment Opportunity	Program Dev/Monitor/Reporting	0.50	0.00	0.50	Ia
5	16	080	Ensure Compliance	III	Auto Services	Vehicle/Radio Repair & Maint	3.50	0.00	3.50	Ia
6	16	090	Operational Support	III	Building Maintenance	Repairs & Preventative Maint	7.50	0.00	7.50	Ia
7	16	092	Operational Support	III	Business Services	Building Services Admin/Contracts	2.80	0.00	2.80	Ia
8	16	225	Operational Support	III	Employee Benefits	Benefits Analysis/Orient/Records	3.00	0.00	3.00	Ia
9	16	226	Operational Support	III	Classification & Pay	Class & Salary Studies	1.00	0.00	1.00	Ia
10	16	228	Operational Support	III	Recruitment & Selection	Recruit Candidates for SCAQMD	3.50	0.00	3.50	Ia
11	16	232	Operational Support	III	Position Control	Track Positions/Workforce Analys	0.75	-0.25	0.50	Ia
12	16	233	Operational Support	III	Employee Relations	Meet/Confer/Labor-Mgmt/Grievance	2.00	0.00	2.00	Ia
13	16	255	Operational Support	III	Facilities Services	Phones/Space/Keys/Audio-Visual	1.50	0.00	1.50	Ia
14	16	446	Operational Support	III	Mentorship Program	Mentorship Program	1.00	0.00	1.00	Ia
15	16	457	Advance Clean Air Technology	I	MS/Carl Moyer Admin	C Moyer/Contractor Compliance	0.05	0.00	0.05	IX
16	16	540	Customer Service and Business Assistance	III	Print Shop	Printing/Collating/Binding	3.50	-0.50	3.00	Ia
17	16	542	Advance Clean Air Technology	I	Prop 1B:Goods Movement	Prop 1B: Goods Movement	0.05	0.00	0.05	IX
18	16	565	Customer Service and Business Assistance	III	Public Records Act	Comply w/ Public Rec Requests	0.30	0.00	0.30	Ia
19	16	640	Operational Support	III	Risk Management	Liabl/Property/Wk Comp/Selflns	3.50	0.00	3.50	Ia
20	16	717	Policy Support	II	Student Interns	Gov Board/Student Intern Program	0.50	0.00	0.50	Ia
21	16	720	Customer Service and Business Assistance	I	Subscription Services	Rule & Gov Board Materials	1.50	0.00	1.50	IV
22	16	825	Operational Support	III	Union Negotiations	Official Labor/Mgmt Negotiate	2.00	0.00	2.00	Ia
						Total Administrative & Human Resources	48.00	-	48.00	

Administrative & Human Resources Line Item Expenditure						
Major Object / Account # / Account Description		FY 2024-25 Actuals	FY 2025-26 Adopted Budget	FY 2025-26 Amended Budget	FY 2025-26 Estimate *	FY 2026-27 Proposed Budget
Salary & Employee Benefits						
51000-52000	Salaries	$ 4,316,338	$ 4,485,331	$ 4,455,331	$ 4,449,714	$ 4,615,970
53000-55000	Employee Benefits	2,427,465	2,502,576	2,474,576	2,468,659	2,487,772
Sub-total Salary & Employee Benefits		$ 6,743,804	$ 6,987,907	$ 6,929,907	$ 6,918,373	$ 7,103,742
Services & Supplies						
67250	Insurance	$ -	$ -	$ -	$ -	$ -
67300	Rents & Leases Equipment	64,527	706,980	806,774	723,526	636,000
67350	Rents & Leases Structure	(30,685)	-	-	-	-
67400	Household	5,076	43,284	43,284	38,818	43,284
67450	Professional & Special Services	199,581	228,042	228,042	204,511	278,042
67460	Temporary Agency Services	37,922	30,000	30,000	26,904	30,000
67500	Public Notice & Advertising	14,389	36,023	36,023	32,306	36,023
67550	Demurrage	-	-	-	-	-
67600	Maintenance of Equipment	758	2,000	2,000	1,794	2,000
67650	Building Maintenance	-	-	-	-	-
67700	Auto Mileage	3,468	4,500	4,500	4,036	4,500
67750	Auto Service	471,397	370,000	370,000	331,821	370,000
67800	Travel	2,146	10,319	10,319	9,254	10,319
67850	Utilities	-	-	-	-	-
67900	Communications	21,528	20,900	20,900	18,743	20,900
67950	Interest Expense	-	-	-	-	-
68000	Clothing	52,754	41,308	41,308	37,046	41,308
68050	Laboratory Supplies	-	-	-	-	-
68060	Postage	4,875	5,500	5,500	4,932	5,500
68100	Office Expense	158,746	239,997	239,997	215,233	239,997
68200	Office Furniture	12,279	21,000	21,000	18,833	21,000
68250	Subscriptions & Books	300	2,520	2,520	2,260	2,520
68300	Small Tools, Instruments, Equipment	3,166	13,050	13,050	11,703	13,050
68400	Gas and Oil	244,399	281,021	281,021	252,024	281,021
69500	Training/Conference/Tuition/ Board Exp.	18,680	31,562	31,562	28,305	31,562
69550	Memberships	4,736	6,465	6,465	5,798	6,465
69600	Taxes	3,588	4,500	4,500	4,036	4,500
69650	Awards	-	-	600	538	-
69700	Miscellaneous Expenses	3,789	11,500	11,500	10,313	11,500
69750	Prior Year Expense	(646)	-	-	-	-
69800	Uncollectable Accounts Receivable	-	-	-	-	-
89100	Principal Repayment	-	-	-	-	-
Sub-total Services & Supplies		$ 1,296,772	$ 2,110,471	$ 2,210,865	$ 1,982,735	$ 2,089,491
77000	**Capital Outlays**	$ 400,420	$ -	$ 10,511	$ 10,511	$ -
79050	**Building Remodeling**	-	-	-	-	-
Total Expenditures		$ 8,440,996	$ 9,098,378	$ 9,151,283	$ 8,911,619	$ 9,193,233

* Estimates based on July 2025 through February 2026 actual expenditures and February 2026 budget amendments.

CLERK OF THE BOARDS

FAYE THOMAS
CLERK OF THE BOARDS

At a Glance:	
FY 2025-26 Adopted Budget	$1.6M
FY 2026-27 Proposed Budget	$1.6M
% of FY 2026-27 Proposed Budget	0.7%
Total FTEs FY 2026-27 Proposed Budget	6

DESCRIPTION OF MAJOR SERVICES:

The Clerk of the Boards Office is responsible for coordinating the activities and providing operational support to both the Governing Board and Hearing Board, including attending all meetings and hearings, maintaining the official records and documents, preparing and publishing agendas, and preparing notices for meetings and public hearings and ensuring that such notices are published as legally required. Clerk of the Boards' staff assist petitioners and attorneys in the filing of petitions before the Hearing Board and explain the Hearing Board's functions and procedures. Staff prepares Minute Orders, Findings and Decisions of the Hearing Board, and Summary Minutes of Governing Board meetings. The Clerk acts as communication liaison for the Boards with South Coast AQMD staff and state and federal agencies.

ACCOMPLISHMENTS:

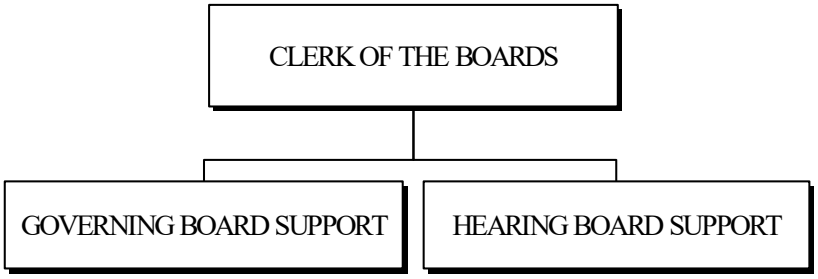
RECENT:

- Received and processed 42 legal documents, including subpoenas, summons, public and administrative records requests, and claims for damages against the South Coast AQMD.
- Provided support for 13 Governing Board meetings, including: prepared and maintained agendas, minutes and supporting documents; prepared, distributed, and published 21 public hearing and meeting notices; and prepared 24 Board Resolutions.
- Provided support for approximately 59 Hearing Board proceedings, including hearings, pre-hearing conferences, general meetings, closed session meetings, and trainings; processed 79 petitions; prepared, distributed, and published 63 public hearing and meeting notices; prepared over 70 Minute Orders, Findings & Decisions, Pre-hearing Memoranda, and Reports of General and Closed Session Meetings; and prepared and distributed over 180 daily agendas and monthly case calendars.
- Coordinated the logistics and provided administrative support for a special Governing Board meeting and a Hearing Board hearing that were held at an offsite location.

ANTICIPATED:

- Provide support for approximately 80 hearings, pre-hearing conferences, and general meetings held by the Hearing Board, including: processing approximately 90 petitions; preparation, distribution, and publication of approximately 100 meetings and public hearing notices; preparation of 100 Minute Orders, Findings and Decisions, Pre-hearing Memoranda, and General Meeting Reports of Actions; and preparing and distributing more than 150 daily agendas and monthly case calendars.
- Provide support for 13 Governing Board meetings, including preparation of meeting agendas, minutes, and Board Resolutions.
- Convert paper records of Governing Board and Hearing Board documents to electronic media.

ORGANIZATIONAL CHART:



POSITION SUMMARY: 6 FTEs

Clerk of the Boards Unit	Amended FY 2025-26	Change	Budget FY 2026-27
Governing/Hearing Board Support	7	(1)	6

POSITION DETAIL:

FTEs	Title
1	Clerk of the Board
3	Deputy Board Clerk II
1	Office Assistant
1	Senior Deputy Board Clerk
6	Total FTEs

Clerk of the Boards Work Program by Office										
#	Program Code		Program Category	Goal	Program	Activities	FTEs FY 2025-26	+/-	FTEs FY 2026-27	Revenue Categories
1	17	024	Operational Support	III	Admin/SCAQMD/GB/HB Mgmt	Admin Governing/Hearing Brds	2.25	0.00	2.25	Ia,VII,XV
2	17	275	Operational Support	III	Governing Board	Attend/Record/Monitor Meetings	1.40	-1.00	0.40	Ia
3	17	364	Ensure Compliance	I	Hearing Board/Abatement Orders	Attnd/Recrd/Monitr Mtgs	0.10	0.00	0.10	IV
4	17	365	Ensure Compliance	I	Hearing Board/Variances/Appeal	Attend/Record/Monitor HB Mtgs	3.20	0.00	3.20	IV,V,VII
5	17	565	Customer Service and Business Assistance	III	Public Records Act	Comply w/ Public Rec Requests	0.02	0.00	0.02	Ia
6	17	855	Operational Support	II	Web Tasks	Create/edit/review web content	0.03	0.00	0.03	Ia
						Total Clerk of the Boards	7.00	(1.00)	6.00	

Clerk of the Boards Line Item Expenditure						
Major Object / Account # / Account Description		FY 2024-25 Actuals	FY 2025-26 Adopted Budget	FY 2025-26 Amended Budget	FY 2025-26 Estimate *	FY 2026-27 Proposed Budget
Salary & Employee Benefits						
51000-52000	Salaries	$ 359,575	$ 523,133	$ 475,127	$ 469,325	$ 457,879
53000-55000	Employee Benefits	217,220	316,469	292,469	286,720	327,435
Sub-total Salary & Employee Benefits		$ 576,795	$ 839,602	$ 767,596	$ 756,046	$ 785,314
Services & Supplies						
67250	Insurance	$ -	$ -	$ -	$ -	$ -
67300	Rents & Leases Equipment	-	-	-	-	-
67350	Rents & Leases Structure	-	-	-	-	-
67400	Household	-	-	-	-	-
67450	Professional & Special Services	51,921	85,200	85,200	76,409	92,200
67460	Temporary Agency Services	15,495	-	-	-	-
67500	Public Notice & Advertising	129,096	126,000	126,000	112,999	126,000
67550	Demurrage	-	-	-	-	-
67600	Maintenance of Equipment	-	200	800	717	200
67650	Building Maintenance	-	-	-	-	-
67700	Auto Mileage	-	100	100	90	100
67750	Auto Service	-	-	-	-	-
67800	Travel	-	200	200	179	200
67850	Utilities	-	-	-	-	-
67900	Communications	-	500	500	448	500
67950	Interest Expense	-	-	-	-	-
68000	Clothing	-	-	-	-	-
68050	Laboratory Supplies	-	-	-	-	-
68060	Postage	311	1,200	1,200	1,076	1,200
68100	Office Expense	2,738	6,600	5,300	4,753	9,600
68200	Office Furniture	-	-	1,300	1,166	-
68250	Subscriptions & Books	-	-	-	-	-
68300	Small Tools, Instruments, Equipment	-	-	-	-	-
68400	Gas and Oil	-	-	-	-	-
69500	Training/Conference/Tuition/ Board Exp.	549,788	584,920	584,320	524,026	584,920
69550	Memberships	285	300	300	269	300
69600	Taxes	-	-	-	-	-
69650	Awards	-	-	-	-	-
69700	Miscellaneous Expenses	-	500	500	448	500
69750	Prior Year Expense	-	-	-	-	-
69800	Uncollectable Accounts Receivable	-	-	-	-	-
89100	Principal Repayment	-	-	-	-	-
Sub-total Services & Supplies		$ 749,633	$ 805,720	$ 805,720	$ 722,581	$ 815,720
77000	**Capital Outlays**	$ -	$ -	$ -	$ -	$ -
79050	**Building Remodeling**	-	-	-	-	-
Total Expenditures		$ 1,326,428	$ 1,645,322	$ 1,573,316	$ 1,478,627	$ 1,601,034

* Estimates based on July 2025 through February 2026 actual expenditures and February 2026 budget amendments.

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT AND AIR PROGRAMS (CEAP)

DR. ANISSA CESSA HEARD-JOHNSON
DEPUTY EXECUTIVE OFFICER

At a Glance:	
FY 2025-26 Adopted Budget	$5.0M
FY 2026-27 Proposed Budget	$5.0M
% of FY 2026-27 Proposed Budget	2.2%
Total FTEs FY 2026-27 Proposed Budget	25

DESCRIPTION OF MAJOR SERVICES:

The Community Engagement and Air Programs (CEAP) Division provides a broad range of employee education, community engagement, and air program services to both internal and external stakeholders. The overall purpose of CEAP is to enhance the agency's ability to uphold the South Coast Air Quality Management District (South Coast AQMD) mission within a community engagement focused framework. A critical component of that purpose is Community Air Programs (CAP), which facilitates the Assembly Bill 617 (AB 617) program: a comprehensive community-based effort focused on improving air quality and public health in historically overburdened and heavily impacted communities.

The CEAP Division has four primary goals:

1. Goal: To educate South Coast AQMD employees and community stakeholders about issues impacting communities disproportionately impacted by air pollution.
    a. Objective: Enhance awareness by expanding the use of inclusive language and definitions, and by promoting the identities and experiences of our employees and communities.
    b. Objective: Create and strengthen platforms that celebrate and amplify the voices of individuals through utilizing resources, special events, targeted and purposeful agency-wide centered communications, and interactive displays.
    c. Objective: Develop and maintain both physical and virtual environments that serve as accessible resources and safer zones for open dialogues on persistent and emerging issues.

2. Goal: To implement objectives in the Community Emission Reductions Plans (CERPs) for the six South Coast AQMD AB 617 designated communities: 2018-Designated Communities – East Los Angeles, Boyle Heights, West Commerce (ELABHWC), San Bernardino, Muscoy (SBM), and Wilmington, Carson, West Long Beach (WCWLB); 2019-Designated Communities – Eastern Coachella Valley (ECV)

and Southeast Los Angeles (SELA); and 2020-Designated Community – South Los Angeles (SLA).

a. Objective: By allocating staffing and resources for CERP implementation with the necessary divisional support.
b. Objective: By facilitating supervision of and adherence to the objectives identified in the CERPs.
c. Objective: By coordinating with internal divisions to support CARB to provide capacity building and technical assistance in the development of future local CERPs (L-CERPs), according to Blueprint 2.0 guidelines.

3. Goal: To enhance public education, and equitable treatment for South Coast AQMD AB 617 designated communities.
    a. Objective: By developing Community Outreach Relations and Engagement initiatives within each AB 617 community that build capacity to address disproportionate impacts and environmental justice.
    b. Objective: By facilitating meetings where AB 617 community members engage in decision-making processes, i.e., Community Steering Committees (CSCs) and CSC Working Teams.
    c. Objective: By providing transparent, timely, and effective communications and interactions between and within AB 617 communities, among CSC members, and stakeholders.

4. Goal: To enhance the skills, abilities, and overall competency of staff to effectively engage with an increasingly changing population, disproportionally impacted by air pollution.
    a. Objective: By fostering continuous skill development through educational events, training, and access to educational resources.
    b. Objective: By cultivating professional growth and enhancing abilities through professional development, networking, and mentoring opportunities.
    c. Objective: By creating and sustaining critical communications within and between other agencies, divisions, and communities.

ACCOMPLISHMENTS:
Overall Community Engagement and Air Program Priorities and Objectives

JUSTICE & EDUCATIONAL DEVELOPMENT INITIATIVES (J.E.D.I.)
Maintain a Well-Informed and Skilled Staff on addressing EJ community issues

- 54 events comprised of educational Lobby Displays; Infographics, and Commemorative Celebrations.

Facilitate ongoing engagement with Employee Affinity (Resource) Groups

- 49 meetings, events and initiatives with Employee Resource Groups including monthly ERG meetings with the JEDI team (September, October, January, February, March, April, May, and June) and All ERG meetings.

Develop job related Justice and Educational Development Initiatives (JEDI) professional development and training that increases staff's awareness and skills

- 9 JEDI initiatives that contributed to the increase in employees' skills and competencies: Critical Community Conversations for Purposeful Outreach (C3PO) events

COMMUNITY AIR PROGRAMS

- Continued to implement the six CERPs
    - e.g., installation of "No Idling" signs, truck routes, incentives outreach, notifications, Pesticide Monitoring Protocol, green spaces, Metal Rules Workshop
- Submitted the AB 617 Annual Progress Report to CARB.
- Held 24 Community Steering Committee (CSC) meetings, one (1) in-person listening session, one (1) Residential Air Filtration Workshop, one (1) virtual listening session for Spanish speakers, and various office hours.
- Held 20 working teams on various AB 617 related matters as requested by CSC members (Post Year 5 Transition Working Team, 4 South LA Working Teams, and 3 Eastern Coachella Valley Working Teams)
- Conducted 45 outreach and engagement activities with CSC members and AB 617-related community members (in-person)
- Ongoing outreach for all six AB 617 communities, to develop and maintain relationships, and facilitate information flow between South Coast AQMD and CSC members.
- Adapted meeting and program processes to align with CSC requests and community priorities.
- Commented on California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) projects within AB 617 designated communities.
- Supported rule development efforts related to CERP objectives.
- Participated in AB 617 meetings with U.S. EPA, CARB, California Air Pollution Control Officers Association (CAPCOA), other external stakeholders (e.g., Southern California Association of Governments), and local agencies (e.g., Los Angeles Department of Public Health, City of San Bernadino, Caltrans, Los Angeles Planning Department, Los Angeles Department of Water and Power, Illegal Dumping Technical Advisory Committee, Riverside County Agricultural Commissioner Office, other Air Districts), elected official's staff (e.g., Supervisor Manuel V. Perez's Office).

- Continue implementing the ECV Paving Project Program.
- Began implementing SBM and ECV Community Garden Workshop.
- Collaboration with community co-leads in the development of the SLA Dry Cleaner Project Plan.
- Began implementing Clean Community School Program to distribute Community Air Protection Program (CAP) Incentive funds.
- Began development of SELA Green Spaces contracts.
- Released Request for Proposals to implement green space projects in SELA.
- Developed contracts for the SLA Community Co-Leads to support CERP implementation.
- Worked with SLA Community Co-Leads to establish four Working Teams
- Finalized participatory budgeting in SLA.
- Completed the AB 617 CERP Implementation Dashboard.
- Developed two informational videos for AB 617 communities.
- Updated AB 617 CERP Implementation Tracking Sheet.
- Updated features for the AB 617 CERP Implementation Dashboard.
- Participated and attended conferences (e.g., environmental justice, air monitoring, zero emissions technology, community engagement).

ANTICIPATED:

Overall Community Engagement and Air Programs Priorities and Objectives

JUSTICE & EDUCATIONAL DEVELOPMENT INITIATIVES (J.E.D.I.)

1. Community Engagement (26)
    a. Expand external engagement and collaboration through strategic events and developmental programs that strengthen community partnership.
2. Maintain a Well-Informed and Skilled Staff on addressing EJ community issues (56)
    a. Facilitate monthly events and ongoing resources that increase staff knowledge, skills, and abilities to address the issues and concerns
3. Facilitate ongoing engagement with Employee Affinity (Resource) Groups (72)
    a. Provide monthly support services for Employee Resource Groups (ERG) and two ERG meetings for all membership.
4. Develop job related Justice and Educational Development Initiatives (JEDI) professional development and training that increases staff's awareness and skills (4)
    a. Provide quarterly training and development opportunities for South Coast AQMD employees.

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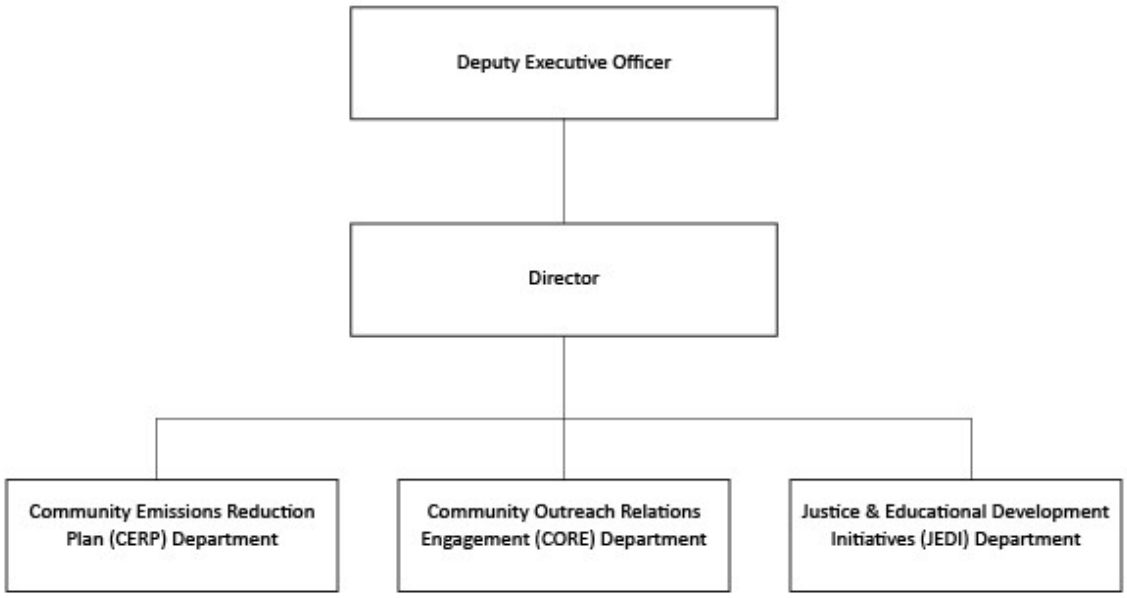
- Ongoing Community Outreach, Relations, and Engagement activities and initiatives.
- Facilitation of quarterly CSC meetings for the Year-Two (ECV/SELA) and Year-Three (SLA) South Coast AQMD AB 617 designated communities (12).
- Facilitation of CSC meetings for the three Year-One South Coast AQMD AB 617 designated communities (6).
- Facilitation of ongoing CSC working group meetings

  - Post Year 5 Transition Working Team Meetings (4)
  - 4 South LA Working Teams held quarterly (16)
  - 3 Eastern Coachella Valley Working Teams held as needed (3)
- 3rd Annual All CSC Community Engagement Event
- Monthly Thought Partner Collaborative meetings (10)
- Continue implementation of the six (6) CERPs.
- Continue outreach, develop recommendations, and support capacity building for future year communities, and provide technical assistance in the development of future local CERPs (L-CERPs).
- Develop informational videos for AB 617 communities.
- Facilitate, manage, and participate in community relationships by acting as a liaison to CSC meetings, workshops, conferences, and panel discussions representing South Coast AQMD with regards to the AB 617 program and other air quality matters in regard to CEAP.
- Provide updates to internal committees and working groups.
- Coordinate and facilitate community meetings on behalf of South Coast AQMD staff.
- Develop Community Air Protection (CAP) Program project plans (e.g., SELA green spaces, SLA Dry Cleaners) and Requests for Proposals (RFPs) or Program Announcements (PAs) to distribute CAP incentive funds (e.g., ECV paving projects, public health outreach, Clean Community School Program).
- Participate in other AB 617 meetings with U.S. EPA, CARB, other external stakeholders, and local agencies.
- Submit CARB Annual Progress Report.
- Update AB 617 Implementation CERP Dashboard, to include additional CERP objective close-out features and updating the framework to incorporate Blueprint 2.0 objectives.
- Maintain AB 617 Implementation Tracking Sheet.
- Continue to participate and attend conferences (e.g., environmental justice, air monitoring, zero emissions technologies, community engagement).
- Continue to implement Blueprint 2.0 goals and objectives (e.g., engagement with Consistently Nominated Communities, Community Air Grant recipients).

ORGANIZATIONAL CHART:



POSITION SUMMARY: 25 FTEs

Community Engagement and Air Programs Office Units	Amended FY 2025-26	Change	Proposed FY 2026-27
AB 617	20	-	20
JEDI	5	-	5
Totals	25	-	25

POSITION DETAIL:

FTEs	Title
2	Administrative Assistant I
6	Air Quality Specialist
1	Deputy Executive Officer
1	Director
1	Planning & Rules Manager
2	Program Supervisor
1	Public Affairs Manager
2	Senior Administrative Assistant
1	Senior Office Assistant
7	Senior Public Affairs Specialist
1	Staff Assistant
25	Total FTEs

Community Engagement & Air Programs Work Program by Office										
#	Program Code		Program Category	Goal	Program	Activities	FTEs FY 2025-26	+/-	FTEs FY 2026-27	Revenue Categories
1	70	019	Develop Programs	I	AB617-Prog Develop	AB617-Program Development	20.00	0.00	20.00	IX
2	70	900	Operational Support	III	Justice Education	Justice Education	5.00	0.00	5.00	Ia
						Total Community Engagement & Air Programs	25.00	-	25.00	

Community Engagement & Air Programs Line Item Expenditure						
Major Object / Account # / Account Description		FY 2024-25 Actuals	FY 2025-26 Adopted Budget	FY 2025-26 Amended Budget	FY 2025-26 Estimate *	FY 2026-27 Proposed Budget
Salary & Employee Benefits						
51000-52000	Salaries	$ 3,200,981	$ 3,148,131	$ 3,320,536	$ 3,320,536	$ 3,168,404
53000-55000	Employee Benefits	1,696,708	1,613,106	1,767,914	1,767,914	1,606,018
Sub-total Salary & Employee Benefits		$ 4,897,690	$ 4,761,237	$ 5,088,450	$ 5,088,450	$ 4,774,422
Services & Supplies						
67250	Insurance	$ -	$ -	$ -	$ -	$ -
67300	Rents & Leases Equipment	-	-	-	-	-
67350	Rents & Leases Structure	-	-	-	-	-
67400	Household	-	-	-	-	-
67450	Professional & Special Services	352,212	42,100	357,432	320,550	34,712
67460	Temporary Agency Services	-	30,000	30,000	26,904	30,000
67500	Public Notice & Advertising	6,575	-	12,838	11,513	-
67550	Demurrage	-	-	-	-	-
67600	Maintenance of Equipment	-	-	-	-	-
67650	Building Maintenance	-	-	-	-	-
67700	Auto Mileage	4,254	2,000	4,161	3,732	2,000
67750	Auto Service	-	-	-	-	-
67800	Travel	14,040	32,400	25,619	22,975	20,000
67850	Utilities	-	-	-	-	-
67900	Communications	-	3,720	3,720	3,336	1,000
67950	Interest Expense	-	-	-	-	-
68000	Clothing	-	-	-	-	-
68050	Laboratory Supplies	-	-	-	-	-
68060	Postage	19	300	300	269	300
68100	Office Expense	16,359	13,606	13,882	12,450	10,000
68200	Office Furniture	1,240	6,669	669	600	1,000
68250	Subscriptions & Books	4,884	14,374	5,559	4,985	4,000
68300	Small Tools, Instruments, Equipment	-	-	-	-	-
68400	Gas and Oil	-	-	-	-	-
69500	Training/Conference/Tuition/ Board Exp.	2,767	12,380	12,450	11,165	9,000
69550	Memberships	1,098	7,200	7,368	6,608	4,000
69600	Taxes	-	-	-	-	-
69650	Awards	-	-	360	323	-
69700	Miscellaneous Expenses	87,364	26,263	102,233	91,684	89,000
69750	Prior Year Expense	6,150	-	-	-	-
69800	Uncollectable Accounts Receivable	-	-	-	-	-
89100	Principal Repayment	-	-	-	-	-
Sub-total Services & Supplies		$ 496,962	$ 191,012	$ 576,591	$ 517,095	$ 205,012
77000	**Capital Outlays**	$ -	$ -	$ -	$ -	$ -
79050	**Building Remodeling**	-	-	-	-	-
Total Expenditures		$ 5,394,651	$ 4,952,249	$ 5,665,041	$ 5,605,545	$ 4,979,434

* Estimates based on July 2025 through February 2026 actual expenditures and February 2026 budget amendments.

COMPLIANCE & ENFORCEMENT

TERRENCE MANN
DEPUTY EXECUTIVE OFFICER

At a Glance:	
FY 2025-26 Adopted Budget	$27.0M
FY 2026-27 Proposed Budget	$28.0M
% of FY 2026-27 Proposed Budget	12.4%
Total FTEs FY 2026-27 Proposed Budget	170

DESCRIPTION OF MAJOR SERVICES:

Compliance and Enforcement (C&E) ensures public health by conducting unannounced field inspections to verify compliance with South Coast AQMD, state and federal rules and regulations and investigating air quality complaints and equipment breakdowns. Title V and RECLAIM sources are inspected at least annually, with the exception of select industries targeted for more frequent evaluation (e.g., at least quarterly inspection of chrome plating facilities). All other 25,000 stationary sources and 13,000 PERP engines/equipment are inspected at least once every three years. Notices to Comply are issued when additional information is required of a source to determine compliance, and for minor administrative violations. Notices of Violation are issued for more serious, typically emissions-based violations. Other activities include participation in Emergency Response and joint inspection activities with other agencies, providing expert testimony before the South Coast AQMD Hearing Board, and conducting training classes for the public and regulated community.

ACCOMPLISHMENTS:

RECENT:

- Completed 285 inspections of chrome plating facilities (annual and quarterly inspections of 87 facilities).
- Completed 317 Title V facility inspections during the Federal Fiscal Year (October through September).
- Completed 202 RECLAIM facility audits.
- Completed inspections of 8,737 other permitted stationary source facilities.
- Completed inspections of 3,768 PERP registered engines/equipment.
- Responded to 18,976 complaints (100% of those received).
- Responded to 812 breakdown notifications.

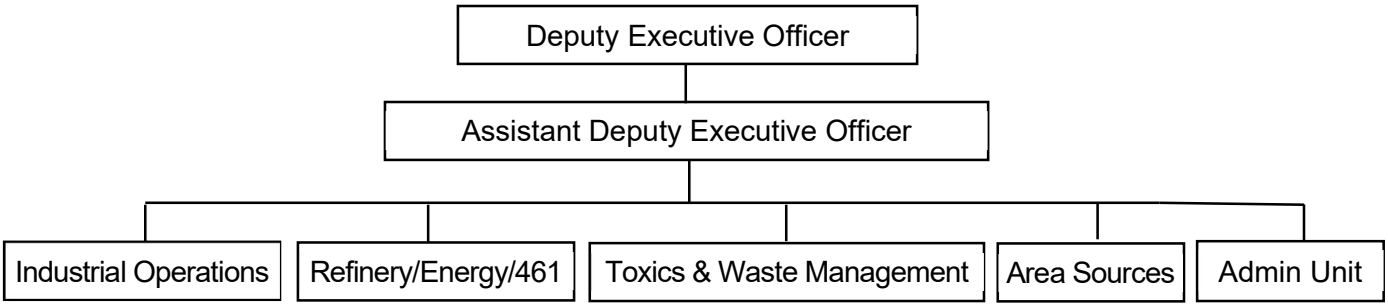
- Issued 3,133 Notices to Comply and 1,969 Notices of Violation (NOVs).
- Conducted 64 training classes for members of the public and the regulated community.

ANTICIPATED:

- Inspection Prioritization
  - Conduct inspections at approximately 7,000 non-Title V/non-RECLAIM facilities.
- Complaint Prioritization
  - Improve timelines of complaint response by meeting the first contact complaint response time goal 100% of complainants contacted no later than the end of the next business day
- Enforcement of Rule 2305 – Warehouse Indirect Source Rule
  - Evaluate compliance at all warehouse locations subject to Rule 2305
- Rule 1180 - Refinery Community and Fenceline Monitoring Response
  - Respond to public complaints and investigate emissions exceedances of pre-determined thresholds
- Oil and Gas Inspections (AB 617 CERP Actions)
  - Coordinate efforts with the Monitoring & Analysis Division to conduct field operations and inspections of Oil & Gas facilities when elevated pollutants are detected during mobile platform surveys
- Enforcement of Rule 1142 – Marine Tank Vessel Operations (AB 617 CERP Action)
  - Conduct surveillance and track marine vessels in South Coast AQMD Waters that vent emissions into the atmosphere without prior notification.
  - Board and inspect marine oil tankers at berth to evaluate compliance with Rule 1142 – *Marine Tank Vessel Operations*
- Enforcement of Rule 1403 – Asbestos Emissions
  - Conduct at least 1,200 inspections for sites under an asbestos notification.
- Rendering Plants (AB 617 CERP Action)
  - Continue responding to rendering odor complaints and update complainants on a timely basis
  - Conduct inspections to evaluate compliance with Rule 415
- Idling Truck Program (AB 617 CERP Action)
  - Continue responding to complaints alleging idling trucks
  - Conduct idling truck sweeps in AB 617 communities, as needed
  - Work with CARB to have “No Idling Signage” installed in AB 617 communities
- Continue to work with the Planning, Rule Development, & Implementation Division on rule development projects to ensure clear and enforceable requirements
- Reduce paperwork and streamline the report-writing process to increase efficiency in the field
- Evaluate more efficient methods to refer NOV reports to the General Counsel’s Office
- Work closely with the General Counsel’s Office to address significant violations

- Work closely with the Monitoring & Analysis Division and Planning, Rule Development, and Implementation Division to identify, assess, and enforce noncompliance for facilities with high emissions
- Update policies and procedures governing OCE's operations
- Continue development and launch of a new enforcement database - ENFORCE.

ORGANIZATIONAL CHART:



POSITION SUMMARY: 170 FTEs

Office of Compliance and Enforcement Units	Amended FY 2025-26	Change	Proposed FY 2026-27
Industrial Operations	60	-	60
Refinery/Energy/461	42	-	42
Toxics	36	-	36
Area Sources	12	-	12
Administrative Unit	16	-	16
Senior Staff	4	-	4
Total	170	-	170

POSITION DETAIL:

FTEs	Title
3	Administrative Assistant I
7	AQ Analysis & Compliance Supervisor
87	AQ Inspector II
21	AQ Inspector III
1	Assistant Deputy Executive Officer
1	Deputy Executive Officer
2	Investigator
6	Office Assistant
4	Program Supervisor
2	Senior Administrative Assistant
5	Senior Enforcement Manager
5	Senior Office Assistant
1	Staff Assistant
5	Staff Specialist
18	Supervising AQ Inspector
1	Supervising Investigator
1	Supervising Office Assistant
170	Total FTEs

Compliance & Enforcement
Work Program by Office

#	Program Code		Program Category	Goal	Program	Activities	FTEs FY 2025-26	+/-	FTEs FY 2026-27	Revenue Categories
1	60	019	Ensure Compliance	I	AB617-Prog Develop	AB617-Program Development	3.00	0.00	3.00	IX
2	60	038	Customer Service and Business Assistance	III	Admin/Office Budget	Dev/Coord Goals/Policies/Overs	7.00	-1.00	6.00	Ib
3	60	047	Customer Service and Business Assistance	I	Admin/Operations Support	Budget/Contracts/Reports/Projects	10.00	0.00	10.00	Ib
4	60	070	Ensure Compliance	I	CARB PERP Program	CARB Audits/Statewide Equip Reg	4.00	0.00	4.00	XIX
5	60	071	Ensure Compliance	I	Arch Ctgs - Admin	Report Review	0.20	0.00	0.20	XVIII
6	60	072	Ensure Compliance	I	Arch Ctgs - End User	Compliance/Rpts/RuleImpmenta	0.10	0.10	0.20	XVIII
7	60	073	Ensure Compliance	I	Arch Ctgs - Other	Compliance/Rpts/Rule Implementation	0.10	0.00	0.10	XVIII
8	60	076	Ensure Compliance	I	Area Sources/Compliance	Area Source Compliance	5.00	0.00	5.00	IV,IX,XV
9	60	077	Develop Rules	I	Area Sources/Rulemaking	Dev/Amend/Area S Rules/Credits	0.05	-0.05	0.00	II,IX
10	60	093	Ensure Compliance	I	CARB Oil & Gas Reg.	GHG EM Stds Oil/NG Facilities	3.00	0.00	3.00	XVII
11	60	119	Ensure Compliance	I	Chiquita Cyn 2023	Chiquita Canyon Landfill 2023	0.00	2.65	2.65	XVII
12	60	152	Ensure Compliance	III	Compliance/IM Related Activiti	Assist IM: Design/Review/Test	2.00	0.00	2.00	IV
13	60	155	Ensure Compliance	I	Compliance Guidelines	Procedures/Memos/Manuals	0.20	0.00	0.20	IV
14	60	157	Ensure Compliance	I	Compliance/Special Projects	Prog Audits/Data Req/Brd Supp	1.00	0.00	1.00	II
15	60	158	Ensure Compliance	I	Compliance Testing	R461/Combustion Equip Testing	1.00	0.00	1.00	IV
16	60	210	Monitoring Air Quality	II	Emergency Response	Emerg Tech Asst to Public Saf	0.30	0.00	0.30	IV,XV
17	60	276	Policy Support	I	Board Committees	Admin/Stationary Source Committee	0.15	0.00	0.15	Ia
18	60	358	Ensure Compliance	I	GHG Rules-Compl	Greenhouse Gas Rule Compliance	0.35	0.00	0.35	IV
19	60	365	Ensure Compliance	I	Hearing Bd/Variances	Variances/Orders of Abatement	0.30	0.00	0.30	VII
20	60	368	Develop Programs	I	Incentive RFP Emis Red Projs	Incentive Projects Admin	0.05	0.00	0.05	XVII
21	60	371	Ensure Compliance	I	Indir Src Rule Cmpl	Indir Source Rule Compliance	2.00	2.00	4.00	IV
22	60	375	Ensure Compliance	I	Inspections	Compliance/Inspection/Follow-up	91.65	-0.65	91.00	II,V,XV
23	60	377	Ensure Compliance	I	Inspections/RECLAIM Audits	Audit/Compliance Assurance	10.00	-6.00	4.00	II,IV
24	60	416	Policy Support	I	Legislative Activities	Legislative Activities	0.05	-0.05	0.00	Ia
25	60	492	Customer Service and Business Assistance	II	Outreach/Business	Pub Events/Conf/Rideshare Fair	0.05	0.00	0.05	IX
26	60	503	Develop Programs	I	PM Strategies	PM10 Plan/Analyz/Strategy Dev	0.05	-0.05	0.00	XV
27	60	539	Ensure Compliance	I	Procedure 5 Review	Evaluate Proc 5 Asbestos Plans	3.00	0.00	3.00	XVII
28	60	550	Ensure Compliance	II	Public Complaints/Breakdowns	Compltresp/Invflwup/Resolutn	11.00	0.00	11.00	II,IV,V,XV
29	60	565	Customer Service and Business Assistance	III	Public Records Act	Comply w/ Public Req for Info	0.60	0.00	0.60	Ia
30	60	605	Ensure Compliance	I	RECLAIM/Admin Support	Admin/Policy/Guidelines	0.05	0.00	0.05	II,III,IV
31	60	645	Ensure Compliance	I	Rule 1610 Plan Verification	Old vehicle scrapping	0.05	0.00	0.05	IX
32	60	657	Develop Rules	I	Rulemaking/Support PRDI	Provide Rule Development Supp	0.75	0.00	0.75	IV
33	60	690	Customer Service and Business Assistance	I	Source Education	Prov Tech Asst To Industries	1.00	0.00	1.00	IV,V,XV
34	60	717	Policy Support	II	Student Interns	Gov Board/Student Intern Program	0.35	0.00	0.35	Ia
35	60	721	Ensure Compliance	I	Sunshine Cyn Lndfll	Sunshine Cyn Lndfll	0.05	1.95	2.00	XVII
36	60	771	Ensure Compliance	I	Title V	Title V Compl/Inspect/Follow Up	7.00	1.00	8.00	II,IV
37	60	805	Operational Support	III	Training	Dist/Org Unit Training	4.00	0.00	4.00	Ib
38	60	825	Operational Support	III	Union Negotiations	Official Labor/Mgmt Negotiate	0.05	0.00	0.05	Ia
39	60	826	Operational Support	III	Union Steward Activities	Rep Employees in Grievance Act	0.05	0.00	0.05	Ia
40	60	854	Customer Service and Business Assistance	II	WHAM Program	High School Education Prog	0.00	0.10	0.10	XVII
41	60	855	Operational Support	II	Web Tasks	Creation/Update of Web Conten	0.15	0.00	0.15	Ia
42	60	900	Operational Support	III	Justice Education	Justice Education	0.30	0.00	0.30	Ia
						Total Compliance & Enforcement	170.00	(0.00)	170.00	

Compliance & Enforcement Line Item Expenditure						
Major Object / Account # / Account Description		FY 2024-25 Actuals	FY 2025-26 Adopted Budget	FY 2025-26 Amended Budget	FY 2025-26 Estimate *	FY 2026-27 Proposed Budget
Salary & Employee Benefits						
51000-52000	Salaries	$ 18,297,523	$ 17,616,104	$ 18,099,421	$ 18,099,421	$ 18,467,237
53000-55000	Employee Benefits	9,137,412	8,850,536	9,057,342	9,057,342	9,031,545
Sub-total Salary & Employee Benefits		$ 27,434,935	$ 26,466,640	$ 27,156,764	$ 27,156,764	$ 27,498,782
Services & Supplies						
67250	Insurance	$ -	$ -	$ -	$ -	$ -
67300	Rents & Leases Equipment	-	-	-	-	-
67350	Rents & Leases Structure	18,944	141,543	141,543	126,938	150,043
67400	Household	-	-	-	-	-
67450	Professional & Special Services	13,239	7,500	15,500	13,901	9,000
67460	Temporary Agency Services	-	20,000	10,000	8,968	10,000
67500	Public Notice & Advertising	-	-	-	-	-
67550	Demurrage	-	-	-	-	-
67600	Maintenance of Equipment	47,208	25,000	25,000	22,420	35,000
67650	Building Maintenance	-	-	-	-	-
67700	Auto Mileage	461	1,000	1,000	897	1,000
67750	Auto Service	-	-	-	-	-
67800	Travel	2,526	10,000	10,000	8,968	10,000
67850	Utilities	-	-	-	-	-
67900	Communications	131,310	117,350	117,350	105,241	117,350
67950	Interest Expense	-	-	-	-	-
68000	Clothing	52,174	45,000	45,000	40,357	45,000
68050	Laboratory Supplies	16,783	25,000	25,000	22,420	25,000
68060	Postage	17,580	20,000	20,000	17,936	20,000
68100	Office Expense	23,294	39,457	39,457	35,386	39,457
68200	Office Furniture	1,741	10,000	10,000	8,968	10,000
68250	Subscriptions & Books	828	1,000	1,000	897	1,000
68300	Small Tools, Instruments, Equipment	53,594	16,000	16,000	14,349	16,000
68400	Gas and Oil	-	-	-	-	-
69500	Training/Conference/Tuition/ Board Exp.	39,493	50,000	50,000	44,841	36,000
69550	Memberships	150	-	2,000	1,794	2,000
69600	Taxes	1,024	-	-	-	2,000
69650	Awards	-	-	1,602	1,437	-
69700	Miscellaneous Expenses	1,044	2,500	2,500	2,242	2,500
69750	Prior Year Expense	(10,554)	-	-	-	-
69800	Uncollectable Accounts Receivable	-	-	-	-	-
89100	Principal Repayment	-	-	-	-	-
Sub-total Services & Supplies		$ 410,839	$ 531,350	$ 532,952	$ 477,959	$ 531,350
77000	**Capital Outlays**	$ (23,658)	$ -	$ -	$ -	$ -
79050	**Building Remodeling**	-	-	-	-	-
Total Expenditures		$ 27,822,115	$ 26,997,990	$ 27,689,716	$ 27,634,723	$ 28,030,132

* Estimates based on July 2025 through February 2026 actual expenditures and February 2026 budget amendments.

ENGINEERING & PERMITTING

JASON ASPELL
DEPUTY EXECUTIVE OFFICER

At a Glance:	
FY 2025-26 Adopted Budget	$31.9M
FY 2026-27 Proposed Budget	$32.8M
% of FY 2026-27 Proposed Budget	14.6%
Total FTEs FY 2026-27 Proposed Budget	175

DESCRIPTION OF MAJOR SERVICES:

Engineering & Permitting (E&P) is responsible for processing applications for Permits to Construct & Operate, and special services. The permit processing activities involve approximately 300 major facilities that have been issued Title V Federal Operating permits, about 220 facilities in the RECLAIM program, and over 25,000 large and small business operations. In addition, staff also participates in activities with other agencies, provides engineering support to other divisions and investigations, and evaluates and implements Permitting Enhancement Program activities, including application inventory reduction and other permit processing streamlining and modernization efforts.

ACCOMPLISHMENTS:

RECENT:

Staffing

- Continued promotional and recruitment efforts to maintain low E&P vacancy rate. This included the promotion of one Senior Engineering Manager, two Supervising AQ Engineers, two Senior AQ Engineers, and the onboarding of ten new AQ Engineers and one new Staff Specialist during the calendar year.
- Continued utilization of consultants to bridge experience gap created from recent retirements.

Permit Production

- Processed over 2,000 Permits to Construct and over 5,700 applications for Permits, Plans, and ERCs during Fiscal Year (FY) 2024-25.
- Set and met goal to increase permit production by 500 completions as compared to CY 2023.
- Focused on reducing aged permit applications to the extent possible. Implemented strategic initiatives to reduce aged permit application inventory.
- Issued 260 Title V renewal and modification permits in CY 2025.
- Continued implementation of Rule 1109.1 which includes significant permit application and plan requirements.

Permit Streamlining

- Continued development of Online Permit Processing tools and other automation efforts, including development and demonstration of the online Permitting Portal.
- Continued support for online applicants for dry cleaning equipment, gasoline dispensing facilities, automotive refinishing spray booths, negative air machines, charbroilers, and small heaters and boilers. Over 1,200 applications were filed online during CY 2025.
- Continued to maintain and surpass the Division's Permit Streamlining goal of application delivery to Permitting Teams within an average of 4 business days.
- Continued to streamline and optimize public notice functions by consolidating processes, fostering greater efficiency, and ensuring a cohesive approach to public communication, thereby enhancing transparency and community engagement. Formerly added an additional option for applicants to utilize staff for public notice distribution associated with school proximity through Rule 301 amendment.
- Continued to offer additional outreach efforts for Permit Streamlining by hosting dedicated Permitting Working Group meetings to openly discuss and seek stakeholder feedback on ongoing permitting challenges and streamlining updates.

Program Administration and Reporting

- Developed and implemented Title V Action Plan
- Continued efforts to post all newly issued Title V permits to the internet for online public access on an ongoing basis.
- Continued to maintain the Certified Permitting Professional (CPP) program by reaching out to existing CPP holders to provide support and to update and confirm contact information.
- Conducted one CPP exam for 15 individuals seeking certification as Permitting Professionals.
- Prepared Federal New Source Review (NSR) Equivalency Determination Reports pursuant to Rule 1315.
- Prepared annual report on the NOx and SOx RECLAIM Program in accordance with Rule 2015.
- Prepared semi-annual Title V Operating Permits reports for US EPA.

Other Support and Services

- Assisted in developing and amending South Coast AQMD Rules and Regulations such as Reg. III, Reg. XI, Reg. XIII, Reg. XIV, and other amendments called for under AB 617, including Reg. XX, and incorporating updated Best Available Retrofit Control Technology (BARCT).
- Developed Rule 317.1 processes regarding implementation of rule requirements.
- Provided pre- and post-application conferences to help permit applicants.
- Participated, reviewed, and provided permit remedies to permit holders throughout CY 2024 from Fee Review cases.
- Provided technical support to IM to test and troubleshoot CLASS permitting software programs issues.

- Continued to provide engineering support and/or expert testimony in Hearing Board cases throughout CY 2025.

ANTICIPATED:

Staffing

- Continue to fill vacancies at all levels to assist with permit inventory reduction efforts. An essential component of the Permitting Enhancement Program (PEP) is targeting a division vacancy rate of 10 percent or less to ensure proper staffing levels to meet the division's goals and objectives.
- Continuously enhance our training initiatives by developing and implementing comprehensive programs for all engineers, ensuring their proficiency and success in their roles. Offer a range of learning opportunities, including in-house workshops, online courses, and external training programs, to provide ongoing support for both new engineers and newly promoted seniors and supervisors.
- Establish and formalize a specialized training program for supervisory engineers to cultivate leadership skills, enhance technical expertise, and ensure effective management within the organization.
- Explore third-party technical training programs, aiming to diversify learning resources and provide engineers with valuable external perspectives, expertise, and skills for professional development.

Permit Production

- Monitor and reduce average permit application residence times.
- Continue to complete timely renewal of Title V permits.
- Maintain permit production levels achieved as part of FY 2024-25 targeted efforts.
- Continue to implement action plan to further improve Title V program pursuant to U.S. EPA's recommendations:
  - Continue to prepare expanded Statement of Basis (SOB) for all initial Title V permits, at least 10 percent of Title V renewals, and all De-Minimis and Significant Title V revisions,
  - Continue efforts to develop automated capability to publish Title V permits online,
  - Provide more detailed accounts of applicable federal requirements in Title V permits,
  - Provide public with online access to all issued Title V permits, and
  - Develop formal policy for sources exiting the Title V program.
- Continue implementation of Rule 1109.1 application processing and reporting (refinery rule associated with RECLAIM sunset).

Permit Streamlining and Process Improvements

- Continue efforts to streamline and expedite permit issuance through:
  - Equipment Certification/Registration Programs
  - Streamlined Standard Permits
  - Expedited Permit Processing Program
  - Maintaining Adequate Staff Resources
  - Improving Technical Training

  - Revisiting Policies and Rules
- Continue permit processing modernization efforts through the development of a plan and business model that will facilitate transition to electronic permit application submittal and processing and can be deployed in conjunction with online filing.
- Continue the development and deployment of Phase II Online Permitting efforts:
  - Enhancements to Permit Application Status Dashboard based on user feedback, while maintaining existing internal and external-facing elements
  - Remaining Rule 222 Filing & Registration Forms
  - 400-E-xx Permit Application Forms
- Continue to update and expand the Permit Processing Handbook.
- Continue soliciting stakeholder input on permit application inventory reduction and permit streamlining efforts through Permit Streamlining Task Force subcommittee and Permitting Working Group meetings.
- Continue to enhance the permitting websites.
- Continue to develop policies on public notices to ensure accessibility to affected community members.

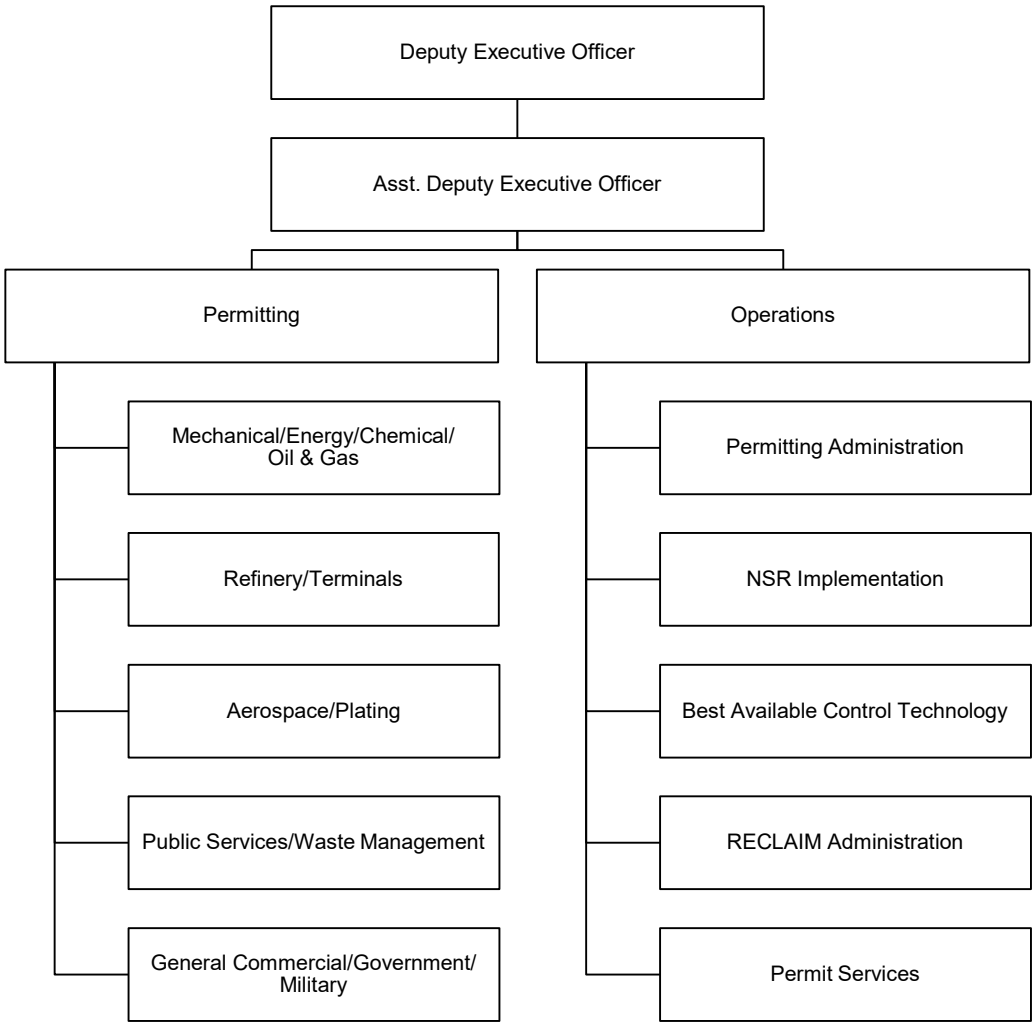
<u>Program Administration and Reporting</u>

- Propose new BACT determinations and updated BACT Guidelines to the Board.
- Continue to improve and monitor the operational and permitting efficiency of permitting teams by:
  - Streamlining workflow
  - Enhancing permitting tools
  - Standardizing permit conditions
  - Reviewing and updating outdated Permitting Policies and Procedures, and
  - Standardizing time and processing status metrics for monitoring permit applications through completion
- Continue certification testing of Certified Permitting Professionals (CPPs) and develop strategic plan in conjunction with Permit Streamlining Task Force recommendations for leveraging and expanding the benefits from the program.
- Continue to improve customer services and public outreach by:
  - Providing public education by attending public meetings and addressing public concerns
  - Aiding permit applicants through pre- and post-application submittal conferences
  - Providing permitting information for Public Record requests
  - Continuing to offer outreach efforts hosting public meetings including for the Permit Streamlining Task Force and Working Group meetings to openly discuss and seek stakeholder feedback on ongoing permitting challenges and streamlining updates.
- Continue to evaluate the optional Expedited Permitting Program and propose improvements if warranted.
- Continue to prepare Federal NSR Equivalency Determination Reports pursuant to Rule 1315.
- Continue to prepare annual report on the NOx and SOx RECLAIM Program in accordance with Rule 2015.

Other Support and Services

- Review and comment on Rule 1402 Risk Reduction Plans.
- Continue to provide critical input in developing and amending South Coast AQMD Rules.
- Continue to provide critical input to Compliance & Enforcement in enforcing South Coast AQMD Rules.
- Continue to provide support in Fee Review cases and Hearing Board cases.
- Continue to support the development and rollout of the Source Testing portal, an online platform designed to streamline the process of collecting and reporting data on air emissions.
- Collaborate with IM and other divisions to ensure that the various portals are user-friendly, efficient, and fully compliant with relevant regulations.

ORGANIZATIONAL CHART:



POSITION SUMMARY: 175 FTEs

Engineering & Permitting Units	Amended FY 2025-26	Change	Proposed FY 2026-27
Administration	4	-	4
Engineering	144	3	147
Operations	28	(4)	24
Total	176	(1)	175

POSITION DETAIL:

FTEs	Title
6	Administrative Assistant I
91	Air Quality Engineer II
1	Air Quality Specialist
1	Assistant Deputy Executive Officer
2	Data Technician
1	Deputy Executive Officer
1	Office Assistant
1	Program Supervisor
2	Senior Administrative Assistant
27	Senior Air Quality Engineer
8	Senior Air Quality Engineering Manager
14	Senior Office Assistant
4	Staff Specialist
14	Supervising Air Quality Engineer
2	Supervising Office Assistant
175	Total FTEs

Engineering & Permitting Work Program by Office										
#	Program Code		Program Category	Goal	Program	Activities	FTEs FY 2025-26	+/-	FTEs FY 2026-27	Revenue Categories
1	50	019	Develop Programs	I	AB617-Prog Develop	AB617-Program Development	1.20	0.00	1.20	IX
2	50	038	Customer Service and Business Assistance	I	Admin/Office Management	Dev/Coord Goals/Policies/Overs	3.50	0.00	3.50	Ib
3	50	047	Customer Service and Business Assistance	I	Admin/Operations Support	Budget/Contracts/Reports/Projects	3.50	0.00	3.50	Ib
4	50	120	Timely Review of Permits	I	Certification/Registration Pro	Certification/Registration Prog	1.00	0.00	1.00	III
5	50	148	Policy Support	I	Climate/Energy/Incentives	GHG/Climate Change Support	0.50	0.00	0.50	II,IX
6	50	156	Ensure Compliance	I	Perm Proc/Info to Compliance	Prov Permit Info to Compliance	3.00	0.00	3.00	III,IV
7	50	200	Customer Service and Business Assistance	I	Economic Dev/Bus Retention	Perm Proc/Public Participation	0.10	0.00	0.10	III
8	50	240	Ensure Compliance	I	Environmental Justice	R461/Combustion Equip Testing	0.50	0.00	0.50	II,IX
9	50	253	Timely Review of Permits	I	ERC Appl Processing	Process ERC Applications	3.50	0.00	3.50	III
10	50	260	Customer Service and Business Assistance	III	Fee Review	Fee Review Committee	0.45	0.00	0.45	II,III,IV
11	50	276	Policy Support	I	Board Committees	Admin/Stationary Source Committees	0.25	0.00	0.25	Ia
12	50	365	Ensure Compliance	I	Hearing Bd/Variances	Variances/Orders of Abatement	0.75	0.00	0.75	VII
13	50	367	Timely Review of Permits	I	Hearing Board/Appeals	Appeals: Permits & Denials	0.25	0.00	0.25	III
14	50	377	Ensure Compliance	I	Inspections/RECLAIM Audits	Audit/Compliance Assurance	6.00	0.00	6.00	II,IV
15	50	416	Policy Support	I	Legislative Activities	Legislative Activities	0.25	0.00	0.25	Ia
16	50	425	Customer Service and Business Assistance	I	Lobby Permit Services	Supp Perm Proc/Customer Svc	1.00	0.00	1.00	III
17	50	475	Timely Review of Permits	I	NSR Implementation	Implement NSR/Allocate ERCs	2.50	0.00	2.50	II,III,V
18	50	476	Timely Review of Permits	I	NSR Data Clean Up	Edit/Update NSR Data	0.50	0.00	0.50	II
19	50	492	Ensure Compliance	I	Customer Service	Compliance/Inspection/Follow-up	0.50	0.00	0.50	II,V,IX,XV
20	50	515	Timely Review of Permits	I	Perm Proc/Non TV/Non RECLAIM	PP: Non TitlV/TitlIII/RECLAIM	58.30	-1.00	57.30	III
21	50	517	Timely Review of Permits	I	Permit Services	Facility Data-Create/Edit	13.50	0.00	13.50	III
22	50	518	Timely Review of Permits	I	RECLAIM Non-Title V	Process RECLAIM Only Permits	4.00	0.00	4.00	III,IV,XV
23	50	519	Timely Review of Permits	I	Perm Proc/Title III (Non TV)	Process Title III Permits	1.00	0.00	1.00	III
24	50	520	Customer Service and Business Assistance	I	Perm Proc/Pre-Appl Mtg Outreac	Pre-App Mtgs/Genl Prescreening	1.00	0.00	1.00	III
25	50	521	Timely Review of Permits	I	Perm Proc/Expedited Permit	Proc Expedited Permits (301OT)	4.00	0.00	4.00	III
26	50	523	Timely Review of Permits	I	Permit Streamlining	Permit Streamlining	4.75	0.00	4.75	III
27	50	565	Customer Service and Business Assistance	III	Public Records Act	Comply w/ Public Req for Info	0.25	0.00	0.25	Ia
28	50	605	Ensure Compliance	I	RECLAIM/Admin Support	Admin/Policy/Guidelines	6.50	0.00	6.50	II,III,IV
29	50	607	Timely Review of Permits	I	RECLAIM & Title V	Process RECLAIM & TV Permits	19.90	0.00	19.90	III
30	50	643	Timely Review of Permits	I	Rule 222 Filing Program	Rule 222 Filing Program	0.50	0.00	0.50	IV
31	50	650	Develop Rules	I	Rulemaking	Dev/Amend/Impl Rules	0.25	0.00	0.25	II,XV
32	50	653	Develop Rules	I	Rulemaking/BACT	Dev/Amend BACT Guidelines	1.80	0.00	1.80	II
33	50	657	Develop Rules	I	Rulemaking/Support PRDI	Provide Rule Development Supp	0.25	0.00	0.25	II
34	50	678	Ensure Compliance	I	School Siting	Identify Haz. Emission Sources near Schools	0.25	0.00	0.25	II
35	50	680	Ensure Compliance	I	Small Business Assistance	Asst sm bus w/ Permit Process	0.50	0.00	0.50	IV
36	50	690	Customer Service and Business Assistance	I	Source Education	Prov Tech Asst To Industries	2.80	0.00	2.80	III,IV,V,XV
37	50	728	Timely Review of Permits	I	Perm Proc/IM Programming	Assist IM: Design/Review/Test	2.55	0.00	2.55	II,III,IV
38	50	752	Develop Rules	I	Title III Rulemaking	Title III Dev/Implement Rules	0.25	0.00	0.25	II
39	50	773	Develop Rules	I	Title V & NSR Rulemaking-Supp	Title V Rules Dev/Amend/Impl	0.25	0.00	0.25	II
40	50	774	Timely Review of Permits	I	TV/Non-RECLAIM	Process Title V Only Permits	19.45	0.00	19.45	III

Engineering & Permitting (Cont.) Work Program by Office										
#	Program Code		Program Category	Goal	Program	Activities	FTEs FY 2025-26	+/-	FTEs FY 2026-27	Revenue Categories
41	50	775	Timely Review of Permits	I	Title V – Admin	Title V Administration	1.00	0.00	1.00	III
42	50	791	Ensure Compliance	I	Toxics/AB2588	AB2588 Rev Rprts/Risk Redplans	0.25	0.00	0.25	X
43	50	805	Operational Support	III	Training	Dist/Org Unit Training	3.10	0.00	3.10	Ib
44	50	825	Operational Support	III	Union Negotiations	Official Labor/Mgmt Negotiate	0.05	0.00	0.05	Ia
45	50	826	Operational Support	III	Union Steward Activities	Rep Employees in Grievance Act	0.05	0.00	0.05	Ia
46	50	855	Operational Support	II	Web Tasks	Creation/Update of Web Content	0.25	0.00	0.25	Ia
						Total Engineering & Permitting	176.00	(1.00)	175.00	

Engineering & Permitting Line Item Expenditure						
Major Object / Account # / Account Description		FY 2024-25 Actuals	FY 2025-26 Adopted Budget	FY 2025-26 Amended Budget	FY 2025-26 Estimate *	FY 2026-27 Proposed Budget
Salary & Employee Benefits						
51000-52000	Salaries	$ 21,495,425	$ 21,266,024	$ 22,880,329	$ 22,880,329	$ 21,943,921
53000-55000	Emplmyee Benefits	10,926,885	10,298,542	11,473,749	11,473,749	10,467,066
Sub-total Salary & Emplmyee Benefits		$ 32,422,310	$ 31,564,566	$ 34,354,077	$ 34,354,077	$ 32,410,987
Services & Supplies						
67250	Insurance	$ -	$ -	$ -	$ -	$ -
67300	Rents & Leases Equipment	-	8,000	8,000	7,175	8,000
67350	Rents & Leases Structure	-	8,000	8,000	7,175	8,000
67400	Household	-	-	-	-	-
67450	Professional & Special Services	82,333	2,500	57,500	51,567	2,500
67460	Temporary Agency Services	66,308	60,000	5,000	4,484	60,000
67500	Public Notice & Advertising	105,107	116,000	116,000	104,030	116,000
67550	Demurrage	-	250	250	224	250
67600	Maintenance of Equipment	-	-	-	-	-
67650	Building Maintenance	-	-	-	-	-
67700	Auto Mileage	481	1,000	1,000	897	1,000
67750	Auto Service	-	-	-	-	-
67800	Travel	6,039	14,433	14,433	12,944	14,433
67850	Utilities	-	-	-	-	-
67900	Communications	12,925	6,450	10,450	9,372	6,450
67950	Interest Expense	-	-	-	-	-
68000	Clothing	2,342	6,500	6,500	5,829	6,500
68050	Laboratory Supplies	-	-	-	-	-
68060	Postage	55,527	37,000	37,000	33,182	37,000
68100	Office Expense	23,653	59,296	54,296	48,693	59,296
68200	Office Furniture	9,985	7,500	7,500	6,726	7,500
68250	Subscriptions & Books	318	400	400	359	400
68300	Small Tools, Instruments, Equipment	-	-	-	-	-
68400	Gas and Oil	-	-	-	-	-
69500	Training/Conference/Tuition/ Board Exp.	19,552	33,500	33,500	30,043	33,500
69550	Memberships	5,848	1,500	6,500	5,829	1,500
69600	Taxes	-	-	-	-	-
69650	Awards	-	2,000	4,361	3,911	2,000
69700	Miscellaneous Expenses	1,207	5,000	5,000	4,484	5,000
69750	Prior Year Expense	(26)	-	-	-	-
69800	Uncollectable Accounts Receivable	-	-	-	-	-
89100	Principal Repayment	-	-	-	-	-
Sub-total Services & Supplies		$ 391,598	$ 369,329	$ 375,690	$ 336,924	$ 369,329
77000	**Capital mutlays**	$ -	$ -	$ -	$ -	$ -
79050	**Building Remmdeling**	-	-	-	-	-
Total Expenditures		$ 32,813,908	$ 31,933,895	$ 34,729,767	$ 34,691,001	$ 32,780,316

* Estimates based on July 2025 through February 2026 actual expenditures and February 2026 budget amendments.

FINANCE

SUJATA JAIN
CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER

At a Glance:	
FY 2025-26 Adopted Budget	$8.4M
FY 2026-27 Proposed Budget	$8.7M
% of FY 2026-27 Proposed Budget	3.9%
Total FTEs FY 2026-27 Proposed Budget	56

DESCRIPTION OF MAJOR SERVICES:

Finance provides services to internal and external customers and stakeholders, including fee payers, internal divisions, employees, the Mobile Source Air Pollution Reduction Review Committee, the Building Corporation, and the Health Effects of Air Pollution Foundation. These services are provided through three distinct units: Controller, Financial Services, and Procurement. The Controller is responsible for accounting, financial reporting, accounts payable, payroll, state and federal tax reporting, revenue posting, and asset management. The Financial Services Manager is responsible for budget preparation, budgetary reporting, forecasting, grants management, billing services, and ad-hoc internal financial support/analysis. The Procurement Manager is responsible for the procurement of goods and services, contracting, proposal/bid solicitations and advertising, processing supplier deliveries, and controlling/dispensing/reconciling inventory.

ACCOMPLISHMENTS:

RECENT:

- Continued to expand electronic payment options to include Permit Processing Fee payments for asbestos, dry cleaners, spray booths, gas stations, and a portion of Rule 222 registrations.
- Processed 480 contracts and modifications, issued 29 Request for Proposals/Quotes, and processed 119 proposals/quotations. Processed 1,740 purchase orders and 130 Cal-Card orders.
- Received the Government Finance Officer's Association's (GFOA) awards for the Annual Budget, Annual Comprehensive Financial Report, and Popular Annual Financial Report for the most recent fiscal year.
- Improved the process to track grant receipts and expenditures within PeopleSoft.
- Published South Coast AQMD's FY 2025-2026 Budget, which includes goals and priority objectives and a multiyear financial summary of all revenues, expenditures and staffing used by each of South Coast AQMD's divisions.
- Completed FY 2024-2025 audited financial statements. These required statements offer short-term and long-term financial information about South Coast AQMD. The statement of net position provides information about the nature and amounts of investments in resources (assets) and obligations (liabilities) at the close of the fiscal year. The financial statements are

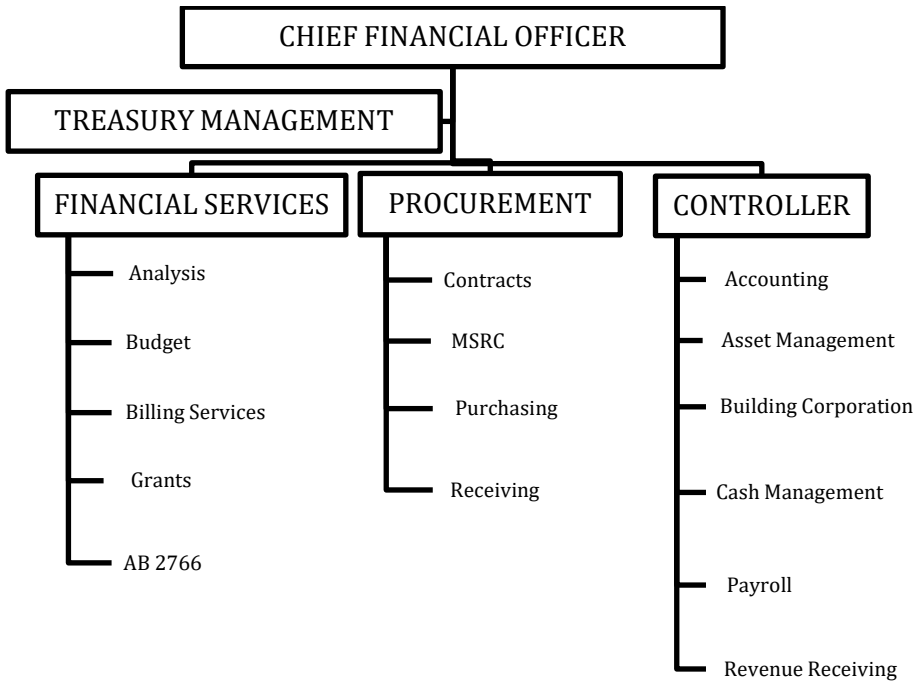
prepared on the accrual basis in accordance with U.S. Generally Accepted Accounting Principles.

- Implemented the new accounting guidance, GASB Statement No. 101, Compensated Absences in FY 2024-25 audited financial statements.

ANTICIPATED:

- Continue to receive GFOA Awards for the Annual Budget, Annual Comprehensive Financial Report, and Popular Annual Financial Report to ensure South Coast AQMD's financial reports meet the highest professional standards.
- Ensure compliance with all AB 617, Community Air Protection Program, and VW Mitigation Settlement guidelines for financial reporting and tracking of revenue and expenditures.
- Continue to identify and implement additional opportunities for electronic payments.
- Districtwide adoption of PeopleSoft E-Requisition module for creating electronic requisitions and routing them for approval.

ORGANIZATIONAL CHART:



POSITION SUMMARY: 56 FTEs

Finance Units	Amended FY 2025-26	Change	Proposed FY 2026-27
Office Administration	3	-	3
Controller	24	-	24
Financial Services	19	-	19
Procurement	10	-	10
Total	56	-	56

POSITION DETAIL:

FTEs	Title
1	Accountant
2	Accounting Technician
3	Administrative Assistant I
2	Budget and Grants Manager
2	Contracts Assistant
1	Controller
1	Deputy Executive Officer/Chief Financial Officer
1	District Storekeeper
6	Financial Analyst
1	Financial Services Manager
8	Fiscal Assistant
1	Payroll Supervisor
3	Payroll Technician
1	Procurement Manager
1	Principal Office Assistant
2	Purchasing Assistant
1	Purchasing Supervisor
3	Senior Accountant
1	Senior Administrative Assistant
3	Senior Fiscal Assistant
8	Senior Office Assistant
1	Staff Assistant
2	Staff Specialist
1	Stock Clerk
56	Total FTEs

Finance Work Program by Office										
#	Program Code		Program Category	Goal	Program	Activities	FTEs FY 2025-26	+/-	FTEs FY 2026-27	Revenue Categories
1	04	002	Customer Service and Business Assistance	III	AB2766/Mobile Source	Prog Admin: Monitor/Dist/Audit	0.10	0.00	0.10	IX
2	04	003	Advance Clean Air Technology	III	AB2766/MSRC	MSRC Program Administration	0.35	0.00	0.35	IX
3	04	020	Operational Support	III	Admin/SCAQMD Budget	Analyze/Prepare/Impl/Track WP	4.71	0.00	4.71	Ia
4	04	021	Operational Support	III	Admin/SCAQMD Contracts	Contract Admin/Monitor/Process	3.20	0.00	3.20	Ia
5	04	023	Operational Support	III	Admin/SCAQMD Capital Assets	FA Rep/Reconcile/Inv/Acct	0.70	0.00	0.70	Ia
6	04	035	Operational Support	I	AB617-Support	AB617-Support	0.50	0.00	0.50	IX
7	04	038	Operational Support	III	Admin/Office Management	Fin Mgmt/Oversee Activities	4.00	0.00	4.00	Ib
8	04	045	Operational Support	III	Admin/Office Budget	Office Budget/Prep/Impl/Track	0.05	0.00	0.05	Ib
9	04	071	Operational Support	I	Arch Ctgs - Admin	Cost Analysis/Payments	0.04	0.00	0.04	XVIII
10	04	083	Policy Support	II	Hlth Effects Air Pollution Fou	Health Effects Air Poll Foundation Support	0.02	0.00	0.02	Ia
11	04	085	Operational Support	III	Building Corporation	Building Corp Acct/Fin Reports	0.02	0.00	0.02	Ia
12	04	096	Operational Support	I	CAPP Year 2-SB 856	CAPP Year 2-SB 856	2.00	0.00	2.00	IX
13	04	130	Advance Clean Air Technology	III	Clean Fuels/Contract Admin	Clean Fuels Contract Admin/Monitor	0.15	0.00	0.15	VIII
14	04	170	Customer Service and Business Assistance	I	Billing Services	Answer/Resp/Resolv Prob & Inq	8.00	0.00	8.00	II,III,IV
15	04	233	Operational Support	III	Employee Relations	Assist HR/Interpret Salary Res	0.10	0.00	0.10	Ia
16	04	260	Customer Service and Business Assistance	III	Fee Review	Cmte Mtg/Fee-Related Complaint	0.10	0.00	0.10	II,III,IV,XV
17	04	265	Operational Support	III	Financial Mgmt/Accounting	Record Accts Rec & Pay/Rpts	10.27	0.00	10.27	Ia
18	04	266	Operational Support	III	Financial Mgmt/Fin Analysis	Fin/SCAQMD Stat Analysis & Audit	0.80	0.00	0.80	Ia
19	04	267	Operational Support	III	Financial Mgmt/Treasury Mgmt	Treas Mgt Anlyz/Trk/Proj/Invst	1.00	0.00	1.00	Ia
20	04	355	Customer Service and Business Assistance	III	Grants Management	Grant Anlyz/Eval/Negot/Acc/Rpt	1.00	0.00	1.00	IV,V
21	04	447	Operational Support	I	Mobile Sources/Accounting	Record Acct Rec & Pay/Special Funds	0.65	0.00	0.65	IX
22	04	457	Advance Clean Air Technology	III	Mobile Source/Moyer Adm	Carl Moyer: Contract/Fin Admin	1.02	0.00	1.02	IX
23	04	493	Operational Support	II	Outreach/SB/MB/DVBE	Outreach/Incr SB/DVBE Partic	0.05	0.00	0.05	Ia
24	04	510	Operational Support	III	Payroll	Ded/Ret Rpts/PR/St & Fed Rpts	4.10	0.00	4.10	Ia
25	04	542	Advance Clean Air Technology	I	Prop 1B:Goods Movement	Contracts/Finance Admin	0.50	0.00	0.50	IX
26	04	544	Advance Clean Air Technology	I	Prop 1B:Low Emiss Sch Bus	Grants/Finance Admin	0.05	0.00	0.05	IX
27	04	565	Customer Service and Business Assistance	I	Public Records Act	Comply w/ Public Rec Requests	0.02	0.00	0.02	Ia
28	04	570	Operational Support	III	Purchasing	Purch/Track Svcs & Supplies	2.50	0.00	2.50	Ia
29	04	571	Operational Support	III	Purchasing/Receiving	Receive/Record SCAQMD Purchases	1.20	0.00	1.20	Ia
30	04	572	Operational Support	III	Purchasing-Receiving/Stockroom	Track/Monitor SCAQMD Supplies	1.00	0.00	1.00	Ia
31	04	630	Operational Support	III	Cash Mgmt/Revenue Receiving	Receive/Post Pymts/Reconcile	6.25	0.00	6.25	II,III,IV,XI
32	04	631	Customer Service and Business Assistance	III	Cash Mgmt/Refunds	Research/Doc/Prep/Proc Refunds	0.30	0.00	0.30	III,IV,XI
33	04	791	Ensure Compliance	III	Toxics/AB2588	AB2588 Toxics HS Fee Collection	0.00	0.00	0.00	X
34	04	805	Operational Support	III	Training	Continuing Education/Training	0.20	0.00	0.20	Ib
35	04	825	Operational Support	III	Union Negotiations	Official Labor/Mgmt Negotiate	0.02	0.00	0.02	Ia
36	04	826	Operational Support	III	Union Steward Activities	Rep Employees in Grievance Act	0.01	0.00	0.01	Ia
37	04	827	Operational Support	I	VW-General Admin	VW-General Admin	1.00	0.00	1.00	XVII
38	04	855	Operational Support	II	Web Tasks	Create/edit/review web content	0.02	0.00	0.02	Ia
						Total Finance	56.00	-	56.00	

Finance Line Item Expenditure						
Major Object / Account # / Account Description		FY 2024-25 Actuals	FY 2025-26 Adopted Budget	FY 2025-26 Amended Budget	FY 2025-26 Estimate *	FY 2026-27 Proposed Budget
Salary & Employee Benefits						
51000-52000	Salaries	$ 4,292,164	$ 4,963,869	$ 4,710,990	$ 4,705,989	$ 5,184,712
53000-55000	Employee Benefits	2,478,828	2,751,242	2,746,242	2,739,912	2,803,740
Sub-total Salary & Employee Benefits		$ 6,770,992	$ 7,715,110	$ 7,457,232	$ 7,445,901	$ 7,988,452
Services & Supplies						
67250	Insurance	$ -	$ -	$ -	$ -	$ -
67300	Rents & Leases Equipment	-	-	-	-	-
67350	Rents & Leases Structure	-	-	-	-	-
67400	Household	-	900	900	807	900
67450	Professional & Special Services	129,161	202,194	202,194	181,330	236,850
67460	Temporary Agency Services	195,265	166,000	166,000	148,871	166,000
67500	Public Notice & Advertising	-	8,000	8,000	7,175	11,000
67550	Demurrage	-	780	780	700	780
67600	Maintenance of Equipment	1,401	3,960	3,960	3,551	3,960
67650	Building Maintenance	-	-	-	-	-
67700	Auto Mileage	1,446	4,468	4,468	4,007	6,478
67750	Auto Service	-	-	-	-	-
67800	Travel	1,288	6,000	6,000	5,381	6,000
67850	Utilities	-	-	-	-	-
67900	Communications	1,500	9,000	4,000	3,587	9,000
67950	Interest Expense	-	-	-	-	-
68000	Clothing	1,265	1,500	1,500	1,345	1,500
68050	Laboratory Supplies	-	-	-	-	-
68060	Postage	196,618	180,050	180,050	161,471	180,050
68100	Office Expense	33,738	36,120	36,120	32,393	36,120
68200	Office Furniture	2,602	-	-	-	-
68250	Subscriptions & Books	3,018	3,840	3,840	3,444	3,840
68300	Small Tools, Instruments, Equipment	-	-	-	-	-
68400	Gas and Oil	-	-	-	-	-
69500	Training/Conference/Tuition/ Board Exp.	6,924	29,250	29,250	26,232	29,250
69550	Memberships	2,771	2,760	2,760	2,475	6,665
69600	Taxes	-	-	-	-	-
69650	Awards	-	-	920	825	-
69700	Miscellaneous Expenses	4,035	5,200	5,200	4,663	4,530
69750	Prior Year Expense	6,198	-	-	-	-
69800	Uncollectable Accounts Receivable	-	-	-	-	-
89100	Principal Repayment	-	-	-	-	-
Sub-total Services & Supplies		$ 587,231	$ 660,022	$ 655,942	$ 588,258	$ 702,923
77000	**Capital Outlays**	$ -	$ -	$ -	$ -	$ -
79050	**Building Remodeling**	-	-	-	-	-
Total Expenditures		$ 7,358,224	$ 8,375,132	$ 8,113,174	$ 8,034,159	$ 8,691,375

* Estimates based on July 2025 through February 2026 actual expenditures and February 2026 budget amendments.

INFORMATION MANAGEMENT

RON MOSKOWITZ
CHIEF INFORMATION OFFICER

At a Glance:	
FY 2025-26 Adopted Budget	$18.6M
FY 2026-27 Proposed Budget	$18.5M
% of FY 2026-27 Proposed Budget	8.2%
Total FTEs FY 2026-27 Proposed Budget	63

DESCRIPTION OF MAJOR SERVICES:

Information Management (IM) encompasses a broad array of systems and services designed to support the operational needs of the South Coast Air Quality Management District. In addition to its administrative unit, which oversees the planning, administration, and coordination of all IM activities, IM is organized into four distinct Information Technology (IT) units: Hardware and Network, Systems Development, Project Management, and Cybersecurity.

The Hardware and Network unit is primarily focused on network operations, desktop and laptop support, server management, database administration, audiovisual services, and helpdesk support.

In contrast, the Systems Development unit is responsible for the development and maintenance of proprietary systems, the implementation of commercial off-the-shelf software, database management, and website maintenance and administration.

The Project Management unit manages the IM project portfolio, ensuring projects are planned, executed, and delivered effectively. It prioritizes projects and resources, monitors progress, and adapts to changing needs while driving continuous improvement.

The Cybersecurity unit plays a critical role in safeguarding South Coast AQMD's digital assets by identifying, mitigating, and responding to cyber threats. Its core functions include the management and monitoring of cybersecurity systems, such as email protection, internet access controls, and anti-virus/malware solutions. Additionally, the Cybersecurity unit conducts risk assessments, implements cybersecurity controls, responds to security incidents, and provides employee training on cybersecurity awareness and phishing prevention to minimize potential cyber risks.

ACCOMPLISHMENTS:

RECENT:

Awards

- 2020 EPA Clean Air Excellence Award
- 2021 CIO Hall of Fame Award
- 2021 Gartner Technology Innovation Americas Finalist
- 2022 Crown Communities Award

Systems Development

- Rule 1109.1 B-CAP Reporting
- School Bus Survey
- AB617 Air Monitoring Enhancements
- GeoSpatial Web API
- School Bus GMS Enhancements
- Rule 1180 Monitoring Site Enhancements
- Rule 1148.1 Leak Notification System
- OnBase Storage Recovery
- BCC Data Recovery
- Rideshare Carpooler Matching
- Los Angeles Wildfire Monitoring Website
- PeopleSoft Position Management
- March Board Video
- Engineering Online Filing Training Video
- Carl Moyer PA2025-03
- AER Import Feature
- Gas Station Form Modification
- Back-Office Portal Billing Update
- Digiforms Telework Form
- Sitefinity Upgrade - Main Website
- Employee Contact Directory
- 1098-F Filing
- VMT Phase 2
- NAICS System Enhancements
- GMS Third Party Consultant Enhancements

- Mobile App Phase 6 Open Burn Integration
- DigiForms Appraisal Forms
- RYR Enhancements for Incentive
- WAIREPOP Admin Tool Enhancements
- BOFALINK SFTP Update
- AER Enhancements
- AB617 Air Monitoring .NET Upgrade
- RYR CARB Updates
- Payment Gateway Enhancements
- AB617 Methyl Bromide Monitoring
- New Timecard System
- WAIREPOP Reporting Deadline Fee Enhancement
- Fiscal Year End Closing
- PO and Contract Rollover
- Batch Billing Enhancements
- RYR W9 and 4506-C Validation Change
- Payment Portal Encryption PCI upgrade
- ELECTRIC GMS
- Invest Clean GMS
- Rule 1415 Online Reporting Enhancement
- Intranet - Airnet Upgrade
- Carl Moyer Locomotive Solicitation
- Open Burn Integration with Esri
- Source Test Tracking System Updates
- Permit Engineering Portal Phase 1
- Airnet Calendar Enhancement
- New Timecard Enhancements
- WAIREPOP Admin Tool Enhancements
- Old FENS Shutdown
- October PEP Update Video
- Prob 1B GMS Cargo and Transport
- AQMD Core API upgrade for Ingres 12
- AB2766 Annual Reporting for 2025
- Rideshare Survey 2025
- Ingres 12 Migration
- Bofalink Lockbox Update
- PeopleSoft Financials Version Upgrade

- FinUtilVoucher Integration with PeopleSoft
- Payroll Open Enrollment Data Load
- Sitefinity Captcha Enhancement
- WAIREPOP phase 5.5
- Invest Clean Website updates
- Payroll Tax Updates
- Labor Negotiated Salary Increase
- Calculator for W-2 FLSA OT
- AER Reporting for 2025
- Published and synced 30,755 web contents for the Homepage

Hardware/Network Operations

- Laptop, Docking Station, and Monitor Deployment
- Phone System Upgraded to Latest Version with High Availability
- Long Beach Office Phone Lines Upgraded to SIP
- Air Monitoring site communications line upgrades
- Conference Center Room Audio Visual Upgrades
- 8 Zoom Room Installations in Offices and Conference Rooms
- Managed over 1,200 Zoom Webinars (Virtual, Hybrid, and In-Person)
- Facilitated over 35,000 Zoom Meetings
- Decommissioning of outdated servers
- Server Certificate Update for 2025
- Server and Storage Maintenance Renewal
- PeopleSoft Licensing and Maintenance Renewal
- OnBase Version Upgrade and Single Sign On Authentication Implemented
- Continued Agency Record Scanning
- Server and Laptop/Desktop Security Updates
- CLASS Database Software Licensing Renewal
- Data Model Evaluation and Implementation for Application Development
- Over 4,900 Public Records Requests Processed
- LOS – CAMS integration – one place to manage legal contracts
- SIP Transition
- Planning Servers and IM Storage Purchase
- 6 Offsite AV Events
- Hybrid Meeting Support – including meeting production, zoom room build outs, scheduling and support
- Data Center Maintenance – including backups, machine provisioning, patching, storage upgrades, and application maintenance
- Headquarters Local Phone Carrier Upgrade to SIP

- 2024 Crowdstrike Outage Recovery
- USDA and Library Network Infrastructure Installation
- UPS Maintenance and Refresh in Network IDFs
- AV UPS Refresh
- Network Firewall Upgrade
- Network Switch Refresh - Phase 5
- Datacenter UPS Refresh
- ZoomGov Migration
- Informacast Emergency Notification System Implementation
- 80 Office Phone Installations

Cybersecurity

- Implemented new security solutions:
  - External Attack Surface Management (EASM) Solution –This enables proactive risk reduction by focusing resources on the most critical threats before they can impact the organization.
  - File upload inspection – This solution inspects and detects malicious file uploads and securely sanitizes files submitted by Internet users to our public-facing web applications.
- Implemented enhancement of existing security solutions
  - Email Fraud Defense
  - Account Takeover Protection
  - Identity Threat Protection (ITP)
- Ongoing support on Email threat prevention to block the following
  - commodity threats
  - phishing threats
  - advanced malware threats
  - BEC threats
- Ongoing support on endpoint protection (Anti-virus/malware and more)
- Ongoing support on Vulnerability/Patch Management
- Ongoing support on Internet access protection
- Ongoing support on user Cybersecurity Awareness Program
- Ongoing risk detection and remediation

Project Management

- Providing PMO functions as a Controlling PMO
- Managing all IM projects (S/W Development, Operations & Cybersecurity)
- Implementation of Project Portfolio Management software
- IT Service Management solution implementation & support
- Implement Project Governance
- Develop GPT’s for project management

- Facilitate project collaboration on Planner, Teams, & SharePoint
- Maintain system catalogs and Organizational Process Assets
- Review and monitor schedules, baselines, and status of all projects
- Ensure compliance with project documentation, artifact checklist, and schedule
- Report on project status to the IT Steering Committee
- Project intake and prioritization
- Monthly major project reporting
- Coaching and training IM and Division teams

ANTICIPATED:

Software Development

- AB617 Website Redesign
- Agenda Tracking System
- CARL MOYER GMS Phase 3
- CLASS Compliance Upgrade
- CLASS System Migration
- Electronic Organization Forms Portal
- Electronic Performance Appraisal Portal
- Electronic Phone Directory
- Intranet System Upgrade
- Mobile Enhancement (Advisories)
- PeopleSoft Finance Upgrade
- Permit Application Workflow Automation Phase 1 & 2
- Position Management
- Rule 1109.1 B-Cap reporting
- Rule 2202 Enhancements Phase 2
- Website Content Management System Upgrade

Hardware/Network Operations

- Laptop, Docking Station, and Monitor Deployment
- Windows 11 Upgrade
- Zoom Room Installations
- Manage Hybrid, Virtual and In-Person Zoom Meetings
- Network Switch Upgrades
- Storage and Server Upgrade Implementation
- Active Directory Upgrade
- Cloud Based Server and Application Infrastructure Support
- Server and Storage Maintenance Renewal

- IT Service Management Software Implementation
- OnBase Software Support and Licensing Renewal
- OnBase upgrade
- Planning Servers and IM Storage Provisioning
- MFA project support continuation

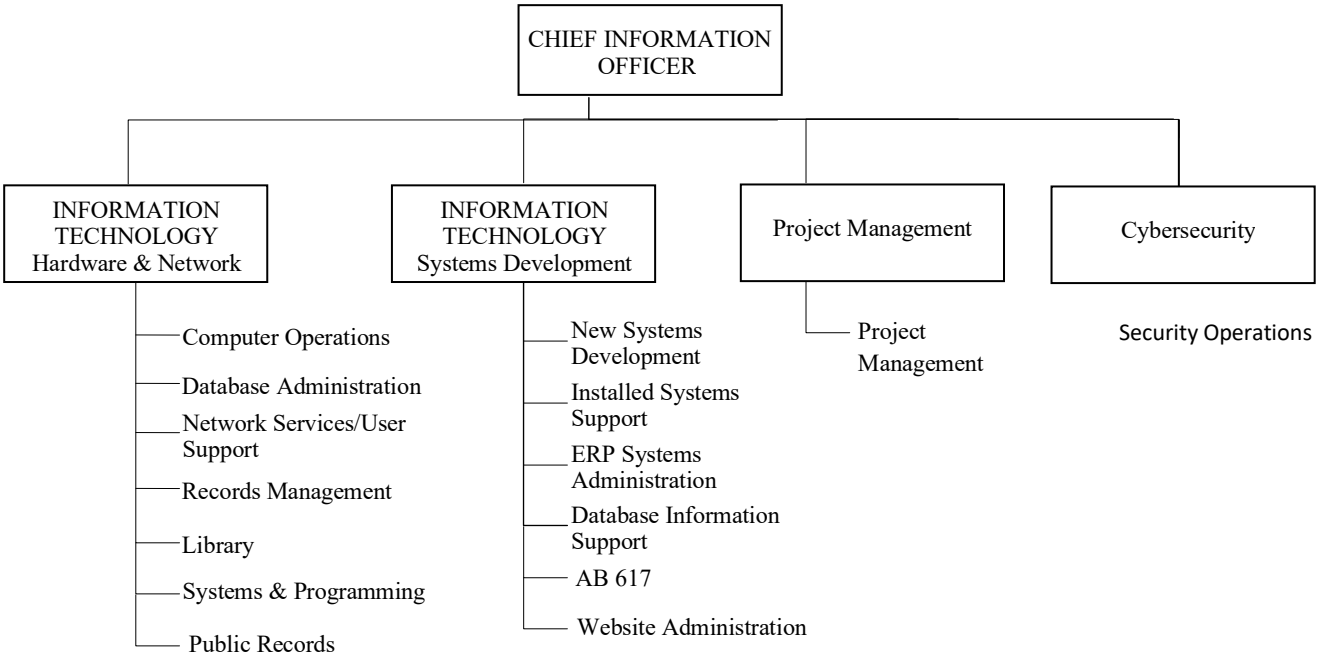
Cybersecurity

- Support ongoing risk detection and remediation
- Support ongoing improvements on Patch Management
- Establish AI security framework and enable secured AI use to increase productivity
- Develop Cybersecurity awareness training plan for year 2026
- Evaluate remote access solution

Project Management

- Set up the Project Management Office (PMO)
- Implement the remaining Project Governance modules
- Manage S/W Development, Operations & Cybersecurity projects
- Continue to facilitate the ITSC meetings
- Project Portfolio Management solution enhancements
- Ensure compliance with project procedures, guidelines, and processes
- Continuous improvement on project management procedures, templates, and guidelines
- Explore opportunities to refine and enhance project management practices
- ITSM solution evaluation
- Change management for IM
- Coaching & training for IM and other Divisions
- Project facilitation and support on PPM Software and MS Project
- Continuing AI adoption
- Providing data-informed decision support on Power BI

ORGANIZATIONAL CHART:



POSITION SUMMARY: 63 FTEs

Information Management Units	Amended FY 2025-26	Change	Budget FY 2026-27
Office Administration	2	-	2
Hardware & Network	30	-	30
Systems Development	24	1	25
Project Management	3	-	3
Cybersecurity	3	-	3
Total	62	1	63

POSITION DETAIL:

FTEs	Title
3	Administrative Assistant I
1	Assistant Database Administrator
2	Assistant Information Technology Specialist
1	Deputy Executive Officer/Chief Information Officer
1	Database Administrator
4	Information Technology Manager
3	Information Technology Specialist II
3	Information Technology Supervisor
4	Office Assistant
1	Senior Administrative Assistant
6	Senior Information Technology Specialist
4	Senior Office Assistant
2	Supervising Office Assistant
17	Systems Analyst
11	Systems and Programming Supervisor
63	Total FTEs

Information Management
Work Program by Office

#	Program Code		Program Category	Goal	Program	Activities	FTEs FY 2025-26	+/-	FTEs FY 2026-27	Revenue Categories
1	27	035	Operational Support	I	AB617-Support	AB617-Support	8.00	0.00	8.00	IX
2	27	038	Operational Support	III	Admin/Office Management	Overall Direction/Coord of IM	1.00	0.00	1.00	Ib
3	27	071	Operational Support	I	Arch Ctgs - Admin	Database Dev/Maintenance	0.25	0.00	0.25	XVIII
4	27	160	Operational Support	III	Computer Operations	Oper/Manage Host Computer Sys	6.25	0.00	6.25	Ia
5	27	173	Operational Support	III	CyberSecurity	CyberSecurity	3.00	0.00	3.00	Ia
6	27	184	Operational Support	III	Database Information Support	Ad Hoc Reports/Bulk Data Update	1.00	0.00	1.00	Ia
7	27	185	Operational Support	III	Database Management	Dev/Maintain Central Database	2.25	0.00	2.25	Ia
8	27	215	Operational Support	I	Annual Emission Reporting	System Enhancements for GHG	0.50	0.00	0.50	II,XVII
9	27	370	Operational Support	III	Information Technology Svcs	Enhance Oper Effic/Productivity	2.75	1.00	3.75	Ia
10	27	371	Operational Support	I	Indir Src Rule Cmpl	Indir Src Rule Cmpl	1.50	0.00	1.50	IV
11	27	420	Operational Support	III	Library	General Library Svcs/Archives	0.25	0.00	0.25	Ia
12	27	470	Operational Support	III	Network Operations/Telecomm	Operate/Maintain/Implem SCAQMD	8.25	0.00	8.25	Ia
13	27	480	Operational Support	III	New System Development	Dev sys for special oper needs	3.00	0.00	3.00	II,IV
14	27	481	Customer Service and Business Assistance	III	New System Development	Dev sys in supp of Dist-wide	3.25	0.00	3.25	Ia,III
15	27	523	Timely Review of Permits	III	Permit Streamlining	Permit Streamlining	0.25	0.00	0.25	III
16	27	565	Customer Service and Business Assistance	III	Public Records Act	Comply w/ Public Req for Info	4.75	0.00	4.75	Ia
17	27	615	Operational Support	III	Records Information Mgmt Plan	Plan/Impl/Dir/Records Mgmt plan	1.25	0.00	1.25	Ia
18	27	616	Operational Support	III	Records Services	Records/Documents processing	3.75	0.00	3.75	Ia,III,IV
19	27	735	Operational Support	III	Systems Maintenance	Maintain Existing Software Prog	3.00	0.00	3.00	II,III,IV
20	27	736	Operational Support	III	Systems Implementation/PeopleS	Fin/HR PeopleSoft Systems Impl	1.50	0.00	1.50	Ia
21	27	770	Timely Review of Permits	I	Title V	Dev/Maintain Title V Program	1.50	0.00	1.50	III
22	27	791	Ensure Compliance	III	Toxics/AB2588	AB2588 Database Software Supp	0.50	0.00	0.50	X
23	27	827	Operational Support	I	VW-General Admin	VW-General Admin	1.00	0.00	1.00	XVII
24	27	855	Operational Support	II	Web Tasks	Create/edit/review web content	3.25	0.00	3.25	Ia
						Total Information Management	62.00	1.00	63.00	

Information Management Line Item Expenditure						
Major Object / Account # / Account Description		FY 2024-25 Actuals	FY 2025-26 Adopted Budget	FY 2025-26 Amended Budget	FY 2025-26 Estimate *	FY 2026-27 Proposed Budget
Salary & Employee Benefits						
51000-52000	Salaries	$ 8,006,904	$ 8,014,207	$ 8,893,751	$ 8,893,751	$ 8,366,015
53000-55000	Employee Benefits	4,319,291	4,167,300	4,740,131	4,740,131	4,196,321
Sub-total Salary & Employee Benefits		$ 12,326,195	$ 12,181,507	$ 13,633,882	$ 13,633,882	$ 12,562,336
Services & Supplies						
67250	Insurance	$ -	$ -	$ -	$ -	$ -
67300	Rents & Leases Equipment	-	1,880	1,880	1,686	1,880
67350	Rents & Leases Structure	-	-	-	-	-
67400	Household	-	1,250	1,250	1,121	1,250
67450	Professional & Special Services	1,981,108	3,927,471	2,433,544	2,182,436	3,927,471
67460	Temporary Agency Services	-	487,198	517,379	463,993	487,198
67500	Public Notice & Advertising	-	-	-	-	-
67550	Demurrage	-	650	650	583	650
67600	Maintenance of Equipment	198,772	157,750	157,750	141,472	157,750
67650	Building Maintenance	-	-	-	-	-
67700	Auto Mileage	2,760	1,250	1,895	1,699	1,250
67750	Auto Service	-	-	-	-	-
67800	Travel	8,696	2,160	3,185	2,856	2,160
67850	Utilities	-	-	-	-	-
67900	Communications	73,117	36,900	56,900	51,029	36,900
67950	Interest Expense	-	-	-	-	-
68000	Clothing	-	-	-	-	-
68050	Laboratory Supplies	-	-	-	-	-
68060	Postage	12	8,000	7,802	6,997	8,000
68100	Office Expense	2,132,901	898,912	2,556,988	2,293,143	1,205,632
68200	Office Furniture	3,504	-	198	178	-
68250	Subscriptions & Books	-	30,000	7,000	6,278	30,000
68300	Small Tools, Instruments, Equipment	-	2,000	2,000	1,794	2,000
68400	Gas and Oil	-	-	-	-	-
69500	Training/Conference/Tuition/ Board Exp.	27,461	78,575	78,361	70,275	78,575
69550	Memberships	605	1,320	1,534	1,376	1,320
69600	Taxes	-	1,000	1,000	897	1,000
69650	Awards	-	-	1,120	1,004	-
69700	Miscellaneous Expenses	-	-	-	-	-
69750	Prior Year Expense	-	-	-	-	-
69800	Uncollectable Accounts Receivable	-	-	-	-	-
89100	Principal Repayment	-	-	-	-	-
Sub-total Services & Supplies		$ 4,428,935	$ 5,636,316	$ 5,830,436	$ 5,228,817	$ 5,943,036
77000	**Capital Outlays**	$ 4,033,110	$ 760,000	$ 760,000	$ 760,000	$ -
79050	**Building Remodeling**	-	-	-	-	-
Total Expenditures		$ 20,788,240	$ 18,577,823	$ 20,224,318	$ 19,622,699	$ 18,505,372

* Estimates based on July 2025 through February 2026 actual expenditures and February 2026 budget amendments.

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BAYRON T. GILCHRIST
GENERAL COUNSEL

At a Glance:	
FY 2025-26 Adopted Budget	$8.9M
FY 2026-27 Proposed Budget	$9.0M
% of FY 2026-27 Proposed Budget	4.0%
Total FTEs FY 2026-27 Proposed Budget	34

DESCRIPTION OF MAJOR SERVICES:

The General Counsel's Office is responsible for advising the South Coast AQMD Board and staff on all legal matters and enforcing South Coast AQMD rules and state laws related to air pollution control. Attorneys review and assist in the drafting of South Coast AQMD rules and regulations to ensure they are within South Coast AQMD's authority and are written in a clear and enforceable manner. Attorneys ensure that all legal requirements for noticing, public workshops, the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), and the socioeconomic analysis of proposed rules and air quality management plans are satisfied.

The General Counsel's Office is also responsible for representing the South Coast AQMD Board and staff in court proceedings and administrative hearings related to matters arising out of staff's performance of official duties as South Coast AQMD officers and employees. Attorneys prosecute civil penalty cases against those who violate South Coast AQMD rules or state law. In addition, attorneys represent the Executive Officer in all matters before the South Coast AQMD Hearing Board, including variances, permit appeals, and abatement orders. Paralegals support civil penalty, litigation and settlement efforts, including handling of the minor source penalty program.

ACCOMPLISHMENTS:

RECENT:

- Staff has prosecuted several hundred Notices of Violation for violation of Rule 2305 (warehouse indirect source rule) and brought the affected sources into compliance.
- Staff has prosecuted hundreds of Notices of Violations for other air quality violations.
- Staff participated in the litigation against EPA regarding failure to act on the Contingency Measure Plan defining the South Coast AQMD's Clean Air Act Section 182(e)(5) measures, and helped resolve this litigation with a three-agency exchange of regulatory commitment letters (EPA, CARB, and South Coast AQMD).

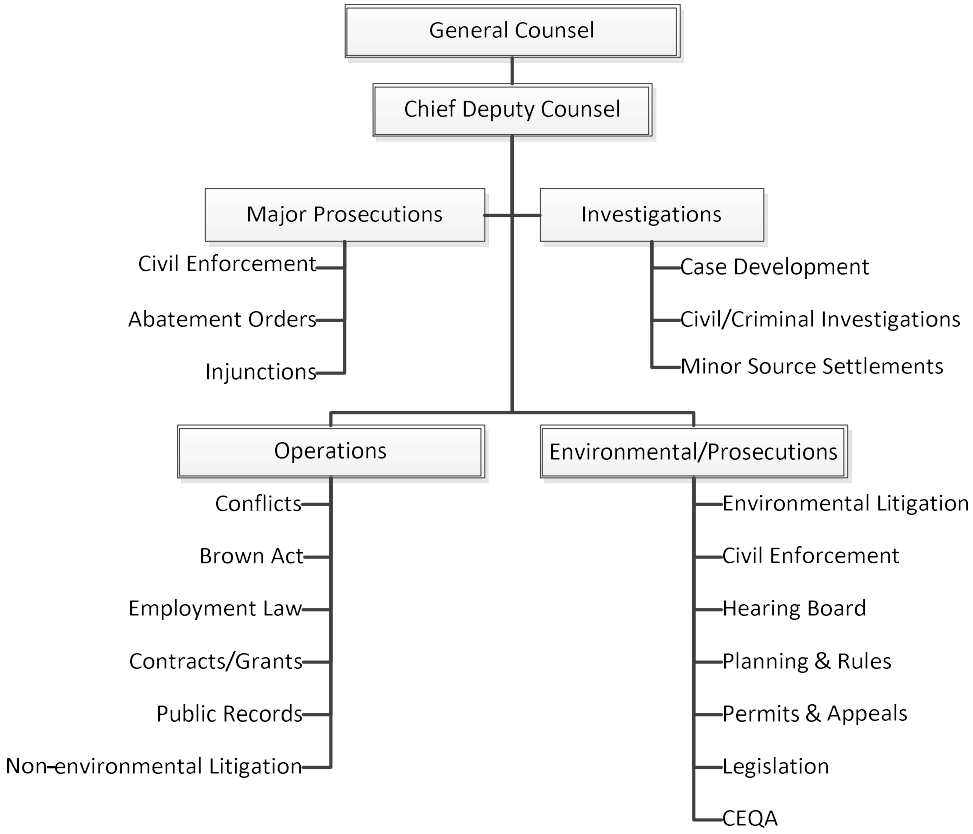
- Staff advised on the development of various SIP submittals, including researching issues on the District's authority, reviewing all documents, attending working groups, and ensuring compliance with CEQA.
- Staff participated in the appeal of litigation challenging the China Shipping Environmental Impact Report issued by the Port of LA and succeeded in having the EIR held inadequate because it failed to justify relaxing the Vessel Speed Reduction mitigation measure.
- Staff obtained over $8 million in civil penalties for air pollution violations during fiscal year 2024-25, and over $4 million in civil penalties through fiscal year 2025-26.
- Staff reviewed and processed hundreds of contracts, grants, and agreements from various departments within the District.
- Staff provided legal advice regarding the reduction of emissions at the ports and the implementation of the facility-based mobile source rule for warehouses.
- Staff provided legal advice for the indirect source rule for new and existing railyards.
- Staff provided legal advice for the transition away from RECLAIM, including working with U.S. EPA to identify potential solutions for New Source Review (NSR) permitting and the lack of Emission Reduction Credits (ERC) in the open market.
- Staff provided legal advice regarding AB 617, including review of contracts for incentive programs for emission reduction projects.
- Staff prosecuted the public nuisance matters involving the Chiquita Canyon Landfill, Sunshine Canyon Landfill and Hyperion Water Reclamation Plant that impacted residents in the surrounding communities with odors and the order for abatement proceedings directed at ensuring compliant operations of their facilities and mitigation of odors.
- Staff represented the District as an amicus participant in the D.C. Circuit case that upheld the constitutionality of California's authority to obtain EPA waivers for regulation of vehicles under the Clean Air Act.
- Staff provided legal advice on the position of air districts in the amicus brief that CAPCOA filed with fellow government associations in the successful California Supreme Court challenge to Proposition 1935's placement on the ballot.
- Staff provided legal advice on the development and amendment of District rules.
- Staff provided legal advice, document review, and support during Public Notification meetings for AB 2588 Air Toxics Hot Spots.
- Staff provided Duty Deputy services to support inquiries from both staff and the public.
- Staff provided legal advice support to OCE by obtaining Inspection Warrants when facility access is denied for a compliance inspection.
- Staff provided legal advice in support of and in coordination with Risk Management in responding to Tort Claims against the District.
- Staff supported efforts to enhance regulation of Commodity Fumigators and use of Methyl Bromide (MeBr).

- Staff provided legal advice to help bring Commodity fumigators into the AB2588 program.

ANTICIPATED:

- Defend litigation challenging Rule 1146.2's zero-emission requirements for large water heaters and small boilers and process heaters.
- Provide legal advice regarding the Cooperative Agreement with the Ports of Los Angeles and Long Beach, including defending the current litigation about the Cooperative Agreement.
- Provide legal advice and review of CEQA documents for lead agency projects and projects where South Coast AQMD is a responsible agency.
- Conclude update of South Coast AQMD Administrative Policies and Procedures.
- Continue prosecuting public nuisance matters involving the Chiquita Canyon Landfill, Sunshine Canyon Landfill, and Hyperion Water Reclamation Plant to bring the facilities into compliance and mitigate odors affecting the public.
- Provide legal advice and document review for Multiple Air Toxics Exposure Study VI and AB 2588 Air Toxics Hot Spots issues.
- Assist Legislative and Public Affairs and Media staff and outside consultants in defending and furthering the South Coast AQMD's interests in state and federal legislation.
- Prosecute several hundred Notices of Violation for violation of Rule 2305 (warehouse indirect source rule) and several hundred Notices of Violations for other air quality violations.

ORGANIZATIONAL CHART:



POSITION SUMMARY: 34 FTEs

Legal Units	Amended FY 2025-26	Change	Proposed FY 2026-27
Office Administration	4	-	4
General Counsel	30	-	30
Total	34	-	34

POSITION DETAIL:

FTEs	Title
4	Administrative Secretary/Legal
1	Assistant Chief Deputy
1	Assistant Chief Deputy – Major Prosecutions
1	Chief Deputy Counsel
1	General Counsel
3	Legal Secretary
1	Office Assistant
4	Paralegal
6	Principal Deputy District Counsel
7	Senior Deputy District Counsel
1	Senior Office Assistant
2	Senior Paralegal
1	Staff Specialist
1	Contract Assistant
34	Total FTEs

Legal Work Program by Office										
#	Program Code		Program Category	Goal	Program	Activities	FTEs FY 2025-26	+/-	FTEs FY 2026-27	Revenue Categories
1	08	001	Advance Clean Air Technology	I	AB2766/Mob Src/Legal Advice	AB2766 Leg Adv: Trans/Mob Source	0.05	0.00	0.05	IX
2	08	003	Advance Clean Air Technology	I	AB2766/MSRC	Legal Advice: MSRC Prog Admin	0.20	0.00	0.20	IX
3	08	010	Develop Programs	I	AQMP	AQMP Revision/CEQA Review	0.50	0.00	0.50	IV,IX
4	08	019	Operational Support	I	AB617-Prog Develop	AB617-Program Development	1.20	0.00	1.20	IX
5	08	025	Operational Support	III	Admin/SCAQMD-Legal Research	Legal Research/Staff/Exec Mgmt	1.50	0.00	1.50	Ia
6	08	030	Advance Clean Air Technology	I	AB134	AB134	1.00	0.00	1.00	IX
7	08	038	Operational Support	III	Admin/Office Management	Attorney Timekeeping/Perf Eval	3.00	0.00	3.00	Ib
8	08	071	Operational Support	I	Arch Ctgs - Admin	Rule Dev/TA/Reinterpretations	0.50	0.00	0.50	XVIII
9	08	072	Ensure Compliance	I	Arch Ctgs - End User	Case Dispo/Rvw, Track, Prep NOVs	0.50	0.00	0.50	XVIII
10	08	073	Ensure Compliance	I	Arch Ctgs - Other	Case Dispo/Rvw, Track, Prep NOVs	0.50	0.00	0.50	XVIII
11	08	102	Operational Support	II	CEQA Document Projects	CEQA Review	0.50	0.00	0.50	II,III,IX
12	08	115	Ensure Compliance	I	Case Disposition	Trial/Dispo-Civil Case/Injunct	4.00	0.00	4.00	II,IV,V,VII,XV
13	08	131	Advance Clean Air Technology	I	Clean Fuels/Legal Advice	Legal Advice: Clean Fuels	0.20	0.00	0.20	VIII
14	08	154	Ensure Compliance	I	Compliance/NOV Administration	Review/Track/Prep NOVs/MSAs	0.75	0.00	0.75	IV
15	08	185	Ensure Compliance	I	Database Management	Support IM/Dev Tracking System	0.75	0.00	0.75	IV
16	08	227	Operational Support	III	Employee/Employment Law	Legal Advice: Employment Law	0.50	0.00	0.50	Ia
17	08	235	Ensure Compliance	I	Enforcement Litigation	Maj Prosecutions/Civil Actions	1.75	0.00	1.75	IV
18	08	275	Operational Support	III	Governing Board	Legal Advice:Attend Board/Cmte Mtgs	2.75	0.00	2.75	Ia
19	08	366	Ensure Compliance	I	Hearing Board/Legal	Hear/Disp-Varian/Appeal/Rev	2.75	0.00	2.75	IV
20	08	380	Ensure Compliance	I	Interagency Coordination	Coordinate with Other Agencies	0.20	0.00	0.20	II,V
21	08	401	Operational Support	III	Legal Advice/SCAQMD Programs	General Advice: Contracts	1.50	0.00	1.50	Ia
22	08	403	Ensure Compliance	III	Legal Rep/Litigation	Prep/Hearing/Disposition	3.50	0.00	3.50	Ia,II
23	08	404	Policy Support	I	Legal Rep/Legislation	Draft Legis/SCAQMD Position/Mtgs	0.25	0.00	0.25	II,IX
24	08	416	Policy Support	I	Legislative Activities	Lobbying: Supp/Promote/Influence legis/Adm	0.10	0.00	0.10	Ia
25	08	457	Advance Clean Air Technology	I	Mob Src/C Moyer/Leg Advice	Moyer/Implem/Program Dev	0.10	0.00	0.10	IX
26	08	465	Ensure Compliance	I	Mutual Settlement	Mutual Settlement Program	1.50	0.00	1.50	IV
27	08	516	Timely Review of Permits	I	Permit Processing/Legal	Legal Advice: Permit Processing	0.10	0.00	0.10	III
28	08	565	Customer Service and Business Assistance	III	Public Records Act	Comply w/ Public Rec Requests	1.30	0.00	1.30	Ia
29	08	651	Develop Rules	I	Rules/Legal Advice	Legal Advice: Rules/Draft Regs	1.20	0.00	1.20	II
30	08	661	Develop Rules	I	Rulemaking/RECLAIM	RECLAIM Legal Adv/Related Iss	0.50	0.00	0.50	II
31	08	681	Customer Service and Business Assistance	III	Small Business/Legal Advice	Legal Advice: SB/Fee Review	0.05	0.00	0.05	II,III
32	08	717	Policy Support	II	Student Interns	Gov Board/Student Intern Program	0.10	0.00	0.10	Ia
33	08	770	Timely Review of Permits	I	Title V	Leg Advice: Title V Prog/Perm Dev	0.05	0.00	0.05	II,IV
34	08	772	Timely Review of Permits	I	Title V Permits	Leg Advice: New Source Title V Permit	0.05	0.00	0.05	III
35	08	791	Ensure Compliance	I	Toxics/AB2588	AB2588 Legal Advice: Plan & Impl	0.05	0.00	0.05	X
36	08	805	Ensure Compliance	III	Training	Continuing Education/Training	0.50	0.00	0.50	Ib
37	08	827	Operational Support	I	VW-General Admin	VW-General Admin	0.05	0.00	0.05	XVII
						Total Legal	34.00	-	34.00	

Legal Line Item Expenditure						
Major Object / Account # / Account Description		FY 2024-25 Actuals	FY 2025-26 Adopted Budget	FY 2025-26 Amended Budget	FY 2025-26 Estimate *	FY 2026-27 Proposed Budget
Salary & Employee Benefits						
51000-52000	Salaries	$ 4,763,699	$ 5,066,363	$ 4,841,641	$ 4,836,314	$ 5,070,886
53000-55000	Employee Benefits	2,480,359	2,586,967	2,533,968	2,528,839	2,569,568
Sub-total Salary & Employee Benefits		$ 7,244,058	$ 7,653,330	$ 7,375,609	$ 7,365,154	$ 7,640,454
Services & Supplies						
67250	Insurance	$ -	$ -	$ -	$ -	$ -
67300	Rents & Leases Equipment	-	-	-	-	-
67350	Rents & Leases Structure	-	-	-	-	-
67400	Household	-	-	-	-	-
67450	Professional & Special Services	1,047,852	1,000,000	1,000,000	896,814	1,000,000
67460	Temporary Agency Services	-	20,000	20,000	17,936	60,000
67500	Public Notice & Advertising	-	2,500	2,500	2,242	2,500
67550	Demurrage	-	5,000	5,000	4,484	10,000
67600	Maintenance of Equipment	-	500	500	448	500
67650	Building Maintenance	-	-	-	-	-
67700	Auto Mileage	984	1,600	1,600	1,435	1,600
67750	Auto Service	-	-	-	-	-
67800	Travel	9,561	15,000	15,000	13,452	15,000
67850	Utilities	-	-	-	-	-
67900	Communications	4,004	10,300	5,300	4,753	10,300
67950	Interest Expense	-	-	-	-	-
68000	Clothing	-	500	500	448	500
68050	Laboratory Supplies	-	-	-	-	-
68060	Postage	8,594	4,750	4,750	4,260	4,750
68100	Office Expense	(85,686)	16,000	16,000	14,349	16,000
68200	Office Furniture	4,594	5,000	5,000	4,484	10,000
68250	Subscriptions & Books	66,940	180,000	180,000	161,427	180,000
68300	Small Tools, Instruments, Equipment	-	-	-	-	-
68400	Gas and Oil	-	-	-	-	-
69500	Training/Conference/Tuition/ Board Exp.	7,100	17,500	17,500	15,694	30,000
69550	Memberships	2,071	2,500	2,500	2,242	2,500
69600	Taxes	-	-	-	-	-
69650	Awards	-	-	360	323	-
69700	Miscellaneous Expenses	399	2,000	2,000	1,794	2,000
69750	Prior Year Expense	-	-	-	-	-
69800	Uncollectable Accounts Receivable	-	-	-	-	-
89100	Principal Repayment	-	-	-	-	-
Sub-total Services & Supplies		$ 1,066,412	$ 1,283,150	$ 1,278,510	$ 1,146,586	$ 1,345,650
77000	**Capital Outlays**	$ 180,838	$ -	$ -	$ -	$ -
79050	**Building Remodeling**	-	-	-	-	-
Total Expenditures		$ 8,491,309	$ 8,936,480	$ 8,654,119	$ 8,511,739	$ 8,986,104

* Estimates based on July 2025 through February 2026 actual expenditures and February 2026 budget amendments.

LEGISLATIVE & PUBLIC AFFAIRS/MEDIA OFFICE

LISA TANAKA-O'MALLEY
DEPUTY EXECUTIVE OFFICER

At a Glance:	
FY 2025-26 Adopted Budget	$11.7M
FY 2026-27 Proposed Budget	$12.1M
% of FY 2026-27 Proposed Budget	5.4%
Total FTEs FY 2026-27 Proposed Budget	55

DESCRIPTION OF MAJOR SERVICES:
Legislative & Public Affairs/Media Office provides a broad range of services to internal and external stakeholders. These services include:

Legislative/Communications

State and Federal Relations
State and Federal Relations works with all levels of elected officials and their staff, agencies, and stakeholders to support and advance South Coast AQMD's legislative priorities. Efforts are focused on policy and funding issues that support the attainment of state and federal clean air standards. This unit also works to defend against legislative activities detrimental to the goals and priorities of clean air.

Local Government and Community Relations
Local Government and Community Relations works in all four counties of South Coast AQMD's jurisdiction, including 163 cities. Activities include government relations, facilitating a two-way flow of communication with stakeholders, assisting with air quality inquiries, and promoting and providing information on programs and initiatives. This group is also responsible for major events such as the Clean Air Awards and the Working with Communities (WWC) program.

INVEST CLEAN Public Benefits Program
The Public Benefits Program is part of the U.S. EPA Climate Pollution Reduction Grant (CPRG) INVEST CLEAN and Clean Heavy-Duty Vehicle ELECTRIC projects. This work will be done in coordination with Technology Advancement Office.

Helpline and Public Resource Center
The Helpline and Public Resource Center (PRC) facilitates the reporting of air quality complaints and directs the public to appropriate South Coast AQMD program resources. The PRC, located in the South Coast AQMD lobby, serves as a walk-up resource for all visitors to South Coast AQMD. PRC also supports Small Business Assistance with the Expired Permit Outreach Program.

Small Business Assistance
The Small Business Assistance (SBA) program is required under Section 40448 of the California Health and Safety Code to provide administrative services, technical assistance, and outreach to provide information to small businesses, local government, and the public. SBA also supports Fee Review and advisory group-related activities.

Partnerships and Education for Environmental Justice
The Partnerships and Education for Environmental Justice (Partnerships and Education) program works on initiatives focused on working with overburdened communities to address air pollution through outreach and engagement such as meetings, events, supporting advisory groups, and other activities. Additionally, this group implements the Environmental Justice Community Partnership program as well as two (2) educational programs: the Clean Air Program for Elementary Students (CAPES) and the Why Healthy Air Matters (WHAM) for middle and high school students.

Media
Media Relations is the official liaison with news media including newspapers and radio, broadcast, cable and satellite TV, books, magazines and newsletters, online outlets, digital and social media. The Media Relations Office also supports South Coast AQMD through a wide range of proactive media and public relations programs. Media provides counsel to the Executive Officer, Board, Executive Council, and staff on high-profile media relations issues, while also building public awareness of air quality issues.

Social Media
The Social Media program connects the public to South Coast AQMD by helping build and maintain clean air awareness using official channels on Facebook, X (formerly known as Twitter), Instagram, and LinkedIn to share news, program announcements, and communications for meetings and events, video live streams, advisories, and other information.

Graphics
The Graphics Department provides visual and media services from initial concept through final design project completion. The department also supports community programs by developing multimedia visual collateral and videos, and ensures consistent branding across all official South Coast AQMD documents and materials.

ACCOMPLISHMENTS:

RECENT:
State Relations
- Assisted with effort that secured $100 million in statewide funding for the AB 617 program for FY 2025-26.

- Assisted in securing $250 million in ongoing annual statewide funding for the AB 617 program through the Cap & Invest program.
- Successfully worked to secure a veto of SB 34 (Richardson), which would have set a dangerous precedent by affecting South Coast AQMD's ability to use its indirect source rule authority related to Ports.

Federal Relations

- Advocated for the U.S. EPA grant for the INVEST CLEAN project to support program implementation.
- Worked to support annual appropriations including Targeted Airshed Grants, Section 103/105, and Diesel Emission Reduction Act, as well as engage on policy issues related to the Clean Air Act, Reauthorization of Surface Transportation and others.
- Engaged with Congressional offices to provide technical support and address constituent issues.

Helpline and Public Resource Center

- Assisted the public through the handling of 22,412 incoming calls, including 406 directed to the PRC and 267 Spanish calls.
- Contacted 742 businesses to assist with 1,390 permits through the Expired Permit Outreach Program.
- Supported preparation for public meetings, events, outreach, and updated and published 230 web pages.

Small Business Assistance

- Assisted with 2,459 applications and/or permit-related items for small businesses, technical assistance on rules and regulations for 1,138 facilities, and recordkeeping training for 12 businesses.
- Processed and approved 1,313 Air Quality Permit Checklists and 36 Fee Review cases.
- Engaged with 756 facilities through the Expired Permit Outreach Program, including assistance in recovering revenue.

Local Government and Community Relations

- Participated in 66 community events and 580 external meetings and planned four (4) in-person WWC events.
- Conducted outreach and engaged on high priority items including wildfires, proposed Amended Rules 1111 and 1121, INVEST CLEAN, and GO-ZERO.
- Organized and implemented Visiting Dignitaries and Speakers Bureau including multiple delegations from countries such as Korea and Chile.

INVEST CLEAN Public Benefits Program

- Executed contracts for Third Party Facilitators and developed program workplan.
- Formed Public Benefits Steering Committee and held quarterly meetings including outreach related to the ELECTRIC project.
- Provided public feedback on Program Implementation Plans.

Partnerships and Education for Environmental Justice

- Held four (4) Environmental Justice Advisory Group meetings.
- Implemented CAPES in 23 classrooms and the WHAM program in 109 middle and high school classrooms. Participated in 216 community events for youth. Also, planned and held two (2) Earth Day webinars with approximately 600 students in total.

Media

- Developed and issued 316 news releases to media (English and Spanish), on topics ranging from adoption of rules, updated legal actions on facilities, hearing board actions, technology investments, incentive programs and partnerships.
- Conducted outreach on air quality advisories and secured interviews on various topics in all major TV stations, radio, and print outlets and worked with Los Angeles Times, Politico, Newsweek, New York Times, and Bloomberg News on several high-profile editorials and stories.
- Led emergency communication efforts for high-profile issues such as ethylene oxide investigations, Chiquita Canyon Landfill, dust issues in Coachella Valley, and more.
- Produced Quarterly Advisor and three board member newsletters.

Social Media

- Informed the public by distributing timely information about District policies, programs, and services, and supported all live stream events on social media platforms.
- More than 248,801 were reached on Twitter in January due to a Wildfire Smoke Advisory for the Palisades, Eaton, and Hurst Fires and No-Burn Day announcement. Advisory coverage and original content posted to social media accounts included 868 posts on Facebook, 866 posts on Twitter, 1,143 posts on Instagram and 810 posts on LinkedIn.

Graphics

- Completed more than 224 graphics projects agency-wide, notably the AB 617 projects, events, and activities.
- Designed layouts for all South Coast AQMD publications.
- Developed original infographics for special LPAM outreach and public education projects involving air quality issues, INVEST CLEAN, WHAM, CAPES, and WWC.
- Provided video editing support and photography services for the agency.

ANTICIPATED:

State Relations

- Lead efforts on sponsored legislation as directed by Governing Board.
- Advocate for air quality related policies and funding for AB 617 and other programs.
- Pursue cleanup related to warehouses to clarify air monitoring and data reporting by South Coast AQMD to the state.
- Monitor agencies and advocate as appropriate on air quality-related issues.

Federal Relations

- Advocate on behalf of INVEST CLEAN to support full project implementation.
- Seek funding and regulatory and administrative actions related to Clean Air Act to address regional air quality issues.
- Engage and participate in the reauthorization of Surface Transportation and pursue annual appropriations for TAG, DERA, and Section 103/105, and other programs.

Local Government and Community Relations

- Increase, build, and maintain external relationships to conduct outreach and engagement with government, industry, community, environmental, health, educational and other stakeholders.
- Lead and collaborate on high profile issues and assist with crisis communications and day-to-day projects/programs as well as core programs such as small business assistance.
- Organize meetings and events to be community- and stakeholder-centered, including interpretation and translations services.

Public Benefits Program

- Implement INVEST CLEAN Public Benefits Program and support ELECTRIC project in coordination with Technology Advancement Office.
- Lead INVEST CLEAN Public Benefits Steering Committee and related activities.
- Execute INVEST CLEAN communications including project summaries, outreach and educational materials, webpage development and maintenance, and related projects.

Helpline and Public Resource Center

- Assist public through the handling of incoming calls and in person at the PRC.
- Work with SBA on Expired Permit Outreach Program, process web page updates for publishing, and support events and outreach by assisting with collateral material requests.
- Increase capabilities to serve public through interpretation services and staff training.

Partnerships and Education for Environmental Justice

- Build and maintain strong relationships with stakeholders.
- Develop and implement community education programs to increase awareness of agency, air quality issues, filing complaints, rules, resources, and programs.
- Implement CAPES and WHAM Programs for elementary, middle and high schools, including Earth Day webinars. Review existing curriculum for potential updates.
- Support agency advisory groups with community centered issues.

Small Business Assistance

- Target outreach and engagement to assist small businesses and other stakeholders regarding rules and regulations, permit requirements, and compliance, including implementation of the Expired Permit Outreach Program.

- Outreach and educate municipalities to administer AQPCs to implement Government Code Section 65850.2 requirements.
- Promote permit streamline program including online services and related initiatives.
- Support agency advisory groups in relation to small business assistance.

Media

- Develop strategic and crisis management communications plans for agency including making language accessible for notices, fact sheets, web, and other documents.
- Provide media relations services and strategic counsel for high-profile issues, ongoing programs and projects, and coordinate press events.
- Implement story maps on website and update, maintain hot topics webpages and produce quarterly Advisor issues and other brochures.
- Increase multimedia capabilities such as videos for 50th Anniversary and other projects as resources are available.

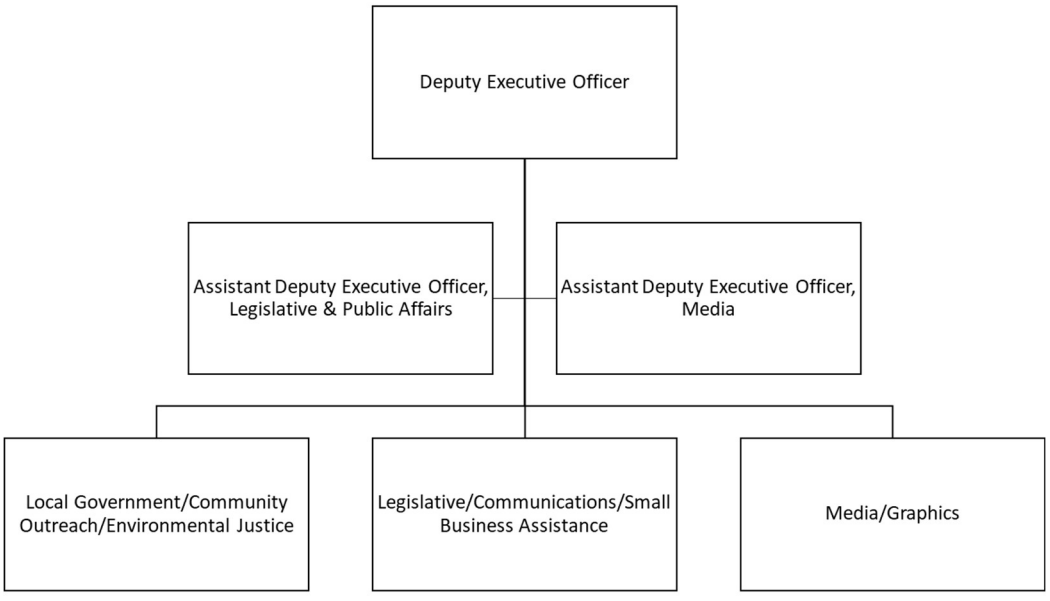
Social Media

- Increase South Coast AQMD presence, including maintaining the library of photos and other content from all divisions and develop comprehensive social media campaigns.
- Create new visuals, stills and videos for more engaging outreach and education.
- Develop strategy to increase outreach, downloads, and use of the Mobile app via social media influencers.

Graphics

- Complete graphics projects including social media, collateral brochures and promotional items to ensure messaging is consistent and to create focused branding.
- Expand agency photo library and platform to house images (FLICKR, Cloud, etc.)

CURRENT ORGANIZATIONAL CHART:



POSITION SUMMARY: 55 FTEs

Legislative & Public Affairs/Media Office Units	Amended FY 2025-26	Change	Budget FY 2026-27
Administration	10	-	10
Legislative & Public Affairs	37	-	37
Media Office	8	-	8
Total	55	-	55

POSITION DETAIL:

FTEs	Title
4	Administrative Assistant I
2	Air Quality Engineer
2	Air Quality Specialist
2	Assistant Deputy Executive Officer
1	Deputy Executive Officer
1	Graphic Arts Supervisor
2	Graphic Illustrator II
2	Legislative Analyst
6	Public Affairs Manager
1	Public Affairs Specialist
3	Senior Administrative Assistant
9	Senior Office Assistant
2	Senior Public Affairs Manager
14	Senior Public Affairs Specialist
1	Senior Staff Specialist
1	Staff Specialist
1	Staff Assistant
1	Supervising Office Assistant
55	Total FTEs

Legislative & Public Affairs/Media Office
Work Program by Office

#	Program Code		Program Category	Goal	Program	Activities	FTEs FY 2025-26	+/-	FTEs FY 2026-27	Revenue Categories
1	35	046	Customer Service and Business Assistance	III	Admin/Prog Mgmt	Admin Office/Units/SuppCoord Staff	8.00	-1.00	7.00	Ib
2	35	111	Ensure Compliance	II	Call Center/CUT SMOG	Smoking Vehicle Complaints	8.00	0.00	8.00	IX,XV
3	35	205	Customer Service and Business Assistance	II	Environmental Education	Curriculum Dev/Project Coord	0.50	0.00	0.50	II,IX,XV
4	35	240	Customer Service and Business Assistance	I	Environmental Justice	Impl Board's EJ Pgrms/Policies	3.50	0.00	3.50	II,IV
5	35	260	Customer Service and Business Assistance	III	Fee Review	Cmte Mtg/Fee-Related Complaint	0.50	0.00	0.50	II,III,IV,XV
6	35	280	Policy Support	I	Advisory Group/Ethnic Comm	GB Ethnic Comm Advisory Group	0.40	0.00	0.40	II,IX
7	35	281	Policy Support	I	Advisory Group/Small Business	SBA Advisory Group Staff Support	0.50	0.00	0.50	IV,IX
8	35	345	Policy Support	II	Goods Mvmt&Financial Incentive	Goods Movement & Financial Incentives Progr	1.00	0.00	1.00	IX
9	35	350	Operational Support	III	Graphic Arts	Graphic Arts	3.00	0.00	3.00	Ia
10	35	381	Customer Service and Business Assistance	III	Interagency Liaison	Interact Gov Agns/Promote SCAQMD	0.30	0.00	0.30	Ia,XV
11	35	390	Customer Service and Business Assistance	I	Intergov/Geographic Deployment	Dev/Impl Local Govt Outreach	8.00	0.00	8.00	II,IX
12	35	412	Policy Support	I	Legislation/Federal	Lobbying/Analyses/Tracking/Out	1.00	0.00	1.00	Ia
13	35	413	Policy Support	I	Legislation/Exec Office Suppor	Coord Legis w/ EO, EC, Mgmt	0.25	0.00	0.25	Ia
14	35	414	Policy Support	I	Legislation-Effects	Lobbying/Analyses/Tracking/Out	1.80	0.00	1.80	Ia,IX
15	35	416	Policy Support	I	Legislative Activities	Supp/Promote/Influence Legis/Adm	0.50	0.00	0.50	Ia
16	35	491	Customer Service and Business Assistance	II	Outreach/Business	Chambers/Business Meetings	2.06	0.00	2.06	II,IV
17	35	492	Customer Service and Business Assistance	II	Public Education/Public Events	Pub Events/Conf/Rideshare Fair	3.20	0.00	3.20	II,V,IX,XV
18	35	494	Policy Support	I	Outreach/Collateral/Media	Edits,Brds,Talk shows,Commercl	4.00	1.00	5.00	Ia
19	35	496	Customer Service and Business Assistance	II	Outreach/Visiting Dignitary	Tours/Briefings-Dignitary	0.25	0.00	0.25	Ia
20	35	514	Customer Service and Business Assistance	I	Permit: Expired Permit Program	Assist w Permit Reinstatement	0.30	0.00	0.30	IV
21	35	555	Customer Service and Business Assistance	II	Public Information Center	Inform public of unhealthy air	1.00	0.00	1.00	II,V,IX
22	35	560	Develop Programs	I	Public Notification	Public notif of rules/hearings	0.50	0.00	0.50	II,IV,IX
23	35	565	Customer Service and Business Assistance	III	Public Records Act	Comply w/ Public Req for Info	0.10	0.00	0.10	Ia
24	35	679	Customer Service and Business Assistance	III	Small Business Assistance	Small Business/Financial Assistance	1.00	0.00	1.00	III
25	35	680	Timely Review of Permits	I	Small Business/Permit Streamln	Asst sm bus to comply/SCAQMD req	3.95	0.00	3.95	II,III,IV,V,XV
26	35	710	Customer Service and Business Assistance	I	Speakers Bureau	Coordinate/conduct speeches	0.10	0.00	0.10	Ia
27	35	717	Policy Support	II	Student Interns	Student Interns	0.10	0.00	0.10	Ia
28	35	791	Customer Service and Business Assistance	I	Toxics/AB2588	Outreach/AB 2588 Air Toxics	0.20	0.00	0.20	X
29	35	805	Operational Support	III	Training	Training	0.25	0.00	0.25	Ib
30	35	825	Operational Support	III	Union Negotiations	Official Labor/Mgmt Negotiate	0.01	0.00	0.01	Ia
31	35	826	Operational Support	III	Union Steward Activities	Union Steward Activities	0.01	0.00	0.01	Ia
32	35	854	Customer Service and Business Assistance	II	WHAM Program	WHAM Program	0.20	0.00	0.20	XVII
33	35	855	Operational Support	II	Web Tasks	Create/edit/review web content	0.50	0.00	0.50	Ia
34	35	900	Operational Support	III	Justice Education	Justice Education	0.02	0.00	0.02	Ia
						Total Legislative & Public Affairs/Media Office	55.00	-	55.00	

Legislative & Public Affairs/Media Office Line Item Expenditure						
Major Object / Account # / Account Description		FY 2024-25 Actuals	FY 2025-26 Adopted Budget	FY 2025-26 Amended Budget	FY 2025-26 Estimate *	FY 2026-27 Proposed Budget
Salary & Employee Benefits						
51000-52000	Salaries	$ 5,670,666	$ 5,962,010	$ 5,891,010	$ 5,885,849	$ 6,271,058
53000-55000	Employee Benefits	3,154,070	3,291,729	3,235,729	3,230,056	3,287,846
Sub-total Salary & Employee Benefits		$ 8,824,736	$ 9,253,739	$ 9,126,739	$ 9,115,905	$ 9,558,904
Services & Supplies						
67250	Insurance	$ -	$ -	$ -	$ -	$ -
67300	Rents & Leases Equipment	728	7,000	7,000	6,278	7,000
67350	Rents & Leases Structure	-	9,000	9,000	8,071	9,000
67400	Household	-	-	-	-	-
67450	Professional & Special Services	1,696,772	1,797,851	1,800,351	1,614,580	1,897,851
67460	Temporary Agency Services	73,809	114,000	114,000	102,237	114,000
67500	Public Notice & Advertising	-	26,600	26,600	23,855	26,600
67550	Demurrage	-	-	-	-	-
67600	Maintenance of Equipment	-	9,000	9,000	8,071	9,000
67650	Building Maintenance	-	-	-	-	-
67700	Auto Mileage	7,252	24,800	24,800	22,241	24,800
67750	Auto Service	-	-	-	-	-
67800	Travel	21,264	45,200	45,200	40,536	45,200
67850	Utilities	-	-	-	-	-
67900	Communications	40,999	47,000	42,000	37,666	47,000
67950	Interest Expense	-	-	-	-	-
68000	Clothing	-	-	112	100	-
68050	Laboratory Supplies	-	-	-	-	-
68060	Postage	3,145	137,800	127,468	114,315	137,800
68100	Office Expense	57,555	45,300	44,038	39,494	45,300
68200	Office Furniture	14,073	-	7,797	6,992	-
68250	Subscriptions & Books	53,250	18,200	18,200	16,322	18,200
68300	Small Tools, Instruments, Equipment	-	-	-	-	-
68400	Gas and Oil	-	-	-	-	-
69500	Training/Conference/Tuition/ Board Exp.	28,431	8,500	8,500	7,623	8,500
69550	Memberships	47,684	26,250	26,250	23,541	26,250
69600	Taxes	-	-	-	-	-
69650	Awards	108,872	49,681	49,681	44,555	49,681
69700	Miscellaneous Expenses	12,630	43,100	43,100	38,653	43,100
69750	Prior Year Expense	(10)	-	-	-	-
69800	Uncollectable Accounts Receivable	-	-	-	-	-
89100	Principal Repayment	-	-	-	-	-
Sub-total Services & Supplies		$ 2,166,455	$ 2,409,282	$ 2,403,097	$ 2,155,131	$ 2,509,282
77000	**Capital Outlays**	$ -	$ -	$ -	$ -	$ -
79050	**Building Remodeling**	-	-	-	-	-
Total Expenditures		$ 10,991,192	$ 11,663,021	$ 11,529,836	$ 11,271,036	$ 12,068,186
* Estimates based on July 2025 through February 2026 actual expenditures and February 2026 budget amendments.						

MONITORING & ANALYSIS

JASON LOW
DEPUTY EXECUTIVE OFFICER

At a Glance:	
FY 2025-26 Adopted Budget	$32.8M
FY 2026-27 Proposed Budget	$33.1M
% of FY 2026-27 Proposed Budget	14.7%
Total FTEs FY 2026-27 Proposed Budget	172

DESCRIPTION OF MAJOR SERVICES:

Monitoring & Analysis is responsible for maintaining the South Coast AQMD's ambient air monitoring network, operating community air monitoring networks near major refineries in the South Coast Air Basin, performing analyses in a state-of-the-art air regulatory laboratory, conducting source tests and evaluations, conducting local community air monitoring in disadvantaged and other communities (e.g., AB 617 and special monitoring projects), implementing quality assurance programs, evaluating air quality sensors, evaluating and deploying advanced monitoring technologies for fenceline, community and mobile monitoring applications, and providing meteorological data and sampling and analytical support for the South Coast AQMD's incident response program, wildfire response program, and emissions investigations.

ACCOMPLISHMENTS:

RECENT:

- Conducted measurements to assess ambient air quality in the Basin by operating and maintaining approximately 32 air monitoring sites resulting in 232,870 valid pollutant data points per month, collecting 7,344 hourly data points for ambient Volatile Organic Compounds (VOCs) and air toxics, and analyzing over 7,205 filters for components including mass, ions, carbon, and metals with 97.2% data completeness for the year. These efforts were in support of multiple federal programs including those for the National Air Toxics Trends Stations (NATTS), Photochemical Assessment Monitoring Stations (PAMS), National Core (NCORE), Near-Road Monitoring, and PM2.5 including Chemical Speciation. This data provides the basis for compliance with the National Ambient Air Quality Standards (NAAQS) along with verifying emission models and understanding source contributions for future control measures.
- Completed and submitted to U.S. EPA the Annual Air Quality Monitoring Network Plan on July 1, 2025. Conducted a public workshop to solicit input on the Plan, which describes South Coast AQMD's ambient air monitoring network, reviews actions completed during the previous fiscal year, and outlines planned network modifications for the year ahead.

- Completed and submitted to U.S. EPA the five-year Air Monitoring Network Assessment for criteria pollutants by the July 1, 2025 deadline. The assessment evaluated whether the network meets the monitoring objectives defined in 40 CFR Part 58, Appendix D, and ensures monitoring resources are effectively and efficiently deployed to meet stakeholder needs.
- Performed audits of field and laboratory test methods in support of federal monitoring programs, including "in-house" audits for air toxics. Continued the South Coast AQMD's semi-annual audit program to assure data quality and completeness of the lead (Pb), PM10, and PM2.5 air monitoring program measurements.
- Reviewed and certified 2024 criteria pollutant data for submission to U.S. EPA Air Quality System (AQS).
- Issued, tracked, and developed resolutions for Quality Assurance Alerts (QAAs) and Corrective Action Requests (CARs) for monitoring network or instrument issues that may impact data quality or completeness.
- Developed corrective action plans (CAPs) for the 2023 U.S. EPA Criteria Pollutant Technical Systems Audit (TSA) and submitted to U.S. EPA for review and approval.
- After review and approval of CAPS from U.S. EPA, implemented corrective action plans for the 2023 U.S. EPA PAMS TSA and the 2022/2023 NATTS TSA.
- Deployed and initiated the air sample collection and continuous monitoring for the Multiple Air Toxics Exposure Study (MATES VI).
- Continued special monitoring efforts to address community concerns and better characterize emissions from metal processing facilities, auto body shops, oil and gas operations, sterilization facilities, rendering facilities, and landfills.
- Maintained monitoring efforts near the Salton Sea measuring hydrogen sulfide, PM10 mass and composition, and winds to provide information to alert the public of potential dust and/or odor events.
- Supported incident and nuisance response efforts related to the Chiquita Canyon Landfill investigation. Conducted air measurements and provided oversight to contractor measurements. Participated in the Public Health Assessment Unit (PHAU) and the Multi-Agency Coordination Team (MCAT) to address the situation and public concern.
- Integrated into the Incident Command and provided wildfire response monitoring efforts, conducting mobile monitoring surveys in the burn zones and deploying PM monitors and metals and asbestos samplers in response to the 2025 LA Wildfires in Palisades and Altadena. Participated in the Environmental Health Impacts multi-agency group and presented efforts and results in community meetings.
- Supported and verified compliance with current rules and regulations, analyzed over 170 samples for asbestos from demolition sites based on complaints and concerns about fallout (deposition), and performed approximately 150 analyses on architectural and industrial maintenance coating products for VOC and Hazardous Air Pollutants (HAP) content.
- Continued the evaluation of commercially available low-cost air quality sensors in the field and laboratory within the AQ-SPEC program. Increased the accessibility of the AQ-SPEC website and developed a new sensor evaluation report format. Maintained different particle and gas sensor networks for specific applications and grants. Further developed the Sensor Library Program with working with communities and academic partners.

- Supported community outreach efforts and Community Steering Committees (CSC) by participating in quarterly CSC meetings for all six AB 617 communities and Monitoring Working Group Meetings for two communities. Also, continued implementing Community Air Monitoring Plans (CAMPs) and supporting the implementation of community Emissions Reduction Plans (CERPs). Additionally, as part of the CAMPs implementation, continued mobile monitoring, real-time and time-integrated measurements at fixed monitoring stations, and the maintenance and operation of sensor networks to supplement fixed monitoring.
- Continued the development of a comprehensive data platform for acquiring, validating, analyzing, and mapping air measurement data from the various air monitoring technologies, including real-time and time-integrated measurements.
- Continued to support implementation for a Supplemental Environmental Project (SEP) to conduct fenceline and community monitoring near SoCalGas's natural gas facility in Aliso Canyon and the Porter Ranch community.
- Supported the Department of Homeland Security's BioWatch program through June 1, 2025, maintaining a network of 28 samplers and delivering approximately 10,220 samples to the LA County Department of Public Health. Coordinated the close-out phase and return of equipment to DHS.
- Continued to update the Emissions Quantification and Testing Evaluation (EQUATE) group as per Regulation III amendments to provide input on the source test review process assessment.
- Completed the development and beta testing of an electronic source test submission portal and tracking dashboard.
- Issued 709 source test protocol/report evaluations, and Continuous Emission Monitoring System (CEMS) approvals/certifications.
- Evaluated 41 certification test reports for boilers, water heaters, forced air furnaces, and barbecue ignition products.
- Through the Laboratory Approval Program (LAP), processed 46 renewal applications, and conducted 6 field audits.
- Conducted 7 in-house field source tests.
- Conducted 96 contractor field source test observations/inspections.
- Continued working with the seven major refineries in the LA Basin on developing amended fenceline air monitoring plans (FAMPs) and quality assurance project plans (QAPPs) to adequately address additional fenceline air monitoring and data reporting requirements put forward by the January 2024 amendment of Rule 1180.
- Continued working with refinery-related facilities and small refineries and newly subject to Rules 1180 and 1180.1 on development of their FAMPs and QAPPs.
- Continued oversight of fenceline air monitoring pursuant to Rule 1180 at the seven major refineries in the Basin by reviewing real-time air monitoring data and issuing public notifications when concentrations of measured pollutants exceed health-based short-term thresholds.
- Continued operation of 12 Rule 1180 community air monitoring stations by providing real-time information on community air quality through a dedicated public portal and issuing community air quality notifications when concentrations of measured pollutants exceeded health-based short-term thresholds.

- Fully implemented air monitoring for particulate matter (PM10 and PM2.5), air toxic metals and PAH (Naphthalene) at 10 existing Rule 1180 community air monitoring stations, as required by January 2024 Rule 1180 amendment.
- Continued planning for five additional community air monitoring stations resulting from the January 2024 amendment and adoption of Rules 1180 and 1180.1, respectively.
- Continued managing contract for an independent audit of the Rule 1180 fenceline and community air monitoring network. Assisted the contractor with finalizing the development of fenceline and community air monitoring audit protocols and collecting stakeholders' feedback. Assisted with communication and coordination of audit activities between the audit contractor and representatives of the major refineries subject to Rule 1180.
- Continued to oversee and support the implementation of optical tent (OT) project for measurements of benzene, ethylbenzene, toluene and xylenes (BTEX) operated by the University of California Los Angeles (UCLA) at the Phillips 66 Wilmington Refinery.
- Attended and presented at multiple national and international scientific conferences workshops such as conferences of the American Association for Aerosol Research (AAAR), the American Geophysical Union (AGU), and the American Air Waste Management Association (AWMA). Published peer-reviewed publications on the topics of community air quality, low-cost sensors, and fenceline air monitoring.
- Conducted student outreach activities and laboratory tours to provide education on regulatory air measurements and to promote the mission of the South Coast AQMD.
- Continued the implementation of two new projects funded by the U.S. EPA "Enhanced Air Quality Monitoring for Communities" program. The first project is to conduct enhanced measurements of PM2.5 chemical composition and size distribution in Wilmington. The second project is to conduct community-based air quality monitoring through the South Coast AQMD sensor library program.
- Continued working with UCLA on the development of a reference method for validating Open-Path ORS systems, through a project funded by the U.S. EPA Science to Achieve Results (STAR) grant.
- Conducted continuous air monitoring for Methyl Bromide (MeBr) at a West Long Beach air monitoring site downwind of two fumigation facilities. The site was originally established by CARB in 2023, however, monitoring efforts were transitioned over to South Coast AQMD on May 21, 2025.
- Continued operation state-of-the-art mobile platforms for special emission investigations, emergency response and AB 617 communities CAMP implementation.

ANTICIPATED:

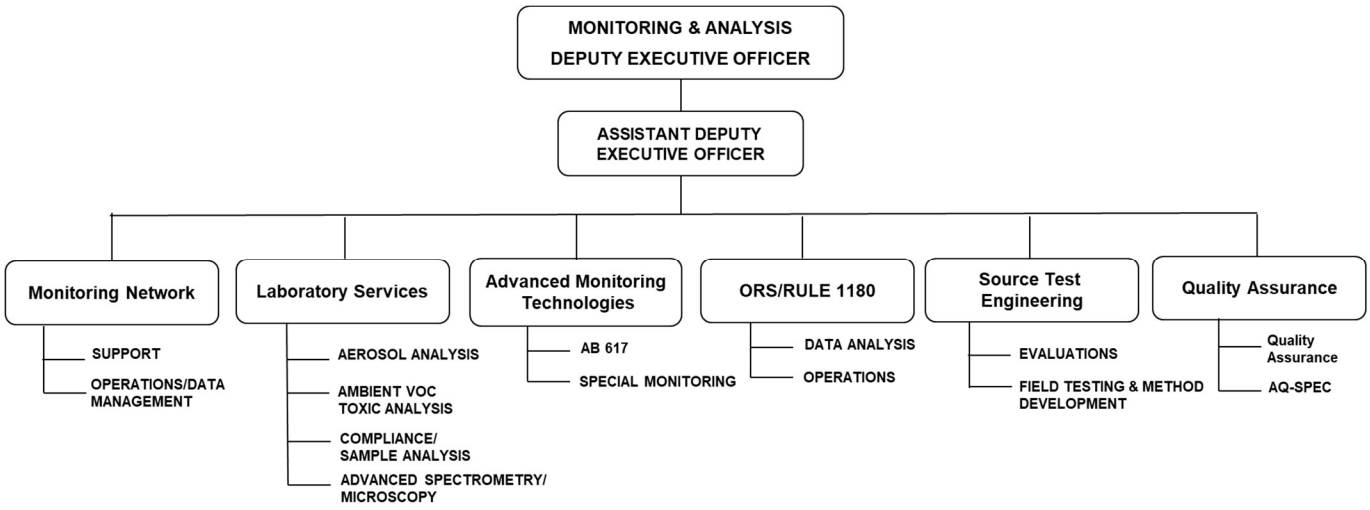
- Conduct and complete the air sample collection and continuous monitoring for the sixth chapter of the Multiple Air Toxics Exposure Study (MATES, perform data verification and validation, finalize results, and draft final report.
- Prepare and submit to U.S. EPA the Annual Air Quality Monitoring Network Plan, which describes the network of ambient air quality monitors located within South Coast AQMD's four-county jurisdiction. The Plan includes a review of actions taken during the previous fiscal year and outlines planned network modifications for the year ahead.

- Prepare for a U.S. EPA Technical Systems Audit (TSA) in the coming fiscal year covering the criteria pollutant, NATTS, and PAMS monitoring networks. The TSA is a comprehensive evaluation conducted by U.S. EPA to assess compliance with federal monitoring requirements, data quality objectives, quality assurance procedures, and overall program implementation.
- Continue to seek opportunities such as student internships and educational outreach to provide opportunities that can lead to relevant experience for specialized technical careers.
- Continue the operation and development of South Coast AQMD's air monitoring network and special monitoring efforts critical to South Coast AQMD's operations. These include continued compliance verification and rule development, monitoring efforts in support of Chiquita Canyon Investigation and fumigation facilities, and other short-term activities.
- Continue to enhance and modernize the laboratory instrumentation, methodologies, and analysis capabilities to help with special monitoring projects, incident, and wildfire response. Continue operational efficiency and data confidence improvement by investing in the latest software, automated instruments and equipment, and other workflow streamlining efforts.
- Continue to enhance and modernize the South Coast AQMD's ambient monitoring network, telemetry system, and data management system that receives and validates the incoming data from the air monitoring stations, special monitoring locations, and AB 617 sites.
- Continue the development and implementation of mobile monitoring methods for surveying air pollutant concentrations in large areas in a short amount of time. Integrate mobile monitoring survey activities into various programs such as Rule 1180, AB 617, Special Monitoring, and Emission Investigation projects.
- Continue to assess and oversee operational integrity and quality assurance through internal audits of laboratory and field monitoring stations.
- Review and certify 2025 criteria pollutant data.
- Address findings from the 2023 U.S. EPA Criteria Pollutant, 2023 PAMS, and 2022/2023 NATTS Technical System Audit (TSA), and proactively implement corrective actions.
- Develop and approve procedures to oversee operational integrity and quality assurance in the Advanced Monitoring Technologies and Rule 1180 Implementation programs, which includes community air monitoring, sensor deployments, and refinery fenceline and community air monitoring.
- Continue to apply for funding opportunities from local, state, and federal programs.
- Conduct air monitoring, source testing, and analysis activities in support of rule development, rule amendment, and rule implementation efforts (e.g., Rules 1110.3, 1118, 1134, 1135, 429, 429.2, 1146.2, 1147.2, 1153.1, 1159.1, 1405, 1426.1, 1435, 1445, 1469, 301, 306, 304/304.1, 314, 1178, 1180.1 and 1405).
- Continue source test protocol and report evaluations, CEMS certifications, LAP application reviews, and source test observations. Increase throughput on source test evaluations anticipated due to RECLAIM (Regional Clean Air Incentives Market) sunset and permit streamlining efforts.
- Provide support for the implementation of the source test submittal portal and tracking dashboard.

- Continue development of a procedure for validating ethylene oxide CEMS in support of Rule 1405 at medical device sterilization facilities.
- Continue development of an emissions certification test procedure for linear generators in support of Rule 1110.3.
- Continue supporting the contract implementation for a SEP to conduct air monitoring in communities near the Aliso Canyon natural gas facility.
- Continue conducting air monitoring, as appropriate, in three "Year One" communities (Wilmington, Carson, West Long Beach; San Bernardino, Muscoy; and East Los Angeles, Boyle Heights, West Commerce), in two "Year Two" AB 617 communities (Southeast Los Angeles and East Coachella Valley), and in one "Year Three" community (South Los Angeles) as part of their respective CERP and CAMP implementation.
- Continue working with the major refineries, refinery-related facilities and other refineries towards approval and implementation of their Rules 1180 and 1180.1 fenceline air monitoring plans.
- Continue to oversee the implementation of the refinery fenceline air monitoring systems, public data website, and public notification systems developed and implemented by each refinery.
- Assist the auditing contractor with completing the first audit of the Rule 1180 fenceline and community air monitoring network in accordance with the auditing procedures developed by the contractor.
- Continue to operate and maintain refinery-related community air monitoring as required under Rule 1180; and establish additional community air monitoring stations, as required by the January 2024 amendment of Rule 1180 and the adoption of Rule 1180.1.
- Continue to support the operation of an OT for real-time monitoring of BTEX at the Phillips 66 Wilmington refinery.
- Continue with full-scale testing of air quality sensors in AQ-SPEC and share testing results with the public. Expand the AQ-SPEC program to evaluate the performance of air quality sensors on a mobile platform and to assess the performance of VOC sensors in the field and under controlled laboratory settings.
- Continue developing concepts for performance verification and/or certification of low-cost particle and gaseous sensors.
- Continue with the implementation of multiple ORS technology projects, evaluate other next generation monitoring technologies. Initiate efforts towards establishing reference methods and/or standards for ORS applications for fenceline monitoring and emission estimation.
- Continue conducting mobile and fixed air monitoring activities, as needed, in support of EtO emission investigations and Rule 1405 implementation at sterilization, storage and other facilities.
- Evaluate fenceline monitoring plans for sterilization facilities required by Rule 1405.
- Continue field activities for two projects funded by the U.S. EPA "Enhanced Air Quality Monitoring for Communities" program (i.e., enhanced measurements of PM2.5 chemical composition and size distribution in Wilmington, community-based air quality monitoring through the South Coast AQMD sensor library program).
- Continue working on a collaborative project funded by the U.S. EPA STAR grant to develop a reference method and system for validating Open-Path ORS measurements.

- Continue activities for the project funded by the U.S. EPA grants for development and testing of mobile monitoring platforms for air toxics (metals and ethylene oxide) and enhanced PM2.5 measurements in Wilmington to conclude the project and submit the final report.
- Continue to oversee the air monitoring network developed, implemented and operated by facility contractors near and around the Chiquita Canyon Landfill (CCL). Continue to work with facility contractors on improving their standard operating procedures (SOPs) and other QA documents. Continue to provide technical expertise to the Multi-Agency Critical Action Team (MCAT) and the Public Health Assessment Unit (PHAU).
- Continue air monitoring for MeBr at West Long Beach Station and provide support for rulemaking efforts.

ORGANIZATIONAL CHART:



POSITION SUMMARY: 172 FTEs

Monitoring & Analysis Units	Amended FY 2025-26	Change	Proposed FY 2026-27
Office Administration	12	-	12
Laboratory Services	50	-	50
Advanced Monitoring Technologies	22	2	24
ORS/Rule 1180	21	-	21
Monitoring Network	38	(9)	29
Source Test Engineering	19	2	21
Quality Assurance/AQ-SPEC	15	-	15
Total	177	(5)	172

POSITION DETAIL:

FTEs	Title
6	Administrative Assistant I
26	Air Quality Chemist
13	Air Quality Engineer II
12	Air Quality Instrument Specialist I
28	Air Quality Instrument Specialist II
22	Air Quality Specialist
1	Assistant Deputy Executive Officer
3	Atmospheric Measurement Manager
1	Deputy Executive Officer
6	Laboratory Technician
1	Meteorologist Technician
1	Monitoring Operations Manager
4	Principal Air Quality Chemist
4	Principal Air Quality Instrument Specialist
8	Program Supervisor
1	Quality Assurance Manager
2	Senior Administrative Assistant
11	Senior Air Quality Chemist
3	Senior Air Quality Engineer
1	Senior Air Quality Engineering Manager
10	Senior Air Quality Instrument Specialist
1	Senior Enforcement Manager
2	Senior Office Assistant
1	Senior Staff Specialist
1	Source Testing Manager
2	Staff Specialist
1	Supervising Air Quality Engineer
172	**Total FTEs**

Monitoring & Analysis
Work Program by Office

#	Program Code		Program Category	Goal	Program	Activities	FTEs FY 2025-26	+/-	FTEs FY 2026-27	Revenue Categories
1	46	015	Ensure Compliance	I	Acid Rain Program	Acid Rain CEMS Eval/Cert	0.20	0.00	0.20	II,IV
2	46	019	Monitoring Air Quality	I	AB617-Prog Develop	AB617-Program Development	32.70	0.25	32.95	IX
3	46	038	Monitoring Air Quality	I	Admin/Office Mgmt/Monitoring	Overall Program Mgmt/Coord	1.23	-1.00	0.23	Ib
4	46	041	Policy Support	I	Admin/Office Mgmt/Policy Supp	Overall Policy Supp/Mgmt/Coord	0.10	0.00	0.10	Ib
5	46	042	Ensure Compliance	I	Admin/Office Mgmt/Compliance	Compliance: Assign/Manage/Supp	0.10	0.00	0.10	Ib
6	46	043	Develop Rules	I	Admin/Office Mgmt/Rules	Rules: Assign/Manage/Supp	0.10	0.00	0.10	Ib
7	46	046	Monitoring Air Quality	I	Admin/Program Management	STA Program Administration	1.75	0.00	1.75	Ib
8	46	063	Monitoring Air Quality	I	Ambient Air Analysis	Analyze Criteria/Tox/Pollutants	8.91	0.00	8.91	II,V,IX
9	46	064	Monitoring Air Quality	I	Ambient Network	Air Monitoring/Toxics Network	22.45	0.51	22.96	IV,V,IX
10	46	065	Monitoring Air Quality	I	Air Quality Data Management	AM Audit/Validation/Reporting	1.00	0.00	1.00	II,V,IX
11	46	067	Monitoring Air Quality	I	Ambient Lead Monitoring	Lead Monitoring/Analysis/Reporting	0.50	0.00	0.50	IV
12	46	072	Ensure Compliance	I	Arch Ctgs - End User	Sample Analysis/Rpts	2.00	0.00	2.00	XVIII
13	46	073	Monitoring Air Quality	I	Arch Ctgs - Other	Sample Analysis/Rpts	2.00	0.00	2.00	XVIII
14	46	079	Monitoring Air Quality	II	AQ SPEC	AQ SPEC	6.69	0.50	7.19	XVII
15	46	091	Monitoring Air Quality	I	Aliso Cyn SEP MAD	Aliso Cyn SEP MAD	0.20	0.00	0.20	XVII
16	46	105	Ensure Compliance	I	CEMS Certification	CEMS Review/Approval	5.00	0.00	5.00	III,VI
17	46	119	Monitoring Air Quality	I	Chiquita Cyn 2023	Chiquita Cyn 2023	0.25	0.00	0.25	XVII
18	46	151	Monitoring Air Quality	I	EPA-Com-Mobile Monitoring	EPA Com Scale Mobile Monitrng	0.25	-0.25	0.00	XVII
19	46	175	Ensure Compliance	I	DB/Computerization	Develop Systems/Database	0.44	0.00	0.44	II,IV,VI
20	46	410	Policy Support	I	Legislation	Support Pollution Reduction thru Legislatio	0.10	0.00	0.10	IX
21	46	450	Ensure Compliance	I	Microscopic Analysis	Asbestos/PM/Metals Analysis	3.00	0.00	3.00	VI
22	46	468	Monitoring Air Quality	I	NATTS(Natl Air Tox Trends Sta)	NATTS (Natl Air Tox Trends)	2.00	0.00	2.00	II,V,IX
23	46	500	Ensure Compliance	I	PM2.5 Program	Est/Operate/Maint PM2.5 Network	10.30	0.00	10.30	II,V,IX
24	46	505	Monitoring Air Quality	I	PM Sampling Program (DHS)	PM Sampling Program - Addition	8.41	-8.41	0.00	V
25	46	507	Monitoring Air Quality	I	PM Sampling Spec	PM Sampling Special Events	0.10	-0.10	0.00	V
26	46	530	Monitoring Air Quality	I	Photochemical Assessment	Photochemical Assess & Monitor	3.00	0.00	3.00	V,IX
27	46	545	Timely Review of Permits	I	Protocols/Reports/Plans	Eval Test Protocols/Cust Svc	2.10	0.00	2.10	III,IV
28	46	546	Timely Review of Permits	I	Protocols/Reports/Plans	Eval Test Protocols/Compliance	6.15	0.00	6.15	IV,VI
29	46	565	Customer Service and Business Assistance	III	Public Records Act	Comply w/ Public Req for Info	0.50	0.00	0.50	Ia
30	46	585	Monitoring Air Quality	I	Quality Assurance	Quality Assurance Branch	6.00	0.00	6.00	II,V,IX
31	46	646	Monitoring Air Quality	I	R1180 Community Mon	R1180 Comm Monitoring Refinery	18.50	0.00	18.50	XVII
32	46	649	Monitoring Air Quality	II	Rule 1180.1 Com Mon	Rule 1180.1 Com Mon Oth Ref	4.00	0.00	4.00	IV
33	46	657	Develop Rules	I	Rulemaking/Support PRDI	Assist PRDI w/ Rulemaking	0.80	0.00	0.80	II
34	46	663	Monitoring Air Quality	I	Salton Sea Monit	Mon/Analyze Hydrogen Sulfide	0.25	0.00	0.25	XVII
35	46	700	Ensure Compliance	I	Source Testing/Compliance	Conduct ST/Prov Data/Compl	2.25	0.00	2.25	VI
36	46	701	Customer Service and Business Assistance	I	Source Testing/Customer Svc	Conduct ST/Prov Data/Cust Svc	0.05	0.00	0.05	VI
37	46	702	Develop Programs	I	ST Methods Development	Eval ST Methods/Validate	0.95	0.00	0.95	II
38	46	704	Ensure Compliance	I	ST/Sample Analysis/Compliance	Analyze ST Samples/Compliance	5.00	0.00	5.00	VI
39	46	705	Develop Programs	I	ST Sample Analysis/Air Program	Analyze ST Samples/Air Prgms	0.25	0.00	0.25	II
40	46	706	Develop Rules	I	ST Sample Analysis/Air Program	Analyze ST Samples/Rules	0.25	0.00	0.25	II

Monitoring & Analysis (Cont.) Work Program by Office										
#	Program Code		Program Category	Goal	Program	Activities	FTEs FY 2025-26	+/-	FTEs FY 2026-27	Revenue Categories
41	46	707	Ensure Compliance	I	VOC Sample Analysis/Compliance	VOC Analysis & Rptg/Compliance	6.50	0.00	6.50	IV,XV
42	46	708	Develop Rules	I	VOC Sample Analysis/Rules	VOC Analysis & Rptg/Rules	0.25	0.00	0.25	II,XV
43	46	715	Monitoring Air Quality	II	Spec Monitoring/Emerg Response	Emergency Response	0.50	0.00	0.50	II
44	46	716	Ensure Compliance	I	Special Monitoring	Rule 403 Compliance Monitoring	5.18	2.00	7.18	IV,IX,XV
45	46	725	Timely Review of Permits	I	Permit Processing/Support E&P	Assist E&P w/ Permit Process	0.35	0.00	0.35	III
46	46	729	Monitoring Air Quality	I	STAR UCLA-EPA	STAR UCLA Reference Method Dev	0.50	0.00	0.50	V
47	46	730	Monitoring Air Quality	I	STAR Virg Tech-EPA	STAR Virg Tech Measurement HAPs	0.50	-0.50	0.00	V
48	46	794	Ensure Compliance	I	Toxics/AB2588	Eval Protocols/Methods/ST	2.00	2.00	4.00	X
49	46	795	Ensure Compliance	I	Toxics/Engineering	R1401 Toxics/HRA Prot/Rpt Eval	1.30	0.00	1.30	X
50	46	825	Operational Support	III	Union Negotiations	Labor/Mgmt Negotiations	0.03	0.00	0.03	Ia
51	46	826	Operational Support	III	Union Steward Activities	Rep Employees in Grievance Act	0.03	0.00	0.03	Ia
52	46	900	Operational Support	III	Justice Education	Justice Education	0.03	0.00	0.03	Ia
						Total Monitoring & Analysis	177.00	(5.00)	172.00	

Monitoring and Analysis Line Item Expenditure						
Major Object / Account # / Account Description		FY 2024-25 Actuals	FY 2025-26 Adopted Budget	FY 2025-26 Amended Budget	FY 2025-26 Estimate *	FY 2026-27 Proposed Budget
Salary & Employee Benefits						
51000-52000	Salaries	$ 18,495,627	$ 19,978,419	$ 19,335,077	$ 19,307,973	$ 20,026,531
53000-55000	Employee Benefits	9,483,776	9,777,051	9,610,049	9,604,628	9,975,172
Sub-total Salary & Employee Benefits		$ 27,979,404	$ 29,755,470	$ 28,945,126	$ 28,912,601	$ 30,001,703
Services & Supplies						
67250	Insurance	$ -	$ -	$ -	$ -	$ -
67300	Rents & Leases Equipment	29,370	36,800	40,700	36,500	36,800
67350	Rents & Leases Structure	275,268	443,000	483,198	433,339	443,000
67400	Household	1,367	500	6,800	6,098	500
67450	Professional & Special Services	532,277	330,000	941,088	843,981	454,000
67460	Temporary Agency Services	533,806	141,600	470,877	422,289	141,600
67500	Public Notice & Advertising	25,908	12,000	10,700	9,596	12,000
67550	Demurrage	38,741	55,000	67,369	60,417	55,000
67600	Maintenance of Equipment	848,765	205,000	665,440	596,776	205,000
67650	Building Maintenance	101,852	165,000	71,440	64,068	165,000
67700	Auto Mileage	43,539	17,909	87,182	78,186	17,909
67750	Auto Service	763	-	-	-	-
67800	Travel	55,436	33,403	36,808	33,010	33,403
67850	Utilities	-	30,000	30,000	26,904	30,000
67900	Communications	128,870	431,000	409,593	367,329	431,000
67950	Interest Expense	-	-	-	-	-
68000	Clothing	37,742	3,000	35,920	32,214	3,000
68050	Laboratory Supplies	451,865	570,000	626,940	562,249	570,000
68060	Postage	19,227	16,818	13,009	11,667	16,818
68100	Office Expense	218,718	66,393	197,058	176,724	66,393
68200	Office Furniture	9,325	-	51,622	46,295	-
68250	Subscriptions & Books	1,509	1,027	1,227	1,100	1,027
68300	Small Tools, Instruments, Equipment	425,620	162,246	416,693	373,696	162,246
68350	Film	-	-	-	-	-
68400	Gas and Oil	-	-	-	-	-
69500	Training/Conference/Tuition/ Board Exp.	88,050	96,000	66,717	59,833	96,000
69550	Memberships	613	2,250	2,250	2,018	2,250
69600	Taxes	9,363	2,000	-	-	2,000
69650	Awards	-	-	-	-	-
69700	Miscellaneous Expenses	-	2,600	600	538	2,600
69750	Prior Year Expense	494	-	-	-	-
69800	Uncollectable Accounts Receivable	-	-	-	-	-
89100	Principal Repayment	-	-	-	-	-
Sub-total Services & Supplies		$ 3,878,486	$ 2,823,546	$ 4,733,231	$ 4,244,828	$ 2,947,546
77000	**Capital Outlays**	$ 4,367,506	$ 215,000	$ 2,606,016	$ 2,606,016	$ 125,000
79050	**Building Remodeling**	-	-	-	-	-
Total Expenditures		$ 36,225,395	$ 32,794,016	$ 36,284,373	$ 35,763,445	$ 33,074,249

* Estimates based on July 2025 through February 2026 actual expenditures and February 2026 budget amendments.

PLANNING, RULE DEVELOPMENT & IMPLEMENTATION

SARAH REES
DEPUTY EXECUTIVE OFFICER

At a Glance:	
FY 2025-26 Adopted Budget	$26.1M
FY 2026-27 Proposed Budget	$27.2M
% of FY 2026-27 Proposed Budget	12.1%
Total FTEs FY 2026-27 Proposed Budget	132

DESCRIPTION OF MAJOR SERVICES:

Planning, Rule Development and Implementation (PRDI) is responsible for the majority of South Coast AQMD's air quality planning and rulemaking functions, including State Implementation Plan (SIP) related activities, air quality management and maintenance plans, reporting requirements and other state and federal Clean Air Act requirements. Key functions include:

- Preparing Air Quality Management Plans and SIP revisions that include strategies to ensure that the South Coast Air Basin and Coachella Valley can achieve state and federal ambient air quality standards
- Developing proposals for new and amended rules to implement measures in the Air Quality Management Plan (AQMP)/SIP, to meet state and federal requirements, to reduce air toxic emissions, and to fulfill goals in approved AB 617 Community Emissions Reduction Plans (CERPs)
- Implementing stationary source rules and incentive projects
- Conducting Socioeconomic impact and California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) analyses for rule and plan development projects
- Reviewing and commenting on CEQA documents for projects located throughout the South Coast AQMD's jurisdiction
- Conducting CEQA and modeling analyses for projects requiring an air quality permit
- Coordinating with Engineering & Permitting Division and the Technology Advancement Office (TAO) on conducting CEQA analyses for permit projects and other projects initiated by TAO, respectively
- Developing and implementing mobile source strategies such as:
    - Implementing fleet rules to reduce emissions from public fleets;
    - Developing and implementing facility-based measures aimed at achieving emission reductions from indirect mobile sources associated with ports, airports, railyards, and warehouses; and
    - Engaging CARB and U.S. EPA on mobile source rulemaking efforts
- Coordinating with Legislative & Public Affairs/Media Office and the Technology Advancement Office (TAO) on state and federal legislative and regulatory issues and air quality incentives
- Conducting air quality evaluations, modeling, forecasting, and developing emissions inventories
- Participating in developing AB 617 CERPs, and implementing many of the CERP action items
- Leading the assessment, dissemination, and communication of air quality data, forecasts, advisories, and alerts, and providing guidance on health effects associated with air quality policies

and other air quality-related issues that arise from a variety of situations involving individual facilities, community concerns, and events such as wildfires.
- Developing the Multiple Air Toxics Exposure Study (MATES) to assess regional air toxic emissions and risk throughout the region
- Implementing several key ongoing programs, including the state Toxics "Hot Spots" program (AB 2588), Annual Emissions Reporting program (AER), Employee Commute Trip Reduction (Rule 2202), WAIRE Program (Rule 2305), Airport MOU's, and the AB 2766 Subvention fund program
- Developing South Coast AQMD policy for climate change, energy, and other air quality related subjects
- Conducting chemical transport modeling to estimate carrying capacity for state and federal ambient air quality standards and to demonstrate attainment of the standards for the South Coast Air Basin and the Coachella Valley

ACCOMPLISHMENTS:

Recent:

AB 617

- Conducted Autobody Shop Workshop to fulfill two CERP actions
- Participated in the development of the Annual Progress Report to CARB
- Participated in AB 617 meetings with U.S. EPA, CARB, CAPCOA, other external stakeholders, and local agencies
- Assisted in receiving CARB approval on the Eastern Coachella Valley (ECV) Paving Project Plan
- Developed new and amended rules to implement approved CERP actions

AB 2588

- Continued to implement Rule 1402
- Monitored compliance with requirements under Early Action Reduction Plan for Sterigenics Ontario and Risk Reduction Plan for Sterigenics Vernon
- Conducted two public notification meetings for Bowman Plating Co and R.J. Noble Company facilities
- Prepared the 2024 Annual Report on the AB 2588 Program and presented it at a public hearing as required under the Hot Spots Information and Assessment Act
- Continued providing input to CARB and coordinating with CAPCOA regarding drafting updates to the AB 2588 guidelines and expanded list of regulated compounds
- Notified all identified fumigation facilities to report their toxic emissions under AB 2588 requirements (approximately 30 facilities) and reviewed/approved the submitted Initial Information reports and Air Toxic Inventory Reports
- As part of the South Coast AQMD's Paramount investigation, staff notified five facilities of AB 2588 reporting requirements following air monitoring results from the City of Paramount showing elevated hexavalent chromium levels.

Air Quality Assessment

- Issued daily air quality forecasts and over 59 advisories in 2025. Improved forecasting software to increase forecast accuracy and streamline workflow

- Reviewed one permit modeling request, answered over 75 public phone inquiries and over 283 email inquiries, responded to periodic media requests, and participated in over 25 media interviews
- Continued to maintain the South Coast AQMD real-time AQI map
- Continued developing tools for ozone, PM2.5 and PM10 exceptional event demonstrations to streamline future demonstrations as part of a collaboration with WESTAR/WRAP and 36 other state air agencies
- Supported the development of the 2025 South Coast Air Basin Redesignation Requests and Maintenance Plans for PM2.5 and PM10
- Continued to evaluate PM10 and TSP data and started several projects to evaluate dust emissions and provide additional data for PM10 mitigation in Coachella Valley: Prepared for a research contract to study dust emission sources in Coachella Valley; deployed an environmental monitoring camera to identify dust emissions in northwest Coachella Valley, and started work to use existing imagery from a second camera and deploy a third camera; started a collaboration with UC Riverside and the Coachella Valley Association of Governments to deploy 7 QuantAQ PM sensors in Coachella Valley
- Continued to manage a collaboration and update software to facilitate the issuance of air quality alerts from air districts in Southern California through the National Weather Service
- Evaluated air quality metrics, progress, and attainment of air quality standards
- Made significant progress on a new hourly forecast model to increase forecast accuracy and improve disseminations
- Continued to conduct and coordinate the MATES VI campaign. Continued managing the brake and tire wear study and started analyzing meteorological data to evaluate Ethylene Oxide research questions based on MATES VI measurements
- Continued to maintain the Health Risk Assessment web tool for permit applications and CEQA modeling
- Made significant progress in developing a secondary system to run data processing tasks to support the forecast, which will be used to support the necessary software upgrade of the existing system and improve resiliency of the forecast and advisory system
- Supported the next update of the mobile app by assisting in the design of pages related to check before you burn and advisories and began developing IT infrastructure to provide the required advisory data

Air Quality Modeling/Emissions Inventory

- Developed emissions inventory for the South Coast Air Basin to revise an attainment plan for the 2012 annual PM2.5 standard (12 $\mu g/m^3$) for the South Coast Air Basin.
- Changes in emission reductions due to recent regulatory actions by U.S. EPA, CARB and U.S. Congress were evaluated and quantified to support upcoming SIP revisions such as maintenance plans for multiple PM2.5 and PM10 standards for the South Coast Air Basin
- Updated photochemical transport modeling platform to use in upcoming SIP revisions and MATES simulations
- Developed modeling tools that support air toxics modeling at neighborhood scale over AB617 communities, in support of an EPA-funded grant in collaboration with MAD.
- Developed methodologies and input data to update area source emissions inventory to include in upcoming SIP applications

- Developed growth and control factors reflecting SCAG's latest adopted 2024 RTP/SCS and recently adopted rules to project emissions to future years
- Developed control factors for rules adopted under the AB617 umbrella submitted to CARB for their tracking of AB617 progress
- Developed the aircraft emissions inventory for 2023 and future years in collaboration with the Basin's main airports, including main military bases
- Developed emissions inventories and maintenance demonstrations for the redesignation requests and maintenance plans for 1997 and 2006 PM2.5 NAAQS and a 2nd maintenance plan for 1987 PM10 NAAQS
- Conducted a thorough review of industrial classification assigned to AER facilities, required to develop facility emissions inventories and to quantify emission benefits from adopted rules
- Conducted photochemical transport modeling to estimate impact of wildfire and windblown dust on ozone and PM to support exceptional event demonstrations
- Developed rule factors and BARCT factors to track emission reductions from recently adopted rules
- Provided geospatial analysis support to incentive programs such as Carl Moyer program
- Review emissions increases anticipated from projects subject to general conformity requirements
- Analyzed telematics data from big data sources (StreetLight, Geotab) to analyze heavy-duty vehicle activity in the basin

Annual Emissions Reporting

- Continued enhancements for the Annual Emissions Reporting (AER) web tool software to implement Rule 301 amendments, Rule 317.1 reporting requirements, expanded reporting parameters pursuant to CARB's Criteria and Toxic Reporting Regulation, and enhanced the capability of on-line payments and certification
- Identified and notified approximately 3,000 facilities subject to South Coast AQMD's AER program and CARB's CTR regulation (Phase 3)
- Reviewed data from AER reports ultimately generating approximately $18 million in annual emission fees
- Provided program information and training on report preparation and submittal through a virtual workshop; responded to over 2,700 inquiries from the AER hotline and email inbox related to assistance with preparing and submitting annual emissions reports
- Compiled and submitted data year 2024 emissions information to CARB
- Implemented current CTR requirements in effect for 2024 reporting year, which included CTR Core Facilities
- Incorporating new program work detail (internal) necessary to facilitate and implement emissions reporting under Rule 317.1

AQMP/SIP

- Developed the South Coast Air Basin Contingency Measure SIP Revision for the 2015 8-Hour Ozone Standard for the South Coast Air Basin
- Developed the 2025 Quantitative Milestone Report for the 2012 Annual PM2.5 Standard for the South Coast Air Basin
- Coordinated with U.S. EPA and CARB regarding completeness and approvability concerns related to the 2024 PM2.5 Plan

- Developed drafts of the redesignation requests and maintenance plans for the 1997 and 2006 PM2.5 NAAQS and a 2nd maintenance plan for the 1987 PM10 NAAQS for the South Coast Air Basin

AREA SOURCES

- Rule Development
  - Initiated proposed amendments to Rule 1113 to phase out two toxic compounds, pCBtF and tBAc, from architectural coatings
  - Amended Rule 1138 to implement the Most Stringent Measure to reduce PM2.5 emissions from chain-driven charbroilers, which also partially implements the 2024 PM2.5 Plan's Control Measure BCM-12: Further Emission Reductions from Commercial Cooking.
- Program Development
  - Conducted technology assessment for potentially lowering the NOx emission limit for large water heaters and small boilers subject to Rule 1146.2
- Program Implementation
  - Continue to implement GO ZERO incentive program for space and water heating appliances for single family, multifamily, and small businesses
  - Continue rule effectiveness for area sources VOC reduction rules
  - Continue rule effectiveness for refrigerant emissions
  - Continue rule effectiveness for vehicle scrapping and transportation programs
  - Continue implementation of Clean Air Solvents and Clean Air Choices programs

CEQA

- Prepared CEQA documents for 15 South Coast AQMD rules and plans, oversaw the preparation of CEQA documents for four permit projects, and conducted 11 complex CEQA pre-screenings
- Reviewed approximately 800 CEQA and other environmental documents prepared by other lead agencies and provided comments on approximately 110 CEQA documents
- Provided technical consultation for ongoing development projects for which CEQA documents are being prepared by other agencies, including but not limited to the following: California High Speed Rail, Los Angeles DWP Scattergood Generating Stations Units 1 and 2 Green Hydrogen-Ready Modernization, Frank Bowerman Landfill Renewable Natural Gas Project, Berths 97-109 [China Shipping] Container Terminal, Perris Airport Logistics Center, Harvest Landing Retail Center & Business Park, Westside Annexation and North Lancaster Industrial Specific Plan, MoVal 2040 Moreno Valley General Plan, Pure Water Southern California, CSI Revision, and the Bloomington Business Park Specific Plan
- Continued development of revised guidance for how to analyze cumulative impacts from air toxics in CEQA documents
- Continued providing technical consultation for the on-going maintenance of and future upgrades to the web-based version of CAPCOA's California Emissions Estimator Model (CalEEMod) and co-chaired CAPCOA's CalEEMod Focus Group
- Executed a Restricted Grant Agreement with Caltrans to implement the terms of the $450,000 Sustainable Transportation Planning Grant which provides three years of funding for incorporating new transportation measures and making other improvements to CalEEMod and

the CAPCOA GHG Handbook and which is being implemented through a cooperative agreement between CAPCOA, South Coast AQMD, and Caltrans
- Initiated work on updating South Coast AQMD's localized significance thresholds (LSTs)

Facility Based Mobile Source Measures
- Continued implementation of Rule 2305 to reduce NOx and PM from warehouse and warehouse-related activities, which included but is not limited to: WAIRE Program Annual Report presented at the Mobile Source Committee in January 2026 providing results from the first three years of program implementation, compliance assistance, enforcement activities, and enhancements to the WAIRE Program Online Portal (POP) for owners and operators to submit the required reports
- Continued implementation of emission reduction measures included in the Memoranda of Understanding (MOUs) between the South Coast AQMD and the five main commercial airports in the Basin, based on each airport's Air Quality Improvement Plan or Air Quality Improvement Measures
- Continued work on finalizing the 2022-2024 report on the progress of implementing Airport MOU measures to be submitted to U.S. EPA, collaborated with airports to develop calculation methodology document for ground support equipment, and hosted a working group meeting to discuss the airports' progress in implementing MOU measures and briefed Mobile Source Committee
- Continued development of emission reduction strategies for new or redevelopment projects
- Signed the Cooperative Agreement with the Ports of Long Beach and Los Angeles to develop and implement on-port zero emission charging and fueling infrastructure plans for all port sources, and continued engaging with the ports and stakeholders on developing additional measures to be added to the Cooperative Agreement, and provided status updates to the Mobile Source Committee and the Governing Board
- Continued implementation of the Memorandum of Cooperation (MOC) with multiple port and municipal entities based in Shenzhen, China, and the Port of Long Beach to promote green maritime economy around the Pacific Rim, and continued other international engagement including participating in the annual Global Maritime Forum and discussing with member states of the International Maritime Organization (IMO) and the World Maritime University on OGV NOx emissions.
- Continued pursuing research and emission testing opportunities to better understand OGV emissions profile, including serving on the technical advisory committee for OGV emissions testing, monitoring, and modeling conducted by the University of California, Riverside, developing a scientific manuscript that could potentially help inform IMO member states' proposals to amend the NOx technical code for international marine engine regulation, and continuing with bimonthly meetings with CARB's OGV rule development and implementation teams
- Continued coordinating with CARB on South Coast AQMD's participation in the railroad working group

Health Effects
- Provided health effects information in response to high-profile community concerns and completed approximately 20 media interviews on air pollution and health-related topics
- Managed three research contracts through the Health Effects of Air Pollution Foundation

Fleet Rules/Mobile Sources

- Continued implementation of South Coast AQMD Fleet Rules, including the evaluation of Rule 1196 compliance plans, Technical Infeasibility Certification Requests, and Rule 1186 street sweeper certification requests
- Continued technical evaluation of Rule 1610 Mobile Source Emission Reduction Credits (MSERC) applications
- Continued tracking development of CARB's proposed regulations for Advanced Clean Fleets, TRUs, commercial harbor crafts, locomotives, in-use off-road diesel fleets, etc. and provided comments and testimony
- Prepared Rule 317 reports for the demonstration of the fee equivalency to meet Clean Air Act Section 185 fee obligations
- Performed comparative analysis of the fleet rules with the lasted adopted rules from CARB and EPA and evaluated potential amendment to harmonize ours with those from other agencies

Stationary Source Rule Development

- Proposed amendments to Rules 1111 and 1121 to transition space and water heating appliances to zero-NOx emissions but the amendments were not passed by the Governing Board
- Amended Rule 223 to comply with the federal Clean Air Act requirements for Most Stringent Measures and implement control measure BCM-08 – Emission Reductions from Livestock Waste at Confined Animal Facilities, from the South Coast Air Basin 2024 Attainment Plan for the 2012 Annual PM2.5 National Ambient Air Quality Standard
- Amended Rule 445 to address federal Clean Air Act requirements for Most Stringent Measures and implement BCM-18: Further Emission Reductions from Wood-Burning Fireplaces and Wood Stoves of the South Coast Air Basin Attainment Plan for the 2012 Annual PM2.5 National Ambient Air Quality Standard
- Amended Rule 462 to address VOCs from bulk loading operations
- Amended Rule 1133 Series to incorporate direct land application of greenwaste to address Clean Air Act requirements for Most Stringent Measures and implement BCM-10: Emission Reductions from Direct Land Application of Chipped and Ground Uncomposted Greenwaste from the South Coast Air Basin 2023 Attainment Plan for the 2012 Annual PM2.5 National Ambient Air Quality Standard
- Amended Rules 1107 and 1171 to phase out two toxic compounds, pCBtF and tBAc, from metal parts and products coatings and solvent cleaning materials
- Amended Rule 1179.1 to correct cross-references
- Amended Regulation XXX to remove the emergency affirmative defense and certain greenhouse gas provisions
- Amended Reg III to increase most fees to be consistent with the California Consumer Price Index and establish new or modified fees which are necessary to provide more specific cost recovery for regulatory actions taken by the agency
- Amended Rule 1469 to align requirements with CARB's ATCM for Chrome Plating Operations

Socioeconomic Analysis

- Completed Socioeconomic Impact Assessments for the following rule development projects: amendments to Regulation III and Rules 223, 445, 462, 1107, 1111, 1121, 1133, 1138, and 1469
- Revised the protocol and procedures for identifying and making corrections to NAICS codes for new and existing facilities with missing NAICS codes by applying South Coast AQMD-developed STATA

codes and information from the Dunn & Bradstreet (D&B) database and provided assistance to rule and plan development teams with updating the NAICS codes

- Set up a new protocol for conducting small business analyses
- Created a new socioeconomic analysis webpage
- Quantitative health benefits associated with amendments to Rule 1146.2 and federal grants awarded to South Coast AQMD
- Estimated revenue for restaurants located in Riverside and San Bernadino counties as part of developing proposed amendments to Rule 1138
- Develop a methodology for estimating NOx inventory for the Ports of Los Angeles and Long Beach
- Co-authored "Real-World NOx Emissions from Ships: Applications in Emission Modelling and Implications for Control Technology Assessment" in coordination with Energy and Environmental Research Associates
- Developed a new protocol to obtain emission data using business intelligence webtool

Transportation Programs

- Assisted 162 local governments with the implementation of AB 2766 funds to reduce emissions, including 347 projects using approximately $24M of motor vehicle revenues
- Conducted 16 AB 2766 remote training sessions for 165 representatives of 125 local governments
- Implemented updated AB 2766 Resource Guide that aligns more closely with state goals on ZE transportation
- Revised Rule 2202 compliance forms to include new data collection and reporting requirements, including VMT, worksite categorization and telecommute practices
- Assisted employers with Rule 2202 plans and processed approximately 1,200 Rule 2202 plan submittals
- Continued to implement a new online Employee Transportation Coordinator Training/Certification class using Zoom remote meeting software
- Conducted 23 Rule 2202 ETC Training/Certification classes in which approximately 150 new ETCs where trained
- Updated ETC Training class presentations and materials to reflect the recent amendment of Rule 2202
- Developed two VMT calculators and an instructional user guide for use by Rule 2202 worksites to facilitate the reporting of VMT totals starting January 1, 2025
- Conducted presentations at numerous transportation-related events outlining the new Rule 2202 reporting requirements starting January 1, 2025
- Attended seven regional rideshare events in the community promoting Rule 2202 and South Coast AQMD programs
- Completed 2025 Rideshare Survey of AQMD employees and submitted the 2025 annual registration for compliance with Rule 2202.
- Continued to develop the EMovers platform for Rule 2202 online submittals and payment processing and initiated coordination of outside testing efforts
- Completed approximately 30 public records requests for Rule 2202 information

- Continued to evaluate specific concepts brought to light during the COVID-19 pandemic, including increased teleworking practices and decreased ridesharing activities, and explored increased incentivization of the development of EV infrastructure and the use of clean vehicles in the Rule 2202 program
- Updated credit vendor accounts using emission factors based on EMFAC2021 methodology for the next five years for use in Rule 2202

Other

- Developed comment letters on key U.S. EPA initiatives, including transparency in regulatory science, and transparency in cost benefit analysis for Clean Air Act actions. Coordinated with the Energy Commission and Public Utilities Commission and engaged with electrical utilities for mobile source electrification policies
- Implemented incentive projects to reduce hexavalent chromium emissions from metal plating facilities
- Reviewed Emissions Study Plans and Fenceline Monitoring Plans as part of implementation of Rule 1405
- Initiated implementation of Rule 317.1 by reviewing PTEs and annual emissions to determine applicable universe
- Amended AB 1318 Mitigation Fees Fund Contract with Coachella Valley Association of Governments for the Coachella Valley Link project
- Conducting the Rule 1168 technology check-in for the phase out of pCBtF and t-BAc in Adhesives and Sealants
- Conducting the Rule 1153.1 technology check-in for the transition to zero-NOx emission bakery ovens
- Worked with IM , engineering and permitting and the office of compliance and enforcement on the third enhancement of the Flare Event Notification System (FENS)
- Reviewed documents to verify work done under contract C20307-1 (CVAG Street Sweeping) and C19462 (MAHEP), including processing payments to contractors

ANTICIPATED:

AB 617

- Continue implementation of adopted CERPs for the six AB 617 designated communities, which includes quarterly Community Steering Committee meetings
- Participate in Community Air Protection Program (CAPP) project plans (e.g., SELA green spaces) and Request for Proposals (RFPs) to distribute CAPP incentive funds (e.g., ECV paving projects, public health outreach)
- Participate in other AB 617 meetings with U.S. EPA, CARB, other external stakeholders, and local agencies

AB 2588

- Continue activities to implement Rule 1402 and the Air Toxics Hot Spots Program
- Continue to work with California Air Resources Board (CARB) and through the CAPCOA Toxics and Risk Managers Committee (TARMAC) to update CARB AB 2588 Guidelines and develop uniform reporting guidance for various industries

- Work with CARB to develop guidance and outreach material for implementation of the Emission Inventory Criteria and Guidelines for the Air Toxics "Hot Spots" Program (CARB EICG). This work will also include ensuring that reporting requirements under South Coast AQMD's AB 2588 program and CARB's EICG are as streamlined as possible with other reporting requirements under CARB's CTR regulation and South Coast AQMD's AER program
- Continue to work with CARB and through the TARMAC to develop Health Risk Assessment guidelines for the industrywide source categories and to develop and provide training programs
- Continue coordination with U.S. EPA and CARB staff to ensure AirToxScreen incorporates the best available local emissions data
- Continue monitoring risk reduction progress for ethylene oxide sterilization facilities
- Continue to address risk from the commodity fumigation facilities through 1402
- Implement 1402 requirements relating to metal processing facilities as part of the Paramount investigation to identify the potential sources of hexavalent chromium contributing to the increased concentrations, conduct source testing, and implement risk reduction strategies, if applicable.

Air Quality Assessment

- Finish developing additional next generation hourly forecast models and a model to improve hourly forecast predictions with recent observational data
- Continue enhancing tools to disseminate air quality forecasts, including interactive maps and plots. Transition to webpages that separate the hourly forecast (public-facing) from the 24-hour forecast (regulatory impacts)
- Continue to support the next update of the mobile app by assisting in the design of pages related to real-time AQI, forecasts, and advisories and providing the required data
- Finish deployment of an enhanced wildland and agricultural burning outlook
- Continue supporting quality forecasting, advisories, and responding to public/media inquiries
- Continue to manage a collaboration and update software to facilitate the issuance of air quality alerts from air districts in Southern California through the National Weather Service
- Continue working with contractor on implementation of the brake and tire study and begin developing a data visualization webpage for MATES VI data. Analyze data for the Ethylene Oxide research study in MATES VI
- Continue analyzing PM10 levels, trends, and potential sources in the Coachella Valley
- Continue developing tools for ozone, PM2.5 and PM10 exceptional event demonstrations to streamline future demonstrations as part of a collaboration with WESTAR/WRAP and 34 other state air agencies
- Continue developing the real-time AQI map by working to improve accuracy during wildfire events.
- Continue to develop and support the automated Health Risk Assessment web tool
- Continue to evaluate air quality metrics, progress, and attainment of air quality standards. Prepare the annual air quality card
- Support development of an ozone redesignation request and maintenance plan in the Coachella Valley
- Continue development of a secondary operational system to run automated data processing tasks and complete the software upgrade of the existing system

Air Quality Modeling/Emissions Inventory

- Continue developing modeling tools to estimate neighborhood scale air quality concentrations and exposure of air toxics
- Continue improving a photochemical modeling platform to be used in MATES VI simulations and future SIP applications
- Continue collaboration with U.S. EPA, CARB, other regulatory agencies, and academic institutions to improve air quality models to be the state-of-the-science
- Continue tracking emissions reductions from recently adopted regulations and reflect them to the AQMP/SIP inventory
- Continue tracking emissions reductions to account for BARCT requirements in recently adopted regulations and reflect them in the South Coast AQMD's internal back account
- Continue technical assistance to the AB 617 program, especially to identify the sources of major air contaminants for each community, if needed, and track their emissions
- Continue assisting with regional modeling projects and GIS geospatial analysis

Annual Emissions Reporting

- Continue evaluating submittals of emissions inventories and annual emissions fees
- Continue to improve and add new functionality to the AER on-line reporting system to facilitate data entry for users and incorporate changes to facilitate emission reporting required under CARB's CTR regulation
- Begin outreach on annual CTR emission reporting requirements for 2026 and beyond
- Continue to work with CARB and CAPCOA on the development and implementation of the Criteria Pollutant and Toxics Emissions Reporting (CTR) regulation section of AB 617
- Establish baseline emissions for Rule 317.1 facilities using 2024 emissions and billing of potential fees for 2025 pending final non-attainment designation by U.S. EPA; coordination with affected Divisions for associated implementation efforts (e.g., exclusion plans, developing fee invoices, notices)

AQMP/SIP

- Develop a SIP revision to address concerns related to the 2024 PM2.5 Plan
- Complete the public process for the South Coast Air Basin Redesignation Requests and Maintenance Plans for PM2.5 and PM10 NAAQS
- Develop the Coachella Valley Redesignation Request and Maintenance Plan for the 1997 8-hour Ozone NAAQS
- Begin work on the 182(e)(5) Contingency Measure Plan for the 2008 8-hour Ozone NAAQS
- Address any new requirements that may arise for the revoked 1997 8-hour ozone standard for the South Coast Air Basin
- Develop tracking system for emission reductions achieved as a co-benefit of climate change programs
- Continue to coordinate with all stakeholders in the planning and development of zero emission infrastructure, including implementation of strategies and actions outlined in MOB-15 of the 2022 AQMP

AREA SOURCES

- Amend Rule 1113 to address toxic exempt compounds pCBtF and t-BAc
- Amend Rule 1111 to extend the mitigation fee alternate compliance option for mobile home furnaces
- Continue evaluating rule effectiveness for all Area Sources programs
- Continue to administer Go Zero Incentive program and work
- Propose new rebate program for zero emission building appliances to support 2022 AQMP measures

- Continue to administer Clean Air Solvent and Clean Air Choices Cleaner programs
- Develop a potential incentive program to lower PM emissions from restaurant operations and estimate emission reductions potential based on the updated emissions inventory for commercial cooking developed for the next AQMP

CEQA

- Continue updating South Coast AQMD's localized significance thresholds (LSTs)
- Continue development of a policy document on how to analyze cumulative impacts for air toxics
- Continue to provide support on maintenance activities and future upgrades to CAPCOA's California Emission Estimator Model (CalEEMod)
- Continue to administer the Caltrans Sustainable Transportation Planning Grant which will fund the incorporation of new transportation measures and make other improvements to CalEEMod and the CAPCOA Greenhouse Gas Handbook which will be implemented through a cooperative agreement between CAPCOA, South Coast AQMD, and Caltrans
- Continue reviewing and commenting on, as appropriate, other agencies' CEQA and other types of environmental documents for projects located within South Coast AQMD's jurisdiction
- Continue the preparation of CEQA documents for projects when South Coast AQMD is Lead Agency (e.g., rule and plan development project, permit projects, and TAO-initiated projects)
- Continue the review and oversight of the preparation of air quality analyses in CEQA documents for projects when South Coast AQMD is Responsible Agency

Facility-Based Mobile Source Measures

- Continue evaluating and reporting annual progress of airports' implementation of MOU measures and work with U.S. EPA to acquire SIP credit for the emission reductions generated by the MOU measures
- Continue implementing compliance program for warehousing facilities
- Develop the Annual Report for the WAIRE Program summarizing the status of implementation and compliance for warehousing facilities subject to the rule, and present the annual report to the Mobile Source Committee
- Continue developing and enhancing WAIRE POP for warehouse owners and operators subject to Rule 2305, including a program data management tool, campus-style reporting, report amendment process, and other enhancements
- Continue monitoring status of CARB's waiver/authorization for the adopted California regulations affecting mobile sources, including those affected by recent and potential federal actions under the Congressional Review Act (CRA)
- Conclude the addition of port source specific measures to the Cooperative Agreement with the Ports of Long Beach and Los Angeles and implement all agreed-upon measures
- Continue implementation of the Memorandum of Cooperation with Shenzhen, China, and the Port of Long Beach
- Continue ongoing coordination with CARB and U.S. EPA in developing mobile source control strategies, coordinating rulemaking activities, providing mutual technical assistance such as mobile source inventory queries and updates, and engaging with international partners on maritime emission reductions

- Continue collaborating with TAO in identifying potential technology demonstration projects and in identifying potential partners to conduct OGV emissions testing and analyses

Health Effects

- Provide health effects information in response to high-profile community concerns and conduct media interviews on air pollution and health-related topics

Mobile Sources/Fleet Rules

- Continue working on implementation of existing fleet rules including compliance verification activities
- Continue technical evaluation of Rule 1610 Mobile Source Emission Reduction Credits (MSERC) applications and Rule 2202 Electric Vehicle Charging Station Projects applications, as needed
- Evaluate the need and scope of amendments to the fleet rules that may be necessary to address any inconsistencies with state measures such as CARB's Advanced Clean Fleets Regulation
- Quantify and secure SIP credits for mobile source incentive projects working with CARB and U.S. EPA
- Continue tracking development of mobile source regulations by CARB and U.S. EPA, providing comments and inputs, when needed
- Conduct a Rule 1195 survey to determine the compliance status of regulated facilities (school districts/school bus fleet contractors)

Stationary Source Rule Development

- Continue RECLAIM Working Group Meetings to discuss the transition of RECLAIM facilities to a command and control regulatory structure consistent with the 2016 AQMP control measure CMB-05 and AB 617, as well as New Source Review issues pertaining to the transition and adopt/amend rules to establish NOx BARCT limits for the RECLAIM transition and address comments from U.S. EPA
- Amend Regulation XIII (New Source Review) and Regulation XX (RECLAIM) to revise New Source Review provisions for the RECLAIM transition and to address comments from U.S. EPA
- Continue to adopt and amend rules to address criteria pollutants, commitments from Community Emission Reduction Plans, and air toxics
- Amend Regulation III to increase most fees to be consistent with the California Consumer Price Index and potentially establish new or modified fees which are necessary to provide more specific cost recovery for regulatory or enforcement action by the agency
- Amend Rule 1118 to address a rule omission for flare event notification requirements
- A number of rule development projects seeking to be adopted or amended within this year to reduce toxic air contaminants and criteria air pollutants
    - Amend Rule 1401 to include new toxic air contaminants identified by OEHHA
    - Adopt Rule 1426.1 to regulate high heat chromium tanks
    - Adopt Rule 1445 to address toxic emissions from laser and plasma arc cutting equipment
    - Adopt Rule 1435 to address toxic emissions from metal heating furnaces and related operations
    - Adopt Rule 1495 to reduce methyl bromide and other toxic air contaminant emissions from commodity fumigation operations
    - Amend Rule 1144 to address toxic air contaminants for metalworking fluids and direct-contact lubricants
    - Amend Rule 1176 to reduce VOC emissions from wastewater systems

- Continue to address toxic exempt compounds pCBtF and t-BAc in VOC rules by amending Rules 1124 – Aerospace Assembly and Component Manufacturing Operations; Rule 1136 – Wood Products Coatings; Rule 1106 – Marine and Pleasure Craft Coatings; Rule 1122 – Solvent Degreasers; Rule 1143 – Consumer Paint Thinners & Multi-Purpose Solvents; Rule 1128 – Paper, Fabric, and Film Coating Operations; and Rule 1145 – Plastic, Rubber, Leather, and Glass Coatings
- Adopt Rule 1480.1 for monitoring of gaseous toxic organic compounds
- Amend Rule 404 to establish NOx and PM limits for air curtain incinerators
- Amend Rules 1146 and 1146.1 to further reduce NOx with zero-emission technologies
- Adopt Rule 1110.4 to establish emission limits for emergency generators
- Amend Rule 1420.2 to further reduce lead toxics from metal melting operations

Socioeconomic Analysis

- Continue conducting socioeconomic analyses and preparing socioeconomic impact assessments for rules, regulations, plans and other special projects

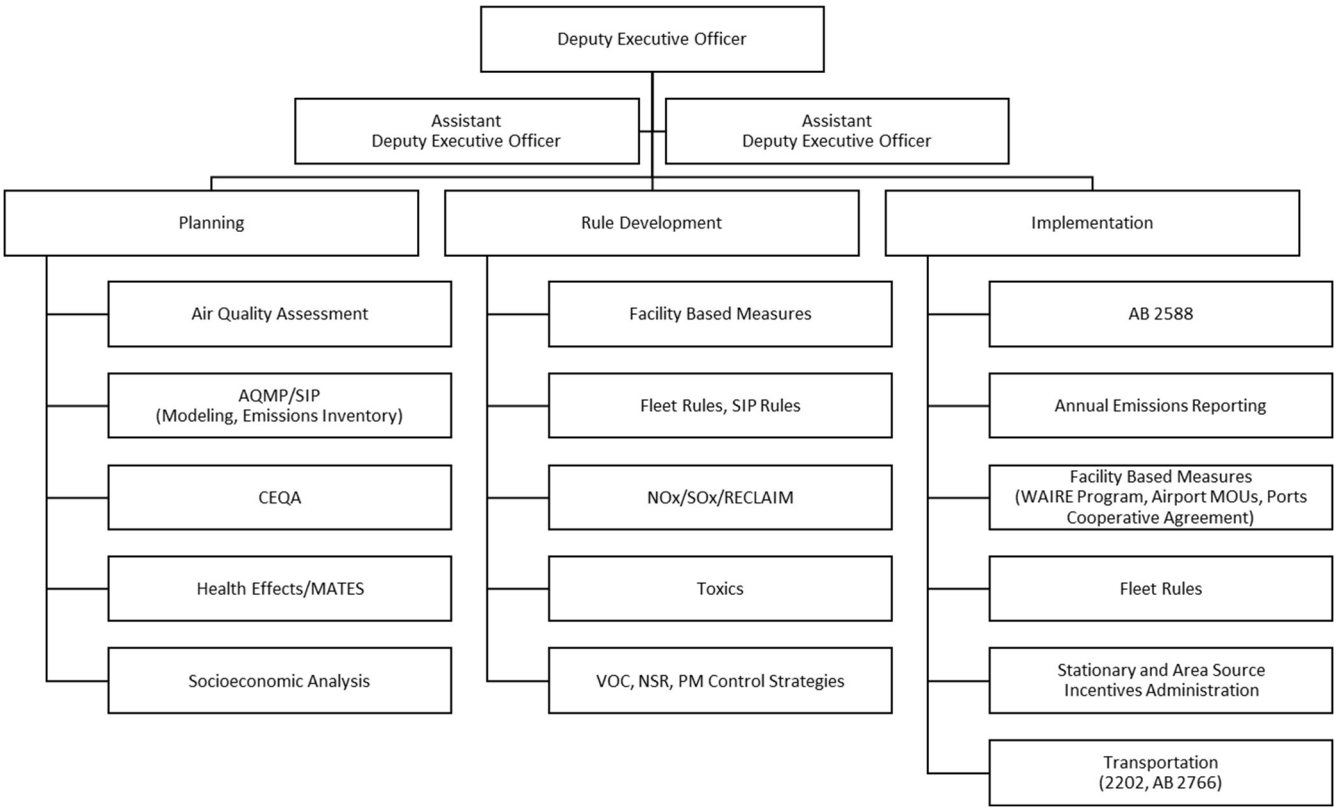
Transportation Programs

- Continue conducting Employee Transportation Coordinator certification sessions, and review and analyze Rule 2202 annual program submittals
- Complete the development and testing of EMovers, an on-line Rule 2202 plan submittal platform
- Continue to explore concepts in order to update and amend Rule 2202, including the incentivization of teleworking policies in order to support the teleworking AQMP control measure, as well as evaluate newly collected VMT data to potentially incorporate into future rule amendments
- Continue to improve the AB 2766 Annual Reporting tool for better usability and data analysis potential
- Continue supporting the ZE infrastructure control measure, including working group meetings and coordination of planning efforts with stakeholders

Other

- Continue implementation of rules and compliance verification activities for area sources
- Continue implementation of incentive projects for metal plating facilities
- Continue implementation of Rule 317.1
- Continue implementation of Rule 1405
- Continued support for on-line Rule 1415 refrigerant registration
- Continue working with CE-CERT to characterize and quantify the mechanisms leading to hexavalent chromium emissions during heat treating
- Continue evaluating emission increases from projects subject to general conformity requirements and work with project proponents to maximize mitigation/offset of the increased emissions.

ORGANIZATIONAL CHART:



POSITION SUMMARY: 132 FTEs

Planning, Rule Development & Implementation	Amended FY 2025-26	Change	Proposed FY 2026-27
Office Administration	8	-	8
Planning	66	2	68
Rule Development	31	-	31
Transportation Programs	16	-	16
Health Effects	2	-	2
Mobile Source	7	-	7
Total	130	2	132

POSITION DETAIL:

FTEs	Title
8	Administrative Assistant I
2	Administrative Assistant II
10	Air Quality Engineer II
60	Air Quality Specialist
2	Assistant Deputy Executive Officer
1	Contracts Assistant
1	Deputy Executive Officer
1	Office Assistant
1	Health Effects Officer
8	Planning and Rules Manager
23	Program Supervisor
3	Senior Administrative Assistant
4	Senior Air Quality Engineer
1	Senior Meteorologist
4	Senior Office Assistant
3	Senior Staff Specialist
132	Total FTEs

Planning, Rule Development & Implementation Work Program by Office										
#	Program Code		Program Category	Goal	Program	Activities	FTEs FY 2025-26	+/-	FTEs FY 2026-27	Revenue Categories
1	26	002	Develop Programs	I	AB2766/Mobile Source	AB2766 Mobile Source Outreach	2.90	0.10	3.00	IX
2	26	010	Develop Programs	I	AQMP	AQMP Special Studies	3.00	0.00	3.00	IV,IX,XV
3	26	019	Develop Programs	I	AB617-Prog Develop	AB617-Program Development	0.40	0.10	0.50	IX
4	26	038	Develop Programs	I	Admin/Office Management	Coordinate Off/Admin Activities	0.57	0.00	0.57	Ib
5	26	050	Develop Rules	I	Admin/Rule Dev/PRA	Admin: Rule Development	3.00	0.00	3.00	Ib
6	26	061	Monitoring Air Quality	I	Air Quality Evaluation	Air Quality Evaluation	2.33	0.67	3.00	IX
7	26	068	Develop Programs	II	SCAQMD Projects	Prepare Environmental Assessments	4.75	0.00	4.75	II,IV,IX
8	26	074	Develop Rules	I	AB 197	AB 197	1.75	0.00	1.75	XVIII
9	26	077	Develop Rules	I	Area Sources/Rulemaking	Dev/Eval/Impl Area Source Prog	1.70	0.60	2.30	II,IX
10	26	102	Develop Programs	II	CEQA Document Projects	Review/Prepare CEQA Comments	4.65	0.00	4.65	II,IX
11	26	104	Develop Programs	I	CEQA Policy Development	ID/Develop/Impl CEQA Policy	0.50	-0.05	0.45	IV,IX
12	26	106	Develop Programs	II	CEQA Resp Agy Proj	Review CEQA Docs/Perm Proj	0.50	0.00	0.50	IV,IX
13	26	121	Develop Programs	I	China Cln Shipping	China Partnership Cleaner Shpng	1.00	0.00	1.00	IX
14	26	148	Policy Support	I	Climate/Energy/Incentives	GHG/Climate Change Policy Development	1.24	-0.91	0.33	IV
15	26	165	Develop Rules	I	Conformity	Monitor Transp. Conformity	1.00	-0.50	0.50	V,IX
16	26	215	Ensure Compliance	I	AER Gen/Rev/Am/Aud	AER General/Review/Amend/Audit	2.30	-1.00	1.30	II,V
17	26	216	Ensure Compliance	I	AER Admin/Maint	AER Administration/Maintenance	4.05	0.00	4.05	II
18	26	217	Develop Programs	I	AER Hotline/Support	AER Hotline/Support	2.30	0.00	2.30	II,V,IX,XV
19	26	218	Develop Programs	I	AQMP/Emissions Inventory	Dev Emiss Inv: Forecasts/RFPs	1.25	0.00	1.25	II,IX
20	26	257	Develop Rules	I	Fac Based Mob Src	Facility Based Mobile Src Meas	4.98	1.02	6.00	IX
21	26	276	Policy Support	I	Advisory Group/Small Business	Governing Board Advisory Group	0.01	0.00	0.01	Ia
22	26	277	Policy Support	I	Advisory Group/AQMP	Governing Board AQMP Advisory Group	0.24	0.10	0.34	II,IX
23	26	278	Policy Support	I	Advisory Group/Sci,Tech,Model	Scientific/Tech/Model Peer Rev	0.25	0.00	0.25	II,IX
24	26	362	Develop Rules	II	Health Effects	Study Health Effect/Toxicology	0.01	0.00	0.01	II,III,IX
25	26	368	Develop Programs	I	Incentive RFP Emis Red Projs	Incentive Projects Admin	0.00	0.95	0.95	XVII
26	26	371	Ensure Compliance	I	Indir Src Rule Cmpl	Indir Source Rule Compliance	6.30	1.50	7.80	IV
27	26	376	Operational Support	I	Placer Chrome Incentives	Placer Chrome Incentives	0.00	0.50	0.50	XVII
28	26	385	Develop Rules	I	Criteria Pollutants/Mob Srcs	Dev/Impl Intercredit Trading	0.20	0.13	0.33	IV,IX
29	26	397	Develop Programs	II	Lead Agency Projects	Prep Envrnmt Assmts/Perm Proj	1.15	0.00	1.15	III
30	26	416	Policy Support	I	Legislative Activities	Supp/Promote/Influence Legis/Adm	0.01	0.00	0.01	Ia
31	26	437	Monitoring Air Quality	I	MATES VI	MATES VI	2.00	-0.34	1.66	II,IX
32	26	445	Monitoring Air Quality	I	Meteorology	ModelDev/Data Analysis/Forecast	2.33	-0.33	2.00	II,V,IX
33	26	446	Operational Support	III	Mentorship Program	Mentorship Program	0.01	0.00	0.01	Ia
34	26	449	Develop Rules	I	Mob Src/SCAQMD Rulemaking	Prepare SCAQMD Mob Src rulemaking proposals	3.93	-2.68	1.25	IX
35	26	451	Develop Programs	I	Mob Src/CARB/EPA Monitoring	CARB/US EPA Mob Src Fuel Policies	1.13	-0.88	0.25	IX
36	26	452	Develop Programs	I	Mob Src/CEC/US DOE Monitoring	CEC/US DOE Mob Src rulemaking proposals	0.70	-0.15	0.55	IX,XVII
37	26	460	Develop Rules	I	Regional Modeling	Rule Impact/Analyses/Model Dev	5.16	0.84	6.00	II,V,IX
38	26	461	Timely Review of Permits	I	Permit & CEQA Modeling Review	Review Model Permit/Risk Assmt	0.33	0.00	0.33	III

Planning, Rule Development & Implementation (Cont.) Work Program by Office										
#	Program Code		Program Category	Goal	Program	Activities	FTEs FY 2025-26	+/-	FTEs FY 2026-27	Revenue Categories
39	26	503	Develop Programs	I	PM Strategies	PM10 Plan/Analyze/Strategy Dev	4.60	-2.05	2.55	II,V,XV
40	26	565	Customer Service and Business Assistance	III	Public Records Act	Comply w/ Public Rec Requests	0.02	0.00	0.02	Ia
41	26	620	Ensure Compliance	I	Refinery Pilot Project	Refinery Pilot Project	0.40	0.00	0.40	II
42	26	642	Develop Rules	I	Rule 317.1 Implementation	Rule 317.1 Implementation	4.30	0.00	4.30	II
43	26	646	Develop Rules	I	R1180 Community Mon	R1180 Comm Monitoring Refinery	0.20	0.00	0.20	XVII
44	26	648	Develop Rules	I	R1405 Implmnt	R1405 Implementation (EtO)	0.25	0.25	0.50	XVII
45	26	654	Develop Rules	I	Rulemaking/NOX	Rulemaking/NOx	8.50	-3.95	4.55	II,IV
46	26	655	Develop Rules	I	NSR/Adm Rulemaking	Amend/Develop NSR & Admin Rules	0.30	1.20	1.50	II,IV
47	26	656	Develop Rules	I	Rulemaking/VOC	Dev/Amend VOC Rules	7.60	1.80	9.40	II,IV,XV
48	26	659	Develop Rules	I	Rulemaking/Toxics	Develop/Amend Air Toxic Rules	9.25	1.60	10.85	II
49	26	661	Develop Rules	I	Rulemaking/RECLAIM	RECLAIM Amend Rules/Related Is	0.30	-0.30	0.00	II
50	26	685	Develop Programs	I	Socio-Economic	Apply econ models/Socio-econ	4.15	0.00	4.15	II,IV
51	26	717	Policy Support	II	Student Interns	Gov Bd/Student Intern Program	0.20	0.00	0.20	Ia
52	26	719	Customer Service and Business Assistance	I	Other EtO Investigation	Other EtO Investigation	0.02	-0.02	0.00	XVII
53	26	745	Develop Programs	I	Rideshare	Dist Rideshare/Telecommute Prog	0.55	0.05	0.60	IX
54	26	748	Operational Support	I	CALTRANS CalEEMod	CALTRANS CalEEMod	0.00	0.05	0.05	XVII
55	26	788	Customer Service and Business Assistance	I	AB2588 Mailing/Venue	AB2588 Mailing/Venue	0.10	0.00	0.10	XVII
56	26	794	Ensure Compliance	I	Toxics/AB2588	AB2588/Toxics	12.40	1.00	13.40	X
57	26	796	Ensure Compliance	I	AB2588/Support	AB2588/Support	0.50	2.00	2.50	X
58	26	797	Operational Support	I	Go Zero Incentive	Go Zero Incentive	0.00	1.70	1.70	XVII
59	26	805	Operational Support	III	Training	Training	0.60	0.00	0.60	Ib
60	26	816	Develop Programs	I	Transportation Regional Progs	Dev AQMP Meas/Coord w/Reg Agn	0.10	0.00	0.10	IX
61	26	825	Operational Support	III	Union Negotiations	Official Labor/Mgmt Negotiate	0.20	0.00	0.20	Ia
62	26	826	Operational Support	III	Union Steward Activities	Rep Employees in Grievance Act	0.03	0.00	0.03	Ia
63	26	833	Customer Service and Business Assistance	II	Rule 2202 ETC Training	Rule 2202 ETC Training	2.15	-0.15	2.00	XI
64	26	834	Develop Programs	I	Rule 2202 Implement	Rule 2202 Proc/Sub Plans/Tech Eval	2.30	-0.50	1.80	XI
65	26	836	Develop Programs	I	Rule 2202 Support	R2202 Supt/CmptrMaint/WebSubmt	2.00	-0.30	1.70	V,XI
66	26	855	Operational Support	II	Web Tasks	Create/edit/review web content	1.00	-0.10	0.90	Ia
67	26	900	Operational Support	III	Justice Education	Justice Education	0.05	0.05	0.10	Ia
						Total Planning, Rule Development & Implementation	130.00	2.00	132.00	

Planning, Rule Development & Implementation Line Item Expenditure						
Major Object / Account # / Account Description		FY 2024-25 Actuals	FY 2025-26 Adopted Budget	FY 2025-26 Amended Budget	FY 2025-26 Estimate *	FY 2026-27 Proposed Budget
Salary & Employee Benefits						
51000-52000	Salaries	$ 15,786,249	$ 16,095,537	$ 16,231,956	$ 16,231,956	$ 17,025,145
53000-55000	Employee Benefits	8,349,844	7,882,705	8,316,800	8,316,800	7,973,726
Sub-total Salary & Employee Benefits		$ 24,136,092	$ 23,978,242	$ 24,548,756	$ 24,548,756	$ 24,998,871
Services & Supplies						
67250	Insurance	$ -	$ -	$ -	$ -	$ -
67300	Rents & Leases Equipment	-	-	-	-	-
67350	Rents & Leases Structure	-	1,000	1,000	897	1,000
67400	Household	-	-	-	-	-
67450	Professional & Special Services	1,430,556	1,172,700	1,139,700	1,022,099	1,122,700
67460	Temporary Agency Services	-	20,000	20,000	17,936	20,000
67500	Public Notice & Advertising	77,530	205,000	205,000	183,847	205,000
67550	Demurrage	-	1,000	1,000	897	1,000
67600	Maintenance of Equipment	-	2,500	2,500	2,242	2,500
67650	Building Maintenance	-	1,000	1,000	897	1,000
67700	Auto Mileage	2,860	4,000	4,000	3,587	4,000
67750	Auto Service	-	-	-	-	-
67800	Travel	72,789	50,000	50,000	44,841	50,000
67850	Utilities	-	-	-	-	-
67900	Communications	5,511	40,584	5,584	5,008	40,584
67950	Interest Expense	-	-	-	-	-
68000	Clothing	4,494	1,500	4,800	4,305	1,500
68050	Laboratory Supplies	-	-	-	-	-
68060	Postage	84,870	60,000	60,000	53,809	60,000
68100	Office Expense	185,686	160,000	160,000	143,490	160,000
68200	Office Furniture	4,785	-	6,500	5,829	-
68250	Subscriptions & Books	3,151	2,500	5,500	4,932	2,500
68300	Small Tools, Instruments, Equipment	-	-	-	-	-
68400	Gas and Oil	-	-	-	-	-
69500	Training/Conference/Tuition/ Board Exp.	14,099	25,000	25,000	22,420	25,000
69550	Memberships	392	4,000	4,000	3,587	4,000
69600	Taxes	-	-	-	-	-
69650	Awards	-	-	-	-	-
69700	Miscellaneous Expenses	18,137	125,000	112,200	100,623	125,000
69750	Prior Year Expense	19,399	-	-	-	-
69800	Uncollectable Accounts Receivable	-	-	-	-	-
89100	Principal Repayment	-	-	-	-	-
total Services & Supplies		$ 1,924,260	$ 1,875,784	$ 1,807,784	$ 1,621,246	$ 1,825,784
77000	**Capital Outlays**	$ -	$ 200,000	$ 200,000	$ 200,000	$ 350,000
79050	**Building Remodeling**	-	-	-	-	-
Total Expenditures		$ 26,060,352	$ 26,054,026	$ 26,556,540	$ 26,370,002	$ 27,174,655
* Estimates based on July 2025 through February 2026 actual expenditures and February 2026 budget amendments.						

TECHNOLOGY ADVANCEMENT OFFICE

AARON KATZENSTEIN
DEPUTY EXECUTIVE OFFICER

At a Glance:	
FY 2025-26 Adopted Budget	$15.9M
FY 2026-27 Proposed Budget	$16.6M
% of FY 2026-27 Proposed Budget	7.4%
Total FTEs FY 2026-27 Proposed Budget	81

DESCRIPTION OF MAJOR SERVICES:

The Technology Advancement Office (TAO) is responsible for three key areas of operation: technology demonstration, technology implementation, and implementation of many community projects. TAO implements and oversees the locally funded Clean Fuels Program and other local, state, and federal programs and grants to support the demonstration, commercialization, and deployment of advanced low- and zero-emission technologies. Specifically, state incentive programs include AB 617 Community Air Protection (CAP), Carl Moyer Memorial Air Quality Standards Attainment Program (Carl Moyer), Funding Agricultural Replacement Measures for Emission Reductions (FARMER), Off-Road Diesel Engines (SOON), Lower-Emission School Bus Program (LESBP), Enhanced Fleet Modernization(EFMP) and Clean Car 4 All (CC4A) Programs, branded as Replace Your Ride, Volkswagen Environmental Mitigation Trust Program (VMP), Voucher Incentive Program (VIP), Proposition 1B-Goods Movement Program (Prop 1B) and At Berth Regulation Remediation. The federal grants include Climate Pollution Reduction Grant (CPRG) INVEST CLEAN Program, Clean Heavy-Duty Vehicles Program (CHDV), Targeted Airshed Grant (TAG) projects, Clean Air Transportation Initiative (CATI), and Diesel Emissions Reduction Act (DERA) projects. TAO also administers and implements Residential EV Charging Incentive Program, Residential Rebate/Commercial Lawn and Garden Exchange Programs, and Residential/School Air Filtration Programs. Staff also support the Mobile Source Air Pollution Reduction Review Committee (MSRC).

ACCOMPLISHMENTS in 2025:

***Technology Implementation*:**

Continued implementation of the following state and federal funded incentive programs.

- **AB 617 CAP**:
  - Continued implementing Supplemental Environmental Projects (SEPs) and the AB 617 Programs that fund the installation and maintenance of air filtration systems in schools and residences in overburdened communities. The program funded air filtration

installations at 10 public and private schools and 2,261 residential air filtration units in 2025.
- Participated in AB 617 Community Steering Committee meetings to provide information on incentives and technologies, including updates and strategies of implementation of potential community-identified projects.
- Continued development of the AB 617 Clean Technology Truck Loaner Program with allocated funding up to $16.6 million to provide low-cost opportunities for fleet owners who operate in AB 617 communities to assess the suitability of zero-emission medium or heavy-duty trucks for their fleet operations.

- **Carl Moyer**:
  - Received $47.2 million and released Program Announcements to solicit heavy-duty on-road, off-road, marine and infrastructure projects under the Carl Moyer and SOON Programs
  - Continued implementation of the Commercial Lawn and Garden Equipment Exchange Program. Over 1,500 pieces of gasoline- or diesel-powered lawn equipment were replaced with battery-powered equipment for a total of $2.9 million Carl Moyer funding.
  - Received Board approval to award and contract up to $7.6 million in CAP funds for the replacement of 54 internal combustion engine school buses with zero-emission buses under the Carl Moyer Program.
  - Continued administering the VIP funded projects.

- **CHDV - ELECTRIC**
  - Received over $33.9 million from the EPA CHDV Grant and released the Program Announcement to solicit applications for the Empowering Local Environmental Change Through Replacing Internal Combustion with Battery Electric Class 6 or 7 Vehicles (ELECTRIC) program to replace diesel/gasoline Class 6 and 7 freight delivery vehicles with battery electric models.

- **LESBP and CHDV - CARE4Kids:**
  - Received over $24.8 million from the EPA CHDV Grant for the Clean Air Rides for Kids program (CARE4Kids) to replace polluting school buses with battery electric models.
  - Released the Request for Proposal for service to develop and implement workforce development and training under both ELECTRIC and CARE4Kids for fleets and school district fleet staff on the operation and maintenance of battery electric vehicles and associated infrastructure.
  - Received Board approval to award and contract up to $70.7 million to replace 232 internal combustion engine school buses with zero-emission buses and to install supporting infrastructure under the LESBP and CARE4Kids programs.

- **CC4A**:
  - Over 2,115 vouchers were issued, totaling $22.2 million in expenditure.

- **CPRG - INVEST CLEAN:**
  - Received $500 million from the EPA Climate Pollution Reduction Grants and released Request for Proposals and Program Announcements for four incentive measures, providing funding for battery electric locomotive, truck replacement, truck infrastructure projects, and cargo handling equipment (CHE) replacement projects.
  - Executed agreements with project partners to conduct community engagement, program validation, and implement the last-mile freight program.
  - Conducted outreach and held workshops to collect input from the public for program implementation and help potential applicants understand program requirements and prepare their applications.
  - Initiated data collection, analysis and validation
  - Provided oversight for the INVEST CLEAN last-mile freight program administered by Southern California Association of Governments (SCAG)
  - Initiated community benefit programs
  - Initiated workforce training programs

- **Prop 1B:**
  - Released Program Announcements for approximately $50 million in residual funds to implement CHE and transport refrigeration unit (TRU) equipment replacement projects.

- **VMP**:
  - Program Announcement PA2024-03 remained open, offering incentives for the replacement and repower of combustion freight and marine equipment, as well as Class 7 and 8 vehicles, with the cleanest commercially available CARB or U.S. EPA-certified or approved technologies.
  - Ongoing implementation of the VMP for Combustion, Freight, and Marine and Zero-Emission Class 8 Freight and Port Drayage Trucks Categories, resulting in $29.4 million in awards to replace older diesel equipment with cleaner technologies.

- **The Residential Lawn & Garden program**
  - Added rebate equipment categories to include electric leaf blowers, trimmers, and chain saws, in addition to lawn mowers. Over 1,080 pieces of equipment were funded with a total funding amount of over $220,000.

- Continue processing invoices and tracking new funds from CARB's Ocean-Going Vessel at Berth Regulation Remediation.

- **Supportive Activities:**
  - Continued development of a web-based grant management system for incentive programs to accommodate program expansion and streamline the application and review processes.
  - Completed the development of a revitalized inspection module to assist inspectors and incentive funding recipients to schedule and submit inspection reports.

- Continued conducting internal audits of the various incentive programs, including Carl Moyer Program, AB617, and Prop 1B Program.

Technology Demonstration:

Continued to administer the Clean Fuels (CF) program, which is to fund research, development, demonstration and deployment projects.

- Contracts executed or amended totaling $32.3 million in project funds, including $4.0 million in CF funds, $2.6 million in federal and state awards, and $25.7 million in partner cost share. CF funds were leveraged with a ratio of 1:8 for executed or amended contracts.

- Continued on-going and initiated new projects in key technical areas, including the zero-emission medium and heavy duty vehicles for freight and municipal applications, battery technology, supporting charging/fueling infrastructure, zero-emission cargo handling equipment, zero-emission mobile clinics, zero-emission transit buses, zero-emission marine technologies, hydrogen mobile refuelers, on-/off-grid microgrid technology, fuel and emissions characterization studies, energy storage and power conversion and distribution needs and energy management optimization studies.

- Projects completed in 2025:
  - EV charging system hardware and software installation at South Coast AQMD HQ
  - Development and demonstration of electric powered trailer for heavy-duty vehicles
  - Switch-On: Develop and deploy 70 heavy-duty battery electric vehicles
  - Deployment of six zero-emission fuel cell transit buses
  - Battery electric shuttle bus replacement
  - California hydrogen systems analysis

- Projects initiated in 2025:
  - Demonstration of zero-emission TRU with electric-powered trailer for heavy-duty vehicles
  - Investigate the impact of vehicle-to-home technology on regional air quality
  - Development of data-driven planning platforms for charging networks, truck fleets, and power systems
  - Ethylene oxide sources study formation study to support air toxics modelling and quantify health impact.
  - Electrification of ferries and installation of supporting charging infrastructure
  - Development, demonstration, and deployment of 10 Ford F350 Class 2B/3 medium-duty work trucks
  - Development and demonstration of megawatt fast charging for battery electric trucks
  - Cosponsor California State University, Los Angeles in the battery workforce challenge

- On-going projects in 2026:
  - Deployment of 100 battery electric heavy-duty trucks including supporting charging infrastructure, partly integrated with collection of solar energy, conversion to electricity and storage/distribution
  - Development and demonstration of a hydrogen fuel cell mobile power generation system
  - Development and demonstration of battery-electric excavator and wheel loader
  - Study of emissions and air quality impact from goods movement operations in Southern California communities
  - Regional medium- and heavy-duty zero emission vehicle infrastructure analysis
  - License Agreement to operate and maintain publicly accessible hydrogen fueling station at South Coast AQMD's Diamond Bar HQ

Mobile Source Air Pollution Reduction Review Committee

Continued to provide support to the MSRC in the following implementation activities of its adopted work programs:

- Processed invoices totaling over $15.5 million, with 16 projects successfully brought to completion including BNSF four 300 kW DC fast chargers and City of Los Angeles eight medium-duty zero emission trucks and eight Level II charging stations.
- Partnered with Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority (Metro) on application for California Transportation Commission Trade Corridor Enhancement Program (TCEP) funding. The application for two heavy-duty truck charging locations ultimately received a $13,653,000 award of TCEP funding.
- Continued partnership with the Ports of Los Angeles and Long Beach, administering cooperative agreements which will collectively provide over $25 million for eight heavy-duty zero-emission drayage truck charging infrastructure projects to be administered by MSRC.
- Released solicitation for a funding program to improve the reliability and availability of essential electric vehicle charging infrastructure through the incorporation of features capable of maintaining functions during electrical service interruptions.
- Continued partnership with SCAG on SCAG's own $16.7 million Last Mile Freight Program.

Division Wide:

- Incorporated and implemented recommendations by the Inclusion, Diversity and Equity Advisory Panel into promotional and hiring practices.
- Continue to assess, revise, and implement the Continuity of Operations (COOP) plan.
- Advanced Technology Conferences and other public events sponsored to support outreach for the technology demonstration and incentive programs, including: South Coast AQMD Technology Showcase, SoCal Chinese-American Environmental Protection Association Annual Convention, California Science and Engineering Fair, 35th Coordinated Research Council Real World Emissions Workshop, Advanced Clean Transportation Expo & Conference, University of California, Riverside – Onboard Sensing, Analysis, and Reporting (OSAR) Conference and Inaugural Hydrogen Engine Conference, Tire Emissions and Sustainability Conference, Asilomar Conference on Transportation, Environmental and Energy Policy, Zero Emission Ride and Drive, California Hydrogen Leadership Summit, ITEC+IEEE Transportation

Electrification Conference, Annual Port Electrification US Conference, Sustain SoCal Driving Mobility 12 and 16th Annual Energy Events, Orange County Auto Show, CoMotion LA Conference, SoCal Electrified Ride Experience, Gordon Research Conference and Seminar on Atmospheric Chemistry, and Residential Lawn & Garden Equipment Exchange events at various locations.

ANTICIPATED in 2026:

Technology Implementation:

- Continue the implementation of the VIP on a first-come-first-served basis; solicit and complete contracting on- and off-road incentive projects, including marine vessel engine repowering projects, and infrastructure for zero- and near-zero-emission vehicles. Identify and obtain community support for CAP projects and initiate contracting for these projects, and implement the remaining Prop 1B Program funds for CHE and TRU project category. Also, issue grants for the replacement of school buses with zero-emission buses under the LESBP. Continue to implement the Commercial Lawn and Garden Incentive Program by reviewing, processing, and approving applications and invoices on a first-come-first serve basis.
- $19 million is expected to be expended to fund 1,800 vouchers for clean vehicles, e-bikes, and public transit Cal-cards.
- Continue to implement EPA funded INVEST CLEAN, CARE4Kids, and ELECTRIC programs to replace polluting vehicles with zero-emission vehicles and install the supporting infrastructure, which include project selection, execute contracts for awardees, data collection, and workforce development.
- Conduct public outreach for incentive programs such as INVEST CLEAN, ELECTRIC, Commercial Lawn & Garden, Carl Moyer, and CAP programs with a focus on small businesses, school districts, and disadvantaged communities.
- Increase deployment of cleaner construction equipment, locomotives, marine (including OGV), and on-road HD vehicles through the continued implementation of funding incentive programs to meet emission reduction goals in the AQMP.
- Continue the development and implementation of grant management databases to track TAO projects.
- Continue to work with EPA Region IX to receive funding opportunities as part of the American Rescue Plan to support the criteria pollutant network and environmental justice monitoring.
- Continue implementing the VMP for combustion freight and marine equipment and Class 7 and 8 vehicles for replacements or repowers to the cleanest commercially available CARB or U.S. EPA-certified or approved technologies. Execute new contracts for project applications received under Program Announcement PA2024-03 and work with CARB to disburse funds to implement these projects.
- Continue implementing SEPs and AB 617 Programs to install and maintain air filtration systems in schools and residences in overburdened communities. Work with public schools to fund approximately $14 million in air filtration systems under SEPs and AB 617 Programs.
- Implement the AB 617 program, including the Clean Technology Truck Loaner Program.

- Work with CARB to extend liquidation deadlines for the CAP program and provide sufficient time for implementation of projects.
- Evaluate, award, and contract INVEST CLEAN, ELECTRIC, and CARE4Kids incentive projects to deploy battery electric trucks, cargo handling equipment, locomotives, and charging infrastructure. Work with the INVEST CLEAN project partners to perform public engagement, program validation, and workforce training.

Technology Demonstration:

- Continue the development and demonstration of heavy-duty zero-emission battery-electric and hydrogen fuel-cell electric vehicles
- Develop and demonstrate hydrogen refueling infrastructure and onsite power generation and microgrids technology to facilitate zero-emission heavy duty vehicle deployment and reduce reliance on grids
- Develop and demonstrate battery electric and hydrogen fuel cell vocational trucks such as ambulances, utility service trucks, and refuse trucks
- Replace and upgrade the publicly accessed Hydrogen refueling station for light-duty vehicles and likely medium-duty vehicles at South Coast AQMD headquarters
- Assess emissions of a flexible-fuel linear generator with different fuels
- Evaluate performance and emissions of a linear generator using renewable fuels at California State University, Long Beach
- Develop and test a fast-charging battery pack for medium-duty battery electric vehicle applications.

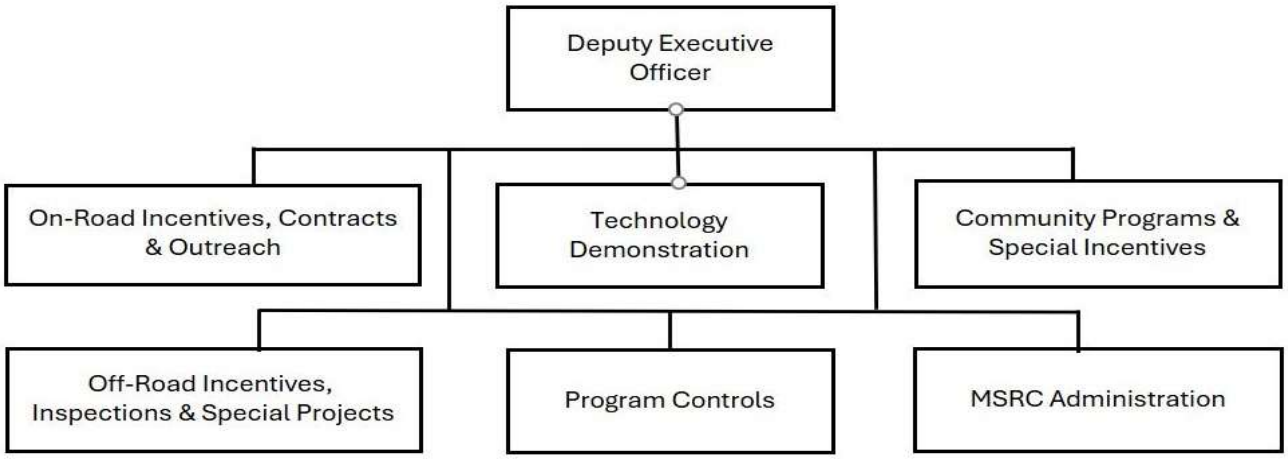
Mobile Source Air Pollution Reduction Review Committee:

- Continue supporting MSRC's implementation of projects as they focus on further development of partnerships to leverage funding. Emphasis is at the discretion of the MSRC but is anticipated to focus on infrastructure to support the transition to zero-emission vehicles.

Division Wide:

- Develop and implement standard practice procedures for project management and program implementation.
- Seek workforce development opportunities such as student internships and educational outreach to provide opportunities that can lead to relevant training, experience, and professional growth for specialized technical careers.
- Conform with District's policies on revised telework policy.
- Continue to apply for funding opportunities from local, state, and federal programs along with supporting applications for grant funding from local stakeholders.

ORGANIZATIONAL CHART:



POSITION SUMMARY: 81 FTEs

Technology Advancement Office	Amended FY 2025-26	Change	Proposed FY 2026-27
Office Administration	8	-	8
Technology Advancement	73	-	73
Total	81	-	81

POSITION DETAIL:

FTEs	Title
4	Administrative Assistant I
5	Air Quality Inspector II
23	Air Quality Specialist
1	Assistant Deputy Executive Officer
13	Contracts Assistant
1	Deputy Executive Officer
2	Office Assistant
5	Planning & Rules Manager
15	Program Supervisor
1	Senior Office Assistant
2	Senior Staff Specialist
2	Senior Administrative Assistant
2	Senior Public Affairs Specialist
1	Staff Assistant
3	Staff Specialist
1	Technology Implementation Manager
81	**Total FTEs**

Technology Advancement Office Work Program by Office										
#	Program Code		Program Category	Goal	Program	Activities	FTEs FY 2025-26	+/-	FTEs FY 2026-27	Revenue Categories
1	44	003	Advance Clean Air Technology	I	AB2766/MSRC	Mob Src Review Comm Prog Admin	1.00	0.00	1.00	IX
2	44	004	Advance Clean Air Technology	I	Advisory Group/Small Business	AB2766 Admin Discretionary Prog	2.00	0.00	2.00	IX
3	44	009	Develop Programs	I	AB 1318 Mitigation	AB 1318 Projects Admn/Impl	0.05	0.00	0.05	XVII
4	44	012	Advance Clean Air Technology	I	AQMP/Control Tech Assessment	Tech Supp: Quantify Cost Effec	0.40	-0.30	0.10	VIII
5	44	019	Advance Clean Air Technology	I	AB617-Prog Develop	AB617-Program Development	2.00	0.00	2.00	IX
6	44	039	Advance Clean Air Technology	I	Admin/Office Mgt/Tech Adv	Admin Support/Coordination	5.27	0.00	5.27	Ib
7	44	041	Policy Support	I	Admin/Office Mgmt/Policy Supp	Overall Policy Supp/Mgmt/Coord	0.30	0.00	0.30	Ib
8	44	046	Advance Clean Air Technology	I	Admin/Program Management	STA Program Administration	2.00	0.00	2.00	Ib
9	44	048	Advance Clean Air Technology	I	Admin/Prog Mgmt/Tech Advance	Overall TA Program Mgmt/Coord	1.00	0.00	1.00	VIII
10	44	069	Develop Programs	I	AQIP Evaluation	AQIP Contract Admin/Evaluation	0.10	0.00	0.10	IX
11	44	082	Monitoring Air Quality	I	Air Fltration Other	Air Filtration Other/Admn/Impl	0.20	0.10	0.30	XVII
12	44	086	Advance Clean Air Technology	I	Airshed FC Bus	Airshed FC Bus	0.15	-0.10	0.05	V
13	44	087	Advance Clean Air Technology	I	Airshed OGV	Airshed OGV	0.25	0.00	0.25	V
14	44	088	Advance Clean Air Technology	I	ALISO CANYON SEP	ALISO CYN AIR FILTRATION SEP	0.25	0.10	0.35	XVII
15	44	089	Advance Clean Air Technology	II	Albertsons SEP	Albertsons SEP	0.10	0.10	0.20	XVII
16	44	094	Advance Clean Air Technology	I	Capture and Control	Capture and Control Program	0.20	0.00	0.20	XV
17	44	095	Advance Clean Air Technology	I	CA Natural Gas Veh Partnership	CA Natural Gas Veh Partnership	0.05	-0.05	0.00	VIII
18	44	096	Advance Clean Air Technology	I	CAPP Year 2-SB 856	CAPP Year 2-SB 856	8.00	-5.00	3.00	IX
19	44	097	Advance Clean Air Technology	I	CAPP Year 3-AB 74	CAPP Year 3-AB 74	9.95	-6.95	3.00	IX
20	44	098	Advance Clean Air Technology	I	CARB SEP Sch Bus	CARB SEP Sch Bus Replacement	0.00	0.10	0.10	XVII
21	44	099	Advance Clean Air Technology	I	CARB At-Berth	CARB At-Berth	0.00	0.50	0.50	XVII
22	44	107	Develop Programs	I	CARB PilotPrj JETSI	CARB Pilot Project (JETSI)	1.05	-0.55	0.50	XVII
23	44	108	Develop Programs	I	CEC PilotPrj JETSI	CEC Pilot Project (JETSI)	0.55	-0.05	0.50	XVII
24	44	109	Advance Clean Air Technology	I	CAPP Year 5-AB128	CAPP Year 5-AB128	0.00	5.55	5.55	IX
25	44	121	Advance Clean Air Technology	I	China Cln Shipping	China Partnership Cleaner Shpng	0.25	0.00	0.25	IX
26	44	130	Advance Clean Air Technology	I	Clean Fuels/Contract Admin	Admin/Project Supp for TA Cont	2.90	0.30	3.20	VIII
27	44	132	Advance Clean Air Technology	I	Clean Fuels/Mobile Sources	Dev/Impl Mobile Src Proj/Demo	4.50	2.00	6.50	VIII
28	44	134	Advance Clean Air Technology	I	Clean Fuels/Stationary Combust	Dev/Demo Clean Combustion Tech	0.10	-0.10	0.00	VIII
29	44	135	Advance Clean Air Technology	I	Clean Fuels/Stationary Energy	Dev/Demo Alt Clean Energy	0.01	0.05	0.06	VIII
30	44	136	Advance Clean Air Technology	I	Clean Fuels/Tech Transfer	Disseminate Low Emiss CF Tech	0.46	0.00	0.46	VIII
31	44	191	Advance Clean Air Technology	I	DERA FY16 Locomotive	DERA_FY16_LOCOM	0.05	0.00	0.05	V
32	44	194	Advance Clean Air Technology	I	DERA FY18 Dray Trck	DERA FY18 Dray Trck	0.10	-0.10	0.00	XVII
33	44	196	Advance Clean Air Technology	I	DERA FY20 TRU	DERA FY20 TRU Electrification	0.20	-0.10	0.10	V
34	44	197	Advance Clean Air Technology	I	DERA FY21 Cargo	DERA FY21 Cleaner Freight	0.30	-0.25	0.05	V
35	44	203	Advance Clean Air Technology	I	EFMP Program Support	EFMP Program Support	4.50	-1.50	3.00	XVII
36	44	222	Advance Clean Air Technology	I	EPA-CPRG-M1-Charge	EPA-CPRG-Charging Infrastruct	0.50	0.80	1.30	V
37	44	223	Advance Clean Air Technology	I	EPA-CPRG-M2-Vehicle	EPA-CPRG-Bat Elec Freight Veh	0.30	1.00	1.30	V
38	44	224	Advance Clean Air Technology	I	EPA-CPRG-M3 Cargo	EPA-CPRG-Bat Elec Cargo Handl	0.20	1.00	1.20	V
39	44	234	Advance Clean Air Technology	I	EPA-CPRG-M4 Locomo	EPA-CPRG-Bat Elec Locomotivie	0.20	1.00	1.20	V
40	44	251	Advance Clean Air Technology	I	EPA-CHDV-CARE4KIDS	EPA-CHDV-CARE4KIDS	0.00	0.50	0.50	V
41	44	252	Advance Clean Air Technology	I	EPA-CHDV-ELECTRIC	EPA-CHDV-ELECTRIC	0.00	1.00	1.00	V
42	44	261	Advance Clean Air Technology	I	FARMER YEAR 3	Fund Ag Replacement Year 3	1.00	-1.00	0.00	XVII
43	44	262	Advance Clean Air Technology	I	FARMER YEAR 4	Fund Ag Replacement Year 4	0.50	0.00	0.50	XVII
44	44	263	Advance Clean Air Technology	I	FARMER YEAR 5	FARMER YEAR 5	0.00	1.00	1.00	XVII
45	44	272	Advance Clean Air Technology	I	FY19 TAG Volvo	FY 19 TAG Volvo Switch-On	0.15	-0.05	0.10	XVII

Technology Advancement Office (Cont.)
Work Program by Office

#	Program Code		Program Category	Goal	Program	Activities	FTEs FY 2025-26	+/-	FTEs FY 2026-27	Revenue Categories
46	44	276	Policy Support	I	Advisory Group/Technology Adva	Tech Adv Advisory Group Supp	0.05	0.00	0.05	VIII
47	44	368	Develop Programs	I	Incentive RFP Emis Red Projs	Incentive Projects Admin	0.15	-0.10	0.05	XVII
48	44	396	Develop Programs	I	Lawnmower Exchange	Lawn Mower Admin/Impl/Outreach	0.25	0.25	0.50	XVII
49	44	410	Policy Support	I	Legislation	Support Pollution Reduction thru Legislatio	0.15	-0.05	0.10	IX
50	44	456	Develop Rules	I	MS & AQMP Control Strategies	AQMP Control Strategies	0.30	-0.25	0.05	VIII
51	44	457	Advance Clean Air Technology	I	Mob Src/C Moyer Adm/Outreach	Carl Moyer: Impl/Admin Grant	10.70	-0.15	10.55	IX
52	44	458	Develop Programs	I	Mobile Source Strategies	Implement Fleet Rules	0.45	0.00	0.45	VIII
53	44	459	Advance Clean Air Technology	I	Mob Src/C Moyer/Impl/Prg Dev	Moyer/Implem/Program Dev	4.00	2.00	6.00	IX
54	44	460	Advance Clean Air Technology	I	VIP Admin	VIP Admin/Outreach/Impl	0.50	0.00	0.50	IX
55	44	489	Advance Clean Air Technology	I	One Stop Shop Proj	One Stop Shop Pilot Proj	0.10	0.00	0.10	XVII
56	44	542	Develop Programs	I	Prop 1B:Goods Movement	Prop 1B:Goods Movement	2.70	0.50	3.20	IX
57	44	565	Customer Service and Business Assistance	III	Public Records Act	Comply w/ Public Req for Info	0.20	0.00	0.20	Ia
58	44	657	Develop Rules	I	Rulemaking/Support PRDI	Assist PRDI w/ Rulemaking	0.30	0.00	0.30	II
59	44	677	Advance Clean Air Technology	I	School Bus/Lower Emission Prog	School Bus Program Oversight	2.00	-0.50	1.50	IX
60	44	731	Advance Clean Air Technology	I	TAG FY21 L&G	TAG FY21 EPA L&G	0.50	-0.10	0.40	V
61	44	732	Advance Clean Air Technology	I	TAG FY21 BE Loco	TAG FY21 EPA BE Locomotive	0.50	-0.30	0.20	V
62	44	733	Advance Clean Air Technology	I	TAG FY21 Bus-HFCTrk	TAG FY21 EPA Sch Bus-HFC Truck	0.30	-0.20	0.10	V
63	44	734	Advance Clean Air Technology	I	Air Shed Volvo	Targeted Air Shed Volvo Admin	0.25	-0.15	0.10	V
64	44	737	Advance Clean Air Technology	I	Air Shed Daimler	Targeted Air Shed Daimlr Admin	0.15	-0.15	0.00	V
65	44	740	Advance Clean Air Technology	I	Tech Adv/Commercialization	Assess CFs/Adv Tech Potential	0.25	-0.15	0.10	VIII
66	44	741	Advance Clean Air Technology	I	Tech Adv/Non-Combustion	Dev/Demo Non-Combustion Tech	0.20	-0.10	0.10	VIII
67	44	742	Advance Clean Air Technology	I	TAG FY22 Tugboat	TAG FY22 Tugboat	0.00	0.20	0.20	V
68	44	743	Advance Clean Air Technology	I	TAG FY22 ZEBRA	TAG FY22 ZEBRA	0.00	0.20	0.20	V
69	44	744	Advance Clean Air Technology	I	TAG FY22 HFC Trucks	TAG FY22 HFC Trucks	0.00	0.20	0.20	V
70	44	747	Advance Clean Air Technology	I	DOE Wabtec	DOE Wabtec	0.25	0.00	0.25	V
71	44	749	Advance Clean Air Technology	I	CALSTA Prologis	CALSTA Prologis	0.40	0.00	0.40	XVII
72	44	750	Advance Clean Air Technology	I	CALSTA Wabtec	CALSTA Wabtec	0.40	0.00	0.40	XVII
73	44	816	Advance Clean Air Technology	I	Transportation Research	Transport Research/Adv Systems	0.10	0.00	0.10	VIII
74	44	825	Operational Support	III	Union Negotiations	Labor/Mgmt Negotiations	0.02	0.00	0.02	Ia
75	44	826	Operational Support	III	Union Steward Activities	Rep Employees in Grievance Act	0.02	0.00	0.02	Ia
76	44	827	Advance Clean Air Technology	I	VW-General Admin	VW-General Admin	2.50	-0.50	2.00	XVII
77	44	840	Advance Clean Air Technology	I	VW-ZE Trucks-South Coast	VW-ZE Trucks-South Coast	1.00	0.00	1.00	XVII
78	44	841	Advance Clean Air Technology	I	VW-Combustion-South Coast	VW-Combustion-South Coast	1.00	0.50	1.50	XVII
79	44	856	Advance Clean Air Technology	I	ZANZEFF Volvo	ZANZEFF Volvo	0.20	-0.15	0.05	XVII
80	44	900	Operational Support	III	Justice Education	Justice Education	0.02	0.00	0.02	Ia
						Total Technology Advancement Office	81.00	0.00	81.00	

Technology Advancement Office Line Item Expenditure						
Major Object / Account # / Account Description		FY 2024-25 Actuals	FY 2025-26 Adopted Budget	FY 2025-26 Amended Budget	FY 2025-26 Estimate *	FY 2026-27 Proposed Budget
Salary & Employee Benefits						
51000-52000	Salaries	$ 8,240,900	$ 9,261,400	$ 9,073,399	$ 9,018,719	$ 9,813,220
53000-55000	Employee Benefits	4,601,757	4,695,186	4,907,019	4,907,019	4,829,621
Sub-total Salary & Employee Benefits		$ 12,842,657	$ 13,956,587	$ 13,980,418	$ 13,925,739	$ 14,642,841
Services & Supplies						
67250	Insurance	$ -	$ -	$ -	$ -	$ -
67300	Rents & Leases Equipment	-	-	-	-	-
67350	Rents & Leases Structure	(200)	-	-	-	-
67400	Household	-	-	-	-	-
67450	Professional & Special Services	382,408	1,475,000	987,206	885,340	1,475,000
67460	Temporary Agency Services	26,296	10,000	40,000	35,873	10,000
67500	Public Notice & Advertising	28,348	40,000	60,000	53,809	40,000
67550	Demurrage	-	-	-	-	-
67600	Maintenance of Equipment	455	10,000	10,000	8,968	6,000
67650	Building Maintenance	47	35,000	35,000	31,388	35,000
67700	Auto Mileage	5,595	6,000	11,000	9,865	10,000
67750	Auto Service	-	-	-	-	-
67800	Travel	44,305	90,000	143,000	128,244	90,000
67850	Utilities	-	-	-	-	-
67900	Communications	9,758	15,000	25,000	22,420	15,000
67950	Interest Expense	-	-	-	-	-
68000	Clothing	2,659	2,500	2,500	2,242	2,500
68050	Laboratory Supplies	-	-	-	-	-
68060	Postage	4,037	6,000	27,000	24,214	6,000
68100	Office Expense	23,126	145,000	244,000	218,823	135,000
68200	Office Furniture	12,710	12,500	18,500	16,591	12,500
68250	Subscriptions & Books	1,017	3,000	6,000	5,381	3,000
68300	Small Tools, Instruments, Equipment	(10)	-	-	-	-
68400	Gas and Oil	-	-	-	-	-
69500	Training/Conference/Tuition/ Board Exp.	4,239	11,000	21,000	18,833	11,000
69550	Memberships	117,279	97,950	217,950	195,461	120,000
69600	Taxes	-	-	-	-	-
69650	Awards	-	-	1,380	1,238	-
69700	Miscellaneous Expenses	4,297	-	11,470	10,287	10,000
69750	Prior Year Expense	(743)	-	-	-	-
69800	Uncollectable Accounts Receivable	-	-	-	-	-
89100	Principal Repayment	-	-	-	-	-
Sub-total Services & Supplies		$ 665,622	$ 1,958,950	$ 1,861,006	$ 1,668,977	$ 1,981,000
77000	**Capital Outlays**	$ 616,886	$ -	$ -	$ -	$ -
79050	**Building Remodeling**	-	-	-	-	-
Total Expenditures		$ 14,125,164	$ 15,915,537	$ 15,841,425	$ 15,594,715	$ 16,623,841
* Estimates based on July 2025 through February 2026 actual expenditures and February 2026 budget amendments.						

South Coast AQMD Quick Facts

- Created by the 1977 Lewis Air Quality Management Act; amended by 1988 Lewis-Presley Air Quality Management Act (Health & Safety Code §40400-40540).
    - Regional governmental agency (Special District)
- Jurisdiction for comprehensive air pollution control over all of Orange County, all of Los Angeles County except for the Antelope Valley, the non-desert portion of western San Bernardino County and the western and Coachella Valley portion of Riverside County
    - 10,743 Square Miles; Population of 16,620,312 (2024)
    - Boundaries are Pacific Ocean to the west, San Gabriel, San Bernardino, and San Jacinto Mountains to the north and east, and the San Diego County line to the south
    - Vehicle Registrations – 13,806,604 (2024); Average Daily Miles Traveled Per Vehicle – 26 (2024)
    - Two of the world's busiest seaports, the Port of Los Angeles and Port of Long Beach, are within its boundaries and together handled just under 20 million TEUs in 2024, near the prior all-time record of about 20.06 million TEUs in 2021
- Responsibilities include:
    - Monitoring air quality – 34 air monitoring stations
    - Planning, implementing, and enforcing programs to attain and maintain state and federal ambient air quality standards
        - Developing air quality rules and regulations that regulate stationary source emissions from such facilities as oil refineries, power plants, paint spray booths, incinerators, manufacturing plants, dry cleaners, and service stations
        - Establishing permitting requirements and issuing permits for stationary sources (25,219 operating locations with 66,736 permits)
- Decision-making body is a 13-member Governing Board
    - Ten elected officials with four appointed by the Board of Supervisors from each of the four counties and six appointed by cities within the South Coast AQMD
    - Three members appointed by the Governor, the Speaker of the State Assembly, and the Rules Committee of the State Senate

SOUTH COAST AIR QUALITY MANAGEMENT DISTRICT
Operating Indicators by Function
Last Ten Fiscal Years

Program Category	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
Advance Clean Air Technology										
Contracts awarded	421	403	357	564	349	385	350	308	239	265
Total Funding awarded	$153,900,867	$137,406,323	$170,391,084	$213,005,034	$127,879,802	$202,126,095	$172,638,535	$182,753,350	$77,394,895	$138,490,050
Ensure Compliance with Clean Air Rules										
Inspections	24,037	21,419	24,692	24,289	27,595	25,658	31,310	30,790	45,395	44,783
Notices of Violations	499	632	1,626	2,724	2,076	838	899	1,173	1,655	2,169
Hearing Board Orders for Abatement	23	27	24	29	26	13	18	19	18	23
Hearing Board Appeals	3	3	1	2	3	2	1	-	-	3
Customer Service										
Public Information Requests	4,958	5,282	4,676	4,830	3,416	241	108	1,249	2,173	2,980
Community/Public Meetings attended	239	210	156	193	144	241	143	191	215	297
Small Business Assistance Contacts	1,865	2,834	4,073	3,043	3,357	3,840	3,184	2,761	3,261	3,852
Develop Programs to Achieve Clean Air										
Transportation Plans processed	1,337	1,348	1,356	1,357	1,335	1,319	1,126	1,091	1,171	1,275
Emission Inventory Updates**	356	244	343	294	269	336	1139	5,983	933	4,679
Develop Rules to Achieve Clean Air										
Rules Developed	16	15	28	44	14	19	32	28	32	29
Monitoring Air Quality										
Samples Analyzed by the Laboratory	32,400	38,541	36,342	33,258	30,225	25,501	23,185	21,098	19,887	40,354
Source Testing Analyses/Evaluations/Revie	936	952	714	632	562	498	495	738	624	859
Timely Review of Permits										
Applications Processed	9,482	11,780	10,913	9,463	8,345	6,727	7,391	6,230	7,716	7,491
Applications Received-Small Business	594	535	605	541	485	438	381	362	456	361
Applications Received-All Others	9,894	8,376	9,172	8,131	8,070	6,767	8,030	6,627	7,934	6,562
Policy Support										
News Releases	89	86	120	99	126	179	197	125	135	170
Media Calls	1,450	1,201	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Media Inquiries Completed	1,450	1,201	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
News Media Interactions*	-	-	1,235	633	672	2204	1,789	1,044	1,374	3,201

* Tracking of News Media Interactions began in 2018. This replaced the tracking of media calls and media inquiries completed.

** Beginning with 2022, "Emission Inventory Updates" will include the entire emissions inventory that staff received and processed instead of only a subcategory of reports. Decrease in reports in 2024 is attributed to many facilities being exempt from reporting.

Source: South Coast AQMD departments' records

South Coast AQMD is required to follow specific sections of the California Health & Safety Code, which guide South Coast AQMD's overall financial parameters. The Governing Board also provides financial direction to South Coast AQMD staff through the adoption of various financial-related policies. In addition, the Administrative Policies and Procedures offer further financial guidance. Below is an overview of the guidelines and procedures for the applicable financial-related policies.

California Health & Safety Code (CA H&SC)

- District Budget Adoption – CA H&SC §40130

  South Coast AQMD shall prepare and make available to the public at least 30 days prior to public hearing, a summary of its budget and any supporting documents, including, but not limited to, a schedule of fees to be imposed by South Coast AQMD to fund its programs. South Coast AQMD shall notify each person who was subject to fees imposed by South Coast AQMD in the preceding year of the availability of information. South Coast AQMD shall notice and hold a public hearing for the exclusive purpose of reviewing the budget and of providing the public with the opportunity to comment upon the proposed South Coast AQMD budget.

- Fee Schedule - CA H&SC §40510

  South Coast AQMD may adopt a fee schedule for the issuance of variances and permits to cover the reasonable cost of permitting, planning, enforcement and monitoring.

- Fees Assessed on Stationary Sources – CA H&SC §40500.1

  Fees assessed on stationary sources shall not exceed, for any fiscal year, the actual costs of District programs for the immediately preceding fiscal year with an adjustment not greater than the change in the California Consumer Price Index (CPI), for the preceding calendar year, from January 1 of the prior year to January 1 of the current year. Unless specifically authorized by statute, the total amount of all the fees collected from stationary sources of emissions in the 1995-96 fiscal year, and in each subsequent fiscal year, shall not exceed the level of expenditure in the 1993-94 fiscal year, except that the total fee amount may be adjusted annually by not more than the percentage increase in the California CPI. Any new state or federal mandate that is applicable to South Coast AQMD on and after January 1, 1994 shall not be subject to this section.

- Limitation on Increase in Permit Fees – CA H&SC §40510.5

  Existing permit fees shall not increase by a percentage greater than any percentage increase in the California CPI for the preceding calendar year, unless the Governing Board

makes a finding, based upon relevant information in a rulemaking record, that the fee increase is necessary and will result in an apportionment of fees that is equitable. Any fee increase above CPI shall be phased in over a period of at least two years.

South Coast AQMD Governing Board Policy

- Administrative Code

  The Administrative Code of Rules and Procedures prescribes the responsibilities, conduct and specified reimbursements of employees and South Coast AQMD Board members. Sections include, but are not limited to, mileage reimbursement, travel expenses, tuition reimbursement, professional licenses and memberships, and bilingual pay.

- Annual Investment Policy

  The Annual Investment Policy sets forth the investment guidelines for all general, special revenue, trust, agency and enterprise funds of South Coast AQMD. The purpose of this policy is to ensure that South Coast AQMD's funds are prudently invested to preserve principal and provide necessary liquidity, while earning a market average rate of return. South Coast AQMD Annual Investment Policy conforms to the California Government Code as well as customary standards of prudent investment management.

  The objectives of the policy, in priority order, are Safety of Principal, Liquidity, and Market Rate of Return. The policy establishes and defines investable funds, authorized instruments, credit quality requirements, maximum maturities and concentrations, collateral requirements, and qualifications of brokers, dealers, and financial institutions doing business with or on behalf of South Coast AQMD.

  The policy provides the Governing Board, the Treasurer, the Chief Financial Officer, and the Investment Oversight Committee with set duties and responsibilities to execute the policy.

- Budget Advisory Committee

  Established by South Coast AQMD Governing Board, the Budget Advisory Committee serves in an advisory capacity to South Coast AQMD on budgeting and financial planning matters. The committee made up of members from the business and environmental communities, provides additional insight during the annual budget process by reviewing and commenting on the proposed budget. The Budget Advisory Committee's comments are required to be provided to the Governing Board by April 15th of each year pursuant to South Coast AQMD Rule 320.

- Fund Balance Use

  When both restricted and unrestricted resources are available for use, it is South Coast AQMD's policy to use restricted resources first and then unrestricted resources as they are needed. When using unrestricted fund balance amounts, South Coast AQMD's Governing Board approved policy is to use committed amounts first, followed by assigned and then unassigned.

- Procurement Policy and Procedure

  The Procurement Policy and Procedure provides the guidelines for the contracting and/or purchasing of services, material, equipment, supplies and fixed assets (i.e. capital outlays) by South Coast AQMD under the direction of the Procurement Manager. These guidelines include, but are not limited to, purchasing methods, bidding procedures, signature authorization levels, fixed asset acquisition and disposition, and publication requirements for advertised procurements.

  Procedures are in place to ensure that all businesses including minority business enterprises, women business enterprises, disabled veteran business enterprises and small businesses have a fair and equitable opportunity to compete for/and participate in South Coast AQMD contracts that South Coast AQMD utilizes, when necessary, the most highly qualified outside consultants/contractors to carry out the organization's responsibilities.

- Rule 320 - Automatic Fee Adjustment

  Rule 320 provides that all Regulation III fees, with specified exceptions, are automatically adjusted July 1st of each year by the California Consumer Price Index for the preceding calendar year unless the Governing Board decides not to implement a fee adjustment, or to implement a different adjustment for a given year, either for all fees or for a specified fee or fees. The Executive Officer is directed to prepare annually a socioeconomic impact of the effect of the fee adjustments for review by stakeholders and the Governing Board; also, to hold a public hearing on the automatic fee adjustments to receive any public comments. Public comments and any responses, along with recommendations by the Budget Advisory Committee, are to be forwarded to the Governing Board by April 15 of each year.

- Treasury Operations Contingency Plan and Procedures

  The Treasury Operations Contingency Plan and Procedures states the course of action that may be implemented by South Coast AQMD to protect the safety and liquidity of South Coast AQMD funds and to protects South Coast AQMD from disruptions to ongoing operations if: 1) the financial stability of Los Angeles County may jeopardize South Coast AQMD funds invested through the Los Angeles County Treasurer; and/or 2) the Los

Angeles County Treasurer, as Treasurer of South Coast AQMD, can no longer provide the treasury services currently provided in a satisfactory manner.

Under authority granted by Resolution 97-32, the Executive Officer can appoint either the Chief Financial Officer or Controller as Acting Treasurer to immediately begin implementing the defined procedures to safeguard South Coast AQMD funds.

- Unreserved Fund Balance Policy

The Unreserved Fund Balance Policy, originally adopted by the Board in June 2005 and adjusted in June 2014, states that the Unreserved Fund Balance in the General Fund should be maintained at a minimum of 20% of revenues. GFOA Recommended Best Practices prescribe a minimum 17% reserve amount plus an additional amount based on the organization's reliance on revenue over which it has no control. The 20% reserve amount is derived from the minimum 17% plus an additional 3% to account for South Coast AQMD's reliance on state subvention ($4M), U.S. EPA Section 103/105 grants ($5M), and one-time penalties and settlements ($5M).

Executive Officer Administrative Policies and Procedures

- Contracting for Consulting and Professional Services

Contracting for Consulting and Professional Services policy provides guidance in contracting for consulting and professional services in both a competitive and sole source environment as addressed in Section VIII of South Coast AQMD Procurement Policy and Procedure document.

- Fixed Assets and Controlled Items

The Fixed Assets and Controlled Items policy provides guidance on the receipt, transfer, inventory, accountability, and disposal of fixed assets and controlled items.

- Purchasing of Non-Consultant Services and Supplies

The Purchasing of Non-Consultant Services and Supplies policy provides guidance in implementing the purchase of non-consultant services and supplies as addressed in Section IV of South Coast AQMD Procurement Policy and Procedure document.

- Travel

The Travel Policy provides guidance on allowable travel expenses, travel advances, and documentation requirements.

- Work Program- Cost Allocation Procedure

The Work Program allocates resources by Office, nine Work Program Categories, and Project which are tied to South Coast AQMD's Goal and Priority Objectives. Cost/Overhead Components of any given work program line can include:

- Salaries and Benefits based on regular and overtime hours charged directly to a specific work program code.
- Services and Supplies and Capital Outlays charged directly to a specific work program code.
- Division specific overhead (charges not attributable to a specific work program code such as benefits and absence time) are allocated to each direct expense work program line within that Division based on Full Time Equivalents (FTEs).
- District General Overhead expenditures associated with the overall operation (such as utilities, insurance, security, interest, etc.) are allocated to all direct program lines based on FTEs.
- Allocatable Division Overhead allocates work program lines within each Division that are Division-specific Administrative, Office, or Management related based on the Division's FTEs.
- District-wide Overhead Allocation spreads work program lines from Divisions that support the entire District (Executive Office, Finance, Legal, etc.) or work program lines without specific revenue streams (Legislative and Public Affairs/Media Office, Public Records Act, Advisory Groups, etc.) based on FTEs.

BUDGET GLOSSARY

Account	A unique identification number and title for expenditures and revenues; used for budgeting and recording expenditures and revenues.
Administrative Fee	A fee charged to a program or project to recover the administrative costs to manage the program or project.
Adopted Budget	The annual budget for the General Fund that has been approved by South Coast AQMD's Governing Board.
Amended Budget	The adopted budget plus any modifications approved by South Coast AQMD's Governing Board during the fiscal year.
Appropriation	A specific amount of money authorized by South Coast AQMD's Governing Board which permits the South Coast AQMD to incur obligations and to make expenditures of resources.
Assigned Fund Balance	The portion of the fund balance that has been allocated by South Coast AQMD's Governing Board for a specific purpose.
Budget Advisory Committee	A committee made up of representatives from the business and environmental communities who review and provide feedback on South Coast AQMD's financial performance and proposed budget.
Budgetary Basis of Accounting	A form of accounting used in the budget where encumbered amounts are recognized as expenditures.
Balanced Budget	A budget in which planned expenditures do not exceed planned revenues.
Capital Asset	Tangible asset with an initial individual cost of $5,000 (currently) or more and a useful life of at least one year or intangible assets with an individual cost of $5,000 (currently) or more and a useful life of at least one year.
Capital Outlays	Expenditures for capital assets; A Major Object, or classification of expenditures, within South Coast AQMD's budget.
Committed Fund Balance	The portion of the fund balance that includes amounts that can be used only for specific purposes as determined by the South Coast AQMD Governing Board.
Cost Allocation	A process of accounting and recording the full costs of a program or activity by including its share of indirect or overhead costs in addition to its

Cost Allocation (cont.)	direct costs.
CPI-Based Fee Increase	Increases to fees (emission, annual operating, permit processing, Hot Spots, area sources, transportation, source test/analysis, and Hearing Board) based on the change in the Consumer Price Index for the preceding calendar year as reported for California Department of Finance– All Urban Consumer Series. This is in accordance with the California Health and Safety Code §40510.5.
Debt Service	The cost to cover the repayment of interest and principal on a debt for a particular period of time.
Debt Structure	The make-up of long-term debt. South Coast AQMD's long-term debt has been taken on to fund building and pension obligations.
Designation	A portion of the Fund Balance that has been assigned for specific purposes by actions of South Coast AQMD's Governing Board.
Encumbrance	An amount of money committed for the payment of goods and services that have not yet been received or paid for.
Expenditures	Charges incurred for goods and services.
Fee Schedule	The State Legislature has authorized air districts to levy fees to support industry related programs which improve air quality. The schedule of fees levied by South Coast AQMD is approved by South Coast AQMD's Governing Board as part of the annual budget process. (Also see Regulation III.)
Fiscal Year	A period of 12 consecutive months selected to be the budget year. South Coast AQMD's fiscal year runs from July 1 to June 30.
FTE	Full Time Equivalent; A measure of the level of staffing. One FTE equates to 2,080 hours of paid time within a 12-month period.
Fund Balance	The accumulation of revenues less expenditures within a fund for a specific year. South Coast AQMD's fund balance is broken out into Reserves (non-spendable and committed) and Unreserved Designations. Unreserved Designations is further broken out into Assigned and Unassigned Fund

Fund Balance (cont.)	Balance. This terminology is in accordance with GASB 54.
GASB 54	A standard issued by the Government Accounting Standards Board (GASB) to guide fund balance reporting.
GASB 87	A standard issued by the Government Accounting Standards Board (GASB) to provide guidance to improve accounting and financial reporting for leases by government.
GASB 96	A standard issued by the Government Accounting Standards Board (GASB) to provide guidance on the accounting and financial reporting for subscription-based information technology arrangements (SBITAs) for government end users (governments).
General Fund	The primary operating fund for South Coast AQMD where expenditures and revenues associated with the daily operations of South Coast AQMD are accounted for.
Grant	A sum of money given by an organization for a particular purpose. The grants which provide funding to South Coast AQMD's General Fund are primarily received from the U. S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), and the California Air Resource Board (CARB).
Inventory	Value at cost of office, computer, cleaning and laboratory supplies at year-end.
Major Object	South Coast AQMD has four expenditure classifications: Salaries and Employee Benefits, Services and Supplies, Capital Outlays, and Building Remodeling. Transfers between Major Objects must be approved by the South Coast AQMD Governing Board.
Mobile Source Revenues	Revenues received from motor vehicle registrations and from the administration of motor vehicle programs aimed at reducing air pollution from motor vehicles.
Nonspendable Fund Balance	Amounts in the fund balance that are not in a spendable form. In South Coast AQMD's General Fund, inventory makes up the nonspendable balance.

Pension Obligation Bonds (POBs)	A method of financing used by South Coast AQMD to refinance its obligations to its employees' pension fund.
Proposed Budget	The annual budget that has been developed by South Coast AQMD and made available to the public for review before being presented to the South Coast AQMD Governing Board for approval.
Regulation III	The rule that establishes the fee rates and schedules associated with permitting, annual renewals, emissions and other activities that help fund most of South Coast AQMD's regulatory programs and services. (Also see Fee Schedule.)
Reserves	Funding within the Fund Balance that is set aside for a specific future use and not available for any other purpose. It consists of both nonspendable amounts (inventory of supplies) and committed amounts (encumbrances).
Revenue	Monies the South Coast AQMD receives as income. South Coast AQMD's revenue is mainly from fees charged to control or regulate emissions.
SBCERA	San Bernardino County Employment Retirement System manages the retirement plan for South Coast AQMD employees.
Salaries and Employee Benefits	Expenditures for Salary expenses, employee benefits, retirement and insurance benefits. It is a Major Object, or classification of expenditures, within South Coast AQMD's budget.
Services and Supplies	Expenditures for items and services needed for the daily operations of the South Coast AQMD including professional services, utilities, office expenses, maintenance, and debt service. It is a Major Object, or classification of expenditures, within South Coast AQMD's budget.
Special Revenue Fund	A fund used to account for revenues and expenditures from specific sources earmarked for specific purposes. South Coast AQMD's main fund is its General Fund. All other funds are designated as Special Revenue Funds. The South Coast AQMD does not adopt a budget for Special Revenue Funds. Board action is required for all expenditures.
State Subvention	The state of California provides assistance to air districts for on-going operations to perform mandated functions such as compliance and enforcement, planning, and rule development.

Stationary Source Fees	Revenues collected from emission fees, permit fees, and annual operating fees to support activities for improving air quality.
Transfer In/Out	A transfer between different funds within South Coast AQMD's accounting system. For example, a transfer of cash from the General Fund to a Special Revenue Fund would be a Transfer Out for the General Fund and a Transfer In for the Special Revenue Fund.
Unassigned Fund Balance	The residual fund balance of the General Fund. It is not designated for a specific purpose and can only be used upon approval of South Coast AQMD's Governing Board.
Unreserved Designations	The portion of the Fund Balance that has not been committed by South Coast AQMD's Governing Board or is nonspendable due to specific Board constraints. It is further broken down into either amounts assigned by the Governing Board for specific purposes or an unassigned amount that can only be used upon approval of the Governing Board.
Work Programs	Activities carried out by South Coast AQMD staff. Work Programs are classified into nine Work Program Categories according to the nature of the activity being performed.

Air Quality Historical Timeline

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First recognized episodes of smog occur in Los Angeles in summer 1943

1943

1947

Los Angeles County Air Pollution Control District (APCD) established—the first of its kind in the nation

1950

Orange County APCD established

1957

San Bernardino and Riverside County APCDs formed

1966

California adopts first automobile tailpipe emission standards in the nation

1968

California Air Resources Board (CARB) holds its first meeting with Dr. Arie J. Haagen-Smit as its first chairman

1970

Federal Clean Air Act enacted, establishing the basic U.S. program for controlling air pollution

1971

U.S. EPA adopts first national air quality standards

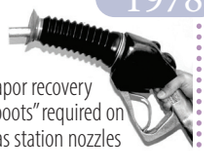
1975

Catalytic converters required for most gasoline-powered vehicles

1977

California legislature merges air pollution control districts of LA, Orange, Riverside and San Bernardino counties forming the South Coast Air Quality Management District

1978



Vapor recovery "boots" required on gas station nozzles

1986

South Coast AQMD launches first Multiple Air Toxics Exposure Study (MATES) to understand air toxics health impacts. Additional MATES studies conducted in 1999, 2006, 2013 and 2018

MATES

1987

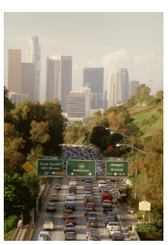
Created a program to assess and reduce health risks from air toxic emissions under the Air Toxics "Hot Spots" Information and Assessment Act (AB 2588)

1989

South Coast AQMD adopts first Air Quality Management Plan to show attainment of clean air standards

1990

Federal Clean Air Act Amendments of 1990 enacted establishing new programs to reduce ozone, toxic emissions and vehicle emissions



1998

Carl Moyer Program established to reduce mobile source emissions

2006

California Global Warming Solutions Act of 2006 (AB 32) enacted to reduce greenhouse gases

2011

Federal agencies and the State of California establish single time frame for corporate average fuel economy (CAFE) and greenhouse gas standards for the next generation of cars and light-duty trucks

2013

Attained the 1997 24 hour and annual National Ambient Air Quality Standards for fine particulate matter two years ahead of schedule

2017

Assembly Bill 617 enacted to develop community plans and implement new technologies addressing the disproportionate impacts of air pollution sources in Environmental Justice communities

2022

South Coast AQMD releases its most ambitious strategy to cut air pollution. The 2022 AQMP is the first Zero-emissions plan, aiming to reduce emissions by 70% by 2037.

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ATTACHMENT C

KEY ISSUES AND RESPONSES

Proposed Amended Regulation III – Fees

Throughout the rulemaking process, staff has worked with stakeholders to address and resolve a number of issues. Concerns were raised regarding the increase to NOx emission fees. To allow greater time for the public process, the proposed NOx emission fee increase has been removed from this amendment and may be considered at a later time.

During the public process, comments were raised related to the proposal to remove the fee cap for Continuous Emission Monitoring Systems (CEMS) evaluations. Stakeholders inquired about staffing, workload, and the need for additional resources in the Source Test Engineering branch of the Monitoring and Analysis Division. The Proposed FY 2026-27 Budget does include two additional Full-Time Employees (FTEs) for the Source Test Engineering team, that is funded through AB 2588 monies. In addition, South Coast AQMD is launching a publicly-available source test tracking system to increase transparency and provide data analytics to better track and identify areas for improvement. Based on additional data collected, future budgets may identify the need for additional FTEs for this team.

The remaining key issue is the changing of the AER deadline to April 1. Stakeholders requested that the permanent deadline be extended to May 1, to allow more time for CARB's Criteria and Toxics Reporting (CTR) facilities to complete the reports and payments. The proposed April 1 deadline is an extension from the existing deadline which is 75 days following January 1 (March 17), for annual emission report and payment. Extending the due date to May 1 would adversely impact Finance Department's ability to accurately recognize revenue and finalize the budget for the fiscal year. However, due to concerns raised by stakeholders, the initially proposed April 1st deadline will be extended further to April 10th to benefit new and existing facilities by allowing more time to complete the report in light of the additional report content pursuant to CTR while not compromising other program requirements.

ATTACHMENT D

RULE DEVELOPMENT PROCESS
Proposed Amended Regulation III - Fees

Initial Rule Development:
October 2025

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Notice of Public Consultation
March 3, 2026

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Release of Preliminary Draft Rules, Preliminary Draft Staff Report, and Socioeconomic Impact Assessment for Rule 320 – Automatic Adjustment Based on Consumer Price Index for Regulation III Fees:
March 13, 2026

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Public Consultation Meeting #1:
March 17, 2026
(Proposed Amended Regulation III)

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Notice of Public Hearing; and Release of Draft Rules, Draft Staff Report, and Draft Socioeconomic Impact Assessment:
March 31, 2026

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Budget Advisory Committee:
April 2, 2026

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Set Hearing:
April 3, 2026

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Public Consultation Meeting #2:
April 7, 2026
(FY 2025-26 Draft Budget and Work Program and Proposed Amended Regulation III)

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Governing Board Budget and Fee Rule Workshop:
April 10, 2026

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Public Hearing:
May 1, 2026

Eight (8) months spent in rule development
Two (2) Public Consultation Meetings
One (1) Budget Advisory Committee Meeting
One (1) Governing Board Budget and Fee Rule Workshop

ATTACHMENT E

KEY CONTACTS LIST

Proposed Amended Regulation III - FEES

California Council for Environmental and Economic Balance

California Small Business Alliance

Community Environmental Services

Davenport Engineering

Southern California Air Quality Alliance

Western States Petroleum Association

ATTACHMENT F

RESOLUTION NO. 26-_____

A Resolution of the Governing Board of the South Coast Air Quality Management District (South Coast AQMD) determining that Proposed Amended Regulation III – Fees, which includes Proposed Amended Rule 301 – Permitting and Associated Fees, Proposed Amended Rule 303 – Hearing Board Fees, Proposed Amended Rule 304 – Equipment, Materials and Ambient Air Analyses, Proposed Amended Rule 304.1 – Analyses Fees, Proposed Amended Rule 306 – Plan Fees, Proposed Amended Rule 307.1 – Alternative Fees for Air Toxics Emissions Inventory, Proposed Amended Rule 308 – On-Road Motor Vehicle Mitigation Options Fees, Proposed Amended Rule 309 – Fees for Regulation XVI and Regulation XXV, Proposed Amended Rule 311 – Air Quality Investment Program (AQIP) Fees, Proposed Amended Rule 313 – Authority to Adjust Fees and Due Dates, Proposed Amended Rule 314 – Fees for Architectural Coatings, Proposed Amended Rule 315 – Fees for Training Classes and License Renewal, Proposed Amended Rule 316 – Fees for Rule 2305, and Proposed Amended Rule 316.2 – Fees for Rule 2306, is exempt from the requirements of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA).

A Resolution of the South Coast AQMD Governing Board amending Regulation III – Fees, which includes Rule 301 – Permitting and Associated Fees, Rule 303 – Hearing Board Fees, Rule 304 – Equipment, Materials and Ambient Air Analyses, Rule 304.1 – Analyses Fees, Rule 306 – Plan Fees, Rule 307.1 – Alternative Fees for Air Toxics Emissions Inventory, Rule 308 – On-Road Motor Vehicle Mitigation Options Fees, Rule 309 – Fees for Regulation XVI and Regulation XXV, Rule 311 – Air Quality Investment Program (AQIP) Fees, Rule 313 – Authority to Adjust Fees and Due Dates, Rule 314 – Fees for Architectural Coatings, and Rule 315 – Fees for Training Classes and License Renewal, Rule 316 – Fees for Rule 2305, and Rule 316.2 – Fees for Rule 2306.

WHEREAS, the South Coast AQMD Governing Board finds and determines that Proposed Amended Regulation III, which includes Proposed Amended Rules 301, 303, 304, 304.1, 306, 307.1, 308, 309, 311, 313, 314, 315, 316, and 316.2, is considered a "project" as defined by CEQA; and

WHEREAS, the South Coast AQMD has had its regulatory program certified pursuant to Public Resources Code Section 21080.5 and CEQA Guidelines Section 15251(l) and has conducted a CEQA review and analysis of the proposed project pursuant to such program (South Coast AQMD Rule 110); and

WHEREAS, the South Coast AQMD Governing Board finds and determines after conducting a review of the proposed project in accordance with CEQA Guidelines Section 15002(k) – General Concepts, the three-step process for deciding which document to prepare for a project subject to CEQA, and CEQA Guidelines Section 15061 – Review for Exemption, procedures for determining if a project is exempt from CEQA, that Proposed Amended Regulation III, which includes Proposed Amended Rules 301, 303, 304, 304.1, 306, 307.1, 308, 309, 311, 313, 314, 315, 316, and 316.2, is exempt from CEQA; and

WHEREAS, the South Coast AQMD Governing Board finds and determines that it can be seen with certainty that the proposed amendments to Regulation III, which include Proposed Amended Rules 301, 303, 304, 304.1, 306, 307.1, 308, 309, 311, 313, 314, 315, 316, and 316.2, and which involve proposed increased fees, are charges by public agencies for the purpose of meeting operating expenses and financial reserve needs and requirements that are statutorily exempt from CEQA pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15273 – Rates, Tolls, Fares, and Charges; and

WHEREAS, the South Coast AQMD Governing Board finds and determines that proposed amendments to Regulation III, which include Proposed Amended Rules 301, 303, 304, 304.1, 306, 307.1, 308, 309, 311, 313, 314, 315, 316, and 316.2, and which have no fee impact and are strictly administrative in nature such that it can be seen with certainty that their implementation would not cause a significant adverse effect on the environment are, therefore, exempt from CEQA pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15061(b)(3) – Common Sense Exemption; and

WHEREAS, the South Coast AQMD staff has prepared a Notice of Exemption for Proposed Amended Regulation III, which includes Proposed Amended Rules 301, 303, 304, 304.1, 306, 307.1, 308, 309, 311, 313, 314, 315, 316, and 316.2, that is completed in compliance with CEQA Guidelines Section 15062 – Notice of Exemption; and

WHEREAS, Proposed Amended Regulation III, which includes Proposed Amended Rules 301, 303, 304, 304.1, 306, 307.1, 308, 309, 311, 313, 314, 315, 316, and 316.2, including the Notice of Exemption, Final Staff Report, which includes the Socioeconomic Impact Assessment, and other supporting documentation, were presented to the South Coast AQMD Governing Board and the South Coast AQMD Governing Board has reviewed and considered this information, as well as has taken and considered staff testimony and public comment prior to approving the project; and

WHEREAS, the South Coast AQMD Governing Board finds and determines, taking into consideration the factors in section (d)(4)(D) of the Governing Board Procedures (codified as section 30.5(4)(D)(i) of the Administrative Code), that any modifications to the proposed project since the Notice of Public Hearing was published, are not so substantial as to significantly affect the meaning of Proposed Amended Regulation III, which includes Proposed Amended Rules 301, 303, 304, 304.1, 306, 307.1, 308, 309, 311, 313, 314, 315, 316, and 316.2, within the meaning of Health and Safety Code Section 40726 because correcting the reference typo in the Proposed Amended Rule 301 does not change the intended reference, and providing more time to submit AER reports does not impact what is required, and: (a) the changes do not impact emission reductions, (b) the changes do not affect the number or type of sources regulated by the rules, (c) the changes are consistent with the information contained in the Notice of Public Hearing, and (d) the consideration of the range of CEQA alternatives is not applicable because the proposed project is exempt from CEQA; and

WHEREAS, Proposed Amended Regulation III, which includes Proposed Amended Rules 301, 303, 304, 304.1, 306, 307.1, 308, 309, 311, 313, 314, 315, 316, and

316.2, is not a control measure in the 2022 Air Quality Management Plan (AQMP) and was not ranked by cost-effectiveness relative to other AQMP control measures in the 2022 AQMP; and

WHEREAS, Proposed Amended Regulation III, which includes Proposed Amended Rules 301, 303, 304, 304.1, 306, 307.1, 308, 309, 311, 313, 314, 315, 316, and 316.2, will not be submitted for inclusion into the State Implementation Plan; and

WHEREAS, Health and Safety Code Section 40727 requires that prior to adopting, amending, or repealing a rule or regulation, the South Coast AQMD Governing Board shall make findings of necessity, authority, clarity, consistency, non-duplication, and reference based on relevant information presented at the public hearing and in the Final Staff Report; and

WHEREAS, the South Coast AQMD Governing Board has determined that in order to add rule clarity and to recover reasonable and actual costs incurred by South Coast AQMD in meeting requirements of recently adopted rules and state mandates and implementing necessary clean air programs, a need exists to amend Regulation III, including Rules 301, 303, 304, 304.1, 306, 307.1, 308, 309, 311, 313, 314, 315, 316, and 316.2, to fund the Proposed Budget in fiscal year (FY) 2026-2027 and thereafter; and

WHEREAS, the South Coast AQMD Governing Board has determined that it is necessary to amend Rule 301 to add "Laser Cutting" to Table IB for permit fee rate schedule B1; and

WHEREAS, the South Coast AQMD Governing Board has determined that it is necessary to amend Rule 301 to retain administrative processing fees for rejected applications; and

WHEREAS, the South Coast AQMD Governing Board has determined that it is necessary to amend Rule 303 to clarify the applicability of the Hearing Board filing fees; and

WHEREAS, the South Coast AQMD Governing Board has determined that it is necessary to amend Rule 303 to clarify the applicability of the Hearing Board refund fees; and

WHEREAS, the South Coast AQMD Governing Board has determined that it is necessary to amend Rule 303 to remove the consent calendar fee table; and

WHEREAS, the South Coast AQMD Governing Board has determined that it is necessary to amend Rule 303 to correct the toxic air contaminant fees and add diesel particulate matter as a toxic air contaminant; and

WHEREAS, the South Coast AQMD Governing Board has determined that it is necessary to amend Rule 303 to include a new administration fee when the excess emission fee for a variance case is reviewed and/or evaluated by the South Coast AQMD; and

WHEREAS, the South Coast AQMD Governing Board has determined that it is necessary to amend Rule 301 to remove the maximum fees for evaluation of Continuous Emission Monitoring Systems and related systems and charge based on actual costs incurred; and

WHEREAS, the South Coast AQMD Governing Board has determined that it is necessary to amend Rule 301 to clarify the applicability of the public notice distribution fee; and

WHEREAS, the South Coast AQMD Governing Board has determined that it is necessary to amend Rule 301 to clarify the CEQA preparation activities for which costs are recovered; and

WHEREAS, the South Coast AQMD Governing Board has determined that it is necessary to amend Rule 301 to change the deadlines for emission reports and payments; and

WHEREAS, the South Coast AQMD Governing Board has determined that it is necessary to amend Rule 301 to clarify the applicability of the clean fuels fees; and

WHEREAS, the South Coast AQMD Governing Board has determined that it is necessary to amend Rule 301 to allow periodic invoicing of time and materials fees for Title V permit initial applications and renewals; and

WHEREAS, the South Coast AQMD Governing Board has determined that the Final Socioeconomic Report for Adjustment Based on Consumer Price Index for Regulation III – Fees, which analyzed the Consumer Price Index-based Fee Increase and the Socioeconomic Impact Assessment for Proposed Amended Regulation III, which includes Rules 301, 303, 304, 304.1, 306, 307.1, 308, 309, 311, 313, 314, 315, 316 and 316.2, the latter of which is found in the Final Staff Report, are consistent with the March 17, 1989 Governing Board Socioeconomic Resolution for rule adoption and the October 29, 2010 Governing Board Resolution pertaining to Rule 320 – Automatic Adjustment Based on Consumer Price Index for Regulation III Fees; and

WHEREAS, the South Coast AQMD Governing Board has determined that the Final Socioeconomic Report for Adjustment Based on Consumer Price Index for Regulation III – Fees and the Socioeconomic Impact Assessment for Proposed Amended Regulation III are consistent with the provisions of Health and Safety Code Sections 40440.8 and 40728.5, even though such assessments are not statutorily required in these circumstances; and

WHEREAS, the South Coast AQMD Governing Board has determined Proposed Amended Regulation III, which includes Proposed Amended Rules 301, 303, 304, 304.1, 306, 307.1, 308, 309, 311, 313, 314, 315, 316, and 316.2, will result in increased costs to the affected industries, yet are considered to be reasonable, with a total annualized cost as specified in the Final Socioeconomic Report for Adjustment Based on

Consumer Price Index for Regulation III – Fees and the Socioeconomic Impact Assessment for Proposed Amended Regulation III; and

WHEREAS, the South Coast AQMD Governing Board has actively considered the Final Socioeconomic Report for Adjustment Based on Consumer Price Index for Regulation III – Fees and the Socioeconomic Impact Assessment for Proposed Amended Regulation III and has made a good faith effort to minimize such impacts; and

WHEREAS, Health and Safety Code Section 40510.5(a) requires the South Coast AQMD Governing Board to find that an increased fee will result in an equitable apportionment of fees when increasing fees beyond the Consumer Price Index Based on relevant information presented at the public hearing and in the staff report, the proposed new fees in Proposed Amended Rules 301 and 303, are found to be equitably apportioned because such fees are necessary to better align program costs and revenues, are based on the reasonable costs to South Coast AQMD, and are reasonably related to the benefits received and burdens imposed by the fee payors; and

WHEREAS, the South Coast AQMD Governing Board obtains its authority to adopt, amend, or repeal rules and regulations from Health and Safety Code Sections 40000, 40001, 40440, 40500, 40500.1, 40502, 40506, 40510, 40510.5, 40511, 40522, 40522.5, 40523, 40701.5, 40702, 41512, and 44380, and federal Clean Air Act Section 502(b)(3) [42 U.S.C. Section 7661(b)(3)]; and

WHEREAS, the South Coast AQMD Governing Board has determined that Proposed Amended Regulation III, which includes Proposed Amended Rules 301, 303, 304, 304.1, 306, 307.1, 308, 309, 311, 313, 314, 315, 316, and 316.2, is written or displayed so that their meaning can be easily understood by the persons directly affected by them; and

WHEREAS, the South Coast AQMD Governing Board has determined that Proposed Amended Regulation III, which includes Proposed Amended Rules 301, 303, 304, 304.1, 306, 307.1, 308, 309, 311, 313, 314, 315, 316, and 316.2, is in harmony with, and not in conflict with or contradictory to, existing statutes, court decisions, or state or federal regulations; and

WHEREAS, the South Coast AQMD Governing Board has determined that Proposed Amended Regulation III, which includes Proposed Amended Rules 301, 303, 304, 304.1, 306, 307.1, 308, 309, 311, 313, 314, 315, 316, and 316.2, does not impose the same requirements as any existing state or federal regulation and is necessary and proper to execute the power and duties granted to, and imposed upon, the South Coast AQMD; and

WHEREAS, the South Coast AQMD Governing Board, in amending Regulation III, which includes amending Rules 301, 303, 304, 304.1, 306, 307.1, 308, 309, 311, 313, 314, 315, 316, and 316.2, references the following statutes which the South Coast AQMD hereby implements, interprets, or makes specific: Health and Safety Code Sections 40500, 40500.1, 40502, 40506, 40510, 40510.5, 40511, 40522, 40522.5, 40523, 41512,

and 44380, and federal Clean Air Act Section 502(b)(3) [42 U.S.C. Section 7661(b)(3)]; and

WHEREAS, a public hearing has been properly noticed in accordance with all provisions of Health and Safety Code Section 40725; and

WHEREAS, the South Coast AQMD Governing Board has held a public hearing in accordance with all applicable provisions of state and federal law; and

WHEREAS, the South Coast AQMD Governing Board has determined that Health and Safety Code Section 40920.6 is not applicable to Proposed Amended Regulation III, which includes Proposed Amended Rules 301, 303, 304, 304.1, 306, 307.1, 308, 309, 311, 313, 314, 315, 316, and 316.2, since Proposed Amended Regulation III, including Proposed Amended Rules 301, 303, 304, 304.1, 306, 307.1, 308, 309, 311, 313, 314, 315, 316, and 316.2, does not regulate air contaminants or implement Best Available Retrofit Control Technology requirements; and

WHEREAS, the South Coast AQMD Governing Board specifies the Planning and Rules Manager overseeing the rule development for Proposed Amended Regulation III, which includes Proposed Amended Rules 301, 303, 304, 304.1, 306, 307.1, 308, 309, 311, 313, 314, 315, 316, and 316.2, as the custodian of the documents or other materials which constitute the record of proceedings upon which the adoption of this proposed project is based, which are located at the South Coast AQMD, 21865 Copley Drive, Diamond Bar, California; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the South Coast AQMD Governing Board does hereby determine, pursuant to the authority granted by law, that Proposed Amended Regulation III, which includes Proposed Amended Rules 301, 303, 304, 304.1, 306, 307.1, 308, 309, 311, 313, 314, 315, 316, and 316.2, is statutorily exempt from CEQA pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15273 – Rates, Tolls, Fares, and Charges. The South Coast AQMD Governing Board does also hereby determine, pursuant to the authority granted by law, that Proposed Amended Regulation III, which includes Proposed Amended Rules 301, 303, 304, 304.1, 306, 307.1, 308, 309, 311, 313, 314, 315, 316, and 316.2, is exempt from CEQA pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15061(b)(3) – Common Sense Exemption. This information was presented to the South Coast AQMD Governing Board, whose members exercised their independent judgment and reviewed, considered, and approved the information therein prior to acting on Proposed Amended Regulation III, which includes Proposed Amended Rules 301, 303, 304, 304.1, 306, 307.1, 308, 309, 311, 313, 314, 315, 316, and 316.2; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the South Coast AQMD Governing Board finds that Proposed Amended Regulation III, which includes Proposed Amended Rules 301, 303, 304, 304.1, 306, 307.1, 308, 309, 311, 313, 314, 315, 316, and 316.2, establishes fees charged for the purposes of meeting operating expenses, which are necessary to recover reasonable and actual costs incurred by South Coast AQMD in meeting requirements of recently adopted rules and state mandates and implementing necessary clean air programs; and the South Coast AQMD Governing Board hereby

incorporates by reference the proposed FY 2026-2027 Budget as setting forth the bases for these findings; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the South Coast AQMD Governing Board finds, based on the evidence in the rule-making record, that the increases in fees that exceed the Consumer Price Index for FY 2026-2027 and thereafter are necessary to recover reasonable and actual costs incurred by South Coast AQMD in meeting requirements of recently adopted rules and state mandates and implementing necessary clean air programs and are equitably apportioned; and the Governing Board hereby incorporates by reference the explanation in the accompanying staff report, as setting forth the bases for these findings; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the South Coast AQMD Governing Board does hereby amend, pursuant to the authority granted by law, Regulation III, including Rules 301, 303, 304, 304.1, 306, 307.1, 308, 309, 311, 313, 314, 315, 316, and 316.2, as set forth in the attached, and incorporated herein by reference.

DATE:_____ _____

CLERK OF THE BOARDS

ATTACHMENTS G1-G14

PROPOSED AMENDED REGULATION III – FEES

Attach-ment	Rule	CPI	Proposed Amendments with Fee Impacts	Proposed Amendments with No Fee Impacts and/or Administrative Changes
G1	Proposed Amended Rule 301 – Permitting and Associated Fees	✓	✓	✓
G2	Proposed Amended Rule 303 – Hearing Board Fees	✓	✓	
G3	Proposed Amended Rule 304 – Equipment, Materials, and Ambient Air Analyses	✓		
G4	Proposed Amended Rule 304.1 – Analyses Fees	✓		
G5	Proposed Amended Rule 306 – Plan Fees	✓		
G6	Proposed Amended Rule 307.1 – Alternative Fees for Air Toxics Emissions Inventory	✓		
G7	Proposed Amended Rule 308 – On-Road Motor Vehicle Mitigation Options Fees	✓		
G8	Proposed Amended Rule 309 – Fees for Regulation XVI and Regulation XXV	✓		
G9	Proposed Amended Rule 311 – Air Quality Investment Program (AQIP) Fees	✓		
G10	Proposed Amended Rule 313 – Authority to Adjust Fees and Due Dates	✓		
G11	Proposed Amended Rule 314 – Fees for Architectural Coatings	✓		
G12	Proposed Amended Rule 315 – Fees for Training Classes and License Renewal	✓		
G13	Proposed Amended Rule 316 – Fees for Rule 2305	✓		
G14	Proposed Amended Rule 316.2 – Fees for	✓		

(Adopted 2/4/1977)(Amended 5/271977)(Amended 1/6/1978)(Amended 6/16/1978)(Amended 4/4/1980)
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(Amended 6/7/1991)(Amended 12/6/1991)(Amended 6/5/1992)(Amended 7/10/1992)(Amended 6/11/1993)
(Amended 10/8/1993)(Amended 6/10/1994)(Amended 5/12/1995)(Amended 10/13/1995)(Amended 5/10/1996)
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(Amended 5/6/2011)(Updated 7/1/2012)(Updated 7/1/2013)(Amended 6/6/2014)(Amended 5/1/2015)
(Updated 7/1/2016)(Amended 6/2/2017)(Amended 1/5/2018)(Amended 5/4/2018)(Amended 3/1/2019)
(Amended 5/3/2019)(Amended 6/7/2019)(Amended 7/12/2019)(Updated 7/1/2020)(Updated 7/1/2021)
(Amended May 6, 2022)(Amended May 5, 2023)(Amended May 3, 2024)
(Amended May 2, 2025)(Amended [*Date of Rule Adoption*])

Effective Date July 1, ~~2025~~2026

PROPOSED AMENDED RULE 301. PERMITTING AND ASSOCIATED FEES

(a) Applicability

California Health and Safety Code Section 40510 provides authority for the South Coast Air Quality Management District to adopt a fee schedule for the issuance of permits to cover the cost of evaluation, planning, inspection, and monitoring related to that activity. This rule establishes such a fee schedule and requires that fees be paid for:

(1) Permit processing for Facility Permits [see subdivisions (l), (m), and (n)], Facility Registrations [see subdivision (t)], and Permits to Construct and/or Permits to Operate equipment (submitted pursuant to Regulation II) that may cause air pollution or equipment intended to control air pollution [see subdivision (c)].

(2) Processing of applications for banking emission reduction credits; change of title of emissions reduction credits; alteration/modification of emission reduction credits; retirement of short term emission reduction credits for transfer into Rule 2202; and the transfer of ERCs out of Rule 2202 pursuant to Rule 2202 (h)(4); or conversion of emissions reduction credits, mobile source credits, or area source credits to short term emission reduction credits, pursuant to Regulation XIII [see paragraphs (c)(4) and (c)(5)].

(3) Annual operating permit renewal fee [see subdivision (d)].

(4) Annual operating permit emissions fee [see subdivision (e)] or Regional Clean Air Incentives Market (RECLAIM) Trading Credits (RTCs) [see subdivision (l)].

(5) Duplicate and reissued permits [see subdivision (f)].

(6) Reinstating expired applications or permits [see subdivision (g)].

(7) Reinstating revoked permits [see subdivision (h)].

(8) RECLAIM Transaction Registration Fee [see subdivision (l)].

(9) Non-Tradeable Allocation Credit Mitigation Fee [see subdivision (l)].

(10) Environmental Impact Analysis, Air Quality Analysis, Health Risk Assessment, Public Notification for Projects and Emission Reduction Credits (pursuant to Regulation XIII - New Source Review) [see paragraph (c)(4) and subdivision (j) of this rule].

(11) Asbestos demolition and renovation activities [see subdivision (o)].

(12) Lead abatement activities [see subdivision (p)].

(13) Evaluation of permit applications submitted for compliance under a National Emission Standard for Hazardous Air Pollutants (NESHAP) [see subdivision (q)].

(14) Certification of Clean Air Solvents [see subdivision (r)].

(b) Definitions

For the purpose of this rule, the following definitions shall apply:

(1) ALTERATION or MODIFICATION means any physical change, change in method of operation of, or addition to, existing equipment requiring an application for Permit to Construct pursuant to Rule 201. Routine maintenance and/or repair shall not be considered a physical change. A change in the method of operation of equipment, unless previously limited by an enforceable permit condition, shall not include:

(A) An increase in the production rate, unless such increase will cause the maximum design capacity of the equipment to be exceeded; or

(B) An increase in the hours of operation.

(2) ALTERNATIVE OPERATING CONDITION is an order established by the Hearing Board pursuant to subdivision (e) of this rule which, if recognized by the United States Environmental Protection Agency, authorizes a source to be operated in a specified manner that would otherwise not comply with an applicable requirement of the State Implementation Plan or a permit term or condition based on any such applicable requirement.

(3) BANKING means the process of recognizing and certifying emission reductions and registering transactions involving emission reduction credits.

(4) CANCELLATION is an administrative action taken by the District which nullifies or voids a previously pending application for a permit.

(5) CERTIFIED EQUIPMENT PERMIT means a permit issued to a manufacturer or distributor for a specific model or series of models of equipment. By this permit, the District certifies that the equipment meets all District rules and Best Available Control Technology (BACT) requirements under a set of conditions. Eligibility for the certification process shall be limited to equipment for which the following conditions exist, as determined by the Executive Officer:

(A) Equipment operation and emission characteristics will be applicable to a number of identical pieces of equipment;

(B) Permitting can be accomplished through the use of identical permit conditions for each piece of equipment regardless of use or location;

(C) The equipment is exempt from emission offsets as defined in Rule 1304(a)(4) or Rule 1304(a)(5); or the emissions of each criteria pollutant, except lead, are determined to be less than the limits listed in Rule 1303, Appendix A, Table A-1; and

(D) The equipment does not emit lead or the toxic emissions do not result in a Maximum Individual Cancer Risk (MICR) equal to or greater than one in a million as calculated according to Rule 1401.

Certified Equipment Permit shall be valid for one year, and shall be renewed annually if the Executive Officer determines the equipment meets all District rules and BACT requirements. Certification shall not relieve the person constructing, installing or operating the equipment from the requirement to obtain all necessary permits to construct and permits to operate, or from compliance with any other District rule including the requirements of Regulation XIII.

(6) CHANGE OF CONDITION means a change of a current permit condition that will not result in an emission increase. Any request for a Change in Condition to a previously enforceable permit condition that will result in a emission increase subject to the New Source Review Rules in Regulation XIII, XIV, or XX will be considered a change in the method of operation and processed as an Alteration or Modification.

(7) CLEAN AIR SOLVENT is as defined in Rule 102 as “Clean Air Solvent”.

(8) CLEAN AIR SOLVENT CERTIFICATE is as defined in Rule 102 as “Clean Air Solvent Certificate”.

(9) CONFINED ANIMAL FACILITY (CAF) means a source or group of sources of air pollution at an agricultural source for the raising of 3,360 or

more fowl or 50 or more animals, including but not limited to, any structure, building, installation, farm, corral, coop, feed storage area, milking parlor, or system for the collection, storage, or distribution of solid and liquid manure; if domesticated animals, including but not limited to, cattle, calves, horses, sheep, goats, swine, rabbits, chickens, turkeys, or ducks corralled, penned, or otherwise caused to remain in restricted areas for commercial agricultural purposes and feeding is by means other than grazing.

(10) CONTINUOUS EMISSIONS MONITORING SYSTEM (CEMS) is a system comprised of components that continuously measure all parameters necessary to determine pollutant concentration or pollutant mass emissions, pursuant to a District rule or regulation.

(A) For the purpose of this rule, a CEMS includes, but is not limited to, the following analyzers, monitors, components, systems, or equipment:

(i) Pollutant concentration analyzer(s) (e.g., NOx, SOx, CO, Total Sulfur) and associated sample collection, transport, and conditioning equipment, and data acquisition and logging systems,

(ii) Diluent gas analyzer (O_2 or CO_2),

(iii) Flow monitor (direct in-stack measurement or indirectly calculated from fuel usage or other process parameters approved by the Executive Officer), and

(iv) Other equipment (e.g., moisture monitor) as required to comply with monitoring requirements.

(B) For the purpose of this rule, a "time-shared CEMS" means a CEMS as described in paragraph (j)(5) which is common to several sources of emissions at the same facility.

(C) For the purpose of this rule, a "Fuel Sulfur Monitoring System" or "FSMS" may be used as an alternative to a CEMS SOx monitoring requirement, subject to District Rules and Regulations, and the approval of the Executive Officer. An FSMS is a total sulfur monitoring system configured similar to the CEMS described in paragraph (j)(5) but, as an alternative to directly monitoring SOx emissions at sources required to have SOx CEMS (at the same facility), SOx emission information at each affected source is

determined "indirectly" by monitoring the sulfur content of the fuel gas supply firing the affected sources.

(D) For the purpose of this rule, an "Alternative Continuous Emissions Monitoring System" or "ACEMS" (also known as a "Predictive or Parametric Emissions Monitoring System" or "PEMS") may be used as an alternative to a CEMS pollutant monitoring requirement, subject to District Rules and Regulations, and the approval of the Executive Officer. Instead of directly monitoring the pollutant emissions at a source required to have a CEMS as in paragraph (j)(5), emission information is "predicted" by the ACEMS or PEMS by monitoring key equipment operating parameters (e.g., temperature, pressure) at the affected source, irrespective of exhaust gas or fuel supply analysis.

(11) EMISSION FACTOR means the amount of air contaminant emitted per unit of time or per unit of material handled, processed, produced, or burned.

(12) EMISSION REDUCTION CREDIT (ERC) means the amount of emissions reduction which is verified and determined by the Executive Officer to be eligible for credit in an emissions reduction bank.

(13) EMISSION SOURCE is any equipment or process subject to Rule 222. The source does not require a permit, but the owner/operator is required to file information pursuant to Rule 222 and Rule 301(t).

(14) EQUIPMENT means any article, machine, or other contrivance, or combination thereof, which may cause the issuance or control the issuance of air contaminants, and which:

(A) Requires a permit pursuant to Rules 201 and/or 203; or

(B) Is in operation pursuant to the provisions of Rule 219

(15) EXPIRATION means the end of the period of validity for an application, Permit to Operate, or a temporary Permit to Operate.

(16) FACILITY means any source, equipment, or grouping of equipment or sources, or other air contaminant-emitting activities which are located on one or more contiguous properties within the District, in actual physical contact or separated solely by a public roadway or other public right-of-way, and are owned or operated by the same person (or persons under common control) or an outer continental shelf (OCS) source as defined in 40 CFR § 55.2. Such above-described groupings, if on noncontiguous properties but connected only by land carrying a pipeline, shall not be

considered one facility. Equipment or installations involved in crude oil and gas production in Southern California coastal or OCS waters, and transport of such crude oil and gas in Southern California coastal or OCS waters, shall be included in the same facility which is under the same ownership or use entitlement as the crude oil and gas facility on-shore.

(17) FACILITY PERMIT is a permit which consolidates existing equipment permits and all new equipment at a facility, into one permit. A facility permit may be issued pursuant to Regulation XX and/or XXX.

(18) FACILITY REGISTRATION is a permit which consolidates existing equipment permits and all new equipment at a facility into one permit. A Facility Registration may be issued at District discretion to any facility not subject to Regulation XX or XXX.

(19) GREENHOUSE GAS or "GHG" means carbon dioxide (CO2), methane (CH4), nitrous oxide (N2O), sulfur hexafluoride (SF6), hydrofluorocarbons (HFCs), perfluorocarbons (PFCs).

(20) IDENTICAL EQUIPMENT means any equipment which is of the same make and model, and is to be operated by the same operator, and have the same equipment address, and have the same operating conditions and processing material to the extent that a single permit evaluation would be required for the set of equipment. Portable equipment, while not operating at the same location, may qualify as identical equipment.

(21) NON-ROAD ENGINE is a portable engine that requires a permit and is certified by the Executive Officer to be a Non-Road Engine regulated by U.S. EPA pursuant to 40 CFR Part 89.

(22) PREMISES means one parcel of land or contiguous parcels of land under the same ownership or entitlement to use, not including the parcels which are remotely located and connected only by land carrying a pipeline.

(23) QUALIFYING PORTABLE ENGINE is a portable engine that requires a permit and is certified by the Executive Officer to meet all the requirements of Non-Road Engine of 40 CFR Part 89 except date of manufacture, and has been demonstrated to meet the emission limitations of 40 CFR Section 89.112-96.

(24) RECLAIM TRADING CREDITS (RTCs) means the amount of emissions credit available to a facility for use at the facility for transfer or sale to another party. Each RTC has a denomination of one pound of RECLAIM

pollutant and a term of one year, and can be issued as part of a facility's Annual Allocation or alternatively in the form of an RTC certificate.

(25) REGISTRATION PERMIT means a permit to construct or permit to operate issued to an owner/operator of equipment which has previously been issued a Certified Equipment Permit by the District. The owner/operator shall agree to operate under the conditions specified in the Certified Equipment Permit.

(26) RELOCATION means the removal of an existing source from one parcel of land in the District and installation on another parcel of land where the two parcels are not in actual physical contact and are not separated solely by a public roadway or other public right-of-way. The removal of a permit unit from one location within a facility and installation at another location within the facility is a relocation only if an increase in maximum individual cancer risk in excess of one in one million (1.0 x 10-6) or a Hazard Index of 1.0 occurs at any receptor location.

(27) REVOCATION is an action taken by the Hearing Board following a petition by the Executive Officer which invalidates a Permit to Construct or a Permit to Operate.

(28) SMALL BUSINESS is as defined in Rule 102 as "Small Business."

(29) SPECIFIC ORGANIC GASES are any of the following compounds:
trifluoromethane (HFC-23)
chlorodifluoromethane (HCFC-22)
dichlorotrifluoroethane (HCFC-123)
tetrafluoroethane (HFC-134a)
dichlorofluoroethane (HCFC-141b)
chlorodifluoroethane (HCFC-142b)
1,1,1-trifluoroethane (HFC-143a)
1,1-difluoroethane (HFC-152a)
cyclic, branched, or linear, completely fluorinated alkanes
cyclic, branched, or linear, completely fluorinated ethers with no unsaturations
cyclic, branched, or linear, completely fluorinated tertiary amines with no unsaturations
sulfur-containing perfluorocarbons with no unsaturations and with sulfur bonds only to carbon and fluorine.

(30) SOURCE means any grouping of equipment or other air contaminant-emitting activities which are located on parcels of land within the District, in actual physical contact or separated solely by a public roadway or other public right-of-way, and are owned or operated by the same person or by persons under common control. Such above-described groupings, if remotely located and connected only by land carrying a pipeline, shall not be considered one stationary source. (Under RECLAIM, a SOURCE is any individual unit, piece of equipment or process which may emit an air contaminant and which is identified, or required to be identified, in the RECLAIM Facility Permit).

(31) STREAMLINED STANDARD PERMIT means a permit issued for certain types of equipment or processes commonly permitted by ~~SCAQMD~~South Coast AQMD with pre-set levels of controls and emissions. The operating conditions and other qualifying criteria are pre-determined by the ~~SCAQMD~~ South Coast AQMD and provided to the permit applicant in the permit application package for concurrence.

(32) STATEWIDE EQUIPMENT is equipment with a valid registration certificate issued by CARB for the Statewide Portable Equipment Registration Program.

(33) TEMPORARY PERMIT TO OPERATE represents interim authorization to operate equipment until the Permit to Operate is granted or denied. A temporary Permit to Operate is not issued by the District but may exist pursuant to Rule 202.

(c) Fees for Permit Processing

(1) Permit Processing Fee

(A) Permit Processing Fee Applicability

Except as otherwise provided in this rule, every applicant who files an application for a Permit to Construct, Permit to Operate, Facility Permit, court judgments in favor of the District and administrative civil penalties or a revision to a Facility Permit, shall, at the time of filing, pay all delinquent fees associated with the facility and shall pay a permit processing fee.

(i) Except as otherwise provided in this paragraph, the permit processing fee shall be determined in accordance with the schedules (set forth in Table FEE RATE-A) at the time the application is deemed complete.

(ii) A person applying for permits for relocation of equipment shall pay fees in accordance with the schedules set forth in Table FEE RATE-A at the time the application is deemed complete. All fees due, within the past 3 years, from the previous facility for equipment for which a Change of Location application is filed, and all facility-specific fees (such as "Hot Spots" fees), must be paid before the Change of Location application is accepted.

(iii) A person applying for permits for any equipment/process not otherwise listed in Table IA or Table IB shall pay the fees associated with Schedule C. Prior to the issuance of a permit, these fees are subject to adjustment, as necessary.

(iv) In the event a Permit to Construct expires under the provisions of Rule 205, and the applicable rules, regulations, and BACT for that particular piece of equipment have not been amended since the original evaluation was performed, the permit processing fee for a subsequent application for a similar equipment shall be the fee established for an administrative change according to (c)(3)(C), provided the subsequent application is submitted within one (1) year from the date of expiration of either the Permit to Construct, or an approved extension of the Permit to Construct. This clause shall not apply if a request for an extension for the Permit to Construct has been denied.

(B) Notice of Amount Due and Effect of Nonpayment

For fees due upon notification, such notice may be given by personal service or sent by mail, electronic mail, or other electronic means, and shall be due thirty (30) days from the date of personal service, mailing, or electronic transmission. For the purpose of this subparagraph, the fee payment will be considered to be received by the District if it is delivered, postmarked, or electronically paid on or before the expiration date stated on the billing notice. If the expiration date falls on a Saturday, Sunday, or a state holiday, the fee payment may be delivered, postmarked, or electronically paid on the next business day following the Saturday, Sunday, or the state holiday with the same effect as if it had been delivered, postmarked,

or electronically paid on the expiration date. Nonpayment of the fee within this period of time will result in expiration of the application and voiding of the Permit to Construct or Permit to Operate. No further applications will be accepted from the applicant until such time as overdue permit processing fees have been fully paid. If an application is canceled, a permit processing fee will be charged if evaluation of the application has been initiated.

(C) Higher Fee for Failing to Obtain a Permit

(i) When equipment is operated, built, erected, installed, altered, or replaced (except for replacement with identical equipment) without the owner/operator first obtaining a required Permit to Construct or Permit to Operate, the permit processing fee shall be 150 percent (150%) of the amount set forth in Table FEE RATE-A unless the applicant is a Small Business as defined in this provision and the facility has no prior permit applications, Permit to Construct or Permit to Operate (as evidenced by a facility identification number) with the District in which case the permit processing fee shall be the amount set forth in Table FEE RATE-A. If a facility has been issued a Notice of Violation (NOV), there shall be no waiver of the higher fee. The applicant shall also remit annual operating fees for the source for a full three (3) years, or the actual years of operation if less than three (3) years. The assessment of such fee shall not limit the District's right to pursue any other remedy provided for by law. Fees are due and payable within thirty (30) days of receipt of notification. [See subparagraph (c)(2)(B).] However, the higher fee shall be waived if the application is being submitted for equipment that was previously permitted (issued either a Permit to Construct or a Permit to Operate) but had expired due to non-payment of fees, provided the application is submitted within one (1) year of the expiration date, and that permit is reinstateable under subdivision (g) of this rule.

(ii) For purposes of assessing a higher fee for failing to obtain a permit only, small business shall be defined as a business

which is independently owned and operated and not an affiliate of a non-small business entity and meets the following criteria:

(A) If a non-manufacturer, the number of employees is 25 or less and the total gross annual receipts are $1,000,000 or less; or

(B) If a manufacturer, the number of employees is 50 or less and the total gross annual receipts are $5,000,000 or less, or

(C) Is a not-for-profit training center.

(iii) This clause shall apply to applications for a Permit to Operate for equipment already constructed without first obtaining a required Permit to Construct. If, at the time the Permit to Operate is granted or denied, it is determined that any annual operating permit fee as provided in subdivision (d) of this rule had been based on incorrect information, the applicant will be billed for or credited with the difference, as appropriate.

(D) Small Business

When applications are filed in accordance with the provisions of subparagraphs (c)(1)(A), (c)(1)(G)(i), (c)(1)(C) or paragraph (c)(3) for a Small Business as defined in Rule 102 – Definition of Terms, the fees assessed shall be fifty percent (50%) of the amount set forth in Table FEE RATE-A.

(E) Fees for Permit Processing for Identical Equipment and Processing of Applications for Short Term Emission Reduction Credits

When applications are submitted in accordance with the provisions of subparagraphs (c)(1)(A), (c)(1)(C), (c)(1)(D), (c)(1)(H), paragraphs (c)(3) or (c)(4) concurrently for identical equipment, or for change of title or alteration/modification of short term emission reduction credits, full fees for the first application, and fifty percent (50%) of the applicable processing fee for each additional application shall be assessed. The provisions of this subparagraph do not apply to Certified Equipment Permits, Registration Permits, and the exceptions mentioned in subparagraphs (c)(3)(A), (c)(3)(B), and (c)(3)(C).

(F) Discounts for Small Business and Identical Equipment

Applications qualifying with the provisions of both subparagraph (c)(1)(D) and (c)(1)(E) shall only be entitled to one fee discount equivalent to the maximum discount afforded under either subparagraph.

(G) Fees for Permit Processing for Certified Equipment Permits and Registration Permits

(i) Persons applying for a Certified Equipment Permit shall pay a one-time permit processing fee for each application. The fee shall be determined in accordance with Table FEE RATE-A. No annual operating permit renewal fee shall be charged.

(ii) A permit processing fee equal to 50% of Schedule A Permit Processing Fee of Table FEE RATE-A shall be assessed to a person applying for a Change of Owner/Operator for a Certified Equipment Permit.

(iii) A permit processing fee equal to 50% of Schedule A Permit Processing Fee of Table FEE RATE-A shall be charged to a person applying for a Registration Permit to Construct and Permit to Operate for certified equipment. Annual operating permit renewal fees shall be paid pursuant to subdivision (d).

(iv) When certified equipment is built, erected, installed, or replaced (except for identical replacement) without the owner/operator obtaining a required Rule 201 Permit to Construct, the permit processing fee assessed shall be 150 percent (150%) of the amount set forth in subparagraph (c)(1)(G)(iii) of Rule 301.

(H) Applications Submitted for Equipment Previously Exempted by Rule 219

When applications for equipment are submitted within one year after the adoption of the most recent amendment to Rule 219 and are filed in accordance with the provisions of subparagraphs (c)(1)(A), (c)(1)(E), paragraphs (c)(2), or (c)(3) and require a permit, solely due to the most recent amendments to Rule 219, the permit processing fees assessed shall be in accordance with Schedule A of Table FEE RATE-A.

(I) Standard Streamlined Permits

The Streamlined Standard Permit application processing fee shall be ~~$1,293.43~~$1,334.82, except that the fee shall not exceed the applicable permit processing fee including small business discount if applicable. There shall be no small business discount on the basic fee of ~~$1,293.43~~$1,334.82. Applications submitted for existing equipment which is operating and qualifies for a Streamlined Standard Permit shall be assessed an application processing fee in accordance with the provisions of subparagraph 301(c)(1)(C). Standard Streamlined Permits may be issued for the following equipment or processes: Replacement dry-cleaning equipment and Lithographic printing equipment.

(2) Fee for Change of Owner/Operator or Additional Operator

Under Rule 209 (Transfer and Voiding of Permits), a permit granted by the District is not transferable. Every applicant who files an application for a change of owner/operator or additional operator with the same operating conditions of a Permit to Operate shall be subject to a permit processing fee as follows:

(A) The permit processing fee shall be as established in Table FEE RATE-C for equipment at one location so long as the new owner/operator files an application for a Permit to Operate within one (1) year from the last renewal of a valid Permit to Operate and does not change the operation of the affected equipment. All fees billed from the date of application submittal that are associated with the facility for equipment for which a Change of Owner/Operator or Additional Operator application is filed, and all facility-specific fees (such as "Hot Spots" fees), must be paid before the Change of Owner/Operator or Additional Operator application is accepted. If after an application is received and ~~SCAQMD~~ South Coast AQMD determines that fees are due, the new owner/operator shall pay such fees within 30 days of notification. If the fees are paid timely, the owner/operator will not be billed for any additional fees billed to the previous owner/operator.

(B) If an application for change of owner/operator of a permit is not filed within one (1) year from the last annual renewal of the permit under the previous owner/operator, the new owner/operator shall submit

an application for a new Permit to Operate, along with the permit processing fee as prescribed in subparagraph (c)(1)(A). A higher fee, as described in subparagraph (c)(1)(C), shall apply.

(3) Change of Operating Condition, Alteration/Modification/Addition

All delinquent fees, and court judgments in favor of the District and administrative civil penalties associated with the facility must be paid before a Change of Operating Condition, Alteration/Modification/Addition application will be accepted. When an application is filed for a permit involving change of operating conditions, and/or a permit involving proposed alterations/modifications or additions resulting in a change to any existing equipment for which a Permit to Construct or a Permit to Operate was granted and has not expired in accordance with these rules, the permit processing fee shall be the amount set forth in Table FEE RATE-A. The only exceptions to this fee shall be:

(A) Permits that must be reissued with conditions prohibiting the use of toxic materials and for which no evaluation is required, no physical modifications of equipment are made, and the use of substitute materials does not increase Volatile Organic Compounds (VOC) by more than 0.5 pound in any one day. When an application is filed for a modification described by this exception, the permit processing fee shall be the applicable fee as shown in the table below in this subparagraph:

Facility Type	Non-Title V	Title V
	~~$1,293.43~~$1,334.82	~~$1,620.80~~$1,672.67

(B) Permits that must be reissued to reflect the permanent removal of a standby fuel supply, or to render equipment non-operational shall pay the applicable reissue permit fee as shown in the tables below in this subparagraph, as follows:

(i) Does not result in a new source review emission adjustment:

Facility Type	Non-Title V (per equipment or reissued permit)	Title V (per equipment or reissued permit)
	~~$947.11~~$977.42	~~$1,186.83~~$1,224.81

(ii) Does result in a new source review emission adjustment:

Facility Type	Non-Title V (per equipment)	Title V (per equipment)
	~~$2,483.17~~$2,562.63	~~$3,111.64~~$3,211.21

(C) Permits reissued for an administrative change in permit description, for splitting a permit into two or more permits based on Equipment/Process listed in Table IA or IB (an application is required for each Equipment/Process) or for a change in permit conditions based on actual operating conditions and which do not require any engineering evaluation and do not cause a change in emissions, shall be charged a fee according to the following schedule:

Schedule	Non-Title V	Title V
A	~~$947.12~~$977.43	~~$1,186.83~~$1,224.81
A1	~~$947.12~~$977.43	~~$1,186.83~~$1,224.81
B	~~$1,293.43~~$1,334.82	~~$1,620.80~~$1,672.67
B1	~~$1,293.43~~$1,334.82	~~$1,620.80~~$1,672.67
C	~~$1,293.43~~$1,334.82	~~$1,620.80~~$1,672.67

Schedule	Non-Title V	Title V
D	~~$1,293.43~~$1,334.82	~~$1,620.80~~$1,672.67
E	~~$1,293.43~~$1,334.82	~~$1,620.80~~$1,672.67
F	~~$1,293.43~~$1,334.82	~~$1,620.80~~$1,672.67
G	~~$1,293.43~~$1,334.82	~~$1,620.80~~$1,672.67
H	~~$1,293.43~~$1,334.82	~~$1,620.80~~$1,672.67

(D) For permits reissued because of Rule 109, which do not result in Best Available Control Technology (BACT) determination, the permit processing fee shall be 50% of the amount set forth in Table FEE RATE-A.

(4) Fee for Evaluation of Applications for Emission Reductions

Every applicant who files an application for banking of emission reduction credits; change of title of emission reduction credits; alteration/modification of emission reduction credits; or conversion of emission reduction credits, mobile source credits, or area source credits to short term emission reduction credits, as described in paragraph (a)(2) of this rule shall, at the time of filing, pay a processing fee in accordance with Schedule I in Table FEE RATE-B. Additionally, the applicant shall, if required by Rule 1310(c), either:

(A) Pay a fee for publication of public notice and a preparation fee as per Rule 301(j)(4), or

(B) Arrange publication of the public notice independent of the District option and provide to the Executive Officer a copy of the proof of publication.

(5) Fees for Retirement of Short Term Emission Reduction Credits for Transfer into Rule 2202, and for ERCs Transfer Out of Rule 2202.

Any applicant who files an application to transfer a short term emission reduction credit certificate into Rule 2202 or to transfer ERCs out of Rule

2202 pursuant to Rule 2202 – On-Road Motor Vehicle Mitigation Options shall, at the time of filing, pay the fee as listed in Table FEE RATE-B.

(6) Refunds

(A) If an application for a permit to construct is canceled or rejected, permit processing fees, less the application cancellation/rejection fee, will be refunded if the permit evaluation has not been initiated by the District. The application cancellation fee will be ~~$300.52~~$310.14.

(B) Any fee paid to the District to process a permit application or equipment registration shall be refunded upon finding by the Executive Officer that the District erroneously requested filing of the application or registration. The cancellation/rejection fee required in subparagraph (c)(6)(A) shall not apply when the application was filed based on an erroneous District request.

(C) If a facility or equipment is operated in violation of District Rules or Regulations during any portion of the time period for which the fee was assessed, there shall be no refund if the application is cancelled.

(D) Applications filed for a Permit to Operate for equipment which has been operating without a required District permit will not receive a refund if the application is cancelled.

(d) Annual Operating Permit Renewal Fee

(1) Renewal of Permit to Operate

All Permits to Operate (including temporary Permits to Operate pursuant to Rule 202) for equipment on the same premises shall be renewed on the annual renewal date set by the Executive Officer. A Permit to Operate is renewable if the permit is valid according to the District's Rules and Regulations and has not been voided or revoked and if the annual operating permit fee is paid within the time and upon the notification specified in paragraph (d)(8) of this rule and if all court judgments in favor of the District and administrative civil penalties associated with the facility are paid.

(2) Annual Operating Fees

The annual operating permit renewal fee shall be assessed in accordance with the following schedules:

Equipment/Process Schedules in Tables IA and IB	Non-Title V Annual Operating Permit Renewal Fee	Title V Annual Operating Permit Renewal Fee
A1	~~$282.27~~$291.30	~~$353.70~~$365.02
A, B, and B1 (excluding Rule 461liquid fuel dispensing nozzles)	~~$565.63~~$583.73	~~$708.80~~$731.48
C and D	~~$2,025.92~~$2,090.75	~~$2,538.65~~$2,619.89
E, F, G, and H	~~$4,864.48~~$5,020.14	~~$6,095.70~~$6,290.76
Rule 461 liquid fuel dispensing system	~~$167.19~~$172.54 per product dispensed per nozzle	~~$209.53~~$216.23 per product dispensed per nozzle

In addition to the annual operating permit renewal fees based on equipment/process, each RECLAIM/Title V facility shall pay the additional fee of:

Title V Facility	~~$1,027.61~~$1,060.49 per facility
RECLAIM Facility	~~$1,360.85~~$1,404.40 per Major Device
	~~$272.16~~$280.87 per Large Device
	~~$272.16~~$280.87 per Process Unit Device
RECLAIM and Title V Facility	RECLAIM fee + Title V fee

(3) Credit for Solar Energy Equipment

Any permittee required to pay an annual operating permit renewal fee shall receive an annual fee credit for any solar energy equipment installed at the site where the equipment under permit is located. Solar energy projects that receive grant funding from the Rule 1309.1 – Priority Reserve account shall not be eligible for this annual fee credit.

(A) Computation

The design capacity of the solar energy equipment expressed in thousands of British Thermal Units (Btu) per hour shall be used to determine the fee credit calculated at ~~$2.52~~$2.60 per 1,000 Btu.

(B) Limitation

The solar energy credit shall not exceed the annual operating permit renewal fee for all permits at the site where the solar energy equipment is located.

(4) Renewal of Temporary Permit to Operate New Equipment

A Permit to Construct, which has not expired or has not been canceled or voided, will be considered a temporary Permit to Operate on the date the applicant completes final construction and commences operation, pursuant to subdivision (a) of Rule 202. For the purposes of this paragraph, the date specified as the estimated completion date on the application for Permit to Construct will be considered the date of commencement of operation, unless the applicant notifies the District in writing that operation will commence on another date, or unless the equipment already has been placed in operation. Such temporary Permit to Operate shall be valid for the period of time between commencement of operation and the applicant's next annual renewal date following commencement of operation and shall be subject to a prorated amount of the annual operating permit renewal fee prescribed in paragraph (d)(2). The proration shall be based on the time remaining to the next annual renewal date. On that next annual renewal date, and each year thereafter, the annual operating permit renewal fee for the temporary Permit to Operate shall be due in the amount prescribed in paragraph (d)(2).

(5) Renewal of Temporary Permit to Operate Existing Equipment

In the case of equipment operating under a temporary Permit to Operate issued pursuant to subdivision (c) of Rule 202, where a Permit to Construct was not issued, the company is immediately subject to a prorated amount of the annual operating permit renewal fee prescribed in paragraph (d)(2) following the submission of the completed application for Permit to Operate. The proration shall be based on the time remaining to the next annual renewal date. On that next annual renewal date, and each year thereafter, the annual operating permit renewal fee shall be due in the amount prescribed in paragraph (d)(2). If no annual renewal date has been

established, the Executive Officer shall set one upon receipt of the application.

(6) Annual Renewal Date

If, for any reason, the Executive Officer determines it is necessary to change the annual renewal date, all annual operating permit renewal fees shall be prorated according to the new annual renewal date.

(7) Annual Renewal Date for Change of Operator

The same annual renewal date shall apply from one change of owner/operator to another.

(8) Notice of Amount Due and Effect of Nonpayment

At least thirty (30) days before the annual renewal date, the owner/operator of equipment under permit will be notified by mail, electronic mail, or other electronic means, of the amount to be paid and the due date. If such notice is not received at least thirty (30) days before the annual renewal date, the owner/operator of equipment under permit shall notify the District on or before the permit renewal date that said notice was not received. The annual operating permit renewal fee for each permit shall be in the amount described in paragraph (d)(2). If the annual operating permit renewal fee is not paid within thirty (30) days after the due date, the permit will expire and no longer be valid. In the case of a RECLAIM facility, if the individual device fee(s) are not paid, the application(s) associated with the device(s) shall expire and no longer be valid. For a Title V facility, if the Title V facility fee, which is not based on any specific equipment but applies to the whole facility, is not paid, the Title V facility permit shall expire. In such a case, the owner/operator will be notified by mail, electronic mail, or other electronic means, of the expiration and the consequences of operating equipment without a valid permit, as required by Rule 203 (Permit to Operate). For the purpose of this paragraph, the fee payment will be considered to be received by the District if it is delivered, postmarked, or electronically paid on or before the expiration date stated on the billing notice. If the expiration date falls on a Saturday, Sunday, or a state holiday, the fee payment may be delivered, postmarked, or electronically paid on the next business day following the Saturday, Sunday, or state holiday with the same effect as if it had been postmarked on the expiration date.

(9) Annual Operating Fees for Redundant Emission Controls

Any person holding permits to operate for two or more emission controls applicable to the same equipment who establishes that any of the emission controls is redundant, i.e., not necessary to assure compliance with all applicable legal requirements, shall not be required to pay annual operating permit renewal fees under subdivision (d) for the redundant equipment. The Executive Officer may reinstate the obligation to pay such fees at any time upon determination that operating the control is or has become necessary to assure compliance with any applicable legal requirements.

(e) Annual Operating Emissions Fees

(1) Annual Operating Emission Fee Applicability

In addition to the annual operating permit renewal fee, the owner/operator of all equipment operating under permit shall pay annual emissions fees if any of the criteria in subparagraphs (e)(1)(A) through (e)(1)(C) are met.

(A) The owner/operator of a facility operates equipment under at least one permit.

(B) The total weight of emissions at a facility are greater than or equal to the thresholds for any of the contaminants specified in paragraph (e)(5), except for ammonia, 1,1,1 trichloroethane, and chlorofluorocarbons, from all equipment used by the owner/operator at all locations. The total weight of emissions of each of the contaminants specified in paragraph (e)(5) includes:

(i) Emissions from permitted equipment

(ii) Emissions resulting from all products which continue to passively emit air contaminants after they are manufactured, or processed by such equipment, with the exception of such product that is shipped or sold out of the District so long as the manufacturer submits records which will allow for the determination of emissions within the District from such products.

(iii) Emissions from equipment or processes not requiring a written permit pursuant to Regulation II.

(C) The owner/operator of a facility that reports emissions to the District pursuant to CARB's Criteria and Toxics Reporting Regulation (17 California Code of Regulations section 93400 et seq.) or pursuant to CARB's AB 2588 Air Toxics "Hot Spots" Emission Inventory

Criteria and Guidelines Regulation (17 California Code of Regulations section 93300.5).

(2) Emissions Reporting and Fee Calculation

Each facility subject to subparagraph (e)(1)(B) shall annually report all emissions for all pollutants listed in paragraph (e)(5) and Table IV by April ~~1~~10 of the following year (the official due date) and incur an emissions fee as prescribed in Table III. Additionally, all major stationary sources of NOx and/or VOC, as defined in Rule 317, Rule 317.1 and other rule(s) implementing section 185 of the federal Clean Air Act, shall annually report and pay the appropriate clean air act nonattainment fees for all actual source emissions including but not limited to permitted, unpermitted, unregulated and fugitive emissions.

Non-permitted emissions, except if emitted at a facility subject to any rule implementing Section 185 of the Clean Air Act, which are not regulated by the District shall not be reported and shall be excluded from emission fees if the facility provides a demonstration that the emissions are not regulated and maintains sufficient records to allow the accurate demonstration of such non-regulated emissions.

(3) Exception for the Use of Clean Air Solvents

An owner/operator shall not pay a fee for emissions from the use of Clean Air Solvents issued a valid Certificate from the District so long as the facility submits separate records which allow the determination of annual emissions, usage, and identification of such products. A copy of the Clean Air Solvent certificate issued to the manufacturer or distributor shall be submitted with the separate records.

(4) Flat Annual Operating Emission Fee

The owner/operator of all equipment subject to paragraph (e)(1)(A) (not including certifications, registrations or plans) shall each year be assessed a flat annual emissions fee of ~~$170.94~~$176.41.

(5) Emission Fee Thresholds

Air Contaminant(s)	Annual Emissions Threshold
Gaseous sulfur compounds (expressed as sulfur dioxide)	≥4 TPY
Total organic gases (excluding methane and exempt compounds as defined in Rule 102, and specific organic gases as specified in subdivision(b))	≥4 TPY
Specific organic gases as specified in subdivision (b)	≥4 TPY
Oxides of nitrogen (expressed as nitrogen oxide)	≥4 TPY
Total particulate matter	≥4 TPY
Carbon monoxide	≥100 TPY
Ammonia	>0.1 TPY
Chlorofluorocarbons	>1 lb per year
1,1,1 Trichloroethane	>1 lb per year

(6) Clean Fuels Fee

Each facility emitting 250 tons or more per year (≥ 250 TPY) of Volatile Organic Compounds, Nitrogen Oxides, Sulfur Oxides, or ~~and~~ Particulate Matter shall pay an annual clean fuels fee for all emissions from each pollutant that exceeds 250 tons per year as prescribed in Table V (California Health and Safety Code Section 40512).

(7) Fees for Toxic Air Contaminants

Each facility subject to subparagraph (e)(1)(B) or (C) emitting a toxic air contaminant greater than or equal to the annual thresholds listed in Table IV shall be assessed annual emissions fees as indicated in subparagraphs (e)(7)(A). The annual emissions fees for toxic air contaminants shall be based on the total weight of emissions of these contaminants associated with all equipment and processes including, but not limited to, material usage, handling, processing, loading/unloading; combustion byproducts, and fugitives (equipment/component leaks).

(A) For emissions reported before January 1, 2020, any facility subject to paragraph (e)(7) that emits any toxic air contaminant greater than the thresholds listed in Table IV shall pay the fees listed in Table

IV. For emissions reported after January 1, 2020, any facility subject to paragraph (e)(7) that emits any toxic air contaminant greater than the thresholds listed in Table IV shall not pay the fees in Table IV and shall instead pay the following fees:

(i) A Base Toxics Fee of ~~$87.84~~$90.65;

(ii) A Flat Rate Device Fee of ~~$384.89~~$397.21 for each device, including permitted and unpermitted equipment with emissions of any pollutant above the annual thresholds listed in Table IV;

(iii) A Cancer-Potency Weighted Fee of ~~$11.26~~$11.62 per cancer-potency weighted pound of facility-wide emissions for each pollutant listed in Table IV. The cancer-potency weighted emissions of each toxic air contaminant listed in Table IV shall be calculated as follows:

CPWE = TAC x CPF x MPF

Where:

CPWE = Cancer Potency Weighted Emissions

TAC = Emissions (pounds) of a Table IV toxic air contaminant

CPF = Cancer Potency Factor for the reported toxic air contaminant

MPF = Multi-Pathway Factor for the reported toxic air contaminant

The CPF and MPF shall be equal to those specified in the Rule 1401 Risk Assessment Procedures that were current at the time that the emissions were required to be reported.

(B) The following facilities are exempt from paying specified toxics emissions fees:

(i) Any dry cleaning facility that emits less than two (2) tons per year of perchloroethylene, and qualifies as a small business as defined in the general definition of Rule 102 shall be exempt from paying any fees listed in subparagraph (e)(7)(A).

(ii) Any facility that emits less than two (2) tons per year, of formaldehyde, perchloroethylene, or methylene chloride,

may petition the Executive Officer, at least thirty (30) days prior to the official submittal date of the annual emissions report as specified in paragraph (e)(10), for exemption from formaldehyde, perchloroethylene, or methylene chloride fees as required in subparagraph (e)(7)(A). Exemption from emissions fees shall be granted if the facility demonstrates that no alternatives to the use of these substances exist, no control technologies exist, and that the facility qualifies as a small business as defined in the general definition of Rule 102.

(iii) Any facility that is located more than one mile from a residential or other sensitive receptor shall be exempt from paying fees in clause (e)(7)(A)(iii).

(8) Reporting of Total Emissions from Preceding Reporting Period and Unreported or Under-reported Emissions from Prior Reporting Periods

(A) The owner/operator of equipment subject to paragraph (e)(2) shall report to the Executive Officer the total emissions for the immediate preceding reporting period of each of the air contaminants listed in Table III and Table IV from all equipment. The report shall be made at the time and in the manner prescribed by the Executive Officer. The permit holder shall report the total emissions for the twelve (12) month period reporting for each air contaminant concerned from all equipment or processes, regardless of the quantities emitted.

(B) The Executive Officer will determine default emission factors applicable to each piece of permitted equipment or group of permitted equipment, and make them available to the owner/operator in a manner specified by the Executive Officer and provide them to the owner/operator upon request. In determining emission factors, the Executive Officer will use the best available data. A facility owner/operator can provide alternative emission factors that more accurately represent actual facility operations subject to the approval of the Executive Officer.

(C) A facility owner/operator shall report to the Executive Officer, in the same manner, and quantify any emissions of air contaminants in previous reporting periods which had not been reported correctly

and should have been reported under the requirements in effect in the reporting period in which the emissions occurred.

(D) The reported emissions shall be certified by an authorized official. For purposes of reporting, an "authorized official" is defined as an individual who has knowledge and responsibility for emissions data and has been authorized by an officer of the permit holder to submit and certify the accuracy of the data presented in the emissions report on behalf of the permit holder, based on best available knowledge.

(9) Request to Amend Emissions Report and Refund of Emission Fees

(A) A facility owner/operator shall submit a written request (referred to as an "Amendment Request") for any proposed revisions to previously submitted annual emissions reports. Amendment requests with no fee impact, submitted after one (1) year ~~and seventy-five (75) days~~ from the official due date of the subject annual emissions report shall include a non-refundable standard evaluation fee of ~~$446.21~~$460.49 for each subject facility and reporting period. Evaluation time beyond two hours shall be assessed at the rate of ~~$223.14~~$230.28 per hour and shall not exceed ten (10) hours. Amendment requests received within one year (1) ~~and seventy five (75) days~~ from the official due date of a previously submitted annual emissions report shall not incur any such evaluation fees. The Amendment Request shall include all supporting documentation and copies of revised applicable forms.

(B) A facility owner/operator shall submit a written request (referred to as a "Refund Request") to correct the previously submitted annual emissions reports and request a refund of overpaid emission fees. Refund Requests must be submitted within one (1) year ~~and seventy five (75) days~~ from the official due date of the subject annual emissions report to be considered valid. The Refund Request shall include all supporting documentation and copies of revised applicable forms. If the Refund Request is submitted within one (1) year ~~and seventy five (75) days~~ from the official due date of the subject annual emissions report, and results in no fee impact, then the facility owner/operator shall be billed for the evaluation fee pursuant to subparagraph (e)(9)(A).

(10) Notice to Pay and Late Filing Surcharge

(A) The facility owner/operator shall submit an annual emissions report and pay any associated emissions fees if a notice to report emissions is sent by mail, electronic mail, or other electronic means, annually to the owners/operators of all equipment (as shown in District records) for which this subdivision applies. A notice to pay the clean fuels fee specified in paragraph (e)(6) or semi-annual fee specified in paragraph (e)(11) will also be sent by mail, electronic mail, or other electronic means, to facilities which in the preceding reporting year emitted any air contaminant equal to or greater than the emission thresholds specified in subparagraph (e)(11)(A). Emissions reports and fee payment submittals are the responsibility of the owner/operator regardless of whether the owner/operator was notified.

If both the fee payment and the completed annual emissions report are not received by the ~~seventy-fifth (75th) day following January 1~~ official due date or the fee payment not received by ~~the seventy-fifth (75th) day following July 1~~ September 14 (for semi-annual and clean fuels fees), they shall be considered late, and surcharges for late payment shall be imposed as set forth in subparagraph (e)(10)(B). For the purpose of this subparagraph, the emissions fee payment and the emissions report shall be considered to be timely received by the District if it is delivered, postmarked, or electronically paid on or before ~~the seventy-fifth (75th) day following~~ the official due date. If the ~~seventy-fifth (75th) day~~ official due date falls on a Saturday, Sunday, or a ~~state~~ holiday (as set forth in Government Code Sections 6700 and 6701), the fee payment and emissions report may be delivered, postmarked, or electronically paid on the next business day following the Saturday, Sunday, or the state holiday with the same effect as if they had been delivered, postmarked, or electronically paid on the ~~seventy-fifth (75th) day~~official due date.

(B) ~~The 2025 annual emissions report and associated fee payment shall be considered to be timely received by the District if the report is electronically submitted and payment is delivered, postmarked, or electronically paid on or before May 1, 2026.~~ If the fee payment and emissions report are not received within the time prescribed by

subparagraph (e)(10)(A) or (e)(11)(C), a surcharge shall be assessed and added to the original amount of the emission fee due according to the following schedule:

Less than 30 days	5% of reported amount
30 to 90 days	15% of reported amount
91 days to 1 year	25% of reported amount
More than 1 year	(See subparagraph (e)(10)(D))

(C) If an annual emission fee or clean fuels fee is timely paid, and if, within one year after the ~~seventy-fifth (75th) day from the~~ official due date of the annual emission report, the fee paid is determined to be less than ninety percent (90%) of the full amount that should have been paid, a fifteen percent (15%) surcharge shall be added, ~~and~~ which ~~is~~ shall be calculated based on the difference between the amount actually paid and the amount that should have been paid, to be referred to as underpayment. ~~–~~If payment was ninety percent (90%) or more of the correct amount due, the difference or underpayment shall be paid but with no surcharges added. ~~-~~The fee rate to be applied shall be the fee rate in effect for the year in which the emissions actually occurred. ~~-~~If the underpayment is discovered after one (1) year ~~and seventy five (75) days~~ from the official fee due date of the annual emission report, fee rates and surcharges will be assessed based on subparagraph (e)(10)(D).

(D) The fees due and payable for the emissions reported or reportable pursuant to subparagraph (e)(8)(C) shall be assessed according to the fee rate for that contaminant specified in Tables III, IV, and V~~,~~ and paragraph (e)(7) and further increased by fifty percent (50%). The fee rate to be applied shall be the fee rate in effect for the year in which the emissions actually occurred.

(E) Effective July 1, 2019, if the underpayment is a result of emissions related to a source test that was submitted to the Source Test unit for approval prior to or at the time the official AER submittal due date of the subject annual emission report, the difference or underpayment shall be paid, but with no surcharges added. The fee rate to be applied shall be the fee rate in effect for the year in which the emissions actually occurred.

(F) ~~If one hundred twenty (120) days have elapsed since January 1st, July 1st, or as applicable, and all emission fees including any surcharge have not been paid in full,~~ All emissions reporting fees for previous reporting period(s)~~,~~ including any surcharges, shall be paid in full by May 15 of the current reporting period; Clean Fuels Fees and Semi-Annual Installment Fees, including any surcharges, shall be paid in full by November 1 of the current year invoiced. Failure to pay these fees in accordance with these requirements shall constitute a violation of this subparagraph and the Executive Officer may take action to revoke all Permits to Operate for equipment on the premises, as authorized in Health and Safety Code Section 42307.

(11) Semi-Annual Emissions Fee Payment

(A) For facilities emitting the threshold amount of any contaminant listed below, the Executive Officer will estimate one half (1/2) of the previous annual emission fees and request that the permit holder pay such an amount as the first installment on annual emission fees for the current reporting period.

Air contaminant(s)	Annual emissions threshold (TPY)
Gaseous sulfur compounds (expressed as sulfur dioxide)	≥10 TPY
Total organic gases (excluding methane and exempt compounds as defined in Rule 102, and specific organic gases as specified in subdivision (b))	≥10 TPY
Specific organic gases as specified in subdivision (b)	≥10 TPY
Oxides of nitrogen (expressed as nitrogen dioxide)	≥10 TPY
Total particulate matter	≥10 TPY
Carbon monoxide	≥100 TPY

(B) In lieu of payment of one half the estimated annual emission fees, the owner/operator may choose to report and pay on actual emissions for the first six months (January 1 through June 30). By January 1 of the year following the reporting period, the permit

holder shall submit a final Annual Emission Report together with the payment of the balance; the annual emission fees less the installment previously paid. The report shall contain an itemization of emissions for the preceding twelve (12) months of the reporting period (January 1 through December 31). ~~The final Annual Emission Report for 2025 emissions together with the payment of the balance (the annual emission fees less the installment previously paid) shall be considered to be timely received by the District if the report is electronically submitted and payment is delivered, postmarked, or electronically paid on or before May 1, 2026.~~

(C) An installment fee payment shall be considered late if not received by the District, or postmarked, on or before ~~the seventy-fifth (75th) day following July 1~~ September 14 of the current reporting period and shall be subject to a surcharge pursuant to subparagraph (e)(10)(B).

(12) Fee Payment Subject to Validation

Acceptance of a fee payment does not constitute validation of the emission data.

(13) Exempt Compounds

Emissions of acetone, ethane, methyl acetate, parachlorobenzotrifluoride (PCBTF), and volatile methylated siloxanes (VMS), shall not be subject to the fee requirements of Rule 301(e), but are subject to reporting requirements pursuant to CARB's Criteria and Toxics Reporting Regulation and/or the AB 2588 Air Toxics "Hot Spots" Emission Inventory Criteria and Guidelines Regulation.

(14) Reporting Emissions and Paying Fees

For the reporting period of January 1 through December 31, emission fees shall be determined in accordance with fee rates specified in Tables III and V, and paragraphs (e)(2) and (e)(7). Installment fees that have been paid for Semi-Annual Emission Fees shall not be subject to this provision.

(15) Deadline for Filing Annual Emissions Report and Fee Payment

Notwithstanding any other applicable Rule 301(e) provisions regarding the annual emissions report and emission fees, for the reporting period January 1 through December 31, the fee payment and the completed annual emissions report shall be delivered, postmarked, or electronically paid on or before the ~~seventy-fifth (75th) day following January 1~~ official due date of

the subsequent year to avoid any late payment surcharges specified in subparagraph (e)(10)(B). ~~The 2025 annual emissions report and associated fee payment shall be considered to be timely received by the District if the report is electronically submitted and payment is delivered, postmarked, or electronically paid on or before May 1, 2026.~~

Reporting GHG Emissions and Paying Fees

A facility that is subject to the California Air Resources Board (CARB)'s mandatory reporting of Greenhouse Gas (GHG) emissions may request District staff to review and verify the facility's GHG emissions. The fee for review and verification for each GHG emissions report shall consist of an initial submittal fee of ~~$182.28~~$188.11 in addition to a verification fee assessed at ~~$182.28~~$188.11 per hour or prorated portion thereof.

(17) Abbreviated Reporting Eligibility Pursuant to CARB's Criteria And Toxics Reporting Regulation and Associated Fees

Facilities electing to submit an abbreviated report to fulfill reporting requirements pursuant to California Code of Regulations Title 17 Section 93400 et seq. are exempt from fees in (e)(7) and subject instead to an annual abbreviated reporting filing fee of ~~$109.67~~$113.18 beginning July 1, 2025 and thereafter. Facilities are eligible for abbreviated reporting only if conditions in both (e)(17)(A) and (e)(17)(B) are met.

(A) A facility does not meet any of the criteria in (i) through (vi) below:

(i) Subject to (e)(1)(B)

(ii) Subject to CARB's AB 2588 Air Toxics "Hot Spots" Emission Inventory Criteria and Guidelines Regulation (17 California Code of Regulations section 93300.5)

(iii) Criteria Facility – any facility with permitted potential to emit 250 or more tons per year of any applicable nonattainment pollutant or its precursors.

(iv) Greenhouse Gas Reporter Facility – any facility subject to reporting under the California Regulation for the Mandatory Reporting of Greenhouse Gas Emissions, 17, CCR Section 95100 et seq.

(v) Elevated Prioritization Toxics Facility – any facility identified by South coast AQMD as high priority as of January 1 of the data year (the year the emissions occurred),

based on the South Coast AQMD's implementation of the AB 2588 "Hot Spots" requirements.

(vi) Facilities subject to Rule 317.1

(B) A facility engages in activity (or activities) defined as applicable to abbreviated reporting by CARB's Criteria And Toxics Reporting Regulation or authorized by CARB.

(f) Certified Permit Copies and Reissued Permits

A request for a certified permit copy shall be made in writing by the permittee after the destruction, loss, or defacement of a permit. A request for a permit to be reissued shall be made in writing by the permittee where there is a name or address change without a change of owner/operator or location. The permittee shall, at the time a written request is submitted, pay the fees to cover the cost of the certified permit copy or reissued permit as follows:

(1) Certified Permit Copy

Facility Type	Non-Title V	Title V
	~~$39.15~~$40.40	~~$49.07~~$50.64

(2) Reissued Permit

Facility Type	Non-Title V	Title V
	~~$303.26~~$312.96	~~$380.00~~$392.16

No fee shall be assessed to reissue a permit to correct an administrative error by District staff.

(g) Reinstating Expired Applications or Permits; Surcharge

An application or a Permit to Operate which has expired due to nonpayment of fees or court judgments in favor of the District or administrative civil penalties associated with the facility may be reinstated by submitting a request for reinstatement of the application or Permit to Operate accompanied by a reinstatement surcharge and payment in full of the amount of monies due at the time the application or Permit to Operate expired. The reinstatement surcharge shall be fifty percent (50%) of the amount of fees due per equipment at the time the application or Permit to Operate expired, or the following amount, whichever is lower:

Permit Holder Per Equipment Fee	Title V Facility	Non-Title V Facility	Other Facility Type
	~~$432.13~~$445.96	~~$344.86~~$355.90	~~$344.86~~$355.90

Such request and payment shall be made within one (1) year of the date of expiration. An application or Permit to Operate which has expired due to nonpayment of fees shall not be reinstated if the affected equipment has been altered since the expiration of the application or Permit to Operate. If the period of expiration has exceeded one (1) year or the affected equipment has been altered, operation of the equipment shall require a new Permit to Operate and the application shall be subject to Rule 1313(b).

(h) Reinstating Revoked Permits

If a Permit to Operate is revoked for nonpayment of annual permit fees based on emissions or fees on non-permitted emissions, it may be reinstated upon payment by the permit holder of such overdue fees and accrued surcharge in accordance with (e)(10).

(i) Clean Air Act Non-Attainment Fees

Any fees remitted to the District pursuant to Rule 317 – Clean Air Act Non-attainment Fees shall be held in escrow accounts unique to each source. Fees accrued in such escrow accounts may be used for either of the following at the discretion of the source's owner or operator.

(1) Creditable up to the amount of fees due by the same source during the calendar year or subsequent calendar year(s) for annual emissions fees due pursuant to Rule 301(e)(2), (4), (6), (7) and (11) and annual operating permit renewal fees due pursuant to Rule 301(d)(1), (2) and (4). In no case shall the credit be greater than the fees paid; or

(2) Use by the owner or operator for VOC and NOx reduction programs at their source that are surplus to the State Implementation Plan according to the following prioritization:

(A) at the source; or

(B) use within another facility under common ownership; or

(C) use in the community adjacent to the facility; or

(D) other uses to reduce emissions.

Up to five percent of funds can be used by the South Coast Air Quality Management District for administrative support for items in paragraph (i)(2).

(j) Special Permit Processing Fees - California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Assistance, Air Quality Analysis, Health Risk Assessment, and Public Notice for Projects

(1) Payment for CEQA Assistance

(A) CEQA Document Preparation

When a determination is made by the Executive Officer that the District is either the Lead Agency or a Responsible Agency for a project, pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), Public Resources Code Section 21000 et seq. and ~~state~~ CEQA Guidelines (14 California Code of Regulations ~~s~~Section 15000 et seq.), the project applicant may be required to pay a review fee (based on a staff rate of ~~$223.14~~$230.28 per hour) when a 400-CEQA form requires the CEQA staff to review for CEQA applicability. If preparation of CEQA documentation is deemed necessary, the applicant shall pay an initial fee for the preparation of necessary CEQA documentation according to the following schedule:

Notice of Exemption (upon applicant request)	~~$446.26~~$460.54
Negative Declaration (ND), including Supplemental or Subsequent ND	~~$6,729.76~~$6,945.11
Mitigated Negative Declaration (MND), including Supplemental or Subsequent MND	~~$6,729.76~~$6,945.11
Environmental Impact Report (EIR), including Supplemental or Subsequent EIR	~~$8,972.98~~$9,260.12
Addendum to EIR, including Addendum to ND/MND	~~$4,650.30~~$4,799.11

If the Executive Officer determines that the District's CEQA preparation costs, which ~~(~~may include the items listed in the table above, but also are not limited to, mailing, noticing such as a Notice of Completion, Notice of Preparation, or Notice of Determination, making Findings, adopting a Mitigation, Monitoring and Reporting Plan, making a Statement of Overriding Considerations, publishing~~cations~~ documents, and filing/posting fees as applicable,

et cetera~~)~~ and staff time (based on the rate of ~~$223.14~~$230.28 per hour) exceed the initial fee, the project applicant, upon notification from the District, shall make periodic payment of the balance due. The Executive Officer shall determine the amount and timing of such periodic payments, based upon the level of CEQA analysis and the amount of monies needed to offset the actual preparation costs.

(B) CEQA Document Assistance

When the District is not the Lead Agency for a project and a request is made by: another public agency; a project proponent; or any third party, for staff assistance with any of the following tasks including, but not limited to: ~~-~~reviewing all or portions of a CEQA document and air quality analysis protocols for emissions inventories and air dispersion modeling prior to its circulation to the public for review pursuant to Public Resources Code §21092; assisting lead agencies with developing and implementing mitigation measures, the requestor may be required to pay a fee for staff time at the rate of ~~$223.14~~$230.28 per hour. This fee shall not apply to review of CEQA documents prepared by other public agencies that are available for public review pursuant to Public Resources Code §21092 and is part of the District's intergovernmental review responsibilities under CEQA.

(2) Payment for Air Quality Analysis

When a determination is made by the Executive Officer that an air quality analysis of the emissions from any source is necessary to predict the extent and amount of air quality impact prior to issuance of a permit, the Executive Officer may order air quality simulation modeling by qualified District personnel. Alternatively, the Executive Officer may require (or the owner/operator of the source may elect) that modeling be performed by the owner/operator or an independent consultant.

Where modeling is performed by the owner/operator or an independent consultant, the Executive Officer may require that the results be verified by qualified District personnel. The owner/operator of the source shall provide to the Executive Officer a copy of the final modeling report including all input data, description of methods, analyses, and results. The owner/operator of the source modeled by District personnel shall pay a fee as specified in Table IIA to cover the costs of the modeling analysis. A fee,

as specified in Table IIA, shall be charged to offset the cost of District verification of modeling performed by an independent consultant.

(3) Payment for Health Risk Assessment

(A) When a determination is made by the Executive Officer that any source being evaluated for a Permit to Construct or a Permit to Operate may emit toxic or potentially toxic air contaminants, the Executive Officer may order a Health Risk Assessment be conducted by qualified District personnel or by a qualified consultant, as determined by the Executive Officer, engaged by the District under a contract. Alternatively, the Executive Officer may require (or owner/operator of the source may elect) that the assessment be performed by the owner/operator or an independent consultant engaged by the owner/operator. The Health Risk Assessment shall be performed pursuant to methods used by the California EPA's Office of Environmental Health Hazard Assessment.

(B) For a Health Risk Assessment conducted by the owner/operator of the source or the owner/operator's consultant, the Executive Officer may require that the results be verified by qualified District personnel or by a qualified consultant engaged by the District. The owner/operator of the source shall provide to the Executive Officer a copy of the final Health Risk Assessment including all input data, and description of methods, analyses, and results. The owner/operator of the source for which a Health Risk Assessment is conducted or is evaluated and verified by District personnel or consultant shall pay the fees specified in Table IIA to cover the costs of an Air Quality Analysis and Health Risk Assessment analysis, evaluation, or verification. When the Health Risk Assessment is conducted or is evaluated and verified by a consultant engaged by the District, or District personnel, the fees charged will be in addition to all other fees required.

(C) When a Health Risk Assessment is evaluated by the California EPA, pursuant to Health and Safety Code Sections 42315, 44360, 44361 or 44380.5, or by a consultant engaged by the California EPA, or when the District consults with the California EPA regarding the Health Risk Assessment, any fees charged by the California EPA to

the District will be charged to the person whose Health Risk Assessment is subject to the review, in addition to other fees required.

(4) Payment for Public Notice

An applicant shall pay the applicable fee, based on the date that the application was deemed complete, for preparation of any public notice as required by the rules, as shown below in this paragraph:

Public Notification Type	Non-Title V Source	Title V Source
For a project requiring notification as defined in Rule 212(c)	~~$1,507.98~~$1,556.24	~~$1,889.69~~$1,950.16
For emission reduction credits (ERCs) in excess of the amounts as specified in Rule 1310(c)	~~$1,507.98~~$1,556.24	~~$1,889.69~~$1,950.16
Requesting allocations from the Offset Budget or requesting the generation or use of any Short Term Credit (STCs)	~~$1,507.98~~$1,556.24	~~$1,889.69~~$1,950.16
Significant revision of a Title V permit	---	~~$1,889.69~~$1,950.16

(A) An applicant for a project subject to the requirements of Rule 212(c) shall either:

(i) Pay a flat fee of ~~$761.75~~$786.13, based on the date that the application was deemed complete,- and the actual cost as invoiced for postage, or

(ii) Arrange for distribution of the above notice independent of the District option. If the distribution is carried out by the owner/operator or an independent consultant, the owner/operator of the source shall submit a copy of the proof of distribution to the Executive Officer.

(B) An applicant for a project subject to the requirements of Rule 212(g) shall either:

(i) Pay the actual cost as invoiced for publication of the notice by prominent advertisement in the newspaper of general

circulation in the area affected where the facility is located and for the mailing of the notice to persons identified in Rule 212(g), or

(ii) Arrange publication of the above notice independent of the District option. This notice must be by prominent advertisement in the newspaper of general circulation in the area affected where the facility is located. Where publication is performed by the owner/operator or an independent consultant, the owner/operator of the source shall provide to the Executive Officer a copy of the proof of publication.

(5) Payment for Review of Continuous Emissions Monitoring System (CEMS), Fuel Sulfur Monitoring System (FSMS), and Alternative Continuous Emissions Monitoring System (ACEMS)

(A) New Application for Process Equipment Requiring CEMS or, Alternatively, an FSMS or ACEMS to Comply with the CEMS Requirement.

When a determination is made by the Executive Officer that a Continuous Emissions Monitoring System (CEMS) is required in order to determine a source's compliance with a District rule or regulation, the applicant shall:

(i) Apply for the use of a CEMS and pay a basic processing fee as specified in Table IIB at the time of filing.

(ii) Apply for the use of an FSMS or ACEMS in lieu of a CEMS and pay a basic processing fee as specified in Table IIB at the time of filing.

(B) Modification of an Existing Certified CEMS, FSMS, or ACEMS

If a certified CEMS, FSMS, or ACEMS is modified in a manner (excluding routine replacement or servicing of CEMS or FSMS components for preventive or periodic maintenance according to established quality assurance guidelines, or CEMS or FSMS components designated by the Executive Officer as "standardized" or direct replacement-type components) determined by the Executive Officer to compromise a source's compliance with a District rule or regulation, the applicant shall pay a processing fee covering the evaluation of the modification and recertification, if necessary, as follows:

(i) If one or more CEMS or FSMS components (excluding additional pollutant monitors) are replaced, modified, or added, the applicant shall pay a minimum processing fee of ~~$1,177.30~~$1,214.97; and additional fees will be assessed at a rate of ~~$223.14~~$230.28 per hour for time spent on the evaluation in excess of 10 hours~~.~~

(ii) If one or more pollutant monitors are added to a CEMS or FSMS (and one or more of its components are concurrently replaced, modified, or added), the applicant shall pay a minimum processing fee as specified in Table IIB, based on the number of CEMS or FSMS pollutant monitors and components added.

(iii) If one or more pollutant emission sources at a facility are added to an FSMS, a time-shared CEMS, or a SOx CEMS which is specifically used to "back-calculate" fuel sulfur content for these sources, the applicant shall pay a minimum processing fee as specified in Table IIB, based on the number of CEMS or FSMS monitors and components added.

(iv) If one or more ACEMS (or PEMS) components are replaced, modified, or added, the applicant shall pay a minimum processing fee ~~$1,177.30~~$1,214.97; and additional fees will be assessed at a rate of ~~$223.14~~$230.28 per hour for time spent on the evaluation in excess of 10 hours ~~up to a maximum total fee of $7,444.61~~.

(C) Modification of CEMS, FSMS, or ACEMS Monitored Equipment

For any RECLAIM or non-RECLAIM equipment monitored or required to be monitored by a CEMS, FSMS, or ACEMS, that is modified in a manner determined by the Executive Officer to compromise a source's compliance with a District CEMS-, FSMS-, or ACEMS-related rule or regulation, or requires an engineering evaluation, or causes a change in emissions; the applicant shall pay a minimum processing fee of ~~$1,177.30~~$1,214.97, covering the evaluation and recertification, if necessary, of the CEMS, FSMS, or ACEMS. Additional fees will be assessed at a rate of ~~$223.14~~$230.28 per hour for time spent on the evaluation in excess of 10 hours ~~up to a maximum total fee of $7,444.61~~.

(D) Periodic Assessment of an Existing CEMS, FSMS, or ACEMS

An existing CEMS, FSMS, or ACEMS must be retested on a quarterly, semi-annual, or annual basis to remain in compliance with District regulations. The applicant shall pay a minimum processing fee of ~~$1,177.30~~$1,214.97 for this evaluation, if required. Additional fees will be assessed at a rate of ~~$223.14~~$230.28 per hour for time spent on the evaluation in excess of 10 hours ~~up to a maximum total fee of $7,444.62~~.

(E) CEMS, FSMS, or ACEMS Change of Owner/Operator

Every applicant who files an application for a change of owner/operator of a RECLAIM or non-RECLAIM facility permit shall also file an application for a change of owner/operator of a CEMS, FSMS, or ACEMS, if applicable, and be subject to a processing fee equal to ~~$354.93~~$366.29 for the first CEMS, FSMS, or ACEMS, plus ~~$70.77~~$73.03 for each additional CEMS, FSMS, or ACEMS.

(6) Payment for Review and Certification of Barbecue Charcoal Igniter Products

(A) Certification of Barbecue Charcoal Igniter Products

Pursuant to the requirements of District Rule 1174, manufacturers, distributors, and/or retailers of applicable barbecue charcoal igniter products shall perform the required testing and shall submit a formal report for review by ~~SCAQMD~~ South Coast AQMD staff for product compliance and certification. For each product evaluated, the applicant shall pay a minimum processing fee of ~~$880.58~~$908.76 per product certified, and additional fees will be assessed at the rate of ~~$182.28~~$188.11 per hour for time spent on the evaluation/certification process in excess of 5 hours.

(B) Repackaging of Certified Barbecue Charcoal Igniter Products

When a currently certified barbecue charcoal igniter product is repackaged for resale or redistribution, the manufacturer, distributor, and/or retailer shall submit the required documentation to ~~SCAQMD~~ South Coast AQMD staff for evaluation and approval. For each product or products evaluated, the applicant shall pay a processing fee of ~~$440.31~~$454.40 for the first certificate issued, and additional fees will be assessed at the rate of ~~$182.28~~$188.11 per

hour for the time spent in excess of 3 hours for the first certificate issued. Additional certificates for the same product or products shall be assessed at the rate of ~~$88.00~~$90.82 per each additional certificate issued.

(7) Fees for Inter-basin, Inter-district, or Interpollutant Transfers of Emission Reduction Credits

An applicant for inter-basin, inter-district, or interpollutant transfer of ERCs shall file an application for ERC Change of Title and pay fees as listed in Table FEE RATE-B. Additional fees shall be assessed at a rate based on the number of hours for the time spent on review and evaluation of inter-basin, inter-district, and interpollutant transfers of ERCs pursuant to Rule 1309 subdivisions (g) and (h).

Facility Type	Non-Title V	Title V
	~~$258.67~~$266.95/hr	~~$324.14~~$334.51/hr

(8) Fees for Grid Search to Identify Hazardous Air Pollutant Emitting Facilities

A fee of ~~$443.33~~$457.52 shall be submitted by any individual, business or agency requesting the District to conduct a grid search to identify all facilities with the potential to emit hazardous air pollutants located within one-quarter mile of a proposed school boundary.

Failure to pay the fees described in this subdivision within thirty (30) days after their due date(s) shall result in expiration of pending applications, and no further applications will be accepted from the applicant until the fees have been paid in full.

(k) Government Agencies

All applicants and permittees, including federal, state, or local governmental agencies or public districts, shall pay all fees.

(l) RECLAIM Facilities

(1) For RECLAIM facilities, this subdivision specifies additional conditions and procedures for assessing the following fees:

(A) Facility Permit;

(B) Facility Permit Amendment;

(C) Change of Operating Condition;

(D) Change of Owner/Operator;

(E) Annual Operating Permit;

(F) Transaction Registration;

(G) RECLAIM Pollutant Emission;

(H) Duplicate Permits;

(I) Reissued Permits;

(J) RECLAIM Breakdown Emissions; and

(K) Non-Tradeable Allocation Credit Mitigations.

(2) RECLAIM Fees Applicability

All RECLAIM Facility Permit holders shall be subject to this subdivision.

(3) Rule 301 - Permit Fees Applicability

Unless specifically stated, all RECLAIM Facility Permit holders shall be subject to all other provisions of Rule 301 - Permit Fees.

(4) Facility Permit Amendment

At the time of filing an application for a Facility Permit Amendment, a Facility Permit Amendment Fee shall be paid and an application for such amendment shall be submitted. The Facility Permit Amendment Fees for an application or group of applications are listed in Table VII and shall be based on the type of facility permit. Facility Permit Amendment Fees are in addition to the sum of applicable fees assessed for each application required for affected equipment as specified in subparagraph (c)(3)(C) (for administrative equipment applications) or Table FEE RATE-A (for non-administrative equipment applications) or Rule 306 (i)(1). All delinquent fees, court judgments in favor of the District and administrative civil penalties associated with the facility must be paid before a Facility Permit Amendment application will be accepted.

(5) Change of Operating Condition

At the time of filing an application for a Change of Operating Conditions that requires engineering evaluation or causes a change in emissions, a Change of Condition Fee shall be paid. Such fee shall be equal to the sum of fees assessed for each equipment subject to the change of condition as specified in Table FEE RATE-A. All delinquent fees associated with the affected facility subject to the change of condition must be paid before a Change of Operating Conditions application will be accepted.

(6) Fee for Change of Owner/Operator

The Permit Processing Fee for a Change of Owner/Operator of a RECLAIM facility permit shall be determined from Table FEE RATE-C. In addition, a Facility Permit Amendment fee as specified in paragraph (l)(4) shall be

assessed. All fees, billed within the past 3 years from the date of application submittal that are, associated with the facility for equipment for which a Change of Owner/Operator or Additional Operator application is filed, and all facility-specific fees (such as "Hot Spots" fees), must be paid before a Change of Owner/Operator or Additional Operator application is accepted. If after an application is received and ~~SCAQMD~~ South Coast AQMD determines that fees are due, the new owner/operator shall pay such fees within 30 days of notification. If the fees are paid timely the new operator will not be billed for any additional fees billed to the previous owner/operator.

(7) Annual Operating Permit Renewal Fee

(A) Unless otherwise stated within this subdivision, the Facility Permit holder shall be subject to all terms and conditions pursuant to subdivision (d).

(B) An Annual Operating Permit Renewal Fee shall be submitted by the end of the compliance year. Such fee shall be equal to the sum of applicable permit renewal fees specified in paragraph (d)(2).

(C) At least thirty (30) days before the annual renewal date, the owner/operator of equipment under permit will be notified by mail, electronic mail, or other electronic means, of the amount to be paid and the due date. If such notice is not received at least thirty (30) days before the annual renewal date, the owner/operator of equipment under permit shall notify the District on or before the permit renewal date that said notice was not received. If the Annual Operating Permit Renewal fee is not paid within thirty (30) days after the due date, the permit will expire and no longer be valid. In such a case, the owner/operator will be notified by mail, electronic mail, or other electronic means, of the expiration and the consequences of operating equipment without a valid permit as required by District Rule 203 (Permit to Operate). For the purpose of this subparagraph, the fee payment will be considered to be received by the District if it is delivered, postmarked, or electronically paid on or before the expiration date stated on the billing notice. If the expiration date falls on a Saturday, Sunday, or a state holiday, the fee payment may be delivered, postmarked, or electronically paid on the next business day following the Saturday,

Sunday, or state holiday as if it had been delivered, postmarked, or electronically paid on the expiration date.

(8) Transaction Registration Fee

The transferor and transferee of an RTC shall jointly register the transaction with the District pursuant to District Rule 2007 – Trading Requirements. The transferee shall pay a Transaction Registration Fee of ~~$243.84~~$251.64 at the time the transaction is registered with the ~~SCAQMD~~ South Coast AQMD.

(9) RECLAIM Pollutant Emission Fee

At the end of the reporting period specified in subparagraph (e)(8)(A), RECLAIM facilities shall pay a RECLAIM Pollutant Emission Fee based on the facilities' total certified RECLAIM pollutant emissions. For facilities emitting ten (10) tons per year or more of any contaminant the previous year, the Facility Permit holders shall pay a semi-annual installment equal to one half (1/2) of the total estimated fee with final balance due at the end of the reporting period.

(A) The Facility Permit Holder shall pay emission fees according to the provisions of subdivision (e) for all emissions that are not accounted for with RECLAIM pollutant emissions. The Facility Permit holder shall add non-RECLAIM emissions to applicable RECLAIM emissions to determine the appropriate fee rate from Table III fee rate per ton of emissions.

(B) Facility Permit Holders shall pay RECLAIM Pollutant Emission Fees according to the provisions of subdivision (e), except that:

(i) Fees based on emissions of RECLAIM pollutants as defined in Rule 2000(c)(58) for annual payments shall be calculated based on certified emissions as required by paragraph (b)(2) or (b)(4) of Rule 2004, as applicable;

(ii) RECLAIM Pollutant Emission Fees shall be due as established by subdivision (e) of this rule for both Cycle 1 and Cycle 2 Facilities;

(iii) Facilities emitting ten (10) tons per year or more of a RECLAIM pollutant during the previous annual reporting period, shall also pay a semi-annual installment based on either (a) one-half (1/2) of the facility's RECLAIM pollutant fees for the previous annual reporting period; or (b)

emissions certified pursuant to paragraph (b)(2) and (b)(4) of Rule 2004 in the two (2) quarters falling in the time period that coincides with the first six (6) months of the current reporting period, by the deadline as established by subdivision (e) of this rule for both Cycle 1 and Cycle 2 Facilities.

(iv) A fee payment is considered late and subject to the late payment surcharge of paragraph (e)(10) if not received within sixty (60) days of the due date specified in this paragraph.

(C) If the Executive Officer determines that the APEP emissions reported by a Facility Permit Holder are less than the amount calculated as specified in Rule 2004(b)(2) and (b)(4), the Facility Permit Holder shall pay RECLAIM Pollutant Emission Fees on the difference between the APEP total as determined by the Executive Officer and the reported APEP total as specified in subparagraph (l)(9)(A).

(D) In the event that certified emissions determined pursuant to Rule 2004(b)(2) and (b)(4), for compliance year beginning January 1, 1995 and after, include emissions calculated using missing data procedures, and these procedures were triggered pursuant to Rule 2011(c)(3) or 2012(c)(3) solely by a failure to electronically report emissions for major sources due to a problem with transmitting the emission data to the District which was beyond the control of the Facility Permit holder, such portion of the emissions may be substituted by valid emission data monitored and recorded by a certified CEMS, for the purpose of RECLAIM pollutant emission fee determination only, provided that a petition is submitted to the Executive Officer with the appropriate processing fee by the Facility Permit holder. The petition must be made in writing and include all relevant data to clearly demonstrate that the valid emission data were recorded and monitored by a certified CEMS as required by Rules 2011 and 2012 and the only reason for missing data procedures being triggered was due to a problem with transmitting the emission data to the District which was beyond the control of the Facility Permit holder. In addition to the RECLAIM pollutant

emission fee, the petitioner shall pay a minimum processing fee as shown in the following table in this subparagraph:

Facility Type	Non-Title V	Title V
	~~$941.01~~$971.12	~~$1,179.22~~$1,216.96

and an additional fee assessed at the applicable hourly rate, for time spent on evaluation in excess of 3 hours, as shown in the table below in this subparagraph:

Facility Type (After 3 hours)	Non-Title V	Title V
	~~$241.34~~$249.06/hr	~~$302.42~~$312.10/hr

(10) Breakdown Emission Report Evaluation Fee

The Facility Permit Holder, submitting a Breakdown Emission Report to seek exclusion of excess emissions from the annual allocations pursuant to Rule 2004 - Requirements, shall pay fees for the evaluation of a Breakdown Emission Report. The Facility Permit Holder shall pay a filing fee of one (1) hour based on the fee rates shown in the table below in this paragraph, at the time of filing of a Breakdown Emission Report, and shall be assessed an evaluation fee at the hourly rate shown in the same table.

Facility Type (After 3 hours)	Non-Title V	Title V
	~~$258.67~~$266.95/hr	~~$324.14~~$334.51/hr

(11) Breakdown Emission Fee

At the end of the time period from July 1 through June 30, the Facility Permit holder shall pay a Breakdown Emission Fee for excess emissions determined pursuant to District Rule 2004 - Requirements. The Facility Permit Holder shall include excess emissions to the total certified RECLAIM emissions to determine the appropriate RECLAIM Pollutant Emission Fee.

(12) Mitigation of Non-Tradeable Allocation Credits

Upon submitting a request to activate non-tradeable allocation credits pursuant to District Rule 2002(h), the RECLAIM Facility Permit Holder shall pay a mitigation fee per ton of credits requested as shown below:

Facility Type	Non-Title V	Title V
	~~$17,262.52~~$17,814.92	~~$21,631.58~~$22,323.79

plus a non-refundable processing fee as shown below:

Facility Type	Non-Title V	Title V
	~~$172.04~~$177.55	~~$215.61~~$222.51

(13) Evaluation Fee to Increase an Annual Allocation to a Level Greater than a Facility's Starting Allocation Plus Non-Tradable Credits

The Facility Permit Holder submitting an application to increase an annual Allocation to a level greater than the facility's starting allocation plus non-tradable credits pursuant to Rule 2005 – New Source Review shall pay fees for the evaluation of the required demonstration specified in Rule 2005(c)(3). The Facility Permit Holder shall pay an evaluation fee at the applicable hourly rate as shown in the table below:

Facility Type (After 3 hours)	Non-Title V	Title V
	~~$258.67~~$266.95/hr	~~$324.14~~$334.51/hr

(14) Facility Permit Reissuance Fee for Facilities Exiting RECLAIM

A facility exiting the NOx RECLAIM program pursuant to Rule 2002(f)(8) shall be assessed a Facility Permit Reissuance Fee for the conversion of its RECLAIM Facility Permit to a Command-and-Control Facility Permit. The conversion consists of removal of non-applicable RECLAIM provisions and addition of requirements for applicable command-and-control rules. The Facility Permit Reissuance Fee includes an initial flat fee, plus an additional time and materials (T&M) charge where applicable. Both the initial flat fee and T&M charge are tiered based on the number of permitted

RECLAIM NOx sources at the facility. Both the initial flat fee and T&M charge are also differentiated based on a facility's Title V status.

The initial flat fee to transition from NOx RECLAIM Facility Permit to Command-and-Control Facility Permit per Rule 2002(f)(8) shall be paid at the time of filing and assessed according to the following fee schedule.

Number of Permitted RECLAIM NOx Sources	Non-Title V	Title V
Less than 10	~~$3,103.63~~$3,202.95	~~$4,394.03~~$4,534.64
Greater than or equal to 10 and less than 20	~~$6,467.29~~$6,674.24	~~$8,788.09~~$9,069.31
20 or more	~~$12,934.64~~$13,348.55	~~$17,576.18~~$18,138.62

An additional T&M charge shall be assessed for time spent on the permit conversion in excess of the number of hours and at the hourly rate specified in the following fee schedule and billed following permit reissuance.

	Non-Title V		Title V	
Number of Permitted RECLAIM NOx Sources	Begin Charging Hourly Rate After (hrs)	T&M Rate ($/hr)	Begin Charging Hourly Rate After (hrs)	T&M Rate ($/hr)
Less than 10	12	~~$258.67~~$266.95	15	~~$292.91~~$302.28
Greater than or equal to 10 and less than 20	25	~~$258.67~~$266.95	30	~~$292.91~~$302.28
20 or more	50	~~$258.67~~$266.95	60	~~$292.91~~$302.28

(15) Optional Conversion of Transitioned RECLAIM Facility Permit

A Facility that has transitioned out of the RECLAIM program in accordance with paragraph (l)(14) and that elects to convert all permitted equipment described on the RECLAIM Facility Permit to equipment/process based Permits to Operate (pursuant to Regulation II) shall pay a fee equal to the Change of Condition fee specified in Table FEE RATE-A, in accordance with the Schedule identified in Table IA or IB, for each equipment/process converted.

(m) Title V Facilities

(1) Applicability

The requirements of this subdivision apply only to facilities that are subject to the requirements of Regulation XXX - Title V Permits.

(2) Rule 301 Applicability

All Title V facilities shall be subject to all other provisions of Rule 301 - Permit Fees, except as provided for in this subdivision.

(3) Permit Processing Fees for Facilities Applying for an Initial Title V Facility Permit

(A) The applicant shall pay the following initial fee when the application is submitted:

Title V INITIAL Fee				
Number of Devices	1-20	21-75	76-250	251+
Applications submitted on or after July 1, 2019	~~$3,241.97~~$3,345.71	~~$10,375.34~~$10,707.35	~~$23,345.53~~$24,092.59	~~$39,558.21~~$40,824.07

To determine the initial fee when the number of devices is not available, the applicant may substitute the number of active equipment. This fee will be adjusted when the Title V permit is issued and the correct number of devices are known.

(B) The applicant shall, upon notification by the ~~District~~ South Coast AQMD of the amount due when the permit is issued, pay the following final fee based on the time spent on the application:

Title V FINAL Fee				
Number of Devices	1-20	21-75	76-250	251+
Time Spent in Excess of:	8 Hours	30 Hours	70 Hours	120 Hours
On or after July 1, 2019	~~$324.14~~$334.51 per hour; up to a maximum total fee of ~~$39,574.84~~$40,841.23	~~$324.14~~$334.51 per hour; up to a maximum total fee of ~~$79,149.66~~$81,682.45	~~$324.14~~$334.51 per hour; up to a maximum total fee of ~~$202,609.42~~$209,092.92	~~$324.14~~$334.51 per hour; up to a maximum total fee of ~~$296,811.26~~$306,309.22

For applicants that did not pay the correct initial fee based on the actual number of devices, the fee when the permit is issued shall be equal to the correct initial fee less the initial fee actually paid, plus the final fee.

Applications submitted on or prior to January 15, 1998 shall not be subject to the final fee.

The applicant may request and submit periodic payments of accrued fees prior to permit issuance and determination of the final fee. The applicant shall, upon notification by the South Coast AQMD of the amount due when the final fee is determined, pay any remaining balance due.

(C) If the facility requests revisions to the existing permit terms or conditions, including permit streamlining, an alternative operating scenario or a permit shield, the facility shall submit additional applications with the applicable fees in subdivisions (c) and (j) for each piece of equipment for which a revision is requested. Evaluation time spent on these additional applications shall be

excluded from the time calculated for the billing for initial permit issuance in subparagraph (m)(3)(B).

(D) If a new facility is required to obtain a Title V facility permit to construct, the facility shall submit initial Title V fees as specified in paragraph (m)(3). These fees are in addition to the sum of all the applicable fees in subdivisions (c) and (j) for all equipment at the facility.

(E) If an existing facility is required to obtain a Title V facility permit because of a modification, the facility shall submit initial Title V fees as specified in paragraph (m)(3). These fees are in addition to the sum of all the applicable fees in subdivisions (c) and (j) for all new and modified equipment at the facility.

(4) Permit Revision Fee

The permit processing fees for a Facility Permit Amendment or Revision shall be based on the Facility Permit type as specified in Table VII. Facility Permit Amendment or Revision includes any administrative permit revision or amendment, minor permit revision or amendment, de minimis significant permit revision or amendment, and any significant permit revision or amendment.

(5) Renewal Fees

The fees for renewal of a Title V Facility Permit, at the end of the term specified on the permit, are specified in Table VII. Renewal fees include both an initial processing fee that is due when the application is submitted, and a final fee assessed after ~~SCAQMD~~South Coast AQMD evaluation is complete and the permit is issued, and is due upon notification by the ~~SCAQMD~~South Coast AQMD of the amount due. The applicant may request and submit periodic payments of accrued fees prior to permit issuance and determination of the final fee. The applicant shall, upon notification by the South Coast AQMD of the amount due when the final fee is determined, pay any remaining balance due.

(6) Public Notice Fees

The holder of, or applicant for, a Title V permit shall either:

(A) pay the actual cost as invoiced for publication of the notice by prominent advertisement in the newspaper of general circulation in the area affected where the facility is located and for the mailing of the notice to persons identified in Rule 212(g), or

(B) arrange publication of the above notice independent of the District option. This notice must be by prominent advertisement in the newspaper of general circulation in the area affected where the facility is located.

Where publication is performed by the owner/operator or an independent consultant, the owner/operator of the source shall provide to the Executive Officer a copy of the proof of publication.

(7) Public Hearing Fees

The holder of, or applicant for, a Title V permit shall, upon notification by the District of the amount due, pay fees of ~~$6,489.04~~$6,696.69 plus ~~$2,017.53~~$2,082.09 per hour for a public hearing held on a permit action.

(8) Application Cancellation

If a Title V permit application is canceled, the applicant shall pay, upon notification of the amount due, a final fee in accordance with this subdivision. The District shall refund the initial fee only if evaluation of the application has not been initiated.

(9) Notice of Amount Due and Effect of Nonpayment

For fees due upon notification, such notice may be given by personal service or sent by mail, electronic mail, or other electronic means, and shall be due thirty (30) days from the date of personal service, mailing, or electronic transmission. For the purpose of this paragraph, the fee payment will be considered to be received by the District if it is delivered, postmarked, or electronically paid on or before the expiration date stated on the billing notice. If the expiration date falls on a Saturday, Sunday, or a state holiday, the fee payment may be delivered, postmarked, or electronically paid on the next business day following the Saturday, Sunday, or the state holiday with the same effect as if it had been delivered, postmarked, or electronically paid on the expiration date. Nonpayment of the fee within this period of time will result in permit expiration or revocation of the subject permit(s) in accordance with subdivision (f) of Rule 3002. No further applications will be accepted from the applicant until such time as overdue permit processing fees have been fully paid.

(10) Exclusion Requests

The fees for requesting exclusion or exemption from the Title V program shall be calculated in accordance with Rule 306 – Plan Fees.

(n) All Facility Permit Holders

(1) Applicability

The requirements of this subdivision apply to all non-RECLAIM holders of a Facility Permit.

(2) Rule 301 Applicability

All non-RECLAIM Facility Permit holders or applicants shall be subject to all other provisions of Rule 301 - Permit Fees, except as provided for in this subdivision.

(3) Facility Permit Revision

Except as provided in paragraphs (m)(4) and (m)(5), the permit processing fee for an addition, alteration or revision to a Facility Permit that requires engineering evaluation or causes a change in emissions shall be the sum of applicable fees assessed for each affected equipment as specified in subdivisions (c) and (j). For a non-Title V facility, the facility permit revision fee shall be the applicable facility permit fee in Table VII.

(4) Change of Operating Condition

The permit processing fee for a Change of Operating Condition that requires engineering evaluation or causes a change in emissions shall be the sum of fees assessed for each equipment or process subject to the change of condition as specified in subdivisions (c) and (j).

(5) Fee for Change of Owner/Operator

The Permit Processing Fee for a Change of Owner/Operator of a facility permit shall be determined from Table FEE RATE-C. In addition, an administrative permit revision fee, as specified in Table VII, shall be assessed. All fees billed within the past 3 years from the date of application submittal that are associated with the facility for equipment for which a Change of Owner/Operator or Additional Operator application is filed, and all facility specific fees (such as "Hot Spots" fees), must be paid before the Change of Owner/Operator or Additional Operator application is accepted. If after an application is received, the ~~SCAQMD~~ South Coast AQMD determines that additional fees are due, the new owner/operator shall pay such fees within 30 days of notification. If the fees are paid timely, the new owner/operator will not be billed for any additional fees billed to the previous owner/operator.

(6) Annual Operating Permit Renewal Fee

(A) Unless otherwise stated within this subdivision, the Facility Permit holder shall be subject to all terms and conditions pursuant to subdivision (d).

(B) An Annual Operating Permit Renewal Fee shall be submitted by the end of the compliance year. Such fee shall be equal to the sum of applicable annual operating permit renewal fees specified in paragraph (d)(2).

(C) At least thirty (30) days before the annual renewal date, the owner/operator of equipment under permit will be notified by mail, electronic mail, or other electronic means, of the amount to be paid and the due date. If such notice is not received at least thirty (30) days before the annual renewal date, the owner/operator of equipment under permit shall notify the District on or before the permit renewal date that said notice was not received. If the Annual Operating Permit Renewal Fee is not paid within thirty (30) days after the due date, the permit will expire and no longer be valid. In such a case, the owner/operator will be notified by mail, electronic mail, or other electronic means, of the expiration and the consequences of operating equipment without a valid permit as required by District Rule 203 (Permit to Operate). For the purpose of this subparagraph, the fee payment will be considered to be received by the District if it is delivered, postmarked, or electronically paid on or before the expiration date stated on the billing notice. If the expiration date falls on a Saturday, Sunday, or a state holiday, the fee payment may be delivered, postmarked, or electronically paid on the next business day following the Saturday, Sunday, or state holiday as if it had been delivered, postmarked, or electronically paid on the expiration date.

(o) Asbestos Fees

Any person who is required by District Rule 1403 - Asbestos Emissions from Demolition/Renovation Activities to submit a written notice of intention to demolish or renovate shall pay at the time of delivery of notification, the Asbestos and Lead Fees specified in Table VI of this rule. Fees are per notification and multiple fees may apply. No notification shall be considered received pursuant to Rule 1403, unless it is accompanied by the required payment. Each revision of a

notification shall require a payment of the Revision to Notification fee in Table VI. When a revision involves a change in project size, the person shall pay, in addition to the revision fee, the difference between the fee for the original project size and the revised project size according to Table VI. If the project size does not change for the revision, no additional fees based on project size shall be required. Revisions are not accepted for expired notifications.

For all requests of pre-approved Procedure 5 plans submitted in accordance with Rule 1403(d)(1)(D)(i)(V)(2), the person shall pay the full fee for the first evaluation and shall pay fifty percent (50%) of the applicable fee for each subsequent pre-approved Procedure 5 plan evaluation.

(p) Lead Abatement Notification Fees

A person who is required by a federal or District rule to submit written notice of intent to abate lead shall, at the time of delivery of notification, pay the appropriate renovation and abatement fee specified in Table VI of this rule. Fees are per notification and multiple fees may apply. No notification shall be considered received unless it is accompanied by the required payment. Each revision of a notification shall require a payment of the Revision to Notification fee in Table VI. When a revision involves a change in project size, the person shall pay, in addition to the revision fee, the difference between the fee for the original project size and the revised project size according to Table VI. If the project size does not change for the revision, no additional fees based on project size shall be required. Revisions are not accepted for expired notifications.

(q) NESHAP Evaluation Fee

(1) At the time of filing an application for a Change of Operating Conditions submitted solely to comply with the requirements of a NESHAP, a NESHAP Evaluation Fee shall be paid. The fee shall be ~~$451.46~~$465.91. Additional fees shall be assessed at a rate of ~~$223.14~~$230.28 per hour for time spent in the evaluation in excess of two (2) hours, to a maximum total fee not to exceed the applicable Change of Conditions Fees listed for each affected piece of equipment as specified in Table FEE RATE-A.

(2) Payment of all applicable fees shall be due in thirty (30) days from the date of personal service, mailing, or electronic transmission of the notification of the amount due. Non-payment of the fees within this time period will result in expiration of the permit. For the purpose of this paragraph, the fee payment will be considered to be received by the District if it is delivered, postmarked, or electronically paid on or before the expiration date stated on

the billing notice. If the expiration date falls on a Saturday, Sunday, or a state holiday, the fee payment may be delivered, postmarked, or electronically paid on the business day following the Saturday, Sunday, or the state holiday, with the same effect as if it had been delivered, postmarked, or electronically paid on the expiration date. No further applications will be accepted until such time as all overdue fees have been fully paid.

(r) Fees for Certification of Clean Air Solvents

At the time of filing for a Clean Air Solvent certificate, the applicant shall submit a fee of ~~$1,950.83~~$2,013.26 for each product to be tested. Additional fees will be assessed at the rate of ~~$182.28~~$188.11 per hour for time spent on the analysis/certification process in excess of 12 hours. Adjustments, including refunds or additional billings, shall be made to the submitted fee as necessary. A Clean Air Solvent Certificate shall be valid for five (5) years from the date of issuance and shall be renewed upon the determination of the Executive Officer that the product(s) containing a Clean Air Solvent continue(s) to meet Clean Air Solvent criteria, and has not been reformulated. The renewal fee shall be ~~$163.71~~$168.95 per certificate.

(s) Fees for Certification of Consumer Cleaning Products Used at Institutional and Commercial Facilities

At the time of filing for certification of any Consumer Cleaning Products Used at Institutional and Commercial Facilities, the applicant shall submit a fee of ~~$1,950.83~~$2,013.26 for each product to be tested, plus an additional fee of ~~$389.19~~$401.64 for quantification of total nitrogen, total phosphorous, and trace metals by a contracting laboratory. Additional fees will be assessed at the rate of ~~$182.28~~$188.11 per hour for time spent on the analysis/certification process in excess of 12 hours. Adjustments, including refunds or additional billings, shall be made to the submitted fee as necessary. A Consumer Cleaning Products Used at Institutional and Commercial Facilities Certificate shall be valid for three (3) years from the date of issuance and shall be renewed upon the determination of the Executive Officer that the product(s) certified as a Consumer Cleaning Products Used at Institutional and Commercial Facilities continue(s) to meet Consumer Cleaning Products Used at Institutional and Commercial Facilities criteria, and has not been reformulated. The renewal fee shall be ~~$163.71~~$168.95 per certificate.

(t) All Facility Registration Holders

(1) Applicability

The requirements of this subdivision apply to all holders of a Facility Registration.

(2) Rule 301 Applicability

Unless specifically stated otherwise, all Facility Registration holders shall be subject to all other provisions of Rule 301 - Permit Fees.

(3) Fee Applicability to Existing Facilities

Existing facilities entering the Facility Registration Program shall pay no fee if no changes are initiated by actions of the permittee to the existing permit terms or conditions or to the draft Facility Registration prepared by the District.

(4) Duplicate of Facility Registrations

A request for a duplicate of a Facility Registration shall be made in writing by the permittee. The permittee shall, at the time a written request is submitted, pay ~~$36.19~~$37.35 for the first page and ~~$2.52~~$2.60 for each additional page in the Facility Registration.

(5) Reissued Facility Registrations

A request for a reissued Facility Registration shall be made in writing by the permittee where there is a name or address change without a change of owner/operator or location, or for an administrative change in permit description or a change in permit conditions to reflect actual operating conditions, which do not require any engineering evaluation, and do not cause a change in emissions. The permittee shall, at the time a written request is submitted, pay ~~$280.39~~$289.36 for the first equipment listed in the Facility Registration plus ~~$2.52~~$2.60 for each additional equipment listed in the Facility Registration.

(u) Fees for Non-permitted Emission Sources Subject to Rule 222

(1) Initial Filing Fee

Prior to the operation of the equipment, the owner/operator of an emission source subject to Rule 222 shall pay to the District an initial non-refundable non-transferable filing and processing fee of ~~$291.94~~$301.28 for each emission source.

(2) Change of Owner/Operator or Location

If the owner/operator or the location of an emission source subject to Rule 222 changes, the current owner/operator must file a new application

for Rule 222 and pay to the District an initial non-refundable non-transferable filing and processing fee of ~~$291.94~~$301.28 for each emission source.

(3) Annual Renewal Fee

On an annual re-filing date set by the Executive Officer the owner/operator of a source subject to Rule 222 shall pay a renewal fee of ~~$291.94~~$301.28 (except for non-retrofitted boilers). At least thirty (30) days before such annual re-filing date, all owners/operators of emission sources subject to Rule 222 will be notified by mail, electronic mail, or other electronic means, of the amount to be paid and the due date for the annual re-filing fee.

(4) Notification of Expiration

If the annual re-filing fee is not paid within thirty (30) days after the due date, the filing will expire and no longer be valid. In such case, the owner/operator will be notified by mail, electronic mail, or other electronic means, of the expiration and the consequences of operating equipment without a valid Rule 222 filing.

(5) Reinstating Expired Filings

To re-establish expired filings, the owner/operator of a source subject to Rule 222 shall pay a reinstatement fee of fifty percent (50%) of the amount of fees due per emission source. Payment of all overdue fees shall be made in addition to the reinstatement surcharge. Payment of such fees shall be made within one year of the date of expiration. If the period of expiration has exceeded one year or the affected equipment has been altered, the owner/operator of an emission source subject to Rule 222 shall file a new application and pay all overdue fees.

(v) Fees for Expedited Processing Requests

An applicant has the option to request expedited processing for an application for a permit, CEQA work, an application for an ERC/STC, Air Dispersion Modeling, HRA, Source Test Protocols and Report Fees and Asbestos Procedure 4 & 5 notifications. A request for expedited processing pursuant to this section shall be made upon initial application submittal. Expedited processing is intended to be performed by District Staff strictly during overtime work. Approval of such a request is contingent upon the District having necessary procedures in place to implement an expedited processing program and having available qualified staff for overtime work to perform the processing requested. The applicant shall be notified whether or not the request for expedited processing has been accepted

within 30 days of submittal of the request. If the request for expedited processing is not accepted by the District, the additional fee paid for expedited processing will be refunded to the applicant.

(1) Permit Processing Fee

Fees for requested expedited processing of permit applications will be an additional fee of fifty percent (50%) of the applicable base permit processing fee (after taking any discounts for identical equipment but not the higher fee for operating without a permit) by equipment schedule. For schedule F and higher as shown in the table below in this paragraph, expedited processing fees will include an additional hourly fee, as set forth in the applicable "Non-Title V Added Base Hourly Fee" or "Title V Added Base Hourly Fee" columns, when the processing time exceeds times as indicated in the "Processing Time Exceeding" column; but not to exceed the total amounts in the applicable "Non-Title V Maximum Added Base Cap Fee" or "Title V Maximum Added Base Cap Fee" columns.

Processing Time Exceeding	Schedule	Non-Title V Added Base Hourly Fee	Non-Title V Maximum Added Base Cap Fee	Title V Added Base Hourly Fee	Title V Maximum Added Base Cap Fee
99 hours	F	~~$388.03~~$400.45	~~$72,938.98~~$75,273.03	~~$478.19~~$493.49	~~$91,399.44~~$94,324.22
117 hours	G	~~$388.03~~$400.45	~~$124,961.63~~$128,960.40	~~$478.19~~$493.49	~~$156,588.73~~$161,599.57
182 hours	H	~~$388.03~~$400.45	~~$158,888.43~~$163,972.86	~~$478.19~~$493.49	~~$199,102.21~~$205,473.48

(2) CEQA Fee

Fees for requested expedited CEQA work will be an additional fee based upon actual review and work time billed at a rate for staff overtime which is equal to the staff's hourly rate of ~~$223.14~~$230.28 plus ~~$115.72~~$119.42 per hour (one half of hourly plus mileage). The established CEQA fees found in the provisions of Rule 301(j) shall be paid at the time of filing with the additional overtime costs billed following permit issuance. Notwithstanding other provisions of this section, fees are due at the time specified in the bill which will allow a reasonable time for payment. This proposal is contingent upon the ability of the District to implement the

necessary policies and procedures and the availability of qualified staff for overtime work.

(3) CEMS, FSMS, and ACEMS Fee

Fees for requested expedited processing of CEMS, FSMS, and ACEMS applications will be an additional fee based upon actual review and work time billed at a rate for staff overtime which is equal to the staff's hourly rate of ~~$223.14~~$230.28 plus ~~$115.72~~$119.42 per hour (one half of hourly plus mileage). The established "Basic Fee" schedule found in the CEMS, FSMS, and ACEMS Fee Schedule in TABLE IIB shall be paid at the time of filing with the additional overtime costs billed following project completion. Notwithstanding other provisions of this section, fees are due at the time specified in the bill which will allow a reasonable time for payment. A request for expedited CEMS, FSMS, and ACEMS application work can only be made upon initial work submittal, and approval of such a request is contingent upon the ability of the District to implement the necessary policies and procedures and the availability of qualified staff for overtime work.

(4) Air Dispersion Modeling and HRA Fees

Fees for requested expedited review and evaluation of air dispersion modeling and health risk assessments will be an additional fee based upon actual review and work time billed at a rate for staff overtime which is equal to the staff's hourly rate of ~~$186.87~~$192.85 plus ~~$96.91~~$100.01 per hour (one half of hourly plus mileage).

(5) ERC/STC Application Fees

Fees for requested expedited review and evaluation of ERC/STC application fees will be an additional fee based upon actual review and work time billed at a rate for staff overtime which is equal to the staff's hourly rate of ~~$223.14~~$230.28 plus ~~$115.72~~$119.42 per hour (one half of hourly plus mileage).

(6) Procedure 4 & 5 Evaluation

Fees for requested expedited reviews and evaluation of Procedure 4 or 5 plans per Rule 301(o) Asbestos Fees will be an additional fee of fifty percent (50%) of the Procedure 4 & 5 plan evaluation fee.

(w) Enforcement Inspection Fees for Statewide Portable Equipment Registration Program (PERP)

(1) Registered Portable Equipment Unit Inspection Fee

Registered portable equipment units are those which emit PM10 in excess of that emitted by an associated engine alone. An hourly fee of $115.00 shall be assessed for a triennial portable equipment unit inspection, including the subsequent investigation and resolution of violations, if any, of applicable state and federal requirements, not to exceed $590.00 per unit.

(2) Registered Tactical Support Equipment (TSE) Inspection Fee

Registered TSE includes registered equipment using a portable engine, including turbines, that meet military specifications, owned by the U.S. Department of Defense, the U.S. military services, or its allies, and used in combat, combat support, combat service support, tactical or relief operations, or training for such operations.

(A) To determine compliance with all applicable state and federal requirements, each registered TSE unit will be inspected once per calendar year.

(i) For registered TSE units determined to be in compliance with all applicable state and federal requirements during the annual inspection:

(a) A fee for the annual inspection of a single registered TSE unit shall be assessed at a unit cost of $90.00.

(b) A fee for annual inspection of two or more registered TSE units at a single location shall be assessed at the lesser of the following costs:

(1) The actual time to conduct the inspection at the rate of $115.00 per hour; or

(2) A unit cost of $90.00 per registered TSE unit inspected.

(ii) For registered TSE units determined to be out of compliance with one or more applicable state or federal requirements during the annual inspection, fees for the annual inspection (including the subsequent investigation and resolution of the violation) shall be assessed at the lesser of the following costs:

(a) The actual time to conduct the inspection at the rate of $115.00 per hour; or

(b) A unit cost of $90.00 per registered TSE unit inspected.

(3) Off-hour Inspection Fee

In addition to the inspection fees stated above, any arranged inspections requested by the holder of the registration that are scheduled outside of District normal business hours may be assessed an additional off-hour inspection fee of $60.00 per hour for the time necessary to complete the inspection.

(4) Notice to Pay and Late Payment Surcharge

A notice to pay the inspection fees will be sent by mail, electronic mail, or other electronic means, to the registration holder. Fees are due and payable immediately upon receipt of the notice to pay. Failure to pay the inspection fees within 120 days of the date of the initial notice to pay may result in the suspension or revocation of the registration by CARB. Once a registration has been suspended, CARB will not consider reinstatement until all fees due have been paid in full.

(x) Notification Fees for Rules 1118.1, 1149, 1166, and 1466

Any person who is required by the District to submit a written notice pursuant to Rules 1118.1, 1149, 1166, 1466, or for soil vapor extraction projects shall pay a notification fee of ~~$81.61~~$84.22 per notification.

(y) Fees for the Certification of Equipment Subject to the Provisions of Rules 1111, 1121 and 1146.2

(1) Initial Certification Fee

Any person requesting certification pursuant to Rules 1111, 1121 or 1146.2 shall pay a fee of ~~$752.38~~$776.46 per certification letter for each family of model series certified. This fee shall be paid in addition to the fees paid to review any associated source test report(s).

(2) Additional Fees for Modification or Extension of Families to Include a New Model(s)

Any person requesting a modification or extension of a certification already issued to include a new model(s) shall pay an additional fee of ~~$376.20~~$388.24 for certification of new models added by extension to the previously certified model series per request.

(3) Failure to pay all certification fees shall result in the revocation of each certified piece of equipment that was evaluated for which fee payment has not been received within 30 days after the due date.

(z) "No Show" Fee for Rule 461 – Gasoline Dispensing Equipment Scheduled Testing

(1) Reverification, and Performance Testing

If a testing company and/or tester does not show for a Reverification test, or Performance test within one hour of its original scheduled time, and an ~~SCAQMD~~ South Coast AQMD inspector arrives for the inspection, a "No Show" fee of ~~$553.21~~$570.91 shall be charged to the testing company and/or tester. The fee shall be paid within 60 days of the date of the invoice. If the fee is not paid, the account will become delinquent 30 days after the due date. Any delinquent account holder will not be allowed to schedule any future tests within ~~SCAQMD~~ South Coast AQMD jurisdiction until all overdue fees are paid in full.

(2) Pre-Backfill Inspection

If a contracting company is not ready for a Pre-Backfill inspection of its equipment at the original scheduled time, and/or did not notify the ~~SCAQMD~~ South Coast AQMD inspector of postponement/cancellation at least three hours prior to the scheduled time, a "No Show" fee of ~~$553.21~~$570.91 shall be charged to the contracting company. The fee shall be paid within 60 days of the date of the invoice. If the fee is not paid, the account will become delinquent 30 days after the due date. Any delinquent account holder will not be allowed to schedule any future pre-backfill inspections within ~~SCAQMD~~ South Coast AQMD jurisdiction until all overdue fees are paid in full.

(aa) Refinery Related Community Air Monitoring System Annual Operating and Maintenance Fees

(1) The owner or operator of a petroleum refinery or related facility subject to Rule 1180, and other refineries subject to Rule 1180.1 shall pay an annual operating and maintenance fee for a refinery-related community air monitoring system designed, developed, installed, operated, and maintained by ~~SCAQMD~~ South Coast AQMD in accordance with California Health and Safety Code Section 42705.6.

(2) The annual operating and maintenance fee per facility required by paragraph (aa)(1) shall be:

Facility Name*, Location	Rule	FY 25-26	FY 26-27	FY 27-28 (and thereafter)
		Annual Operating and Maintenance Fee	Annual Operating and Maintenance Fee	Annual Operating and Maintenance Fee
Tesoro Refining & Marketing Company, LLC, Carson	1180	$1,073,340.33	$1,073.340.33	$1,073,340.33
Tesoro Refining & Marketing Company, LLC, Wilmington	1180	$536,670.16	$536,670.16	$536,670.16
Chevron Products Co., El Segundo	1180	$1,073,340.33	$1,073,340.33	$1,073,340.33
Phillips 66 Company/Los Angeles Refinery, Carson	1180	$536,670.16	$536,670.16	$536,670.16
Phillips 66 Company/LA Refinery Wilmington Plant, Wilmington	1180	$536,670.16	$536,670.16	$536,670.16
Torrance Refining Company, LLC, Torrance	1180	$1,073,340.33	$1,073,340.33	$1,073,340.33
Ultramar Inc. dba Valero Wilmington Refinery, Wilmington	1180	$536,670.16	$536,670.16	$536,670.16
Air Products and Chemicals, Inc. (permitted as Air Prod & Chem, Inc.), Carson	1180	$0	$205,982.34	$205,982.34
Air Products and Chemicals, Inc., Wilmington	1180	$0	$205,982.34	$205,982.34
Tesoro Refining and Marketing Co., LLC (Sulfur Recovery Plant), Carson	1180	$0	$205,982.34	$205,982.34
Kinder Morgan Liquids Terminals, LLC, Carson	1180	$0	$205,982.34	$205,982.34
Tesoro Logistics, Carson Crude Terminal, Carson	1180	$0	$205,982.34	$205,982.34
Air Products Manufacturing (formerly AltAir Paramount), Paramount	1180.1	$0	$521,545.62	$521,545.62
Lunday-Thagard Co. dba World Oil Refining, South Gate	1180.1	$0	$521,545.62	$521,545.62
Valero Wilmington Asphalt Plant, Wilmington	1180.1	$0	$521,545.62	$521,545.62

*Based on the current facility names. Any subsequent owner(s) or operator(s) of the above listed facilities shall be subject to this rule.

(3) The annual operating and maintenance fee required by this subdivision shall be billed with the annual operating permit renewal fee required by subdivision (d) beginning in calendar year 2020 for the seven major refineries subject to Rule 1180, and beginning in calendar year 2026, for refinery-related facilities and other refineries subject to Rules 1180 and 1180.1, respectively. If the annual operating and maintenance fee required by this subdivision is not paid in full within sixty (60) calendar days of its due date, a ten-percent (10%) penalty shall be imposed every sixty (60) calendar days from the due date.

(4) No later than January 1, 2022 and every three years thereafter, the Executive Officer shall reassess the annual operating and maintenance fee required by this subdivision to ensure that the fee is consistent with the requirements of the California Health and Safety Code Section 42705.6 (f)(1) and (f)(2).

(ab) Defense of Permit

Within 10 days of receiving a complaint or other legal process initiating a challenge to the ~~SCAQMD~~ South Coast AQMD's issuance of a permit, the ~~SCAQMD~~South Coast AQMD shall notify the applicant or permit holder in writing. The applicant or permit holder may, within 30 days of posting of the notice, request revocation of the permit or cancellation of the application. An applicant or permit holder not requesting revocation or cancellation within 30 days of receipt of notice from the District shall be responsible for reimbursement to the District for all reasonable and necessary costs to defend the issuance of a permit or permit provisions against a legal challenge, including attorney's fees and legal costs. The Executive Officer will invoice the applicant or permit holder for fees and legal costs at the conclusion of the legal challenge. The ~~SCAQMD~~ South Coast AQMD and the applicant or permit holder will negotiate an indemnity agreement within 30 days of the notice by ~~SCAQMD~~ South Coast AQMD to the applicant or permit holder. The agreement will include, among other things, attorneys' fees and legal costs. The Executive Officer or designee may execute an indemnity agreement only after receiving authorization from the Administrative Committee. The Executive Officer may in his discretion, waive all or any part of such costs upon a determination that

payment for such costs would impose an unreasonable hardship upon the applicant or permit holder.

(ac) Monitoring and Sampling Fees Related to Metal TAC Monitoring Facilities

(1) This fee is applicable to all facilities that elect to have the South Coast AQMD conduct Monitoring and Sampling. The fees include monitoring equipment, material, labor, sample retrieval, sample analysis, construction and other associated fees. An owner or operator shall be responsible for the fees for Monitoring and Sampling from the date specified in the Alternative or Reduced Alternative Monitoring and Sampling Plan. South Coast AQMD typically deploys two field staff members to perform field work due to potential hazards encountered in the field. During the review of an Alternative Monitoring and Sampling or Reduced Alternative Monitoring and Sampling Plan, the Executive Officer will evaluate and determine if it is appropriate to have only one field staff member to conduct Monitoring and Sampling at the Metal TAC Monitoring Facility. A Metal TAC Monitoring Facility would be notified of the Executive Officer's decision at the time of approval of the Alternative or Reduced Alternative Monitoring and Sampling Plan. The Executive Officer's decision on the number of field staff members needed will be based on the following factors:

- Height of the monitor
- Use of a ladder
- Sampling schedule
- Access to the facility
- Safety concerns

(2) The owner or operator of a Metal TAC Monitoring Facility, as defined in Rule 1480 subdivision (c), that elects to have the Executive Officer conduct Monitoring and Sampling pursuant to Rule 1480(g)(1) shall pay the operating and maintenance fees based on the sampling frequency, number of monitors, location of monitors, and type of monitors as specified in the

most recently approved Alternative or Reduced Alternative Monitoring and Sampling Plan.

(3) The monthly Monitoring and Sampling fee per facility required by paragraph (ac)(1) shall be as follows:

Alternative or Reduced Alternative Monitoring and Sampling Plan Monthly Monitoring Fees

	Number and Type of Monitor	Sampling Frequency			
		1 in 3 Days		1 in 6 Days	
		2 Staff	1 Staff	2 Staff	1 Staff
Base	1 - Metal TAC Monitor - Hexavalent Chromium	~~$11,257.49~~ $11,617.73	~~$7,317.37~~ $7,551.53	~~$5,628.74~~$ 5,808.86	~~$3,940.12~~ $4,066.20
	1 - Metal TAC Monitor – Non-Hexavalent Chromium	~~$6,191.62~~$ 6,389.75	~~$3,940.12~~ $4,066.20	~~$3,377.25~~$ 3,485.32	~~$2,251.50~~ $2,323.55
	1 - Metal TAC Monitor – Hexavalent Chromium & 1 - Metal TAC Monitor – Non-Hexavalent Chromium	~~$14,634.73~~ $15,103.04	~~$9,568.86~~ $9,875.06	~~$7,317.37~~$ 7,551.53	~~$5,065.87~~ $5,227.98
Additional	1- Metal TAC Monitor - Hexavalent Chromium	~~$4,503.00~~$ 4,647.10	~~$3,940.12~~ $4,066.20	~~$2,814.37~~$ 2,904.43	~~$2,251.50~~ $2,323.55
	1- Metal TAC Monitor – Non-Hexavalent Chromium	~~$2,814.37~~$ 2,904.43	~~$2,251.50~~ $2,323.55	~~$1,688.62~~$ 1,742.66	~~$1,125.75~~ $1,161.77
Other	1 – Wind Monitor	~~$562.87~~$5 80.88	~~$562.87~~$5 80.88	~~$562.87~~$5 80.88	~~$562.87~~$5 80.88

(4) The fees for a wind monitor are ~~$562.87~~$580.88 per month, if the owner or operator of a Metal TAC Monitoring Facility elects to have the South Coast AQMD collect wind speed and direction data to meet the requirements of Rule 1480(f)(8).

(5) If the Executive Officer contracts Monitoring and Sampling, as defined in Rule 1480 subdivision (c), with a third-party contractor, the fees would be specified by the third-party contractor.

(6) The number, type, and location of the monitors is specified in the initial Rule 1480 Alternative Monitoring and Sampling Plan and maintained in the

most recently approved Rule 1480 Alternative or Reduced Alternative Monitoring and Sampling Plan.

(7) The operating and maintenance fees shall be billed on a monthly basis with payments due on or before the end of the month for which Monitoring and Sampling is required under Rule 1480 and include any other unpaid operating and maintenance fees. If the operating and maintenance fee is not paid in full within 60 calendar days of its due date, a 10 percent surcharge shall be imposed.

(8) If Monitoring and Sampling pursuant to Rule 1480 is no longer required by the Executive Officer or if the sampling frequency is modified in the middle of a month, an owner or operator shall pay fees at a prorated amount.

(9) If the number and/or type of monitors is modified in the middle of a month, an owner or operator shall pay fees at a prorated amount.

(ad) Severability

If any provision of this rule is held by judicial order to be invalid, or invalid or inapplicable to any person or circumstance, such order shall not affect the validity of the remainder of this rule, or the validity or applicability of such provision to other persons or circumstances. In the event any of the exceptions to this rule are held by judicial order to be invalid, the persons or circumstances covered by the exception shall instead be required to comply with the remainder of this rule.

TABLE FEE RATE-A. SUMMARY PERMIT FEE RATES - PERMIT PROCESSING, CHANGE OF CONDITIONS, ALTERATION/MODIFICATION

Schedule	Non-Title V			Title V		
	Permit Processing	Change of Condition	Alteration/ Modification	Permit Processing	Change of Condition	Alteration/ Modification
A	~~$2,483.17~~$2,562.63	~~$1,293.43~~$1,334.82	~~$2,483.17~~$2,562.63	~~$3,111.65~~$3,211.22	~~$1,620.79~~$1,672.66	~~$3,111.65~~$3,211.22
A1	~~$2,483.17~~$2,562.63	~~$1,293.43~~$1,334.82	~~$2,483.17~~$2,562.63	~~$3,111.65~~$3,211.22	~~$1,620.79~~$1,672.66	~~$3,111.65~~$3,211.22
B	~~$3,957.60~~$4,084.24	~~$1,960.54~~$2,023.28	~~$3,957.60~~$4,084.24	~~$4,959.22~~$5,117.92	~~$2,456.76~~$2,535.38	~~$4,959.22~~$5,117.92
B1	~~$6,259.78~~$6,460.09	~~$3,393.07~~$3,501.65	~~$6,259.78~~$6,460.09	~~$7,844.11~~$8,095.12	~~$4,251.86~~$4,387.92	~~$7,844.11~~$8,095.12
C	~~$6,259.78~~$6,460.09	~~$3,393.07~~$3,501.65	~~$6,259.78~~$6,460.09	~~$7,844.11~~$8,095.12	~~$4,251.86~~$4,387.92	~~$7,844.11~~$8,095.12
D	~~$8,639.57~~$8,916.04	~~$5,803.08~~$5,988.78	~~$8,639.57~~$8,916.04	~~$10,826.22~~$11,172.66	~~$7,271.86~~$7,504.56	~~$10,826.22~~$11,172.66
E	~~$9,932.89~~$10,250.74	~~$8,520.39~~$8,793.04	~~$9,932.89~~$10,250.74	~~$12,446.85~~$12,845.15	~~$10,676.85~~$11,018.51	~~$12,446.85~~$12,845.15
F	~~$24,961.95~~$25,760.73+ T&M	~~$12,439.22~~$12,837.28+ T&M	~~$19,788.15~~$20,421.37+ T&M	~~$31,279.71~~$32,280.66+ T&M	~~$15,587.51~~$16,086.31+ T&M	~~$24,796.44~~$25,589.93+ T&M
G	~~$29,462.87~~$30,405.68+ T&M	~~$21,108.52~~$21,783.99+ T&M	~~$24,289.05~~$25,066.30+ T&M	~~$36,919.74~~$38,101.17+ T&M	~~$26,451.00~~$27,297.43+ T&M	~~$30,436.43~~$31,410.40+ T&M
H	~~$45,655.50~~$47,116.48+ T&M	~~$26,763.88~~$27,620.32+ T&M	~~$40,481.67~~$41,777.08+ T&M	~~$57,210.64~~$59,041.38+ T&M	~~$33,540.62~~$34,613.92+ T&M	~~$50,727.35~~$52,350.63+ T&M

Schedule	Begin Charging Hourly Rate After (hrs)	Non-Title V T& M Rate ($/hr)	Non-Title V Not to Exceed ($)	Title V T& M Rate ($/hr)	Title V Not to Exceed ($)

F	99	~~$258.67~~$266.95	~~$48,625.99~~$50,182.02	~~$324.14~~$334.51	~~$60,932.98~~$62,882.84
G	117	~~$258.67~~$266.95	~~$83,307.72~~$85,973.57	~~$324.14~~$334.51	~~$104,392.45~~$107,733.01
H	182	~~$258.67~~$266.95	~~$105,925.60~~$109,315.22	~~$324.14~~$334.51	~~$132,734.77~~$136,982.28

TABLE FEE RATE-B. SUMMARY OF ERC PROCESSING RATES, BANKING, CHANGE OF TITLE, ALTERATION/MODIFICATION, CONVERSION TO SHORT TERM CREDITS, RE-ISSUANCE OF SHORT TERM CREDITS, RETIREMENT OF SHORT TERM CREDITS FOR TRANSFER INTO RULE 2202, and TRANSFER OF ERCs OUT OF RULE 2202

Schedule I	Non-Title V	Title V
Banking Application	~~$6,407.59~~$6,612.63	~~$8,029.32~~$8,286.26
Change of Title	~~$1,131.88~~$1,168.10	~~$1,418.34~~$1,463.73
Alteration/Modification	~~$1,131.88~~$1,168.10	~~$1,418.34~~$1,463.73
Conversion to Short Term Credits	~~$1,131.88~~$1,168.10	~~$1,418.34~~$1,463.73

TABLE FEE RATE-B. SUMMARY OF ERC PROCESSING RATES, BANKING, CHANGE OF TITLE, ALTERATION/MODIFICATION, CONVERSION TO SHORT TERM CREDITS, RE-ISSUANCE OF SHORT TERM CREDITS, RETIREMENT OF SHORT TERM CREDITS FOR TRANSFER INTO RULE 2202, and TRANSFER OF ERCs OUT OF RULE 2202

Schedule I	Non-Title V	Title V
Re-Issuance of Short Term Credits	~~$1,131.88~~$1,168.10	~~$1,418.34~~$1,463.73
Retirement of Short Term Emission Credits for Transfer into Rule 2202 and Transfer of ERCs Out of Rule 2202	~~$380.66~~$392.84	~~$476.99~~$492.25

TABLE FEE RATE-C. SUMMARY OF PERMIT FEE RATES CHANGE OF OWNER/OPERATOR

Facility Type	Non-Title V	Title V
Small Business	~~$344.86~~$355.90	~~$432.13~~$445.96
Non-Small Business	~~$947.12~~$977.43	~~$1,186.83~~$1,224.81

[a] Fees are for each permit unit application and apply to all facilities, including RECLAIM facilities. The change of owner/operator fee for Non-RECLAIM Title V facilities shall not exceed ~~$14,761.56~~$15,233.93 per facility and for all other Non-RECLAIM facilities shall not exceed ~~$23,560.20~~$24,314.13 per facility. The change of owner/operator fee for RECLAIM facilities shall not exceed ~~$67,174.97~~$69,324.57.

TABLE IA - PERMIT FEE RATE SCHEDULES FOR CONTROL EQUIPMENT

Equipment/Process	Schedule
Abatement System/HEPA, Asbestos, Lead	B
Activated Carbon Adsorber, Venting Single Source (s.s.=single source)	B
Activated Carbon Adsorber, Venting Multiple Source (m.s.=multiple sources)	C
Activated Carbon Adsorber, Other	D
Activated Carbon Adsorber, Drum Venting Toxic Source (t.s. = toxic source)	C
Activated Carbon Adsorber, with regeneration	E
Afterburner (<= 1 MMBTU/hr,venting s.s.)	B
Afterburner (<= 1 MMBTU/hr,venting m.s.)	C
Afterburner, Catalytic for Bakery Oven	C
Afterburner, Direct Flame	D
Afterburner/Oxidizer: Regenerative Ceramic/Hot Rock Bed Type, Recuperative Thermal	D
Afterburner/Oxidizer, Catalytic	D
Air Filter, Custom	C
Amine (or DEA) Regeneration Unit[1]	D
Amine Treating Unit[1]	D
Baghouse, Ambient (<= 100 FT^2)	A
Baghouse, Ambient (> 100 - 500 FT^2)	B
Baghouse, Ambient (> 500 FT^2)	C
Baghouse, Hot (> 350 F)	D
Biofilter (<= 100 cfm)	B
Biofilter (> 100 cfm)	C
Boiler as Afterburner	D
CO Boiler	F
Condenser	C
Control Systems, two in series	C
Control Systems, three in series	D
Control Systems, four or more in series	E
Control Systems, Venting Plasma Arc Cutters	B1
Cyclone	B

Equipment/Process	Schedule
Dry Filter (<= 100 FT^2)	A
Dry Filter (> 100 - 500 FT^2)	B
Dry Filter (> 500 FT^2)	C
Dust Collector/HEPA, other Rule 1401 toxics	C
Electrostatic Precipitator, Restaurant	B
Electrostatic Precipitator, Asphalt Batch Equipment	C
Electrostatic Precipitator, Extruder	B
Electrostatic Precipitator, < 3000 CFM	B
Electrostatic Precipitator, => 3000 CFM	D
Electrostatic Precipitator for Fluid Catalytic Cracking Unit (FCCU)	H
Ethylene Oxide Sterilization, Control, Hospital	B
Flare, Landfill/Digester Gas, Enclosed	E
Flare, Landfill/Digester Gas, Open	C
Flare, Portable	B
Flare System, Refinery[2]	F
Flare Other	C
Flue Gas Desulfurization[1]	D
Gas Absorption Unit[3]	D
Gas Scrubbing System[1]	F
Incinerator, Afterburner	D
Mesh pads, for toxics gas stream	C
Mesh pads, for other acid mists	B
Mist Control	B
Mist Eliminator with HEPA	C
Negative Air Machine/HEPA, Asbestos, Lead	A
Non-Selective Catalytic Reduction	B
Odor Control Unit	D
Relief and Blowdown System[4]	D
Scrubber, Biofiltration	C
Scrubber Controlling NO_X venting	D
Scrubber Controlling SO_X venting	D
Scrubber Controlling HCL or NH_3 venting s.s.	B

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Equipment/Process	Schedule
Scrubber Controlling HCL or NH_3venting m.s.	C
Scrubber, NOx, multistage	D
Scrubber, NOx, single stage	C
Scrubber, Odor, < 5000 cfm	C
Scrubber, Other venting s.s.	B
Scrubber, Other venting m.s.	C
Scrubber, Other Chemical venting s.s.	B
Scrubber, Other Chemical venting m.s.	D
Scrubber, Particulates venting s.s.	B
Scrubber, Particulates venting m.s.	C
Scrubber, Particulates venting t.s.	D
Scrubber, Restaurant	B
Scrubber, Toxics venting	D
Scrubber, Venturi venting s.s.	B
Scrubber, Venturi venting m.s.	C
Scrubber, Venturi venting t.s.	C
Scrubber, Water (no packing)	B
Selective Catalytic Reduction (SCR)	C
Settling Chamber	B
Ship Hold Hatch Cover	A
Slop Oil Recovery System	D
Sour Water Oxidizer Unit[5]	D
Sour Water Stripper[6]	D
Sparger	B
Spent Acid Storage & Treating Facility[7]	E
Spent Carbon Regeneration System	D
Spent Caustic Separation System[8]	D
Spray Booth/Enclosure, Other	B
Spray Booth/Enclosure, Powder Coating System with single or multiple APC for particulates	B
Spray Booth, HEPA/ULPA Controlling Rule 1401 Toxic Air Contaminants	C
Spray Booth, Metallizing	C
Spray Booth with Carbon Adsorber (non-regenerative)	C
Spray Booths (multiple) with Carbon Adsorber (non-regenerative)	D
Spray Booth(s) with Carbon Adsorber (regenerative)	E
Spray Booth(s) (1 to 5) with Afterburner/Oxidizer (Regenerative/Recuperative)	D
Spray Booths (>5) with Afterburner/Oxidizer (Regenerative/Recuperative)	E
Spray Booth, Automotive, with Multiple VOC Control Equipment	C
Spray Booth with Multiple VOC Control	D
Spray Booths (multiple) with Multiple VOC Control Equipment	E
Spray Booth exclusively using UV, EB, or LED Curing[9]	A
Storm Water Handling & Treating System[10]	E
Sulfur Recovery Equipment	H
Tail Gas Incineration	D
Tail Gas Unit[11]	H
Storage Tank, Degassing Unit	D
Ultraviolet Oxidation	D
Vapor Balance System[12]	B
Vapor Recovery, Serving Crude Oil Production	D
Vapor Recovery, Serving Refinery Unit[12]	E
Waste Gas Incineration Unit	E

[1] Including, but not limited to, all or part of the following: Accumulators, Columns, Condensers, Drums, Heat Exchangers, Knock Out Pots, Pots, Pumps, Regenerators, Scrubbers, Settling Tanks, Sumps, Tanks, Towers, Vessels

[2] Including, but not limited to, all or part of the following: Flare, Compressors, Drums, Knock Out Pots, Pots, Vessels

[3] Including, but not limited to, all or part of the following: Accumulators, Columns, Condensers, Drums, Heat Exchangers, Knock Out Pots, Pots, Pumps, Regenerators, Scrubbers, Settling Tanks, Sumps, Tanks, Towers, Vessels

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[4] Including, but not limited to, all or part of the following: Compressors, Drums, Knock Out Pots, Pots

[5] Including, but not limited to, all or part of the following: Accumulators, Columns, Drums, Knock Out Pots, Tanks, Vessels

[6] Including, but not limited to, all or part of the following: Condensers, Coolers, Drums, Sumps, Vessels

[7] Including, but not limited to, all or part of the following: Accumulators, Clarifier, Columns, Compressors, Condensers, Drums, Filters, Filter Presses, Heat Exchangers, Knock Out Pots, Pits, Pots, Pumps, Reactors, Regenerators, Scrubbers, Settling Tanks, Sumps, Tanks, towers, Vessels

[8] Including, but not limited to, all or part of the following: Process Tanks, Separators, Tanks

[9] Provided all of the following are met:

a) All inks, coatings, solvents (excluding clean up solvents), or all other materials used in the spraybooth contain 50 grams of VOC per liter of material or less and do not contain any toxic air contaminants specified in Rule 1401 at the time the application is deemed complete

b) All cleanup solvents used in the spraybooth or used to clean any parts or equipment that were in the spray booth contain 25 grams of VOC per liter of material or less and do not contain any toxic air contaminants specified in Rule 1401 at the time the application is deemed complete

[10] Including, but not limited to, all or part of the following: Air Floatation Units, Floatation Units, Filter Presses, Clarifiers, Settling Tanks, Waste Water Separators, Tanks

[11] Including, but not limited to, all or part of the following: Absorbers, Condensers, Coolers, Drums, Heat Exchangers, Knock Out Pots, Reactors, Tanks, Vessels

[12] Including, but not limited to, all or part of the following: Absorbers, Compressors, Condensers, Knock Out Pots, Pumps, Saturators

TABLE IB - PERMIT FEE RATE SCHEDULES FOR BASIC EQUIPMENT

Equipment/Process	Schedule
Abatement System, Asbestos, Lead	B
Abrasive Blasting (Cabinet, Mach., Room)	B
Abrasive Blasting (Open)	A
Absorption Chillers, Gas-Fired, < 5 MM Btu/hr	B
Absorption Chillers, Gas-Fired, => 5 MM Btu/hr	C
Acetylene Purification System Including, but not limited to, all or part of the following: Absorbers, Accumulators, Columns, Compressors, Condensers, Drums, Heat Exchangers, Knock Out Pots, Pots, Pumps, Reactors, Regenerators, Scrubbers, Settling Tanks, Sumps, Tanks, Towers, Vessels	C
Acid Treating Including, but not limited to, all or part of the following: Absorbers, Accumulators, Columns, Compressors, Condensers, Drums, Heat Exchangers, Knock Out Pots, Pots, Pumps, Reactors, Regenerators, Scrubbers, Settling Tanks, Sumps, Tanks, Towers, Vessels	E
Adhesives Organic Additions Including, but not limited to, all or part of the following: Reactors, Mixers, Process Tanks, Vessels	C
Adsorption Chillers, Gas-Fired, < 5 MM Btu/hr	B
Adsorption Chillers, Gas-Fired, => 5 MM Btu/hr	C
Adsorption, Other	B
Aeration Potable Water	C
Aggregate, Tank Truck Loading/Conveying Including, but not limited to, all or part of the following: Bins, Bucket Elevators, Conveyors, Feeders, Hoppers, Weigh Stations	B
Aggregate Production, with Dryer Including, but not limited to, all or part of the following: Bins, Bucket Elevators, Conveyors, Dryers, Feeders, Hoppers, Crushers, Cyclones, Log Washers, Mixers, Screens, Vibrating Grizzlies, Weigh Stations	E

Equipment/Process	Schedule
Aggregate Production/Crushing (< 5000 tpd) Including, but not limited to, all or part of the following: Bins, Bucket Elevators, Conveyors, Feeders, Hoppers, Crushers, Cyclones, Log Washers, Mixers, Screens, Vibrating Grizzlies, Weigh Stations	C
Aggregate Production/Crushing (=> 5000 tpd) Including, but not limited to, all or part of the following: Bins, Bucket Elevators, Conveyors, Feeders, Hoppers, Crushers, Cyclones, Log Washers, Mixers, Screens, Vibrating Grizzlies, Weigh Stations	D
Aggregate Screening Including, but not limited to, all or part of the following: Bins, Bucket Elevators, Conveyors, Feeders, Hoppers, Cyclones, Screens, Weigh Stations	C
Air Strippers	C
Aircraft Fueling Facility Including, but not limited to, all or part of the following: Storage Tanks, Dispensing Nozzles	D
Alkylation Unit Including, but not limited to, all or part of the following: Absorbers, Accumulators, Columns, Compressors, Condensers, Drums, Heat Exchangers, Knock Out Pots, Pots, Pumps, Reactors, Regenerators, Scrubbers, Settling Tanks, Sumps, Tanks, Towers, Vessels	E
Ammonia Mfg. Including, but not limited to, all or part of the following: Absorbers, Accumulators, Columns, Compressors, Condensers, Coolers, Drums, Ejectors, Heat Exchangers, Knock Out Pots, Pots, Pumps, Reactors, Regenerators, Scrubbers, Settling Tanks, Sumps, Tanks, Towers, Vessels	C

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Equipment/Process	Schedule
Ammonia Vaporization Unit Including, but not limited to, all or part of the following: Absorbers, Accumulators, Columns, Compressors, Condensers, Coolers, Drums, Ejectors, Heat Exchangers, Knock Out Pots, Pots, Pumps, Reactors, Regenerators, Scrubbers, Settling Tanks, Sumps, Tanks, Towers, Vessels	C
Animal Feed Processing, Conveying Including, but not limited to, all or part of the following: Conveyors, Bins, Hoppers, Bucket Elevators	B
Animal Feed Processing, Other Including, but not limited to, all or part of the following: Conveyors, Bins, Hoppers, Bucket Elevators, Mixers, Feeders, Grinders	C
Anodizing (sulfuric, phosphoric)	B
Aqueous Ammonia Transfer & Storage	C
Aromatics Recovery Unit Including, but not limited to, all or part of the following: Absorbers, Accumulators, Columns, Compressors, Condensers, Drums, Heat Exchangers, Knock Out Pots, Pots, Pumps, Reactors, Regenerators, Scrubbers, Settling Tanks, Sumps, Tanks, Towers, Vessels	E
Asphalt Air Blowing	B
Asphalt Blending/Batching Including, but not limited to, all or part of the following: Bins, Bucket Elevators, Conveyors, Cyclones, Dryers, Feeders, Hoppers, Knock Out Pots, Mixers, Screens, Tanks, Weigh Stations	E
Asphalt Coating	C
Asphalt Day Tanker/Tar Pot	A
Asphalt Refining Including, but not limited to, all or part of the following: Absorbers, Accumulators, Columns, Compressors, Condensers, Drums, Heat Exchangers, Knock Out Pots, Pots, Pumps, Reactors, Regenerators, Scrubbers, Settling Tanks, Sumps, Tanks, Towers, Vessels	E

Equipment/Process	Schedule
Asphalt Roofing Line Including, but not limited to, all or part of the following: Pumps, Conveyors, Process Tanks, Coater Operations, Cutters	C
Asphalt Roofing Saturator	D
Asphalt-Rubber Spraying	B
Auto Body Shredding	C
Autoclave, Non-sterilizing Type	B
Battery Charging/Manufacturing Including, but not limited to, all or part of the following: Cutters, Crushers, Separators, Process Tanks, Conveyors	C
Benzene/Toluene/Xylene Production Equip. Including, but not limited to, all or part of the following: Absorbers, Accumulators, Columns, Compressors, Condensers, Drums, Heat Exchangers, Knock Out Pots, Pots, Pumps, Reactors, Regenerators, Scrubbers, Settling Tanks, Sumps, Tanks, Towers, Vessels	E
Beryllium Machining and Control Including, but not limited to, all or part of the following: Machining Operations, Filters, Baghouses,	C
Bleach Manufacturing Including, but not limited to, all or part of the following: Accumulators, Columns, Com-pressors, Condensers, Drums, Heat Exchangers, Knock Out Pots, Pots, Pumps, Tanks, Towers, Vessels	B
Blending, Other	B
Boiler/hot water heater, various locations, diesel/oil fired (< 300,000 BTU/hr)	A
Boiler/hot water heater, single facility, portable, diesel/oil fired (< 600,000 BTU/hr)	A
Boiler, Landfill/Digester Gas (< 5 MMBTU/hr)	B
Boiler, Landfill/Digester Gas (5 to 20 MMBTU/hr)	C
Boiler, Landfill/Digester Gas (> 20 to 50 MMBTU/hr)	D
Boiler, Landfill/Digester Gas (>50MMBTU/hr)	F
Boiler, Natural gas-fired, 5 – 20 MM BTU/hr	C

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Equipment/Process	Schedule
Boiler, Other Fuel (< 5MMBTU/hr)	B
Boiler, Other Fuel (5 - 20 MMBTU/hr)	C
Boiler, Other Fuel (> 20 - 50 MMBTU/hr)	D
Boiler, Other Fuel (> 50 MMBTU/hr)	E
Boiler, Utility (> 50 MW)	H
Brake Shoes, Grinding, Bonding and Debonding, Deriveter	B
Bulk Chemical Terminal	B
Bulk Loading/Unloading Stn (< 50,000 GPD)	B
Bulk Loading/Unloading Rack (50,000 - 200,000 GPD)	D
Bulk Loading/Unloading Rack (> 200,000 GPD)	E
Bulk Loading/Unloading	C
Carbon Dioxide Production Facility Including, but not limited to, all or part of the following: Separator, Knockout Pot, Scrubber, Chiller, Pumps, Blowers, Oil Separator, Compressor, Intercoolers, Filters, Cooling Tower	F
Carpet Processing System Including, but not limited to, all or part of the following: Process Tanks, Dryers, Carpet Beaters, Carpet Shears	D
Catalyst Handling System Including, but not limited to, all or part of the following: Centrifuge, Bins, Conveyors, Hoppers, Cyclones, Screens, Tanks, Weigh Stations	C
Catalyst Mfg./Calcining Including, but not limited to, all or part of the following: Bins, Conveyors, Reactors, Mixers, Process Tanks, Kilns	D
Catalyst Storage (Hoppers)	C
Catalytic Reforming Unit Including, but not limited to, all or part of the following: Absorbers, Accumulators, Columns, Compressors, Condensers, Drums, Fractionators, Heat Exchangers, Knock Out Pots, Pots, Pumps, Reactors, Regenerators, Scrubbers, Settling Tanks, Sumps, Tanks, Towers, Vessels	E
Caustic Treating Unit Including, but not limited to, all or part of the following: Knock Out Pots, Tanks, Towers, Vessels	E

Equipment/Process	Schedule
Cement Marine Loading & Unloading Including, but not limited to, all or part of the following: Bins, Conveyors, Bucket Elevators, Hoppers, Loading & Unloading Arms, Weigh Stations	E
Cement Packaging Including, but not limited to, all or part of the following: Bins, Conveyors, Bucket Elevators, Hoppers, Weigh Stations	C
Cement Truck Loading	C
Charbroiler, Eating Establishment	A
Charbroiler with Integrated Control	B
Charbroiler, Food Manufacturing	C
Chemical Additive Injection System Including, but not limited to, all or part of the following: Injectors, Compressors, Pumps	C
Chip Dryer	D
Chippers, Greenwaste only, not including I.C. Engine	A
Circuit Board Etchers	B
Cleaning, Miscellaneous	B
Coal Bulk Loading Including, but not limited to, all or part of the following: Bins, Conveyors, Bucket Elevators, Hoppers, Loading Arms, Weigh Stations	E
Coal Research Pilot / Equip (0-15 MMBTU/hr)	C
Coal Research Pilot / Equip (> 15 MMBTU/hr)	D
Coal Tar Treating Including, but not limited to, all or part of the following: Absorbers, Accumulators, Columns, Compressors, Condensers, Drums, Heat Exchangers, Knock Out Pots, Pots, Pumps, Reactors, Regenerators, Scrubbers, Settling Tanks, Sumps, Tanks, Towers, Vessels	C
Coating & Drying Equipment, Continuous Organic, Web Type Including, but not limited to, all or part of the following: Coater Operations, Process Tanks, Dryers	C
Coffee Roaster < 50 lbs capacity with integrated afterburner	B

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Equipment/Process	Schedule
Coffee Roasting, (11-49 lb roaster capacity Including, but not limited to, all or part of the following: Bins, Conveyors, Bucket Elevators, Hoppers, Roasters, Coolers	A
Coffee Roasting, 50-99 lb roaster capacity Including, but not limited to, all or part of the following: Bins, Conveyors, Bucket Elevators, Hoppers, Roasters, Coolers	B
Coffee Roasting, 100 lb or more roaster capacity Including, but not limited to, all or part of the following: Bins, Conveyors, Bucket Elevators, Hoppers, Roasters, Coolers	C
Coke Handling & Storage Facility Including, but not limited to, al or part of the following: Centrifuge, Bins, Conveyors, Clarifier, Hoppers, Cyclones, Screens, Tanks, Weigh Stations	E
Composting, in vessel Including, but not limited to, all or part of the following: Bins, Conveyors, Hoppers	C
Concrete/Asphalt Crushing Including, but not limited to, all or part of the following: Bins, Bucket Elevators, Conveyors, Feeders, Hoppers, Crushers, Cyclones, Screens, Vibrating Grizzlies, Weigh Stations	C
Concrete Batch Equipment Including, but not limited to, all or part of the following: Bins, Bucket Elevators, Conveyors, Dryers, Feeders, Hoppers, Crushers, Cyclones, Log Washers, Mixers, Screens, Vibrating Grizzlies, Weigh Stations	C
Confined Animal Facility	A
Container Filling, Liquid	B
Conveying, Other	B
Cooling Tower, Petroleum Operations	C
Cooling Tower, Other	B
Core Oven	B

Equipment/Process	Schedule
Cotton Ginning System Including, but not limited to, all or part of the following: Hoppers, Conveyors, Separators, Screens, Classifiers, Mixers	D
Crankcase Oil, Loading and Unloading	C
Crematory	C
Crude Oil, Cracking Catalytic Including, but not limited to, all or part of the following: Absorbers, Accumulators, Columns, Compressors, Condensers, Drums, Fractionators, Heat Exchangers, Knock Out Pots, Pots, Pumps, Reactors, Regenerators, Scrubbers, Settling Tanks, Sumps, Tanks, Towers, Vessels	G
Crude Oil, Distillation Unit Including, but not limited to, all or part of the following: Absorbers, Accumulators, Columns, Compressors, Condensers, Drums, Fractionators, Heat Exchangers, Knock Out Pots, Pots, Pumps, Reactors, Regenerators, Scrubbers, Settling Tanks, Sumps, Tanks, Towers, Vessels	E
Crude Oil/Gas/Water Separation System (< 30 BPD)** Including, but not limited to, all or part of the following: Adsorbers, Oil Water Separators, Oil Gas Water Separators, Pits, Sumps, Tanks, Vessels	C
Crude Oil/Gas/Water Separation System, (=> 30 BPD & < 400 BPD)** Including, but not limited to, all or part of the following: Adsorbers, Oil Water Separators, Oil Gas Water Separators, Pits, Sumps, Tanks, Vessels	C
Crude Oil/Gas/Water Separation System, (=> 400 BPD)** Including, but not limited to, all or part of the following: Adsorbers, Oil Water Separators, Oil Gas Water Separators, Pits, Sumps, Tanks, Vessels	E
Decorating Lehr	C
Decorator	B
Deep-Fat Fryer	C

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Equipment/Process	Schedule
Dehydration Unit Including, but not limited to, all or part of the following: Absorbers, Accumulators, Columns, Compressors, Condensers, Drums, Heat Exchangers, Knock Out Pots, Pots, Pumps, Reactors, Regenerators, Scrubbers, Settling Tanks, Sumps, Tanks, Towers, Vessels	C
Degreaser, Cold Solvent Dipping	B
Degreaser, Cold Solvent Spray	C
Degreaser, (<= 1 lb VOC/day)	B
Degreaser (> 1 lb VOC/day)	B
Degreaser, (VOCw/Toxics)	C
Delayed Coking Unit Including, but not limited to, all or part of the following: Absorbers, Accumulators, Columns, Compressors, Condensers, Drums, Fractionators, Heat Exchangers, Knock Out Pots, Pots, Pumps, Reactors, Regenerators, Scrubbers, Settling Tanks, Sumps, Tanks, Towers, Vessels	E
Deposition on Ceramics (< 5 pieces)	B
Deposition on Ceramics (5 or more pieces)	C
Desalting Unit Including, but not limited to, all or part of the following: Mixers, Pumps, Reactors, Settling Tanks, Sumps, Tanks, Vessels	C
Die Casting Equipment	C
Digester Gas Desulfurization System Including, but not limited to, all or part of the following: Absorbers, Accumulators, Columns, Compressors, Condensers, Drums, Heat Exchangers, Knock Out Pots, Pots, Pumps, Reactors, Regenerators, Scrubbers, Settling Tanks, Tanks, Towers, Vessels	C
Dip Tank, Coating	B
Dip Tank, (<= 3 gal/day)	B

Equipment/Process	Schedule
Distillation, Other Including, but not limited to, all or part of the following: Absorbers, Accumulators, Columns, Compressors, Condensers, Drums, Fractionators, Heat Exchangers, Knock Out Pots, Pots, Pumps, Reactors, Regenerators, Scrubbers, Settling Tanks, Sumps, Tanks, Towers, Vessels	C
Drilling Rig, Crude Oil Prod.	C
Drop Forge	B
Dry Cleaning & Associated Control Equipment	A
Dryer for Organic Material	C
Drying/Laundry	A
Drying, Other	B
Emission Reduction Credits [Rule 301(c)(4) and (c)(5)]	I
End Liner, Can	B
Ethylene Oxide Sterilization, Hospital	B
Evaporation, Toxics	C
Evaporator, Other	B
Extraction - Benzene Including, but not limited to, all or part of the following: Absorbers, Accumulators, Columns, Compressors, Condensers, Drums, Heat Exchangers, Knock Out Pots, Pots, Pumps, Reactors, Regenerators, Scrubbers, Settling Tanks, Sumps, Tanks, Towers, Vessels	C
Extruder	B
Extrusion System (Multiple Units) Including, but not limited to, all or part of the following: Extruders	C
Fatty Acid Mfg.	C
Feathers, Size Classification	A
Feed Handling (combining conveying and loading)	D
Fermentation/Brewing Including, but not limited to, all or part of the following: Hoppers, Conveyors, Brew Kettles	C

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Fertilizer, Natural, Packaging/ Processing Including, but not limited to, all or part of the following: Bins, Conveyors, Bucket Elevators, Hoppers, Loading Arms, Weigh Stations	B
Fertilizer, Synthetic, Production Including, but not limited to, all or part of the following: Bins, Conveyors, Bucket Elevators, Mixers, Dryers, Process Tanks, Reactors, Hoppers, Loading Arms, Weigh Stations	C
Fiberglass Panel Mfg Including, but not limited to, all or part of the following: Conveyors, Mixers, Reactors, Process Tanks, Cutters	C
Filament Winder, Rule 1401 Toxics	C
Filament Winder, Other	B
Filling Machine, Dry Powder	C
Film Cleaning Machine	B
Flour Handling (combining conveying, packaging, and loadout)	E
Flour Manufacturing (combining milling and conveying)	E
Flour Milling Including, but not limited to, all or part of the following: Bins, Conveyors, Bucket Elevators, Hoppers, Mills, Weigh Stations	D
Flow Coater	B
Fluid Catalytic Cracking Equipment Including, but not limited to, all or part of the following: Absorbers, Accumulators, Columns, Compressors, Condensers, Drums, Fractionators, Heat Exchangers, Knock Out Pots, Pots, Pumps, Reactors, Regenerators, Scrubbers, Settling Tanks, Sumps, Tanks, Towers, Vessels	H
Fluid Elimination, Waste Water	B
Foam-in-Place Packaging	A
Food Processing Grinding, Blending, Packaging, Conveying, Flavoring	C

Equipment/Process	Schedule
Fractionation Unit Including, but not limited to, all or part of the following: Absorbers, Accumulators, Columns, Compressors, Condensers, Drums, Fractionators, Heat Exchangers, Knock Out Pots, Pots, Pumps, Reactors, Regenerators, Scrubbers, Settling Tanks, Sumps, Tanks, Towers, Vessels	E
Fruit and Vegetable Treating	A
Fuel Gas Mixer	C
Fuel Gas, Treating Including, but not limited to, all or part of the following: Absorbers, Accumulators, Columns, Compressors, Condensers, Drums, Heat Exchangers, Knock Out Pots, Pots, Pumps, Scrubbers, Settling Tanks, Towers, Vessels	D
Fuel Storage & Dispensing Equipment (Rule 461) Including, but not limited to, all or part of the following: Storage Tanks, Dispensing Nozzles	A
Fumigation	A
Furnace, Arc	D
Furnace, Burn-Off, Armature	C
Furnace, Burn-Off, Drum	D
Furnace, Burn-Off, Engine Parts	C
Furnace, Burn-Off, Paint	C
Furnace, Burn-Off, Wax	C
Furnace, Burn-Off, Other	C
Furnace, Cupola	D
Furnace, Electric, Induction and Resistance	C
Furnace, Frit	C
Furnace, Galvanizing	C
Furnace, Graphitization and Carbonization	C
Furnace, Heat Treating	B
Furnace, Other Metallic Operations	C
Furnace, Pot/Crucible	C
Furnace, Reverberatory	D
Furnace, Wire Reclamation	C

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Equipment/Process	Schedule
Garnetting, Paper/Polyester Including, but not limited to, all or part of the following: Feeders, Conveyors, Condensers, Cutters	C
Gas Plant Including, but not limited to, all or part of the following: Accumulators, Columns, Condensers, Drums, Heat Exchangers, Knock Out Pots, Pots, Pumps, Reactors, Re-generators, Scrubbers, Settling Tanks, Sumps, Tanks, Towers, Vessels	E
Gas Turbine, Landfill/Digester Gas, <0.3 MW	B
Gas Turbine, Landfill/Digester Gas, => 0.3 MW	E
Gas Turbine, <= 50 MW, other fuel	D
Gas Turbine, > 50 MW, other fuel	G
Gas Turbine, Emergency, < 0.3 MW	A
Gas Turbine, Emergency, => 0.3 MW	C
Gas Turbines (Microturbines only)	A
Gas-Oil Cracking Unit Including, but not limited to, all or part of the following: Absorbers, Accumulators, Columns, Compressors, Condensers, Drums, Fractionators, Heat Exchangers, Knock Out Pots, Pots, Pumps, Reactors, Regenerators, Scrubbers, Settling Tanks, Sumps, Tanks, Towers, Vessels	E
Gasoline, In-line Blending Including, but not limited to, all or part of the following: Absorbers, Accumulators, Columns, Compressors, Condensers, Drums, Fractionators, Heat Exchangers, Knock Out Pots, Pots, Pumps, Reactors, Regenerators, Scrubbers, Settling Tanks, Sumps, Tanks, Towers, Vessels	D
Gasoline, Refining Including, but not limited to, all or part of the following: Absorbers, Accumulators, Columns, Compressors, Condensers, Drums, Fractionators, Heat Exchangers, Knock Out Pots, Pots, Pumps, Reactors, Regenerators, Scrubbers, Settling Tanks, Sumps, Tanks, Towers, Vessels	D

Equipment/Process	Schedule
Gasoline, Separation - Liquid Production Including, but not limited to, all or part of the following: Absorbers, Accumulators, Columns, Compressors, Condensers, Drums, Fractionators, Heat Exchangers, Knock Out Pots, Pots, Pumps, Reactors, Regenerators, Scrubbers, Settling Tanks, Sumps, Tanks, Towers, Vessels	D
Gasoline, Vapor Gathering System Including, but not limited to, all or part of the following: Absorbers, Accumulators, Columns, Compressors, Condensers, Drums, Fractionators, Heat Exchangers, Knock Out Pots, Pots, Pumps, Reactors, Regenerators, Scrubbers, Settling Tanks, Sumps, Tanks, Towers, Vessels	D
Gasoline Blending Unit Including, but not limited to, all or part of the following: Absorbers, Accumulators, Columns, Compressors, Condensers, Drums, Heat Exchangers, Knock Out Pots, Pots, Pumps, Scrubbers, Settling Tanks, Towers, Vessels	E
Gasoline Fractionation Unit Including, but not limited to, all or part of the following: Absorbers, Accumulators, Columns, Compressors, Condensers, Drums, Fractionators, Heat Exchangers, Knock Out Pots, Pots, Pumps, Reactors, Regenerators, Scrubbers, Settling Tanks, Sumps, Tanks, Towers, Vessels	F
Gasoline Transfer & Dispensing Facility (See Fuel Storage & Dispensing Equipment)	
Glass Forming Machine	C
Glass Furnace < 1TPD	B
Glass Furnace, > 1 - 50 TPD Pull	D
Glass Furnace, > 50 TPD Pull	E
Grain Cleaning Including, but not limited to, all or part of the following: Air Classifiers, Bins, Conveyors, Bucket Elevators, Hoppers, Mills, Screens, Weigh Stations	C
Grain Handling (combining storage and cleaning)	E

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Equipment/Process	Schedule
Grain Storage	C
Grinder, Size Reduction	B
Grinder, Size Reduction, Greenwaste only, not including I.C. Engine	A
Groundwater Treatment System Including, but not limited to, all or part of the following: Air Strippers, Adsorbers, Process Tanks	C
Gypsum, Calcining Including, but not limited to, all or part of the following: Air Classifiers, Bins, Conveyors, Bucket Elevators, Hoppers, Kilns, Weigh Stations	E
Halon/Refrigerants, Recovery and Recycling Equipment	A1
Heater, (< 5 MMBTU/hr)	B
Heater, (5 - 20 MMBTU/hr)	C
Heater, (> 20-50 MMBTU/hr)	D
Heater, (> 50 MMBTU/hr)	E
Hot End Coating, (Glass Mfg. Plant)	B
Hydrant Fueling, Petrol. Middle Distillate Including, but not limited to, all or part of the following: Storage Tanks, Dispensing Nozzles	D
Hydrocarbons, Misc., Treating Including, but not limited to, all or part of the following: Absorbers, Accumulators, Columns, Compressors, Condensers, Drums, Fractionators, Heat Exchangers, Knock Out Pots, Pots, Pumps, Reactors, Regenerators, Scrubbers, Settling Tanks, Sumps, Tanks, Towers, Vessels	D
Hydrogen Desulfurization (HDS) Unit Including, but not limited to, all or part of the following: Absorbers, Accumulators, Columns, Compressors, Condensers, Drums, Fractionators, Heat Exchangers, Knock Out Pots, Pots, Pumps, Reactors, Regenerators, Scrubbers, Settling Tanks, Sumps, Tanks, Towers, Vessels	F
Hydrogen Gas Production, Electrolysis or <5 MMBtu/hr	A
Hydrogen Gas Production, Other	C

Equipment/Process	Schedule
Hydrogen Production Equipment (Refinery) Including, but not limited to, all or part of the following: Absorbers, Accumulators, Columns, Compressors, Condensers, Drums, Fractionators, Heat Exchangers, Knock Out Pots, Pots, Pumps, Reactors, Regenerators, Scrubbers, Settling Tanks, Sumps, Tanks, Towers, Vessels	F
Hydrotreating Unit Including, but not limited to, all or part of the following: Absorbers, Accumulators, Columns, Compressors, Condensers, Drums, Fractionators, Heat Exchangers, Knock Out Pots, Pots, Pumps, Reactors, Regenerators, Scrubbers, Settling Tanks, Sumps, Tanks, Towers, Vessels	E
IC Engine, (51-500 HP) Cogeneration	B
IC Engine, (> 500 HP) Cogeneration	C
IC Engine, Emergency	B
IC Engine, Landfill/Digester Gas	D
IC Engine, Other, 51-500 HP	B
IC Engine, Other, > 500 HP	C
Impregnating Equipment	C
Incineration, Hazardous Waste	H
Incinerator, < 300 lbs/hr, Non-Hazardous	E
Incinerator, >= 300 lbs/hr, Non-Hazardous	F
Indoor Shooting Range	B
Ink Mfg./Blending Including, but not limited to, all or part of the following: Process Tanks, Mixers	B
Inorganic Chemical Mfg. Including, but not limited to, all or part of the following: Process Tanks, Mixers, Reactors	D
Insecticide Separation/Mfg Including, but not limited to, all or part of the following: Absorbers, Accumulators, Columns, Compressors, Condensers, Coolers, Drums, Ejectors, Heat Exchangers, Knock Out Pots, Pots, Pumps, Reactors, Regenerators, Scrubbers, Settling Tanks, Sumps, Tanks, Towers, Vessels	E

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Iodine Reaction Including, but not limited to, all or part of the following: Columns, Compressors, Condensers, Coolers, Heat Exchangers, Pumps, Reactors, Regenerators, Scrubbers, Settling Tanks, Tanks, Towers	C
Isomerization Unit Including, but not limited to, all or part of the following: Absorbers, Accumulators, Columns, Compressors, Condensers, Drums, Fractionators, Heat Exchangers, Knock Out Pots, Pots, Pumps, Reactors, Regenerators, Scrubbers, Settling Tanks, Sumps, Tanks, Towers, Vessels	E
Jet Engine Test Facility	C
Kiln, Natural Gas	C
Landfill Condensate/Leachate Collection/Storage	B
Landfill Gas, Collection, (< 10 Wells)	B
Landfill Gas, Collection, (10 -50 Wells)	C
Landfill Gas, Collection, (> 50 Wells)	D
Landfill Gas, Treatment	E
Laser Cutting	B1
Lime/Limestone, Conveying Including, but not limited to, all or part of the following: Bins, Conveyors, Bucket Elevators, Hoppers, Weigh Stations	C
Linear Generator Core, Natural Gas, No Ammonia	B
Liquid Separation, Other Including, but not limited to, all or part of the following: Process Tanks, Settling Tanks, Separators, Tanks	D
Liquid Waste Processing, Hazardous Including, but not limited to, all or part of the following: Air Floatation Units, Floatation Units, Filter Presses, Reactors, Process Tanks, Clarifiers, Settling Tanks, Waste Water Separators, Tanks	E
Liquid Waste Processing, Non Hazardous Including, but not limited to, all or part of the following: Air Floatation Units, Floatation Units, Filter Presses, Reactors, Process Tanks, Clarifiers, Settling Tanks, Waste Water Separators, Tanks	C

Equipment/Process	Schedule
LPG, Tank Truck Loading	D
LPG, Treating Including, but not limited to, all or part of the following: Absorbers, Accumulators, Columns, Compressors, Condensers, Drums, Fractionators, Heat Exchangers, Knock Out Pots, Pots, Pumps, Reactors, Regenerators, Scrubbers, Settling Tanks, Sumps, Tanks, Towers, Vessels	D
LPG Distillation Unit Including, but not limited to, all or part of the following: Absorbers, Accumulators, Columns, Compressors, Condensers, Drums, Fractionators, Heat Exchangers, Knock Out Pots, Pots, Pumps, Reactors, Regenerators, Scrubbers, Settling Tanks, Sumps, Tanks, Towers, Vessels	E
Lube Oil Additive/Lubricant Mfg.	B
Lube Oil Re-refining Including, but not limited to, all or part of the following: Absorbers, Accumulators, Columns, Compressors, Condensers, Drums, Fractionators, Heat Exchangers, Knock Out Pots, Pots, Pumps, Reactors, Regenerators, Scrubbers, Settling Tanks, Sumps, Tanks, Towers, Vessels	D
Marine Bulk Loading/Unloading System, Including, but not limited to, all or part of the following: Absorbers, Compressors, Condensers, Knock Out Pots, Pumps, Reactors, Saturators	D
Marine Vessel Displaced Vapor Control, Including, but not limited to, all or part of the following: Absorbers, Compressors, Condensers, Knock Out Pots, Pumps, Reactors, Saturators	D
Merichem Unit Including, but not limited to, all or part of the following: Absorbers, Accumulators, Columns, Compressors, Condensers, Drums, Fractionators, Heat Exchangers, Knock Out Pots, Pots, Pumps, Reactors, Regenerators, Scrubbers, Settling Tanks, Sumps, Tanks, Towers, Vessels	D

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Merox Treating Unit Including, but not limited to, all or part of the following: Absorbers, Accumulators, Columns, Compressors, Condensers, Drums, Fractionators, Heat Exchangers, Knock Out Pots, Pots, Pumps, Reactors, Regenerators, Scrubbers, Settling Tanks, Sumps, Tanks, Towers, Vessels	E
Metal Deposition Equipment	C
Metallic Mineral Production Including, but not limited to, all or part of the following: Bins, Bucket Elevators, Conveyors, Feeders, Hoppers, Crushers, Cyclones, Log Washers, Mixers, Screens, Vibrating Grizzlies, Weigh Stations	E
Misc. Solvent Usage at a Premise	B
Mixer, Chemicals	B
MTBE Production Facility Including, but not limited to, all or part of the following: Absorbers, Accumulators, Columns, Compressors, Condensers, Coolers, Drums, Ejectors, Heat Exchangers, Knock Out Pots, Mixers, Pots, Pumps, Reactors, Regenerators, Scrubbers, Settling Tanks, Sumps, Tanks, Towers, Vessels	F
Natural Gas Dehydration Including, but not limited to, all or part of the following: Absorbers, Accumulators, Columns, Compressors, Condensers, Drums, Heat Exchangers, Knock Out Pots, Pots, Pumps, Reactors, Regenerators, Scrubbers, Settling Tanks, Sumps, Tanks, Towers, Vessels	C
Natural Gas Odorizers	C
Natural Gas Stabilization Unit Including, but not limited to, all or part of the following: Absorbers, Accumulators, Columns, Compressors, Condensers, Drums, Heat Exchangers, Knock Out Pots, Pots, Pumps, Reactors, Scrubbers, Regenerators, Settling Tanks, Sumps, Tanks, Towers, Vessels	E
Nut Roasters Including, but not limited to, all or part of the following: Bins, Conveyors, Bucket Elevators, Hoppers, Roasters, Coolers	C
Nut Shell Drying Including, but not limited to, all or part of the following: Bins, Conveyors, Bucket Elevators, Hoppers, Dryers, Coolers	C
Oil/Water Separator (< 10,000 GPD) Including, but not limited to, all or part of the following: Oil Water Separators, Pits, Sumps, Tanks, Vessels	B
Oil/Water Separator (>= 10,000 GPD) Including, but not limited to, all or part of the following: Oil Water Separators, Pits, Sumps, Tanks, Vessels	C
Open-Air resin operations	A
Oven Bakery	C
Oven, Curing (Rule 1401 toxics)	C
Oven, Other	B
Packaging, Other	B
Paint Stripping, Molten Caustic	C
Paper Conveying	A
Paper Pulp Products	D
Paper Size Reduction	C
Pavement Grinder	B
Pavement Heater	B
Pelletizing, Chlorine Compounds Including, but not limited to, all or part of the following: Conveyors, Bins, Hoppers, Pelletizers, Mixers, Dryers	C
Perlite Furnace	C
Perlite Handling Including, but not limited to, all or part of the following: Conveyors, Bins, Hoppers, Bucket Elevators	C
Pesticide/Herbicide Mfg. Including, but not limited to, all or part of the following: Absorbers, Accumulators, Columns, Compressors, Condensers, Coolers, Drums, Ejectors, Heat Exchangers, Knock Out Pots, Mixers, Pots, Pumps, Reactors, Regenerators, Scrubbers, Settling Tanks, Sumps, Tanks, Towers, Vessels	E

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Petroleum Coke Calcining Including, but not limited to, all or part of the following: Bins, Conveyors, Reactors, Mixers, Process Tanks, Kilns	F
Petroleum Coke Conveying Including, but not limited to, all or part of the following: Conveyors, Bins, Hoppers, Bucket Elevators	B
Pharmaceutical Mfg. Including, but not limited to, all or part of the following: Conveyors, Bins, Hoppers, Reactors, Process Tanks, Pelletizers, Mixers, Dryers	C
Pharmaceutical Mfg. Tableting, Coating Vitamins or Herbs	C
Pipe Coating, Asphaltic	B
Plasma Arc Cutting	B1
Plastic Mfg., Blow Molding Machine	B
Plastic/Resin Size Reduction Including, but not limited to, all or part of the following: Bins, Bucket Elevators, Conveyors, Feeders, Hoppers, Grinders, Mills, Cyclones, Screens, Weigh Stations	B
Plastic/Resins Reforming	C
Plastic/Resins Treating	C
Plastisol Curing Equipment	B
Polystyrene Expansion/Molding	C
Polystyrene Expansion/Packaging	C
Polystyrene Extruding/Expanding	B
Polyurethane Foam Mfg. Including, but not limited to, all or part of the following: Coolers, Heat Exchangers, Pumps, Reactors, Mixers, Process Tanks	C
Polyurethane Mfg/Production	B
Polyurethane Mfg/Rebonding	B
Process Line, Chrome Plating (Hexavalent)	C
Process Line, Chrome Plating (Trivalent)	B
Precious Metal, Recovery, Other	B
Precious Metal, Recovery, Catalyst	D
Printing Press, Air Dry	B
Printing Press With IR, EB, UV, or LED Curing	B
Printing Press, Other	C
Printing Press, Screen	B
Production, Other	B
Railroad Car Loading/Unloading, Other	C
Railroad Car Unloading, liquid direct to trucks	B
Reaction, Other	C
Recovery, Other	B
Refined Oil/Water Separator Including, but not limited to, all or part of the following: Oil/Water Separators, Pits, Sumps, Tanks, Vessels	B
Refrigerant Recovery/Recycling	A1
Rendering Equipment, Blood Drying	C
Rendering Equipment, Fishmeal Drying	C
Rendering Equipment, Rendering	D
Rendering Equipment, Separation, Liquid	C
Rendering Product, Handling Including, but not limited to, all or part of the following: Conveyors, Bins, Hoppers, Bucket Elevators	C
Resin, Varnish Mfg. Including, but not limited to, all or part of the following: Coolers, Heat Exchangers, Pumps, Reactors, Mixers, Process Tanks	D
Roller Coater	B
Roller Coater, exclusively using UV, EB, or LED Curing[1]	A

[1] Provided all of the following are met:

a) All inks, coatings, solvents, (excluding cleanup solvents) or all other materials used in the roller coater contain 50 grams of VOC per liter of material or less and do not contain any toxic air contaminants specified in Rule 1401 at the time the application is deemed complete

b) All cleanup solvents used in the roller coater or used to clean any parts or equipment that were in the roller coater contain 25 grams of VOC per

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Rubber Mfg. Including, but not limited to, all or part of the following: Coolers, Heat Exchangers, Pumps, Reactors, Mixers, Process Tanks	C
Rubber Presses or Molds with a ram diameter of more than 26 inches Submitted before September 11, 1999 Submitted on or after September 11, 1999	A B
Rubber Roll Mill	B
Sand Handling Equipment, Foundry Including, but not limited to, all or part of the following: Conveyors, Bins, Hoppers, Bucket Elevators	C
Sand Handling Equipment w/Shakeout, Foundry Including, but not limited to, all or part of the following: Conveyors, Bins, Hoppers, Bucket Elevators	D
Screening, Greenwaste only, not including I.C. Engine	A
Screening, Other Including, but not limited to, all or part of the following: Screens, Conveyors, Bins, Hoppers, Bucket Elevators	C
Semiconductor, Int. Circuit Mfg (< 5 pieces)	B
Semiconductor, Int. Circuit Mfg (5 or more)	C
Semiconductor, Photo resist (< 5 pieces)	B
Semiconductor, Photo resist (5 or more pieces)	C
Semiconductor, Solvent Cleaning (< 5 pieces)	B
Semiconductor, Solvent Cleaning (5 or more pieces)	C
Sewage Sludge Composting	C
Sewage Sludge Drying, Conveying, Storage, Load-out Including, but not limited to, all or part of the following: Conveyors, Bins, Hoppers, Bucket Elevators, Loading Arms	D
Sewage Sludge Digestion	D
Sewage Sludge Dryer	D

Equipment/Process	Schedule
Sewage Sludge Incineration	H
Sewage Treatment, (<= 5 MGD), Aerobic Including, but not limited to, all or part of the following: Air Floatation Units, Floatation Units, Filter Presses, Clarifiers, Settling Tanks, Trickling Filters, Waste Water Separators, Tanks	C
Sewage Treatment, (> 5 MGD) Including, but not limited to, all or part of the following: Air Floatation Units, Floatation Units, Filter Presses, Clarifiers, Settling Tanks, Trickling Filters, Waste Water Separators, Tanks	F
Sewage Treatment, (> 5 MGD), Anaerobic Including, but not limited to, all or part of the following: Air Floatation Units, Floatation Units, Digesters, Filter Presses, Clarifiers, Settling Tanks, Trickling Filters, Waste Water Separators, Tanks	G
Sheet Machine	B
Shell Blasting System	B
Shipping Container System	B
Sintering	C
Size Reduction, Other Including, but not limited to, all or part of the following: Bins, Bucket Elevators, Conveyors, Dryers, Feeders, Hoppers, Crushers, Cyclones, Mixers, Screens, Weigh Stations	C
Size Reduction, Petroleum Coke Including, but not limited to, all or part of the following: Bins, Bucket Elevators, Conveyors, Dryers, Feeders, Hoppers, Crushers, Cyclones, Mixers, Screens, Weigh Stations	C
Sludge Dewatering, Other Including, but not limited to, all or part of the following: Filter Press, Process Tanks, Settling Tanks	D
Sludge Dryer, Other	B
Sludge Incinerator	H

liter of material or less and do not contain any toxic air contaminants specified in Rule 1401 at the time the application is deemed complete

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Equipment/Process	Schedule
Smoke Generator	B
Smokehouse	C
Soap/Detergent Mfg Including, but not limited to, all or part of the following: Process Tanks, Mixers, Tanks, Conveyors, Bins, Hoppers, Bucket Elevators	D
Soil Treatment, Other Including, but not limited to, all or part of the following: Bins, Conveyors, Ovens	D
Soil Treatment, Vapor Extraction Including, but not limited to, all or part of the following: Adsorbers, Afterburners	C
Solder Leveling	B
Soldering Machine	B
Solvent Reclaim, Still (Multistage)	C
Solvent Reclaim, Still (Single stage)	A
Solvent Redistillation Unit Including, but not limited to, all or part of the following: Absorbers, Accumulators, Columns, Compressors, Condensers, Drums, Heat Exchangers, Knock Out Pots, Pots, Pumps, Reactors, Regenerators, Scrubbers, Settling Tanks, Sumps, Tanks, Towers, Vessels	E
Spent Stretford Solution Regeneration Including, but not limited to, all or part of the following: Absorbers, Accumulators, Columns, Compressors, Condensers, Drums, Heat Exchangers, Knock Out Pots, Pots, Pumps, Reactors, Regenerators, Scrubbers, Settling Tanks, Sumps, Tanks, Towers, Vessels	D
Spray Equipment, Open	B
Spray Machine, Adhesive	B
Spray Machine, Coating	B
Spray Machine, Powder Coating	B
Spraying, Resin/Gel Coat	C
Sterilization Equipment	C
Stereolithography	A
Storage, Petroleum Coke	C
Storage Container, Baker-Type	B

Equipment/Process	Schedule
Storage Container, Baker-Type w/Control	C
Storage Silo, Other Dry Material	A
Storage Tank, w/o Control, Crude Oil/Petroleum Products	B
Storage Tank, Acid with sparger	B
Storage Tank, Ammonia with sparger	B
Storage Tank, Asphalt <= 50,000 gallons	B
Storage Tank, Asphalt > 50,000 gallons	C
Storage Tank, Degassing Unit	D
Storage Tank, Fixed Roof with Internal Floater	C
Storage Tank, Fixed Roof with Vapor Control	C
Storage Tank, Fuel Oil	A
Storage Tank, Lead Compounds	C
Storage Tank, LPG	A
Storage Tank, LPG w/Vaporizing System	C
Storage Tank, Other	A
Storage Tank, Other w/ Control Equipment	B
Storage Tank, with Passive Carbon s.s.	B
Storage Tank, with Passive Carbon m.s.	C
Storage Tank, with Passive Carbon t.s.	C
Storage Tank, Rendered Products	C
Storage Tank, Waste Oil	A
Storage Tank with condenser	B
Storage Tank, with External Floating Roof	C
Stove-Oil Filter/Coalescer Facility	D
Striper, Can	B
Striper, Pavement	B
Stripping, Other	B

TABLE IB - PERMIT FEE RATE SCHEDULES FOR BASIC EQUIPMENT

Equipment/Process	Schedule
Sulfonation Including, but not limited to, all or part of the following: Absorbers, Accumulators, Columns, Compressors, Condensers, Drums, Heat Exchangers, Knock Out Pots, Pots, Pumps, Reactors, Regenerators, Scrubbers, Settling Tanks, Sumps, Tanks, Towers, Vessels	E
Sulfuric Acid Plant Including, but not limited to, all or part of the following: Accumulators, Columns, Condensers, Drums, Heat Exchangers, Knock Out Pots, Pots, Pumps, Regenerators, Scrubbers, Settling Tanks, Sumps, Tanks, Towers, Vessels	F
Sump, Covered & Controlled	C
Sump, Spill Containment	A
Tablet Coating Pans	A
Tank, Hard Chrome Plating	C
Tank/Line, Other Chrome Plating or Chrome Anodizing	C
Tank, Line, Other Process Emitting Hexavalent Chrome	C
Tank/Line, Trivalent Chrome Plating	B
Tank/Line, Cadmium or Nickel Plating	C
Tank/Line, Other Process Emitting Nickel or Cadmium	B1
Tank/Line, Other Plating	B
Tank/Line Nitric Acid Process Emitting NOx	C
Tank/Line, Other Process Using Aqueous Solutions	B
Tank, Paint Stripping w/Methylene Chloride	C
Textiles, Recycled, Processing	C
Thermal Cracking Unit Including, but not limited to, all or part of the following: Absorbers, Accumulators, Columns, Compressors, Condensers, Drums, Fractionators, Heat Exchangers, Knock Out Pots, Pots, Pumps, Reactors, Regenerators, Scrubbers, Settling Tanks, Sumps, Tanks, Towers, Vessels	E
Tire Buffer	A
Treating, Other	B

Equipment/Process	Schedule
Treating, Petroleum Distillates Including, but not limited to, all or part of the following: Absorbers, Accumulators, Columns, Compressors, Condensers, Drums, Fractionators, Heat Exchangers, Knock Out Pots, Pots, Pumps, Reactors, Regenerators, Scrubbers, Settling Tanks, Sumps, Tanks, Towers, Vessels	D
Vacuum Distillation Unit Including, but not limited to, all or part of the following: Absorbers, Accumulators, Columns, Compressors, Condensers, Drums, Fractionators, Heat Exchangers, Knock Out Pots, Pots, Pumps, Reactors, Regenerators, Scrubbers, Settling Tanks, Sumps, Tanks, Towers, Vessels	E
Vacuum Machine	C
Vacuum Metalizing	B
Vacuum Pumps	C
Vegetable Oil Extractor Including, but not limited to, all or part of the following: Bins, Conveyors, Cookers, Presses, Tanks, Kilns	E
Warming Device, Electric	A
Waste Water Treating (< 10,000 gpd) Including, but not limited to, all or part of the following: Air Floatation Units, Floatation Units, Filter Presses, Clarifiers, Settling Tanks, Waste Water Separators, Tanks	B
Waste Water Treating (< 20,000 gpd) no toxics Including, but not limited to, all or part of the following: Air Floatation Units, Floatation Units, Filter Presses, Clarifiers, Settling Tanks, Waste Water Separators, Tanks	B
Waste Water Treating (20,000 - 50,000 gpd) Including, but not limited to, all or part of the following: Air Floatation Units, Floatation Units, Filter Presses, Clarifiers, Settling Tanks, Waste Water Separators, Tanks	D

TABLE IB - PERMIT FEE RATE SCHEDULES FOR BASIC EQUIPMENT

Equipment/Process	Schedule
Waste Water Treating (> 50,000 gpd) Including, but not limited to, all or part of the following: Air Floatation Units, Floatation Units, Filter Presses, Clarifiers, Settling Tanks, Waste Water Separators, Tanks	E
Waste-to-Energy Equipment	H
Wet Gate Printing Equipment using Perchloroethylene	B
Weigh Station	A
Wood Treating Equipment Including, but not limited to, all or part of the following: Coater Operations, Process Tanks	C

TABLE IIA
SPECIAL PROCESSING FEES
AIR QUALITY ANALYSIS/HEALTH RISK ASSESSMENT

Schedule	Fee
A	~~$1,825.01~~$1,883.41
B	~~$1,825.01~~$1,883.41
C	~~$1,825.01~~$1,883.41
D	~~$6,533.81~~$6,742.89+T&M
E	~~$6,533.81~~$6,742.89+T&M
F	~~$6,533.81~~$6,742.89+T&M
G	~~$6,533.81~~$6,742.89+T&M
H	~~$8,713.32~~$8,992.15+T&M

D through G: T&M = Time and Material charged at ~~$186.87~~$192.85 per hour above 35 hours.

H: T&M = Time and Material charged at ~~$186.87~~$192.85 per hour above 47 hours. Time and material charges for work beyond these hourly limits shall be for analysis or assessment required due to modification of the project or supporting analysis submitted for initial review or for multiple analyses or assessments required for a project or other special circumstances and shall be approved by the Executive Officer.

An additional fee of ~~$3,128.59~~$3,228.70 shall be assessed for a project requiring modeling review triggered by the requirements of Regulation XVII – Prevention of Significant Deterioration (PSD). The total combined fee for these reviews shall not exceed ~~$20,857.42~~$21,524.86.

TABLE IIB
CEMS, FSMS, & ACEMS FEE SCHEDULE

Certification Review		
CEMS and FSMS Review[1]	Basic Fee[2]	~~Maximum Fee~~
Any combination of pollutants, diluent, flow, or other parameter[3] for:		
One to two components	~~$5,052.38~~$5,214.06	~~$9,046.08~~
Three to four components	~~$6,077.63~~$6,272.11	~~$16,646.78~~
For each additional component beyond four, the following amount is added to the fee for four components	$0.00	~~$4,112.04~~
For time-sharing of CEMS, the following amount is added to any fee determined above	$0.00	~~$4,112.04~~
ACEMS Review	Basic Fee[4]	~~Maximum Fee~~
	~~$5,052.38~~$5,214.06	~~$16,646.78~~

[1]The certification fee includes the initial application approval, approval of test protocol, and approval of the performance test results. An application resubmitted after a denial will be treated as a new application and will be subject to a new fee.
[2]Covers up to 40 hours evaluation time for the first two components, 60 hours for the first four components, and up to an additional 12 hours for each component beyond four. Excess hours beyond these will be charged at ~~$223.14~~$230.28 per hour~~, to the maximum listed in the table~~.
[3]Additional components, as necessary, to meet monitoring requirements (e.g., moisture monitor).
[4]Covers up to 40 hours evaluation time.

TABLE III - EMISSION FEES

Annual Emissions	≥1 (lb/year)	≥200 (lb/year)	≥4 – ≤25 (ton/year)	>25 – ≤75 (ton/year)	>75 - <100 (ton/year)	≥100 (ton/year)
Organic Gases* ($/ton)		-	~~$811.02~~ $836.97	~~$1,316.78~~ $1,358.92	~~$1,971.08~~ $2,034.15	~~$1,971.08~~ $2,034.15
Specific Organics** ($/ton)		-	~~$145.09~~ $149.73	~~$229.91~~ $237.27	~~$344.82~~ $355.85	~~$344.82~~ $355.85
Nitrogen Oxides ($/ton)		-	~~$474.47~~ $489.65	~~$753.67~~ $777.79	~~$1,135.08~~ $1,171.40	~~$1,135.08~~ $1,171.40
Sulfur Oxides ($/ton)		-	~~$562.52~~ $580.52	~~$909.37~~ $938.47	~~$1,365.28~~ $1,408.97	~~$1,365.28~~ $1,408.97
Carbon Monoxide ($/ton)		-	-	-	-	~~$9.69~~ $10.00
Particulate Matter ($/ton)		-	~~$620.16~~ $640.01	~~$1,004.91~~ $1,037.07	~~$1,504.62~~ $1,552.77	~~$1,504.62~~ $1,552.77
Ammonia ($/lb)		~~$0.04~~ $0.041	~~$0.04~~ $0.041	~~$0.04~~ $0.041	~~$0.04~~ $0.041	~~$0.04~~ $0.041
Chlorofluorocarbons ($/lb)	~~$0.54~~ $0.56	~~$0.54~~ $0.56	~~$0.54~~ $0.56	~~$0.54~~ $0.56	~~$0.54~~ $0.56	~~$0.54~~ $0.56
1,1,1-trichloroethane ($/lb)	~~$0.06~~ $0.062	~~$0.06~~ $0.062	~~$0.06~~ $0.062	~~$0.06~~ $0.062	~~$0.06~~ $0.062	~~$0.06~~ $0.062

* Excluding methane, and exempt compounds as defined in Rule 102, and specific organic gases as specified in paragraph defined in subdivision (b) of this rule.

** See specific organic gases as defined in subdivision (b) of this rule.

TABLE IV TOXIC AIR CONTAMINANTS

CAS	TOXIC COMPOUNDS	Annual Emission Thresholds (lbs)
1332214	Asbestos	0.0001
71432	Benzene	2
7440439	Cadmium	0.01
56235	Carbon tetrachloride	1
106934	Ethylene dibromide	0.5
107062	Ethylene dichloride	2
75218	Ethylene oxide	0.5
50000	Formaldehyde	5
18540299	Hexavalent chromium	0.0001
75092	Methylene chloride	50
7440020	Nickel	0.1

127184	Perchloroethylene	5
106990	1,3-Butadiene	0.1
7440382	Inorganic arsenic	0.01
7440417	Beryllium	0.001
75014	Vinyl chloride	0.5
7439921	Lead	0.5
123911	1,4-Dioxane	5
79016	Trichloroethylene	20
1086	Chlorinated dioxins, without individual isomers reported	0.000001
1746016	2,3,7,8-TCDD	0.000001
3268879	1-8OctaCDD	0.000001
19408743	1-3,7-9HxCDD	0.000001
35822469	1-4,6-8HpCDD	0.000001
39227286	1-4,7,8HxCDD	0.000001
40321764	1-3,7,8PeCDD	0.000001
57653857	1-3,6-8HxCDD	0.000001
1080	Chlorinated dibenzofurans, without individual isomers reported	0.000001
39001020	1-8OctaCDF	0.000001
51207319	2,3,7,8-TCDF	0.000001
55673897	1-4,7-9HpCDF	0.000001
57117314	2-4,7,8PeCDF	0.000001
57117416	1-3,7,8PeCDF	0.000001
57117449	1-3,6-8HxCDF	0.000001
60851345	2-4,6-8HxCDF	0.000001
67562394	1-4,6-8HpCDF	0.000001
70648269	1-4,7,8HxCDF	0.000001
72918219	1-3,7-9HxCDF	0.000001
1151	Polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbons, PAHs (without individual isomers reported)	0.2
50328	Benzo[a]pyrene [PAH, POM]	0.2
53703	Dibenz[a,h]anthracene [PAH, POM]	0.2
56495	3-Methylcholanthrene [PAH, POM]	0.2
56553	Benz[a]anthracene [PAH, POM]	0.2
57976	7,12-Dimethylbenz(a)Anthracene [PAH, POM]	0.2
91203	Naphthalene [PAH, POM]	0.2
189559	Dibenzo[a,i]pyrene [PAH, POM]	0.2
189640	Dibenzo[a,h]pyrene [PAH, POM]	0.2
191300	Dibenzo[a,l]pyrene [PAH, POM]	0.2
192654	Dibenzo[a,e]pyrene [PAH, POM]	0.2

193395	Indeno[1,2,3-cd]pyrene [PAH, POM]	0.2
194592	7H-Dibenzo(c,g)Carbazole [PAH, POM]	0.2
205823	Benzo[j]fluoranthene [PAH, POM]	0.2
205992	Benzo[b]fluoranthene [PAH, POM]	0.2
207089	Benzo[k]fluoranthene [PAH, POM]	0.2
218019	Chrysene [PAH, POM]	0.2
224420	Dibenz(a,j)Acridine [PAH, POM]	0.2
226368	Dibenz(a,h)Acridine [PAH, POM]	0.2
602879	5-Nitroacenaphthene [PAH, POM]	0.2
607578	2-Nitrofluorene [PAH, POM]	0.2
3697243	5-Methylchrysene [PAH, POM]	0.2
5522430	1-Nitropyrene [PAH, POM]	0.2
7496028	6-Nitrochrysene [PAH, POM]	0.2
42397648	1,6-Dinitropyrene [PAH, POM]	0.2
42397659	1,8-Dinitropyrene [PAH, POM]	0.2
57835924	4-Nitropyrene [PAH, POM]	0.2
9901	Diesel Particulate Matter	0.1

TABLE V
ANNUAL CLEAN FUELS FEES

Volatile Organic Compounds ($/ton)	Nitrogen Oxides ($/ton)	Sulfur Oxides ($/ton)	Particulate Matter ($/ton)
~~$61.43~~$63.40	~~$35.41~~$36.54	~~$43.90~~$45.30	~~$35.41~~$36.54

TABLE VI
ASBESTOS NOTIFICATION FEES

Demolition and Renovation by Project Size (square feet)[1]					
up to 1,000	> 1,000 to 5,000	5,000 to 10,000	> 10,000 to 50,000	> 50,000 to 100,000	> 100,000
~~$81.61~~$84.22	~~$249.59~~$257.58	~~$584.26~~$602.96	~~$916.15~~$945.47	~~$1,327.75~~$1,370.24	~~$2,212.92~~$2,283.73

Additional Service Charge Fees				
Revision to Notification for Start Date, Quantity, and/or End Date[2]	Special Handling Fee[3]	Planned Renovation	Procedure 4 or 5 Plan Evaluation	Expedited Procedure 4 or 5 Fee[4]
~~$30.22~~$31.19	~~$81.61~~$84.22	~~$916.15~~$945.47	~~$916.15~~$945.47	~~$458.06~~$472.72

[1] For demolition, the fee is based on the building size.
For refinery or chemical unit demolition, the fee is based on the structure's footprint surface area.
For renovation, the fee is based on the amount of asbestos removed.

[2] For revisions to notifications to change the End Date, service charge fees will only be charged if revisions result in a later End Date

[3] For all notifications received less than 14 calendar days prior to project start date.

[4] For all expedited Procedure 4 or 5 plan evaluation requests received less than 14 calendar days prior to project start date.
For each subsequent notification for pre-approved Procedure 5 plan submitted per Rule 1403(d)(1)(D)(i)(V)(2).

TABLE VII
FACILITY PERMIT FEES

Description	Rule section	
Facility Permit Amendment/Revision Fee	(l)(4) (m)(4)	
• RECLAIM Only or non-RECLAIM/non-Title V		~~$1,627.76~~$1,679.85
• Title V Only*		~~$2,039.77~~$2,105.04
• RECLAIM & Title V*		~~$3,667.54~~$3,784.90
* Includes administrative, minor, deminimis significant, or significant amendment/revision		
Facility Permit Change of Owner/Operator • Facility Permit Amendment Fee	(c)(2) (l)(6) (m)(4) (n)(5)	*Facility Permit Amendment/Revision Fee (See Above)*
Plus • Application Processing Fee for Each Application		Plus *Processing Fees (See Table FEE RATE-C))*
Title V Facility Permit Renewal Fee (Due at Filing)	(m)(5) (m)(9)	~~$4,633.06~~$4,781.32
Plus		Plus
Hourly Rate for Calculation of Final Fee for Evaluation Time in Excess of 8 hours (Due upon Notification)		~~$324.14~~$334.51 per hour

ATTACHMENT G02

(Adopted 9/2/1977)(Amended 5/5/1978)(Amended 3/5/1982)(Amended 8/5/1983)(Amended 10/5/1984)
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(Amended 5/12/1995)(Amended 5/10/1996)(Amended 5/9/1997)(Amended 5/8/1998)(Amended 5/14/1999)
(Amended 5/19/2000)(Amended 5/1/2001)(Amended 5/3/2002)(Amended 6/6/2003)(Amended 7/9/2004)
(Amended 6/3/2005)(Amended 6/9/2006)(Amended 5/4/2007)(Amended 5/2/2008)(Amended 6/5/2009)
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PROPOSED AMENDED RULE 303. HEARING BOARD FEES

(a) Filing and Appearance Fees

(1) Every applicant or petitioner in a proceeding before the Hearing Board shall pay to the Clerk of the Board, at the time of filing, a filing fee for each line item in Table III, for each petition, in accordance with the schedule set forth in Table III.

(2) If the hearing runs more than one day, supplemental appearance fees shall be assessed pursuant to Table III for each additional day of the hearing, unless otherwise ordered by the Hearing Board.

(b) Filing Fee Refunds

(1) In the event the Hearing Board reverses in total an appealed decision of the Executive Officer, the filing fee specified in subdivision (a) shall be refunded to the petitioner.

(2) In the event that the petition is withdrawn, and the petitioner notifies the Clerk of the Board in writing not less than four (4) days prior to the scheduled appearance, or the hearing is not held for any other reason, the petitioner shall be entitled to a refund of fifty percent (50%) of the filing fees. The refund shall not apply to any variance on which the Hearing Board has taken action.

(c) Publication Fees

Every petitioner for relief which requires published notice shall pay to the Clerk of the Board a fee to cover the actual cost of publication of notice(s) of hearing. The fee shall be due and payable within fifteen (15) days of the notification in writing of the amount due.

(d) Excess Emission Fee

(1) Each applicant or petitioner for a variance from these Rules and Regulations shall pay to the Clerk of the Board, in addition to the filing fees required in subdivision

(a) an emission fee in accordance with the schedule set forth in Table I, based on the total emissions discharged during the variance period in excess of that allowed by these rules or permit conditions, other than those described in subdivision (e) below. If the amount of the excess emission fee is less than that specified in subdivision (f), the applicant or petitioner shall pay the higher amount, unless otherwise ordered by the Hearing Board.

(2) In cases where the Hearing Board determines that calculations or estimations of excess emissions cannot be made, the petitioner shall pay the amount set forth in subdivision (f), unless otherwise ordered by the Hearing Board.

(3) In the event that more than one rule and/or permit condition limiting the discharge of the same contaminant is violated, the excess emission fee shall be based on the excess emissions resulting from the violation of the most stringent rule or permit condition. For the purposes of this subdivision, opacity rules and particulate mass emissions shall not be considered rules limiting the discharge of the same contaminant.

(4) When an excess emission fee is reviewed and/or evaluated by the South Coast AQMD, an administration fee for the review and/or evaluation shall be charged based on the time and material spent, at the T&M rate for Title V or non-Title V facilities, as applicable, specified in Rule 301 Table FEE RATE-A.

(e) Excess Visible Emission Fee

Each applicant or petitioner for a variance from Rule 401 and/or Health and Safety Code Section 41701 shall pay to the Clerk of the Board, in addition to the filing fees required in subdivision (a) above, and the excess emission fees required in (d) above (if any), an emission fee based on the difference between the percent opacity allowed by Rule 401 and/or Health and Safety Code Section 41701 and the percent opacity of the emissions allowed under the variance. Such fees shall be calculated in accordance with the schedule set forth in Table II.

(f) Minimum Excess Emission Fees

The excess emission fee remitted, regardless of calculations, shall be no less than ~~$249.52~~$257.50 for each day on which the excess emissions occur or are expected to occur at each facility during the variance period, unless otherwise ordered by the Hearing Board.

(g) Adjustment of Excess Emission Fees

The Hearing Board may adjust the excess emission fee required by subdivisions (d), (e), and (f) of this rule, at the request of the petitioner or upon motion of the

Hearing Board, based on evidence regarding emissions presented at the time of the hearing.

(h) Eligibility as a Small Business and Eligibility for Table III Schedule A Fees

(1) Petitioners that are individuals or that meet the definition of Small Business as set forth in Rule 102 - Small Business or that meet the gross annual receipts criterion for small businesses shall be assessed twenty percent (20%) of the fees required by subdivisions (d), (e), or (f), whichever is applicable.

(2) A request for eligibility as a small business, individual, or entity that meets the total annual gross receipts criterion for small businesses in Rule 102 shall be made by the petitioner under penalty of perjury on a declaration form provided by the Executive Officer, which shall be submitted to the Clerk of the Board at the time of filing of a petition for a variance.

(i) Group Variance Fees

(1) Petitioners filing as a group for a variance shall jointly pay the total filing fee specified in Table III. Each petitioner shall individually pay excess emission fees for their facility or product(s), as specified in subdivisions (d), and (e), or (f) whichever is applicable.

(2) The Publication Fee required by subdivision (c) shall be totaled and divided equally among the petitioners.

(j) Adjustment of Fees

If, after the term of a variance for which emission fees have been paid, petitioner can establish, to the satisfaction of the Executive Officer, that (1) emissions were less than those upon which the fee was based, or (2) excess emission fee calculations are otherwise incorrect, a pro rata refund shall be made. If the amount of the excess emissions fee is less than that specified in subdivision (f), the applicant or petitioner shall pay the higher amount, unless otherwise ordered by the Hearing Board.

(k) Fee Payment/Variance Revocation

(1) Excess emission fees required by subdivisions (d), (e), and (f) shall be due and payable to the Clerk of the Board within fifteen (15) days of notification in writing that the fees are due, unless otherwise ordered by the Hearing Board.

(2) Failure to pay any assessed fees within fifteen (15) days of written notification that fees are due may be cause for the Hearing Board to issue further orders as may be appropriate, including but not limited to revocation of a variance. Such

notification may be given by personal service or sent by mail, electronic mail, or other electronic means, and shall be due fifteen (15) days from the date of personal service, mailing, or electronic transmission. For the purpose of this rule, the fee payment shall be considered to be received by the District if it is delivered, postmarked, or electronically paid on or before the expiration date stated on the fee billing notice. If the expiration date falls on a Saturday, Sunday, or a state holiday, the fee payment may be delivered, postmarked, or electronically paid on the next business day with the same effect as if it had been delivered, postmarked, or electronically paid on the expiration date.

(3) Fee payments shall be accompanied by complete emission calculations that clearly explain the basis of the excess emission fees. The calculation submittal shall be signed by the applicant or petitioner attesting to the accuracy.

(l) Request for Time Extension of Payment Due

Whenever this rule requires fees to be paid by a certain date, the petitioner may, for good cause, request the Executive Officer to grant an extension of time, not to exceed ninety (90) days, within which the fees shall be paid. Any request for extension of time shall be presented in writing, and accompanied by a statement of reasons demonstrating good cause as to why the extension should be granted.

(m) Discretionary Powers

Any person may allege that payment of any of the fees within this rule, excluding publication fees, will cause an unreasonable hardship or is otherwise inequitable. Such petitioner may be excused from payment of such fees or a portion thereof by order of the Hearing Board if the Board, in its discretion, determines after hearing evidence thereon that payment of such fees would cause financial or other unreasonable hardship to the petitioner or is otherwise inequitable. The Hearing Board, on its own motion, may also waive all or any portion of any fee(s) except the Publication Fee.

(n) Transcript Fees

Any person requesting a transcript of the hearing shall pay the cost of such transcript. The parties to hearings and pre-hearing proceedings may be directed by the Hearing Board to pay the cost of transcripts necessary for the Hearing Board's determination of the matter, in such proportion as the Hearing Board may order.

(o) Government Agencies

(1) This rule shall not apply to petitions filed by the Executive Officer.

(2) Federal, state or local government agencies or public districts shall pay all fees.

(p) Waiver of Fees

All fees associated with this rule shall be waived for any petition for a variance filed as the direct and proximate result of any event declared to be a "state of emergency" by local, state, or federal authorities.

(q) Service Charge for Returned Check

Any person who submits a check to the District that is returned due to insufficient funds, or for which that person issues instructions to stop payment on the check, absent an overcharge or other legal entitlement to withhold payment, shall be subject to a $25 service charge.

(r) Effective Date of Fee Schedules

Appearance and excess emission fees shall be those in effect at the time of the hearing dates.

TABLE I

SCHEDULE OF EXCESS EMISSIONS FEES

Air Contaminants	**Dollars Per Ton**
Organic gases, except methane and those containing sulfur	~~$7,879.14~~$8,131.27
Carbon Monoxide	~~$77.13~~$79.60
Oxides of nitrogen (expressed as nitrogen dioxide)	~~$4,726.86~~$4,878.12
Gaseous sulfur compounds (expressed as sulfur dioxide)	~~$5,512.21~~$5,688.60
Particulate matter	~~$5,512.21~~$5,688.60

Toxic Air Contaminants	**Dollars Per Pound**
Ammonia	~~$0.12~~$0.12
Asbestos	~~$34.74~~$35.85
Benzene	~~$11.58~~$11.95
Cadmium	~~$34.74~~$35.85
Carbon tetrachloride	~~$11.58~~$11.95
Chlorinated dioxins and dibenzofurans (26 species)	~~$57.87~~$59.72
Diesel particulate matter	$23.72
Ethylene dibromide	~~$11.58~~$11.95
Ethylene dichloride	~~$11.58~~$11.95
Ethylene oxide	~~$11.58~~$11.95
Formaldehyde	~~$2.41~~$2.49
Hexavalent chromium	~~$46.25~~$47.73
Methylene chloride	~~$0.54~~$0.56
Nickel	~~$22.98~~$23.72
Perchloroethylene	~~$2.41~~$2.49
1,3-Butadiene	~~$34.74~~$35.85
Inorganic arsenic	~~$34.74~~$35.85
Beryllium	~~$34.74~~$35.85
Polynuclear aromatic hydrocarbons (PAHs)	~~$34.74~~$35.85
Vinyl chloride	~~$11.58~~$11.95

Lead	~~$11.58~~$11.95
1,4-Dioxane	~~$2.41~~$2.49
Trichloroethylene	~~$0.98~~$1.01

TABLE II
SCHEDULE OF EXCESS VISIBLE EMISSION FEE

For each source with opacity emissions in excess of twenty percent (20%), the fee is calculated as follows:

Fee = (Opacity* equivalent - 20) x number of days on which the violation is expected to occur x ~~$13.03~~$13.45

For each source with opacity emissions in excess of forty percent (40%) (where the source is exempt from Rule 401 and in violation of California Health and Safety Code Section 41701), the fee is calculated as follows:

Fee = (Opacity* equivalent - 40) x number of days on which the violation is expected to occur x ~~$13.03~~$13.45

* Where "Opacity" equals maximum opacity of emissions in percent (not decimal equivalent) allowed by the variance. Where the emissions are darker than the degree of darkness equivalent to the allowed Ringelmann number, the percentage equivalent of the excess degree of darkness shall be used as "opacity."

TABLE III - FILING FEE SCHEDULE

Filing and supplemental fees shall be paid by the petitioner as follows:

Schedule A shall apply to -

(1) small businesses as defined by Rule 102,

(2) individual persons, and

(3) entities that meet the total annual gross receipts criterion for small businesses in Rule 102.

Schedule B - shall apply to - all others.

	Schedule B	Schedule A
VARIANCE (Interim, Short, Regular, Emergency) and Alternate Operating Condition(s)		
❑ Interim and Short or Interim and Regular	~~$2,042.38~~ $2,107.74	~~$366.26~~ $377.98
❑ Short (without interim)	~~$1,633.91~~ $1,686.20	~~$366.26~~ $377.98
❑ Regular (without interim)	~~$1,633.91~~ $1,686.20	~~$366.26~~ $377.98
❑ Emergency or Ex Parte Emergency	~~$1,633.91~~ $1,686.20	~~$366.26~~ $377.98
❑ Variance plus Alternate Operating Condition(s)	~~$2,450.86~~ $2,529.29	~~$366.26~~ $377.98
❑ Plus, for each hearing day in addition to the first hearing day necessary to dispose of the petition, the additional sum of	~~$914.84~~ $944.11	~~$182.78~~ $188.63

PRODUCT VARIANCE		
Filing Fee	~~$2,450.86~~$2,529.29	~~$366.26~~$377.98
Plus, for each hearing day in addition to the first hearing day necessary to dispose of the petition, the additional sum of	~~$914.84~~$944.11	~~$182.78~~$188.63

GROUP VARIANCE		
Two	~~$1,838.16~~$1,896.98	
Three	~~$2,859.35~~$2,950.85	
Four or More	~~$4,084.83~~$4,215.54	
Plus, for each hearing day in addition to the first hearing day necessary to dispose of the petition, the additional sum of	~~$1,372.34~~$1,416.25	

	Schedule B	Schedule A
MODIFICATION OF EXISTING ORDERS INCLUDING FINAL COMPLIANCE DATE		
❑ Modification of a Final Compliance Date and Extension of a Variance	~~$1,633.91~~$1,686.20	~~$366.26~~$377.98
❑ Modification of Order for Abatement (requested by respondent)	~~$1,633.91~~$1,686.20	~~$366.26~~$377.98
Plus, for each hearing day in addition to the first hearing day necessary to dispose of the petition, the additional of	~~$914.84~~$944.11	~~$182.78~~$188.63

MODIFICATION OF EXISTING ORDERS EXCLUDING FINAL COMPLIANCE DATE		
❑ Modification of Variance (Increments of Progress and Conditions)	~~$1,220.34~~$1,259.39	~~$366.26~~$377.98
❑ Interim Authorization (Increments of Progress)	~~$1,220.34~~$1,259.39	~~$366.26~~$377.98
Plus, for each hearing day in addition to the first hearing day necessary to dispose of the petition, the additional sum of	~~$394.10~~$406.71	

ADMINISTRATIVE TYPE OF HEARINGS		
❑ Administrative Hearings (issuance of subpoenas, waiver of fees, etc.)	~~$1,220.34~~$1,259.39	~~$366.26~~$377.98
Plus, for each hearing day in in addition to the first hearing day necessary to dispose of the petition, the additional sum of	~~$408.48~~$421.55	~~$182.78~~$188.63

APPEAL		
Filing fee	~~$2,450.86~~$2,529.29	~~$366.26~~$377.98
Plus, for each hearing day in addition to the first hearing day necessary to dispose of the petition, the additional sum of	~~$1,372.34~~$1,416.25	~~$268.52~~$277.11

~~**CONSENT CALENDAR**~~		
~~Filing Fee~~	~~$564.67~~	~~$182.78~~
~~Plus, for each hearing day in addition to the first hearing day necessary to dispose of the petition, the additional sum of~~	~~$357.41~~	~~$182.78~~
~~❑ In the event that the Board determines that there was insufficient documentation to consider the matter on the Consent Calendar, and the matter is scheduled for a hearing before the Board, petitioner shall pay an additional sum of~~	~~$1,021.19~~	~~$366.26~~
~~Plus, for each hearing day in addition to the first hearing day necessary to dispose of the petition, the additional sum of~~	~~$914.84~~	~~$182.78~~

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PROPOSED AMENDED RULE 304. EQUIPMENT, MATERIALS, AND AMBIENT AIR ANALYSES

(a) Whenever the Executive Officer finds that an analysis of the materials used by, or the emissions from, any source is necessary to determine the extent and amount of pollutants being discharged to the atmosphere, he may order the testing of such sources.

(b) Whenever the Executive Officer has reasonable cause to believe that air pollutants being discharged into the atmosphere from any source may be contrary to any permit condition or any state or local law, order, rule, or regulation relating to air pollution, or may be endangering the comfort, repose, health, or safety of a considerable number of persons, or the public, he may order the testing of the ambient air which may be affected.

(c) After the Executive Officer determines that ambient air testing should be conducted and that the source should be assessed fees to pay for such testing, and that the test has begun, he shall within two working days advise the source of the basis upon which the finding of reasonable cause was made, the pollutants being tested for, the duration of testing, and the estimated fees.

(d) Testing will be accomplished by the collection of samples and the analyses of such samples by qualified personnel of the South Coast Air Quality Management District, continuous automatic recording ambient monitoring by a District van, device, facility or an independent testing laboratory under contract to the District. Alternatively, the Executive Officer may require (or the owner/operator of the source may, with the approval of the Executive Officer, elect) that testing be performed by an approved independent testing laboratory, that meets the criteria in subdivision (k). Such testing shall be done using procedures and methods and under conditions prescribed by the Executive Officer. Where

tests are performed by an approved independent testing laboratory, the Executive Officer may require that sampling and/or testing be witnessed by qualified District personnel at the fee rate of ~~$176.11~~$181.75 per person per hour or prorated portion thereof. The owner/operator of the source shall provide to the Executive Officer a copy of all test reports, including all test data, description of test methods, analyses, and results.

(e) The owner/operator of a source tested by District personnel or an independent testing laboratory under contract to the District shall not pay a fee for the initial test/analysis which is conducted to determine compliance with a permit condition, or any state or local law, order, rule, or regulation relating to air pollution, unless the result of such testing indicates a violation of any state or local law, order, rule, permit condition or regulation relating to air pollution in which case the fee shall be charged to the owner/operator in accordance with the fee specified in Rule 304.1. If the initial test/analysis indicates that the source is or may be in violation of a permit condition, or any state or local law, order, rule, or regulation relating to air pollution, any subsequent test/analysis conducted in order to verify the compliance status shall also result in a fee charged to the owner/operator in accordance with the fee specified in Rule 304.1. Tests scheduled of one or more permit units to be operated under prearranged conditions, which are canceled due to a change in the permit units' prearranged operating conditions, shall result in a fee charged to the owner/operator in accordance with the fee specified in Rule 304.1. Such a fee shall not be charged if the owner/operator notifies the District of the cancellation at least 24 hours prior to the scheduled test date and time.

(f) Fees for any test not listed in Rule 304.1 shall be determined by the Executive Officer.

(g) Federal, state, or local government agencies or public districts shall pay all fees.

(h) Should the estimated fees for conducting any ambient air monitoring program as described in subdivision (b) of this Rule exceed ~~$22,415.84~~$23,133.15, the affected owner/operator may, within 30 days of notification, request that the program be approved by the District Board at a public hearing.

(i) After completion of testing, the owner/operator of the source shall be notified by the District accounting office of the fees to be paid. Such fees shall be assessed for all non-compliant samples, as described in subdivision (e), which indicates that if, a source is or may be in violation of a permit condition or of any state or local law, order, rule, or regulation relating to air pollution, or when there may be any endangerment of the comfort,

repose, health, or safety of a considerable number of persons or the public then, a subsequent verification is required. Failure to pay any such fees within sixty (60) days after the date shown on the notice of fees due shall constitute grounds for the denial, revocation or suspension of the permits to operate at sources subject to permit requirements and shall constitute a violation of this Rule for any source, whether or not subject to permit requirements.

(j) A small business shall pay twenty percent (20%) of the fees listed in Rule 304.1. Small business is defined in Rule 102 as "Small Business."

(k) For the purposes of this Rule, when an independent testing laboratory is used for the purposes of establishing compliance with District rules or to obtain a District permit to operate, it must meet all of the following criteria:

(1) The testing laboratory shall have no financial interest in the company or facility being tested, or in the parent company or any subsidiary thereof;

(2) The company or facility being tested, or parent company or any subsidiary thereof, shall have no financial interest in the testing laboratory;

(3) Any company or facility responsible for the emission of significant quantities of pollutants to the atmosphere, or parent company or any subsidiary thereof, shall have no financial interest in the testing laboratory; and

(4) The testing laboratory shall not be in partnership with, own or be owned by, in part or in full, the contractor who has provided or installed equipment (basic or control), or monitoring systems, or is providing maintenance for installed equipment or monitoring systems, for the company being tested.

The testing laboratory shall submit a statement certifying that it meets the above criteria with respect to the company or facility being tested.

(l) Notwithstanding the provisions of subdivision (k), the Executive Officer, by written approval, may allow the operator of a publicly owned treatment works to conduct testing in connection with wastewater treatment or reclamation operation pursuant to this rule, if the Executive Officer determines the following:

(1) the operator complies with all requirements of this rule, other than subdivision (k);

(2) the operator submits a written self-testing plan request to the Executive Officer for certification on a method-by-method basis, in accordance with the requirements of guidelines established by the Executive Officer; and

(3) the operator pays a fee for the processing of the self-testing plan request at a rate of ~~$176.11~~$181.75 per person per hour so as not to exceed the amount necessary to recover the District costs.

(m) The District may approve independent testing firms to perform specified analyses and tests required for compliance with District rules, regulations and permit conditions.

(1) Approval fees (for each method required for approval) will be assessed to cover the costs of processing the laboratory approval application and subsequent District validation of the independent firm's expertise and reliability.

(2) For firms located outside District boundaries, reasonable travel charges will be assessed for site visits as required as part of the approval process.

(3) An approved facility may renew its status by paying an annual fee per method and by complying with the original approval requirements as well as any additional approval requirements or any additional conditions.

Fees are based on actual costs at the staff hour rate specified in paragraph (d) above and as shown in Table I.

TABLE I
LABORATORY APPROVAL PROGRAM
FEE STRUCTURE
(per method)

Application Review	~~$234.78~~$242.29
Facility Inspection (if required)	~~$176.11~~$181.75/ hour up to ~~$516.25~~$532.77 additional
Audit Sample (if required)	~~$234.78~~$242.29/ hour up to ~~$688.30~~$710.33 additional
Annual Renewal	~~$234.78~~$242.29
Method Equivalence	~~$234.78~~$242.29/ hour up to ~~$1,120.67~~$1,156.53 additional

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PROPOSED AMENDED RULE 304.1 ANALYSES FEES

Analyses fees for testing pursuant to Rule 304.

(a) Laboratory Analyses Fees*

Type of Test			Fee
(1)	Particle Analysis		
	(A)	Microscopic Identification	~~$176.11~~$181.75 / hour of analysis
	(B)	Micro-Fourier Transform Infrared Spectroscopy	~~$261.08~~$269.43 / particle
	(C)	X-Ray Diffraction	~~$261.08~~$269.43 / sample
	(D)	Particle Size Determination	
		(i) by microscopy	~~$176.11~~$181.75 / hour of analysis
		(ii) by sieve	~~$176.11~~$181.75 / sample
	(E)	Energy Dispersive X-Ray - microprobe	As charged by outside laboratory (charge pass through)
(2)	Asbestos (Bulk Samples)		
	(A)	PLM	~~$176.11~~$181.75 / sub-sample
	(B)	Point Counting	~~$176.11~~$181.75 / sub-sample
	(C)	TEM, Quantitative	As charged by outside laboratory (charge pass through)
	(D)	TEM, Qualitative	As charged by outside laboratory (charge pass through)

* These fees are for laboratory analyses performed during weekdays only.
Labor costs (only when reported as "cost / hour") for laboratory analyses during weekends, Mondays, and holidays are subjected to a 50% surcharge.

Type of Test			Fee
	(E)	X-Ray Diffraction	~~$389.16~~$401.61 / sub-sample and/or layer
(3)	Asbestos (Bulk Samples)		
	(A)	TEM - 12-hour turnaround	As charged by outside laboratory (charge pass through)
	(B)	TEM - 1-day turnaround	As charged by outside laboratory (charge pass through)
	(C)	TEM - 2-day turnaround	As charged by outside laboratory (charge pass through)
(4)	Vapor Pressure Tests		
	(A)	Reid Vapor Pressure	~~$117.16~~$120.91 / sample
	(B)	Isoteniscope	As charged by outside laboratory (charge pass through)
(5)	Fuel Analysis		
	(A)	Metals (Pb in gasoline)	As charged by outside laboratory (charge pass through)
	(B)	Ash	As charged by outside laboratory (charge pass through)
	(C)	Water and Sediment	As charged by outside laboratory (charge pass through)
	(D)	Density	As charged by outside laboratory (charge pass through)
	(E)	Heat Content	As charged by outside laboratory (charge pass through)
	(F)	Water	As charged by outside laboratory (charge pass through)
	(G)	Bromine Number	As charged by outside laboratory (charge pass through)
	(H)	Sulfur	
		(i) In Fuel Gas	As charged by outside laboratory (charge pass through)

Type of Test			Fee
	(ii)	In Fuel Oil (by XRF)	As charged by outside laboratory (charge pass through)
(I)		Engler Distillation	As charged by outside laboratory (charge pass through)
(J)		Initial Boiling Point	As charged by outside laboratory (charge pass through)
(6)	VOC (Regulation XI)		
(A)		Gravimetric Test	~~$176.11~~$181.75 / sample
(B)		Density of Coating or Distillate	~~$176.11~~$181.75 / sample
(C)		Gloss Testing	~~$176.11~~$181.75 / sample
(D)		Gas Chromatograph / Mass Spectrometry Analysis	~~$493.08~~$508.86 for five or fewer compounds ~~$58.47~~$60.34 for each additional compound
(E)		Distillation -	
	(i)	Normal	As charged by outside laboratory (charge pass through)
	(ii)	Heavy Ink	As charged by outside laboratory (charge pass through)
(F)		Water by Karl Fischer Titration	~~$234.78~~$242.29 / sample
(G)		VOC in pipe cements	~~$1,204.80~~$1,243.35 / sample
(H)		VOC in adhesives containing cyanoacrylates	~~$344.04~~$355.05 / sample

(7) For Certification Tests and Analyses not listed above, the fee shall be assessed at a rate of ~~$176.11~~$181.75 per person per hour or a prorated portion thereof.

(8) In addition to the regular analysis fee, all expedite samples which require overtime work by staff shall be charged an additional time and a half fee based on the normal hourly rate of staff performing such work beyond the normal work schedule.

(9) Time and material fees shall be charged for all samples sent to outside laboratories.

(b) Emissions Testing and Analyses Fees[†]

	Type of Test	Fee	
(1)	Accuracy Confirmation Test of Continuous Emission Monitor	~~$1,786.00~~$1,843.15	
(2)	Continuous Gaseous Emission Testing with Mobile Source Testing Vehicle	~~$2,327.06~~$2,401.53 plus ~~$199.70~~$206.09/ hour	
(3)	Non-Continuous Emission Testing	~~$2,185.76~~$2,255.70 plus fee listed below:	
		Cost Per Sample	
		Specific*	Surcharge**
(A)	Moisture	~~$316.93~~$ 327.07	~~$234.78~~ $242.29
(B)	Particulate Matter	~~$1,221.80~~ $1,260.90	~~$610.69~~ $630.23
(C)	Sulfur Dioxide	~~$1,085.70~~ $1,120.44	~~$542.49~~ $559.85

[†] These fees are for installation and operation of equipment, and laboratory analyses during regular South Coast AQMD operational working hours.
Labor costs (only when reported as "cost / hour") for installation and operation of equipment, and laboratory analyses during weekends, Mondays, and holidays are subjected to a 50% surcharge.
Mileage fees will be charged on a case-by-case basis using current Internal Revenues Mileage Rates
* charge for first sample.
** charge for each additional sample, whether at the same or a different sampling location.

Type of Test		Fee	
(D)	Oxides of Nitrogen	~~$540.35~~$ 557.64	~~$164.06~~ $169.31
(E)	Carbon Monoxide	~~$451.11~~$ 465.55	~~$225.35~~ $232.56
(F)	Total Hydrocarbons	~~$1,127.84~~ $1,163.93	~~$810.48~~ $836.42
	(i) Hydrogen Sulfide	~~$1,085.70~~$1,120.44	~~$542.49~~$559.85
	(ii) Vinyl Chloride	~~$469.81~~$484.84	~~$345.13~~$356.17

		Cost Per Sample	
		Specific*	Surcharge**
(G)	Gas Chromatograph / Mass Spectrometry for Unknown	~~$469.81~~$484.84 for five or fewer compounds ~~$46.42~~$47.91 for each additional compound	
(H)	High Volume Sampler (Fugitive Dust)	~~$958.81~~$989.49	~~$479.30~~$494.64
(I)	Total Reduced Sulfur Compounds***	~~$754.51~~$778.65	~~$115.91~~$119.62
(J)	Sample Preparation	~~$58.47~~$60.34	~~$34.80~~$35.91

* charge for first sample.
** charge for each additional sample, whether at the same or a different sampling location.
*** The Non-Continuous Emission Testing Fee will only be charged if SCAQMD personnel perform the sampling. In the case where the samples are taken by contractor personnel (for compliance) or facility staff (for information only), only the sample analysis fee is applicable.

(c) Ambient Air Analyses Fees‡

(1) Continuous Wind Monitoring at a Fixed Site or Location

	Type of Test	Fee
(A)	Installation of One (1) Wind-Monitoring System at One (1) Site.	~~$1,174.91~~$1,212.51
(B)	Installation of Each Additional Wind-Monitoring System at the Same Site as (A).	~~$352.21~~$363.48
(C)	Operation of One (1) Wind-Monitoring System At One (1) Site, Including Data QC review.	~~$234.78~~$242.29/ day
(D)	Operation of Each Additional Wind-Monitoring System at Same Site as (C), Including Data QC review.	~~$82.11~~$84.74 / day

(2) Survey Measurement: Continuous Mobile Monitoring Measurements

(A)	Operation of The Optical Remote Sensing Mobile Laboratory (ORS-ML) for Measurements of Volatile Organic Compounds (VOCs) and Other Gaseous Pollutants. Fees include Data QC Review and Analysis	~~$4,868.07~~$5,023.85/ day
(B)	Operation of The Multi-Metal-Monitoring Platform (MMMP) for Measurements of Air Toxic Metals in Ambient Air. Fees include Data QC Review and Analysis	~~$3,648.34~~$3,765.09 / day
(C)	Operation of the Proton Transfer Reaction – Mass Spectrometry (PTR-MS) Platform for VOC Measurements. Fees include Data QC Review and Analysis	~~$6,859.20~~$7,078.69 / day

‡ These fees are for installation and operation of equipment, and laboratory analyses during regular South Coast AQMD operational working hours.
Labor costs (only when reported as "cost / hour") for installation and operation of equipment, and laboratory analyses during weekends, Mondays, and holidays are subjected to a 50% surcharge.
Mileage fees will be charged on a case-by-case basis using current Internal Revenues Mileage Rates

(D)	Operation of the Ambient Mobile Monitoring Platform (AAMP) for Measurements of Particle and Gaseous Air Pollutants Including Methane. Fees include Data QC Review and Analysis	~~$2,916.51~~$3,009.84 / day

(3) Survey Measurement: Monitoring with Portable Instrumentation and Grab Sample Collection

(A)	Operation of Portable Instrumentation for Survey Monitoring of Particle and Gaseous Pollutants, 10 Hours Per Day, at One (1) or Multiple Site Locations (e.g., Upwind and Downwind of a Facility), Including Data QC Review at Analysis	~~$1,044.01~~$1,077.42 / day
(B)	Collection of Grab Samples for Laboratory Analysis of Gaseous Pollutants, 10 Hours Per Day, at One (1) or Multiple Site Locations (e.g., Upwind and Downwind of a Facility)	~~$1,044.01~~$1,077.42/ day plus lab analysis

(4) Ongoing Air Monitoring Effort: Continuous Ambient Monitoring at a fixed site or location

(A)	Installation of One (1) Continuous Monitor for Single- or Multi-Pollutants Measurements at One (1) Site.	~~$1,645.41~~$1,698.06 plus site development
(B)	Installation of Each Additional Continuous Monitor for Single- or Multi-Pollutants Measurements at the Same Site (A).	~~$587.22~~$606.01 plus site development
(C)	Operation of One (1) Instrument and Wind-Monitoring System in Mobile Mode, 10 Hours Per Day, Weekdays Only.	~~$893.03~~$921.61 / day
(D)	Operation of Each Additional Continuous Instrument, Other Than Those Already Installed.	~~$82.11~~$84.74/ day

(5) Ongoing Air Monitoring Effort: Time-integrated Ambient Sampling at a Fixed Site or Location for Laboratory Analysis.

(A)	Installation of One (1) Time-integrated (e.g., 24-Hour) Sampler for Particle or Gaseous Pollutants.	~~$1,174.91~~$1,212.51 plus lab analysis and site development
(B)	Installation of Each Additional Time-integrated (e.g., 24-Hour) Sampler for Particle or Gaseous Pollutants at Same Site as (A).	~~$939.88~~$969.96 plus lab analysis and site development
(C)	Operation of One (1) Time-integrated (e.g., 24-Hour) Sampler for Particle or Gaseous Pollutants.	~~$411.15~~$424.31 / day
(D)	Operation of Each Additional Time-integrated Sampler for Particle or Gaseous Pollutants at Same Site in (C).	~~$152.45~~$157.33 / day
(E)	Installation of One (1) Non-Sequential Sampler to Collect Less-Than-24-Hour-Samples.	~~$1,409.95~~$1,455.07 plus site development
(F)	Operation of One (1) Non-Sequential Sampler to Collect Less-Than-24-Hour Samples For One Contaminant.	~~$705.08~~$727.64 / day
(G)	Sample Preparation or Extraction Prior to Analysis.	~~$234.78~~$242.29 / day for up to 12 samples
(H)	Spectrophometric Analysis of Each Sample Collected in (F) From Any Number of Samplers Operated for Same Project on Same Day.	~~$117.16~~$120.91 for first sample or contaminant ~~$46.42~~$47.91 for each additional sample or contaminant
(I)	Analysis of Each Sample Collected in (G) For Particulates.	~~$140.38~~$144.87 for first sample ~~$81.99~~$84.61 for each additional sample
(J)	Gas Chromatograph/Mass Spectrometry Identification For Any Sample Collected Above.	~~$234.78~~$242.29 for five or fewer contaminants ~~$23.19~~$23.93 for each additional contaminant

(6)	Site Development and Decommissioning		
	(A)	Field Assessment to Identify Potential Site Location(s)	~~$1,251.35~~$1,291.39/ day
	(B)	Establishing Access Agreement(s) and Securing Site Location (s)	~~$1,413.45~~$1,458.68
	(C)	Temporary Fencing, Electrical Permits, Installation of Temp Power, and Other Site Development and Decommissioning Costs	As charged by outside contractor (charge pass through)

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PROPOSED AMENDED RULE 306. PLAN FEES

(a) Summary

California Health and Safety Code Section 40522 provides authority for the South Coast Air Quality Management District to adopt a fee schedule for the approval of plans to cover the costs of review, planning, inspection, and monitoring related to activities conducted pursuant to the plans. An annual fee may also be charged to cover the costs of annual review, inspection, and monitoring related thereto. This rule establishes such a fee schedule, and requires that fees be paid for:

(1) Filing of plans;
(2) Evaluation of the above plans;
(3) Inspections to verify compliance with the plans;
(4) Duplicate plans;
(5) Change of condition;
(6) Annual review/renewal of plans, if applicable; and
(7) Preparation of a Rule 1480 Alternative Monitoring and Sampling Plan.

(b) Definitions

For the purpose of this rule, a plan is any data and/or test report (including equipment certification source tests) required by federal or state law, or District Rules and Regulations to be submitted to the District. A plan may be a description of a method to control or measure emissions of air contaminants required by the Rules and Regulations. Plans include, but are not limited to, the following: Demonstration Plan; Application Test Plan; Implementation Plan; Compliance Plan; Management Plan; Control Plan; CEQA Mitigation Monitoring Plan; Acid Rain Repowering Extension Plan and Compliance Plan; Acid Rain Continuous Emission Monitoring System Plan; Acid Rain Protocol/Report Evaluation; VOC Excavation Mitigation Plans (Site Specific and Various Locations); Reduction of Refrigerant Emissions from Stationary Refrigeration and Air Conditioning Systems Plan; Title V Exclusion Requests; Smoke Management Plans; Burn Management

Plans; Emergency Burn Plans; Post Burn Evaluation Reports; Rule 109 Alternative Recordkeeping System Plan; Solid Waste Air Quality Assessment Test Reports (Health and Safety Code Section 41805.5); Compliance Assurance Monitoring Plan (40 CFR 64); Maximum Achievable Control Technology MACT Exemption Requests; Equipment Certification Source Test Reports; MACT Case-by-Case Analysis; and Rule 463 Floating Roof Tank Seal Certifications.

(c) Plan Filing Fee

The filing fee for a plan or change of condition shall be as follows:

Facility Type	Non-Title V	Title V
	~~$216.61~~$223.54	~~$271.46~~$280.15

(d) Plan Evaluation Fee

The plan evaluation fee shall be an amount equal to the total actual and reasonable time incurred by District staff for evaluation of a plan, assessed at the hourly rate or prorated portion thereof as follows:

Facility Type	Non-Title V	Title V
	~~$216.61~~$223.54	~~$271.46~~$280.15

(e) Duplicate Plan Fee

A request for a duplicate plan shall be made in writing by the applicant. The applicant shall pay the fee as shown in the table below in this subdivision for each plan requested:

Facility Type	Non-Title V	Title V
	~~$35.14~~$36.26	~~$44.02~~$45.43

(f) Inspection Fee

The inspection fee for plan verification shall be an amount equal to the total actual and reasonable time incurred by the District for inspection and verification of the plan, assessed at the hourly rate per inspection staff or prorated portion thereof as shown in the table below in this subdivision. For inspections conducted outside of regular District working hours, the fee shall be assessed at the rate of 150% of the above hourly rate. This subdivision shall not apply to plans subject to Rule 306(h).

Facility Type	Non-Title V	Title V
	~~$173.22~~$178.76	~~$217.04~~$223.99

(g) Change of Condition Fee

Any request for a change of condition on a VOC Excavation Mitigation Plan shall be made in writing by the applicant. A request submitted after thirty (30) days of the issuance of the plan shall be subject to additional fees assessed at the hourly rate shown in the table below in this subdivision for time spent evaluating the plan. Such fees shall be imposed at the time the review is completed.

Facility Type	Non-Title V	Title V
	~~$216.61~~$223.54	~~$271.46~~$280.15

(h) Annual Review/Renewal Fee

An annual review/renewal fee shall be charged for plans listed in the following table in this subdivision. The annual review/renewal fee shall be an amount equal to the Rule 301(d)(2) Schedule A fee. In addition, annual reviews/renewals shall meet all relevant and applicable requirements of Rule 301(d) and 301(g), and be paid on an annual renewal date set by the Executive Officer.

Annual Review/Renewal Plan Fee by Rule Number

Rule/Reference	Plan Type
410	Odor Monitoring
431.1	Sulfur Content of Gaseous Fuels
462	Organic Liquid Loading Continuous Monitoring System (CMS) Plan
463(e)(1)(A)	Organic Liquid Storage - Self-Inspection of Floating Roof Tanks
1105.1	Reduction of PM10 and Ammonia Emissions from Fluid Catalytic Cracking Units
1109.1	Emissions of Oxides of Nitrogen from Petroleum Refineries and Related Operations

Rule/Reference	Plan Type
1118	• Control of Emissions from Refinery Flares - Flare Minimization Plan • Control of Emissions from Refinery Flares – Flare Monitoring and Recording Plan
1123	Refinery Process Turnarounds
1132	Further Control of VOC Emissions from High-Emitting Spray Booth Facilities
1150	Excavation Management
1150.1.	Active Landfill Control of Gaseous Emissions
1158	Storage, Handling, and Transport of Coke, Coal and Sulfur - Open Pile Control Plan
1166	• Volatile Organic Compound Emissions from Decontamination of Soil – Fixed Site • Volatile Organic Compound Emissions from Decontamination of Soil - Various locations
1173	Control of Volatile Organic Compound Leaks and Releases from Components at Petroleum Facilities and Chemical Plants (h)(2)
1176	VOC Emissions Waste Water System
1407	Non Ferrous Metal Melting
1420	Emissions of Lead
1420.1	• Rule– Compliance Plan • Continuous Furnace Pressure Monitoring Plan • Compliance Plan for Closure Activities
1469	Chrome Plating Operations
1469.1	Spray Coating Chromium
1470	Requirements for Stationary Diesel-Fueled Internal Combustion and Other Compression Ignition Engines
40 CFR 63 Subpart UUU	Operation, Maintenance, and Monitoring Plans required by National Emission Standards for Hazardous Air Pollutants for Petroleum Refineries: Catalytic Cracking Units, Catalytic Reforming Units, and Sulfur Recovery Units
40 CFR 64.7	Compliance Assurance Monitoring Plan

(i) Payment of Fees

(1) Plan Filing and Plan Evaluation Fees

In addition to payment of the filing fee pursuant to subdivision (c), the initial payment for plan evaluation fees shall be as shown in the table below in this subparagraph and paid at the time of filing. The adjustment to plan evaluation fees will be determined at the time a plan is approved or rejected and may include additional fees based upon actual review and work time billed at a rate pursuant to subdivision (d). Notification of the amount due or refund will be provided to the applicant, and any additional fees due to the adjustment to plan evaluation fees will be billed following project completion.

	Non-Title V	Title V
A – Rule 403 and 461 Plans and Rule 1166 Various Location Plans	~~$216.61~~$223.54	~~$271.46~~$280.15
B – Rule 444, 1133, 1415, and 1460 Plans	See Rule 306 (c)	See Rule 306 (c)
C – All Other Plans, including Rule 1166 Fixed Site Plans	~~$758.20~~$782.46	~~$950.09~~$980.49

(2) Independent Consultant Fees

In the case that the Executive Officer requires a qualified independent consultant, engaged by the District under a contract, to review the plan, the fees charged by the consultant will be in addition to all other fees required.

(3) Payment Due Date

Payment of all applicable fees, including annual review/renewal fee, shall be due in sixty (60) days from the date of personal service or sending by mail, electronic mail, or other electronic means, of the notification of the amount due. Non-payment of the fee within this time period will result in expiration of the plan. For the purpose of this paragraph, the fee payment will be considered to be received by the District if it is delivered, postmarked, or electronically paid on or before the expiration date stated on the billing notice. If the expiration date falls on a Saturday, Sunday, or a state holiday, the fee payment may be delivered, postmarked, or electronically paid on the business day following the Saturday, Sunday, or the state holiday with the same effect as if it had been delivered,

postmarked, or electronically paid on the expiration date. No further plan applications will be accepted until such time as all overdue fees have been fully paid.

(4) Fee Due Date Exception

Whenever the Executive Officer has reasonable cause to believe that the plan evaluation fee will be less than the fee for one hour's work, the fee need not be paid at the time of filing and notification of amount due, if any, shall be sent at the time the plan is approved or rejected.

(5) Optional Expedited Plan Evaluation Processing Fee

Initial fees for requested expedited processing of plan evaluation shall be an additional fifty percent (50%) of the applicable plan filing and initial evaluation fees pursuant to paragraph (i)(1), and shall be submitted at the time that the expedited processing is requested. The adjustment to expedited plan evaluation processing fee will be determined at the time a plan is approved or rejected and may include additional fees based upon actual review and work time billed at a rate for staff overtime which is equal to one-half of staff's hourly rate as specified in subdivision (d). Notification of the amount due or refund will be provided to the applicant and any additional fees due to the adjustment to expedited plan evaluation processing fees will be billed following project completion. A request for expedited plan evaluation work can only be made upon initial work submittal, and approval of such a request is contingent upon the ability of the District to implement the necessary policies and procedures and the availability of qualified staff for overtime work.

(j) Small Business Discount

For small businesses filing plans, the fees assessed shall be fifty percent (50%) of the amounts specified in subdivisions (c), (d), (f), and (g).

(k) Alternative Recordkeeping System Plan Discount

For alternative recordkeeping system plan filed pursuant to Rule 109, the fee assessed shall be fifty percent (50%) of the amount specified in subdivisions (d), (f), and (g).

(l) Plan Application Cancellation Fee

The plan application cancellation fee shall be as shown in the table below in this subdivision. The cancellation fee shall not apply when the application was filed based on an erroneous District request.

Facility Type	Non-Title V	Title V
	~~$288.75~~$297.99	~~$361.84~~$373.42

(m) Protocol/Report/Catalyst Equivalency Evaluation Fees

(1) A minimum fee of ~~$569.32~~$587.54 shall be charged for the evaluation of source test protocols and reports. Additional fees for time spent on the evaluation in excess of 5 hours shall be assessed at the hourly rate specified in subdivision (d) for non-Title V facilities. The established minimum fee and additional fees for time spent on the evaluation in excess of 5 hours shall be billed after project completion. Fees are due at the time specified in the bill, which will allow a reasonable time for payment.

(2) The fee for catalyst equivalency evaluation requests shall be the actual and reasonable evaluation hours assessed at the hourly rate specified in subdivision (d), and billed after project completion. Fees are due at the time specified in the bill, which will allow a reasonable time for payment.

(n) Exemptions

Mobile Source Emission Reduction Credit (MSERC) Applications, Compliance Plans required under Regulation XVI and Rule 2449 – Control of Oxides of Nitrogen from Off-Road Diesel Vehicles and Technical Infeasibility Certification Requests as cited in District Fleet Rules under Regulation XI shall be exempt from the provisions of this rule. Fees for Regulation XVI MSERC Applications and Compliance Plans shall be assessed in accordance with District Rule 309.

(o) Government Agencies

Federal, state, or local government agencies or public districts shall pay all fees.

(p) Air Quality Investment Program (AQIP)

Effective July 1, 1996, all Air Quality Investment Program (AQIP) fees shall be subject to Rule 311 and all other Rule 2202 registration fees shall be subject to Rule 308.

(q) Optional Expedited Protocol/Report/Catalyst Equivalency Evaluation Processing Fee

(1) Fees for requested expedited processing of Protocol/Report Evaluations, will be an additional fee based upon actual review and work time billed at a rate for staff overtime which is equal to one-half of staff's hourly rate as specified in

subdivision (d) for non-Title V facilities. The established "minimum fee" and additional fees for time spent on the evaluation in excess of 5 hours found in Rule 306(m)(1) shall be paid with the additional overtime fee billed following project completion. Fees are due at the time specified in the bill which will allow a reasonable time for payment. Request for expedited Protocol/Report Evaluation work can only be made upon initial work submittal, and approval of such a request is contingent upon the ability of the District to implement the necessary policies and procedures and the availability of qualified staff for overtime work.

(2) Fees for requested expedited processing of Catalyst Equivalency Evaluations, will be an additional fee based upon actual review and work time billed at a rate for staff overtime which is equal to one-half of staff's hourly rate as specified in subdivision (d). The established fee described in Rule 306(m)(2) shall be paid with the additional overtime fee and will be billed following project completion. Fees are due at the time specified in the bill, which will allow a reasonable time for payment.

(r) Regulation XXVII Fees

(1) Fees for Rule 2701 – SoCal Climate Solutions Exchange

(A) Entities submitting a plan will be assessed a filing fee of ~~$195.38~~$201.63.

(B) The fee for review and verification of Certified Greenhouse Gas Emission Reductions by SCAQMD staff shall be assessed at ~~$195.38~~$201.63 per hour or a prorated portion thereof.

(2) Fees for Rule 2702 – Greenhouse Gas Reduction Program

(A) Upon submitting a completed Greenhouse Gas Reduction Program Request to the Executive Officer for certified emission reductions an entity shall pay a fee of ~~$195.38~~$201.63.

(B) Individuals or households wishing to participate are exempt from the plan fees for reductions used to offset personal, household or event GHG emissions.

(s) Preparation of a Rule 1480 Alternative Monitoring and Sampling Plan

The fee for preparing an Alternative Monitoring and Sampling Plan to meet the requirements of Rule 1480(e)(1)(E)(i) and Rule 1480(e)(1)(F) through (e)(1)(I) shall be ~~$6,754.49~~$6,970.63, the payment of which shall be the responsibility of the owner or operator of a facility subject to Rule 1480.

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PROPOSED AMENDED RULE 307.1 ALTERNATIVE FEES FOR AIR TOXICS EMISSIONS INVENTORY

(a) Purpose

California Health and Safety Code Section 44300 et seq. provides authority for the District to adopt a fee schedule to recover the cost of implementing and administering the Air Toxics "Hot Spots" Information and Assessment Act of 1987. The District will annually collect from the owner/operator of each facility meeting the criteria set forth in paragraph (b)(1), (b)(2), and (b)(3), and each owner/operator shall pay, fees which shall provide for the following:

(1) Recovery of anticipated costs to be incurred by the California Air Resources Board (CARB) and Office of Environmental Health Hazard Assessment (OEHHA) to implement and administer the Act, and any costs incurred by OEHHA or its independent contractor for review of facility risk assessments submitted to the State after March 31, 1995 under Health and Safety Code Section 44361(c).

(2) Recovery of anticipated costs to be incurred by the District to implement and administer the Act, including but not limited to the cost incurred to review emission inventory plans, emission inventory data, air toxics inventory reports, risk assessments, to verify plans and data, and to administer this rule, Rule 1402 – Control of Toxic Air Contaminants from Existing Sources, and the Air Toxics "Hot Spots" program.

(b) Applicability

Except for facilities exempted by Health and Safety Code Sections 44324, 44344.4(a), or 44380.1, this rule applies to any facility that operates in any portion of the fiscal year for which the fee is assessed and which:

(1) Manufactures, formulates, uses, or releases any of the substances listed by the State Board pursuant to Health and Safety Code Section 44321 and contained in Appendix

A of the Guidelines Report, or any other substance which reacts to form a substance so listed, and releases ten (10) tons per year or greater of any criteria pollutant;

(2) Manufactures, formulates, uses or releases any listed substance or any other substance which reacts to form any listed substance, and which releases less than ten (10) tons per year of any criteria pollutant and falls in any class listed in Appendix E of the Guidelines Report;

(3) Is reinstated under Health and Safety Code Section 44344.7; or

(4) Is subject to Rule 1402.

(c) Definitions

For the purpose of this rule, the following definitions shall apply:

(1) COMPLEX FACILITY means a facility that has more than five (5) processes as determined by six-digit Source Classification Codes (SCC).

(2) CRITERIA POLLUTANT means total organic gases, particulate matter, nitrogen oxides, or sulfur oxides.

(3) DIESEL ENGINE means an internal combustion engine with operating characteristics similar to the theoretical diesel combustion cycle. The regulation of power by controlling fuel supply in lieu of a throttle is indicative of a diesel (or compression ignition) engine.

(4) DIESEL ENGINE FACILITY means any facility which has a diesel engine and is not subject to any other Rule 307.1 fees.

(5) DIESEL-FUELED as defined in Rule 1470 – Requirements for Stationary Diesel-Fueled Internal Combustion and Other Compression Ignition Engines (Rule 1470).

(6) DIESEL PARTICULATE MATTER (PM) as defined in Rule 1470.

(7) DISTRICT means South Coast Air Quality Management District.

(8) DISTRICT TRACKING FACILITY means a facility:

(A) That has been prioritized by the District in accordance with Health and Safety Code Section 44360(a) using procedures that have undergone public review and that are consistent with the procedures presented in the most current version of the South Coast AQMD "Facility Prioritization Procedures For AB 2588 Program", which is incorporated by reference herein;

(B) That is required by the District to submit a quadrennial emissions inventory update pursuant to Health and Safety Code Section 44344 during the applicable fiscal year; and

(C) Whose prioritization scores for cancer and non-cancer health effects are both greater than 1.0 and equal to or less than 10.0.

(9) FACILITY has the same meaning as defined in Section 44304 of the Health and Safety Code.

(10) FACILITY PROGRAM CATEGORY means a grouping of facilities, meeting the definitions in paragraphs (c)(1), (c)(4), (c)(8), (c)(12), (c)(13), (c)(17), (c)(20), (c)(21), (c)(22), (c)(24), (c)(29), (c)(32), or (c)(33) of this rule.

(11) GUIDELINES REPORT (Air Toxics Hot Spots Emission Inventory Criteria and Guidelines Report) is the report incorporated by reference under Section 93300.5 of this title that contains regulatory requirements for the Air Toxics Hot Spots Emission Inventory Program.

(12) HRA TRACKING FACILITY means a facility that has been prioritized by the District in accordance with Health and Safety Code Section 44360(a) using procedures that have undergone public review and that are consistent with the procedures presented in the most current version of the South Coast AQMD "Facility Prioritization Procedures For AB 2588 Program", which is incorporated by reference herein, and the greater of the facility's prioritization scores for cancer and non-cancer health effects is greater than 10.0, and meets either one of the following criteria:

(A) The facility has had its health risk assessment approved by the District in accordance with Health and Safety Code Section 44362 and the risk assessment results show a total potential cancer risk, summed across all pathways of exposure and all compounds, of equal to or greater than 1.0 and less than ten (10) cases per million persons and a total hazard index for each toxicological endpoint, both acute and chronic, of less than or equal to 1.0; or

(B) The facility has had its health risk assessment approved by the District in accordance with Health and Safety Code Section 44362 and the risk assessment results show a total hazard index for each toxicological endpoint, either acute or chronic, of greater than or equal to 0.1, but less than or equal to 1.0, and a total potential cancer risk, summed across all pathways of exposure and all compounds, of less than ten (10) cases per million persons.

(13) MEDIUM FACILITY means a facility that has three (3) to five (5) processes as determined by six-digit SCCs.

(14) NORTH AMERICAN INDUSTRY CLASSIFICATION SYSTEM (NAICS) CODE is the standard used to classify business establishments developed under the auspices of the United States Office of Management and Budget, which is herein incorporated by reference.

(15) OEHHA means the Office of Environmental Health Hazard Assessment, California Environmental Protection Agency.

(16) OPERATOR means the person who owns or operates a facility or part of a facility.

(17) POTENTIALLY HIGH RISK LEVEL FACILITY means a facility designated by the Executive Officer pursuant to the definition in Rule 1402.

(18) POTENTIALLY HIGH RISK LEVEL FACILITY FEE means the fee charged to facilities upon designation as a Potentially High Risk Level Facility under Rule 1402. The fee will be assessed on a Time and Materials (T&M) basis to cover the District's costs in determining Rule 1402 compliance. This includes, but is not limited to, evaluation of findings pursuant to Rule 1402(g).

(19) PRIORITIZATION SCORE GREATER THAN TEN (10.0) FACILITY means a facility that does not have an approved health risk assessment and has been prioritized by the District in accordance with Health and Safety Code Section 44360(a) using procedures that have undergone public review and that are consistent with the procedures presented in the most current version of the South Coast AQMD "Facility Prioritization Procedures For AB 2588 Program", which is incorporated by reference herein, and the greater of the facility's prioritization scores for cancer and non-cancer effects is greater than 10.0.

(20) RISK OF 10.0 TO LESS THAN 50.0 PER MILLION FACILITY means a facility that has had its health risk assessment approved by the District in accordance with Health and Safety Code Section 44362 and whose risk assessment results meet either of the following criteria:

(A) A total potential cancer risk, summed across all pathways of exposure and all compounds, of greater than or equal to 10.0, but less than 50.0 cases per million persons; or

(B) A total hazard index for each toxicological endpoint, either acute or chronic, of greater than 1.0 and a total potential cancer risk, summed across all pathways of exposure and all compounds, of less than 50.0.

(21) RISK OF 50.0 TO LESS THAN 100.0 PER MILLION FACILITY means a facility that has had its health risk assessment approved by the District in accordance with Health and Safety Code Section 44362 and whose risk assessment results show a

total potential cancer risk, summed across all pathways of exposure and all compounds, of greater than or equal to 50.0, but less than 100.0 cases per million persons.

(22) RISK OF 100.0 PER MILLION OR GREATER FACILITY means a facility that has had its health risk assessment approved by the District in accordance with Health and Safety Code Section 44362 and whose risk assessment results show a total potential cancer risk, summed across all pathways of exposure and all compounds, of greater than or equal to 100.0 cases per million persons.

(23) SIGNIFICANT RISK LEVEL is a maximum individual cancer risk of at least one hundred per million (100×10^{-6}) or a total acute or chronic hazard index of at least five (5) for any target organ system at any receptor location.

(24) SIMPLE FACILITY means a facility that has one (1) or two (2) processes as determined by six-digit SCC.

(25) SMALL BUSINESS for the purpose of this rule, means a facility which is independently owned and operated and has met all of the following criteria in the preceding year:

(A) The facility has ten (10) or fewer (annual full-time equivalence) employees;

(B) The facility's total annual gross receipts are less than $1,000,000; and

(C) The total annual gross receipts of the facility's California operations are less than $5,000,000.

(26) SOURCE CLASSIFICATION CODES (SCC) means number codes created by the United States Environmental Protection Agency used to identify processes associated with point sources that contribute emissions to the atmosphere.

(27) SPECIAL REVIEW FEE means the fee charged to facilities to cover the cost of the qualified District personnel or a qualified consultant, as determined by the Executive Officer (EO), engaged by the District under contract, in the event that the EO determines that an air toxics inventory report or health risk assessment should be revised and the owner/operator cannot perform this task without errors or delays.

(28) STATE COSTS means the reasonable anticipated cost which will be incurred by the CARB and OEHHA to implement and administer the Act, as shown in the District staff report.

(29) STATE INDUSTRY-WIDE FACILITY means a facility that (1) qualifies to be included in an industry-wide emission inventory prepared by the District pursuant to Health and Safety Code Section 44323, (2) releases, or has the potential to release, less than ten tons per year of each criteria pollutant, and (3) is either of the following:

(A) A facility in one of the following four classes of facilities: autobody shops, as described by NAICS Codes 441110 or 811121; gasoline stations, as described by NAICS Codes 447110 and 447190; dry cleaners, as described by NAICS Code 812320; and printing and publishing, as described by NAICS Codes 323111 through 323117 or 511110 through 511199; or

(B) A facility that has not prepared an Individual Plan and Report in accordance with sections 44340, 44341, and 44344 of the Health and Safety Code and for which the District submits documentation for approval by the Executive Officer of the CARB, verifying that the facility meets the requirements of Health and Safety Code Section 44323(a)-(d).

(30) SUPPLEMENTAL FEE means the fee charged, pursuant to Section 44380.5 of the Health and Safety Code, to cover the costs of the District to review a health risk assessment containing supplemental information which was prepared in accordance with the provisions of Section 44360(b)(3) of the Health and Safety Code.

(31) TOTAL ORGANIC GASES (TOG) means all gases containing carbon, except carbon monoxide, carbon dioxide, carbonic acid, metallic carbides or carbonates, and ammonium carbonate.

(32) UNPRIORITIZED FACILITY means a facility that has not been prioritized by the District in accordance with Health and Safety Code Section 44360(a) using procedures that have undergone public review and that are consistent with the procedures presented in the most current version of the South Coast AQMD "Facility Prioritization Procedures For AB 2588 Program", which is incorporated by reference herein.

(33) VOLUNTARY RISK REDUCTION FACILITY means a facility that elected to participate in the Voluntary Risk Reduction Program pursuant to Rule 1402.

(d) Fees

All sources subject to this rule shall be assessed an annual fee pursuant to Table I of this rule.

(1) Calculation of Fees

(A) The District will establish the fee applicable to each facility for the recovery of State and District costs. The District will use State costs and District costs to calculate fees, and will take into account and allow for the unanticipated closing of businesses, nonpayment of fees, and other circumstances which would result in a shortfall in anticipated revenue; and

(B) The District will calculate fees on the basis of the Facility Program Category as set forth by July 1 of the applicable fiscal year, except for facilities excluded under subparagraph (d)(9) of this rule.

(2) Flat Fees

(A) A facility in the State Industry-Wide Facility Program Category, as defined in this rule, shall be assessed the fee specified in Table I.

(B) A facility in the District Tracking Program Category, as defined in this rule, will be assessed the annual fee specified in Table I to cover the cost to the District to review the facility's quadrennial emission inventory update.

(C) A facility in the Diesel Engine Facility Program Category, as defined in this rule, shall be assessed the annual Flat Fee specified in Table I.

(D) The maximum fee that a small business as defined in this rule shall pay is $300.

(E) The supplemental fee as defined in this rule, which may be assessed upon the operator of a facility, shall be no higher than ~~$4,030.31~~$4,159.28.

(3) Special Review Fees

When a facility's air toxics inventory report or health risk assessment submitted pursuant to Rule 1402 is prepared or revised by District personnel or a contractor engaged by the District, the owner/operator of the facility for which an air toxics inventory report or health risk assessment is performed shall pay the fees equal to the total actual and reasonable time incurred by District, including actual contractor costs as invoiced and District staff time assessed at the hourly rate of ~~$169.56~~$174.99. When the air toxics inventory report or health risk assessment is conducted or is evaluated and verified by a consultant engaged by the District or District personnel, the fees charged will be in addition to all other fees required.

(4) Voluntary Risk Reduction Facility Fees

A Voluntary Risk Reduction Facility, as defined in this rule, shall be assessed the fee specified in Table I until approval of the Final Implementation Report under Rule 1402 paragraph (j)(2). Once the Final Implementation Report is approved by the Executive Officer, the Voluntary Risk Reduction Fee shall be assessed the HRA Tracking Facility Program Category specified in Table I.

(5) Potentially High Risk Level Facility Fees

When a facility is designated as a Potentially High Risk Level Facility, as defined under Rule 1402, the owner/operator of the facility shall pay a fee for staff time at the rate of ~~$194.62~~$200.85 per hour to offset the District's costs to determine Rule

1402 compliance. The Potentially High Risk Level Facility Fees are billed annually and are due at the time of the AB 2588 annual billing which allows a reasonable time for payment. The Potentially High Risk Level Facility Fees will not exceed $100,000 per year per facility.

(6) Public Notifications and Meetings

When public notification is required pursuant to Rule 1402 subdivision (q), the facility owner/operator shall either directly pay or reimburse the District for costs of Public Meetings, including venue rental, audio visual rental equipment and personnel, mailing, translation services, parking, security, and equipment rental.

(7) Fee Payment and Collection; Effect of Failure to Pay

(A) The District will notify and assess the operator of each facility subject to this rule in writing of the fee due. The operator shall remit the fee to the District within sixty (60) days after the receipt of the fee assessment notice or the fee will be considered past due. For the purpose of this rule, the fee payment will be considered received by the District if it is delivered, postmarked, or electronically paid on or before the due date stated on the billing notice. If the due date falls on a Saturday, Sunday, or a state holiday, the fee payment may be delivered, postmarked, or electronically paid on the next business day following the Saturday, Sunday, or state holiday with the same effect as if it had been delivered, postmarked, or electronically paid on the due date.

(B) If an operator fails to pay the fee within sixty (60) days of this notice pursuant to subparagraph (d)(7)(A) of this rule, the District may assess a surcharge of not more than one hundred percent (100%) of the assessed fee, but in an amount sufficient, in the District's determination, to pay the District's additional expenses incurred by the operator's non-compliance. If an operator fails to pay the fee within 120 days after receipt of this notice, the District may initiate permit revocation proceedings. If any permit is revoked it shall be reinstated only upon full payment of the overdue fees plus any surcharge as specified in this subparagraph.

(8) Payment to the State

The District will collect the fees assessed by or required to be assessed by this rule. After deducting the costs to the District to implement and administer the program, the District will transmit to the State Board the amount the District is required to collect for recovery of state costs as specified in Table I.

(9) Exemptions

A facility shall be exempt from paying fees if, by July 1 of the applicable Fiscal Year, any one or more of the following criteria are met:

(A) The facility has been prioritized by the District in accordance with Health and Safety Code Section 44360(a) using procedures that have undergone public review, and the facility's prioritization score is less than or equal to 1.0 for both cancer and non-cancer health effects. The procedure for estimating priority of facilities were developed based on the most current approved version of South Coast AQMD "Facility Prioritization Procedures For AB 2588 Program", which is incorporated by reference herein.

(B) The facility had its health risk assessment approved by the District in accordance with Health and Safety Code Section 44362 and the risk assessment results show a total potential cancer risk, summed across all pathways of exposure and all compounds, of less than one case per one million persons and a total hazard index for each toxicological endpoint, both acute and chronic, of less than 0.1. Some appropriate procedures for determining potential cancer risk and total hazard index are presented in the most current approved version of the OEHHA "Air Toxics Hot Spots Program Guidance Manual for Preparation of Health Risk Assessments" and South Coast AQMD "Supplemental Guidelines for Preparation of Health Risk Assessments for the Air Toxics "Hot Spots" Information and Assessment Act", which are incorporated by reference herein.

(C) The facility primarily performs printing as described by NAICS Codes 323111 through 323117 or 511110 through 511199, and the facility uses an annualized average of two (2) gallons per day or less [or seventeen (17) pounds per day or less] of all graphic arts materials (deducting the amount of any water or acetone) unless the District required a health risk assessment and results show the facility would not qualify under subparagraph (d)(9)(A) of this rule.

(D) The facility is a wastewater treatment plant as described by NAICS Code 221320, the facility does not have a sludge incinerator and the maximum throughput at the facility does not exceed 10,000,000 gallons per day of effluent unless the District required a health risk assessment and results show the facility would not qualify under subparagraph (d)(9)(A) of this rule.

(E) The facility is a crematorium for humans, animals, or pets as described by NAICS Codes 812210, 812220, or any NAICS Code that describes a facility using an incinerator to burn biomedical waste (animal), the facility uses propane or natural gas as fuel, and the facility annually cremates no more than 300 cases (human) or 43,200 pounds (human or animal) unless the District required a health risk assessment and results show the facility would not qualify under subparagraph (d)(9)(A) of this rule. Facilities using incinerators that burn biomedical waste other than cremating animals do not qualify for this exemption.

(F) The facility is primarily a boat building and repair facility or primarily a ship building and repair facility as described by NAICS Codes 336611, 336612, 488390 or 811490, and the facility uses twenty (20) gallons per year or less of coatings or is a coating operation using hand held non-refillable aerosol cans only unless the District required a health risk assessment and results show the facility would not qualify under subparagraph (d)(9)(A) of this rule.

(G) The facility is a hospital or veterinary clinic building that is in compliance with the control requirements specified in the Ethylene Oxide Control Measure for Sterilizes and Aerators, section 93108 of this title and has an annual usage of ethylene oxide of less than 100 pounds per year if it is housed in a single story building, or has an annual usage of ethylene oxide of less than 600 pounds per year if it is housed in a multi-story building unless the District required a health risk assessment and results show the facility would not qualify under subparagraph (d)(9)(A) of this rule.

(H) The facility was not required to conduct a risk assessment under Health and Safety Code Section 44360(b), and the District, or the facility with the concurrence of the District, has conducted a worst-case, health conservative risk assessment using screening air dispersion modeling criteria set forth in Appendix F of the Guidelines Report and has demonstrated to the satisfaction of the District that the facility's screening risk levels meet the criteria set forth in subparagraph (d)(9)(A) of this rule.

FACILITY PROGRAM CATEGORY	COMPLEXITY	DISTRICT FEE	STATE FEE	TOTAL FACILITY FEE
HRA Tracking[1]	Simple Facility	$590.63 ~~$572.32~~	$67	$657.63 ~~$639.32~~
	Medium Facility	$853.20 ~~$826.74~~	$100	$953.20 ~~$926.74~~
	Complex Facility	$1,115.77 ~~$1,081.17~~	$134	$1,249.77 ~~$1,215.17~~
Unprioritized	Simple Facility	$877.79 ~~$850.57~~	$402	$1,279.79 ~~$1,252.57~~
	Medium Facility	$4,810.33 ~~$4,661.17~~	$603	$5,413.33 ~~$5,264.17~~
	Complex Facility	$6,392.26 ~~$6,194.05~~	$804	$7,196.26 ~~$6,998.05~~
PS>10, No HRA	Simple Facility	$7,448.37 ~~$7,217.41~~	$1,674	$9,122.37 ~~$8,891.41~~
	Medium Facility	$7,977.65 ~~$7,730.28~~	$2,009	$9,986.65 ~~$9,739.28~~
	Complex Facility	$8,502.83 ~~$8,239.18~~	$2,344	$10,846.83 ~~$10,583.18~~
Risk ≥10 <50 in a million or HI>1	Simple Facility	$9,032.03 ~~$8,751.97~~	$3,014	$12,046.03 ~~$11,765.97~~
	Medium Facility	$9,559.23 ~~$9,262.82~~	$3,349	$12,908.23 ~~$12,611.82~~
	Complex Facility	$10,086.48 ~~$9,773.72~~	$3,684	$13,770.48 ~~$13,457.72~~
Risk ≥50 <100 in a million	Simple Facility	$10,615.70 ~~$10,286.53~~	$4,353	$14,968.70 ~~$14,639.53~~
	Medium Facility	$11,140.85 ~~$10,795.40~~	$4,688	$15,828.85 ~~$15,483.40~~
	Complex Facility	$11,670.08 ~~$11,308.22~~	$5,023	$16,693.08 ~~$16,331.22~~
Risk ≥ 100 in a million	Simple Facility	$12,199.39 ~~$11,821.11~~	$5,693	$17,892.39 ~~$17,514.11~~
	Medium Facility	$12,724.53 ~~$12,329.97~~	$6,028	$18,752.53 ~~$18,357.97~~
	Complex Facility	$13,258.99 ~~$12,847.86~~	$6,363	$19,621.99 ~~$19,210.86~~
Potentially High Risk Level	Simple Facility	T&M[2]	$5,693[3]	$(T&M[2] + $5,693[3])
	Medium Facility	T&M[2]	$6,028[3]	$(T&M[2] + $6,028[3])
	Complex Facility	T&M[2]	$6,363[3]	$(T&M[2] + $6,363[3])

FACILITY PROGRAM CATEGORY	COMPLEXITY	DISTRICT FEE	STATE FEE	TOTAL FACILITY FEE
Voluntary Risk Reduction	Simple Facility	$6,098.40 ~~$5,909.30~~	$1,674	$7,772.40 ~~$7,583.30~~
	Medium Facility	$6,531.72 ~~$6,329.19~~	$2,009	$8,540.72 ~~$8,338.19~~
	Complex Facility	$6,961.71 ~~$6,745.84~~	$2,344	$9,305.71 ~~$9,089.84~~
District Tracking[4]		$326.49 ~~$316.37~~		$326.49 ~~$316.37~~
State Industry-wide		$237.75 ~~$230.38~~	$35	$272.75 ~~$265.38~~
Diesel Engine Facility		$178.01 ~~$172.49~~		$178.01 ~~$172.49~~

[1] HRA Tracking --- (PS > 10 with HRA) Risk ≥ 1, <10 in a million, or HI ≥ 0.1, ≤ 1
[2] T&M --- Annual District fee will be capped at $100,000 per year per facility.
[3] For facilities with Risk > 100 in a million, the state fee is equivalent to that of the "Risk ≥ 100 in a million" category. For facilities with HI > 5.0, the state fee is equivalent to the "Risk ≥10 <50 in a million or HI>1" category.
[4] District Tracking --- PS > 1, ≤ 10

HRA --- Health Risk Assessment
HI --- Hazard Index, Acute or Chronic
PS --- Priority Score

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PROPOSED AMENDED RULE 308. ON-ROAD MOTOR VEHICLE MITIGATION OPTIONS FEES

(a) Applicability

Provisions of this rule shall apply to fees assessed for worksite registrations and filings pursuant to Rule 2202 On-Road Motor Vehicle Mitigation Options. Fees shall be paid for the submission or resubmission of Annual Registrations, Employee Commute Reduction Programs (ECRP), Annual Programs, strategy amendments, extension requests, Average Vehicle Ridership (AVR)/Creditable Commute Vehicle Reduction (CCVR) Certification, Software Certification, emission reduction project review, and transfer of emission reduction credits.

(b) Definitions

(1) AMENDMENTS are changes to Rule 2202 registrations, and/or ECRP strategies which materially affect the implementation of the program or the addition or deletion of a worksite to a multi-site program.

(2) ANNUAL PROGRAM is a program submitted to the District that contains AVR results and a plan to achieve the performance requirements for the worksite.

(3) EVALUATION is the District's evaluation of a program resulting in approval or disapproval of that program.

(4) PROGRAM is any data and/or report required by Rule 2202 On-Road Motor Vehicle Mitigation Options to be submitted to the District.

(5) RESUBMITTAL is any revised program or revised Annual Program submitted to the District to correct a disapproved program.

(6) SUBMITTAL is any program provided to the District in accordance with Rule 2202 On-Road Motor Vehicle Mitigation Options.

(c) Program Fees

(1) Rule 2202 Registration Fees

All persons submitting a Rule 2202 registration to implement any compliance option in the rule, except for an ECRP or an AQIP, shall pay annually, the following fees at the time of registration.

(A) Single Site Registrations

Single site programs are subject to a ~~$763.54~~$787.97 per worksite annual registration fee.

(B) Multiple Site Registrations

Multiple site programs are subject to a fifteen percent (15%) discount of the fee established in subparagraph (c)(1)(A) per worksite annual registration fee.

(C) Resubmittals and Amendments

Resubmitted and amended registrations shall be subject to fifty percent (50%) of the fee established in subparagraph (c)(1)(A) and (c)(1)(B).

(2) Employee Commute Reduction Program (ECRP) Fees

All persons electing to submit an ECRP shall pay the following fees at the time of submittal. The Annual Program and ECRP Offset fees will become effective on June 7, 2004.

(A) Single Site Submittals

Per Worksite	Annual Program	ECRP Offset
500 or more employees	~~$1,453.87~~$1,500.39	~~$939.88~~$969.96
250 to 499 employees	~~$1,087.20~~$1,121.99	~~$704.87~~$727.43

(B) Multisite Program Submittals

Triennial program fees for multiple site program submittals are subject to a fifteen percent (15%) discount of the fee established in subparagraph (c)(2)(A).

(C) Resubmittals and Amendments

The single site resubmittal and amendment fee, excluding program strategy amendments fee shall be fifty percent (50%) of the single site submittal fee established in subparagraph (c)(2)(A). The

multisite resubmittal fee shall be fifty percent (50%) of the multisite program submittal fee established in subparagraph (c)(2)(B).

(D) Electronic Media Submittals

Persons submitting an ECRP using District-certified electronic media shall pay the appropriate fee established in paragraphs (c)(2)(A) and (B), less ~~$141.50~~$146.03 per submittal.

(E) Sites achieving (AVR) Targets

Any employer who achieves their Average Vehicle Ridership (AVR) target and chooses to file a High AVR No-Fault Inspection, pursuant to Rule 2202 ECRP guidelines, in lieu of an Annual Program, shall submit the fee established in subparagraph (c)(1)(A) and (c)(1)(B).

(F) Program Strategy Amendments

A person submitting an amendment to program strategies consisting of the deletion or the replacement of any existing program strategies shall pay a fee of ~~$229.12~~$236.45 for each submittal per worksite. This fee shall not apply when the amendment consists solely of additional or enhanced strategies to the program or when the strategy amendment is submitted at the same time as part of the Annual Program submittal.

(G) AVR/CCVR Certification Fees

Any person requesting District certification of AVR/CCVR verification methods (including but not limited to random sampling, record-keeping or restructuring of the AVR survey form) pursuant to Rule 2202 ECRP guidelines, shall pay a fee of ~~$587.22~~$606.01. No additional fee will be due after a first disapproval and resubmittal. A second fee of ~~$587.22~~$606.01 shall be paid with a second resubmittal after a second disapproval.

(3) Late Submittal and Resubmittal Fees

A fifty percent (50%) increase in the applicable registration, or ECRP fee established in paragraph (c)(1), or subparagraphs (c)(2)(A), (c)(2)(B) or (c)(2)(C) shall be paid as a surcharge where an applicable fee is not received in full on or before the due date for the registration, or ECRP.

(d) Determination of Applicability of Late Fees

The fee payment will be considered to be received by the District if it is postmarked by the United States Postal Service on or before the registration/ECRP due date and received in full. If the registration/ECRP due date falls on a Saturday, Sunday, or a state holiday, the fee payment may be postmarked on the business day following the Saturday, Sunday, or the state holiday with the same effect as if it had been postmarked on the registration/ECRP due date. No further program applications for a particular worksite will be accepted or approved until such time as all overdue fees have been fully paid.

(e) Government Agencies

Federal, state, or local government agencies or public districts shall pay all fees.

(f) Software Certification Fees

The District may certify independent computer software capable of reproducing registration/ECRP forms, thereby allowing employers to file registration/ECRP using electronic media.

(1) Fees for certification will be assessed to cover the costs of processing the certification application and for the testing and validation of the software's reliability and ability to meet District's software specifications and program requirements.

(2) Fees shall be paid at the time that the software is submitted for certification as follows:

(A)	Initial Certification Fee	~~$1,174.91~~$1,212.51
(B)	Recertification Fee	~~$587.22~~$606.01

(g) The District will certify ECRP training programs pursuant to Rule 2202 ECRP guidelines. Fees for certification will be assessed to cover the costs of processing the certification application, reviewing the proposed curriculum, and assessing the training provider's qualifications.

(1) Fees shall be paid at the time that the qualifications and/or the curriculum is submitted for certification as follows:

	Provider Firm	Certification	Recertification
(A)	Instructor	~~$587.22~~$606.01	~~$293.31~~$302.70
(B)	Curriculum	~~$1,174.91~~$1,212.51	~~$587.22~~$606.01

(2) Fee for the District's initial training program for new Employee Transportation Coordinators shall be ~~$237.81~~$245.42 per person.

(3) A fee in the amount of ~~$145.04~~$149.68 shall be assessed to cover the cost of staff time to process each replacement Employee Transportation Coordinator Certificate of training.

(h) An employer who has declared bankruptcy, for the official business or governmental operations of its organization or company, through a judicial court filing and confirmation process, may request the Executive Officer to grant a temporary waiver from complying with the requirements of Rule 2202 and Rule 308. Upon demonstration of the filing and confirmation of bankruptcy, the Executive Officer will grant an exemption for the duration of bankruptcy, not to exceed two (2) years from the date of the waiver.

(i) Service Charge for Returned Check

Any person who submits a check to the District on insufficient funds or on instructions to stop payment on the check, absent an overcharge or other legal entitlement to withhold payment, shall be subject to a $25 service charge.

(j) Extensions to Surrender MSERC's

Any person requesting an extension to surrender MSERC's to the District shall pay a fee of ~~$115.91~~$119.62 per worksite.

(k) Emission Reductions Project Review

Any person requesting the approval of a project resulting in emission reductions, pursuant to the provisions of Rule 2202(f)(6), shall be assessed an evaluation fee of ~~$579.27~~$597.81 at the time of submittal. This fee will become effective on June 7, 2004. Additional evaluation fees may be assessed in accordance with Rule 309(c)(3) if necessary.

(l) Transfer of Emission Reduction Credits

Any person requesting a transfer of emission reduction credits shall pay a fee of ~~$114.81~~$118.48 per transaction. Credit transactions shall be jointly registered with the District by the credit transferor and transferee. The transferee shall be assessed the transaction fee per transaction at the time the transaction is registered with the District, unless the transferee is surrendering credits to meet the registration requirements for the current compliance year.

(m) Failure to Notify Surcharge

Any employer who became subject to Rule 2202 (as defined in Rule 2202 (b) – Applicability) and failed to notify the District within 30 days when they became subject to the rule, shall pay a surcharge of ~~$1,686.67~~$1,740.64 for every worksite.

If the employer notifies the District more than 30 calendar days from the date when they became subject to Rule 2202, the surcharge shall be reduced by 30% of the applicable fee, as follows: ~~$1,180.68~~$1,218.46 for every worksite.

(n) Rule 2202 Registration Time Extension

Any person requesting a time extension to submit a Rule 2202 registration shall refer to Rule 313.

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PROPOSED AMENDED RULE 309. FEES FOR REGULATION XVI AND REGULATION XXV

(a) Applicability

Provisions of this rule shall apply to fees assessed for plans required by Regulation XVI and Regulation XXV, and for the transfer and acquisition of Mobile Source Emission Reduction Credits (MSERCs) generated pursuant to Regulation XVI and Regulation XXV rules. Fees shall be paid for:

(1) Rule 1610 Scrapping Plans

(2) Regulation XVI and Regulation XXV Mobile Source Emission Reduction Credit (MSERC) Applications and Compliance Plans

(3) MSERC Transaction Registration

(b) Definitions

For the purpose of this rule the following definitions shall apply:

(1) MSERC TRANSACTION is the trade or transfer of MSERC ownership between entities, or between MSERC accounts of the same entity. MSERCs shall be denominated in terms of one pound of MSERC pollutant.

(2) PLAN is any data and/or test report required by federal or state law, or District rules and regulations to be submitted to the District. Plans include, but are not limited to, the following: Rule 1610 Scrapping Plans, Regulation XVI and Regulation XXV MSERC Applications, and Regulation XVI and Regulation XXV Compliance Plans.

(3) SMALL BUSINESS is as defined in Rule 102.

(c) Fee Assessments

(1) Rule 1610 Scrapping Plans shall be assessed a filing and evaluation fee of ~~$2,512.08~~$2,592.47. The fee shall be paid at the time of plan submittal.

(2) Regulation XVI and Regulation XXV Plans as defined in paragraph (b)(2), except Scrapping Plans, shall be assessed a filing fee of ~~$202.09~~$208.56.

Evaluation fees shall be billed for the amount of total actual and reasonable time incurred by District staff, assessed at the hourly rate of ~~$202.09~~$208.56.

(3) Additional evaluation fees for plans shall be assessed at the rate of ~~$185.82~~$191.77 per person per hour if necessary. Evaluation fees shall also be assessed at this rate for any amendments to Plans and Applications.

(4) For small businesses filing scrapping plans, MSERC applications, and compliance plans, the fees assessed shall be fifty percent (50%) of the amounts specified in paragraphs (c)(1), (c)(2), and (c)(3).

(5) MSERC transactions shall be jointly registered with the District by the MSERC transferor and transferee. The transferee shall be assessed a Transaction Registration Fee of ~~$124.20~~$128.17 per transaction at the time the transaction is registered with the District.

(d) Inspection Fee

The inspection fee for Rule 1610 Scrapping Plan verification shall be an amount equal to the total actual and reasonable time incurred by the District for inspection and verification of the plan, assessed at the hourly rate of ~~$161.62~~$166.79 per inspection staff or prorated portion thereof. For inspections conducted outside of regular District working hours, the fee shall be assessed at a rate of 150% of the above hourly rate.

(e) Payment of Fees

(1) Payment of all applicable fees, including annual review/renewal fee, shall be due in thirty (30) days from the date of personal service or sending by mail, electronic mail, or other electronic means, of the notification of the amount due. Non-payment of the fee within this time period will result in expiration of the plan. For the purpose of this paragraph, the fee payment will be considered to be received by the District if it is delivered, postmarked, or electronically paid on or before the expiration date stated on the billing notice. If the expiration date falls on a Saturday, Sunday, or a state holiday, the fee payment may be delivered, postmarked, or electronically paid, on the business day following the Saturday, Sunday, or the state holiday with the same effect as if it had been delivered, postmarked, or electronically paid on the expiration date. No further plan

applications will be accepted until such time as all overdue fees have been fully paid.

(2) Whenever the Executive Officer has reasonable cause to believe that the plan evaluation fee will be less than the fee for one hour's work, the fee need not be paid at the time of filing and notification of amount due, if any, shall be sent at the time the plan is approved or rejected.

(f) Refunds

(1) If a plan or an application as defined in paragraph (b)(2) is canceled, plan filing and evaluation fees, less the plan cancellation fee, will be refunded:

(A) If it is determined that the plan was not required pursuant to District rules; or

(B) The plan evaluation procedure has not been initiated by District staff.

(2) The plan cancellation fee will be ~~$253.94~~$262.07.

(3) Claims for refund of any fee required by this rule shall be submitted in writing within one (1) year after the fee was paid.

(4) The cancellation fee shall not apply when the plan was filed based on an erroneous District request.

(g) Government Agencies

Federal, state, or local government agencies or public districts shall pay all fees.

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PROPOSED AMENDED RULE 311. AIR QUALITY INVESTMENT PROGRAM (AQIP) FEES

(a) Applicability

This rule shall apply to all employers who participate in the Air Quality Investment Program (AQIP) option provided under Rule 2202. The Air Quality Investment Fees established in this rule shall be adjusted periodically to reflect market conditions.

(b) Registration Fees

Any employer registering with the District to participate in the AQIP shall pay annually a registration fee of ~~$176.11~~$181.75 per worksite.

(c) AQIP Investment Fees

(1) Annual Compliance Option

At the time of registration any employer electing to participate in the annual AQIP compliance option shall annually invest in the restricted District fund $46.73 for each employee reporting to work in the peak window; or,

(2) Triennial Compliance Option

At the time of registration any employer electing to participate in the triennial AQIP compliance option shall invest in the restricted District fund $129.79 for each employee reporting to work in the peak window. Any increase in the number of employees in the window shall be accounted for during the second and third year registrations by investing $46.73 per each additional employee for the remaining years in the triennial compliance option.

(d) Late fees

If the registration fee is not received by the established due date, the original amount of the registration fee shall be increased by fifty percent (50%).

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PROPOSED AMENDED RULE 313. AUTHORITY TO ADJUST FEES AND DUE DATES

(a) Summary

This rule provides limited discretion to the Executive Officer to adjust fees or reinstate permits where there has been an administrative error by the District, to extend the due date for payment of certain fees for good cause, and to waive or refund fees under circumstances set forth in this rule. The Executive Officer may delegate all or some of the discretion granted under this rule to a Fee Review Committee comprised of the Chief Financial Officer, the Deputy Executive Officer for Engineering and Permitting, the Public Advisor, and the District Counsel, or their designees. This rule does not provide the Executive Officer authority to alter the substantive requirements contained in SCAQMD rules and regulations.

(b) Process

Any owner/operator seeking relief under this Rule shall obtain the appropriate fee review request form(s) from the Office of Public Affairs. Upon completion, the form(s), along with any supporting background documentation, must be filed within the appropriate time limits set forth in this rule. Where the Executive Officer has delegated authority under this rule to the Fee Review Committee, an owner/operator seeking relief may request a personal meeting with the Fee Review Committee. The Fee Review Committee will meet on a monthly basis, as necessary, to consider requests under this rule.

(c) Decisions

The Executive Officer shall seek to make a decision on any request for relief under this Rule in writing within 90 days unless the applicant is notified that additional time is needed to investigate the circumstances underlying the request. Where the decision is made by the Fee Review Committee, the applicant may seek reconsideration from the Fee Review Committee within 30 days where there is substantial new information available. All decisions of the Fee Review Committee

are final, except that they may be reviewed by the Executive Officer in his sole discretion to ensure compliance with this Rule. Decisions of the Executive Officer are final.

(d) Reinstatement of Permits, Applications, Plans, Registrations, and Other District Approvals

(1) The Executive Officer may reinstate a permit, application, registration, plan, or any other District issued approval upon finding of administrative error by District staff regarding the calculation, imposition, noticing, handling, invoicing, and/or collection of any fee set forth in this Regulation.

(2) The Executive Officer may reinstate any permit, application, registration, plan, variance (issued by the hearing board), or any other District issued approval that was determined by the Executive Officer to have been inadvertently canceled by the District.

(e) Adjustment of Fees

(1) The Executive Officer may, upon finding of administrative error by District staff regarding the calculation, imposition, noticing, handling, invoicing, and/or collection of any fee set forth in this Regulation, rescind, reduce, increase or modify such fee. In no case may the Executive Officer reduce the amount of the excess emission fee below that specified in Rule 303(f), unless otherwise ordered by the Hearing Board.

(2) Any request for relief under paragraph (e)(1) must be received within 3 years of the administrative error or from the time the applicant should have reasonably known that the error was made, as determined by the Executive Officer.

(f) Time Extension of Payment Due Dates

(1) Whenever this Regulation requires a fee to be paid by a certain date, the Executive Officer may, for good cause, grant an extension of time, not to exceed one hundred eighty days (180), within which the fee payment shall be made. The Executive Officer may require partial fee payments to be made on set dates during the extension period.

(2) Where an extension of time is requested due to a financial hardship, such request must be accompanied by sufficient background documentation to allow the Executive Officer to determine the applicant's financial ability to pay the fee. Examples of such documentation include not less than three

(3) months of financial data, written statement from a certified accountant, or a written statement from a bank representative.

(3) Any request for relief under paragraph (f)(1) must be received before the final due date of the fee.

(4) Any person requesting a due date extension, or a change in the permanent due date, for any fee under Rule 308 shall pay a surcharge of ~~$115.91~~$119.62 per worksite.

(5) The provisions of this subdivision shall not apply to any fee incurred under Rules 307 or 307.1.

(g) Specific Fee Waivers and Reductions

(1) On or after January 1, 1996, the Executive Officer shall, from the date the first application is received, waive annual operating permit renewal fees required under Rule 301(d) for the first two annual renewals of a new manufacturing facility that locates within the South Coast Air Basin and creates five hundred (500) or more new full-time jobs with total facility NOx, SOx, VOC, or PM10 emissions per full-time employee equal to or less than one-half (1/2) of any emission per employee target ratio for the industry class for the Year 2010 stated in the Air Quality Management Plan. After the first two annual renewal fee waiver time periods, the owner/operator shall be liable for all applicable fees set forth in subdivision (d) of Rule 301.

(2) The Executive Officer may, for good cause waive the permit processing fee when there is an event declared to be a "state of emergency," as defined in Rule 118, for any application filed to replace currently permitted equipment destroyed, or for the relocation of currently permitted equipment residing within a condemned building.

(3) If it can be established to the satisfaction of the Executive Officer that a facility is operating pursuant to a license issued by the Department of Rehabilitation under the State of California's Business Enterprise Program, the owner/operator, upon request, shall be granted an annual waiver of any fee under this Regulation in accordance with California Welfare & Institutions Code Section 19633. Such owner/operator is entitled to this waiver of fees so long as an annual request is made in writing and the applicant demonstrates that an agreement is maintained to operate the

facility under the supervision of the State of California Department of Rehabilitation.

(4) A request for any waiver or fee reduction under paragraphs (g)(1) or (2) must be received before the final due date of the fee in question, and must be in the manner prescribed on forms provided under this rule. The Executive Officer may request any supporting documentation needed to evaluate the request.

(5) Except for fee waivers granted under paragraph (g)(3), if the owner/operator, at any time during the applicable fee waiver or reduction time period, does not operate the facility or equipment in a manner consistent with all applicable District rules, the Executive Officer may rescind the fee waiver or reduction.

(h) Service Charge for Returned Checks.

Unless waived for good cause by the Executive Officer, any person who submits a check to the District on insufficient funds or on instructions to stop payment, absent an overcharge or other legal entitlement to withhold payment, shall be subject to a $25 service charge.

ATTACHMENT G11

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PROPOSED AMENDED RULE 314. FEES FOR ARCHITECTURAL COATINGS

(a) Purpose

The purpose of this rule is to recover the District's cost of implementing the architectural coatings program and programs related to architectural coatings, and the revenues shall only be used for such purposes. California Health and Safety Code Section 40522.5 provides authority for the District to adopt a fee schedule on areawide or indirect sources of emissions which are regulated, but for which permits are not issued by the District, to recover the costs of programs related to these sources.

(b) Applicability

This rule applies to architectural coatings manufacturers who distribute or sell their manufactured architectural coatings into or within the District for use in the District and are subject to Rule 1113 - Architectural Coatings. This rule also applies to private labelers and big box retailers who distribute or sell architectural coatings into or within the District for use in the District and are subject to Rule 1113 – Architectural Coatings. This includes products sold through big box retailers with distribution centers located within or outside the District. This rule does not apply to architectural coatings sold in this District for shipment and application outside of this District or to aerosol coating products.

(c) Definitions

For the purpose of this rule, the following definitions shall apply:

(1) AEROSOL COATING PRODUCT means a pressurized coating product containing pigments, resins, and/or other coatings solids that dispenses product ingredients by means of a propellant, and is packaged in a disposable aerosol container for hand-held application, or for use in specialized equipment for ground marking and traffic marking applications.

(2) ANNUAL QUANTITY AND EMISSIONS REPORT includes the quantity of each architectural coating distributed or sold into or within the District

for use in the District during each calendar year, reported as gallons and their associated VOC content, as supplied, reported in grams per liter, for each product in all container sizes.

(3) APPURTENANCES are accessories to a stationary structure, including, but not limited to: hand railings, cabinets, bathroom and kitchen fixtures, fences, rain-gutters and down-spouts, window screens, lamp-posts, heating and air conditioning equipment, other mechanical equipment, large fixed stationary tools, signs, motion picture and television production sets, and concrete forms.

(4) ARCHITECTURAL COATINGS are any coatings applied to stationary structures or their appurtenances, or to fields or lawns.

(5) ARCHITECTURAL COATINGS MANUFACTURER is any person, company, firm, or establishment who imports, blends, assembles, produces, packages, repackages, or re-labels an architectural coating, excluding retail outlets where labels or stickers may be affixed to containers or where colorant is added at the point of sales. For the purpose of this rule, a private labeler is an architectural coatings manufacturer.

(6) AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE is the person authorized by the Responsible Party to prepare and submit the Annual Quantity and Emissions Report on behalf of an architectural coatings manufacturer.

(7) BIG BOX RETAILER is a physically large-chain retail outlet that is classified by the U.S. Department of Labor under Standard Industrial Classification code 5211: Lumber and Other Building Materials Dealers, and listed by the Executive Officer as such prior to end of each calendar year.

(8) COATING is a material which is applied to a surface in order to beautify, protect, or provide a barrier to such surface.

(9) CONCENTRATES are coatings supplied in a form that must be diluted with water or an exempt compound, prior to application, according to the architectural coatings manufacturer's application instructions in order to yield the desired coating properties.

(10) EXEMPT COMPOUNDS are as defined in Rule 102 - Definition of Terms.

(11) FORMULATION DATA is the actual product recipe which itemizes all the ingredients contained in a product including VOCs and the quantities thereof used by the architectural coatings manufacturer to create the

product. Material Safety Data Sheets (MSDS) are not considered formulation data.

(12) GRAMS OF VOC PER LITER OF COATING, LESS WATER AND LESS EXEMPT COMPOUNDS, is the weight of VOC per combined volume of VOC and coating solids and can be calculated by the following equation:

$$\text{Grams of VOC per Liter of Coating, Less Water and Less Exempt Compounds} = \frac{Ws - Ww - Wes}{Vm - Vw - Ves}$$

Where:
- Ws = weight of volatile compounds in grams
- Ww = weight of water in grams
- Wes = weight of exempt compounds in grams
- Vm = volume of material in liters
- Vw = volume of water in liters
- Ves = volume of exempt compounds in liters

For coatings that contain reactive diluents, the Grams of VOC per Liter of Coating, Less Water and Less Exempt Compounds, shall be calculated by the following equation:

$$\text{Grams of VOC per Liter of Coating, Less Water and Less Exempt Compounds} = \frac{W_s - W_w - W_{es}}{V_m - V_w - V_{es}}$$

Where:
- Ws = weight of volatile compounds emitted during curing, in grams
- Ww = weight of water emitted during curing, in grams
- Wes = weight of exempt compounds emitted during curing, in grams
- Vm = volume of the material prior to reaction, in liters
- Vw = volume of water emitted during curing, in liters
- Ves = volume of exempt compounds emitted during curing, in liters

(13) GRAMS OF VOC PER LITER OF MATERIAL is the weight of VOC per volume of material and can be calculated by the following equation:

$$\text{Grams of VOC per Liter of Material} = \frac{W_s - W_w - W_{es}}{V_m}$$

Where:
- Ws = weight of volatile compounds in grams
- Ww = weight of water in grams
- Wes = weight of exempt compounds in grams
- Vm = volume of the material in liters

(14) MULTI-COMPONENT COATINGS are reactive coatings requiring the addition of a separate catalyst or hardener before application to form an acceptable dry film.

(15) POST-CONSUMER COATINGS are finished coatings that would have been disposed of in a landfill, having completed their usefulness to a consumer, and does not include manufacturing wastes.

(16) PRODUCT is an architectural coating which is identified by means of a unique product code and product name or product line (if applicable), as written on the container label and that is subject to one of the coating category VOC limits specified in Rule 1113 paragraphs (c)(1) or (c)(2) Table of Standards.

(17) PRIVATE LABELER is the person, company, firm, or establishment (other than the toll manufacturer) identified on the label of an architectural coating product.

(18) RECYCLED COATINGS are coatings manufactured by a certified recycled paint manufacturer and formulated such that 50 percent or more of the total weight consists of secondary and post-consumer coatings and 10 percent or more of the total weight consists of post-consumer coatings.

(19) RESPONSIBLE PARTY for a corporation is a corporate officer. A responsible party for a partnership or sole proprietorship is the general partner or proprietor, respectively.

(20) SECONDARY (REWORK) COATINGS are fragments of finished coatings or finished coatings from a manufacturing process that has converted resources into a commodity of real economic value, but does not include excess virgin resources of the manufacturing process.

(21) STATIONARY STRUCTURES include but are not limited to, homes, office buildings, factories, mobile homes, pavements, curbs, roadways, racetracks, and bridges.

(22) TOLL MANUFACTURER is an architectural coatings manufacturer who produces coatings for a private labeler.

(23) VOLATILE ORGANIC COMPOUND (VOC) is as defined in Rule 1113 – Architectural Coatings.

(d) Requirement to Obtain a Manufacturer Identification (ID) Number

(1) An architectural coatings manufacturer subject to this rule at any time during the calendar year 2008 shall apply to the District for a manufacturer

ID number on or before December 31, 2008. An architectural coatings manufacturer that becomes subject to this rule in any year subsequent to calendar year 2008 shall apply to the District for a manufacturer ID number on or before December 31 of that year.

(2) Change or Acquisition of an Architectural Coatings Manufacturer

(A) When there is a change or acquisition of an architectural coatings manufacturer with a District issued manufacturer ID number, the successor architectural coatings manufacturer shall apply for a manufacturer ID number on or before December 31 of the calendar year of the change or acquisition, unless the successor architectural coatings manufacturer already has a District issued manufacturer ID number. The successor architectural coatings manufacturer shall include the previous manufacturer ID number in their Annual Quantity and Emissions Report for the first year after the change or acquisition.

(B) Acquisition of an architectural coatings manufacturer shall not be considered a change in ownership for the purposes of this rule if the architectural coatings manufacturer who is acquired continues to file Annual Quantity and Emissions Reports and pay fees under its District issued ID number.

(3) Delegation or Change of Responsible Party and/or Authorized Representative

Application for a manufacturer ID number pursuant to (d)(1), as submitted by the Responsible Party for an architectural coatings manufacturer, shall designate the Authorized Representative. The designating Responsible Party is responsible for and may act in lieu of the Authorized Representative. A change to either the designating Responsible Party or Authorized Representative shall be made in writing using the same application form.

(e) Requirement to Submit an Annual Quantity and Emissions Report

(1) For each calendar year (January 1 through December 31) beginning with 2008 and continuing with each subsequent calendar year, an architectural coatings manufacturer shall, in a format determined by the Executive Officer, submit to the District by April 1 of the following calendar year (the official reporting due date) an Annual Quantity and Emissions Report

electronically submitted by the Authorized Representative certifying that all information submitted (including electronic submittal) is true and correct. Information included in the Annual Quantity and Emission Report that was obtained from a company not owned or controlled by the reporting architectural coatings manufacturer shall be certified as true and correct to the best knowledge of the Authorized Representative submitting the report. The Annual Quantity and Emissions Report shall include, but not be limited to, the following:

(A) Architectural coatings manufacturer information including the manufacturer ID number issued by the District;

(B) Each architectural coating brand name, product code and product name;

(C) Whether the coatings are waterborne or solvent-based;

(D) Whether the coatings are for interior, exterior, or dual use;

(E) The applicable coating category listed in the Table of Standards in Rule 1113 – Architectural Coatings;

(F) The grams of VOC per liter of coating, less water and less exempt compounds, and excluding any colorant added to the tint base for each product as follows:

(i) For coatings packaged in a single container, as supplied;

(ii) For multi-component coatings, after mixing the components, as recommended for use by the architectural coatings manufacturer;

(iii) For concentrates, at the minimum dilution recommended for use by the architectural coatings manufacturer;

(G) The grams of VOC per liter of material for each product as follows:

(i) For coatings packaged in a single container, as supplied;

(ii) For multi-component coatings, after mixing the components, as recommended for use by the architectural coatings manufacturer;

(iii) For concentrates, at the minimum dilution recommended for use by the architectural coatings manufacturer;

(H) In addition to (e)(1)(F) and (G), for solvent-based coatings, grams of VOC per liter of material for each product including the maximum thinning as recommended by the architectural coatings manufacturer;

(I) Total annual quantity of each product distributed or sold into or within the District for use in the District, as supplied or for a concentrate, at the minimal dilution recommended for use by the architectural coatings manufacturer, and reported in gallons for all container sizes. The annual quantity of each product shall include products sold through big box retailers with distribution centers located within or outside the District. Architectural coatings manufacturers shall use the list of big box retailers maintained by the Executive Officer as of the end of the calendar year for purposes of reporting quantities of products distributed or sold in the District through big box retailers; and

(J) For any product with VOC content higher than the applicable limit in Rule 1113, an indication of whether the product has been sold under any of the following provisions of Rule 1113 – Architectural Coatings:

(i) Sell-through provisions

(ii) Averaging Compliance Option

(iii) Small container exemption

(iv) Low Solids

(v) Stains or Lacquers sold above 4,000 feet.

(2) If the architectural coatings manufacturer had no distribution or sales for the prior calendar year, the Authorized Representative must either certify that fact in a letter, on company letterhead, or indicate that fact in the online reporting program. If an architectural coatings manufacturer does not intend to sell coatings into or within the District in future years, the Authorized Representative should indicate that intention in writing, so as to be removed from future outreach efforts.

(3) An architectural coatings manufacturer that acquires another architectural coatings manufacturer shall provide the information specified in subparagraph (e)(1)(A) through (e)(1)(J) for the acquired architectural coatings manufacturer for the entire calendar year.

(4) By January 30, 2009, and every year thereafter, a big box retailer shall report to the District and the architectural coatings manufacturer of that product the total annual quantity of each coating product distributed through its distribution centers for sale or sold in the District for the previous calendar year (January 1 through December 31), as supplied, in a format

determined by the Executive Officer. The big box retailer shall also include a list of the store, address, city and ZIP code where the products contained in the report were sold. Big box retailers shall use the list maintained by the Executive Officer as of the end of the calendar year of big box retailers for purposes of reporting to the appropriate architectural coatings manufacturer the quantities of products distributed or sold in the District. The report submitted to the District and to each architectural coatings manufacturer shall be electronically submitted by a corporate officer certifying that all information reported is true and correct. The report shall also be submitted to each architectural coatings manufacturer in an electronic spreadsheet format.

(f) Recordkeeping

Architectural Coatings Manufacturers shall:

(1) Maintain a copy of the signed application form submitted to the District to obtain the manufacturers ID number, and the written response from the District issuing a manufacturer ID number. The copies shall be maintained for five (5) years beyond the date on each document, and made available upon request by the Executive Officer.

(2) Maintain records to verify data used to prepare the Annual Quantity and Emissions Report from architectural coatings distributed or sold into or within the District for use in the District and compliance with applicable rules and regulations. The records shall be maintained for five (5) years and made available upon request by the Executive Officer. Such records shall include but not be limited to:

(A) Product formulation records (including both grams of VOC per liter of coating and grams of VOC per liter of material):

(i) Laboratory reports [including percent weight of non-volatiles, water, and exempts (if applicable); density of the coating; and raw laboratory data] of test methods conducted as specified in paragraph (m) or

(ii) Product formulation data or physical properties analyses, as applicable, with a VOC calculation demonstration; and

(B) Production records including, if applicable, batch tickets with the date of manufacture, batch weight and volume; and

(C) Distribution records:

(i) Customer lists or store distribution lists or both (as applicable) and

(ii) Shipping manifests or bills of lading or both (as applicable); and

(D) Sales records consisting of point of sale receipts or invoices to distributors or both, as applicable.

(g) Fees

(1) Manufacturer ID Number Fee

An architectural coatings manufacturer applying for a manufacturer ID number with the District as specified in paragraphs (d)(1) and (d)(2) shall pay a non-refundable application fee of ~~$264.44~~$272.90 at the time of submitting the application.

(2) Annual Quantity and Emissions Fees

(A) An architectural coatings manufacturer shall pay fees at the rates specified below (for the Annual Quantity Fee in clause (i) below, the actual final fee based on the total number of gallons of paint shall be rounded to nearest whole cent), on or before April 1st (the official due date). Fees are based on the annual quantity and emissions of architectural coatings distributed or sold into or within the District for use in the District for the previous calendar year. The fee rate to be applied shall be the fee rate in effect for the year in which the sales and emissions are actually reported, and not the fee rate in effect for the year the sales actually occurred.

Fee Rate

(i) Annual Quantity Fee: ~~$0.053~~ $0.055 per gallon of paint.

(ii) Annual Emission Fee: ~~$377.90~~$389.99 per ton of VOC emissions.

(B) If an architectural coatings manufacturer submits the Annual Quantity and Emissions Report in such a manner that District staff has to manually enter the data into the District database, then the architectural coatings manufacturer shall pay at the time of submittal a non-refundable fee of ~~$433.20~~$447.06 for the first two hours of District time. The architectural coatings manufacturer shall be

assessed additional fees at the rate of ~~$216.60~~$223.53 per hour for any additional time beyond the first two hours.

(h) Request to Amend the Annual Quantity and Emissions Report and Refund Request of Emission Fees

(1) An architectural coatings manufacturer shall submit a written request (referred to as an "Amendment Request") for any proposed revisions to previously submitted Annual Quantity and Emissions Reports. Amendment requests submitted after one (1) year from the official due date of the subject Annual Quantity and Emissions Report shall include a non-refundable standard evaluation fee of ~~$433.20~~$447.06. In addition, evaluation time beyond two hours shall be assessed at the rate of ~~$216.60~~$223.53 per hour not to exceed 10 hours. Amendment requests received within one year (1) from the official due date of a previously submitted Annual Quantity and Emissions Report shall not incur any such evaluation fees. The Amendment Request shall include all supporting documentation and revised applicable reports.

(2) An architectural coatings manufacturer shall submit a written request (referred to as a "Refund Request") to correct the previously submitted Annual Quantity and Emissions Report and request a refund of overpaid fees. Refund Requests must be submitted within one (1) year from the official due date of the subject Annual Quantity and Emissions Report to be considered valid. The Refund Request shall include a revised Annual Quantity and Emissions Report and all applicable supporting documentation. If the Refund Request submitted results in a refund, then the architectural coatings manufacturer shall incur no evaluation fee. If the refund request results in no refund, then the architectural coatings manufacturer shall pay the standard evaluation fee and the hourly evaluation fees, as appropriate, specified in paragraph (h)(1).

(i) Fee Payments and Late Surcharge

(1) Fee payments are the responsibility of the architectural coatings manufacturer.

(2) If both the fee payments and the Annual Quantity and Emissions Report for the previous calendar year are not received by May 30, they shall be considered late; and a surcharge for late payment shall be imposed for fees

past due as set forth in paragraph (i)(3). Architectural coatings manufacturers subject to paragraph (d)(2) on or after July 1 of the reporting year shall have an additional 6 months, or any additional time approved by the Executive Officer, to submit the fee payments and the Annual Quantity and Emissions Report for the acquired architectural coatings manufacturer. For the purpose of this paragraph, the fee payments and the Annual Quantity and Emissions Report shall be considered to be timely received by the District if it is postmarked on or before May 30. If May 30 falls on a Saturday, Sunday, or a state holiday, the fee payments and Annual Quantity and Emissions Report may be postmarked on the next business day following the Saturday, Sunday, or the state holiday with the same effect as if they had been postmarked on May 30.

(3) If fee payments for the Annual Quantity and Emissions Report (including any unreported quantity and emissions) are not received within the time prescribed by paragraph (i)(2), a late payment surcharge shall be assessed on the fees past due and added to the fee rate in subparagraph (g)(2)(A), according to the following schedule:

Less than 30 days	5% of past due amount
30 to 90 days	15% of past due amount
91 days to one year	25% of past due amount
More than one year	50% of past due amount

(4) Fee Payment Subject to Validation
Acceptance of a fee payment does not constitute validation of the emission data.

(j) Service Charge for Returned Checks
Any person who submits a check to the District on insufficient funds or on instructions to stop payment, absent an overcharge or other legal entitlement to withhold payment, shall be subject to a $25 service charge.

(k) Confidentiality of Information
Subject to the provisions of the California Public Records Act (Govt. Code § 6250-6276.48) information submitted to the Executive Officer may be designated as confidential. The designation must be clearly indicated on the reporting form, identifying exactly which information is deemed confidential. District guidelines

require a detailed and complete basis for such claim in the event of a public records request.

(l) Violation

It shall be a violation of this rule for any architectural coatings manufacturer to distribute or sell their manufactured architectural coatings into or within the District for use in the District, without having a manufacturer ID number issued by the District, within the time specified in subdivision (d).

(m) Test Methods

For the purpose of this rule, test methods are as specified in Rule 1113.

(n) Severability

If any provision of this rule is held by judicial order to be invalid, or inapplicable to any person or circumstance, such order shall not affect the validity of the remainder of this rule, or the validity or applicability of such provision to other persons or circumstances. In the event any of the exceptions to this rule are held by judicial order to be invalid, the persons or circumstances covered by the exception shall instead be required to comply with the remainder of this rule.

(o) Distributor(s) List

On or before January 31st, all architectural coatings manufacturers subject to this rule shall provide to the District a list of all U.S. distributors to whom they supply architectural coatings. The list shall be in a format determined by the Executive Officer and shall include the distributors name, address, contact person and phone number.

(1) Once the initial list of all U.S. distributors has been submitted, the architectural coatings manufacturer shall provide any changes to that list for subsequent reporting years.

(2) If there are no changes to the list of all U.S. distributor(s), the architectural coatings manufacturer in subsequent reporting years shall report no changes.

(p) Exemption

(1) Fees pursuant to paragraph (g)(2) shall not be assessed on coatings with 5 or less grams of VOC per liter of material provided the Annual Quantity

and Emissions Report is received within the time prescribed by subparagraph (i)(2).

(2) Fees pursuant to paragraph (g)(2) shall not be assessed on recycled coatings distributed or sold into or within the District by a certified recycled paint manufacturer provided the Annual Quantity and Emissions Report is received within the time prescribed by paragraph (i)(2).

(3) Fees pursuant to paragraph (g)(2) shall not be assessed on any architectural coatings manufacturer whose distribution or sale of coatings into or within the District for use in the District are less than 1,000 gallons and have potential annual VOC emissions of 0.5 tons or less in a calendar year, provided the Annual Quantity and Emissions Report is received within the time prescribed by paragraph (i)(2).

(4) Architectural coatings offered for sale as a dry mix, containing no polymer, that are only mixed with water prior to use, including, but not limited to, stucco, clays, and plasters.

ATTACHMENT G12

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PROPOSED AMENDED RULE 315. FEES FOR TRAINING CLASSES AND LICENSE RENEWAL

(a) Fees for Rule Training Classes

SCAQMD Training Class	Fee
Rules 403 & 403.1	No Cost
Rule 461 Daily Self-Inspection Class	~~$210.65~~$217.39
Rule 461 Annual Periodic Inspection Class	~~$230.53~~$237.91
Rule 461 Tester Orientation Class	~~$219.17~~$226.18
Rule(s) 463/1178	~~$106.53~~$109.94
Rule(s) 1110.2/1146/1146.1	No Cost
Rule 1176	~~$82.31~~$84.94
Rule 1403	~~$114.63~~$118.30
Rule 1469	~~$45.48~~$46.94

(b) Certified Permitting Professional (CPP) License Fees

(1) The fee for the CPP exam administered by SCAQMD is ~~$217.56~~$224.52. This fee also covers the first year license fee for those who pass the exam.

(2) The annual renewal fee for the CPP license fee is ~~$217.56~~$224.52. The license shall expire if the license renewal fee is not received by the District, postmarked, or electronically paid within 30 days after invoices are sent by mail, electronic mail, or other electronic means or June 30th, whichever is later.

(3) A CPP license that has expired due to nonpayment of the annual renewal fee may be reinstated by submitting a request for reinstatement and payment in full of the amount due at the time the license expired. A reinstatement surcharge shall also be paid equivalent to fifty percent (50%) of the amount due. Such request and payment shall be made within six (6) months of the license expiration. A license shall not be reinstateable after December 31st of the year it has expired.

ATTACHMENT G13

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PROPOSED AMENDED RULE 316. FEES FOR RULE 2305

(a) Purpose

California Health and Safety Code Section 40522.5 provides authority for the South Coast Air Quality Management District to adopt a fee schedule for areawide or indirect sources of emissions which are regulated, but for which permits are not issued, to recover the costs of programs related to these sources. The purpose of this rule is to recover the South Coast AQMD's cost of implementing Rule 2305.

(b) Applicability

This rule applies to owners and operators of facilities subject to Rule 2305 that submit an Annual WAIRE Report, a Custom WAIRE Plan application, an Initial Site Information Report, a Warehouse Operations Notification, or that pay a Mitigation Fee.

(c) Definitions

For the purpose of this rule, the following definitions shall apply:

(1) ANNUAL WAIRE REPORT is the annual report submitted by a warehouse operator or owner demonstrating how they satisfied their Warehouse Points Compliance Obligation pursuant to Rule 2305 (d)(7)(C).

(2) CUSTOM WAIRE PLAN APPLICATION is the application submitted by a warehouse operator or owner that describes the customized method that they propose to use to satisfy their Warehouse Points Compliance Obligation pursuant to Rule 2305 (d)(4).

(3) INITIAL SITE INFORMATION REPORT is the report submitted by a warehouse operator pursuant to Rule 2305 (d)(7)(B).

(4) MITIGATION FEE is the fee paid by a warehouse operator or owner pursuant to Rule 2305 (d)(5).

(5) WAREHOUSE has the same definition as in Rule 2305 (c)(27).

(6) WAREHOUSE OPERATIONS NOTIFICATION is the report submitted by a warehouse owner with information about the warehouse building and any business leasing the warehouse pursuant to Rule 2305 (d)(7)(A).

(7) WAREHOUSE OPERATOR has the same definition as in Rule 2305 (c)(31).

(8) WAREHOUSE FACILITY OWNER has the same definition as in Rule 2305 (c)(29).

(9) WAREHOUSE LAND OWNER has the same definition as in Rule 2305 (c)(30).

(10) WAREHOUSING ACTIVITIES has the same definition as in Rule 2305 (c)(33).

(d) Annual WAIRE Fees

Warehouse operators and owners who submit reports or notifications required by Rule 2305 shall pay fees according to Table 1. These fees are due at the time that the applicable report or notification is submitted pursuant to Rule 2305.

Table 1

Report or Notification	Fee for Reporting before Deadlines in Rule 2305	Additional Post-Reporting Deadline Fee
Annual WAIRE Report	~~$441.86~~$456.00	~~$539.66~~$556.93
Initial Site Information Report	~~$158.37~~$163.44	~~$193.43~~$199.62
Warehouse Operations Notification	~~$33.22~~$34.28	~~$40.57~~$41.87

(e) Custom WAIRE Plan Application Evaluation Fee

(1) Warehouse owners who submit a Rule 2305 Custom WAIRE Plan Application shall be charged fees on a time and materials basis. The amount charged shall be an amount equal to the total actual and reasonable time incurred by South Coast AQMD staff for evaluation of the application, assessed at the hourly staff rate or prorated portion of ~~$181.53~~$187.34 per hour. The initial fee shall be ~~$907.64~~$936.68 for each plan, and shall be paid when the Custom WAIRE Plan application is submitted.

(2) The adjustment to plan application evaluation fees will be determined at the time a plan is approved or rejected and may include additional fees based upon actual review and work time billed. Notification of the amount due or refund will be provided to the applicant, and any additional fees due to the adjustment to plan evaluation fees will be billed following project completion.

(f) Mitigation Program Administrative Fee

Warehouse owners or operators who pay a mitigation fee pursuant to Rule 2305 (d)(5) shall pay an additional fee to cover the reasonable costs incurred by South Coast AQMD staff and/or its consultants to administer the Mitigation Program. This administrative fee shall

be equal to 6.25 percent of the mitigation fee paid by the warehouse owner or operator, and shall be paid when the mitigation fee is paid.

(g) Payment Due Date

Payment of all applicable fees in subdivision (d) shall be due at the time that the applicable report must be submitted, and in subdivision (e) hourly fees shall be due in sixty (60) days from the date of personal service or sending by mail, electronic mail, or other electronic means, of the notification of the amount due. For the purpose of this paragraph, the fee payment will be considered to be received by the South Coast AQMD if it is delivered, postmarked, or electronically paid on or before the expiration date stated on the billing notice. If the expiration date falls on a Saturday, Sunday, or a state holiday, the fee payment may be delivered, postmarked, or electronically paid on the business day following the Saturday, Sunday, or the state holiday with the same effect as if it had been delivered, postmarked, or electronically paid on the expiration date.

(h) Exemptions

(1) Any warehouse facility owner who submits a Warehouse Operations Notification for a warehouse that has less than 100,000 square feet of floor area dedicated to warehousing activities that year is not required to pay fees described in subdivisions (d) through (g).

(2) Any warehouse operator who operates less than 50,000 square feet of a warehouse for warehousing activities and for which Rule 2305 (e)(2)(A)(ii) applies is not required to pay fees described in subdivision (d).

ATTACHMENT G14

(Adopted August 2, 2024)(Amended May 2, 2025) (Amended [*Date of Rule Adoption*])

Effective July 1, ~~2025~~2026

PROPOSED AMENDED RULE 316.2 FEES FOR RULE 2306

(a) Purpose

California Health and Safety Code Section 40522.5 provides authority for the South Coast AQMD to adopt a fee schedule for areawide or indirect sources of emissions which are regulated, but for which permits are not issued, to recover the costs of programs related to these sources. The purpose of this rule is to recover the South Coast AQMD's cost of implementing Rule 2306.

(b) Applicability

This rule applies to owners and operators of proposed, new, and existing Freight Rail Yards subject to Rule 2306 that submit an Initial Facility Information Report, Initial Zero Emission Infrastructure Report, Milestone Compliance Report, Zero Emission Infrastructure Status Update Report, Change of Freight Rail Yard Operator Notification, Change of Freight Rail Yard Owner Notification, Freight Rail Yard Shutdown Notification, Exceedance of Low Activity Exemption Threshold Notification, or Proposed Freight Rail Yard Construction, Conversion, or Expansion Notification.

(c) Definitions

(1) EXCEEDANCE OF LOW ACTIVITY EXEMPTION THRESHOLD NOTIFICATION is the notification submitted to the Executive Officer by the Freight Rail Yard Operator pursuant to Rule 2306 paragraph (g)(4).

(2) FREIGHT RAIL YARD is as defined in Rule 2306 paragraph (c)(9).

(3) FREIGHT RAIL YARD OPERATOR is as defined in Rule 2306 paragraph (c)(11).

(4) FREIGHT RAIL YARD OWNER is as defined in Rule 2306 paragraph (c)(12).

(5) FREIGHT RAIL YARD SHUTDOWN NOTIFICATION is the notification submitted to the Executive Officer by the Freight Rail Yard Owner or Operator pursuant to Rule 2306 paragraph (g)(3).

(6) INITIAL CHANGE OF FREIGHT RAIL YARD OPERATOR NOTIFICATION is the notification submitted to the Executive Officer by the Freight Rail Yard

Owner or current Freight Rail Yard Operator pursuant to Rule 2306 subparagraph (g)(1)(A).

(7) INITIAL CHANGE OF FREIGHT RAIL YARD OWNER NOTIFICATION is the notification submitted to the Executive Officer by the current Freight Rail Yard Owner or Freight Rail Yard Operator pursuant to Rule 2306 subparagraph (g)(2)(A).

(8) INITIAL FACILITY INFORMATION REPORT is the report submitted to the Executive Officer by the Freight Rail Yard Operator pursuant to Rule 2306 subparagraph (d)(4)(A) and paragraph (e)(1).

(9) INITIAL ZERO EMISSION INFRASTRUCTURE REPORT is the report submitted to the Executive Officer by the Freight Rail Yard Owner and Operator pursuant to Rule 2306 subparagraph (d)(4)(B) and paragraph (e)(2).

(10) MILESTONE COMPLIANCE REPORT is the Milestone Year report submitted to the Executive Officer by a Freight Rail Yard Operator demonstrating compliance with the percent emission reduction target pursuant to Rule 2306 subparagraph (d)(4)(C) and paragraph (f)(1).

(11) PROPOSED FREIGHT RAIL YARD CONSTRUCTION, CONVERSION, OR EXPANSION NOTIFICATION is the notification submitted to the Executive Officer by the owner of the proposed Freight Rail Yard project pursuant to Rule 2306 paragraph (g)(5).

(12) SECONDARY CHANGE OF FREIGHT RAIL YARD OPERATOR NOTIFICATION is the notification submitted to the Executive Officer by the new Freight Rail Yard Operator pursuant to Rule 2306 subparagraph (g)(1)(B).

(13) SECONDARY CHANGE OF FREIGHT RAIL YARD OWNER NOTIFICATION is the notification submitted to the Executive Officer by the new Freight Rail Yard Owner pursuant to Rule 2306 subparagraph (g)(2)(B).

(14) ZERO EMISSION INFRASTRUCTURE STATUS UPDATE REPORT is the report submitted to Executive Officer by the Freight Rail Yard Owner and Operator pursuant to Rule 2306 subparagraph (d)(4)(D) and paragraph (f)(2).

(d) Fees for Rule 2306 Reports and Notifications

(1) Freight Rail Yard Owners and Operators that submit reports or notifications required by Rule 2306 shall pay applicable fees pursuant to Table 1 for each submitted report or notification, except for an Initial Zero Emission Infrastructure

Report or a Zero Emission Infrastructure Status Update Report that is jointly submitted for multiple Freight Rail Yards.

(2) For a Freight Rail Yard Owner or Operator that submits a single Initial Zero Emission Infrastructure Report jointly for multiple Freight Rail Yards operated by the same Freight Rail Yard Operator pursuant to Rule 2306 clause (d)(4)(B)(ii), or a single Zero Emission Infrastructure Status Update Report jointly for multiple Freight Rail Yards operated by the same Freight Rail Yard Operator pursuant to Rule 2306 clause (d)(4)(D)(ii), the owner or operator shall pay applicable fees pursuant to Table 1 for each individual Freight Rail Yards covered by the joint report.

Table 1 – Fees for Rule 2306 Reports and Notifications

Reports	**Fees**
Initial Facility Information Report	~~$3,499.64~~$3,611.63
Initial Zero Emission Infrastructure Report	~~$1,565.67~~$1,615.77
Milestone Compliance Report	~~$12,080.11~~$12,466.67
Zero Emission Infrastructure Status Update Report	~~$1,565.67~~$1,615.77
Notifications	**Fees**
Initial Change of Freight Rail Yard Operator Notification	~~$80.67~~$83.25
Secondary Change of Freight Rail Yard Operator Notification	~~$53.78~~$55.50
Initial Change of Freight Rail Yard Owner Notification	~~$80.67~~$83.25
Secondary Change of Freight Rail Yard Owner Notification	~~$53.78~~$55.50
Freight Rail Yard Shutdown Notification	~~$134.45~~$138.75
Exceedance of Low Activity Exemption Threshold Notification	~~$134.45~~$138.75
Proposed Freight Rail Yard Construction, Conversion, or Expansion Notification	~~$134.45~~$138.75

(e) Payment Due Date

Payment of all applicable fees in subdivision (d) shall be due at the time that the applicable report must be submitted pursuant to Rule 2306 paragraph (d)(4), or at the time that the applicable notification must be submitted pursuant to Rule 2306 subdivision (g). The report or notification fee payment shall be considered to be timely received by the South Coast AQMD if the full fee payment is delivered, postmarked, or electronically paid on or before the payment due date. If the payment due date falls on a Saturday, Sunday, or a state holiday, the full fee payment may be delivered, postmarked, or electronically paid on the next business day following the Saturday, Sunday, or the state holiday with the same effect as if it had been delivered, postmarked, or electronically paid on the payment due date.

(f) Service Charge for Returned Check

Any Freight Rail Yard Owner or Operator who submits a check to the South Coast AQMD on insufficient funds or on instructions to stop payment on the check, absent an overcharge or other legal entitlement to withhold payment, shall be subject to a $25 service charge.

ATTACHMENT H

SOUTH COAST AIR QUALITY MANAGEMENT DISTRICT

Final Staff Report
Proposed Amended Regulation III – Fees

Including:
Proposed Amended Rule 301 – Permitting and Associated Fees
Proposed Amended Rule 303 – Hearing Board Fees
Proposed Amended Rule 304 – Equipment, Materials, and Ambient Air Analyses
Proposed Amended Rule 304.1 – Analyses Fees
Proposed Amended Rule 306 – Plan Fees
Proposed Amended Rule 307.1 – Alternative Fees for Air Toxics Emissions Inventory
Proposed Amended Rule 308 – On-Road Motor Vehicle Mitigation Options Fees
Proposed Amended Rule 309 – Fees for Regulation XVI and Regulation XXV
Proposed Amended Rule 311 – Air Quality Investment Program (AQIP) Fees
Proposed Amended Rule 313 – Authority to Adjust Fees and Due Dates
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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Regulation III – Fees establishes the fee rates and schedules to recover South Coast Air Quality Management District's (South Coast AQMD) reasonable costs of regulating and providing services, primarily to permitted sources. The agency's Permitted Source Program[1] is principally supported by three types of fees, namely permit processing fees for both facility permits and equipment-based permits, annual permit renewal fees, and emission-based annual operating fees, all of which are contained in Rule 301 – Permitting and Associated Fees. Also included in the Permitted Source Program are Rule 222 registration fees and plan fees, since these are similar to permits for the sources to which they apply. Regulation III also establishes fees and rates for other fee programs, unrelated to the Permitted Source Program, including but not limited to Transportation Programs fees, Clean Air Act non-attainment fees, indirect sources and areawide sources fees for the Warehouse Actions and Investments to Reduce Emissions (WAIRE) program, freight rail yards, and architectural coatings.

Proposed Amended Regulation III (PAR III) is annually brought to the South Coast AQMD Governing Board for consideration for adoption, often in conjunction with the Proposed Budget and Work Program. These proposed amendments and budget typically include a California Consumer Price Index (CPI) adjustment of the majority of fees contained in Regulation III pursuant to Rule 320 and the Health and Safety Code (H&SC),[2] along with necessary proposed fee increases for the purposes of cost recovery and other administrative changes for clarifications, deletions, or corrections to existing rule language.

With this proposal, South Coast AQMD seeks to update its fee rules with proposed amendments aimed at cost recovery, clarifications, and corrections. Staff is proposing the following amendments to Regulation III:

- An automatic increase/adjustment of most fees by 3.2% consistent with the percent increase in California CPI from December 2024 to December 2025.
- Eight proposals which are necessary to provide cost recovery for regulatory actions taken by the South Coast AQMD.
    1) Add a fee category for laser cutters versus using a default category;
    2) Add refund criteria for rejected permit application(s);
    3) Clarify Hearing Board petition filing fees;
    4) Clarify Hearing Board fees refund applicability;
    5) Remove the Consent Calendar table of fees;
    6) Correct table headers of Table I in Rule 303 and include diesel particulate matter as a toxic air contaminant for assessing excess emission fees for Hearing Board-granted variances;
    7) Include a fee for verifying Hearing Board petition excess emission fee calculations; and
    8) Remove the maximum fees for CEMS and alternative systems review.
- Five proposals for administrative changes to Regulation III, which have no fee impact, but include clarifications or corrections to existing rule language. These proposals include, for Rule 301:
    1) Clarify public notice distribution fees;

[1] H&SC Section 42300 *et seq*.
[2] H&SC Sections 40500.1 and 40510.

2) Clarify the preparation activities for which costs are recovered related to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA);
3) Change deadlines for emission reports and payments;
4) Clarify language on clean fuel fees; and
5) Allow periodic invoicing for processing Title V permit initial applications and renewals.

South Coast AQMD continues to seek out cost-containment opportunities and maintain revenue reserves in an effort to address future challenges. These challenges include but are not limited to: changes in federal grant funding levels, increased retirement costs due to actuarial and investment adjustments, variations in one-time penalties, and uncertainty associated with external factors affecting the economy.

CHAPTER 1: BACKGROUND

INTRODUCTION
LEGAL AUTHORITY, DESCRIPTION OF SOUTH COAST AQMD'S PERMITTED SOURCE PROGRAM AND OTHER FEES, AND RELATIONSHIP OF FEES TO SOUTH COAST AQMD'S BUDGET
DESCRIPTION OF REVENUE CATEGORIES
PROPOSITION 26 COMPLIANCE
PUBLIC PROCESS

Introduction

PAR III is brought to the South Coast AQMD Governing Board for consideration on an annual basis, often in conjunction with the Proposed Budget and Work Program. These proposed amendments and budget typically include a CPI adjustment of the majority of fees contained in Regulation III – Fees pursuant to Rule 320 – Automatic Adjustment Based on Consumer Price Index for Regulation III Fees and the H&SC, along with necessary proposed fee increases for the purposes of cost recovery and other administrative changes for clarifications, deletions, or corrections to existing rule language. South Coast AQMD Regulation III – Fees is comprised of the list of active rules below:

- Rule 301 – Permitting and Associated Fees (Amended October 3, 2025),
- Rule 302 – Fees for Publication (Amended February 12, 1993),
- Rule 303 – Hearing Board Fees (Amended May 2, 2025),
- Rule 304 – Equipment, Materials, and Ambient Air Analyses (Amended May 2, 2025),
- Rule 304.1 – Analyses Fees (Amended May 2, 2025),
- Rule 306 – Plan Fees (Amended May 2, 2025),
- Rule 307 – Fees for Air Toxics Emissions Inventory (Amended June 9, 2006),
- Rule 307.1 – Alternative Fees for Air Toxics Emissions Inventory (Amended May 2, 2025),
- Rule 308 – On-Road Motor Vehicle Mitigation Options Fees (Amended May 2, 2025),
- Rule 309 – Fees for Regulation XVI and Regulation XXV (Amended May 2, 2025),
- Rule 310 – Amnesty for Unpermitted Equipment (Adopted March 5, 2010),
- Rule 310.1 – Amnesty for Unpermitted Equipment and Small Business Discount for Control Equipment (Adopted June 3, 2011),
- Rule 311 – Air Quality Investment Program (AQIP) Fees (Amended May 2, 2025),
- Rule 313 – Authority to Adjust Fees and Due Dates (Amended May 2, 2025),
- Rule 314 – Fees for Architectural Coatings (Amended May 2, 2025),
- Rule 315 – Fees for Training Classes and License Renewal (Amended May 2, 2025),
- Rule 316 – Fees for Rule 2305 (Amended May 2, 2025),
- Rule 316.2 – Fees for Rule 2306 (~~Adopted~~ Amended May 2, 2025),
- Rule 317 – Clean Air Act Non-Attainment Fees (Amended February 4, 2011)
- Rule 317.1 – Clean Air Act Nonattainment Fees for 8-Hour Ozone Standards (Adopted June 7, 2024), and
- Rule 320 – Automatic Adjustment Based on Consumer Price Index for Regulation III Fees (Amended May 5, 2023).

Legal Authority, Description of South Coast AQMD's Permitted Source Program and Other Fees, and Relationship of Fees to South Coast AQMD's Budget

The H&SC provides South Coast AQMD with the authority to adopt various fees to recover the costs of its programs. H&SC Section 40510(b) authorizes South Coast AQMD to adopt "a fee schedule for the issuance of variances and permits to cover the reasonable cost of permitting, planning, enforcement, and monitoring related thereto." Virtually every cost related to regulating

permitted sources may be recovered under this type of fee. [3] Entities regulated through the South Coast AQMD's Permitted Source Program receive two types of permits: facility permits and equipment-based permits. These permits apply to each permitted facility or each piece of permitted equipment. RECLAIM[4] and Title V facilities receive a facility permit which incorporates all of their equipment-based permits into a single document, whereas other sources receive independent equipment-based permits.

South Coast AQMD has adopted three basic types of Permitted Source Program fees: permit processing fees, annual renewal operating fees (equipment-based), and emissions-based operating fees. Traditionally, South Coast AQMD has endeavored to recover its costs of permit processing from permit processing fees, its costs of inspection and enforcement from annual renewal operating fees, and its indirect costs necessary to conduct overall Permitted Source Program regulatory activities, including related planning, monitoring, rule development, and outreach programs, from emissions-based operating fees.[5] In recent years, some of these indirect costs have been recovered from annual operating fees rather than emissions-based fees, since emissions fees are a declining source of revenue, without a corresponding reduction in necessary rulemaking efforts and other permit-related activities.

The current structure for permit processing fees derives ultimately from a study of actual time spent processing permits, conducted by KPMG Peat Marwick. [6] Permit processing fee schedules were subsequently developed and updated based on actual time spent processing various types of equipment as gathered by permit processing staff. [7] In subsequent years, reviews of permit processing fees have only confirmed or updated these schedules based on processing time.

The fees for equipment-based permits to construct or operate are based on the type of equipment involved, with higher fees for equipment with higher emissions and/or more complex relationships between operation and emissions, which require a higher level of staff effort to review and evaluate the associated permit applications for compliance with applicable rules and regulations. Each type of basic equipment and control equipment is assigned a fee schedule, A through H, as set forth in Rule 301, Tables IA and IB. For some equipment, a permit to construct is issued prior to issuing a permit to operate. For other equipment or application types, a permit to operate is issued directly.

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3 H&SC Section 40506.

4 RECLAIM stands for REgional CLean Air Incentives Market, a cap-and-trade program that regulates the emissions of NOx and SOx in the South Coast Air Basin.

5 California courts have upheld the use of emissions-based fees to cover these types of costs, holding that such an allocation method is reasonably related to an air district's costs of regulating a permit holder's air pollution. (*San Diego Gas & Electric Co. v. San Diego County APCD* (1988) 203 Cal. App. 3d 1132, 1148).

6 In November 1989, the consulting firm of Peat Marwick Main and Co. "…began a comprehensive study, in concert with South Coast AQMD staff to assess the status of South Coast AQMD fee programs which are outlined in Regulation III." The resulting "Recommendation Regarding Fee Assessment Study" report was presented to the South Coast AQMD Governing Board on March 28, 1990 (Agenda Item #10). On August 11, 1994, the South Coast AQMD Governing Board authorized an independent study of the South Coast AQMD's fee structure and authority. A panel composed of representatives from Chevron, Los Angeles County Sanitation District, Hughes Environmental Corporation, Orange County Transportation Authority and the South Coast AQMD recommended the firm of KPMG to perform the study. A final "Report on the Study of the AQMD's Fee Structure and Authority" was presented to the South Coast AQMD Governing Board on March 10, 1995 (Agenda Item #11). Both of these documents are available at the South Coast AQMD Library, 21865 Copley Drive, Diamond Bar, CA 91765, (909) 396-2600.

7 See South Coast AQMD (2017) Regulation III – Fees, Final Staff Report, Section VII D.

The fees for renewal of permits to operate are further divided into two components: an equipment-based permit renewal fee and an emissions-based annual operating fee. The equipment-based permit renewal fee is based on the same equipment schedules used for the permit to construct/operate fee, i.e., the categories A through H, but some of the schedules are grouped together, resulting in only four fee rates for the equipment-based annual permit renewal fees.[8] Each equipment fee schedule is assigned to one of the four annual permit renewal fee rates, based on the complexity of inspection and compliance activities and the emissions potential.

The emissions-based annual operating fee includes a flat fee paid by each facility and a tiered fee for sources emitting four or more tons per year of criteria pollutants (e.g., volatile organic compounds (VOC), nitrogen oxides (NOx), sulfur oxides (SOx), and particulate matter (PM)) and lesser amounts for emissions of specified air toxics. State law authorizes the use of emissions-based fees (H&SC Section 40510(c)(1)).

RECLAIM and Title V facilities pay additional annual permit-related renewal fees to recover the additional costs associated with these types of facilities. South Coast AQMD uses schedules based on equipment type to ensure that permit to construct/operate fees and the equipment-based annual permit renewal fees reflect the costs required for permit processing and ongoing enforcement related activities. For sources subject to Fee Schedules F, G, and H, the potential variability in time required for permit processing of large/complex sources is addressed through the use of a minimum permit processing fee, with an option for billing hours above a specified baseline, up to a maximum total fee. For other types of equipment, permit processing fees are flat fees.

South Coast AQMD has further subdivided certain permit-related activities and imposed fees to at least partially recover their costs, such as Source Testing Review, analyses conducted pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), and newspaper noticing, rather than grouping these costs into the basic permit processing or operating fees. This enables South Coast AQMD to more closely allocate the costs of specific permit-related activities to the payor responsible for the costs. While there are many sub-types of fees within the basic structure, such as special processing fees for CEQA analyses or health risk assessments (HRAs), the three permit-related fees (permit processing, equipment-based annual permit renewal, and emissions-based annual operating fee) comprise the basic fee structure.

Also included in the South Coast AQMD's Permitted Source Program are Rule 222 registration fees and plan fees, since these are similar to permits for the sources to which they apply.[9, 10]

Additional fees also have been authorized by the legislature and are included in South Coast AQMD's existing fee regulation. These fees include: 1) variance and other Hearing Board fees;[11] 2) fees for the costs of programs related to indirect sources and areawide sources;[12] 3) fees to recover the costs to the air district and state agencies of implementing and administering the Air

[8] Note that annual renewal fees for compliance plans are the same as the equipment-based Schedule A fee. Rule 306 includes a list of compliance plans that are subject to annual renewal fees after approval. These plans generally include ongoing compliance requirements that necessitate review and verification by the agency's compliance staff.

[9] H&SC Sections 40510(b) and 40522, Rule 301(u), and Rule 306.

[10] Rule 222 registration fees are flat fees, but compliance plan fees include an initial payment and may be later invoiced for additional Time and Materials based on actual time spent on review. Plan fees also include annual renewal fees for specific plan types listed in Rule 306.

[11] H&SC Section 40510(b) and Rule 303.

[12] H&SC Section 40522.5 and Rules 2202, 314, 316, and 316.2.

Toxics Hot Spots Program (AB 2588);[13] 4) fees for refinery-related community air monitoring systems;[14] and 5) fees for notices and copying documents.[15, 16]

The above-referenced permit-related fees, including permitting, annual operating, and emission fees, comprise approximately 60% of South Coast AQMD's revenue. Other sources of revenue for South Coast AQMD include revenue from mobile sources, including the Clean Fuels Fee, Carl Moyer funds, and Proposition 1B funds. These are special revenue funds outside of the General Fund budget which pay for specific technology advancement or emission reduction projects approved by the South Coast AQMD Governing Board which are consistent with the specific limits on the use of those funds. Periodically, funds to reimburse South Coast AQMD for its administrative costs in carrying out these projects are transferred by South Coast AQMD Governing Board action into South Coast AQMD's General Fund budget. A second type of mobile source revenue is provided by AB 2766 (Motor Vehicle Subvention Program) from the 1990 legislative session, which provides South Coast AQMD with 30% of a four-dollar fee assessed on each motor vehicle registered within South Coast AQMD's jurisdiction. These funds must be used for the reduction of pollution from motor vehicles and for related planning, monitoring, enforcement, and technical studies necessary for the implementation of the California Clean Air Act, for the attainment or maintenance of state or federal ambient air quality standards, or the reduction of toxic air contaminant emissions from motor vehicles.[17] Specific mobile-source related programs are funded with this revenue source, as well as a proportionate share of activities such as ambient air quality monitoring and regional modeling which are not specifically related to stationary or mobile sources individually. These motor vehicle fees are currently set at the statutory maximum. AB 2766 fees have not been increased in about 35 years. Based on CPI, the real value of AB 2766 fees has therefore declined by about 71%. The remainder of the AB 2766 revenues provided to South Coast AQMD is divided between a share that is provided to cities and counties for mobile source emission reduction programs and a share that is used to fund mobile source emission reduction projects recommended by the Mobile Source Air Pollution Reduction Review Committee (MSRC) and approved by the South Coast AQMD Governing Board.

The legislature also has imposed certain limits on South Coast AQMD's fee authority. If South Coast AQMD proposes to increase existing permit fees by more than the change in the CPI, the increase must be phased in over a period of at least two years.[18] Also, if a fee increase greater than CPI is adopted, the South Coast AQMD Governing Board must make a finding, based on relevant information in the rulemaking record, that the increase is necessary and will result in an apportionment of fees that is equitable. This finding shall include an explanation of why the fee increase meets these requirements.[19] These findings will be included in the South Coast AQMD Governing Board Resolution presented for the Public Hearing on Regulation III.

[13] H&SC Section 44380 et seq., 17 CCR Section 90700, and Rule 307.1.
[14] H&SC Section 42705.6 and Rule 301(aa).
[15] H&SC Section 40510.7 and Rule 301(f).
[16] The rule references are intended to provide examples of the different types of statutorily authorized fees. They are not intended to be a comprehensive listing of all applicable rule provisions.
[17] H&SC Section 44223.
[18] H&SC Section 40510.5(b).
[19] H&SC Sections 40510(a)(4) and 40510.5(a).

Description Of Revenue Categories

The following describes the various revenue categories that support all of the South Coast AQMD's programs and its entire budget.

I. ALLOCATABLE

A portion of South Coast AQMD revenue goes to offset the operational support costs of the South Coast AQMD. These costs include activities such as personnel, Payroll, and Information Management. These costs are allocated over the other revenue categories based on the number of full-time employees (FTEs).

II. ANNUAL OPERATING EMISSIONS FEES

This fee program was initiated in January 1978. As currently implemented, all permitted facilities pay a flat fee for up to four tons of emissions. In addition to the flat fee, facilities that emit four tons or greater (from both permitted and unpermitted equipment) of any organic gases, specific organics, nitrogen oxides, sulfur oxides, or particulate matter, or 100 tons per year or greater of carbon monoxide, also pay fees based on the facility's total emissions. These facilities pay for emissions from permitted equipment as well as emissions from unpermitted equipment and processes which are regulated, but for which permits are not required, such as solvent use. In addition, a fee-per-pound is assessed on the following toxic air contaminants and ozone depleters: ammonia; asbestos; benzene; cadmium; carbon tetrachloride; chlorinated dioxins and dibenzofurans; ethylene dibromide; ethylene dichloride; ethylene oxide; formaldehyde; hexavalent chromium; methylene chloride; nickel; perchloroethylene; 1,3-butadiene; inorganic arsenic; beryllium; polynuclear aromatic hydrocarbons (PAHs); vinyl chloride; lead; 1,4-dioxane; trichloroethylene; chlorofluorocarbons (CFCs); and 1,1,1-trichloroethane. Along with annual operating permit renewal fees, emissions fees are intended to recover the costs of South Coast AQMD's compliance, planning, rulemaking, monitoring, testing, source education, public outreach, and civil enforcement. Historically, compliance-related costs for permitted sources are supported by annual operating permit renewal (equipment-based) fees, while planning, rulemaking, and outreach are supplemented by annual operating emissions-based fees. However, some of these permit-related costs have been supported by annual operating permit renewal fees since the emissions-based fees are declining.

III. PERMIT PROCESSING FEES

Permits are the primary vehicles the South Coast AQMD uses to ensure that equipment in South Coast AQMD's jurisdictional boundaries complies with South Coast AQMD Rules and Regulations. Permit processing fees support the permit processing program and the fee rate schedules for the different equipment categories are based on the average time it takes to process and issue a permit. Each applicant, at the time of filing, pays a permit processing fee which partially recovers the costs for normal evaluation of the application and issuance of the permit to construct and permit modifications. The remaining cost is recovered by annual operating permit renewal fees; permit processing fees are kept lower to allow more of the cost to be recovered by the relatively consistent annual renewals rather than inconsistent permit applications. Moreover, staff wants to minimize the potential for permit processing fees to become excessively burdensome, while annual operating fees are more easily planned for and included in a facility's budget. Also, raising permit fees to cover the full cost of permit processing programs could become overly burdensome for some facilities, while the annual operating fee is more predictable and easier to

include in facility budgets. This category also includes fees charged to partially recover the costs of evaluation of plans, including but not limited to Rule 403 dust control plans, and Rule 1118 flare monitoring plans. The permit processing fees also cover the administrative cost to process Change of Operator applications, applications for Emission Reduction Credits, and Administrative Changes to permits. This category also includes a number of specific fees such as Title V permit processing fees, CEQA and air quality modeling fees, and public noticing fees. Finally, this category includes some fees that are related to specific activity such as asbestos notification and Rule 222 'registration in lieu of permit'.

IV. ANNUAL OPERATING PERMIT RENEWAL FEES

The South Coast AQMD initiated this program in February 1977. This program requires that all active permits be renewed on an annual basis upon payment of annual renewal fees. The annual renewal rates are established in South Coast AQMD Rule 301 and are based on the type of equipment, which is related to the complexity of related compliance activity. These annual operating permit renewal fees (Category IV) are separate and distinct from the annual operating emission fees (Category II). For basic equipment (not control equipment) the operating fee schedule also corresponds to some extent to the emission potential of the equipment. Along with annual operating emissions fees, annual operating permit renewal fees are intended to recover the costs of programs such as South Coast AQMD's compliance program, planning, rulemaking, monitoring, testing, source education, outreach, civil enforcement, including the South Coast AQMD's Hearing Board, and stationary and area source research projects. Historically, compliance-related costs for permitted sources are supported by annual operating permit renewal fees, while planning, rulemaking, and outreach are supported by annual operating emissions-based fees. Additional activities covered by these fees include technology assessments and engineering support of other South Coast AQMD divisions such as planning and rule development. These fees also support the shortfall in permit processing fees.

V. FEDERAL GRANTS/OTHER FEDERAL REVENUE

The South Coast AQMD receives funding from U.S. EPA Sections 103 and 105 grants to help support the South Coast AQMD in its administration of active air quality control and monitoring programs where the South Coast AQMD is required to perform specific, agreed-upon activities. Other EPA and Department of Energy (DOE) grants provide funding for various air pollution-reduction projects. When stipulated in the grant agreement, the General Fund is reimbursed for administrative costs associated with grant-funded projects. Most federal grants are limited to specific purposes, but U.S. EPA Clean Air Act Section 105 grants are available for the general support of air quality-related programs. In addition, various federal grants come with allowable amounts to spend on administrative costs, but these amounts are limited to work on that grant program.

VI. SOURCE TEST/SAMPLE ANALYSIS FEES

Revenue in this category includes fees for source tests, test protocol and report reviews, continuous emissions monitoring systems (CEMS) evaluations and certifications, laboratory approval program (LAP) evaluations, and laboratory sample analyses. The revenue recovers a portion of the costs of performing source tests, technical evaluations, and laboratory analyses.

VII. HEARING BOARD FEES

The revenue from this source results from filing of petitions for variances and appeals, excess emissions fees, and daily appearance fees. The revenue recovers a portion of the costs associated with these activities.

VIII. CLEAN FUELS FEES

Section 9250.11 of the Vehicle Code assigns the Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV) the authority and the duty to collect and forward to South Coast AQMD money for clean fuels technology advancement programs and transportation control measures related to mobile sources, according to the plan approved pursuant to H&SC Section 40448.5. One dollar is collected by the DMV for every vehicle registered in South Coast AQMD's jurisdictional boundaries, forwarded to South Coast AQMD, and deposited in a revenue account in the Clean Fuels Program Fund. Clean fuels fees from stationary sources are recorded in a separate revenue account within the Clean Fuels Program Fund pursuant to H&SC Section 40512. Fees are collected from sources that emit 250 tons or more per year of NOx, SOx, Reactive Organic Compounds (ROC), or PM. The fees collected are used to develop and implement stationary source activities that promote the use of clean-burning fuels. These activities include assessing the cost effectiveness of emission reductions associated with clean fuels development and use of new clean fuels technologies, and other clean fuels related projects. The General Fund receives reimbursements from the Clean Fuels Program Fund for staff time and other program implementation/administration costs necessary to implement a Clean Fuels Program.

IX. MOBILE SOURCES

Mobile Sources revenue is composed of four components: AB2766 revenue and administrative/ program cost reimbursements from the MSRC, Carl Moyer and Proposition 1B programs.

AB2766: Gives the Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV) the authority and responsibility to collect and forward to the South Coast AQMD four dollars for every vehicle registered in South Coast AQMD's jurisdictional boundaries; originally this fee was $2 for every vehicle registered. Thirty percent of the money ($1.20 per vehicle) collected is recognized in South Coast AQMD's General Fund as mobile sources revenue and is used for programs to reduce air pollution from motor vehicles and to carry out related planning, monitoring, enforcement, and technical studies authorized by, or necessary to implement, the California Clean Air Act of 1988 or the South Coast AQMD Air Quality Management Plan. A proportionate share of programs that are not directly associated with any individual type of source (e.g., air quality monitoring) is supported by these revenues. The remaining monies are used to pay for projects to reduce air pollution from mobile vehicles: 40% ($1.60 per vehicle) to the Air Quality Improvement Fund to be passed through to local governments and 30% ($1.20 per vehicle) to the Mobile Source Air Pollution Reduction Fund to pay for projects recommended by the Mobile Source Air Pollution Reduction Committee (MSRC) and approved by the South Coast AQMD Governing Board (see MSRC below).

Carl Moyer Program: The Carl Moyer Memorial Air Quality Standards Attainment Program (Carl Moyer Program) provides funding from the state of California for the incremental cost of cleaner heavy-duty vehicles, off-road vehicles and equipment, marine, and locomotive engines. The General Fund receives reimbursements from the Carl Moyer Fund for staff time and other program implementation/administration costs, up to specified limits.

Proposition 1B: The Proposition 1B Program is a $1 billion bond program approved by California voters in November 2006. This incentive program is designed to reduce diesel emissions and public health risks from goods movement activities along California's trade corridors. The General Fund receives reimbursements from the Proposition 1B Funds for staff time and other program implementation/administration costs up to specified limits.

MSRC: Revenue posted to the General Fund reflects the reimbursement from the Mobile Source Air Pollution Reduction Fund for the cost of staff support provided to the MSRC in administering a mobile source program. These administrative costs are limited by state law to no more than 6.25% of the fees and the MSRC adopts a budget for staff support each year.

X. AIR TOXICS AB2588

H&SC Section 44380 (AB 2588) requires the South Coast AQMD to assess and collect fees from facilities that emit toxic compounds. Fees collected are used to recover state and South Coast AQMD costs to collect and analyze data regarding air toxics and their effect on the public, specifically regarding facilities in the "Hot Spots" program. Costs recovered include administrative, outreach, plan processing, and enforcement costs to implement this program. These fees are specified by CARB unless South Coast AQMD adopts a specific AB 2588 fee.

XI. TRANSPORTATION PROGRAMS

In accordance with federal and state Clean Air Act requirements, South Coast AQMD's Rule 2202 – On-Road Vehicle Mitigation Options provides employers with a menu of options to reduce mobile source emissions generated from employee commutes or alternatively, implement mobile source emission reduction programs. The options include offsetting mobile source emissions generated from the employee commutes, and options to meet a worksite-specific emission reduction target for the subsequent year. Employers with 250 or more employees at a worksite are subject to Rule 2202 and are required to submit an annual registration. The revenue from this category is used to recover a portion of the costs associated with filing, processing, reviewing, and auditing the registrations and the ridesharing programs.

XII. CALIFORNIA AIR RESOURCES BOARD SUBVENTION

The state appropriates monies each year to subvene to local air quality districts, including South Coast AQMD, to support an active air quality program. The CARB subvention monies are generally not limited to specific programs but are available for the general support of air quality-related programs.

XIII. OTHER REVENUE

Miscellaneous revenue that includes revenue attributable to penalties/settlements, interest income, lease income, professional services the South Coast AQMD renders to other agencies, reimbursements from special revenue funds (non-mobile source), vanpool revenue, fitness center, and fees such as witness, jury duty, Public Records Act requests, subscriptions, etc. These revenues are generally available to support air quality programs.

XIV. INDIRECT SOURCES AND AREAWIDE SOURCES

Rule 316 established fees to fund Rule 2305 compliance activities. Administration fees paid by warehouse owners and operators subject to Rule 2305 cover compliance activities and supporting administrative functions for the WAIRE Mitigation Program. If an operator chooses to pay a mitigation fee, the funds will be used to provide incentivizes for near-zero and zero-emission

trucks and zero-emission charging and fueling infrastructure in communities near the warehouse(s) that paid the fee. Each mitigation fee is accompanied by an administrative fee portion that is designed to cover the cost of administering the mitigation fee program. All mitigation fees paid by warehouse operators will go into the WAIRE Mitigation Program. Any solicitations for projects and project awards using funds from the WAIRE Mitigation Program must be first approved by the South Coast AQMD Governing Board.

Rule 316.2 sets reporting and notification fees for freight rail yard owners and operators subject to Rule 2306. This revenue covers Rule 2306 implementation and compliance activities that include review of reports and notifications, audits, inspections, and enforcement activities.

Emissions fees from architectural coatings revenue covers portions of the architectural coatings program, and that program's fair share of emissions fee-supported programs. Quantity-based fees on architectural coatings are also assessed and are designed to support specific architectural coatings programs (such as enforcement). Rule 314 – Fees for Architectural Coatings covers emission-based fees and quantity-based fees. Beginning in FY 2008-09, annual assessments of architectural coatings, based on quantity (gallons) distributed or sold for use in South Coast AQMD's jurisdiction and the VOC emissions from subcategories, are included in revenue projections; this revenue allows South Coast AQMD to recover the costs of staff working on compliance, laboratory support, architectural coatings emissions data, rule development, and architectural coatings revenue collection.

XV. PORTABLE EQUIPMENT REGISTRATION PROGRAM (PERP)

The California Air Resources Board (CARB) provides revenues to local air districts, including South Coast AQMD, to offset the costs of inspecting equipment registered under CARB's Portable Equipment Registration Program (PERP). Fees for registration of PERP-registered engines by South Coast AQMD field staff are collected by CARB at the time of registration and passed through to the South Coast AQMD on an annual basis. Fees for inspection of all other PERP-registered equipment are billed at an hourly rate set forth in South Coast AQMD Rule 301 but are determined by CARB and collected by the South Coast AQMD at the time the inspection is conducted.

XVI. STATE GRANT

Under AB 617, adopted by the state legislature, CARB funding is distributed to air districts to implement the Community Air Protection Program which includes monitoring and developing emissions reductions plans in disadvantaged communities with high cumulative exposure to air toxics.

Proposition 26 Compliance

On November 2, 2010, the voters of California enacted Proposition 26, which was intended to limit certain types of fees adopted by state and local governments. Proposition 26 broadly defines a tax to mean any charge imposed by a local government that does not fall within seven enumerated exceptions for valid fees. If a charge does not fall within an enumerated fee exception, it is considered a tax and must be adopted by vote of the people. South Coast AQMD does not have authority under state law to adopt a tax, so it may only impose a charge that is a valid fee under Proposition 26.

Proposition 26 requires that the local government prove by a preponderance of the evidence that the amount of the fee "[1] is no more than necessary to cover the reasonable costs of the governmental activity, and that [2] the manner in which those costs are allocated to a payor bear a fair or reasonable relationship to the payor's burdens on, or benefits received from, the governmental activity."[20] A detailed explanation of the Permitted Source Program and the method of allocating program costs to the fee payors is included in this Staff Report.

Proposition 26 also provides that an agency must establish by a preponderance of evidence that the fee fits within one of the fee exceptions.[21] In addition to the enumerated exceptions found in Proposition 26, courts have found that the proposition does not apply to fees adopted before its effective date.[22]

All of the proposed fee increases discussed in this Staff Report fall within a recognized exception. In addition, all of the proposed increases are not more than necessary to cover the reasonable costs of South Coast AQMD's activities and bear a fair and reasonable relationship to a payor's burdens on, or benefits received from, South Coast AQMD's activities.

Public Process

Development of PAR III is being conducted through a public process. Public outreach was conducted to notify interested parties regarding PAR III through notifications including newspaper postings, mass mailings, and email notifications. A Public consultation meeting was held on March 17, 2026, and a second public consultation meeting ~~is scheduled for~~was held on April 7, 2026, to present proposed amendments to Regulation III and receive public comment. The proposed amendments ~~will~~ was also ~~be~~ presented at the Budget Advisory Committee Meeting on April 2, 2026, and the Governing Board Special Meeting Budget Study Session on April 10, 2026.

The public hearing to consider adoption of the fiscal year 2026-27 Budget and Work Program, fee adjustments, and PAR III is scheduled for May 1, 2026, at 9:00 a.m. (subject to change) in the auditorium at the South Coast AQMD's Diamond Bar Headquarters and via a Zoom link that will be available in the May 1, 2026 Governing Board agenda, which will be released no later than 72 hours prior to the Public Hearing.

[20] See Cal. Const. art. XIIIC §1.

[21] Cal. Const., art. XIIIC, §1.

[22] Brooktrails Township County. Servs. Dist. v. Bd. of Supervisors of Mendocino County (2013), 218 Cal. App. 4th 195, 206.

CHAPTER 2: CPI ADJUSTMENT OF FEES FOR REGULATION III

CPI Adjustment of Fees for Regulation III

Staff is planning to implement automatic adjustments for most fees in Regulation III by the California CPI percent increase for the preceding calendar year, as set forth in H&SC Section 40500.1(a). Specifically, staff is planning, where applicable, to adjust fees in Rules 301, 303, 304, 304.1, 306, 307.1, 308, 309, 311, 313, 314, 315, 316, and 316.2 on July 1, 2026, to correspond with the increase in the calendar year 2025 CPI 3.2%[23].

South Coast AQMD Rule 320 – Automatic Adjustment Based on Consumer Price Index for Regulation III – Fees provides for automatic CPI adjustments of most fees. Pursuant to Rule 320, most fees set forth in Regulation III "shall be automatically adjusted by the change in the California Consumer Price Index for the preceding calendar year, as defined in H&SC Section 40500.1(a)." This rule establishes that in order to continue recovering agency costs, fees must keep pace at a minimum with inflation as measured using the CPI. Adjustments of these fees automatically occur, unless otherwise directed by the South Coast AQMD Governing Board for a particular fiscal year. Staff is not proposing to forego Rule 320 CPI adjustments for the upcoming fiscal year.

The H&SC also provides authority for annual CPI increases of Regulation III fees. H&SC Section 40510 provides that fee increases within "the percentage increase of the California Consumer Price Index for the preceding calendar year" do not require the findings and phasing that apply for fee increases in excess of CPI. This CPI adjustment would not apply to fees where the rate is set by state law or specifically exempted under Rule 320. Table 2-1 lists the fees in Regulation III that are specifically excluded from the automatic annual CPI-based fee rate increase and the reason for exclusion.

Both Rule 320 and the H&SC provide for the annual adjustment of most fees commensurate with the rate of inflation. By design, an increase based on the percent increase of the California CPI is reasonable because it recovers the increase in South Coast AQMD's costs as a result of inflation. In addition, the way those increased costs are allocated bears a fair and reasonable relationship to the burdens on South Coast AQMD's activities as established by the underlying fee schedule.

Over the past decade, the costs of the South Coast AQMD's programs supported by fees on stationary sources for non-Title V facilities and Title V facilities have increased more than the increase in CPI. As established when Rule 320 was initially adopted, these fees are necessary to: 1) meet operating expenses, including employee wage rates and fringe benefits; 2) purchase or lease supplies, equipment, or materials; 3) meet financial reserve needs and requirements; and 4) obtain funds for capital projects, necessary to maintain service within existing service areas. In order to maintain South Coast AQMD's existing programs and reserves, it is necessary to adjust fees to account for changes in CPI and to maintain funds to provide for capital expenditures that may become necessary in the future.

Current costs include those related to the South Coast AQMD's office building, which is headquartered in Diamond Bar, California, its satellite office located in Long Beach, California, monitoring stations throughout its jurisdictional boundaries, and utilities, including electricity as provided by Southern California Edison, gas which is provided by the Southern California Gas Company, water provided by Walnut Valley Water District, and disposal provided by Waste

[23] https://www.dir.ca.gov/oprl/capriceindex.htm

Management. South Coast AQMD fleet vehicles are currently provided by Enterprise Fleet Management, property insurance and health insurance brokerage services are currently provided by Alliant, and building services (e.g., janitorial services, landscaping service, security guard service, building maintenance, etc.) are almost entirely provided by companies operating within California. Additionally, most services, contractors, and purchase order providers are based in California, such as recruitment services, workers compensation services, consulting services, software providers, and supply providers. The fees and contract rates associated with these providers increase per year or when the contract renews. In addition, the cost to employ staff at the South Coast AQMD increases over time due to increases in compensation, modifications to the employer contribution for defined benefits, and increases to healthcare and retirement benefits.

Table 2-1: Fees Excluded From CPI-Based Fee Rate Adjustment

Fee	Reason for Exclusion from CPI-Based Fee Rate Increase
Returned check service fee in various rules	Currently set by state law at $25 (California Civil Code §1719(a)(1))
Rule 301(aa)(2) – Rule 1180 Community Air Monitoring System Annual Operating and Maintenance Fees	Rule 301 paragraph (aa)(4) limits the annual operating and maintenance fees associated with Rule 1180 Community Air Monitoring Systems to a triennial fee reassessment. The first triennial reassessment was conducted in December 2021 and will occur every three years thereafter.
Rule 301(w) – Enforcement Inspection Fees for Statewide Portable Equipment Registration Program (PERP) fees	Fee rates set by the state (California Code of Regulations Title 13, §2450 et. seq.)
Rule 307.1(d)(2)(D) – Maximum fee for a small business as defined in Rule 307.1	Currently set by state law at $300 (California Code of Regulations Title 17, §90704(h)(2))
Rule 307.1 Table I – Facility Fees By Program Category; "State Fee" column figures only	Fee rates set by the state (H&SC Section 44380 et. seq.)
Rule 311(c) Air Quality Investment Program Fees	These fees pay for programs to reduce emissions under Rule 2202 – On Road Vehicle Mitigation Options and do not support South Coast AQMD's Budget.

CHAPTER 3: PROPOSED RULE AMENDMENTS WITH FEE IMPACTS

INTRODUCTION

AMEND RULE 301 TO ADD NEW PERMIT FEE RATE SCHEDULE FOR LASER CUTTERS

AMEND RULE 301 TO RETAIN ADMINISTRATIVE PROCESSING FEE FOR APPLICATION REJECTIONS

AMEND RULE 303 TO CLARIFY HEARING BOARD FILING FEES

AMEND RULE 303 TO CLARIFY HEARING BOARD REFUND FEES

AMEND RULE 303 TO REMOVE CONSENT CALENDAR FEE TABLE

AMEND RULE 303 TO CORRECT AND UPDATE HEARING BOARD EXCESS EMISSION FEES

AMEND RULE 303 TO ADD AN ADMINISTRATIVE FEE FOR EXCESS EMISSION CALCULATIONS

AMEND RULE 301 TO REMOVE CAP FOR CEMS AND ALTERNATIVE SYSTEMS REVIEW

Introduction

In addition to the automatic annual CPI-based fee rate adjustment described in Chapter 2 – CPI Adjustment of Fees for Regulation III and any proposed fee changes, staff presents the following proposals to amend Rule 301 – Permitting and Associated Fees and Rule 303 – Hearing Board Fees:

1) Amend Rule 301 Table IB to add laser cutters to Schedule B1;
2) Amend Rule 301 to retain administrative processing fees for permit application rejections;
3) Amend Rule 303 to clarify language on the filing fees charged for petitioners submitting multiple variance requests;
4) Amend Rule 303 to clarify which portion of the filing fee is refunded when some petitions have already been acted on;
5) Amend Rule 303 to remove the Consent Calendar fee schedule;
6) Amend Rule 303 to correct excess emission fees for toxic air contaminants and to add diesel particulate matter as a toxic air contaminant;
7) Amend Rule 303 to include an administration fee for verifying or performing excess emission calculations; and
8) Amend Rule 301 to remove maximum fees for CEMS, FSMS, and ACMS evaluations.

The fees from these proposals, which are discussed in more detail below, are necessary to allow for recovery of the reasonable costs of South Coast AQMD's regulatory activities. Any additional amendments that represent renumbering of rule subdivisions/paragraphs/tables, amendments that are due solely to any proposed addition and/or deletion of preceding rule subdivisions/paragraphs/ tables, are not separately listed below.

1. New Permit Fee Rate Schedule for Laser Cutters

Description of Proposed Amendment

This proposal changes Table 1B of Rule 301 by adding laser cutting as a new basic equipment category with a B1 Fee Schedule. This equipment is similar to the existing basic equipment category "plasma arc cutting" and is proposed to have the same fee schedule B1. Proposed Rule 1445 "Control of Toxic Emissions from Laser and Plasma Arc Metal Cutting" considers both types of equipment together due to their similar characteristics. Laser cutting is not currently listed in Table 1B and therefore, applicants are assigned schedule C fees, per Rule 301(c)(1)(A)(iii). Upon addition of the new category, all laser cutting applications and permits will be subject to the B1 fee schedule. This includes annual renewal fees for existing laser cutting permits.

This proposal adds "Laser Cutting" (Schedule B1) to the equipment categories listed in Rule 301 Table 1B.

Proposed Amended Rule(s)

Table 3-1: Rule 301 Table IB - PERMIT FEE RATE SCHEDULES FOR BASIC EQUIPMENT

Equipment/Process	Schedule
Landfill Gas, Treatment	E

Equipment/Process	Schedule
Laser Cutting	B1

Justification/Necessity/Equity

After processing a sufficient number of applications, the evaluation and processing times of applications for laser cutting have been characterized as nearly identical to those of plasma arc cutting, which is currently listed in schedule B1 in Rule 301, Table 1B. Laser cutting is being added as a category in Table 1B to clarify for applicants the correct fee schedule for this equipment type. The difference between Schedule C fee and the Schedule B1 fee is only in the annual renewal fee. Schedule B1 equipment is characterized as having a complex evaluation, thus the same application processing fee as Schedule C, but having a more straightforward annual compliance review and thus a lower annual operating permit renewal fee than Schedule C. This is consistent with plasma arc cutting equipment, which is similar in complexity to laser cutting, and which has already been established as fee Schedule B1.

The proposed amendment will provide improved clarity and consistency that will avoid confusion and ensure equitable implementation of Rule 301 fee schedules for permitted operations of similar complexity.

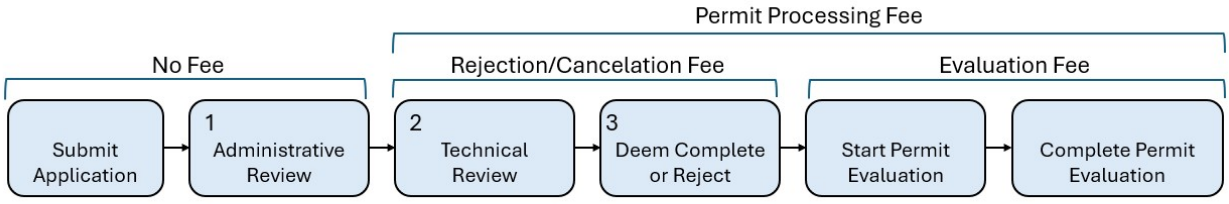
The fee impact will result in a reduction of annual operating permit renewal fees relative to Schedule C fee that is assigned for equipment not listed. The application processing fee for Schedule B1 is the same as for Schedule C; only the annual operating renewal fee for Schedule B1 is lower than the annual operating renewal fee for Schedule C equipment. This proposal will result in a reduction of $281,835.97 in annual renewal fees for the currently active 193 laser cutting permits. The change is necessary and equitable to reflect the correct amount of resources expended in processing applications for this type of equipment.

2. Retain Administrative Processing Fees for Application Rejections

Description of Proposed Amendment

When an application is received, administrative staff scan the application, enter the application into the processing system, review for completeness, and determine whether it should be rejected or routed to the appropriate engineering team (Figure 3-1). If rejected by administrative staff, the application package is returned to the applicant with a rejection letter containing the basis for rejection and all fees are refunded.

Figure 3-1: Permit Processing Flowchart



1. Application is reviewed for administrative completeness, i.e., submittal of all basic forms, contact information, signatures, proper submittal of fees, etc. If complete, routed for technical review. If not complete and missing information is not provided following consultation, application is returned and full refund issued.
2. Application is reviewed to determine if any information is missing that is needed to complete an engineering evaluation. If needed, additional information is requested from the applicant.
3. Application is Deemed Complete if all information needed to complete an engineering evaluation is included with the initial application or is provided by applicant following request. Otherwise the application is rejected.

When an application is routed to an engineering team for technical review, it is reviewed by the supervising engineer and assigned to a permitting engineer. The assigned permitting engineer reviews the application to determine if additional information is required in order to deem it a complete application. If additional information is needed, the permitting engineer requests it from the applicant and places the application on hold. If the requested information is not provided, the permitting engineer may reject the application. If rejected at this stage, all fees are refunded, a rejection letter is issued outlining the basis for rejection, and the application package is returned to the applicant.

As part of a cost recovery effort, when an application is rejected by the assigned permitting engineer, a rejection fee equivalent to an application cancellation fee would be retained prior to issuing the refund in order to recover engineering staff time spent determining and securing application completion. The current application cancellation fee for FY 2025-26 is $300.52 and will be $310.14 when counting potential CPI adjustment effective on July 1, 2026.

Proposed Amended Rule(s)

Rule 301(c)

(6) Refunds

(A) If an application for a permit to construct is canceled or rejected, permit processing fees, less the application cancellation/rejection fee, will be refunded if the permit evaluation has not been initiated by the District. The application cancellation/rejection fee will be ~~$300.52~~$310.14.

(B) Any fee paid to the District to process a permit application or equipment registration shall be refunded upon finding by the Executive Officer that the District erroneously requested filing of the application or registration. The cancellation/rejection fee required in subparagraph (c)(6)(A) shall not apply when the application was filed based on an erroneous District request.

(C) If a facility or equipment is operated in violation of District Rules or Regulations during any portion of the time period for which the fee was assessed, there shall be no refund if the application is cancelled.

(D) Applications filed for a Permit to Operate for equipment which has been operating without a required District permit will not receive a refund if the application is cancelled.

Justification/Necessity/Equity

Approximately 860 applications were rejected in 2025, and 225 of those were rejected after being assigned to an engineer. The proposed refund category is a cost recovery mechanism similar to the existing application cancellation fee in Rule 301(c)(6)(A). The application cancellation fee is based on time spent entering an application in the permitting system, routing the application to a permitting team, assigning to an engineer, and the assigned engineer reviewing the application and deeming the application complete. From a labor and administrative cost perspective, the process of reviewing an application to determine if it is complete, regardless of whether the application is determined to be complete or not complete and therefore rejected, is part of the same process and requires the same amount of time and effort; therefore, the proposed engineering rejection fee is justified.

The engineering rejection fee is necessary in order to allow the South Coast AQMD to recover costs associated with receiving, routing, assigning, reviewing, and requesting additional information prior to rejecting an application. Currently, costs are not recovered for any rejections. Time spent processing rejections involves work performed by a permitting engineer that reduces the resources and attention that could otherwise be dedicated to reviewing and approving applications.

With the proposed rejection category, an estimated additional $68,000 in revenue would be retained, based on the proposed current fee rate of $300.52 per rejection and the number of applicable applications. The proposed refund category will allow the South Coast AQMD to recover costs associated with applications that are received, assigned to engineering staff, and rejected for being incomplete.

3. Clarify Hearing Board Filing Fees

Description of Proposed Amendment

Clarifying language to indicate petitions submitted for multiple variances listed in Table III shall incur a fee for each individual variance in the table. For example, the filing fee for a petition for an interim and short-term variance and an ex parte emergency variance shall be $2,042.80 for the interim and short-term variance plus $1,633.91 for the ex parte emergency variance.

Proposed Amended Rule(s)

Rule 303(a)(1) Adding that the fee applies to each line item listed in Table III for added clarity.

(a) Filing and Appearance Fees

(1) Every applicant or petitioner in a proceeding before the Hearing Board shall pay to the Clerk of the Board, at the time of filing, a filing fee for each <u>line item in Table III, for each</u> petition<u>,</u> in accordance with the schedule set forth in Table III.

Justification/Necessity/Equity

The existing language leaves some level of uncertainty regarding the filing fee for a petition with multiple variances. The proposal clarifies to indicate that other than the first entry in Table III where there is a lower combined filing fee for interim and short or interim and regular variances, any other variance in the petition will incur an additional fee.

The proposal includes clarifying language to reinforce how the rule language should be implemented.

Proposed changes are intended for clarification; however, the change will bring in minimal additional fees when petitions include multiple variances. Based on records from the Hearing Board, staff estimates that at least seven petitions a year are submitted for multiple variances with an estimated increase in revenue of $11,437.37 (seven extra payments of $1,633.91).

4. Clarify Hearing Board Refund Fees

Description of Proposed Amendment

This proposal clarifies language to indicate that refunds will only apply if all variances included in a petition are withdrawn. A common practice is to submit a petition for multiple variances, including an interim and short variance along with an ex parte emergency variance. The following table shows the filling fee schedule:

Table 3-2: Rule 303 Table III – Filling Fee Schedule with updated fees

	Schedule B	Schedule A
VARIANCE (Interim, Short, Regular, Emergency) and Alternate Operating Condition(s)		
❑ Interim and Short or Interim and Regular	~~$2,042.38~~ $2,107.74	~~$366.26~~ $377.98
❑ Short (without interim)	~~$1,633.91~~ $1,686.20	~~$366.26~~ $377.98
❑ Regular (without interim)	~~$1,633.91~~ $1,686.20	~~$366.26~~ $377.98
❑ Emergency or Ex Parte Emergency	~~$1,633.91~~ $1,686.20	~~$366.26~~ $377.98
❑ Variance plus Alternate Operating Condition(s)	~~$2,450.86~~ $2,529.29	~~$366.26~~ $377.98
❑ Plus, for each hearing day in addition to the first hearing day necessary to dispose of the petition, the additional sum of	~~$914.84~~ $944.11	~~$182.78~~ $188.63

The current practice is, if a petitioner files for an ex parte emergency variance along with, for example, and interim/short variance, they are billed $2,042.38. This could occur in a case in which a source test shows equipment to be out of compliance, and a new test is scheduled imminently. The emergency or ex parte variance would be granted, allowing the equipment to continue operating the equipment until the interim variance hearing. If the new source test demonstrates that the unit is in compliance, eliminating the need for the interim/short term variance, and the applicant withdraws the interim/short variance petition, under the current practice they would receive a refund of $1,021.19 (50% of the $2,042.38 fee for a combined interim/short variance,

with no additional charge for the ex parte). In practice, that means the applicant pays only $1,021.19 for an ex parte variance that should have cost $1,633.91. To address this, staff is proposing to include clarification that the refund is not applicable to variances on which the Hearing Board has taken action.

Proposed Amended Rule(s)

Rule 303(b)(2) Adding, to paragraph (b)(2), language as shown:

> (2) In the event that the petition is withdrawn, and the petitioner notifies the Clerk of the Board in writing not less than four (4) days prior to the scheduled appearance, or the hearing is not held for any other reason, the petitioner shall be entitled to a refund of fifty percent (50%) of the filing fees. <u>This refund shall not apply to any variance on which the Hearing Board has taken action.</u>

Justification/Necessity/Equity

The existing language allows facilities to withdraw some of the variances in a petition which results in them paying a lower filing fee rate. Due to the combination of failing to accurately charge for each additional variance request (addressed in the previous proposal, #3), as well as issuing a 50% refund of the entire filing fee, this practice has contributed to the deficit that Hearing Board continually experiences.

This proposal changes how to qualify for a refund, with petitions for variances that have already granted or denied no longer being subject to the refund. For example, if a petitioner applies for ex parte, interim, and short variances, is granted the ex parte variance, but withdraws the remaining interim and short variance petitions, the petitioner would receive a 50% refund only for the interim and short filing fee, but no refund for the ex parte. Similarly, if the petitioner is granted the ex parte and interim variance, but withdraws the petition for the short variance, they would receive no refund, as the interim and short variances are single line item on the fee schedule and action was already taken on the interim variance.

Proposed changes are intended for clarification; however, they will bring in minimal additional fees when petitions include multiple variances. Note that the example below incorporates the proposed changes in the filing fee described above, as the clarification is a combination of both how the filing fees are billed and how refunds are issued. Based on records from the Hearing Board, staff estimates that one petition a year is withdrawn that submits for multiple variances with an estimated increase in $1,633.91 based on the following:

Current Practice:

> Three variances (ex parte, interim, and short variances) in a petition, charge $2,042.38 (one line item)
>
> Withdraw any variance: refund $1,021.19 (50% of $2,042.38)

Proposed Amendment (including the adjustment proposed in proposal #3):

> Three variances (ex parte, interim, and short variances) in a petition, charge $3,676.29 (all applicable line items: $1,633.91 for ex parte plus $2,042.38 for interim and short)
>
> Withdraw interim/short variance request: refund $1,021.19

Change in revenue: +$1,633.91

5. Remove Consent Calendar Fee Table

Description of the Proposed Amendment

Rule 303 currently includes a Consent Calendar in Table III. This proposal involves removing the lower fees associated with variances that are directed to the Consent Calendar. The work performed by staff for Consent Calendar items is the same as for other petitions; the only difference is the amount of time spent in the hearing, which is a small fraction of the time staff spends on petitions. Furthermore, most petitioners do not pay the fees in the Consent Calendar table as the request to place their item on the Consent Calendar occurs after they file and pay for their petition as a scheduled hearing. To qualify for the Consent Calendar fee, they must request the Consent Calendar placement at the time of filing their petition. There is no refund if they later request consent placement.

Proposed Amended Rule(s)

Table 3-3: Rule 303 Removing the Table for Consent Calendar Fees for Clarification:

~~CONSENT CALENDAR~~		
~~Filing Fee~~	~~$564.67~~	~~$182.78~~
~~Plus, for each hearing day in addition to the first hearing day necessary to dispose of the petition, the additional sum of~~	~~$357.41~~	~~$182.78~~
~~❑ In the event that the Board determines that there was insufficient documentation to consider the matter on the Consent Calendar, and the matter is scheduled for a hearing before the Board, petitioner shall pay an additional sum of~~	~~$1,021.19~~	~~$366.26~~
~~Plus, for each hearing day in addition to the first hearing day necessary to dispose of the petition, the additional sum of~~	~~$914.84~~	~~$182.78~~

Justification/Necessity/Equity

The Consent Calendar option was first introduced during the 1990s. At that time, there was no separate Consent Calendar fee; petitioners paid only the standard filing fee. During that period, the Hearing Board calendar was often fully booked with multiple hearings set for the same day, requiring attorneys to potentially wait several hours before their matters were heard. Use of the Consent Calendar eliminated the need for in-person appearances, resulting in significant reductions for the petitioner in both attorney costs and time commitments.

The mention of a Consent Calendar fee wasn't until the 1996 amendment, at which point it was set at 50 percent of the daily appearance fee. The 50 percent rate remained in effect until adoption of the Filing Fee Table in 2000. The staff report for the 2000 amendments explains the rationale for lowering the fee, citing that "the consent calendar significantly reduced Board time in processing the few cases heard on consent."

The Consent Calendar fee table was added to Rule 303 shortly after the RECLAIM program was adopted. At that time, it was not uncommon to have four or five hearings a day resulting in a very full hearing board schedule. The lower fee scheduled was included to incentivize facilities to opt to resolve their variance request through the Consent Calendar instead of a hearing. The variance

process has evolved since that time, and the Hearing Board calendar no longer has full days of hearings. Further, the amount of staff time devoted to resolving a variance through the Consent Calendar is no less than a scheduled hearing. Additionally, over the past three to four years, the Hearing Board has strongly encouraged parties to place matters on the consent calendar, resulting in a substantially higher number of consent cases than in prior years.

Further, based on current practice, petitioners who end up on the Consent Calendar pay the higher schedule of fees. Typically, petitioners pay the regular scheduled fees and are subsequently directed by the Hearing Board to the Consent Calendar, with no option for a partial refund. And as mentioned, petitions that are directed to the Consent Calendar require similar staff resources and should not have the option to request a lower fee schedule.

This proposal removes the lower Consent Calendar fee schedule to ensure cost recovery and reflect current practice.

Proposed changes are intended for clarification; however, the change will bring in minimal additional fees when petitions are initially directed to the Consent Calendar. Staff estimates that at least one petition a year is submitted for the Consent Calendar at the lower rate, with an estimated increase in revenue of $1,069.24 (difference between the $1,633.91 filing fee and the $564.67 Consent Calendar filing fee).

6. Amend Rule 303 to Correct and Update Hearing Board Toxic Air Contaminant Excess Emission Fee

Description of the Proposed Amendment

Rule 303 Hearing Board Fees includes a Schedule of Excess Emissions Fees in Table 1. These fees, along with filing fees, pay for Hearing Board operation costs including staff and expenses. The Hearing Board continually operates at a deficit.

In the 2013 amendment of Rule 303, a change in formatting to Table I removed a header that indicated Toxic Air Contaminants (TACs) should be charged in dollars per pound, resulting in TACs being charged in dollars per ton, a 2,000-fold decrease. This appears to be an error, stemming from the formatting of the table changing from two pages to one page. There is no mention of the change in the staff report for the 2013 amendment.

This proposal also includes excess emissions fees for diesel particulate matter. Diesel particulate matter (DPM) is a known toxic and is included in Rule 301 where emission fees apply. Variances for emergency backup engines exceeding their allowed 200 hours of operation are common and the operators should pay for the harmful excess emissions of DPM. There are exemptions for operating the engines during emergencies where all fees are waived, so including the excess emission fee for DPM will not impact emergency use.

Proposed Amended Rules(s)

Table 3-4: Rule 303 Table I

TABLE I
SCHEDULE OF EXCESS EMISSIONS FEES

Air Contaminants	**Dollars Per Ton**
Organic gases, except methane and those containing sulfur	~~$7,879.14~~$8,131.27
Carbon Monoxide	~~$77.13~~$79.60
Oxides of nitrogen (expressed as nitrogen dioxide)	~~$4,726.86~~$4,878.12
Gaseous sulfur compounds (expressed as sulfur dioxide)	~~$5,512.21~~$5,688.60
Particulate matter	~~$5,512.21~~$5,688.60
Toxic Air Contaminants	**Dollars Per Pound**
Ammonia	~~$0.12~~$0.12
Asbestos	~~$34.74~~$35.85
Benzene	~~$11.58~~$11.95
Cadmium	~~$34.74~~$35.85
Carbon tetrachloride	~~$11.58~~$11.95
Chlorinated dioxins and dibenzofurans (26 species)	~~$57.87~~$59.72
Diesel particulate matter	$23.72
Ethylene dibromide	~~$11.58~~$11.95

Justification/Necessity/Equity

In 1990, Rule 301 was amended at the recommendation of third-party consultant KPMG Peat Marwick. As part of the change, toxic air contaminant emission fees were added to the fee schedule, evaluated in dollars per pound of emission based on the order of magnitude of the unit risk factor derived by the California Department of Health Services. Rule 303 – Hearing Board Fees was simultaneously amended to recover the actual operating cost of Hearing Board activities. Toxic air contaminants were added to Schedule of Excess Emissions Fees, at twice the rates in Rule 301. The Schedule of Excess Emission Fees maintained the format of charging toxic air contaminants in dollars per pound until the 2013 Regulation III amendment when the header indicating dollars per pound was removed. This appears to be an error, stemming from the formatting of the table changing from two pages to one page. There is no mention of the change in the staff report for the 2013 amendment. This revision is necessary to return to the original intent of the rule and to continue recovering fees for Hearing Board costs.

Fee impacts related to this correction are expected to be minimal. In practice, toxics fees are rarely assessed, and if assessed, a facility would likely be charged the minimum daily excess emission

fee under Rule 303(f). Staff reviewed the last three years of Hearing Board cases and found one instance of excess emissions of toxic air contaminants. With the correct fees implemented, the facility would have paid an increased fee amount of $6.91. The District does not expect a significant increase of revenue from this correction. Nonetheless, Hearing Board cases that involve toxic air contaminants often involve greater time, analysis, and scrutiny from both staff and Hearing Board members, due to the increased potential for health impacts. This additional time further justifies a return to the previous rate identified in the erroneously-deleted table header.

In 1996, Rules 301 and 303 were amended to change the evaluation of toxic air contaminant fees, based on recommendations a second study conducted by KPMG Peat Marwick in 1995. The fees were divided into distinct tiers based on the order of magnitude of the unit risk factor for the contaminant, as presented by the Office of Environmental Health Hazard Assessment (OEHHA). For example, ethylene oxide, vinyl chloride, and ethylene dibromide with unit risk factors of 8.8×10^{-5}, 7.8×10^{-5}, and 7.1×10^{-5} respectively were all assigned an initial fee value of $1.00 per pound, while nickel, with a unit risk factor of 2.6×10^{-4} was assigned an initial fee value of $2.00 per pound.

In 1998, CARB's Scientific Review Panel found, based on data prepared by OEHHA and CARB, that DPM was a toxic air contaminant, and assigned it a unit risk factor of 3.0×10^{-4}, finding it a "reasonable estimate" of the risk of DPM. In 2019, Rule 301 was amended to increase fees for toxic air contaminants, on the basis that South Coast AQMD staff permitting and enforcement activities were informed by the potential for public health impacts, meaning overall more resources were spent on facilities with higher toxicity-weighted emissions. As part of this amendment, staff included DPM as a toxic air contaminant due to its high cancer potency, prevalence in the South Coast Air Basin, and the amount of resources spent on the pollutant.

However, DPM was not simultaneously added to Rule 303 for assessing excess emissions fees of Hearing Board matters.

The Hearing Board exists to provide regulatory relief for equipment exceeding rule or permit requirements. The Hearing Board has operation costs that are recovered through filing and excess emission fees. If a facility obtains a variance, the applicant must pay excess emission fees. Based on the Hearing Board reports submitted to the Governing Board in 2025, 15% of all cases considered had particulate matter from diesel engines as a form of excess emissions. Diesel particulate matter should be included in the schedule of excess emission fees to allow the South Coast AQMD to recoup costs associated with these Hearing Board matters of which DPM is emitted. As discussed above, as a toxic air contaminant, DPM will involve more time for analysis by staff and Hearing Board members to ensure the variance is properly granted and all potential options for mitigation are addressed. This addition will recover costs to offset the deficit consistently experienced by the Hearing Board. Based on reports from 2025, revenue will likely be low, but could be as high as $50,000, if it is assumed diesel engines granted variances operated 24 hours a day for each day of variance they were granted (which is not the typical case). In the fiscal year 2025-2026 budget the Hearing Board's estimated deficit was $1.1 million.

7. Administration Fee for Excess Emission Calculation and Requirement of Complete Information

Description of Proposed Amendment

Many hearing board cases involve emissions discharged during the variance period in excess of that allowed by the rules or permit conditions. Rule 303 requires facilities to pay for excess emissions during variance periods. For such cases, staff will dedicate time to review, calculate, and/or verify the excess emissions, but the rule provides no cost recovery. This proposal establishes a fee structure to recover staff costs for reviewing permit and regulatory emission equivalent limits, calculating, and/or verifying excess emissions resulting from the non-compliant activity that occur during variances based on the actual staff review time. This new fee structure will be effective for any petition received on and after the rule effective date which is July 1, 2026. Additional language is also proposed to ensure that facilities provide complete information that is verified by a responsible official to reduce resource impacts caused by incomplete submittals.

Proposed Amended Rule(s)

Rule 303

(d)(4):

(4) When an excess emission fee is reviewed and/or evaluated by the South Coast AQMD, an administration fee for the review and/or evaluation shall be charged based on the time and material spent, at the T&M rate for Title V or non-Title V facilities, as applicable, specified in Rule 301 Table FEE RATE-A.

(k)(3):

(3) Fee payments shall be accompanied by complete emission calculations that clearly explain the basis of the excess emission fees. The calculation submittal shall be signed by the applicant or petitioner attesting to the accuracy.

Justification/Necessity/Equity

The existing language has no cost recovery for staff's time spent reviewing, calculating, and/or verifying excess emissions for variance cases, as such time spent was not billed for any Hearing Board case previously. This partially contributes to the deficit that Hearing Board continually experiences.

The need exists to have a cost recovery for staff's time spent reviewing, calculating, and/or verifying excess emissions that occur during variances. The need also exists for the rule language to ensure that facilities provide complete information for excess emission determination.

The proposed change for adding a new paragraph (d)(4) is intended to provide cost recovery for staff review and work time calculating excess emissions for variance cases. In 2025, 34 hearing board cases required excess emission calculations. The time required to review the calculation varies depending on the complexity of the case, number of compounds and emissions points, and the duration of the variance, with most taking approximately 5 hours. The simplest cases generally take approximately 5 hours to evaluate the excess emissions. The most complex reviews may take

days to weeks and require staff to request additional information from the petitioner. Additionally, many submittals are not complete and require additional staff efforts. As the work is performed by the teams for permit evaluation, the hourly rate should align accordingly. Based on the permit evaluation rate of $258.67 per hour for non-Title V facilities and $324.14 per hour for Title V facilities, 5 hours of review/evaluation means $1,457.03 charge on average. As a result, staff estimates this proposal will increase the revenue by at least approximately $50,000 per year. For complex reviews requiring more than 5 hours, additional revenue will be recovered.

The proposed change for adding a new paragraph (k)(3) does not incur any fee impact.

8. Remove cap for CEMS and Alternative Monitoring Systems

Description of Proposed Amendment

Rule 301(j)(5) establishes fees for evaluations of Continuous Emission Monitoring Systems (CEMS), Fuel Sulfur Monitoring Systems (FSMS), and Alternative Continuous Emission Monitoring Systems (ACEMS) with fee schedule specified in TABLE IIB. Both FSMS and ACEMS are alternative systems to CEMS. <u>These evaluations are conducted by the Source Test Engineering branch of the Monitoring and Analysis Division.</u> Estimated hours for maximum fees do not currently reflect actual hours spent. This proposal seeks to adjust the fee schedule by removing the maximum fees to recover actual incurred costs associated with these evaluations. For each certification review, the applicant will be charged a basic fee for up to the specified hours of evaluation time and the time and materials for the actual excess hours beyond those with the existing hourly fee, with no maximum fee cap for the charge.

Proposed Amended Rules

Rule 301(j)

(5) Payment for Review of Continuous Emissions Monitoring System (CEMS), Fuel Sulfur Monitoring System (FSMS), and Alternative Continuous Emissions Monitoring System (ACEMS)

(A) New Application for Process Equipment Requiring CEMS or, Alternatively, an FSMS or ACEMS to Comply with the CEMS Requirement.

When a determination is made by the Executive Officer that a Continuous Emissions Monitoring System (CEMS) is required in order to determine a source's compliance with a District rule or regulation, the applicant shall:

(i) Apply for the use of a CEMS and pay a basic processing fee as specified in Table IIB at the time of filing.

(ii) Apply for the use of an FSMS or ACEMS in lieu of a CEMS and pay a basic processing fee as specified in Table IIB at the time of filing.

(B) Modification of an Existing Certified CEMS, FSMS, or ACEMS

If a certified CEMS, FSMS, or ACEMS is modified in a manner (excluding routine replacement or servicing of CEMS or FSMS components for preventive or periodic maintenance according to established quality

assurance guidelines, or CEMS or FSMS components designated by the Executive Officer as "standardized" or direct replacement-type components) determined by the Executive Officer to compromise a source's compliance with a District rule or regulation, the applicant shall pay a processing fee covering the evaluation of the modification and recertification, if necessary, as follows:

(i) If one or more CEMS or FSMS components (excluding additional pollutant monitors) are replaced, modified, or added, the applicant shall pay a minimum processing fee of ~~$1,177.30~~$1,214.97; and additional fees will be assessed at a rate of ~~$223.14~~$230.28 per hour for time spent on the evaluation in excess of 10 hours ~~up to a maximum total fee of $7,444.61~~.

(ii) If one or more pollutant monitors are added to a CEMS or FSMS (and one or more of its components are concurrently replaced, modified, or added), the applicant shall pay a minimum processing fee as specified in Table IIB, based on the number of CEMS or FSMS pollutant monitors and components added.

(iii) If one or more pollutant emission sources at a facility are added to an FSMS, a time-shared CEMS, or a SOx CEMS which is specifically used to "back-calculate" fuel sulfur content for these sources, the applicant shall pay a minimum processing fee as specified in Table IIB, based on the number of CEMS or FSMS monitors and components added.

(iv) If one or more ACEMS (or PEMS) components are replaced, modified, or added, the applicant shall pay a minimum processing fee ~~$1,177.30~~$1,214.97; and additional fees will be assessed at a rate of ~~$223.14~~$230.28 per hour for time spent on the evaluation in excess of 10 hours ~~up to a maximum total fee of $7,444.61~~.

(C) Modification of CEMS, FSMS, or ACEMS Monitored Equipment

For any RECLAIM or non-RECLAIM equipment monitored or required to be monitored by a CEMS, FSMS, or ACEMS, that is modified in a manner determined by the Executive Officer to compromise a source's compliance with a District CEMS-, FSMS-, or ACEMS-related rule or regulation, or requires an engineering evaluation, or causes a change in emissions; the applicant shall pay a minimum processing fee of ~~$1,177.30~~$1,214.97, covering the evaluation and recertification, if necessary, of the CEMS, FSMS, or ACEMS. Additional fees will be assessed at a rate of ~~$223.14~~$230.28 per hour for time spent on the evaluation in excess of 10 hours ~~up to a maximum total fee of $7,444.61~~.

(D) Periodic Assessment of an Existing CEMS, FSMS, or ACEMS

An existing CEMS, FSMS, or ACEMS must be retested on a quarterly, semi-annual, or annual basis to remain in compliance with District regulations. The applicant shall pay a minimum processing fee of

~~$1,177.30~~$1,214.97 for this evaluation, if required. Additional fees will be assessed at a rate of ~~$223.14~~$230.28 per hour for time spent on the evaluation in excess of 10 hours ~~up to a maximum total fee of $7,444.62~~.

(E) CEMS, FSMS, or ACEMS Change of Owner/Operator

Every applicant who files an application for a change of owner/operator of a RECLAIM or non-RECLAIM facility permit shall also file an application for a change of owner/operator of a CEMS, FSMS, or ACEMS, if applicable, and be subject to a processing fee equal to ~~$354.93~~$366.29 for the first CEMS, FSMS, or ACEMS, plus ~~$70.77~~$73.03 for each additional CEMS, FSMS, or ACEMS.

Rule 301 TABLE IIB
CEMS, FSMS, & ACEMS FEE SCHEDULE

Certification Review		
CEMS and FSMS Review[1]	Basic Fee[2]	~~Maximum Fee~~
Any combination of pollutants, diluent, flow, or other parameter[3] for:		
One to two components	~~$5,052.38~~$5,214.06	~~$9,046.08~~
Three to four components	~~$6,077.63~~$6,272.11	~~$16,646.78~~
For each additional component beyond four, the following amount is added to the fee for four components	$0.00	~~$4,112.04~~
For time-sharing of CEMS, the following amount is added to any fee determined above	$0.00	~~$4,112.04~~
ACEMS Review	Basic Fee[4]	~~Maximum Fee~~
	~~$5,052.38~~$5,214.06	~~$16,646.78~~

[1]The certification fee includes the initial application approval, approval of test protocol, and approval of the performance test results. An application resubmitted after a denial will be treated as a new application and will be subject to a new fee.

[2]Covers up to 40 hours evaluation time for the first two components, 60 hours for the first four components, and up to an additional 12 hours for each component beyond four. Excess hours beyond these will be charged at ~~$223.14~~$230.28 per hour~~, to the maximum listed in the table~~.

[3]Additional components, as necessary, to meet monitoring requirements (e.g., moisture monitor).

[4]Covers up to 40 hours evaluation time.

Justification/Necessity/Equity

Section(j)(5) of Rule 301 was last amended in May 1996. Currently, the maximum fees charged for CEMS, FSMS, and ACEMS evaluations do not represent actual costs. Based on work program codes and the approved budget, the review and approval of those monitoring systems will cost the South Coast AQMD $630,000 in fiscal year 2025-26, while average annual revenue for the past 3 fiscal years was only $110,000 and projected annual revenue for the next three years is $200,000. One of the most likely causes for this discrepancy is the maximum fee which, depending on the category of analysis, can come into effect as early as 28 hours of staff time. The proposed amendment will remove the maximum fees to allow full cost recovery on complicated reviews for the initial certifications as well as for modifications to CEMS and alternative systems. This proposal also aligns with other air districts' practice that charge based on actual costs incurred (e.g., Bay Area Air District and San Diego Air Pollution Control District).

This fee adjustment is necessary and equitable to recover the actual cost to South Coast AQMD staff incurred in conducting evaluations for CEMS and alternative systems certifications and modifications.

Based on typical and reasonable engineering staff time spent processing applications, evaluating designs, issuing initial approval, evaluating performance and RATA tests, and issuing final certifications, the maximum number of hours for each activity has been determined to be insufficient. It is proposed that the associated fee schedule be changed to reflect current effort.

As described above, these evaluations are conducted by Source Test Engineering. For the last several years, revenue related to Source Testing has not met its expenses. In fiscal year 2024-25, Source Testing operated at a deficit of $1,298,742. The adopted budget for fiscal year 2025-26 included a projected deficit of $2,988,932. The proposed budget for fiscal year 2026-27 includes a projected deficit of $2,397,289. The removal of the fee cap will assist to recover actual costs and lower the deficit in Source Testing.

The proposed amended fee schedule will provide full cost recovery for the CEMS and alternative systems certification review. Based on the expenditure of the estimated cost in fiscal yearFY 2025-26, ~~we are~~the District expects~~ing~~ a $430,000 revenue increase.

CHAPTER 4: PROPOSED RULE AMENDMENTS WITH NO FEE IMPACTS AND/OR ADMINISTRATIVE CHANGES

INTRODUCTION

CLARIFY THE PUBLIC NOTICE DISTRIBUTION FEE

CLARIFY CURRENT PRACTICE FOR SOUTH COAST AQMD'S CEQA PREPARATION COSTS

CHANGE DEADLINE FOR EMISSION REPORTING AND PAYMENTS

CLARIFY APPLICABILITY OF CLEAN FUELS FEE

ALLOW FOR PERIODIC INVOICING FOR EXTENDED TIME AND MATERIALS FEES FOR TITLE V APPLICATIONS AND RENEWALS

Introduction

The proposed rule amendments in this section do not have fee impacts. Rather, the proposed amendments in this chapter generally include administrative changes, including clarifications, deletions, re-numbering, and corrections to existing rule language. Staff corrected one reference typo under PAR 301 subparagraph (c)(1)(C), where a reference to subparagraph (c)(2)(B) is intended for subparagraph (c)(1)(B). In addition, ~~T~~the following amendments are being proposed with no fee impacts:

1) Clarify the public notice distribution fee in Rule 301;
2) Clarify the current practice for South Coast AQMD's CEQA preparation costs;
3) Change the deadlines for emission reports and payments;
4) Clarify the applicability of clean fuel fees in Rule 301 (e)(6); and
5) Allow periodic invoicing for extended time and materials for Title V applications.

The proposed rule amendments are discussed in more detail below.

1. Clarify Public Notice Distribution Fee

Description of Proposed Amendment

Rule 301 was amended in 2025 to add a provision to recover costs for an optional South Coast AQMD-led distribution of public notices. This was the first use of the fee rate and is expected to be incremented by CPI as part of routine updates to Reg III. As such, the rule should clarify when the higher fee rate applies so that permit applicants can schedule their request and submittals accordingly.

Rule 301 currently establishes the application completeness date as the basis for determining applicable permit processing fees, as specified in subdivision (c) – Fees for Permit Processing. Clarifying language is proposed to apply the same timing approach used for subdivision (c) to apply to Public Notice projects under paragraph (j)(4) to ensure consistency and regulatory certainty.

The purpose of this proposal is to clarify that the special permit processing fee for public notice projects subject to paragraph 301(j)(4) shall be determined based on the date that the application was deemed complete.

Proposed Amended Rule(s)
Rule 301 (j)(4)

(j)(4) Payment for Public Notice

An applicant shall pay the applicable fee, based on the date that the application was deemed complete, for preparation of any public notice as required by the rules, as shown below in this paragraph:

Public Notification Type	Non-Title V Source	Title V Source
For a project requiring notification as defined in Rule 212(c)	~~$1,507.98~~ $1,556.24	~~$1,889.69~~ $1,950.16
For emission reduction credits (ERCs) in excess of the amounts as specified in Rule 1310(c)	~~$1,507.98~~ $1,556.24	~~$1,889.69~~ $1,950.16
Requesting allocations from the Offset Budget or requesting the generation or use of any Short Term Credit (STCs)	~~$1,507.98~~ $1,556.24	~~$1,889.69~~ $1,950.16
Significant revision of a Title V permit	---	~~$1,889.69~~ $1,950.16

(A) An applicant for a project subject to the requirements of Rule 212(c) shall either:

(i) Pay a flat fee of ~~$761.75~~$786.13, based on the date that the application was deemed complete, and the actual cost as invoiced for postage, or

(ii) Arrange for distribution of the above notice independent of the District option. If the distribution is carried out by the owner/operator or an independent consultant, the owner/operator of the source shall submit a copy of the proof of distribution to the Executive Officer.

Justification/Necessity/Equity

Rule 301 currently establishes the application completeness date as the basis for determining applicable permit processing fees, as specified in subdivision (c) – Fees for Permit Processing. Clarifying language is proposed to apply the same timing approach used for subdivision (c) to apply to Public Notice projects under paragraph (j)(4) to ensure consistency and regulatory certainty.

This proposal will provide necessary clarification for assessing fees for public notice projects in a consistent and equitable manner.

No fee impact is anticipated by this proposal.

2. Clarify Current Practice for South Coast AQMD's CEQA Preparation Costs

Description of Proposed Amendment

The proposed amendments to Rule 301 are intended to clarify South Coast AQMD's current practice of recovering costs associated with CEQA document preparation when South Coast AQMD acts as either the Lead Agency or a Responsible Agency for a project. The revisions clarify South Coast AQMD's authority to recover staff time costs (based on the established hourly rate)

for CEQA applicability review and document preparation, and to recover actual preparation-related expenses. The amendments also clarify the types of activities that may be included in CEQA preparation costs (including but not limited to notices, Findings, Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Plan, Statement of Overriding Considerations, publishing documents, and filing/posting fees), consistent with current implementation.

The proposal does not establish a new program or impose a new or additional fee beyond what is already being implemented in practice. Rather, it provides additional transparency and specificity in the rule language to ensure it accurately reflects South Coast AQMD's existing cost-recovery procedures for CEQA-related work.

In summary:

- When South Coast AQMD acts as the Lead Agency or a Responsible Agency under CEQA, it prepares or oversees preparation of the appropriate CEQA documentation.
- Under existing practice, South Coast AQMD recovers the costs associated with this work, including staff time for CEQA applicability review and document preparation, as well as related preparation expenses.
- The current rule language does not fully describe the scope of CEQA-related activities with costs that are recovered in practice.

Key proposed changes include:

- Amend Rule 301 to memorialize and clarify South Coast AQMD's existing CEQA cost-recovery procedures.
- Clarify that CEQA preparation costs may include activities such as preparation and processing of notices, Findings, Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Plan, Statement of Overriding Considerations, publishing documents, and applicable filing/posting fees.
- The proposal does not create a new program or impose a new or additional fee; it codifies and provides transparency regarding current South Coast AQMD practice.

Proposed Amended Rule(s)

Rule 301(j)(1)(A)

(j) Special Permit Processing Fees - California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Assistance, Air Quality Analysis, Health Risk Assessment, and Public Notice for Projects

(1) Payment for CEQA Assistance

(A) CEQA Document Preparation

When a determination is made by the Executive Officer that the District is <u>either</u> the Lead Agency <u>or a Responsible Agency</u> for a project, pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), Public Resources Code Section 21000 et seq. and ~~state~~ CEQA Guidelines (14 California Code of Regulations ~~s~~<u>S</u>ection 15000 et seq.), the project applicant may be required to pay a review fee (based on a staff rate of ~~$223.14~~<u>$230.28</u> per hour) when a 400-CEQA form requires the CEQA staff to review for CEQA applicability. If preparation of CEQA documentation is deemed necessary,

the applicant shall pay an initial fee for the preparation of necessary CEQA documentation according to the following schedule:

Notice of Exemption (upon applicant request)	~~$446.26~~$460.54
Negative Declaration (ND), including Supplemental or Subsequent ND	~~$6,729.76~~ $6,945.11
Mitigated Negative Declaration (MND), including Supplemental or Subsequent MND	~~6,729.76~~ $6,945.11
Environmental Impact Report (EIR), including Supplemental or Subsequent EIR	~~$8,972.98~~ $9,260.12
Addendum to EIR, including Addendum to ND/MND	~~$4,650.30~~ $4,799.11

If the Executive Officer determines that the District's CEQA preparation costs, which (may include the items listed in the table above, but also are not limited to, mailing, noticing such as a Notice of Completion, Notice of Preparation, or Notice of Determination, making Findings, adopting a Mitigation, Monitoring and Reporting Plan, making a Statement of Overriding Considerations, publishing ~~cations~~ documents, and filing/posting fees as applicable, et cetera~~)~~ and staff time (based on the rate of ~~$223.14~~$230.28 per hour) exceed the initial fee the project applicant, upon notification from the District, shall make periodic payment of the balance due. The Executive Officer shall determine the amount and timing of such periodic payments, based upon the level of CEQA analysis and the amount of monies needed to offset the actual preparation costs.

Justification/Necessity/Equity

This amendment is recommended to clarify and codify South Coast AQMD's existing cost-recovery practices associated with CEQA document preparation when South Coast AQMD acts as the Lead Agency or Responsible Agency. While South Coast AQMD already recovers staff time and related preparation costs under Rule 301, the current rule language does not fully describe the scope of CEQA-related activities that are included in practice. The proposed revisions provide additional transparency and specificity to ensure that the rule text accurately reflects how CEQA costs are currently recovered and administered.

Because the proposal does not create a new fee or increase an existing fee, it does not result in additional fees beyond what is already authorized and collected under current practice. Accordingly, the amendment does not alter South Coast AQMD's existing cost-recovery structure. The revisions are administrative and clarifying in nature and are intended to ensure consistency between the rule language and South Coast AQMD's longstanding CEQA cost-recovery procedures.

This amendment is necessary to clarify South Coast AQMD's existing practice of recovering costs associated with CEQA document preparation when acting as the Lead Agency or Responsible

Agency. The revisions ensure that Rule 301 accurately reflects the scope of CEQA-related staff time and preparation expenses that are currently recovered under established procedures.

The proposal is equitable because it does not establish a new program, impose a new fee, or increase an existing fee, nor does it expand the applicability of any fee requirement or alter South Coast AQMD's existing cost-recovery structure. Instead, it clarifies the current framework under which South Coast AQMD recovers the actual costs associated with CEQA review and document preparation. As such, the amendments ensure that CEQA-related costs continue to be recovered through the established cost-recovery structure for CEQA work, consistent with existing practice, without shifting those costs to other regulated entities.

The proposal does not have any fee impacts.

3. Change Deadlines for Emission Reports and Payments

Description of Proposed Amendment

CARB's Criteria and Toxics Reporting (CTR) Regulation is administered through the Annual Emissions Reporting (AER) program for affected facilities in the South Coast AQMD's jurisdiction. The requirements of CTR have been phased in for certain facilities, beginning in 2022. For the calendar year 2026 emissions to be reported in 2027, CTR requirements will be fully phased (excluding waste handling facilities) and will require annual emissions reporting for the majority of permitted facilities (approximately 26,000 facilities). This is a substantial increase in the number of facilities required to submit an annual report to South Coast AQMD's AER program. Additionally, report content has been expanded for all facilities, existing and new to AER, requiring hundreds of additional reportable toxic air contaminants.

A deadline of 75 days following January 1 (March 17), has been in effect. The 2025 due date for annual emissions reports and payments was extended to May 1 and was intended to be temporary for the phase in of CTR. This amendment proposes to permanently extend the AER reporting deadline for submitting annual emissions reports (and payments) in an effort to accommodate the potentially large number of new facilities required to report resulting from the full implementation of the CTR regulation.

For semi-annual and clean fuels fees, staff does not propose a change to the deadline which is seventy-fifth (75) day following July 1. Staff proposes to reference the specific date, September 14th which is equivalent to seventy-fifth (75) day following July 1.

Staff also proposes to clarify the final due dates for late payment before permits may be revoked. Instead of requiring one hundred twenty (120) days since January 1 for annual emission fees, or one hundred twenty (120) days since July 1 for semi-annual emission fees, staff proposes May 15 and November 1 respectively, 45 days (120 - 75 days) after the official due dates, as intended by the existing rule.

Proposed Amended Rule(s)

Rule 301(e) Annual Operating Emissions Fees

(2) Emissions Reporting and Fee Calculation Each facility subject to subparagraph (e)(1)(B) shall annually report all emissions for all pollutants listed in paragraph (e)(5) and Table IV by April ~~1~~10 of the following year (the official due date) and

incur an emissions fee as prescribed in Table III. Additionally, all major stationary sources of NOx and/or VOC, as defined in Rule 317, Rule 317.1 and other rule(s) implementing section 185 of the federal Clean Air Act, shall annually report and pay the appropriate clean air act nonattainment fees for all actual source emissions including but not limited to permitted, unpermitted, unregulated and fugitive emissions.

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(9) Request to Amend Emissions Report and Refund of Emission Fees

(A) A facility owner/operator shall submit a written request (referred to as an "Amendment Request") for any proposed revisions to previously submitted annual emissions reports. Amendment requests with no fee impact, submitted after one (1) year ~~and seventy-five (75) days~~ from the official due date of the subject annual emissions report shall include a non-refundable standard evaluation fee of ~~$446.21~~$460.49 for each subject facility and reporting period. Evaluation time beyond two hours shall be assessed at the rate of ~~$223.14~~$230.28 per hour and shall not exceed ten (10) hours. Amendment requests received within one (1) year ~~and seventy-five (75) days~~ from the official due date of a previously submitted annual emissions report shall not incur any such evaluation fees. The Amendment Request shall include all supporting documentation and copies of revised applicable forms.

(B) A facility owner/operator shall submit a written request (referred to as a "Refund Request") to correct the previously submitted annual emissions reports and request a refund of overpaid emission fees. Refund Requests must be submitted within one (1) year ~~and seventy-five (75) days~~ from the official due date of the subject annual emissions report to be considered valid. The Refund Request shall include all supporting documentation and copies of revised applicable forms. If the Refund Request is submitted within one (1) year ~~and seventy-five (75) days~~ from the official due date of the subject annual emissions report, and results in no fee impact, then the facility owner/operator shall be billed for the evaluation fee pursuant to subparagraph (e)(9)(A).

(10) Notice to Pay and Late Filing Surcharge

(A) The facility owner/operator shall submit an annual emissions report and pay any associated emissions fees if a notice to report emissions is sent by mail, electronic mail, or other electronic means, annually to the owners/operators of all equipment (as shown in District records) for which this subdivision applies. A notice to pay the clean fuels fee specified in paragraph (e)(6) or semi-annual fee specified in paragraph (e)(11) will also be sent by mail, electronic mail, or other electronic means, to facilities which in the preceding reporting year emitted any air contaminant equal to or greater than the emission thresholds specified in subparagraph (e)(11)(A). Emissions reports and fee payment submittals are the responsibility of the owner/operator regardless of whether the owner/operator was notified.

If both the fee payment and the completed annual emissions report are not received by the ~~seventy-fifth (75th) day following January 1~~ official due date or the fee payment not received by ~~the seventy-fifth (75th) day following July 1~~ September 14 (for semi-annual and clean fuels fees), they shall be considered late, and surcharges for late payment shall be imposed as set forth in subparagraph (e)(10)(B). For the purpose of this subparagraph, the emissions fee payment and the emissions report shall be considered to be timely received by the District if it is delivered, postmarked, or electronically paid on or before ~~the seventy-fifth (75th) day following~~ the official due date. If the ~~seventy-fifth (75th) day~~ official due date falls on a Saturday, Sunday, or a ~~state~~ holiday (as set forth in Government Code Sections 6700 and 6701), the fee payment and emissions report may be delivered, postmarked, or electronically paid on the next business day following the Saturday, Sunday, or ~~state~~ holiday with the same effect as if they had been delivered, postmarked, or electronically paid on the ~~seventy-fifth (75th) day~~ official due date.

(B) ~~The 2025 annual emissions report and associated fee payment shall be considered to be timely received by the District if the report is electronically submitted and payment is delivered, postmarked, or electronically paid on or before May 1, 2026.~~ If fee payment and emissions report are not received within the time prescribed by subparagraph (e)(10)(A) or (e)(11)(C), a surcharge shall be assessed and added to the original amount of the emission fee due according to the following schedule:

Less than 30 days	5% of reported amount
30 to 90 days	15% of reported amount
91 days to 1 year	25% of reported amount
More than 1 year	(See subparagraph (e)(10)(D))

(C) If an annual emission fee or clean fuels fee is timely paid, and if, within one year after the ~~seventy-fifth (75th) day from the~~ official due date of the annual emission report is determined to be less than ninety percent (90%) of the full amount that should have been paid, a fifteen percent (15%) surcharge shall be added, and is calculated based on the difference between the amount actually paid and the amount that should have been paid, to be referred to as underpayment. If payment was ninety percent (90%) or more of the correct amount due, the difference or underpayment shall be paid but with no surcharges added. The fee rate to be applied shall be the fee rate in effect for the year in which the emissions actually occurred. If the underpayment is discovered after one (1) year ~~and seventy five (75) days~~ from the official fee due date of the annual emission report, fee rates and surcharges will be assessed based on subparagraph (e)(10)(D).

(D) The fees due and payable for the emissions reported or reportable pursuant to subparagraph (e)(8)(C) shall be assessed according to the fee rate for that contaminant specified in Tables III, IV, and V, and paragraph (e)(7) and further increased by fifty percent (50%). The fee rate to be applied shall be the fee rate in effect for the year in which the emissions actually occurred.

(E) Effective July 1, 2019, if the underpayment is a result of emissions related to a source test that was submitted to the Source Test unit for approval prior to or at the time the official AER submittal due date of the subject annual emission report, the difference or underpayment shall be paid, but with no surcharges added. The fee rate to be applied shall be the fee rate in effect for the year in which the emissions actually occurred.

(F) ~~If one hundred twenty (120) days have elapsed since January 1st, July 1st, or as applicable, and all emission fees including any surcharge have not been paid in full,~~ All emissions reporting fees for previous reporting period, including any surcharges, shall be paid in full by May 15 of the current reporting period; Clean Fuels Fees and Semi-Annual Installment Fees, including any surcharges, shall be paid in full by November 1 of the current year invoiced. Failure to pay these fees in accordance with these requirements shall constitute a violation of this subparagraph and the Executive Officer may take action to revoke all Permits to Operate for equipment on the premises, as authorized in Health and Safety Code Section 42307.

(11) Semi-Annual Emissions Fee Payment

(A) For facilities emitting the threshold amount of any contaminant listed below, the Executive Officer will estimate one half (1/2) of the previous annual emission fees and request that the permit holder pay such an amount as the first installment on annual emission fees for the current reporting period.

Air contaminant(s)	Annual emissions threshold (TPY)
Gaseous sulfur compounds (expressed as sulfur dioxide)	≥10 TPY
Total organic gases (excluding methane and exempt compounds as defined in Rule 102, and specific organic gases as specified in subdivision (b))	≥10 TPY
Specific organic gases as specified in subdivision (b)	≥10 TPY
Oxides of nitrogen (expressed as nitrogen dioxide)	≥10 TPY

Total particulate matter	≥10 TPY
Carbon monoxide	≥100 TPY

(B) In lieu of payment of one half the estimated annual emission fees, the owner/operator may choose to report and pay on actual emissions for the first six months (January 1 through June 30). By January 1 of the year following the reporting period, the permit holder shall submit a final Annual Emission Report together with the payment of the balance; the annual emission fees less the installment previously paid. The report shall contain an itemization of emissions for the preceding twelve (12) months of the reporting period (January 1 through December 31). ~~The final Annual Emission Report for 2025 emissions together with the payment of the balance (the annual emission fees less the installment previously paid) shall be considered to be timely received by the District if the report is electronically submitted and payment is delivered, postmarked, or electronically paid on or before May 1, 2026.~~

(C) An installment fee payment shall be considered late if not received by the District, or postmarked, on or before ~~the seventy-fifth (75th) day following July 1~~ September 14 of the current reporting period and shall be subject to a surcharge pursuant to subparagraph (e)(10)(B).

(12) Fee Payment Subject to Validation

Acceptance of a fee payment does not constitute validation of the emission data.

(13) Exempt Compounds

Emissions of acetone, ethane, methyl acetate, parachlorobenzotrifluoride (PCBTF), and volatile methylated siloxanes (VMS), shall not be subject to the fee requirements of Rule 301(e), but are subject to reporting requirements pursuant to CARB's Criteria and Toxics Reporting Regulation and/or the AB 2588 Air Toxics "Hot Spots" Emission Inventory Criteria and Guidelines Regulation.

(14) Reporting Emissions and Paying Fees

For the reporting period of January 1 through December 31, emission fees shall be determined in accordance with fee rates specified in Tables III and V, and paragraphs (e)(2) and (e)(7). Installment fees that have been paid for Semi-Annual Emission Fees shall not be subject to this provision.

(15) Deadline for Filing Annual Emissions Report and Fee Payment

Notwithstanding any other applicable Rule 301(e) provisions regarding the annual emissions report and emission fees, for the reporting period January 1 through December 31, the fee payment and the completed annual emissions report shall be delivered, postmarked, or electronically paid on or before the ~~seventy-fifth (75th) day following January 1~~ official due date of the subsequent year to avoid any late payment surcharges specified in subparagraph (e)(10)(B). ~~The 2025 annual emissions report and associated fee payment shall be considered to be timely~~

~~received by the District if the report is electronically submitted and payment is delivered, postmarked, or electronically paid on or before May 1, 2026.~~

Justification/Necessity/Equity

Rule 301 (e) sets forth requirements for the AER program, including the official due date of report submittal and associated fee payments. The current due date for annual emissions reports and payments is May 1 and was intended to be a temporary extension for the CTR phase in approach. Previously, a deadline of 75 days following January 1 was in effect. Now that CTR is in effect for all applicable facilities (excluding waste handling facilities), a permanent deadline of April 10 is proposed as more time will be needed, compared to previous years, for staff to assist with inquiries from a larger number of facilities. Stakeholders requested that the permanent deadline be extended to May 1st; however, that would adversely impact Finance Department's ability to finalize the budget for the fiscal year. Further, CARB staff commented that extending the deadline to May 1 prevents them from invoicing facilities subject to the CARB Nonvehicular Source, Consumer Products, and Architectural Coatings Fee Regulation in a timely manner, as invoices are dependent on final AER submittals. The April 10th extended deadline will benefit new and existing facilities by allowing them more time to complete the report in light of the additional report content pursuant to CTR while not compromising other program requirements.

4. Clarify Clean Fuels Fee

Description of Proposed Amendment

Health and Safety Code Section 40512 requires facilities with certain criteria emissions to pay an annual clean fuels fee. This requirement is included in Rule 301 (e)(6) and is an existing fee; this proposal is to clarify that requirement.

Proposed Amended Rule(s)

Rule 301(e)

(6) Clean Fuels Fee

Each facility emitting 250 tons or more per year (≥ 250 TPY) of Volatile Organic Compounds, Nitrogen Oxides, Sulfur Oxides, or ~~and~~ Particulate Matter shall pay an annual clean fuels fee for all emissions from each pollutant that exceeds 250 tons per year as prescribed in Table V (California Health and Safety Code Section 40512).

Justification/Necessity/Equity

Rule 301 (e)(6) sets forth requirements when a facility is subject to the clean fuels fee. With the current rule as written, it is unclear if the facility is subject to the fee if any or all of the listed criteria emission thresholds are exceeded. This proposal is to clarify language to conform with the current process, which is to assess the applicable clean fuels fee if any of the listed criteria pollutant threshold is exceeded.

5. Periodic Invoicing for Extended Time and Materials (T&M) Fees

Description of Proposed Amendment

This proposal is an enhancement of the current practice for invoicing the final fee for Initial Title V and Title V Renewals by allowing periodic invoicing for associated fees in addition to the initial

fee (for example public notice preparation, distribution, newspaper publication, etc.) and staff time beyond the number of hours included in the initial application fee payment (the amounts in subparagraph(m)(3)(B) Table for Initial Title V and 8 hours for Title V Renewals).

Allowing periodic invoicing for Initial Title V Permits and Title V Renewals to align with fiscal and regulatory best practices.

Proposed Amended Rule(s)

Rule 301(m)(3)(B)

(B) The applicant shall, upon notification by the ~~District~~ South Coast AQMD of the amount due when the permit is issued, pay the following final fee based on the time spent on the application:

Title V FINAL Fee				
Number of Devices	1-20	21-75	76-250	251+
Time Spent in Excess of:	8 Hours	30 Hours	70 Hours	120 Hours
On or after July 1, 2019	~~$324.14~~$334.51 per hour; up to a maximum total fee of ~~$39,574.84~~$40,841.23	~~$324.14~~$334.51 per hour; up to a maximum total fee of ~~$79,149.66~~$81,682.45	~~$324.14~~$334.51 per hour; up to a maximum total fee of ~~$202,609.42~~$209,092.92	~~$324.14~~$334.51 per hour; up to a maximum total fee of ~~$296,811.26~~$306,309.22

For applicants that did not pay the correct initial fee based on the actual number of devices, the fee when the permit is issued shall be equal to the correct initial fee less the initial fee actually paid, plus the final fee.

Applications submitted on or prior to January 15, 1998 shall not be subject to the final fee.

The applicant may request and submit periodic payments of accrued fees prior to permit issuance and determination of the final fee. The applicant shall, upon notification by the South Coast AQMD of the amount due when the final fee is determined, pay any remaining balance due.

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Rule 301(m)

(5) Renewal Fees

The fees for renewal of a Title V Facility Permit, at the end of the term specified on the permit, are specified in Table VII. Renewal fees include both an

initial processing fee that is due when the application is submitted, and a final fee assessed after ~~SCAQMD~~ South Coast AQMD evaluation is complete and the permit is issued, and is due upon notification by the ~~SCAQMD~~ South Coast AQMD of the amount due. The applicant may request and submit periodic payments of accrued fees prior to permit issuance and determination of the final fee. The applicant shall, upon notification by the South Coast AQMD of the amount due when the final fee is determined, pay any remaining balance due.

Justification/Necessity/Equity

The basis for this proposal is twofold: to have more consistent incoming fees related to Initial Title V Permits and Title V Renewals and avoid large invoices upon completion of these types of applications.

Initial Title V permits and renewals often take over a year to complete, and with growing public and stakeholder participation, the process is expected to become even more complex, further extending completion timelines. This proposal would allow the existing cost recovery mechanism for these application types to be timelier, resulting in more consistent incoming fees year-to-year.

The final fee for Initial Title V Permits and Title V Renewals can be very large. This proposal would allow costs to be more evenly distributed over the project duration, improve transparency, and reduce the financial burden of large post-completion invoices. In addition, providing periodic invoices will allow facilities to include the permitting costs in their annual budgets instead of having to absorb the potentially large costs in one lump sum.

In some cases, a permit applicant may choose to hire a consultant to support the engineering evaluation and reduce the amount of District staff time required on a T&M basis. Interim invoices provide transparency by showing work performed and fees incurred to date, allowing applicants to better evaluate whether using consulting services may be more cost-effective. Periodic invoicing will also provide transparency during application processing and allow facilities to better understand the financial impacts associated with processing delays and project scope changes.

Intermediate invoicing for high-cost applications will not change the cost recovery for these applications, but will provide transparency for the applicant about the costs being accrued while the facility still has an opportunity to take steps to reduce the time required by District staff to finalize the application. When faced with a large invoice at the end of an extensive permitting process, facilities often state that they were unaware of the costs being accrued, so intermediate invoicing would reduce the likelihood of facilities expressing that concern. This proposal allows for better financial planning for Title V facilities. This approach ensures greater equity for facilities from a financial planning standpoint while providing clearer visibility to the projected total processing costs. Interim invoicing would also provide applicants with earlier cost visibility and potential flexibility to pursue alternatives to South Coast AQMD T&M work where appropriate.

No fee impact anticipated. This proposal is to allow for the intermediate invoicing of a previous lump sum payment by allowing partial payments prior to project completion. This process will not change the total fee due.

CHAPTER 5: IMPACT ASSESSMENT

FISCAL IMPACT FOR SOUTH COAST AQMD

CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT

SOCIOECONOMIC IMPACT ASSESSMENT

Fiscal Impact for South Coast AQMD

The fiscal impacts of the proposed amendments to Regulation III, including those impacted only by the CPI increase as authorized by Rule 320, have been taken into consideration by the fiscal year 2026-27 budget and the related five-year projections.

California Environmental Quality Act

Pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Sections 15002(k) and 15061, the proposed amendments to Regulation III which involve charges by public agencies for the purpose of meeting operating expenses and financial reserve needs and requirements are statutorily exempt from CEQA pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15273. In addition, the proposed amendments to Regulation III which have no fee impact and are strictly administrative in nature, are exempt from CEQA pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15061(b)(3). A Notice of Exemption ~~will~~ has been prepared pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15062, and if the proposed project is approved, the Notice of Exemption will be filed for posting with the State Clearinghouse of the Governor's Office of Land Use and Climate Innovation, and with the county clerks of Los Angeles, Orange, Riverside, and San Bernardino counties.

Socioeconomic Impact Assessment

The socioeconomic analysis for Regulation III includes two documents.

1. The first document is the Socioeconomic Report Adjustment Based on Consumer Price Index (CPI) for Regulation III Fees. This is a separate report analyzing the fee impacts for the annual CPI increase authorized by Rule 320. A draft report was released for public review on March 13, 2026 and for reference, a brief summary is provided in the next section of this Staff Report.
2. The second document, which is the main focus of the analysis in this Staff Report, is the Socioeconomic Impact Assessment for the proposed amendments to Regulation III which have fee impacts that are separate from the automatic CPI adjustment as required by Rule 320.

Socioeconomic Report for Adjustment Based on Consumer Price Index for Regulation III Fees

Pursuant to South Coast AQMD Rule 320 and statutory fee authority established in Health and Safety Code Sections 40500.1 and 40510, most fees within Regulation III will be increased consistent with the change in the previous calendar year's California CPI. At the time when Rule 320 was adopted by the Governing Board on October 29, 2010, the Governing Board also adopted a Resolution requiring "the annual preparation of a socioeconomic impact analysis of the effect of the automatic adjustment based on the California CPI, in time for the consideration of the Budget Advisory Committee, public consideration by March 15, and the Governing Board's consideration on or before the May Board meeting."[24] As such, a Draft Socioeconomic Report of the automatic CPI increase as authorized by Rule 320 has been prepared as a separate report and

[24] South Coast AQMD, 2010, Adoption of Proposed Rule 320, Minutes of the October 29, 2010 Special Governing Board Meeting are found here: http://www3.aqmd.gov/hb/2010/November/11101a.htm

was posted on March 13, 2026[25] on South Coast AQMD's website at: https://www.aqmd.gov/docs/default-source/finance-budgets/fy-2026-27/draft-socioeconomic-report-for-adjustment-based-on-consumer-price-index-for-regulation-iii---fees.pdf.

Socioeconomic Impact Assessment for Proposed Amendments to Regulation III With Fee Impacts

A socioeconomic impact assessment was conducted for Proposed Amended Regulation III – Fees to provide information to the Governing Board and stakeholders but is not required per Health and Safety Code Sections 40440.8 and 40728.5 because air quality or emission limitations will not be significantly affected by the proposed amendments. This socioeconomic impact assessment analyzes the potential cost impacts of the proposed amendments to Regulation III seeking increased fees other than the automatic CPI-based fee rate increase authorized by Rule 320 which was analyzed in a separate report.[26] This socioeconomic impact assessment also includes an analysis of the estimated fee impacts for the various proposed amendments by industry sector.

Of the proposed amendments to Regulation III, eight amendments to Rule 301 and Rule 303 may have potential fee impacts, as outlined below:

Proposed Amended Rule 301 (PAR 301) seeks to:

- Revise Table IB to add laser cutting to Schedule B1;
- Retain administrative processing fees for permit application rejections; and
- Remove maximum fee cap for CEMS, FSMS, and ACEMS evaluations.

Proposed Amended Rule 303 (PAR 303) seeks to:

- Clarify language on the filing fees charged for petitioners submitting multiple variance requests;
- Clarify which portion of the filing fee is refunded when some petitions have already been acted on;
- Remove the Consent Calendar fee schedule;
- Correct excess emission fees for toxic air contaminants, and add diesel particulate matter as a toxic air contaminant; and
- Add a new administration fee for verifying or performing excess emission calculations.

Proposed Amendments with Fee Impacts

As summarized in Table 5-1, there are eight proposed amendments to Rule 301 and Rule 303 which have potential fee impacts. The total fee impacts of these proposed amendments are estimated to be $329,460 in FY 2026-27 and thereafter.[27]

[25] In 2026, March 15 falls on a Sunday; therefore, the report was posted on the preceding business day to ensure compliance with the established deadline.

[26] See *Draft Socioeconomic Report for Adjustment Based on Consumer Price Index for Regulations III – Fees,* released on March 13, 2026 and available at: https://www.aqmd.gov/docs/default-source/finance-budgets/fy-2026-27/draft-socioeconomic-report-for-adjustment-based-on-consumer-price-index-for-regulation-iii---fees.pdf

[27] All dollar amounts in this analysis are in 2026 US dollars and the socioeconomic impact assessment of the proposed amendments to Regulation III with potential fee impacts does not incorporate the 3.2% CPI adjustment authorized by Rule 320.

Table 5-1: Proposed Amendments with Fee Impacts

Proposed Amendment	Fee Impact FY 2026-2027 and Thereafter
PAR 301: New Fee Rate for Laser Cutting	($281,836)*
PAR 301: Retain Administrative Processing Fees for Application Rejections	$67,617
PAR 301: Remove Maximum Fee Cap for Evaluations of CEMS, FSMS, and ACEMS	$430,000
PAR 303: Clarify Hearing Board Filing Fees	$11,437
PAR 303: Clarify Hearing Board Refund Fees	$1,634
PAR 303: Remove Consent Calendar Fee Schedule	$1,069
PAR 303: Corrected and Update Hearing Board Toxic Air Contaminant Excess Emission Fees**	$50,000
PAR 303: New Administrative Fee for Verifying/Performing Excess Emission Calculations	$49,539
Total	**$329,460**

* Laser cutting is not currently defined in Rule 301 so the fee rate defaults to Schedule C. However, by adding laser cutting to Schedule 1B, the applicable fee rate for this equipment category will be less than Schedule C, which will in turn generate a cost savings for affected facilities.

**The actual fee impacts are expected to be less than $50,000 per year, but $50,000 was applied to conduct a worst-case analysis.

Overall, the fee impacts from the proposed amendments to PAR 301 and PAR 303 as summarized in Table 5-1 would have cost implications for nearly all industries within the South Coast AQMD jurisdiction. Table 5-2 shows the distribution of cost impacts from implementing the portions of PAR 301 and PAR 303 with potential fee impacts across various industries in the region. Specifically, the Utilities sector (NAICS 22) would bear the majority of the cost impacts, about $121,341 annually or 37% of annual cost impacts, followed by Services (NAICS 54-81) and Manufacturing (NAICS 31-33) sectors which would incur 27% and 12% of the cost impacts, respectively. Note that the disaggregated 3-digit sectors, such as Petroleum and Coal Products Manufacturing (NAICS 324), are expected to incur the biggest share of the cost impacts, accounting for 46% of total costs from the portions of PAR 301 and PAR 303 with potential fee impacts. All assumptions upon which the fee and cost impacts estimates are based are discussed in the following sections.

Table 5-2: Overall Cost Impact of PAR 301 and PAR 303 by Industry

Industry	NAICS	FY 2026-27 and thereafter	Share of Fee Impact
Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing & Hunting	**11**	**$1,828.10**	**0.6%**
Mining	**21**	**$9,926.24**	**3.0%**
Oil and Gas Extraction	211	$5,505.28	1.7%
Mining (except oil and gas)	212-213	$4,420.96	1.3%
Construction	**23**	**$1,597.45**	**0.5%**
Manufacturing	**31-33**	**$39,895.74**	**12.1%**
Food Manufacturing	311	$11,298.37	3.4%
Wood Products Manufacturing	321	$505.13	0.2%
Petroleum and Coal Products Mfg.	324	$151,273.91	45.9%
Chemical Manufacturing	325	$16,758.30	5.1%
Nonmetallic Mineral Product Mfg.	327	$15,135.20	4.6%
Primary & Fabricated Metal Mfg.	331-332	-$58,300.27	-17.7%
Machinery Manufacturing	333	-$24,904.69	-7.6%
Computer and Electronic Product Mfg.	334	-$7,893.37	-2.4%
Electrical Equipment & Appliance Mfg.	335	-$17,990.47	-5.5%
Motor Vehicle & Trans. Equipment Mfg.	336	-$34,061.99	-10.3%
Other Manufacturing	312-339	-$11,924.37	-3.6%
Utilities	**22**	**$121,340.93**	**36.8%**
Transportation & Warehousing	**48-49**	**$22,268.56**	**6.8%**
Information	**51**	**$3,198.80**	**1.0%**
Publishing Industries, Except Internet	511	$57.85	0.0%

Industry	NAICS	FY 2026-27 and thereafter	Share of Fee Impact
Motion Picture & Sound Recording	512	$906.46	0.3%
Internet Services and data processing	518-519	$156.52	0.0%
Other Information	Other in 51	$2,077.97	0.6%
Wholesale Trade	**42**	**-$8,777.16**	**-2.7%**
Retail Trade	**44-45**	**$27,582.43**	**8.4%**
Finance and Insurance	**52**	**$3,223.30**	**1.0%**
Real Estate and Rental Leasing	**53**	**$5,895.46**	**1.8%**
Services	**54-81**	**$89,415.82**	**27.1%**
Professional and Technical Services	54	$2,130.86	0.6%
Administrative and support services	561	$5,426.22	1.6%
Waste management and remediation services	562	$16,157.38	4.9%
Educational Services	61	$13,622.10	4.1%
Health Care & Social Assistance	62	$23,967.28	7.3%
Accommodation	721	$1,286.38	0.4%
Food Services & Drinking Places 722	722	$6,212.22	1.9%
Other Services	Other in 54-81	$20,613.37	6.3%
Public Administration	**92**	**$36,889.30**	**11.2%**
Unclassified*	**N/A**	**-$24,824.93**	**-7.5%**
Total		**$329,460.03**	**100.0%**

*Facilities with no NAICS codes assigned are categorized as "unclassified."

1. **PAR 301: Revise Table IB to Add Laser Cutting Category to Schedule B1**
   The proposal seeks to revise Table IB in Rule 301 to add laser cutting to Schedule B1. Upon addition of the new category, any application seeking an air permit for laser cutting activities

will be subject to the B1 fee schedule, including annual operating permit renewal fees for existing laser cutting permits. The new laser cutting category will result in a cost savings because this equipment category is not currently defined in Rule 301, so the fee rate defaults to Schedule C. However, by adding laser cutting to Schedule B1 in PAR 301, the applicable fee rate for this equipment category will be less than Schedule C.

There are currently 106 affected facilities with 193 active permits for the laser cutting equipment category. As set forth in Rule 301, subdivision (d), the annual operating permit renewal fee for a non-Title V facility with Schedule C equipment is $2,025.92, while the corresponding fee for Schedule B1 equipment is $565.63. The difference between these two fees represents a cost savings of $1,460.29 per permit renewal. Applying this savings to the 193 active permits results in a total reduction in annual operating permit renewal costs of $281,835.97. The largest share of affected facilities is in the Fabricated Metal Product Manufacturing sector (NAICS 332), which accounts for about 30% of all the affected facilities. This sector also holds the largest share of permits, with approximately 26% of the 193 active permits affected by this proposal. Therefore, the Fabricated Metal Product Manufacturing sector would receive the largest share of the total fee reductions, estimated at $74,474.79 annually.

2. **PAR 301: Retain Administrative Processing Fees for Permit Application Rejections**
Currently, each application received initially undergoes a multi-step, administrative process to determine whether it should be rejected or routed for further review and processing. Existing practice is that all application fees are refunded when an application is rejected, which does not allow South Coast AQMD to recover costs related to staff time spent reviewing each application and requesting additional information as needed.

   To be consistent with the existing cost recovery mechanism in Rule 301(c)(6)(A) relative to application cancellation fees, the proposal seeks to apply an application rejection fee in an amount equal to the application cancellation fee to recover costs associated with staff review time. The current application cancellation fee for FY 2025–26 is $300.52, which is deducted prior to issuing a refund. In 2025, approximately 860 applications were rejected. By applying the current application cancellation fee rate of $300.52 as a surrogate for when applications are rejected, the proposal is expected to retain approximately $67,617 in additional revenue, allowing South Coast AQMD to partially recover costs associated with the administrative review of incomplete applications. The proposal would potentially affect facilities needing permit applications from all industries within South Coast AQMD jurisdiction.

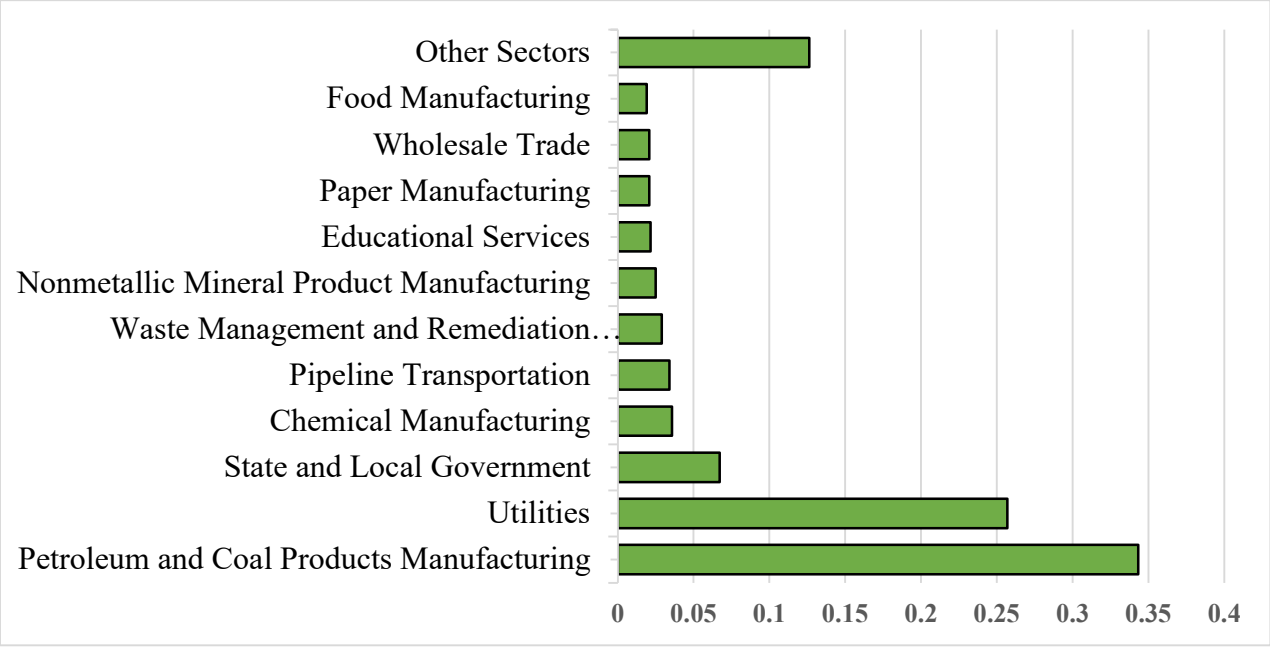
3. **PAR 301: Remove Maximum Fee Cap for Evaluations of CEMS, FSMS, and ACEMS**
Rule 301(j)(5) contains fees for conducting evaluations of CEMS, FSMS, and ACEMS. As specified in Rule 301 – Table IIB a maximum fee, which is the equivalent of approximately 28 hours of staff time, can be charged. Currently, the maximum fee for evaluating CEMS, FSMS, and ACEMS underestimates the amount of actual staff time and materials expended which, in turn, means the South Coast AQMD is not recovering enough fees for these evaluation activities. For example, based on work program codes, conducting evaluations of CEMS, FSMS, and ACEMS are projected to cost the South Coast AQMD $630,000 in FY 2025-26; meanwhile, the average annual revenue for the past three fiscal years was only $110,000 and the projected annual revenue for the next three years is $200,000 annually.

To remedy this discrepancy and completely recover the entire costs associated with conducting these evaluations going forward, the proposal seeks to remove the maximum fee from the CEMS, FSMS, and ACEMS Fee Schedule in Table IIB. Additionally for consistency, the proposal will remove the maximum fee cap from Rule 301 subparagraph (j)(5)(A) through subparagraph (j)(5)(E). Under this proposal, the applicant will be charged the basic fee, which covers up to the specified number of evaluation hours and any additional time beyond the specified hours will be billed on a time-and-materials basis at the applicable hourly fee rate, with no maximum fee cap for the additional charge. [28]

Removing the maximum fee cap for all evaluations, including certified CEMS, FSMS, and ACEMS, leads to a projected $430,000 increase in annual revenue, which is based on the difference between the actual approval cost in FY 25-26 ($630,000) and ~~subtracting that from~~ the projected annual revenue of $200,000 ~~annually~~. To date, 419 facilities have applied for CEMS, FSMS and ACEMS certifications in South Coast AQMD; however, the number of facilities that will apply for the certifications and be subject to the fee impact in the future cannot be forecasted.

Figure 5-1 illustrates the distribution of total annual fee impacts of this proposal across various industries. Sectors of Petroleum and Coal Products Manufacturing (NAICS 324), Utilities (NAICS 22), and State and Local Government (NAICS 92) are the top three industries which would be the most affected and incur 34%, 26% and 7% of total annual fee impacts of this proposal, respectively.

Figure 5-1: Distribution of Proposed Rule 301 Remove Maximum Fee Cap for CEMS, FSMS, and ACEMS Evaluations Impact by Industry



[28] Covers up to 40 hours evaluation time for the first two components, 60 hours for the first four components, and up to an additional 12 hours for each component beyond four. Excess hours beyond these will be charged at $223.14 per hour, to the maximum listed in the table.

4. PAR 303: Clarify Hearing Board Filing Fees Charged for Petitioners Submitting Multiple Variance Requests

The filing fee schedule in Rule 303, Table III does not clearly specify the fee requirements for filing petitions that include requests seeking multiple variances within a single petition. The purpose of this proposal is to clarify that any additional variance included in the same petition will be subject to a separate filing fee. For example, if a petition includes requests for an interim and short-term variance and an ex parte emergency variance, the petitioner would be required to pay two filing fees as follows:

1. $2,042.38 for interim and short-term variance; and
2. $1,633.91 for ex parte emergency variance

Based on hearing board records, approximately seven petitions are submitted each year which seek multiple variances. Thus, this proposal will bring in additional fee revenue for petitions which seek multiple variances, with a minimum increase in annual fee revenue of approximately $11,437.37. This proposal would potentially affect facilities from all industries within South Coast AQMD jurisdiction.

5. PAR 303: Clarify Which Portion of the Filing Fee Is Refunded for Petitions on Which the Hearing Board Has Taken Action

Currently, applicants may file petitions containing multiple variances (e.g., ex parte emergency, interim, and short-term variances) and later withdraw one or more while receiving partial refunds, resulting in a reduced overall filing fee, even after the Hearing Board has taken action on the portion being withdrawn. In some cases, this practice has resulted in petitioners paying a lower fee than intended. For example, if a source test shows noncompliance, an emergency or ex parte variance may be granted so the equipment can continue operating until a new source test is completed. If the follow-up test shows compliance and the interim variance is withdrawn, the applicant receives a $1,021.19 refund (50% of the $2,042.38 fee). As a result, the petitioner pays $1,021.19 for the ex parte variance instead of the full $1,633.91 fee which means that the South Coast AQMD Hearing Board is not recovering all of the costs involved with reviewing and processing petitions.

The purpose of the proposal is to clarify that refunds of Hearing Board filing fees can only be issued when all variances included in a petition are withdrawn. The proposal also specifies that refunds will not apply to variances on which the Hearing Board has already taken action.

While the amendment is primarily intended to provide clarification, a small increase in fee revenue is expected for petitions which include multiple variances. Based on Hearing Board records, approximately one petition per year has withdrawn one or more variance. By this metric, this proposal is estimated to annually increase revenue by $1,633.91. This proposal would potentially affect facilities in all industries within South Coast AQMD jurisdiction.

6. PAR 303: Remove the Consent Calendar Fee Schedule

Rule 303 currently includes a Consent Calendar fee in Table III. The purpose of this proposal is to remove the lower fees associated with variances that are directed to the Consent Calendar. The work performed by staff for Consent Calendar items is the same as for other petitions; the only difference is the amount of time spent in the hearing, which is a small

fraction of the time staff spends on petitions. Furthermore, most petitioners do not pay the fees set forth in Table III since the request to place their item on the Consent Calendar occurs after the petition is filed with the applicable fee and a hearing is scheduled. To qualify for the Consent Calendar fee, the petitioner must request the Consent Calendar placement at the time of filing their petition. ~~There is no refund of the standard filing fee, however, if the petitioner later requests to have the matter placed on the Consent Calendar.~~

Currently, petitioners typically pay a standard filing fee and are later directed by the Hearing Board to the Consent Calendar, with no option for a partial refund. Because consent calendar petitions require similar staff resources as public hearings, maintaining a lower fee schedule is no longer aligned with current practices.

While intended primarily for clarification purposes, this proposal will result in a minimal increase in fees when petitions are initially directed to the Consent Calendar. At least one petition per year is submitted at the lower Consent Calendar rate. Thus, by eliminating the lower fee, revenue would increase by approximately $1,069.24 per petition, representing the difference between the standard filing fee of $1,633.91 and the Consent Calendar filing fee of $564.67. This proposal would potentially affect facilities in all industries within South Coast AQMD jurisdiction.

7. PAR 303: Correct Excess Emission Fees for Toxic Air Contaminants, and Add Diesel Particulate Matter as a Toxic Air Contaminant

The purpose of this proposal is to update Table 1 of Rule 303 by correcting an unintentional error which resulted in excess emission fees of toxic air contaminants (TACs) being charged in terms of dollars per ton instead of dollars per pound. Hearing Board cases involving toxic air contaminants typically require more time, analysis, and scrutiny from both staff and Hearing Board members due to the greater potential health impacts involved, such that making this correction will ensure that costs for these efforts are recovered.

This proposal also seeks to include excess emissions fees for diesel particulate matter (DPM) which is a known toxic subject to emission fees, as applicable, in Rule 301. Common practice is for petitioners seeking variances for emergency backup engines exceeding their allowed 200 hours of operation and harmful DPM is emitted in the exhaust of this equipment; however, Rule 303 does not currently have a mechanism in place to recover the excess emissions of DPM. There are exemptions for operating the engines during emergencies where all fees are waived, so including the excess emission fee for DPM will not impact emergency use.

The fee impact of this proposal is expected to be less than $50,000 annually; however, for the purposes of this analysis, the worst-case impact is assumed to be $50,000 per year. This proposal would potentially affect facilities in all industries within South Coast AQMD jurisdiction.

8. PAR 303: Include an Administration Fee for Verifying or Performing Excess Emission Calculations

Many Hearing Board cases involve emissions discharged during the variance period in excess of what is allowed by the rules or permit conditions. Rule 303 requires that facilities

pay for excess emissions during variance periods. In such cases, staff time to review, calculate, and verify the excess emissions is needed. However, the current rule does not include a cost recovery mechanism for staff time.

Therefore, this proposal establishes a fee structure to recover staff costs for reviewing permit and regulatory emission equivalent limits, calculating, and/or verifying excess emissions resulting from the non-compliant activities that occur during variances based on the actual staff review time.

The proposal will provide cost recovery for staff time spent reviewing and calculating excess emissions for variance cases. The time needed to review each calculation varies with case complexity, but most cases take approximately five hours to complete. Based on the current time and materials rate in Rule 301 - Table Fee Rate-A, the hourly fee is $258.67 for non-Title V facilities and $324.14 for Title V facilities. The average of these two rates is approximately $291.41. Applying this average rate to the typical five-hour review time results in an average charge of $1,457.03 per case. Multiplying this average charge by the 34 hearing board cases in 2025 yields an estimated additional annual revenue of approximately $49,538.85. It should be noted that more complex cases requiring over five hours of review will generate additional recoverable revenue. This proposal would potentially affect all facilities in all industries within South Coast AQMD jurisdiction.

CHAPTER 6: FINDINGS UNDER HEALTH AND SAFETY CODE

REQUIREMENTS TO MAKE FINDINGS

NECESSITY

EQUITY

AUTHORITY

CLARITY

CONSISTENCY

NON-DUPLICATION

REFERENCE

Requirements to Make Findings

H&SC Section 40727 requires that prior to adopting, amending, or repealing a rule or regulation, the South Coast AQMD Governing Board shall make findings of necessity, authority, clarity, consistency, non-duplication, and reference, as well as findings of equity under H&SC Section 40510.5(a) based on relevant information presented at the public hearing and in the staff report.

Necessity

Annual CPI updates to Regulation III – Fees, including Rules 301, 303, 304, 304.1, 306, 307.1, 308, 309, 311, 313, 314, 315, 316 and 316.2, are necessary to recover South Coast AQMD's costs as a result of inflation. All fees are necessary to fund the fiscal year 2026-27 Budget. Based on the analysis provided in Chapter 3 of this report, a need exists for new or modified fees necessary to provide cost recovery for Regulation III rules including but not be limited to Rule 301 and Rule 303. Finally, the amendments set forth in the no fee impact/administrative change in Chapter 4 of this report are necessary to add rule clarity or make necessary administrative changes to Rule 301.

Equity

H&SC Section 40510.5(a) requires the South Coast AQMD Governing Board to find that an increased fee will result in an equitable apportionment of fees when increasing fees beyond the CPI. Based on the analysis provided in Chapter 3 of this report, the proposed new fees or modified fee rates are found to be equitably apportioned as they are based on either the complexity of equipment and work required for permit evaluation and implementation, or on the amount and type of emissions from the facility, or on processing and implementing time for Hearing Board cases, which is reasonably related to the burden imposed on the South Coast AQMD.

Authority

The South Coast AQMD Governing Board obtains its authority to adopt, amend, or repeal rules and regulations from H&SC Sections 40000, 40001, 40440, 40500, 40501.1, 40502, 40506, 40510, 40510.5, 40512, 40522, 40522.5, 40523, 40702, and 44380.

Clarity

The South Coast AQMD Governing Board has determined that Regulation III – Fees, including Rules 301, 303, 304, 304.1, 306, 307.1, 308, 309, 311, 313, 314, 315, 316 and 316.2, as proposed to be amended, are written or displayed so that their meaning can be easily understood by the persons directly affected by them.

Consistency

The South Coast AQMD Governing Board has determined that Regulation III – Fees, including Rules 301, 303, 304, 304.1, 306, 307.1, 308, 309, 311, 313, 314, 315, 316 and 316.2, as proposed to be amended, are in harmony with, and not in conflict with or contradictory to, existing statutes, court decisions, or state or federal regulations.

Non-Duplication

The South Coast AQMD Governing Board has determined that Regulation III – Fees, including Rules 301, 303, 304, 304.1, 306, 307.1, 308, 309, 311, 313, 314, 315, 316 and 316.2, as proposed

to be amended, do not impose the same requirements as any existing state or federal regulation and are necessary and proper to execute the power and duties granted to and imposed upon South Coast AQMD.

Reference

The South Coast AQMD Governing Board, in amending these rules, references the following statutes which South Coast AQMD hereby implements, interprets, or makes specific: H&SC Sections 40500, 40500.1, 40510, 40510.5, 40512, 40522, 40522.5, 40523, 41512, 42300 et seq., and 44380.

APPENDIX A: RESPONSE TO COMMENTS

Staff held the Public Consultation Meetings on March 17 and April 7, 2026, to provide a summary of proposed amended rules. This appendix includes the verbal comments received at the Public Consultation Meetings and written comments received during the public comment period.

Response to Comments

Comment PC-1: Concerns on the increase of NOx emission fee

Ramine Ross of the Western States Petroleum Association, Bill Quinn with the California Council for Environmental and Economic Balance, Curtis Coleman, and Neal Davenport all expressed concerns on the magnitude, public process, and basis of the increase NOx emission fee.

Response to Comment PC-1

Staff removed the NOx emission fee increase proposal for this year's Regulation III amendments. An increase to the NOx emission fees may be included in a future Reg III amendment. Staff will ensure that there is adequate public input on the proposals.

Comment PC-2: Amendment related to work as responsible agency role for CEQA

Curtis Coleman asked for clarification on adding the responsible agency role for CEQA.

Response to Comment PC-2

Staff explained the proposal and noted that a more comprehensive description of the scope of CEQA-related activities with costs recovered in practice is provided in the proposed rule language.

Comment PC-3: Concerns on the deadline for emissions reports

Cindy Parsons of the Los Angeles Department of Water and Power stated the due date for emissions reports had recently been extended to May 1st to allow CTR facilities additional time to complete the reports. Ms. Parsons requested the due date be permanently changed to May 1st rather than April 1st and presented several other options, including keeping the reporting deadline at April 1st and changing the payment deadline to May 1st, or having separate deadline of May 1st for the CTR facilities.

Response to Comment PC-3

Rule 301 requires a deadline of 75 days following January 1 (March 17), for annual emission report and payment. The 2025 due date for annual emissions reports and payments was extended to May 1 and was intended to be temporary for the phase–in periods of CTR. The 2027 due date for annual emission reports and payments will represent nearly the entire phased-in universe of CTR facilities (excluding Phase 3B facilities). Permanently changing the due date for emissions reporting to May 1st would adversely impact Finance Department's ability to accurately recognize revenue for the fiscal year. Further, CARB staff commented that extending the deadline to May 1 prevents them from invoicing facilities subject to the CARB Nonvehicular Source, Consumer Products, and Architectural Coatings Fee Regulation in a timely manner, as invoices are dependent on final AER submittals. Staff will also need sufficient time following the deadline to process the much larger emissions dataset prior to transmitting the data to CARB. The initially proposed April 1st extended deadline from the original March deadline is being proposed to be extended further to April 10th that will benefit new and existing facilities by allowing them more time to complete the report in light of the additional report content pursuant to CTR while not compromising other program

requirements. Regarding the suggestion on bifurcating the deadlines for reporting and payment, there would be a procedural concern when payments are processed along with report, and it causes complications on issues of determining compliance. CTR abbreviated reports require less input from reporters compared to regular annual emission reports and much information is carried over from previous years in the reporting system and abbreviated report fee is a flat fee regardless of the input in the report, and thus do not have the need to have a separate deadline of May 1st.

Comment PC-4: Attesting complete information for excess emissions calculations

Cindy Parsons of the Los Angeles Department of Water and Power asked if there is a South Coast AQMD provided form for attesting the complete information for excess emissions calculation.

Response to Comment PC-4

The current form provided to petitioners for excess emissions will be modified to include a space for petitioners attesting the completeness and accuracy of the provided information.

Comment PC-5: Application rejections

Bill Quinn from the California Council for Environmental and Economic Balance commented that the fee for application rejections should not prevent South Coast AQMD staff from communicating with facilities before rejecting applications.

Response to Comment PC-5

The application rejection fee is not intended to discourage staff engagement or dialogue with applicants to obtain information necessary for permit processing. Rather, the fee recovers pre-evaluation review costs where staff have made reasonable efforts, including outreach and dialogue, to obtain required information, but the applicant fails to provide it, resulting in rejection of the application as incomplete and a refund less the rejection fee.

Comment PC-6: Source Test Engineering Staffing

Curtis Coleman from Southern California Air Quality Alliance asked about staffing levels in the Source Testing group and the current workload, including CEMS analysis, lab certifications, and approvals.

Response to Comment PC-6

Source Test Engineering's resources and workload are examined routinely (at least annually) and recommendations are made in accordance to existing and anticipated workloads. There are currently 19 Full-Time Employees (FTEs) in Source Test Engineering, including 6 FTEs dedicated to CEMS approvals. The Proposed FY 2026-27 Budget does include two additional FTEs for the Source Test Engineering team. South Coast AQMD is launching a source test tracking system to increase transparency and provide data analytics to better track and identify areas for improvement. Based on additional data collected, future budgets may identify the need for additional FTEs for this team.

Comment Letter #1:

From: Nathan Toobian <arcosandimas@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, March 4, 2026 4:57 PM
To: Peter Campbell <pcampbell@aqmd.gov>
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Re: Proposed Amended Regulation III - Fees - Public Consultation Meeting

Hi Mr Campbell,

I would like to voice my concern and vote against the fee increase.

A raise in fees will only be passed onto consumers and result in consumers paying the increased fees and not the permit holders.

Consumers have already dealt with enough increases all the way from food to their cell phone bills.

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Response to Comment 1-1

Staff understands the challenges with business costs being passed onto consumers. The current proposal relies primarily on the CPI adjustment, while other proposed changes have very small fee impact. The proposed fees are no more than necessary to cover the South Coast AQMD's reasonable costs. Staff has also provided a socioeconomic impact report which analyzes and justifies the impacts from the proposed fees.

Comment Letter #2:

From: Vincent Petroleum Inc. <206chevron@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, April 13, 2026 1:26 PM
To: Peter Campbell; Sina Taghvaee; Xian-Liang (Tony) Tian; COB; Clerk of Board
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Opposition to Proposed Rule 311 (Permit Fee Increases) – May 1st Hearing

To the South Coast AQMD Board,

I am writing as a local business owner in West Covina to express my **total opposition** to the proposed 3.2% fee increase and the addition of new administrative fees.

The timing of this proposal shows a complete lack of regard for the economic reality facing California small businesses and consumers. We are currently navigating an extreme energy crisis where gas prices are hovering near **$6.00 per gallon**. My customers are already under immense financial pressure due to this "gas price madness," and my business is struggling to maintain margins amidst rising operational costs.

As a station owner, I want the Board to understand the following:

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- **Passed-on Costs:** Every dollar increase in AQMD fees is a cost that must eventually be passed on to the consumer. At a time when the public is struggling to afford the commute to work, the government should be looking for ways to reduce fees, not increase them.
- **Operational Burden:** Between Gasoline, Diesel, and E85, we are already one of the most heavily regulated and taxed industries in the state. Adding a "Cost of Living Adjustment" for a government agency while small business owners are seeing their own cost of living skyrocket is unfair and unsustainable.
- **Economic Hostility:** Proposing fee increases during a period of record-high fuel prices feels like an act of economic hostility toward the very businesses that keep the state moving.

I strongly urge the Board to **reject the 3.2% increase** and instead find internal budget efficiencies to cover your administrative costs. Our community cannot afford another price hike at the pump, even if it is hidden in the form of regulatory fees.

Sincerely,

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Response to Comment 2-1

The 3.2% increase is based on the Consumer Price Index increase for the previous year, which measures the increase in costs for a variety of goods and services in 2025, including energy, vehicles, and fuel. Government agencies, like the South Coast AQMD, are also impacted by cost

increases due to inflation and loss of certain federal funding. While we strive to keep costs low and improve efficiencies, the proposed 3.2% increase is necessary to cover the South Coast AQMD's reasonable costs.

The impact to fee paying facilities is detailed in the Socioeconomic Report for Adjustment Based on Consumer Price Index for Regulation III – Fees, which estimates the average annual impact to gas stations as approximately $190, or $16 per month. Overall, the costs of complying with the current fee rates in Regulation III are small relative to the region-wide industry output or value-added (less than 0.012 percent).

Other proposed additional administrative fees are either for variances that allow facilities to continue operating in violation of rules without penalty or permit application being rejected when facilities do not respond to staff's request for sufficient information for permit evaluation. Most facilities, including gasoline stations, will not be subject to those fees.

Further information can be found in response to comment 1-1.

Comment Letter #3:

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Subject: Comments on Annual Emission Report and Fee Payment Due Date in Rule 301 – Permitting and Associated Fees

Dear Mr. Krause:

The Los Angeles Department of Water and Power (LADWP) appreciates the opportunity to comment on Proposed Amended Rule 301 (PAR 301) at the Public Consultation Meeting held April 7, 2026, and the responses from South Coast Air Quality Management District (SCAQMD) staff both during and after the meeting. Please convey our appreciation to the staff for addressing our questions.

The purpose of this letter is to follow up regarding our request for more time to prepare and submit the Annual Emission Reports (AER) and pay the emission fees. During the Public Consultation Meeting, LADWP requested the due date for AER submittals and emission fee payments be changed from April 1 to May 1. If the AER submittal due date remains April 1, LADWP requested to decouple the emission fee payment due date from the AER submittal due date such that if the AER reports are due April 1, then the emission fees could be paid by May 1.

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Based on a follow-up discussion with AER staff, LADWP understands that SCAQMD does not plan to extend the AER due date in Rule 301 to May 1 at this time. However, LADWP respectfully asks SCAQMD to reconsider our request due to the significant increase in the number of reports to be submitted starting next year. LADWP provides the following reasons to support our request:

1) Large facilities must prepare and submit multiple reports to regulatory agencies in the first quarter of the year, some of which provide data used in the AER. An April 1 AER due date means these reports must be prepared in parallel rather than sequentially.

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2) Beginning with 2026 emission data reported in 2027 and each year thereafter, LADWP will be required to prepare and submit 74 AERs which include Additional Applicability facilities under the California Air Resources Board (CARB) Regulation for the Reporting of Criteria Air Pollutants and Toxic Air Contaminants (CTR) program. Preparing AERs for 74 facilities will require significantly more time compared to our regular four to seven facility AERs. For three out of the past four years, SCAQMD extended the AER reporting and fee payment due date to May 1 to allow reporters more time as the CTR Additional Applicability reporting requirements were phased in.

   The scope of the AER includes emission reporting to satisfy multiple purposes (SCAQMD Annual Emissions, CTR, the AB 2588 Hot Spots Program, and Rule 317.1). Preparing the AER is complicated by having to report emissions from both permitted and unpermitted sources as well as identify if products used at the facility contain ingredients on the list of Toxic Air Contaminants to be reported. From a practical perspective, a May 1 due date is appropriate to allow sufficient time to collect data and prepare the AERs considering the multiple source categories (e.g. stationary and portable equipment, architectural coatings, clean air solvents, etc.) included in the scope of the AER. For LADWP, this detailed approach to emission identification and reporting consumes a significant amount of time and will apply to all 74 AERs including the CTR Additional Applicability facilities.

3) LADWP's internal process for processing payments and issuing checks can take two to three weeks. Since the emission fees are based on the AER, data must be collected and the report prepared before we can request payment. If the due date to submit the AERs and pay the emission fees is April 1, LADWP staff will be hard pressed to prepare 74 reports by the second week in March to allow enough time to request payment and submit the checks to SCAQMD by April 1. Payments will be required for all 74 reports since a filing fee is now required for each Abbreviated Report. Paying by check is our primary method; other payment options such as credit card and wire transfer are limited to certain types of transactions.

If SCAQMD cannot decouple the AER and fee payment due dates, LADWP offers the following alternatives:

1) Establish a later AER due date (May 1) for CTR Additional Applicability facilities due to the large volume of reports.

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2) If the AER due date is April 1, waive the late payment penalty until May 1 to allow reporters sufficient time to pay the emission fees.

Thank you for your consideration of these comments. Should you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact Ms. Cindy Parsons, of my staff, at (213) 367-0636 or cindy.parsons@ladwp.com.

Sincerely,

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Response to Comment 3-1

See comment PC-3.

Attachment I

SOUTH COAST AIR QUALITY MANAGEMENT DISTRICT

Final Socioeconomic Report for Adjustment Based on Consumer Price Index for Regulation III – Fees

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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

As set forth in South Coast Air Quality Management District's (South Coast AQMD) Rule 320 – Automatic Adjustment Based on Consumer Price Index for Regulation III Fees and the statutory fee authority established in Health and Safety Code Sections 40500.1 and 40510, most fees within Regulation III – Fees are required to be automatically adjusted by the change in the California Consumer Price Index (CPI) for the preceding calendar year unless the South Coast AQMD Governing Board decides to forego the increase. (CPI). The October 29, 2010, South Coast AQMD Governing Board Resolution requires an assessment of the adjusted fee rates based on the previous year's CPI by March 15 of every year. For the calendar year from December 2024 to December 2025, the California CPI increased by 3.2 percent. Thus, a socioeconomic analysis was conducted to assess the impacts of an automatic adjustment to the applicable Fees in Regulation III by 3.2 percent.

The analysis provides background information, historical revenue trends, sector distributions, and estimated increased fee revenue from the CPI adjustment of South Coast AQMD fees. This report evaluates the application of a 3.2 percent increase in CPI to the collected fees reported generally in Fiscal Year (FY) 2024-2025, but in some cases, in Calendar Year (CY) 2025. The following presents a summary of the analysis and findings.

Fee Increases

Pursuant to Rule 320 and Health and Safety Code Sections 40500.1 and 40510, a 3.2 percent increase of most fee rates contained in Regulation III (equivalent to the change in California CPI from December 2024 to December 2025) will be applied, effective July 1, 2026. Increases made pursuant to Rule 320 are automatic unless the South Coast AQMD Governing Board decides to forego them.

Affected Facilities

Nearly all facilities regulated by South Coast AQMD, covering most economic sectors, would be affected by the automatic fee increases required by Rule 320.

Approach and Findings

The analysis examines the impact of existing Regulation III fees on various industries. The fees examined include emissions fees, permit processing fees, annual permit renewal fees, asbestos fees, architectural coatings fees, source testing fees, toxic hot spot fees, and fees related to the implementation of mobile source programs.

Current fee rates and the most recent equipment and activity profiles of individual facilities were used to generate facility-level fee estimates. These estimates were aggregated to the industry level. The manufacturing sector is the largest contributor to South Coast AQMD's emission fees (62 percent), permit processing fees (33 percent), and annual permit renewal fees (39 percent). Overall, the costs of complying with the current fee rates in Regulation III are small relative to the region-wide industry output or value-added (less than 0.012 percent).

Impacts of Fee Increases

Based on the fee categories examined in this analysis and last year's activity levels, the CPI-based fee-rate increase of 3.2 percent is projected to bring additional revenue totaling $4.11 million to the South Coast AQMD. The manufacturing sector would incur the largest increase in fees (approximately $1.66 million for about 3,021 facilities), followed by the services sector (approximately $0.71 million for about 8,929 facilities) and the retail trade sector (approximately $0.57 million for about 4,171 facilities). Within the manufacturing sector, the petroleum and coal products manufacturing industry consisting of 146 facilities, mostly comprised of refineries, would experience an increase of approximately $0.75 million.

INTRODUCTION

The South Coast Air Quality Management District (South Coast AQMD) General Fund consists of revenues from many sources, as required by the multiple fee rules which comprise Regulation III – Fees.[1] The majority of South Coast AQMD revenues are comprised of emission fees, annual renewal fees, permit processing fees, asbestos fees, architectural coatings fees, and a portion of vehicle registration fees collected by the state (mobile sources/clean fuels). Other sources of revenues include Hearing Board fees, source test/analysis fees, fees for implementing mobile source programs such as Rule 2202 – Mobile Source Emissions Mitigation Programs and Rule 2305 – Warehouse Indirect Source Rule – Warehouse Actions and Investments to Reduce Emissions (WAIRE) Program, reimbursement for work associated with the Air Toxics Hot Spots Program in accordance with Assembly Bill (AB) 2588), civil penalties/settlements, and other revenues.

In addition, as established in Rule 320 – Automatic Adjustment Based on Consumer Price Index for Regulation III Fees in accordance with the statutory fee authority set forth in Health and Safety Code Sections 40500.1 and 40510, most fees within Regulation III are required to be automatically adjusted by the change in the California Consumer Price Index (CPI) for the preceding calendar year, unless the South Coast AQMD Governing Board decides to forego the increase.[2] In addition, the October 29, 2010 South Coast AQMD Governing Board Resolution requires an annual socioeconomic analysis of the adjusted fee rates based on the previous calendar year's CPI by March 15.[3] For the most recent calendar year (e.g., from December 2024 to December 2025), the California CPI increased by 3.2 percent. Thus, a socioeconomic analysis was conducted to assess the impacts of an automatic adjustment to the applicable fees in Regulation III by 3.2 percent.

As set forth in Rule 320 subdivision (b), the automatic fee adjustment goes into effect at the start of South Coast AQMD's fiscal year (FY) which runs from July 1 to June 30.[4] The annual, automatic increase in fee rates for the past five fiscal years (FY) and the upcoming FY are as follows: 1.7 percent in FY 2021-2022,[5] 6.5 percent in FY 2022-2023, 5.6 percent in FY 2023-2024, 3.5 percent in FY 2024-25, 3.0 percent in FY 2025-2026, and 3.2 percent in FY 2026-2027.

To examine the impact of a fee rate increase on various industries, this report focuses on emission fees, permit processing fees, annual permit renewal fees, air toxics hot spots fees, source test fees, asbestos fees, architectural coatings fees, Rule 2305 reporting fees, and a

[1] South Coast AQMD, Regulation III – Fees, https://www.aqmd.gov/home/rules-compliance/rules/scaqmd-rule-book/regulation-iii.

[2] South Coast AQMD, Rule 320 – Automatic Adjustment Based on Consumer Price Index for Regulation III Fees, https://www.aqmd.gov/docs/default-source/rule-book/reg-iii/rule-320.pdf.

[3] South Coast AQMD, 2010, Adoption of Proposed Rule 320, Minutes of the October 29, 2010 Special Governing Board Meeting are found here: http://www3.aqmd.gov/hb/2010/November/11101a.htm

[4] For example, FY 2024-2025 refers the period from July 1, 2024 to June 30, 2025.

[5] Due to concerns regarding the global and financial impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic, the South Coast AQMD Governing Board voted on May 1, 2020, for a one-time credit to fee payers encompassing the 2.8 percent increase in CPI for FY 2020-2021. Therefore, the Rule 320 report distributed on March 15, 2021 considered a 4.5 percent increase in CPI, which included the 2.8 and 1.7 percent increases for FY 2020-2021 and FY 2021-2022, respectively.

portion of Rule 2202 fees.[6] Other fees subject to the automatic CPI increase are area source fees and Hearing Board fees, which account for a relatively small portion of South Coast AQMD total annual revenue.

As set forth in Health and Safety Code Sections 40440.8 and 40728.5, South Coast AQMD is required to conduct socioeconomic analyses for proposed rules and rule amendments which "will significantly affect air quality or emissions limitations...." Although the proposed CPI-based fee adjustment as required by Rule 320 does not impact air quality or emissions limitations, the South Coast AQMD Governing Board directed staff to prepare a socioeconomic analysis of the impacts of an automatic CPI adjustment in a given year.[7]

REVENUE TREND

Table 1 lists historical revenue for two prior FYs, estimated revenue for the current FY 2025-2026, and projected revenue for FY 2026-2027 by major fee category. Estimated revenue for FY 2025-2026 is based on actual revenue received through January 2026. FY 2026-2027 projected revenue is based on forecasts estimated by various South Coast AQMD operational units. Emission fees, permit processing fees, and annual permit renewal fees together represent approximately 59 percent of South Coast AQMD's estimated total FY 2025-2026 revenue.

Compared to the estimated revenue in FY 2025-2026, a net total revenue increase of $8.7 million is projected for FY 2026-2027 which reflects the impact of the CPI-based fee rate increase but also reflects other impacts such as changes in state funding, the phase-in of amended or new fees, and the forecasted changes in activity levels. The estimated revenue impact solely due to the CPI increase for FY -2026-2027 is estimated separately, later in this report (see Table 7).

[6] All Rule 2202 fees are subject to annual CPI adjustment except for Air Quality Investment Program (AQIP) fees per Rule 311 (c) and service charges for returned checks per Rule 308 (i). AQIP fees are administered into a restricted fund and not in the South Coast AQMD general fund.

[7] South Coast AQMD, 2010, Adoption of Proposed Rule 320, Minutes of the October 29, 2010 Special Governing Board Meeting are found here: http://www3.aqmd.gov/hb/2010/November/11101a.htm

Table 1: Actual and Estimated South Coast AQMD Revenue

Revenue Category	FY 2023-2024 Actual* (Thousands)	FY 2024-2025 Actual* (Thousands)	FY 2025-2026 Estimated** (Thousands)	FY 2026-2027 Projected (Thousands)	Changes in Revenue From FY 2025-2026 Estimated to FY 2026-2027 Projected	
					(Thousands)	(%)
Emissions Fees	$21,380	$22,395	$22,749	$26,458	$3,709	16.3%
Annual Renewal Fees (w/o PERP)	$75,123	$80,495	$85,014	$89,211	$4,196	4.9%
Permit Processing Fees	$19,195	$21,708	$21,048	$22,745	$1,697	8.1%
Mobile Sources/Clean Fuels Fees	$30,136	$32,859	$30,401	$34,239	$3,838	12.6%
Sources Test & Lab Analyses Fees	$431	$880	$872	$1,329	$458	52.5%
Hearing Board Fees	$818	$785	$445	$738	$293	65.7%
Transportation Program (Rule 2202) Fees	$1,095	$796	$718	$815	$97	13.6%
Other Revenue***	$56,405	$62,000	$55,266	$49,670	-$5,596	-10.1%
Total	**$204,583**	**$221,918**	**$216,513**	**$225,205**	**$8,693**	**4.0%**

(Note: Numbers may not sum up due to rounding.)

* Information as reported in the Annual Comprehensive Financial Reports (FY 2023-2024 and FY 2024-2025).

** Estimates are based on actual revenue received through January 2026.

*** Other Revenues include CARB subvention funds; state and federal grants; interest; lease income; penalties/settlements; subscriptions; AB 2588 reimbursement; miscellaneous revenues; CARB Portable Equipment Registration Program (PERP) fees; area source fees; and transfers from special revenue funds.

HISTORICAL REVENUE ANALYSIS

The following sub-sections examine the distribution of revenue from various fee categories among key industries for either FY 2024-2025 or calendar year (CY) 2025. This analysis applied the most recent invoiced amounts at the current fee rates to arrive at an estimate of the current fee revenue by industry. Thus, the revenue may differ slightly from Table 1 because data sources may reflect different time periods.

Annual Operating Emissions Fees

As shown in Table 1 for FY 2025-2026, emission fees account for approximately 11 percent of South Coast AQMD's estimated total revenue. In May 2001, a flat annual operating emission fee was added to Rule 301 (e)(4) which is applicable to all facilities with at least one operating permit.[8] The addition of the flat annual operating emission fee was in response to recommendations made by the California State Auditor in 1998, the Revenue Committee established by the Executive Officer in 2000, and the independent consultant for the Fee Structure Study conducted by Thompson, Cobb, Bazilio & Associates (March 1999).

Table 2 shows the estimated revenue collected or to be collected from 20,438 facilities as a result of the flat annual operating emission fees ($3.39 million) and other annual operating emission fees from 994 facilities ($17.80 million).[9] The latter category of fees contributed approximately 84 percent of the total emission fees collected.[10] These emissions include permitted and non-permitted emissions of nitrogen oxides (NOx), sulfur oxides (SOx), volatile organic compounds (VOC), particulate matter (PM), carbon monoxide (CO), specific organic gases, and toxic air contaminants for facilities required to report actual emissions each year.[11]

Approximately 6,248 facilities in the service sector (NAICS 54-81) collectively contributed $1.04 million, or 31 percent of the total flat annual operating emission fee revenue, which is the highest share across all industry sectors. The retail trade sector (NAICS 44-45) had the second highest share of the total flat annual operating emission fee revenue, with $0.62 million, or 18 percent of the total flat annual operating emission fees paid by 3,722 facilities.

In comparison, other annual operating emission fees were mostly collected from larger businesses within certain industries. Among the 994 facilities subject to annual operating emission fees, 35 percent were manufacturers (NAICS 31-33), which contributed $12.79 million, or 72 percent, of these fees invoiced in 2025. Out of the $12.79 million fee payments, 83 percent, or $10.64 million, was paid by the petroleum and coal industry (NAICS 324) which contributed 60 percent of total emission-based fees.

[8] This provision excludes equipment subject to Rule 222 – Filing Requirements for Specific Emission Sources Not Requiring a Written Permit Pursuant to Regulation II.

[9] Other annual operating emission fees include non-RECLAIM emission fees per Rule 301 (e)(2), RECLAIM emission fees per Rule 301 (l)(9), toxic air contaminant fees per Rule 301 (e)(7), and clean fuels fees per Rule 301 (e)(6).

[10] Emission-based fees were derived from CY 2025 invoices, or the amount a facility should have paid in CY 2025 based on existing applicable Rule 301 fee rates.

[11] Toxic air contaminants are listed in Table IV of Rule 301.

Table 2: Estimated Emission Fee Revenue by Industry (MM$)

Industry	NAICS	Flat Fee[1]			Emission-based Fees[2]			Total	
		MM$	%	# of Facilities[3]	MM$	%	# of Facilities	MM$	%
Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing & Hunting	**11**	**$0.01**	**0.39%**	**80**	**$0.08**	**0.47%**	**10**	**$0.10**	**0.46%**
Mining	**21**	**$0.03**	**0.77%**	**157**	**$0.47**	**2.65%**	**54**	**$0.50**	**2.35%**
Oil and Gas Extraction	211	$0.01	0.37%	76	$0.24	1.35%	28	$0.25	1.20%
Mining (except oil and gas)	212-213	$0.01	0.40%	81	$0.23	1.30%	26	$0.24	1.15%
Construction	**23**	**$0.11**	**3.30%**	**675**	**$0.12**	**0.67%**	**15**	**$0.23**	**1.09%**
Manufacturing	**31-33**	**$0.44**	**12.92%**	**2,638**	**$12.79**	**71.87%**	**345**	**$13.23**	**62.44%**
Food Manufacturing	311	$0.03	0.82%	168	$0.06	0.36%	23	$0.09	0.44%
Wood Products Manufacturing	321	$0.01	0.25%	51	$0.01	0.06%	2	$0.02	0.09%
Petroleum and Coal Products Mfg.	324	$0.02	0.54%	111	$10.64	59.75%	39	$10.66	50.28%
Chemical Manufacturing	325	$0.05	1.36%	277	$0.27	1.50%	50	$0.31	1.48%
Nonmetallic Mineral Product Mfg.	327	$0.03	0.83%	170	$0.24	1.33%	32	$0.26	1.25%
Primary & Fabricated Metal Mfg.	331-332	$0.10	3.05%	622	$0.57	3.23%	78	$0.68	3.20%
Machinery Manufacturing	333	$0.02	0.65%	133	$0.06	0.31%	5	$0.08	0.37%
Computer and Electronic Product Mfg.	334	$0.03	0.94%	191	$0.05	0.27%	12	$0.08	0.38%
Electrical Equipment & Appliance Mfg.	335	$0.02	0.47%	97	$0.02	0.10%	7	$0.03	0.16%
Motor Vehicle & Trans. Equipment Mfg.	336	$0.03	0.84%	171	$0.11	0.61%	28	$0.14	0.65%
Other Manufacturing	312-339	$0.11	3.17%	647	$0.77	4.35%	69	$0.88	4.16%
Utilities	**22**	**$0.20**	**5.85%**	**1,195**	**$0.87**	**4.88%**	**70**	**$1.07**	**5.03%**
Transportation & Warehousing	**48-49**	**$0.10**	**2.83%**	**578**	**$0.50**	**2.83%**	**29**	**$0.60**	**2.83%**
Information	**51**	**$0.10**	**2.93%**	**598**	**$0.04**	**0.25%**	**8**	**$0.14**	**0.68%**
Publishing Industries, Except Internet	511	$0.00	0.07%	15	$0.00	0.00%	0	$0.00	0.01%
Motion Picture & Sound Recording	512	$0.01	0.32%	66	$0.05	0.26%	5	$0.06	0.27%
Internet Services and data processing	518, 519	$0.01	0.19%	39	$0.00	0.00%	0	$0.01	0.03%
Other Information	Other in 51	$0.08	2.34%	478	$0.00	-0.01%	3	$0.08	0.37%
Wholesale Trade	**42**	**$0.14**	**4.26%**	**871**	**$0.46**	**2.57%**	**51**	**$0.60**	**2.84%**
Retail Trade	**44-45**	**$0.62**	**18.21%**	**3,722**	**$0.38**	**2.13%**	**106**	**$1.00**	**4.71%**
Car & Parts Dealers	441	$0.04	1.24%	255	$0.01	0.04%	14	$0.05	0.23%

Industry	NAICS	Flat Fee[1]			Emission-based Fees[2]			Total	
		MM$	%	# of Facilities[3]	MM$	%	# of Facilities	MM$	%
Gas Stations	447	$0.30	8.79%	1,796	$0.18	1.03%	35	$0.48	2.27%
Other Retail Trade	Other in 44-45	$0.28	8.17%	1,671	$0.19	1.06%	57	$0.47	2.20%
Finance and Insurance	**52**	**$0.04**	**1.30%**	**266**	**$0.00**	**0.00%**	**0**	**$0.04**	**0.21%**
Real Estate and Rental Leasing	**53**	**$0.16**	**4.81%**	**983**	**$0.01**	**0.04%**	**7**	**$0.17**	**0.81%**
Services	**54-81**	**$1.04**	**30.57%**	**6,248**	**$1.79**	**10.07%**	**262**	**$2.83**	**13.35%**
Professional and Technical Services	54	$0.09	2.78%	567	$0.06	0.32%	12	$0.15	0.71%
Accommodation	721	$0.04	1.12%	228	$0.01	0.03%	1	$0.04	0.20%
Food Services & Drinking Places	722	$0.02	0.60%	123	$0.01	0.03%	4	$0.03	0.12%
Automotive Repairs & Maintenance	8111	$0.28	8.37%	1,709	$0.03	0.16%	64	$0.31	1.47%
Dry Cleaning & Laundry Services	8123	$0.11	3.20%	653	$0.00	0.00%	0	$0.11	0.51%
Health Care & Social Assistance	62	$0.12	3.44%	704	$0.41	2.31%	114	$0.53	2.49%
Other Services	Other in 54-81	$0.38	11.07%	2,264	$1.28	7.21%	67	$1.66	7.83%
Public Administration	**92**	**$0.27**	**8.08%**	**1,651**	**$0.18**	**1.04%**	**26**	**$0.46**	**2.16%**
Unclassified[4]	**N/A**	**$0.13**	**3.79%**	**776**	**$0.09**	**0.52%**	**11**	**$0.22**	**1.04%**
Total		**$3.39**	**100%**	**20,438**	**$17.80**	**100%**	**994**	**$21.19**	**100%**

[1] Flat annual operating emission fees based on FY 2024-2025 (July 1, 2024 to June 30, 2025).

[2] Other emission fees based on CY 2025 (January 1, 2025 to December 31, 2025).

[3] Almost all facilities paying emission-based fees also pay the flat fee

[4] Facilities with no NAICS codes assigned are categorized as "unclassified."

Permit Processing and Annual Permit Renewal Fees

Permit processing and annual permit renewal fees by industry are shown in Table 3. Applicants seeking permits to construct/operate for equipment listed in Rule 301 pay a permit processing fee which varies by equipment type and size. Permit fees also include other charges based on additional time and materials billed for South Coast AQMD staff time (if specified by the applicable rule), and other fees as required such as special permit processing fees for providing assistance with conducting California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) analyses, air quality analyses, health risk assessments, and issuing public notices (Rule 301 (j) and (v)), and Regulation XXX – Title V fees, etc. The permit processing fee, except for time and material fees and any applicable special permit processing fees, is paid at the beginning of the permit application process. Differences between permit processing fee amounts in Table 1 and Table 3 reflect application fees being collected at time of application~~,~~; however, ~~they~~ application fees are recognized as revenues ~~when~~ once a majority of permit work is complete.

Table 3 indicates an estimated total of $16.34 million from 3,259 facilities that applied for permits to construct or operate ~~was~~ and were invoiced during FY 2024-2025. Facilities can apply for multiple permits. As with emission fees, most permit processing fee revenue came from the manufacturing sector, which contributed $5.33 million, or 33 percent of permit processing fee revenue. Within facilities with valid NAICS codes, the services sector paid the second most of permit processing fees with $2.57 million, or 16 percent of permit processing fee revenue.

Operating permits must be renewed annually. An annual fee is assessed on the renewed permits to support continuing South Coast AQMD inspection and compliance activities and other permit~~-~~-related activities. As seen in Table 3, 25,044 facilities held operating permits in FY 2024-2025. ~~By~~ As of February 19, 2026, these facilities ~~are estimated to~~ have paid $78.39 million for FY 2024-2025. The manufacturing sector was the largest contributor paying $30.20 million, or 39 percent of total annual permit renewal fee revenue, across 3,021 facilities. The retail trade sector paid about $14.94 million, or 19 percent of total annual permit renewal fee revenue, across 4,171 facilities, while the service sector paid about $13.18 million, or 17 percent of total annual permit renewal fee revenue, across 8,929 facilities.

Rule 1180 Refinery Related Community Air Monitoring System Annual Operating and Maintenance Fees

Rule 301~~-~~(aa) contains an annual fee for operating and maintaining the refinery-related community air monitoring systems by South Coast AQMD for all large petroleum refineries in the South Coast Air Basin, as required by Rule 1180 and Health and Safety Code Section 42705.6. Rule 1180 affects facilities in the petroleum and coal industry (NAICS 324). In CY 2025, about $4.77 million was collected by South Coast AQMD. This fee revenue is included in the "Annual Permit Renewal Fees" category of Table 3 for NAICS 324.

Table 3: Estimated Permit Processing and Annual Renewal Fee Revenue by Industry (MM$)

Industry	NAICS	Permit Processing Fees[1]			Annual Permit Renewal Fees[2]		
		MM$	%	# of Facilities	MM$	%	# of Facilities
Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing & Hunting	**11**	**$0.01**	**0.04%**	**12**	**$0.13**	**0.16%**	**100**
Mining	**21**	**$0.23**	**1.42%**	**19**	**$1.51**	**1.92%**	**196**
Oil and Gas Extraction	211	$0.07	0.41%	7	$0.94	1.20%	104
Mining (except oil and gas)	212-213	$0.17	1.01%	12	$0.56	0.72%	92
Construction	**23**	**$0.35**	**2.14%**	**87**	**$2.07**	**2.65%**	**908**
Manufacturing	**31-33**	**$5.33**	**32.65%**	**382**	**$30.20**	**38.52%**	**3,021**
Food Manufacturing	311	$0.40	2.47%	32	$1.80	2.29%	196
Wood Products Manufacturing	321	$0.02	0.10%	5	$0.08	0.11%	61
Petroleum and Coal Products Mfg.	324	$0.57	3.51%	25	$12.25	15.62%	146
Chemical Manufacturing	325	$0.41	2.49%	39	$2.67	3.41%	305
Nonmetallic Mineral Product Mfg.	327	$0.09	0.57%	13	$1.57	2.00%	186
Primary & Fabricated Metal Mfg.	331-332	$1.39	8.54%	95	$4.93	6.29%	685
Machinery Manufacturing	333	$0.08	0.47%	15	$0.48	0.61%	152
Computer and Electronic Product Mfg.	334	$0.39	2.40%	37	$1.00	1.28%	212
Electrical Equipment & Appliance Mfg.	335	$0.17	1.07%	24	$0.52	0.66%	117
Motor Vehicle & Trans. Equipment Mfg.	336	$0.45	2.78%	23	$1.31	1.67%	195
Other Manufacturing	312-339	$1.35	8.25%	74	$3.59	4.57%	766
Utilities	**22**	**$1.02**	**6.23%**	**112**	**$3.50**	**4.47%**	**1,242**
Transportation & Warehousing	**48-49**	**$0.50**	**3.07%**	**80**	**$1.98**	**2.52%**	**645**
Information	**51**	**$0.52**	**3.18%**	**115**	**$0.67**	**0.85%**	**640**
Publishing Industries, Except Internet	511	$0.01	0.04%	5	$0.03	0.03%	17
Motion Picture & Sound Recording	512	$0.08	0.47%	12	$0.20	0.25%	74

Industry	NAICS	Permit Processing Fees[1]			Annual Permit Renewal Fees[2]		
		MM$	%	# of Facilities	MM$	%	# of Facilities
Internet Services and data processing	518,519	$0.01	0.08%	4	$0.07	0.09%	46
Other Information	Other in 51	$0.42	2.58%	94	$0.37	0.48%	503
Wholesale Trade	**42**	**$0.58**	**3.58%**	**93**	**$4.16**	**5.30%**	**1,015**
Retail Trade	**44-45**	**$1.18**	**7.23%**	**365**	**$14.94**	**19.06%**	**4,171**
Car & Parts Dealers	441	$0.10	0.61%	20	$0.34	0.43%	281
Gas Stations	447	$0.59	3.58%	116	$9.93	12.67%	1,892
Other Retail Trade	Other in 44-45	$0.50	3.04%	229	$4.68	5.97%	1,998
Finance and Insurance	**52**	**$0.06**	**0.38%**	**45**	**$0.42**	**0.54%**	**317**
Real Estate and Rental Leasing	**53**	**$0.31**	**1.88%**	**109**	**$1.41**	**1.80%**	**1,120**
Services	**54-81**	**$2.57**	**15.73%**	**725**	**$13.18**	**16.81%**	**8,929**
Professional and Technical Services	54	$0.37	2.24%	101	$2.09	2.67%	767
Accommodation	721	$0.03	0.19%	23	$0.37	0.47%	273
Food Services & Drinking Places	722	$0.09	0.55%	66	$0.70	0.89%	1,677
Automotive Repairs & Maintenance	8111	$0.31	1.90%	97	$2.08	2.65%	1,979
Dry Cleaning & Laundry Services	8123	$0.04	0.24%	36	$0.51	0.65%	736
Health Care & Social Assistance	62	$0.38	2.33%	113	$1.62	2.07%	797
Other Services	Other in 54-81	$1.35	8.28%	289	$5.81	7.41%	2,700
Public Administration	**92**	**$0.47**	**2.89%**	**125**	**$2.18**	**2.79%**	**1,729**
Unclassified[3]	**N/A**	**$3.20**	**19.57%**	**990**	**$2.04**	**2.61%**	**1,011**
Total		**$16.34**	**100%**	**3,259**	**$78.39**	**100%**	**25,044**

[1] Based on permit applications in FY 2024-2025 (July 1, 2024, to June 30, 2025).

[2] Based on permits held in FY 2024-2025 and paid by February 19, 2026.

[3] Facilities with no NAICS codes assigned are categorized as "unclassified."

Source Testing Fees

Revenue from source test fees is based on invoiced source test fees during FY 2024-2025. As illustrated in Table 4, the combined source test fee revenue from Rules 304 and 304.1 was $0.83 million. Manufacturing accounted for 48 percent of this revenue, followed by Services with 22 percent.

AB 2588 Air Toxics Hot Spots Fees

AB 2588 air toxics hot spots fees are calculated based on health risks and priority scores. As illustrated in Table 4, the most recent invoiced revenue for FY 2024-2025 was approximately $3.20 million. The service sector's (which includes automotive repairs and maintenance, dry cleaning and laundry services, health care, and social assistance, etc.) share of this total was 29 percent. The second and third largest contributors to the air toxics hot spots fees were the retail sector and manufacturing sector contributing 22 and 14 percent, respectively.

Rule 2202 Fees

Rule 2202 – On-Road Motor Vehicle Mitigation Options, applies to employers with at least 250 employees in the South Coast AQMD jurisdiction, and provides three compliance options: 1) the Employee Commute Reduction Program (ECRP); 2) emission reduction strategies (ERS) such as use of clean-fuel vehicles, re-powering of diesel engine marine vessels, and vehicle scrapping; and 3) participation in the Air Quality Investment Plan (AQIP). Employers choosing the ECRP option pay a plan review fee to the South Coast AQMD when they file their ECRP Plan. Employers choosing an ERS pay a registration fee. Employers choosing to invest in AQIP pay a registration fee and an investment fee. The investment fee portion goes to a special revenue account which is not part of the General Fund.

Revenue from Rule 2202 fees is based on invoiced Rule 2202 fees during FY 2024-2025. A total of $0.65 million was collected from Rule 2202 fees (excluding investment fees) where the services, public administration, and retail trade sectors accounted for 36, 19, and 15 percent respectively.

Rule 1403 Asbestos Fees

Rule 1403 – Asbestos Emissions from Demolition/Renovation Activities requires contractors performing renovations or demolitions to submit notifications to South Coast AQMD. During FY 2024-2025, 27,120 notifications were submitted in compliance with Rule 1403, generating around $5.66 million in revenue. The construction and service sectors incurred the majority of asbestos fees at 50 percent and 40 percent, respectively. Rule 1403 fees are based on the size of the project, since larger projects are generally more complicated and take more staff time to conduct inspections. In addition, a flat plan review fee may be applied for approved alternative cleanup plans to address disturbed asbestos-containing materials. Finally, there are fees to revise notifications and expedite plan reviews.

Table 4: Estimated Source Test and AB 2588 Air Toxics Hot Spots Fees by Industry ($MM)

Industry	NAICS	Source Test Fees[1]			AB 2588 Air Toxics Hot Spots Fees[1]		
		MM$	%	# of Facilities	MM$	%	# of Facilities
Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing & Hunting	**11**	**$0.00**	**0.32%**	**1**	**$0.01**	**0.26%**	**44**
Mining	**21**	**$0.01**	**1.26%**	**7**	**$0.03**	**0.91%**	**43**
Oil and Gas Extraction	211	$0.01	0.80%	4	$0.01	0.27%	**23**
Mining (except oil and gas)	212-213	$0.00	0.46%	3	$0.02	0.64%	**20**
Construction	**23**	**$0.01**	**0.77%**	**6**	**$0.06**	**2.03%**	**269**
Manufacturing	**31-33**	**$0.40**	**48.33%**	**154**	**$0.44**	**13.84%**	**927**
Food Manufacturing	311	$0.02	2.22%	12	$0.01	0.21%	**34**
Wood Products Manufacturing	321	$0.00	0.00%	0	$0.00	0.03%	**6**
Petroleum and Coal Products Mfg.	324	$0.10	11.79%	14	$0.08	2.57%	**58**
Chemical Manufacturing	325	$0.01	1.16%	6	$0.05	1.47%	**107**
Nonmetallic Mineral Product Mfg.	327	$0.01	0.99%	6	$0.01	0.19%	**19**
Primary & Fabricated Metal Mfg.	331-332	$0.11	12.90%	54	$0.14	4.29%	**197**
Machinery Manufacturing	333	$0.03	3.32%	8	$0.01	0.39%	**23**
Computer and Electronic Product Mfg.	334	$0.01	1.40%	6	$0.02	0.61%	**95**
Electrical Equipment & Appliance Mfg.	335	$0.03	3.09%	10	$0.01	0.46%	**28**
Motor Vehicle & Trans. Equipment Mfg.	336	$0.02	2.69%	11	$0.03	0.83%	**73**
Other Manufacturing	312-339	$0.07	8.77%	27	$0.09	2.80%	**287**
Utilities	**22**	**$0.11**	**12.95%**	**43**	**$0.18**	**5.73%**	**893**
Transportation & Warehousing	**48-49**	**$0.04**	**5.44%**	**9**	**$0.09**	**2.78%**	**437**
Information	**51**	**$0.00**	**0.00%**	**0**	**$0.10**	**3.03%**	**560**
Publishing Industries, Except Internet	511	$0.00	0.00%	0	$0.00	0.08%	**13**
Motion Picture & Sound Recording	512	$0.00	0.00%	0	$0.01	0.33%	**45**

Industry	NAICS	Source Test Fees[1]			AB 2588 Air Toxics Hot Spots Fees[1]		
		MM$	%	# of Facilities	MM$	%	# of Facilities
Internet Services and data processing	518,519	$0.00	0.00%	0	$0.01	0.20%	**38**
Other Information	Other in 51	$0.00	0.00%	0	$0.08	2.43%	**464**
Wholesale Trade	**42**	**$0.02**	**2.67%**	**11**	**$0.11**	**3.40%**	**484**
Retail Trade	**44-45**	**$0.02**	**2.45%**	**12**	**$0.69**	**21.64%**	**3,169**
Car & Parts Dealers	441	$0.00	0.35%	3	$0.04	1.20%	**182**
Gas Stations	447	$0.01	1.72%	7	$0.41	12.92%	**1,835**
Other Retail Trade	Other in 44-45	$0.00	0.39%	2	$0.24	7.52%	**1,152**
Finance and Insurance	**52**	**$0.00**	**0.13%**	**1**	**$0.04**	**1.41%**	**258**
Real Estate and Rental Leasing	**53**	**$0.00**	**0.23%**	**2**	**$0.15**	**4.63%**	**870**
Services	**54-81**	**$0.18**	**22.12%**	**68**	**$0.94**	**29.28%**	**4,657**
Professional and Technical Services	54	$0.02	2.92%	11	$0.06	1.90%	**334**
Accommodation	721	$0.00	0.33%	2	$0.04	1.13%	**214**
Food Services & Drinking Places	722	$0.00	0.13%	1	$0.02	0.56%	**99**
Automotive Repairs & Maintenance	8111	$0.00	0.09%	2	$0.41	12.87%	**1,854**
Dry Cleaning & Laundry Services	8123	$0.00	0.07%	1	$0.01	0.40%	**58**
Health Care & Social Assistance	62	$0.04	4.52%	7	$0.12	3.83%	**692**
Other Services	Other in 54-81	$0.12	14.05%	44	$0.27	8.59%	**1,406**
Public Administration	**92**	**$0.02**	**2.34%**	**9**	**$0.21**	**6.70%**	**1,201**
Unclassified[2]	**N/A**	**$0.01**	**0.98%**	**6**	**$0.14**	**4.37%**	**728**
Total		**$0.83**	**100%**	**329**	**$3.20**	**100%**	**14,540**

[1] Based on permit applications in FY 2024-2025 (July 1, 2024 to June 30, 2025).

[2] Facilities with no NAICS codes assigned are categorized as "unclassified."

Area Source Fees for Architectural Coatings

Rule 314 – Fees for Architectural Coatings requires manufacturers to pay fees and report to the South Coast AQMD architectural coatings sales and emissions data. Rule 314 affects about 220 architectural coatings manufacturers classified under the chemical manufacturing sector (NAICS 325).

Fees are assessed based on the manufacturers' reported annual quantity of architectural coatings sold and the respective VOC emissions. All fees collected from architectural coating sales in FY 2024-2025 pursuant to Rule 314 were about $2.31 million. This amount represents around 1.4 percent of South Coast AQMD's total fee revenue for FY 2024-2025, and about 0.008 percent of the chemical manufacturing industry's economic output.[12]

Rule 2305 Annual WAIRE Fees

Rule 2305 – Warehouse Indirect Source Rule – Warehouse Actions and Investments to Reduce Emissions (WAIRE) Program requires warehouse owners to submit a Warehouse Operations Notification (WON) at least once. Warehouse operators are also required to submit a one-time Initial Site Information Report (ISIR), as well as an Annual WAIRE Report (AWR) to demonstrate compliance for the preceding compliance period. In FY 2024-2025, WON, ISIR, and AWR submittals were required, and the related fee payment pursuant to Rule 316 – Fees for Rule 2305 amounted to a total of $905,726.

Additionally, Rule 2305 allows all affected facilities to pay a mitigation fee in addition to or in lieu of other rule compliance options. In FY 2024-2025, the total mitigation fees collected from Rule 2305 was $30.64 million. Similar to the Rule 2202 AQIP investment fee portion, Rule 2305 mitigation fee revenue goes to a special revenue account which is not part of the General Fund.

MAJOR REVENUE SOURCES BY INDUSTRY

Total fee revenue collected by South Coast AQMD as of February 19, 2026, for all fees reported is $164.88 million, representing approximately 76 percent of South Coast AQMD's estimated FY 2025-2026 revenue.[13,14] Table 5 presents total fee revenue collected by major economic sector. These total fee revenues were estimated based on recent invoiced amounts at current fee rates. Thus, these figures may differ slightly from those in Table 1, which are based on actual revenue received.

[12] Refer to "Major Revenue Sources by Industry" section and Table 6 for more details.

[13] Includes fee revenue from the following sources: emission fees, permit processing fees, annual permit renewal fees, AB 2588 air toxics hot spots fees, source test fees, a portion of Rule 2202 fees, asbestos fees, architectural coating fees, and annual WAIRE fees.

[14] Estimated fee revenue collected for FY 2025-2026 is from Table 1.

Table 5: FY 2024-2025 Revenue from All Major Fee Categories by Sector

Sector	NAICS	Revenue from All Major Fee Categories (MM$)	% of Total Major Fee Categories
Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing & Hunting	11	$0.25	0.15%
Mining	21	$2.30	1.39%
Construction	23	$5.84	3.54%
Manufacturing	31-33	$58.94	35.75%
Utilities	22	$5.88	3.57%
Transportation & Warehousing	48-49	$9.09	5.51%
Information	51	$1.48	0.90%
Wholesale Trade	42	$9.82	5.95%
Retail Trade	44-45	$23.37	14.17%
Finance and Insurance	52	$0.63	0.38%
Real Estate and Rental Leasing	53	$4.42	2.68%
Services	54-81	$24.17	14.66%
Public Administration	92	$3.50	2.12%
Unclassified[1]	N/A	$15.20	9.22%
Total		**$164.88**	**100.00%**

[1] Facilities with no NAICS codes assigned are categorized as "unclassified."

The manufacturing sector (NAICS 31-33) provides the greatest amount of fee revenue for FY 2024-2025 at about $58.94 million, which is 36 percent of fee revenues (Figure 1). This is followed by the services sector (NAICS 54-81), providing about $24.17 million, or 15 percent of fee revenues, and the retail trade sector (NAICS 44-45), providing $23.37 million, representing a 14 percent share.

Figure 1: All Major Fee Revenue by Sector for FY 2025-2026

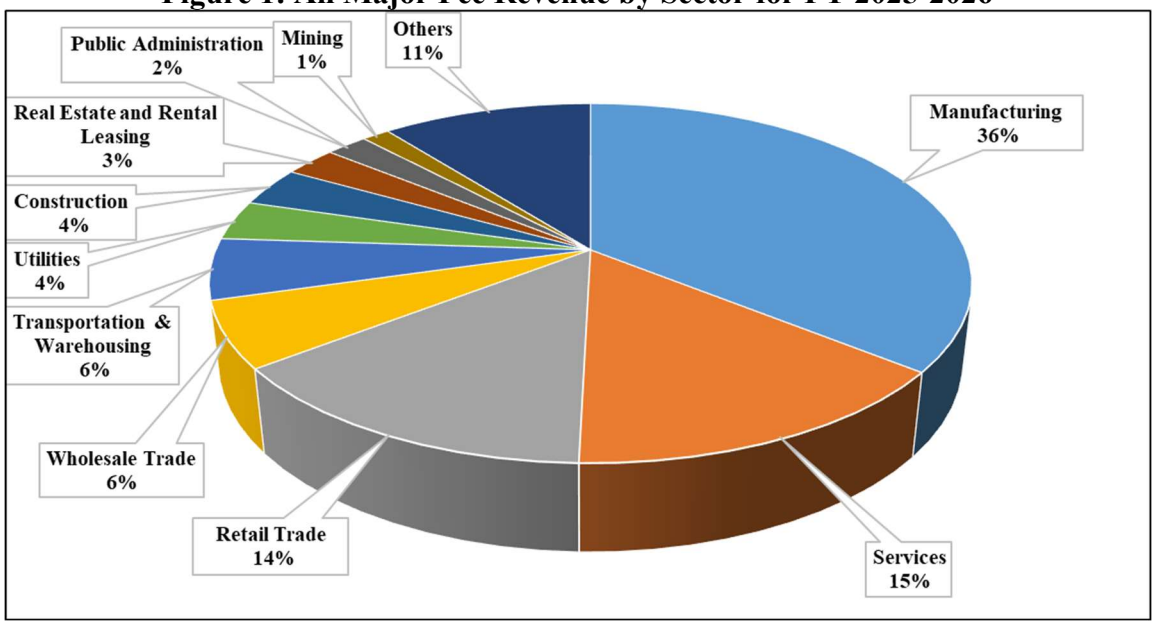

Table 6 shows the percentage of fees from these categories relative to each industry's total (gross) output and value-added to evaluate them relative to different economic measures of industries within South Coast AQMD's jurisdiction.[15] Output is measured as an industry's total sales revenue. Value-added is measured as an industry's profit margin plus its expenses on labor and capital. Total fees paid are relatively small compared to each industry's regional output or value-added. This is the case for both industries which are predominantly comprised of small businesses, such as retail trade, and for industries predominately comprised of large businesses, such as refineries.

The industries that paid among the highest fees relative to their output were oil and gas extraction (NAICS 211), mining (except oil and gas) (NAICS 212-213), and nonmetallic mineral product manufacturing (NAICS 327). The petroleum and coal products manufacturing industry paid the most, with a total of $28.43 million, representing about 0.03 percent of the sector's output and about 0.10 percent of the sector's value-added. Overall, South Coast AQMD's fee revenue represented less than 0.012 percent of aggregate industry output or value-added in the four-county region across all industries.

[15] Industry output and value-added data for 2023, the most recent historical data, was obtained from the Regional Economic Modeling, Inc. (REMI) model (version 3.1) in 2025 dollars.

Table 6: Share of Major Revenue by Detailed Industry

Industry Sector	NAICS	MM$	% of Total Fees	% of Total Output	% of Total Value Added
Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing & Hunting	**11**	**$0.25**	**0.15%**	**0.005%**	**0.013%**
Mining	**21**	**$2.30**	**1.39%**	**0.059%**	**0.105%**
Oil and Gas Extraction	211	$1.28	0.78%	0.082%	0.147%
Mining (except oil and gas)	212-213	$1.02	0.62%	0.044%	0.077%
Construction	**23**	**$5.84**	**3.54%**	**0.006%**	**0.011%**
Manufacturing	**31-33**	**$58.94**	**35.75%**	**0.016%**	**0.039%**
Food Manufacturing	311	$2.49	1.51%	0.009%	0.029%
Wood Products Manufacturing	321	$0.19	0.11%	0.007%	0.016%
Petroleum and Coal Products Mfg.	324	$28.43	17.24%	0.026%	0.103%
Chemical Manufacturing	325	$6.32	3.84%	0.022%	0.041%
Nonmetallic Mineral Product Mfg.	327	$1.94	1.18%	0.037%	0.074%
Primary & Fabricated Metal Mfg.	331-332	$7.34	4.45%	0.025%	0.063%
Machinery Manufacturing	333	$0.89	0.54%	0.008%	0.018%
Computer and Electronic Product Mfg.	334	$1.52	0.92%	0.004%	0.004%
Electrical Equipment & Appliance Mfg.	335	$0.94	0.57%	0.015%	0.031%
Motor Vehicle & Trans. Equipment Mfg.	336	$2.00	1.22%	0.005%	0.012%
Other Manufacturing	312-339	$6.86	4.16%	0.012%	0.027%
Utilities	**22**	**$5.88**	**3.57%**	**0.028%**	**0.047%**
Transportation & Warehousing	**48-49**	**$9.09**	**5.51%**	**0.007%**	**0.016%**
Information	**51**	**$1.48**	**0.90%**	**0.001%**	**0.001%**
Publishing Industries, Except Internet	511	$0.04	0.03%	0.000%	0.000%
Motion Picture & Sound Recording	512	$0.35	0.21%	0.000%	0.001%
Internet Services and data processing	518,519	$0.10	0.06%	0.000%	0.000%
Other Information	Other in 51	$0.98	0.60%	0.001%	0.003%
Wholesale Trade	**42**	**$9.82**	**5.95%**	**0.005%**	**0.009%**
Retail Trade	**44-45**	**$23.37**	**14.17%**	**0.017%**	**0.028%**

Industry Sector	NAICS	MM$	% of Total Fees	% of Total Output	% of Total Value Added
Car & Parts Dealers	441	$0.55	0.33%	N/A	N/A
Gas Stations	447	$11.43	6.93%	N/A	N/A
Other Retail Trade	Other in 44-45	$11.39	6.91%	N/A	N/A
Finance and Insurance	**52**	**$0.63**	**0.38%**	**0.000%**	**0.001%**
Real Estate and Rental Leasing	**53**	**$4.42**	**2.68%**	**0.001%**	**0.002%**
Services	**54-81**	**$24.17**	**14.66%**	**0.003%**	**0.006%**
Professional and Technical Services	54	$4.32	2.62%	0.002%	0.004%
Accommodation	721	$0.50	0.31%	0.003%	0.005%
Food Services & Drinking Places	722	$1.07	0.65%	0.001%	0.003%
Automotive Repairs & Maintenance	8111	$0.14	0.08%	0.001%	0.001%
Dry Cleaning & Laundry Services	8123	$0.90	0.55%	0.006%	0.010%
Health Care & Social Assistance	62	$2.92	1.77%	0.002%	0.003%
Other Services	Other in 54-81	$14.32	8.69%	0.006%	0.010%
Public Administration	**92**	**$3.50**	**2.12%**	**0.001%**	**0.002%**
Unclassified[1]	**N/A**	**$15.20**	**9.22%**	**N/A**	**N/A**
Total		**$164.88**	**100%**	**0.006%**	**0.011%**

[1] Facilities with no NAICS codes assigned are categorized as "unclassified."

*N/A values exist due to lack of output and value added information from REMI model.

REVENUE IMPACTS OF PROPOSED CPI ADJUSTEMENT BY INDUSTRY

Rule 320 requires annual adjustment of most fee rates in Regulation III by an amount equal to the change in CPI, which is a 3.2 percent increase for the period of December 2024 to December 2025 unless the South Coast AQMD Governing Board decides to forgo the CPI increase.

To analyze only the impact of the CPI-based increase, the estimation is based on FY 2024-2025 emissions and the current equipment and activity profile of individual facilities. Thus, this estimate excludes any other changes to revenue, such as changes in activity levels, as discussed in the Revenue Trend section. Based on this methodology, the fee rate increases from the 3.2 percent CPI adjustment are estimated to increase total South Coast AQMD revenue by approximately $4.11 million. This estimate is only for the CPI-based increase and differs from the estimate in Table 1 for reasons discussed above.

Table 7 shows the distribution of the fee changes across the affected industries.[16] The manufacturing sector would experience the largest increase in fees (approximately $1.66 million for about 3,021 facilities), followed by the services sector (approximately $0.71 million for about 8,929 facilities), the retail trade sector (approximately $0.57 million for about 4,171 facilities), with the remaining sectors accounting for approximately $1.17 million. Within the manufacturing sector, the petroleum and coal products manufacturing industry, mostly comprised of refineries, will have an increase of around $0.75 million, or about 18 percent of the overall increase.

CONCLUSION

The preceding analysis provides background information on South Coast AQMD's revenue and summarizes the economic impact on facilities regulated by South Coast AQMD due to the automatic annual CPI adjustment as required by Rule 320. Based on the fee categories examined in the analysis and last year's activity levels, South Coast AQMD revenues are expected to increase by $4.11 million due to this CPI adjustment. However, the amount of South Coast AQMD fees paid by each industry remained small relative to the industry's economic output or value-added (less than 0.012 percent overall).

[16] The fees adjusted for CPI include flat and emission-based operating emission fees, permit processing and renewal fees, source testing fees, toxic hot spots fees, Rule 2202 fees, Rule 314 architectural coating fees, and asbestos fees. Clean fuel fees, Rule 1180 fees, WAIRE report fees and WAIRE mitigation fees are not included for CPI adjustment.

Table 7: Revenue Impact of the CPI Adjustment by Industry Sector

Industry	NAICS	Estimated Number of Facilities Affected	Revenue Change Due to 3.2% CPI Adjustment	Percent of Total CPI Increase
Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing & Hunting	**111-115**	**100**	**$7,791**	**0.19%**
Mining	**21**	**196**	**$73,489**	**1.79%**
Oil and Gas Extraction	211	104	**$40,895**	1.00%
Mining (except oil and gas)	212-213	92	**$32,594**	0.79%
Construction	**23**	**908**	**$178,144**	**4.34%**
Manufacturing	**31-33**	**3,021**	**$1,658,493**	**40.40%**
Food Manufacturing	311	196	**$74,241**	1.81%
Wood Products Manufacturing	321	61	**$3,845**	0.09%
Petroleum and Coal Products Mfg.	324	146	**$748,470**	18.23%
Chemical Manufacturing	325	305	**$184,782**	4.50%
Nonmetallic Mineral Product Mfg.	327	186	**$62,190**	1.51%
Primary & Fabricated Metal Mfg.	331-332	685	**$232,292**	5.66%
Machinery Manufacturing	333	152	**$21,629**	0.53%
Computer and Electronic Product Mfg.	334	212	**$48,616**	1.18%
Electrical Equipment & Appliance Mfg.	335	117	**$24,565**	0.60%
Motor Vehicle & Trans. Equipment Mfg.	336	195	**$62,957**	1.53%
Other Manufacturing	312-339	766	**$194,906**	4.75%
Utilities	**22**	**1,242**	**$188,311**	**4.59%**
Transportation & Warehousing	**48-49**	**645**	**$105,305**	**2.56%**
Information	**51**	**640**	**$46,373**	**1.13%**
Publishing Industries, Except Internet	511	17	**$1,318**	0.03%
Motion Picture & Sound Recording	512	74	**$11,194**	0.27%
Internet Services and data processing	518,519	46	**$3,244**	0.08%
Other Information	Other in 51	503	**$30,617**	0.75%
Wholesale Trade	**42**	**1,015**	**$179,751**	**4.38%**

Industry	NAICS	Estimated Number of Facilities Affected	Revenue Change Due to 3.2% CPI Adjustment	Percent of Total CPI Increase
Retail Trade	**44-45**	**4,171**	**$573,873**	**13.98%**
Car & Parts Dealers	441	281	**$16,975**	0.41%
Gas Stations	447	1,892	**$365,684**	8.91%
Other Retail Trade	Other in 44-45	1,998	**$191,214**	4.66%
Finance and Insurance	**52**	**317**	**$19,645**	**0.48%**
Real Estate and Rental Leasing	**53**	**1,120**	**$66,016**	**1.61%**
Services	**54-81**	**8,929**	**$710,193**	**17.30%**
Professional and Technical Services	54	767	**$119,280**	2.91%
Accommodation	721	273	**$16,100**	0.39%
Food Services & Drinking Places	722	1,677	**$26,889**	0.65%
Automotive Repairs & Maintenance	8111	1,979	**$99,936**	2.43%
Dry Cleaning & Laundry Services	8123	736	**$21,395**	0.52%
Health Care & Social Assistance	62	797	**$89,330**	2.18%
Other Services	Other in 54-81	2,700	**$337,263**	8.21%
Public Administration	**92**	**1,729**	**$111,890**	**2.73%**
Unclassified[1]	**N/A**	**1,011**	**$186,294**	**4.54%**
Total		**25,044**	**$4,105,568**	**100%**

[1] Facilities with no NAICS codes assigned are categorized as "unclassified."

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ATTACHMENT J

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SUBJECT: **NOTICE OF EXEMPTION FROM THE CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT**

PROJECT TITLE: **PROPOSED AMENDED REGULATION III – FEES, WHICH INCLUDES PROPOSED AMENDED RULE (PAR) 301 – PERMITTING AND ASSOCIATED FEES, PAR 303 – HEARING BOARD FEES, PAR 304 – EQUIPMENT, MATERIALS AND AMBIENT AIR ANALYSES, PAR 304.1 – ANALYSES FEES, PAR 306 – PLAN FEES, PAR 307.1 – ALTERNATIVE FEES FOR AIR TOXICS EMISSIONS INVENTORY, PAR 308 – ON-ROAD MOTOR VEHICLE MITIGATION OPTIONS FEES, PAR 309 – FEES FOR REGULATION XVI AND REGULATION XXV, PAR 311 – AIR QUALITY INVESTMENT PROGRAM (AQIP) FEES, PAR 313 – AUTHORITY TO ADJUST FEES AND DUE DATES, PAR 314 – FEES FOR ARCHITECTURAL COATINGS, PAR 315 – FEES FOR TRAINING CLASSES AND LICENSE RENEWAL, PAR 316 – FEES FOR RULE 2305, AND PAR 316.2 – FEES FOR RULE 2306**

Pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Guidelines, the South Coast Air Quality Management District (South Coast AQMD), as Lead Agency, has prepared a Notice of Exemption pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15062 – Notice of Exemption for the project identified above.

If the proposed project is approved, the Notice of Exemption will be filed for posting with the county clerks of Los Angeles, Orange, Riverside, and San Bernardino Counties. The Notice of Exemption will also be electronically filed with the State Clearinghouse of the Governor's Office of Land Use and Climate Innovation for posting on their CEQAnet Web Portal which may be accessed via the following weblink: https://ceqanet.lci.ca.gov/search/recent. In addition, the Notice of Exemption will be electronically posted on the South Coast AQMD's webpage which can be accessed via the following weblink: http://www.aqmd.gov/nav/about/public-notices/ceqa-notices/notices-of-exemption/noe---year-2026.

NOTICE OF EXEMPTION FROM THE CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT (CEQA)

To:	County Clerks for the Counties of Los Angeles, Orange, Riverside, and San Bernardino; and Governor's Office of Land Use and Climate Innovation – State Clearinghouse	**From:**	South Coast Air Quality Management District 21865 Copley Drive Diamond Bar, CA 91765

Project Title: Proposed Amended Regulation III – Fees, which includes Proposed Amended Rule (PAR) 301 – Permitting and Associated Fees, PAR 303 – Hearing Board Fees, PAR 304 – Equipment, Materials, and Ambient Air Analyses, PAR 304.1 – Analyses Fees, PAR 306 – Plan Fees, PAR 307.1 – Alternative Fees for Air Toxics Emissions Inventory, PAR 308 – On-Road Motor Vehicle Mitigation Options Fees, PAR 309 – Fees for Regulation XVI and Regulation XXV, PAR 311 – Air Quality Investment Program (AQIP) Fees, PAR 313 – Authority to Adjust Fees and Due Dates, PAR 314 – Fees for Architectural Coatings, PAR 315 – Fees for Training Classes and License Renewal, PAR 316 – Fees for Rule 2305, and PAR 316.2 – Fees for Rule 2306

Project Location: The proposed project is located within the South Coast Air Quality Management District's (South Coast AQMD) jurisdiction, which includes the four-county South Coast Air Basin (all of Orange County and the non-desert portions of Los Angeles, Riverside, and San Bernardino counties), and the Riverside County portion of the Salton Sea Air Basin and the non-Palo Verde, Riverside County portion of the Mojave Desert Air Basin.

Description of Nature, Purpose, and Beneficiaries of Project: Regulation III establishes the fee rates and schedules to recover South Coast AQMD's reasonable costs of regulating and providing services, primarily to permitted sources. Amendments to Regulation III are proposed which include: 1) an increase of most fees by 3.2 percent (%) consistent with the California Consumer Price Index (CPI) and Rule 320; and 2) new or modified fees to provide cost recovery for regulatory actions taken by the South Coast AQMD which revise: a) Rule 301 to add refund criteria for rejected permit applications, include a fee category for laser cutters, and remove the maximum fee cap for Continuous Emission Monitoring Systems (CEMS) and alternative systems evaluations; and b) Rule 303 to include diesel particulate matter as a toxic air contaminant, clarify South Coast AQMD Hearing Board petition filing fees and refund applicability, correct excess emission fees for toxic air contaminants, remove the Consent Calendar fee table, and add a fee for verifying excess emission fee calculations. Other administrative changes to Regulation III are also proposed, which have no fee impact and include: 1) clarifications to the public notice distribution fee and clean fuel fees; 2) changes to the deadlines for emission reports and payments; 3) optional periodic invoicing for processing Title V permit initial applications and renewals; and 4) clarifications of the preparation activities for which costs are recovered related to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA). The proposed project will ensure that the South Coast AQMD will have the necessary resources to provide cost recovery while implementing rule requirements through issuance and implementation of permits.

Public Agency Approving Project:	**Agency Carrying Out Project:**
South Coast Air Quality Management District	South Coast Air Quality Management District

Exempt Status:
CEQA Guidelines Section 15061(b)(3) – Common Sense Exemption
CEQA Guidelines Section 15273 – Rates, Tolls, Fares, and Charges

Reasons Why Project Is Exempt: South Coast AQMD, as Lead Agency, has reviewed the proposed project pursuant to: 1) CEQA Guidelines Section 15002(k) – General Concepts, the three-step process for deciding which document to prepare for a project subject to CEQA; and 2) CEQA Guidelines Section 15061 – Review for Exemption, procedures for determining if a project is exempt from CEQA. The proposed amendments to Regulation III are statutorily exempt from CEQA requirements pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15273 – Rates, Tolls, Fares, and Charges, because the proposed new and increased fees involve charges by public agencies for the purpose of meeting operating expenses and financial reserve needs and requirements. In addition, the proposed amendments to Regulation III which have no fee impact and are strictly administrative in nature are exempt from CEQA pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15061(b)(3) – Common Sense Exemption, because it can be seen with certainty that there is no possibility that the proposed project may have a significant adverse effect on the environment.

Date When Project Will Be Considered for Approval (subject to change):
South Coast AQMD Governing Board Public Hearing: May 1, 2026

CEQA Contact Person:	**Phone Number:**	**Email:**
Sina Taghvaee, Ph.D.	(909) 396-2192	staghvaee@aqmd.gov
Proposed Amended Regulation III Contact Person:	**Phone Number:**	**Email:**
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Date Received for Filing: _____ **Signature:** *(Signed and Dated Upon Board Approval)*

Kevin Ni
Program Supervisor, CEQA
Planning, Rule Development, and Implementation

ATTACHMENT K

ARTICLE 7

DESIGNATED DEPUTY ANNUAL SALARIES

(Effective with the start of the pay period encompassing January 1, 2027)

Assistant Chief Deputy Counsel	~~$229,131~~234,197
Assistant Deputy Executive Officer	~~$225,681~~229,170
Chief Deputy Counsel	$258,632
Chief Operating Officer	~~$258,632~~277,295
Deputy Executive Officer, including Chief Financial Officer, Chief Information Officer, and Chief Technologist	~~$241,550~~252,087
Director	$208,336
Health Effects Officer	$208,336
Intergovernmental Affairs Officer	Vacant
Senior Policy Advisor	Vacant

(Effective with the start of the pay period encompassing July 1, 2027)

Assistant Chief Deputy Counsel	~~$235,432~~240,637
Assistant Deputy Executive Officer	~~$231,887~~235,472
Chief Deputy Counsel	$265,744
Chief Operating Officer	~~$265,744~~284,921
Deputy Executive Officer, including Chief Financial Officer, Chief Information Officer, and Chief Technologist	~~$248,193~~259,019
Director	$214,065
Health Effects Officer	$214,065
Intergovernmental Affairs Officer	Vacant
Senior Policy Advisor	Vacant

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Attachment L

FY 2026-27 South Coast AQMD Budget and Goals and Priority Objectives

Board Meeting
May 1, 2026

Topics

- Goals and Priority Objectives
- General Fund Budget
- Staff Proposal
  - Budget
  - Proposed Amended Regulation III - Fees

Hierarchy

Mission Statement
Goal I
Goal II
Goal III
Priority Objectives (9)
Priority Objectives (6)
Priority Objectives (6)

Mission Statement

"To clean the air and protect the health of all residents in the South Coast Air District through practical and innovative strategies."

Goals

I. Achieve clean air standards.

II. Enhance public education and ensure equitable treatment for all communities.

III. Operate efficiently and transparently.

Goal I Priority Objectives

Goal I. Achieve Clean Air Standards

Priority Objective		Performance Indicator	Performance Measurement
1	Address Air Quality Through Development and Implementation of Air Quality Management Plans and Toxic Rules	Develop and adopt plan updates and rules related to Air Quality Management Plans and air toxics.	Complete six rule adoptions and/or actions that result in achievements towards 2016 and 2022 AQMP's and 2024 PM plan emissions reductions and air toxic impacts.
2	Secure Incentive Funding for Emission Reductions	Maintain funding for pollution reduction projects.	Maintain funding received on or before FY 2026-27.

Goal I Priority Objectives

Goal I. Achieve Clean Air Standards (cont.)

Priority Objective		Performance Indicator	Performance Measurement
3	Implementation of Community Emissions Reduction Plans (CERPs) for Assembly Bill 617 (AB 617) Designated Communities and Workplan for Consistently Nominated Communities	Progress towards implementation of individual AB 617 designated communities and Community Emissions Reduction Plans and the engagement of Consistently Nominated Communities to begin identifying air quality concerns and ways to address those concerns.	Four quarterly Community Steering Committee (CSC) meetings for each designated community that is actively implementing Community Emissions Reductions Plans (CERPs). One Community Outreach Relations and Engagement event for designated communities. Progress and percentage completion of CERP action items for each designated community that is actively implementing CERPs. Complete, release for CSC and public comment, and submit CARB Annual Progress Reports for each designated community that is actively implementing CERPs. Update the CERP implementation dashboards quarterly for each AB 617 designated community that is actively implementing CERPs. Four Community Outreach Relations and Engagement events for Consistently Nominated Communities.

Goal I Priority Objectives

Goal I. Achieve Clean Air Standards (cont.)

Priority Objective		Performance Indicator	Performance Measurement
4	Ensure Efficient Air Monitoring and Laboratory Operations	Achieve acceptable completion of valid data points out of the scheduled measurements in the South Coast AQMD air monitoring network for NAAQS pollutant before U.S. EPA deadline.	Achieve acceptable valid data completion submitted to U.S. EPA before deadline.
5	Ensure Timely Inspections of Facilities	Total number of Title V Inspections completed annually.	Complete 100% of Title V inspections. Based on overlapping reporting periods, Title V inspections will be conducted between January 1 and June 30. During FY Q1 & Q2, staff will plan, review records and data, and conduct preliminary field operations, but inspections will not be completed. Goal is to complete inspections of 40% of Title V facilities in Q3 and 60% in Q4.
6	Implement Permitting Enhancement Program (PEP)	Implement key actions in PEP and provide periodic updates to the Board.	Semi-annual updates to the Board on key elements of PEP that include, but are not limited to: • Reduction in the permit backlog and permitting production rates; • Development of new paperless online permitting system; and • Enhancements to the Certified Permitting Professional (CPP) program.

Goal I Priority Objectives

Goal I. Achieve Clean Air Standards (cont.)

Priority Objective		Performance Indicator	Performance Measurement
7	Support Development of Cleaner Advanced Technology	Amount of clean technology projects funded.	Fund $10 Million of clean technology projects.
8	Incentive Programs	Timely implementation of grant awards.	Initiate implementation within six months of grant award.
9	Conduct the Multiple Air Toxics Exposure Study VI (MATES VI)	Progress towards implementation of the MATES VI program.	Complete monitoring air toxics and other pollutants at ten fixed sites for MATES VI, continue to evaluate background ethylene oxide levels, develop public outreach plan for releasing MATES data and present update to Mobile Source Committee.

Goal II Priority Objectives

Goal II. Enhance Public Education and Equitable Treatment for All Communities

Priority Objective		Performance Indicator	Performance Measurement
1	Evaluation of Low Cost Air Quality Sensors	Evaluation and posting of results of low cost air quality sensors that have reached the market.	Evaluate and post results of 75% of sensors that have reached the market.
2	Outreach	Number of community outreach events conducted in each County and effective information distribution for South Coast AQMD programs.	Conduct/participate in four community outreach events, including one in each County. Conduct six in-person community engagement events such as Critical Community Conversations for Purposeful Outreach (C3PO) and listening sessions.
3	Timely Investigation of Community Complaints	Initiate complaint investigation by close of business on the next business day, thereby allowing for flexibility to prioritize high priority incidents.	Contact 100% of complainants by the close of business on the next business day.

Goal II Priority Objectives

Goal II. Enhance Public Education and Equitable Treatment for All Communities (cont.)

Priority Objective		Performance Indicator	Performance Measurement
4	Social Media Efforts	Increase in audience engagement through impressions (views) of shared information via outreach for South Coast AQMD events, programs and major incidents across X, Facebook, Instagram and LinkedIn social channels.	Continue efforts to increase impressions and engagement on posts and/or campaigns with a monthly average goal of 4,000 LinkedIn impressions/2,400 Instagram impressions /8,000 Facebook impressions/48,000 X impressions on posts.
5	School Educational Outreach	Promote use of WHAM and CAPES curriculum to schools, youth groups, and other organizations throughout the four counties. Hold annual Earth Day webinars.	Outreach to 100 K-12 schools, youth groups, and/or other organizations in all four counties to provide WHAM and CAPES curriculum. Host one Earth Day webinar for elementary schools and one for middle and high schools, featuring WHAM and CAPES curriculum.
6	Interagency Coordination	Number of meetings with local, state, and/or federal agency partners to collaborate on investigations and other enforcement matters.	Conduct/participate in at least one interagency coordination meeting per quarter. Continue efforts to improve information sharing and conduct joint investigations with other governmental agencies, as well as to streamline referral procedures.

Goal III Priority Objectives

Goal III. Operate Efficiently and Transparently

Priority Objective		Performance Indicator	Performance Measurement
1	Ensure Transparent Governance	Percentage of Committee and Board meeting agendas with materials made available to the public one week prior to the meeting.	100% of Committee and Board meeting agendas with materials made available to the public one week prior to the meeting.
2	Ensure Transparent Governance	Percentage of Stakeholder and Working Group meeting agendas with materials made available prior to the meeting.	100% of Stakeholder and Working Group meeting agendas with materials made available to the public three days prior to the meeting.
3	Partner with Stakeholder Groups & Business Community	Number of meetings with Permit Streamlining Task Force subcommittee and public meetings with permitting stakeholders.	Conduct six total public meetings with the Permit Streamlining Task Force subcommittee and/or with permitting stakeholders.

Goal III Priority Objectives

Goal III. Operate Efficiently and Transparently (cont.)

Priority Objective		Performance Indicator	Performance Measurement
4	Timely Financial Monitoring	Timely budgetary financial reporting.	Submit quarterly budgetary financial reports to the Governing Board within six working days of the end of the quarter for quarters 1-3. Submit the 4th quarter report within six working days of the end of July.
5	Facilitate Ongoing Engagement with Employee Resource Groups (ERG)	Facilitation of ERG Meetings.	Facilitate monthly ERG meetings for internal staff.
6	Staffing	Fill positions to reduce the vacancy rate to 13 percent.	Initiate the recruitment process such that if all positions were filled, the vacancy rate would be 13 percent.

Quarterly Updates on Status of Goals and Priority Objectives

- Board Members asked about status updates on Goals and Priority Objectives
- Staff currently provides the Administrative Committee with quarterly budget updates
- Staff will also provide quarterly updates Goals and Priority Objectives with the budget updates
- Quarterly updates are also provided on the South Coast AQMD website*

*Goals & Priority Objectives

General Fund Budget Summary

	Fiscal Year 2025-26			Fiscal Year 2026-27
($ in millions)	Adopted	Amended *	Estimate	Proposed
Revenue	$215.4	$220.8	$218.2	$223.9
Program Cost	$219.6	$224.4	$220.5	$225.2
Change to Fund Balance	-$4.2	-$3.6	-$2.3	-$1.3
* Board approved changes through February 2026.				

Division Vacancies
(April 14, 2026)

Department	Budgeted FTEs	Vacant FTEs	Vacancy Rate
Executive Office*	13	7	53.8%
Finance	56	10	17.9%
Legal	34	6	17.6%
Administrative & Human Resources	48	7	14.6%
Clerk of the Boards	7	2	28.6%
Planning, Rule Development & Implementation	130	17	13.1%
Information Management	63	6	9.5%
Legislative & Public Affairs/Media Office	55	11	20.0%
Technology Advancement Office	81	7	8.6%
Monitoring & Analysis**	177	33	18.6%
Engineering & Permitting	176	21	11.9%
Compliance & Enforcement	169	29	17.2%
Community Engagement & Air Programs	25	1	4.0%
Grand Total	1,034	157	15.2%

* Vacant positions held in the Executive Officer for succession planning throughout the agency

** Nine positions are associated with the BioWatch program which concluded May 31, 2025 and are deleted from the Proposed FY 2026-27 Budget

FY 2026-27 Proposed Staffing Changes

Add:	Delete:
• 1 Program Supervisor – Planning, Rule Development & Implementation * • 1 Air Quality Specialist – Planning, Rule Development & Implementation * • 1 IT Specialist II – Information Management • 1 Public Affairs Manager – Legislative & Public Affairs/Media Office • 1 Program Supervisor – Monitoring & Analysis • 1 Air Quality Specialist – Monitoring & Analysis • 2 Air Quality Engineer II – Monitoring & Analysis • 3 Senior Air Quality Engineers – Engineering & Permitting • 2 Staff Assistants – Engineering & Permitting Total: 13 **Net Decrease: 4** * Revenue Offset	• 1 Senior Office Assistant – Clerk of the Board • 1 Office Assistant – Legislative & Public Affairs/Media Office • 1 Administrative Assistant I – Monitoring & Analysis • 1 Senior Air Quality Instrument Specialist – Monitoring & Analysis • 7 Air Quality Instrument Specialist I – Monitoring & Analysis • 1 Senior Staff Specialist – Engineering & Permitting • 2 Air Quality Specialists – Engineering & Permitting • 3 Senior Office Assistants – Engineering & Permitting Total: 17

Note: Staffing proposal includes an adjustment, effective January 1, 2027, to the Executive Management salary schedule by an amount necessary to establish a 10 percent salary differential between position levels, where applicable. Funding for the proposed salary adjustment is included in the FY 2026-27 budget proposal.

FY 2025-26 Estimate and Five-Year Projection

($ in millions)	FY 25-26 Estimated	FY 26-27 Proposed	FY 27-28 Projected	FY 28-29 Projected	FY 29-30 Projected	FY 30-31 Projected
Authorized Staffing	1,034	1,030	1,030	1,030	1,030	1,030
Vacancy Rate	13%	13%	13%	13%	13%	13%
Funded Staffing	900	896	896	896	896	896
Revenues *	$218.2	$223.9	$228.9	$231.7	$232.7	$235.6
Program Costs	$220.5	$225.2	$239.3	$245.3	$249.3	$251.8
Changes in Fund Balance	$(2.3)	$(1.3)	$(10.4)	$(13.6)	$(16.6)	$(16.2)
Unreserved Fund Balance (at Year-End)	$96.0	$94.7	$84.3	$70.7	$54.1	$37.9
% of Revenue	44%	42%	37%	31%	23%	16%

* CPI fee increase for FY 2026/27 = 3.2% . Projected CPI fee increases are as follows: FY 2027/28 – 3.3% and FY 28/29 through 2030/31- 3.2%.

Proposed Amended Regulation III – Fees (Fee adjustments)

CPI-based automatic fee adjustment: +3.2%

- Applicable to most Regulation III fees pursuant to Rule 320
- Estimated to increase annual revenue by approximately $3.8 million

Proposed rule amendments with fee impacts

- New Permit Fee Schedule for Laser Cutters
- Retain Application Processing Fees
- Clarify Hearing Board Fees
- Update Hearing Board Toxic Air Contaminant Fees
- Excess Emission Administration Fees
- Remove CEMS Review Maximum Fees

Key Remaining Issue: CEMS Evaluation

- **Background**
  - Staff proposing to remove Source Test fee cap for CEMS evaluations
- **Stakeholder Comment**
  - Provide transparency on Source Testing staffing and evaluation times
- **Staff Response**
  - FY 2026-27 includes two new full-time positions in Source Testing
  - Launching a Source Testing portal to better track and provide data analytics
  - Staff commits to report to future Stationary Source Committee on Source Testing backlog, staffing levels, and throughput

Key Remaining Issue: AER Due Date

- **Background**
  - AER reporting deadline has traditionally been March 17
  - AER reporting deadline temporarily moved to May 1 to accommodate new reporting required under CARB's Criteria Air Pollutants and Toxic Air Contaminants Emission Reporting (CTR)
  - Initial Proposed Regulation III moving date to April 1
- **Stakeholder Comment**
  - Due to increased reporting requirements for CTR, stakeholders requested reporting deadline permanently be established as May 1
- **Staff Response**
  - May 1 reporting adversely impacts budget process timelines
    - Stakeholders have option to submit an abbreviated, streamlined report
  - Proposing further deadline extension to April 10

Summary of Fee Impacts

Proposed amendments include new or updated fees necessary to provide specific cost recovery for regulatory actions taken by South Coast AQMD

Proposed Amendments	FY 2026-27 (in millions)	FY 2027-28 and thereafter (in millions)
New Permit Fee Schedule for Laser Cutters	-$0.28	-$0.28
Retain Application Processing Fees	$0.07	$0.07
Clarify Hearing Board Fees	$0.02	$0.02
Update Hearing Board Toxic Air Contaminant Fees	$0.05	$0.05
Excess Emission Administration Fees	$0.05	$0.05
Remove CEMS Review Maximum Fees	$0.43	$0.43
Total	**$0.34**	**$0.34**

Amendments with No Fee Impacts and/or Administrative Change

Clarifications to public notice distribution fee and clean fuel fees

Change deadline for annual emission reporting and payments

Clarify cost recovery practices for CEQA preparation activities

Allow periodic invoicing for Title V permit application and renewals

Recommended Actions

- Determine that Proposed Amendments to Regulation III – Fees are Exempt from CEQA
- Approve the Amendments to Regulation III
- Adopt the Executive Officer's FY 2026-27 Proposed Goals and Priority Objectives
- Adopt the FY 2026-27 Draft Budget