

BOARD MEETING DATE: September 4, 2026

AGENDA NO. 9

PROPOSAL: Recognize Revenue, Appropriate Funds, and Issue Purchase Order for Air Monitoring Equipment for National Air Toxic Trends Station Network Program

SYNOPSIS: South Coast AQMD has received \$261,908 from U.S. EPA for the National Air Toxic Trends Station Network Program (NATTS). This action is to recognize revenue, appropriate \$85,147 into the Monitoring and Analysis FY 2026-27 Budget and issue a sole source purchase order for air monitoring equipment.

COMMITTEE: Administrative, August 14, 2026; Recommended for Approval

RECOMMENDED ACTIONS:

1. Recognize revenue in the General Fund up to \$85,147 and appropriate up to \$85,147 from the Undesignated (Unassigned) fund balance (\$176,761 for Salaries and Employee Benefits is already included in the budget) into the Monitoring and Analysis FY 2026-27 Budget, Services and Supplies, and Capital Outlays Major Object, as set forth in Attachment 1; and
2. Authorize the Procurement Manager, in accordance with South Coast AQMD's Procurement Policy and Procedure, to issue a sole source purchase order for one Entech Canister Cleaning Oven not to exceed \$48,000, as listed in Table 1.

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Background

South Coast AQMD has provided the National Air Toxics Trends Stations (NATTS) program monitoring support as part of the expanded national monitoring program since 2007. South Coast AQMD has received \$261,908 in grant funds from U.S. EPA for the operation and maintenance of the NATTS Monitoring program for FY 2026-27.

Proposal

This action is to recognize revenue, and appropriate up to \$85,147 (\$176,761 for Salaries and Employee Benefits is already included in the budget) into the Monitoring and Analysis FY 2026-27 Budget, as set forth in Attachment 1.

A budget for Services and Supplies, as set forth in Attachment 1, includes funding for the NATTS program that pertains to maintenance of equipment, laboratory supplies, office expenses, and small tools, instruments, and equipment.

VOC analysis is a requirement under U.S. EPA's NATTS program. The laboratory currently maintains and operates canister cleaning systems used to remove trace-level contamination from air sampling canisters prior to use for VOC measurements. Two of these systems are no longer supported by the manufacturer and need to be replaced to ensure canisters can be cleaned to meet the NATTS requirements. This action is to authorize the Procurement Manager to issue a sole source purchase order with Entech Instruments, Inc. for an amount not to exceed \$48,000 for the purchase and installation of a canister cleaning system (see Table 1).

Sole Source Justification

Section VIII.B.3 of South Coast AQMD's Procurement Policy and Procedure identifies four major provisions under which a sole source award funded in whole or in part with federal funds, may be justified. This request for sole source purchase of a canister cleaning system is made under provision VIII.B.3.a, "The item is available only from a single source." Entech Instruments, Inc. is the manufacturer and supplier of a direct replacement for the aging canister cleaning oven. This allows staff to follow established procedures for operation and maintenance, achieve the NATTS canister background and cleaning requirements, and is an available replacement from the source vendor. Consistency and compatibility amongst supporting laboratory equipment are critical to meeting the operational needs of the agency.

Resource Impacts

U.S. EPA funding will support the continuation of the NATTS Monitoring program.

Table 1
Proposed Purchase through Sole Source Purchase Order

Description	Qty	Funding Source	Estimated Amount
Entech Canister Cleaning Oven	1	U.S EPA NATTS FY 2026-27	\$48,000
Total			\$48,000

Attachment 1: Proposed NATTS Expenditures for FY 2026-27

Attachment 1
Proposed NATTS Expenditures for FY 2026-27

Account Description	Account Number	Program Code	Estimated Expenditures*
Services & Supplies Major Object:			
Maintenance of Equipment	67600	47468	\$18,000
Laboratory Supplies	68050	47468	\$16,147
Office Expense	68100	47468	\$500
Small Tools, Instruments, Equipment	68300	47468	\$2,500
Total Services & Supplies Major Object:			\$37,147
Capital Outlays Major Object:			
Entech Canister Cleaning Oven	77000	47468	\$48,000
Total Capital Outlays Major Object:			\$48,000
Total Appropriations			\$85,147

*Expenditures may be appropriated in Services and Supplies and/or Capital Outlays Major Object, as warranted.

Note: Salaries and Employee Benefits are included in the FY 2026-27 Budget.