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RE: The Proposed Infrastructure Rule Will Hurt California Agriculture

From: Boswell, Cameron		
<b>Sent:</b> Tuesday, May 13, 2025 10:38 AM		
To: Vanessa Delgado	; V Manuel Perez (GBM) <	>;
Cc: Sandra Hernandez (Del)	Guillermo Gonzalez (Per)	; Andrew Silva
; Faye Thomas		

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Dear South Coast AQMD Board Members Delgado, Perez, and Lock Dawson,

I'm a Vice President at J. G. Boswell Company, an agricultural operation based in Corcoran, CA that produces and delivers food and fiber throughout the nation and overseas- mainly through the ports of Los Angeles and Long Beach. We've been growing cotton for 100 years (2025 is our centennial anniversary), and we're proud to contribute to California's agricultural economy. Our business employs several hundreds of hardworking people, many of whom have been with us for years (and generations) and depend on this work to support their families.

Farming is already a challenging business. We're dealing with unpredictable weather, rising water and fuel costs, labor shortages, global market pressures and now tariffs that threaten our exports to other countries. The AQMD's proposed "Infrastructure Rule" threatens to make our business even more uncertain and expensive.

Like many agricultural businesses, we rely on the Ports of Los Angeles and Long Beach to move our products efficiently – whether importing supplies and equipment or exporting our commodities. Any delays, added costs, or disruptions to that supply chain put us at risk and at a competitive disadvantage to other exporting countries. AQMD staff confirmed at a recent community meeting that this newly named "Infrastructure Rule" is really an Indirect Source Rule.

We don't need more uncertainty and government mandates in an already uncertain and mandate-heavy environment. I urge you vote against the "Infrastructure Rule" and, instead, to work toward a negotiated agreement that brings all stakeholders – farmers, shippers, organized labor, port operators, and environmental advocates – to the table. We support cleaner air but done in a manner that doesn't irreparably harm California's agricultural backbone and the many other industries that drive our economy and quality of life..

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

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