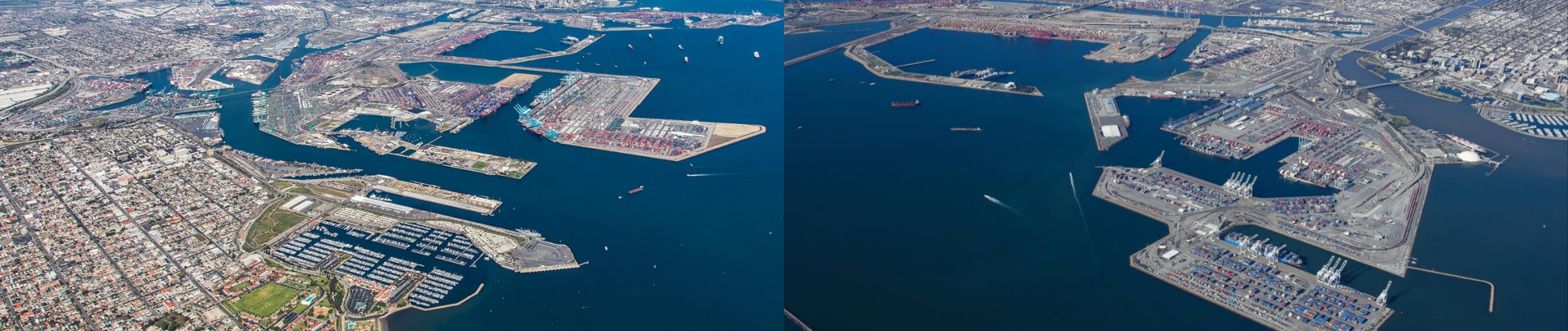




South Coast AQMD Public Meeting

Potential Cooperative Agreement with the Ports of Long Beach and Los Angeles

October 15, 2025 6:00 pm (PDT)

**Long Beach City College
Liberal Arts Campus, Room T1200
4901 East Carson St.
Long Beach, CA 90808**

Join Zoom Webinar Meeting - from PC or Laptop

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Agenda

Meeting Purpose and Background

Draft Cooperative Agreement Overview

Draft Cooperative Agreement Details –
(Port Zero Emission Infrastructure Plans)

Looking Ahead

WHO IS THE SOUTH COAST AQMD?

- Multi-County Air Pollution Control Agency
 - About 17 million people (>40% of CA)
- Monitor air quality and develop plans/measures to meet federal and state air quality standards
- Permit about 28,000 facilities
- Goods movement sources make up about half of emissions



One-third of all U.S. containerized cargo

Meeting Purpose

- ❑ Describe Draft Cooperative Agreement between South Coast AQMD and Ports of Long Beach and Los Angeles
- ❑ Solicit Public Input
 - Focus on specific items in Draft Cooperative Agreement
- ❑ Discuss Next Steps

Background on Recent South Coast AQMD Work Regarding Ports

❑ Proposed Rule 2304 in development since 2022

- 25 public meetings between February 2022 – June 2025
- Based on stakeholder feedback, rule concept focused solely on charging and fueling infrastructure
- Other measures to directly reduce emissions not included in PR 2304, and would be addressed in follow-up actions

***Infrastructure is
critical first step
to deploying
zero emissions
vehicles***

❑ Ports provided Draft Cooperative Agreement in July 2025

- Included infrastructure planning and implementation, and additional measures

❑ In August 2025, South Coast AQMD Board directed staff to negotiate with Ports

Recent South Coast AQMD Board Direction

- ❑ September Mobile Source Committee direction to staff:
 - Not release the '75-day' Proposed Rule 2304 package
 - Present Updated Draft Cooperative Agreement on ZE infrastructure in November for Governing Board consideration
 - **Hold a public meeting with the Ports and solicit public input prior to November Governing Board meeting**
- ❑ October Governing Board direction to staff:
 - Continue to negotiate with Ports on other CAAP+ measures, and bring Amendments to Draft Cooperative Agreement for Board consideration in Spring 2026
 - Periodic updates to Mobile Source Committee on progress
 - Community meetings throughout process

**Today's
Meeting**

Draft Cooperative Agreement Overview

Key Elements of Draft Cooperative Agreement

Draft Agreement Core Requirements

- Recitals
- Agreements

Draft Agreement Attachments

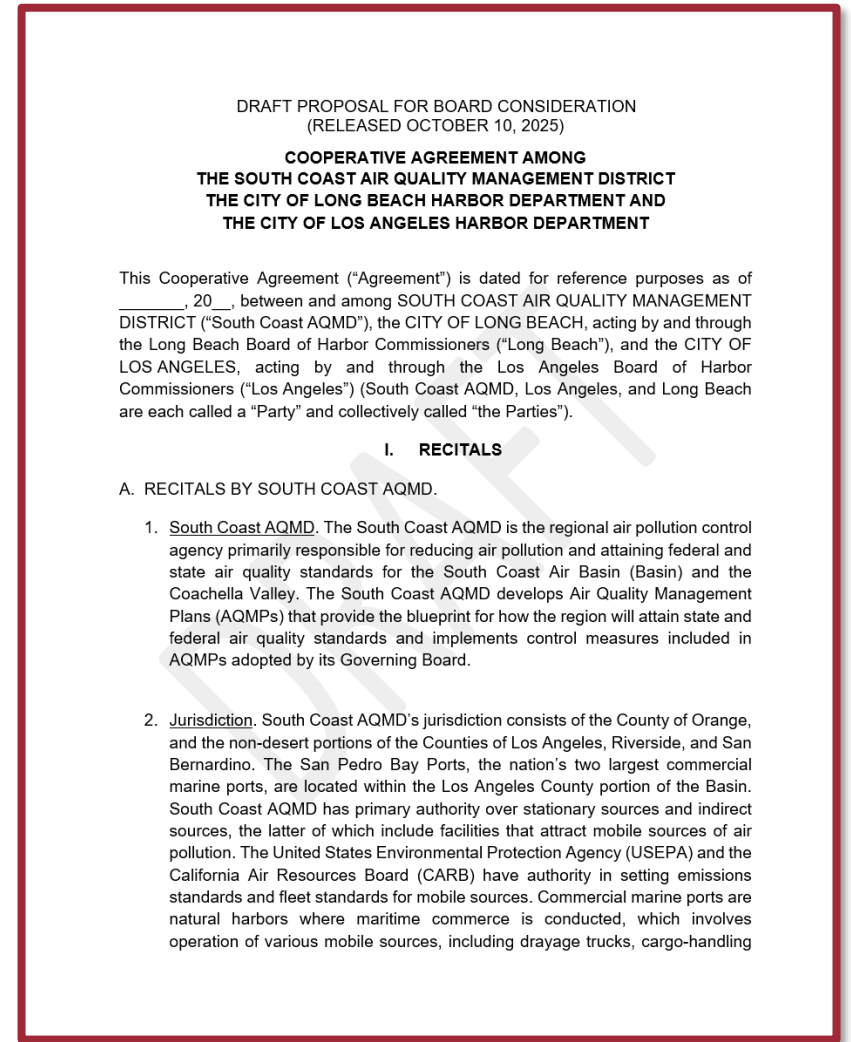
- ZE Infrastructure Planning & Implementation
- Glossary
- Other CAAP+ measures [to be negotiated]

Draft Board Resolution

- Direction to staff regarding rulemaking and future updates to the Board on Cooperative Agreement

Overview of Updated Draft Cooperative Agreement

- ❑ Focuses on infrastructure planning at the Ports to achieve the goals of PR 2304
- ❑ Most recent version of the Draft Cooperative Agreement released on October 10, 2025
 - Contains clean-up and other revisions
 - Glossary included in Attachment B



Cooperative Agreement Core Requirements

- ❑ Cooperative Agreement is a contract between South Coast AQMD and the Ports of Long Beach and Los Angeles
- ❑ Recitals → Includes relevant background information
- ❑ Key Portions of Agreements
 - Establishes roles for each party
 - Includes dispute resolution processes
 - Sets enforcement provisions
 - Specifies Cooperative Agreement length and termination requirements
 - Requires ports to pay for South Coast AQMD staff to oversee implementation

Comparison of Proposed Rule 2304 and Draft Cooperative Agreement

Proposed Rule 2304

Draft Cooperative Agreement

Scope

Covers on-port infrastructure for all port sources

Similar

Infrastructure Plan Due Dates

Two years after rule adoption (limited time extensions under consideration)

Phase 1 – December 31, 2027
Phase 2 – December 31, 2028
Phase 3 – December 31, 2029
(Earlier deadlines for draft Plans)

Implementation

Complete milestones within Ports' control and annually report on progress

Similar

Enforcement

Enforceable under California Health and Safety Code, including statutory penalties for violations

Enforceable under contract terms and conditions, including payments into a mitigation fund for violations

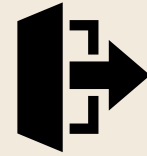
Agreement Term and Draft Board Resolution

Term of Agreement



5-year term

Considers infrastructure plans to be developed and implementation to begin



90-day exit clause

Any party can exit Agreement early for any reason

Draft Governing Board Resolution will direct staff to:

- Pause Ports rulemaking during Term of Agreement unless terminated early
- Report back on progress to Board, including recommendation for next steps before end of Term of Agreement
 - Extend, amend, or create a new Agreement, or
 - Pursue rulemaking

Resolution not part of the Agreement

Draft Cooperative Agreement Details

ZE Infrastructure Plans Scope

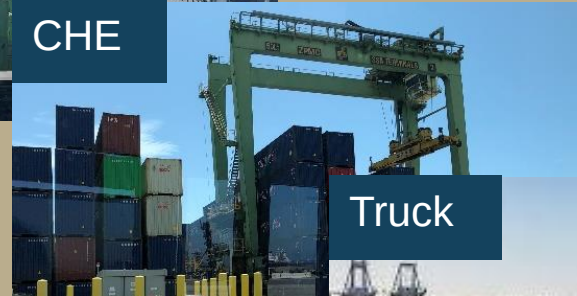
Harbor Craft



Local Switcher



CHE



Truck



OGV



*Covers Charging
and Fueling
Infrastructure on
Port-Managed
Property for All
Port Sources*

ZE Infrastructure Plans Content

Baseline ZE infrastructure on Port-managed property:

- Description of existing charging and fueling infrastructure at the Ports

Project-level details:

- Costs, potential funding sources
- Roles for ports and project delivery entities
- Implementation milestones

Planning Targets for each port source:

- Set by each Port based on own policies
- Aggregate ZE infrastructure capacity and anticipated timeline

Analyses of planned infrastructure:

- On-Port energy supply
- Construction workforce needs
- Disposition of conventional fueling infrastructure

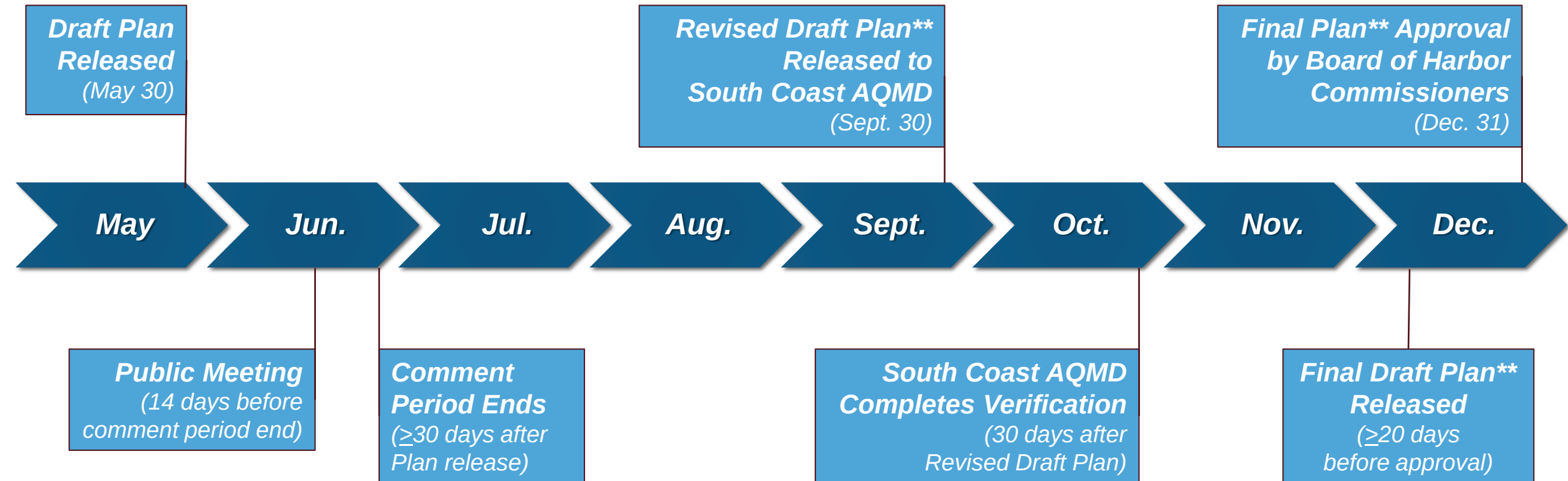
Development and Approval of ZE Plans

Phase	Port Source Categories	Due Dates for Approval of Final ZE Plans by Port Boards
Phase 1	• Cargo handling for container terminals • Drayage Trucks	Dec. 31, 2027
Phase 2	• Cargo handling for non-container terminals • Local Switcher Locomotives • Harbor Craft	Dec. 31, 2028
Phase 3	• Ocean-Going Vessels	Dec. 31, 2029

Ports can request time extensions:

- Up to 90 days for reasons beyond Ports' control
- >90 days if more time needed for CEQA and/or Port Master Plan updates

Example Process and Key Due Dates For Phase 1* Plan Development in 2027



Ports can request limited time extensions for Plans for reasons beyond Ports' control

* Drayage Trucks and Cargo Handling Equipment at Container Terminals

** Includes written response to comments

Modification of ZE Infrastructure Plans

Modifications to Final ZE Plans

- Must be presented to Port's Board of Harbor Commissioners if:
 - New state or federal requirement make part of ZE Plan invalid; or
 - Planning Target is changed
- Prior notification to South Coast AQMD only if:
 - Change in Port's role toward a milestone; or
 - Change in timeline for project milestone

Other Plan Modifications
to be described in
annual reports

Plan Implementation Requirements

Meet milestones within their role and responsibility established in Plans

Submit Annual Reports provided to South Coast AQMD on plan implementation progress beginning January 2029

South Coast AQMD releases Annual Report publicly and reports on implementation status to its Board every 12 months beginning no later than March 2028

Enforcement Provisions - Triggers

- Triggers for enforcement defined in ZE Infrastructure Plans Attachment
- South Coast AQMD will notify Port if:
 - Failure to submit a complete Draft or Revised Draft ZE Plan on time
 - Failure to approve a Final ZE Plan on time
 - Fail to conduct specified public process for ZE Plan development
 - Approved Plan modified without following process in Agreement
 - Milestones within Port control not met during Plan implementation

Enforcement Provisions – Financial Consequences

Payment Structure for Enforcement Triggers

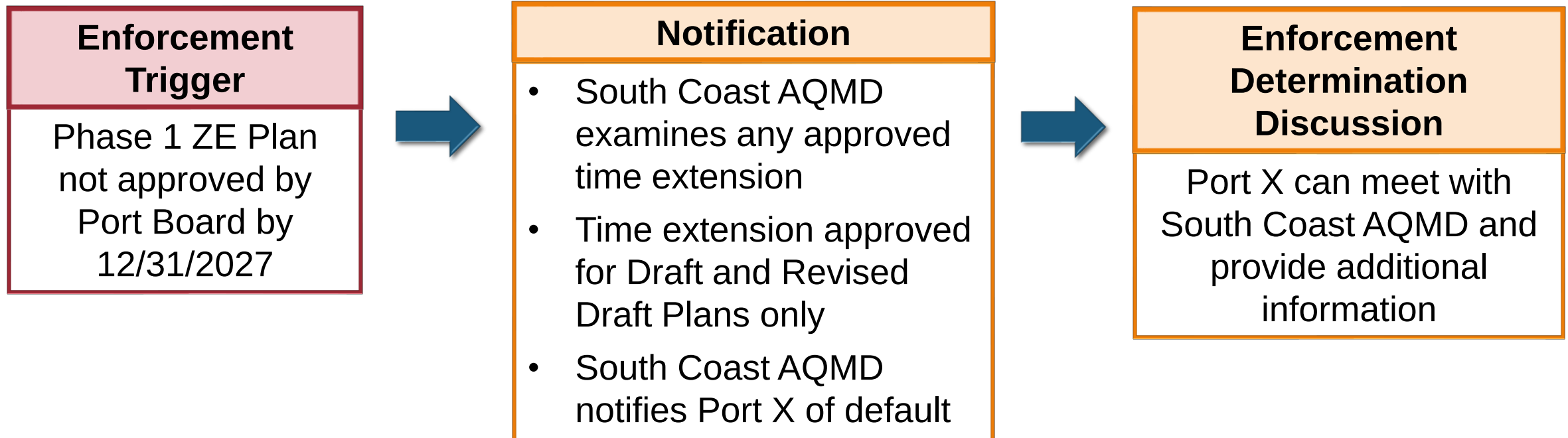
Tier	\$ per Default
Tier I	\$25,000
Tier II	\$50,000
Tier III	\$100,000

- Payments go to South Coast AQMD “Clean Air Mitigation Fund”
- Dollar (\$) amount corresponds to severity of default
 - Continue to miss deadline more than certain length of time
 - More than one default of same type

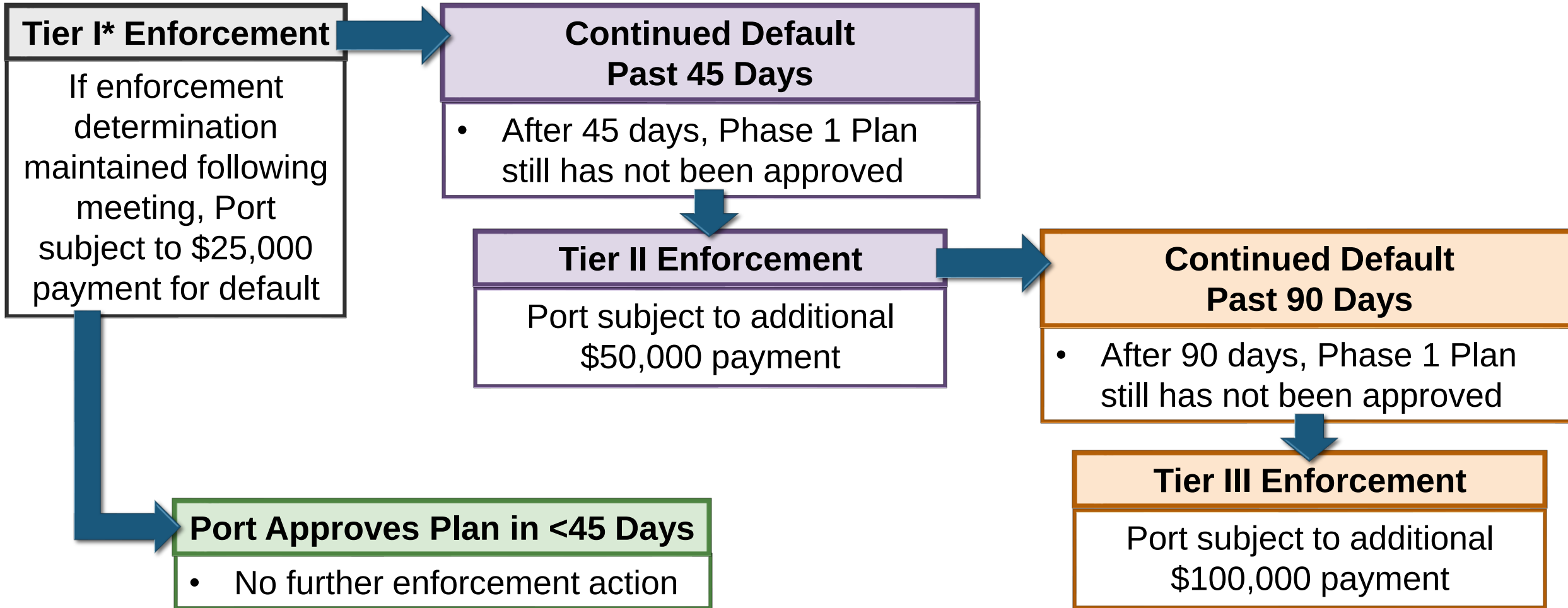
Dispute Resolution Processes also included
(e.g., executive officer involvement, mediation, court injunction)

Enforcement Example – Port Misses Deadline

Hypothetical Example: Port X misses Phase 1 Plan Deadline



Enforcement Example (continued)



Clean Air Mitigation Fund

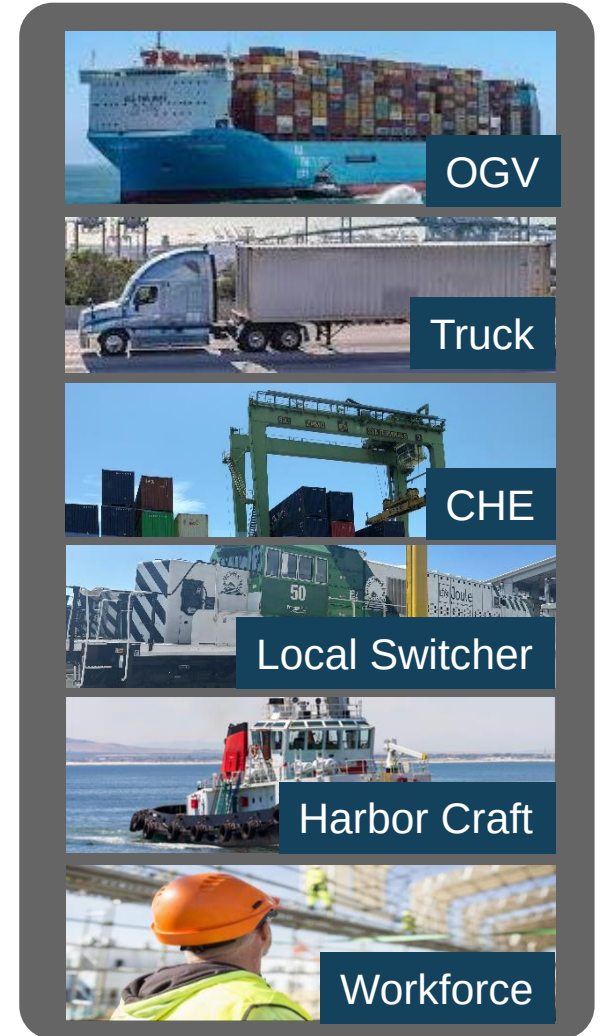


- ❑ Managed by South Coast AQMD
 - South Coast AQMD Board approves spending
- ❑ Public process for input on spending
- ❑ Recommendations by South Coast AQMD staff on spending should consider:
 - Public input
 - Tidelands Trust compliance (i.e. Tidelands nexus)
 - Each Port to provide types of Pre-Approved Tidelands-compliant projects
 - Benefits to communities most impacted by port-related operations
 - Any legal concerns

Looking Ahead

Additional CAAP+ Measures

- Parties agree more time needed to address CAAP Plus Measures for specific port source categories
 - Focus of negotiations will be to look beyond existing commitments and regulations
 - More public process will be conducted to receive suggestions and input



Next Steps



Ongoing: Weekly office hours available to discuss Cooperative Agreement



End of October: Release final version of Proposed Cooperative Agreement for Board approval



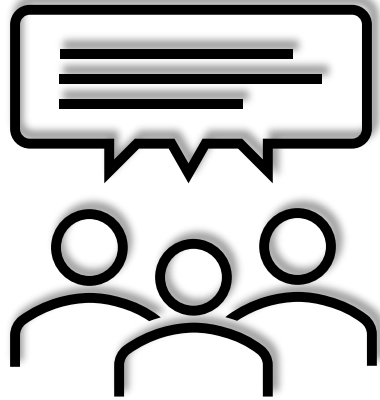
November 7: Public Hearing on Proposed Cooperative Agreement with the Ports



Now – Spring 2026: discussions with Ports on additional CAAP Plus Measures

- Periodic updates to Mobile Source Committee on progress
- Community meetings throughout process

Questions or Comments?



South Coast AQMD welcomes written comments on the Draft Cooperative Agreement

Request comments be submitted no later than **October 22, 2025** to: **ports_comments@aqmd.gov**

For more information, visit:

<https://www.aqmd.gov/home/air-quality/air-quality-management-plans/air-quality-mgt-plan/facility-based-mobile-source-measures/comm-ports-wkng-grp/potential-cooperative-agreement-with-the-ports-of-long-beach-and-los-angeles>



Discussion

- ❑ Requesting input on:
 - Clarity of Agreement terms and conditions
 - Public process and transparency during Agreement implementation
 - Elements of ZE Infrastructure Plans Measure

- ❑ Comments also accepted on additional CAAP+ measures, but those will be addressed in public process after November