

January 7, 2015

STATEMENT OF PROCEEDINGS

The Minutes of the

***AIR POLLUTION CONTROL BOARD
REGULAR MEETING***

**COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO
AIR POLLUTION CONTROL DISTRICT**

SAN DIEGO COUNTY AIR POLLUTION CONTROL BOARD
AIR POLLUTION CONTROL DISTRICT
REGULAR MEETING
MEETING AGENDA
WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 07, 2015, 9:00 A.M.
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS NORTH CHAMBER
1600 PACIFIC HIGHWAY, ROOM 310, SAN DIEGO, CALIFORNIA

MORNING SESSION: Meeting was called to order at 9:01 a.m.

PRESENT: Members Bill Horn, Chairman; Dave Roberts, Vice Chairman; Dianne Jacob; Ron Roberts; also, Nicole C. Temple, Assistant Clerk.

ABSENT: Member Greg Cox

Approval of Statement of Proceedings/Minutes for the meeting of December 2, 2014.

ACTION:

ON MOTION of Member Jacob, seconded by Member R. Roberts, the Air Pollution Control Board of the San Diego County Air Pollution Control District approved the Statement of Proceedings/Minutes for the meeting of December 2, 2014, on Consent.

AYES: Jacob, D. Roberts, R. Roberts, Horn

ABSENT: Cox

Public Communications: [No Speakers]

NOTICE: THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MAY TAKE ANY ACTION WITH RESPECT TO THE ITEMS INCLUDED ON THIS AGENDA. RECOMMENDATIONS MADE BY COUNTY STAFF DO NOT LIMIT ACTIONS THAT THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MAY TAKE. MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC SHOULD NOT RELY UPON THE RECOMMENDATIONS IN THE BOARD LETTER AS DETERMINATIVE OF THE ACTION THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MAY TAKE ON A PARTICULAR MATTER.

Air Pollution Agenda Items

Agenda # Subject

1. "CLEAN TAXIS" – SUPPORT FOR IMPROVING AIR QUALITY AT THE SAN DIEGO INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT
 [FUNDING SOURCE(S): PRIOR YEAR AIR POLLUTION CONTROL AIR QUALITY IMPROVEMENT TRUST FUND FUND BALANCE]
 (4 VOTES)

API. SUBJECT: "CLEAN TAXIS" – SUPPORT FOR IMPROVING AIR QUALITY AT THE SAN DIEGO INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT (DISTRICTS: ALL)

OVERVIEW:

Motor vehicles are the largest source of air pollution in San Diego County. Reducing vehicular emissions is vital for the region to meet Federal and State clean air standards. This is particularly true of taxicabs, which often log more than 100,000 miles per year and consequently emit more air pollution than their private vehicle counterparts. The San Diego International Airport (Airport) is a key location for taxicabs and the San Diego County Regional Airport Authority has led efforts to reduce taxicab-related air pollution by establishing lower airport permit and trip fees for hybrid electric taxicabs, which combine a fuel-efficient engine with an electric motor to improve fuel economy and reduce air emissions.

To date, the Airport Authority's reduced fees for hybrid electric taxicabs have not resulted in the conversion of the entire Airport taxicab fleet to hybrid electric vehicles. There are still many older, inefficient gasoline-powered vehicles with poor fuel economy and high emissions operating at the Airport. Serving the Airport's passengers with an entire fleet of fuel-efficient, low-emission taxicabs would not only improve our air quality, but also serve as a highly visible example of the region's ongoing commitment to sustainable practices.

Today's proposed action directs the Air Pollution Control Officer to develop and implement a pilot program to provide financial incentives for taxicab owners at the Airport to retire their remaining conventional taxicabs and replace them with new, low-emitting hybrid electric or alternative fuel vehicles.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Funds for this request are not included in the Fiscal Year 2014-15 Operational Plan for the Air Pollution Control District. If approved, this request will result in costs and revenue of \$360,000 in Fiscal Year 2014-15. The funding source is prior year Air Pollution Control Air Quality Improvement Trust Fund fund balance. There will be no change in net General Fund costs and no additional staff years.

BUSINESS IMPACT STATEMENT:

Taxicab business owners who may be awarded funding under an incentive program will benefit by receiving new, cleaner vehicles at a reduced cost. Additionally, by upgrading to more fuel-efficient vehicles, these businesses will reduce their fuel use costs.

RECOMMENDATION:

SUPERVISOR GREG COX

1. Find that it can be seen with certainty that there is no possibility the proposed action may have a significant adverse effect on the environment, and that this action is exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act pursuant to California Code of Regulations, Title 14, Section 15061(b)(3).

2. Direct the Air Pollution Control Officer to develop and implement a pilot taxicab incentive program to encourage existing gasoline-fueled taxicabs serving the San Diego International Airport to purchase new low-emitting hybrid electric or alternative fuel vehicles.
3. Establish appropriations of \$360,000 in the Air Pollution Control District Air Quality Improvement Trust Fund, Operating Transfer Out, for incentive grants to reduce air pollution from existing gasoline-fueled taxicabs serving the San Diego International Airport, based on prior year Air Pollution Control District Air Quality Improvement Trust Fund fund balance available. **(4 VOTES)**
4. Establish appropriations of \$360,000 in the Air Pollution Control District Operational Fund, Services and Supplies, based on an Operating Transfer In, from the Air Pollution Control District Air Quality Improvement Trust Fund. **(4 VOTES)**
5. Direct the Air Pollution Control Officer to report back to the Air Pollution Control Board within 120 days of pilot program completion on the results of the program.

ACTION

ON MOTION of Member Jacob, seconded by Member R. Roberts, the Air Pollution Control Board of the San Diego County Air Pollution Control District continued the item to January 28, 2015, on Consent.

AYES: Jacob, D. Roberts, R. Roberts, Horn

ABSENT: Cox

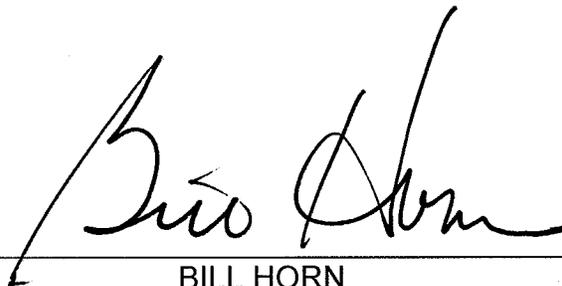
There being no further business, the Board adjourned at 9:08 a.m.

DAVID HALL
Clerk of the Air Pollution Control Board
San Diego County Air Pollution Control District

Notes by: Miller

NOTE: This Statement of Proceedings sets forth all actions taken by the San Diego County Air Pollution Control Board on the matters stated, but not necessarily the chronological sequence in which the matters were taken up.

Approved by the Members of the Board, on Tuesday, January 28, 2015.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Bill Horn", written over a horizontal line.

BILL HORN
Chairman

Attest:

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "D. Hall", written over a horizontal line.

DAVID HALL
Clerk of the Board