

September 11, 2019

STATEMENT OF PROCEEDINGS

The Minutes of the

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

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

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REGULAR MEETING
MEETING AGENDA
WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 11, 2019, 9:00 AM
COUNTY OPERATIONS CENTER
CAMPUS CENTER CHAMBERS
5520 OVERLAND AVENUE
SAN DIEGO, CA 92123

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

PRESENT: Members Dianne Jacob, Chairwoman; Greg Cox, Vice-Chairman; Kristin Gaspar; Nathan Fletcher; Jim Desmond; also, Erin Demorest, Assistant Clerk of the Board of Supervisors.

B. Public Communication: No Speakers

C. Approval of the Statement of Proceedings/Minutes for the meetings of June 25, 2019 and June 26, 2019.

ACTION:

ON MOTION of Member Gaspar, seconded by Member Desmond, the Air Pollution Control Board of the San Diego County Air Pollution Control District approved the Statement of Proceedings/Minutes for the meeting of June 25, 2019 and June 26, 2019, on Consent.

AYES: Cox, Jacob, Gaspar, Fletcher, Desmond

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.

Agenda Items

Agenda #	Subject
1.	NOTICED PUBLIC HEARING: AUTOMATED LICENSE PLATE RECOGNITION SYSTEM FOR ASSESSING THE IMPACTS OF VEHICULAR AIR POLLUTANT EMISSIONS ON COMMUNITIES [FUNDING SOURCE: STATE GRANT FOR THE COMMUNITY AIR PROTECTION PROGRAM]

1. **SUBJECT: NOTICED PUBLIC HEARING:
AUTOMATED LICENSE PLATE RECOGNITION SYSTEM FOR
ASSESSING THE IMPACTS OF VEHICULAR AIR POLLUTANT
EMISSIONS ON COMMUNITIES (DISTRICTS: ALL)**

OVERVIEW

The San Diego County Air Pollution Control District (District) has been implementing what is known as the Community Air Protection Program (Program) in response to Assembly Bill 617 (C. Garcia, 2017). Under that bill, the California Air Resources Board (CARB) established the Program, which has a goal of reducing people's exposure to air pollutants in disadvantaged communities impacted by nearby busy industrial areas and their associated activities including vehicular traffic and, especially, that of freight movement and its diesel emissions (a known carcinogen).

The District is working to identify the various sources of air pollutants within the disadvantaged communities selected by CARB which include local stationary industries and mobile sources, such as motor vehicles whose emissions impact these communities as vehicles move about. The District proposes to run captured license plate data through Automated License Plate Reader (ALPR) software that will be used to assess vehicular air pollutant emissions.

The ALPR system will allow the District to assess the vehicular contributions of air pollutants and their distribution in the community by providing limited information about the vehicles whose license plates are being filmed. The information the system will retrieve is limited to the vehicle make, model, year of the vehicle and the type of technology and/or fuel used to power it, such as all-electric, gasoline, diesel fuel, natural gas, and hybrid vehicles. This information will enable the District to gain a better understanding of the air pollution contributions from the various mobile sources in the region, enabling it to focus its mobile emissions reduction strategies on projects that provide the largest air quality benefits.

It is important to note the District will have no access to personal information about the vehicle owner or operator, there is no enforcement component to this project, no vehicles will be stopped, and vehicle owners will not be contacted in any way. However, in order to use this software to analyze the license plates captured by a video recorder, State law requires the Air Pollution Control Board to hold a public hearing where the public is offered an opportunity to comment on this proposed program.

RECOMMENDATION(S)

AIR POLLUTION CONTROL OFFICER

1. Find that the project is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) as specified under section 15306 of the CEQA Guidelines, which exempts projects involving basic data collection or research which do not result in a serious or major disturbance to an environmental resource.
2. Approve the use of the Automated License Plate Reader system to assess the impact of mobile source emissions in disadvantaged communities.

FISCAL IMPACT

Funds and staffing for this request are included in the Fiscal Year 2019-20 Operational Plan for the Air Pollution Control District. The costs and revenue associated with operating the Automated License Plate Reader (ALPR) system is \$124,800 in Fiscal Year 2019-20. The ALPR system is provided by the California Air Resources Board. The funding source is a state grant for the Community Air Protection Program.

Subsequent years costs for operation of the ALPR system will be included in future years Operational Plans based on anticipated grant funding from the State through the Community Air Protection Program. There will be no change in net General Fund cost and no additional staff years.

BUSINESS IMPACT STATEMENT

If approved, these recommendations will enable the Air Pollution Control District to collect important data to more accurately characterize the mobile source contribution to air pollution in the disadvantaged communities, which will allow for the development of effective community monitoring and emission reduction plans.

ACTION:

ON MOTION of Member Gaspar, seconded by Member Jacob, the Air Pollution Control Board of the San Diego County Air Pollution Control District directed the Chief Administrative Officer to return to the Board on November 20, 2019 to provide the Board with alternative options to the Automated License Plate Reader System, including all associated costs, that achieve similar objectives.

AYES: Cox, Jacob, Gaspar, Fletcher, Desmond

There being no further business, the Air Pollution Control Board of the San Diego County Air Pollution Control District adjourned at 10:12 a.m.

ANDREW POTTER
Air Pollution Control Board
San Diego County Air Pollution Control District

Notes: Santiago

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 Wednesday, October 16, 2019.



DIANNE JACOB
Chairwoman

Attest:



ANDREW POTTER
Clerk of the Board