

State of California, County of Siskiyou

Air Pollution Control District Minutes, February 11, 2025

The Honorable Directors of the Air Pollution Control District Board of Siskiyou County, California, met in special session this 11th day of February 2025; there being present Directors Ray Haupt, Ed Valenzuela, Michael N. Kobseff and Nancy Ogren and County Clerk and ex-Officio Clerk of the Air Pollution Control District Laura Bynum by Deputy County Clerk Wendy Winningham. Directors Juliana Lucchesi and Pat Vela were absent. Chief Deputy District Counsel Dana Barton participated via ZOOM/teleconference phone.

The meeting was called to order by Chair Kobseff, who led in the salute to the flag of the United States of America.

Public Comment

There were no public comments received.

Consent Agenda – Approved.

It was moved by Director Haupt, seconded by Director Ogren and carried, following a roll call vote with Directors Haupt, Valenzuela, Ogren and Kobseff voting YES and Directors Lucchesi and Vela ABSENT, that the following consent agenda is approved, and the Chair and/or clerk authorized to execute/record any necessary documents:

Air Pollution Control - Adopt Resolution APCD 25-02 recognizing Air Pollution Control Specialist III Eric Olson's 24 years of employment by the District.

Air Pollution Control – Discussion, direction and possible action re Resolution providing the time and place for holding the Air Pollution Control District Board's regular meetings. Resolution APCD 25-03 adopted.

Chief Air Pollution Control Officer Jim Smith appeared before the District Board and provided an overview of the request to modify the Air Pollution Control District Board's regular meeting schedule to meet at least once quarterly in the months of February, May, August and October. Additionally, Mr. Smith recommended the second Tuesday of each month except for August, which would be the first Tuesday of that month.

Director Kobseff shared concerns regarding Board of Supervisors' regular Board meeting dates which were the first and second Tuesday in the month of August, proposing that the District Board's regular August meeting date be the third Tuesday in August.

Deputy County Clerk Wendy Winningham requested clarification of the language in the draft Resolution's title referring to the time and place for holding the Board's regular meetings.

In response, Chief Deputy District Counsel Dana Barton advised that the Resolution and meeting schedule would be more flexible with the language in question removed from the Resolution's title.

Discussion followed between members of the District Board, Mr. Smith, Ms. Barton and Transportation Commission Executive Director Melissa Cummins regarding the anticipated continued use of Tuesdays for regular District Board meetings, the possible use of the County's STAGE Department's conference room for District Board meetings (the current location for Local Transportation Commission (LTC) meetings also held on Tuesdays of certain months) versus meeting in the Meeting Chambers and the LTC's projected 2025 meeting schedule. The District Board chose to continue using the Meeting Chambers for meetings.

It was moved by Director Valenzuela, seconded by Director Ogren and carried, following a roll call vote with Directors Haupt, Valenzuela, Ogren and Kobseff voting YES and Directors Lucchesi and Vela ABSENT to hereby adopt Resolution APCD 25-03 for the new meeting schedule, with the verbiage 'time and place for holding' removed from the Resolution's title and the first Tuesday in August changed to the third Tuesday in August.

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Air Pollution Control – Discussion, direction and possible action re Resolution authorizing the Air Pollution Control District to participate in the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Inflation Reduction Act (IRA) Air Monitoring Grant Program, for enhancement/expansion of existing and construction of new air monitoring sites, in the amount of \$357,431. Resolution APCD 25-04 adopted.

Chief Air Pollution Control Officer Jim Smith appeared before the District Board and provided an overview of the request.

Deputy County Clerk Wendy Winningham requested clarification of the language in the draft Resolution's last paragraph that the Resolution: 'duly and regularly adopted by the District Board', advising that the District Board was meeting in special session.

In response, Chief Deputy District Counsel Dana Barton advised that the Resolution language was sufficient for the Resolution being adopted.

It was moved by Director Ogren, seconded by Director Valenzuela and carried, following a roll call vote with Directors Haupt, Valenzuela, Ogren and Kobseff voting YES and Directors Lucchesi and Vela ABSENT to adopt the Resolution APCD 25-04 authorizing the District to accept the \$357,431 grant award from the Environmental Protection Agency IRA 60105(a)(b) Grant Program to enhance and expand existing air monitoring sites, and construct new air monitoring sites within the Siskiyou County Air Pollution District's jurisdiction, and ratify the submission of such Grant application and to accept the Grant application and to accept the Grant award in the amount of \$357,431, and to authorize the Auditor to establish a budget as such.

Minute Approval – January 28, 2025. Approved.

It was moved by Director Valenzuela, seconded by Director Haupt and carried, following a roll call vote with Directors Haupt, Valenzuela, Ogren and Kobseff voting YES and Directors Lucchesi and Vela ABSENT to approve the January 28, 2025 minutes as presented.

Air Pollution Control District Board - Presentation of Resolution recognizing Air Pollution Control Specialist III Eric Olson upon his retirement from the Siskiyou County Air Pollution Control District. Presentation only.

Director Michael N. Kobseff read the Resolution recognizing Air Pollution Control Specialist III Eric Olson upon his retirement into the record.

Members of the District Board congratulated Mr. Olson on his retirement and presented him with the Resolution.

Adjournment - There being no further business to come before the Air Pollution Control District, the meeting was adjourned.

Attest:

Laura Bynum, County Clerk

Michael N. Kobseff, Chair

By: _____

Deputy

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