

County of Santa Clara
Board of Supervisors
Supervisory District Five
Supervisor Liz Kniss



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TO: Board of Supervisors

FROM: *Liz Kniss*

Liz Kniss
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SUBJECT: Report of Board Delegate to the Bay Area Air Quality Management District

RECOMMENDED ACTION

Accept report relating to Bay Area Air Quality Management District meetings of December 3 and 17, 2008.

REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATION

The Board of the Bay Area Air Quality Management District met on December 3 and December 17, 2008 in San Francisco.

On December 3, the Board heard a report that the Oakland Board of Port Commissioners had decided: to postpone \$5 million in funding already committed to the Air District for drayage truck clean up to pull consideration of user fees to fund emission reduction projects and infrastructure improvements, and to pull consideration of the Maritime Air Quality Improvement Plan. The Board discussed and concurred that the news was a devastating blow to the Air District and to residents adjacent to the Port. The Board authorized a letter to Mayor Dellums indicating that the Air District will exert its regulatory authority, enforce the existing Memorandum of Understanding, not return the \$2 million already received by the Air District, not amend the recommendation of the Mobile Source Committee, forward the item to the Ad Hoc Committee on Port Emissions, and indicate that the Port is opening itself to a lawsuit which would ultimately cost time and money in attorney fees and not address clean up of the problem.

The Board approved nine appointments and four reappointments to the Air District's Advisory Council.

The Board approved the selection of vendors for the Vehicle Buy Back Program.

The Board received the results of the TFCA Audit Report #10, an audit of TFCA Regional Fund projects.

The Board heard a presentation on a clean air proposal relating to cold ironing solutions for ocean going vessels that would reduce pollution.

The Board held a public hearing and adopted amendments to the regulations on Motor Vehicle and Mobile Equipment Coating Operations.

On December 17, the Board met in closed session to discuss the evaluations of the Executive Officer and the Counsel.

The Board meeting was led by new Chairperson Pamela Torliatt, and all members thanked outgoing Chairperson Jerry Hill.

The next meeting will be held on January 7, 2009, in San Francisco.