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## **Air District supports Port of Oakland truck ban**

**SAN FRANCISCO** – Bay Area Air Quality Management District Executive Officer Jack Broadbent has released the following statement today regarding the Port of Oakland's approval of a strict truck ban beginning January 1, 2010. The truck ban will apply to drayage trucks with engine model years earlier than 2004 and trucks with engine model years 1994 – 2003 that have not been retrofitted with diesel exhaust filters.

"The Bay Area Air District supports the Port of Oakland's approval of a strict ban on drayage trucks that serve the port beginning January 1, 2010. The West Oakland community has the most unhealthy air quality in the Bay Area. This community suffers from an airborne cancer risk three to four times higher than that in other parts of the region. Older diesel trucks greatly contribute to this unhealthy air. The ban on older trucks is a tremendous step forward toward improving air quality and protecting health for our West Oakland neighbors."

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