

Bay Area Air Quality Management District
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Stationary Source Committee Meeting
Wednesday, October 9, 2024

APPROVED MINUTES

*This meeting was webcast, and a video recording is available on the website of the
Bay Area Air Quality Management District at
www.baaqmd.gov/bodagendas*

CALL TO ORDER

1. **Opening Comments:** Stationary Source Committee (Committee) Vice Chairperson, Mark Ross, called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

Roll Call:

Present, In-Person (Bay Area Metro Center, 375 Beale Street, Yerba Buena Room, San Francisco, California, 94105): Vice Chairperson Ross; and Director Ken Carlson.

Present, In-Person (Office of Contra Costa County Supervisor John Gioia, 11780 San Pablo Ave., Suite D Conference Room, El Cerrito, CA 94530): Directors Gabe Quinto and Steve Young.

Present, In-Person (City of Palo Alto City Hall, 250 Hamilton Ave., Palo Alto, CA 94301): Director Vicki Veenker.

Present, In-Person (Office of Santa Clara County Supervisor Otto Lee, 70 W Hedding St, East Wing, 10th Floor, San Jose, CA 95110): Director Otto Lee.

Absent: Director John Gioia and Lynda Hopkins.

2. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

CONSENT CALENDAR

3. **APPROVAL OF THE DRAFT MINUTES OF THE STATIONARY SOURCE COMMITTEE MEETING OF SEPTEMBER 11, 2024**

Public Comments

No requests received.

Committee Comments

None.

Committee Action

Director Carlson made a motion, seconded by Director Lee, to **approve** the Draft Minutes of the Stationary Source Committee meeting of September 11, 2024; and the motion **carried** by the following vote of the Committee:

AYES:	Carlson, Lee, Quinto, Ross, Veenker, Young.
NOES:	None.
ABSTAIN:	None.
ABSENT:	Gioia, Hopkins.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

4. **UPDATE ON FUGITIVE DUST RULEMAKING EFFORTS**

Eric Lara, Senior Air Quality Specialist, gave the staff presentation *Update on Fugitive Dust Rule Amendment Effort*, including: requested action; outcome; outline; fugitive dust background; sources of fugitive dust; recap of white paper; fugitive dust rules background; recap of white paper findings; project status overview; scope and focus of rule amendment concepts; scale and types of sites in the Bay Area; operations and activities of concern; and next steps and milestones.

Public Comments

Public comments were given by Heidi Taylor; Jan Warren, Interfaith Climate Action Network of Contra Costa County; and Sarah Chen Small, Communities for a Better Environment.

Committee Comments

The Committee and staff discussed the criteria used to identify potential fugitive dust sources from agricultural operations in the Bay Area, and whether agricultural activities should be regulated by the Air District; concern that “wetting” air pollution control technologies will impact water conservation; the need to protect the public from construction projects (large and small); the extent to which fugitive dust rulemakings will affect smaller sites and housing projects; and updated test methods to better assess compliance.

Committee Action

No action taken.

5. **BRIEFING ON RULEMAKING OPPORTUNITIES FOR PUBLICLY-OWNED TREATMENT WORKS (POTW)**

Christopher Easter, Senior Air Quality Specialist, gave the staff presentation *Update on Publicly-Owned Treatment Works White Paper Analysis*, including: outline; source description; example POTW;

dry anaerobic digester facility; drivers for white paper efforts; white paper development; Air District rules applicable to POTWs; regulatory landscape – other jurisdictions; methane emissions variance (bottom-up versus top-down); Senate Bill (SB) 1383 – Greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions reduction challenges; data gaps; and POTW white paper process.

Public Comments

Public comments were given by Jan Warren, Interfaith Climate Action Network of Contra Costa County; and Lorien Fono, Bay Area Clean Water Agencies.

Committee Comments

The Committee and staff discussed technologies to reduce the formation of methane and odors biologically; whether any POTWs located within the Bay Area are the source of numerous complaints and whether methane emissions outweigh those of other sources (hydrogen sulfide, odors, or volatile organic compounds).

Committee Action

No action taken.

OTHER BUSINESS

6. PUBLIC COMMENT ON NON-AGENDA MATTERS

No requests received.

7. COMMITTEE MEMBER COMMENTS

None.

8. TIME AND PLACE OF NEXT MEETING

Wednesday, November 13, 2024, at 10:00 a.m. at 375 Beale Street, San Francisco, CA 94105. The meeting will be in-person for the Stationary Source Committee members and members of the public will be able to either join in-person or via webcast.

9. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 10:58 a.m.

/s/ Marcy Hiratzka
Marcy Hiratzka
Clerk of the Board