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Bay Area Air District statement on Trump Administration's decision to revoke waiver allowing California to set its own emissions standards

SAN FRANCISCO – Statement by Jack Broadbent, executive officer of the Bay Area Air Quality Management District, on the Trump Administration's decision to roll back auto emissions standards:

"As President Trump visits California, he will see and enjoy the results of decades of hard work and progress in the ongoing effort to improve air quality in a state once blanketed in a suffocating brown haze. Rolling back emissions standards that California has successfully used as a tool to clear smoggy skies and improve the lives of millions of Californians makes no sense from a health or policy perspective – and, according to auto manufacturers, makes no sense from a business perspective either. The state's adept maneuver to forge an agreement with willing automakers is a testament to that. The potential motivations for this incomprehensible and vindictive move are best left unsaid. And make no mistake, rolling back emissions standards will have real and devastating consequences for California and the Bay Area. That is why the Air District unequivocally supports the State of California's fight to defend our clean car standards and protect the quality of life of all Californians."

The <u>Bay Area Air Quality Management District</u> is the regional agency responsible for protecting air quality in the nine-county Bay Area. Connect with the Air District via <u>Twitter</u>, <u>Facebook</u>, and <u>YouTube</u>.

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