RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE SANTA BARBARA COUNTY **AIR POLLUTION CONTROL DISTRICT**

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IN THE MATTER OF AIR POLLUTION CONTROL DISTRICT BOARD AGENDA POLICIES AND CONDUCT OF MEETINGS)

RESOLUTION NO. 09-____

WHEREAS, the Air Pollution Control District Board is committed to encouraging participation in its actions by providing adequate notice of items it is to consider and allowing the public an opportunity to address the Board; and

WHEREAS, the principal purpose of a prepared agenda is to assist the Air Pollution Control District Board in expeditious conduct of its business and to inform the public, news media, and other interested parties of matters scheduled for consideration by the Board at a particular meeting; and

WHEREAS, the Air Pollution Control District Board is committed to complying with the provisions of the California Open Meetings Statute, (Government Code Section 54950 et seq.);

NOW, THEREFORE IT IS RESOLVED THAT the Air Pollution Control District Board hereby adopts the following policy:

1. **Regular Meetings.** The Air Pollution Control District Board meets on the third Thursday of January, March, May, June, August, October, and December. The Board will convene at 1:30 p.m. If a Closed Session is necessary, it will begin at 1:30 p.m. with the Regular Meeting following. Meeting locations will be determined at the beginning of each calendar year. The dates and locations of meetings may be modified to accommodate notice and quorum requirements.

2. Special Meetings. Special meetings may be called by the Chair of the Air Pollution Control District Board or by a majority of the Board members. Special meetings will be noticed according to the provisions of the Brown Act (Government Code Section 54956, et seq.) which requires, in summary, that notice be personally delivered, faxed, or mailed, at least 24 hours before the time set for such meeting, to each member of the Board, and to each local newspaper of general circulation and radio or television station that requests such notice in writing. Notice will also be provided to the Air Pollution Control Officer. The notice shall specify the time and place of the special meeting and the business to be transacted. No other business may be considered.

3. Quorum. A quorum shall be seven Board members, at least one of whom shall be a representative of the County Board of Supervisors. Board members will notify the Clerk of the Board at the earliest possible opportunity if they will be unable to attend any scheduled meeting. A motion shall be carried by a simple majority of the quorum present, unless otherwise provided herein or by state law.

4. *Agenda Preparation*. Each item of business to be considered at a regular meeting must appear on the Agenda for that meeting, except as provided in paragraph 10 of this Resolution. The Agenda shall include a brief general description of each item of business to be transacted or discussed. The description should be calculated to reasonably inform the public as to the nature of the item. Written material pertaining to an item on the Agenda of the Air Pollution Control District Board should be delivered to the Clerk of the Air Pollution Control District Board, in the Santa Barbara County Air Pollution Control District office at 260 North San Antonio Road, Suite A, Santa Barbara, CA 93110-1315 no later than 4:30 p.m. on the Wednesday, fifteen days prior to the Board meeting date. All materials submitted to the Clerk of the Board must include an original and 17 copies.

5. *Agenda Publication*. The Agenda for each regular meeting shall be available by 4:30 p.m. on the Monday, ten days prior to that Board meeting. Copies shall be available to the news media and public in the Air Pollution Control District Board Clerk's office, 260 North San Antonio Road, Suite A, Santa Barbara. Any person wishing to receive an agenda shall submit a *Santa Barbara County Air Pollution Control District Subscription List and Order Form,* along with the required fee, to the Clerk of the Board, 260 North San Antonio Road, Suite A, Santa Barbara, CA 93110-1315.

6. *Agenda Posting*. The Agenda for each regular meeting shall be posted at least 72 hours in advance on a posting board at or near the public entrance to the County Administration Building, 105 East Anapamu Street, Santa Barbara; the Betteravia Government Center, 511 East Lakeside Parkway, Santa Maria, and on a posting board at or near the public entrance to the Air Pollution Control District offices, 260 North San Antonio Road, Suite A, Santa Barbara and 301 East Cook Street, Suite 1, Santa Maria. The Clerk of the Air Pollution Control District Board shall keep on file a signed declaration of the time and place of posting of the Agenda for each meeting. Such declaration shall remain on file for one (1) year following the date of the meeting.

7. *Order of Business*. Air Pollution Control District Board business at a regular meeting shall be conducted in the following order except as otherwise directed by the Board or the Chair:

Closed Session (when necessary) Roll Call Approval of Minutes of prior meeting(s) Administrative Agenda Public Comment Consideration of Ex-Agenda Items (Chair's discretion) Regular Agenda Adjournment

8. *Public Comment*. At each regular Board meeting after the Administrative Agenda, the Board shall allow any member of the public to address the Board on a matter within the jurisdiction of the Air Pollution Control District Board. The total amount of time for public testimony shall be no more than 15 minutes. The Chair, with consensus of the Board, may establish reasonable regulations including, but not limited to, limiting the amount of time allocated for public testimony on particular issues and for each

speaker. Any person wishing to address the Board must complete and deliver to the Clerk a "Request to Speak" form; the form shall include a description of the subject the speaker wishes to address. A speaker should not be heard during the "Public Comment" portion of the meeting on a matter listed on the Agenda. Comments on agenda items are appropriate when the item is being discussed by the Board. Once the public comment period has closed, members of the public may address the Board only if requested by the Board. The Board shall not take action on any item not appearing on the agenda unless the action is authorized through Ex-Agenda procedures outlined in Section 10 of this resolution. However, the Board hereby gives the Chair the authorization to refer matters raised during the "Public Comment" period to the appropriate staff.

9. *Administrative Agenda*. The Administrative Agenda shall be comprised of items which will not normally require discussion. An Administrative Agenda item shall be open for discussion on the request of a member of the Board or member of the public. Items on the Administrative Agenda are approved by one roll call vote of the Board members present.

10. *Ex-Agenda Items*. Except as provided in this paragraph, no action shall be taken at a regular meeting on any item which does not appear on the posted Agenda. An item may be added to the Agenda after the Agenda has been posted upon a determination by a two-thirds vote of the Board, or if less than two-thirds members are present, then by a unanimous vote of those members present. The vote shall be accompanied by distribution of a written statement on a form provided by the Clerk of the Board office, to be included in the record, stating that there is a need to take immediate action and the need to take action arose after the Agenda was posted. In addition, action may be taken on an item not on the posted Agenda under the circumstances stated in Government Code Section 54954.2(b)(1) [emergency] and Section 54943.2(b)(3) [continued regular meetings].

11. *Time Limits.* The Chair, with consensus of the Board, may adopt reasonable requirements including, but not limited to, limiting the amount of time allocated for testimony on particular issues and for each individual speaker.

12. Public Hearings and Requests to Speak on Agenda Items. A person who wishes to address the Board shall complete a "Request to Speak" form and deliver it to the Clerk at the hearing. The Chair may adopt reasonable regulations, as noted in Section 11. No person shall substantially repeat the testimony given by a previous speaker but may indicate concurrence with the views expressed earlier. Once the public comment period has closed, members of the public may address the Board only if requested by the Board.
13. Continuances. Public hearings on any matter shall be commenced and completed on the date for which they have been noticed unless the Board agrees to a continuance.

Continuances may be requested as follows:

1) The Board may grant a continuance for good cause upon request by a Board member or other interested person. Requests for continuance should be made in advance of the meeting. The Clerk may note on the agenda that a request for a continuance will be made, if known to the Clerk's office at the time the agenda is prepared. If the Board grants a continuance a new date will be fixed and publicly announced.

2) Requests to continue an open public hearing may be made by any person orally prior to the close of the public hearing. The request should include the reasons

why a continuance is necessary. Those present and interested in the particular matter shall be given an opportunity to comment on the requested continuance.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Air Pollution Control District Board of Directors, County of Santa Barbara, State of California, this 19th day of March 2009 by the following vote:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSTAIN:

ABSENT:

Chair, Santa Barbara County Air Pollution Control District Board

ATTEST:

TERENCE E. DRESSLER Clerk of the Board

By____

Deputy

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

DENNIS MARSHALL Santa Barbara County Counsel

By___

Deputy County Counsel