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## Board Agenda Item

TO: Air Pollution Control District Board

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SUBJECT: Special District Risk Management Authority Nomination Procedures

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### RECOMMENDATION:

Receive and file a report regarding nomination procedures and voting responsibilities for the 2007 election of the Special District Risk Management Authority Board of Directors.

### DISCUSSION:

The Santa Barbara County Air Pollution Control District (APCD) is a member of the Special District Risk Management Authority (SDRMA) workers' compensation program. SDRMA is a public entity Joint Powers Authority established to provide cost-effective insurance coverage and risk management programs for special districts and other public agencies throughout California. Currently, SDRMA's combined membership totals 718 California public agencies. SDRMA is governed by a seven member board of directors elected from the membership by the organization's members. Elections for directors are staggered and held every two years with four seats filled during one election and three seats in the following election. Three seats are up for election this year.

In accordance with SDRMA's policy on director nominations, elections and appointments, the APCD has received a Notification of Nomination for the 2007 election. As a board member for the APCD you are eligible to be a nominated candidate. Typical activities of SDRMA board members include providing effective governance by supporting a unified vision, ensuring accountability, setting direction based on SDRMA's mission, as well as establishing and approving policy to ensure obligations and commitments to the membership are met. There are 12 board meetings annually with an average of nine meetings a year. Meetings typically last 6-8 hours each and are held at the SDRMA office in Sacramento. The average time commitment of a board member is 15-20 hours per month, plus travel time.

In the event a member of the APCD Board would be interested in seeking election to the SDRMA's Board of Directors, please contact Sharyl Preskitt prior to May 24, 2007. Any APCD Board candidates seeking election must be nominated by action of this Board. If any member of this Board expresses an interest in serving on the SDRMA Board, we will return at the June APCD Board hearing with a nomination for your consideration.

Furthermore, SDRMA's by-laws require that the Board of Directors of each member vote on behalf of their agency. Official ballots with candidate statements will be mailed to member agencies at the end of July. We will be returning to your Board in August with the official ballot and slate of candidates with a ballot recommendation. A task timeline for the nomination and election process has been attached.