

Marine Shipping Update

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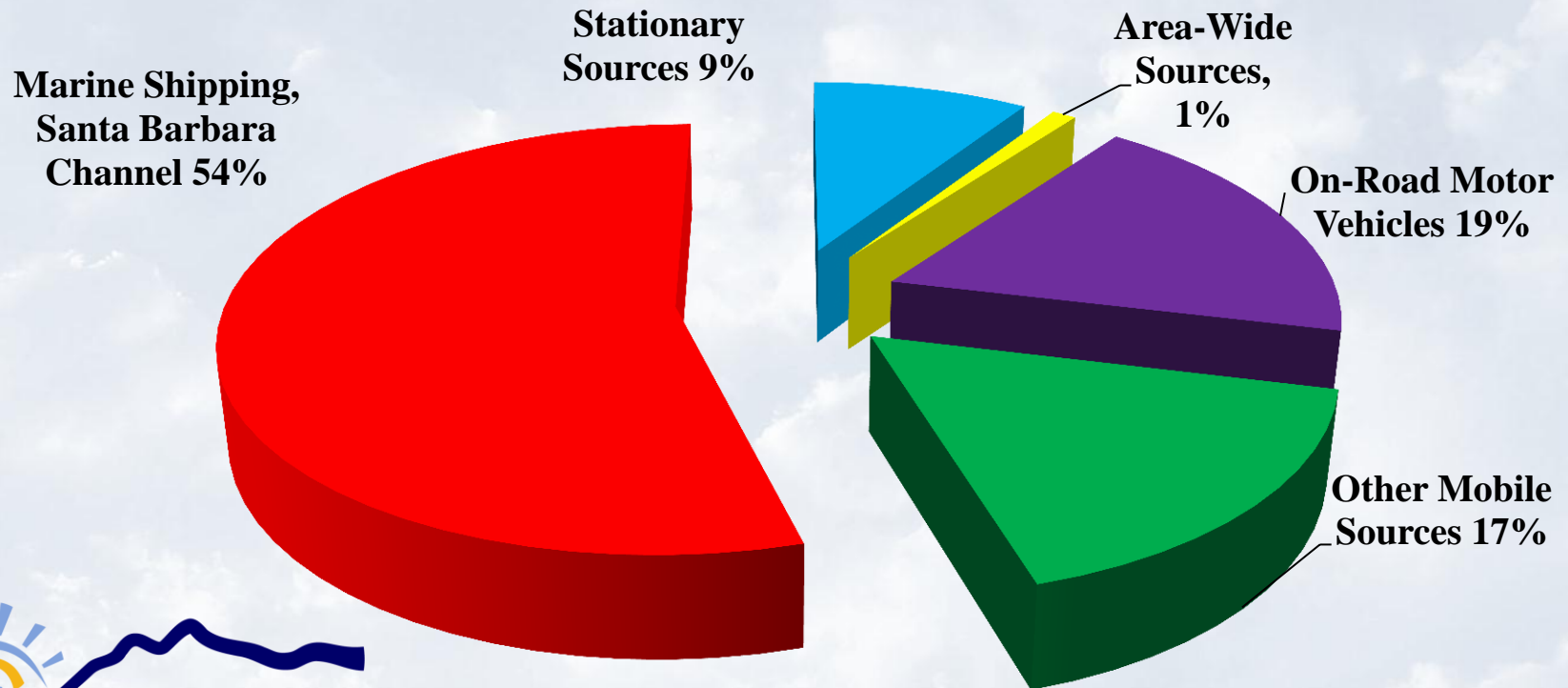


Inspiration Pt, Anacapa Island

Background

- Shipping a major source of air pollution:
 - Diesel particulate, air toxics, sulfur dioxide, greenhouse gases
 - Ozone-forming pollutants – nitrogen oxides (NO_x) and reactive organic compounds

County Sources of NO_x (2010 Clean Air Plan)



Update Overview

- State Fuel Rule
- Coast Guard Study
- International Regulations
- Meeting with Maersk Lines
- Conclusions & Variables
- Looking Ahead

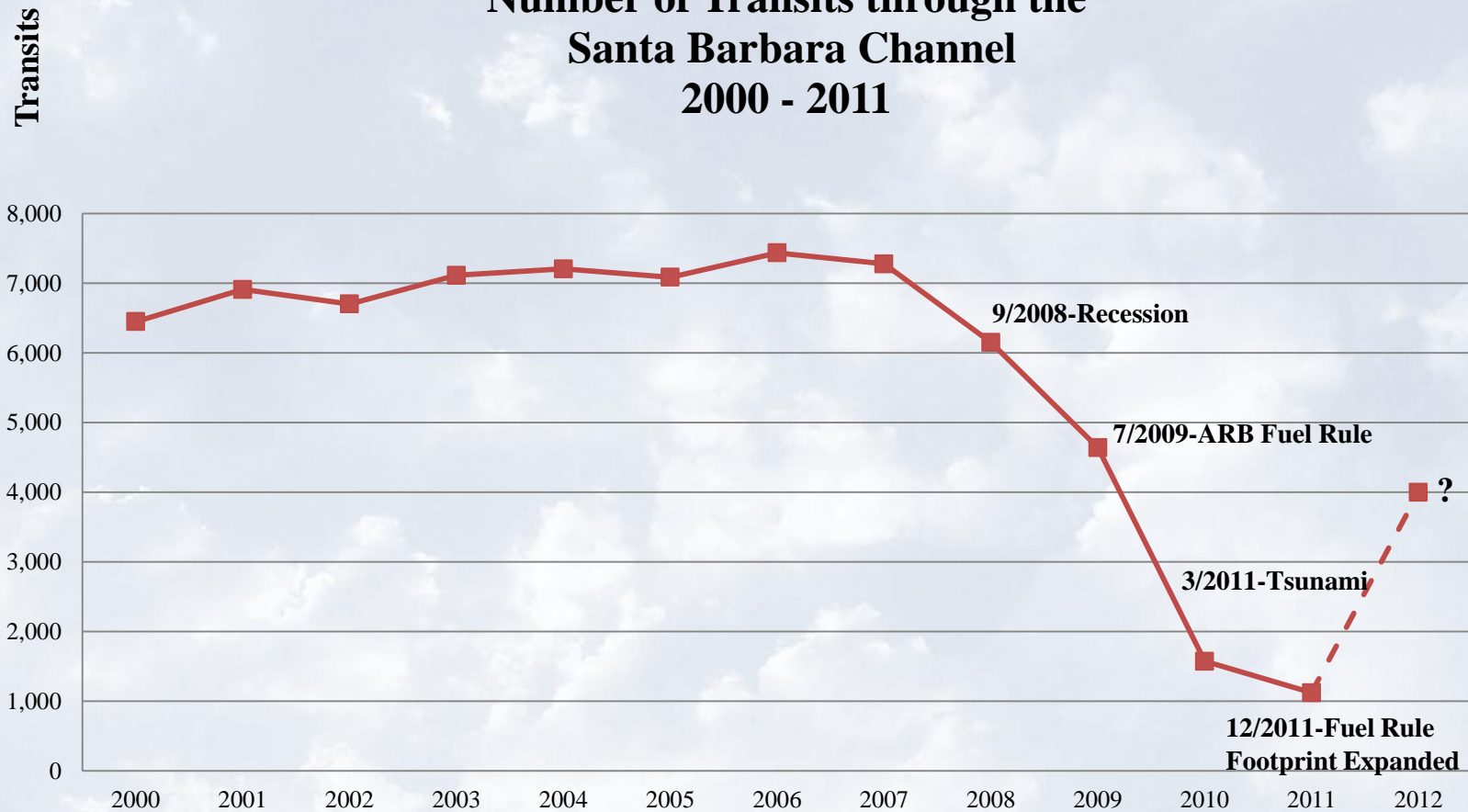


State Fuel Rule

- Jul 2009: lower-sulfur fuel mandated when vessels travel through Santa Barbara Channel (24nm off CA coast)
- Goal: reduce stack emissions of diesel particulate, toxics, and sulfur
- Ships went around Channel to avoid rule
- Effective Dec 2011: rule extended to 24nm outside Channel Islands

Channel Trip Trend

Number of Transits through the
Santa Barbara Channel
2000 - 2011



Emissions Benefits Documented

- NOAA plane flies over Maersk ship
- Measures pollutants from stack before and after switch to low-sulfur fuel (state fuel rule) and voluntary speed reduction
- Several pollutants, including particulate and sulfur dioxide, **reduced by 90%**
 - Did not measure NOx



Coast Guard Study

- Port Access Route Study initiated Apr 2010
 - Concerns about ship traffic in area outside Channel without approved shipping lanes and in Navy missile testing range
 - Focus on safety, traffic management, marine environment
- Study released Nov 2011 – recommended:
 - Creating new traffic lanes outside Islands
 - Moving existing lanes closer together (further north of Islands, protecting marine sanctuary)
- Federal rulemaking required to implement

Emission Control Areas

- International Maritime Organization designates Emission Control Area (ECA)
 - Ships traveling up to 200 miles off North American must meet stricter fuel and new engine standards
 - Fuel sulfur limits effective Aug 2012 – different standards and timeline than state

North American ECA



February Meeting with Maersk

- Met with Lee Kindberg, Director of Environment and Sustainability, Maersk Shipping Lines
- Representatives from District Board, APCD staff, NOAA, Environmental Defense Center, UCSB Bren School, Star Crest (emissions inventories)
- Initiate discussion and exchange with shipping industry leader



Maersk Overview

- Largest container shipping company in the world
- Green leader in industry
 - Only shipping company to support creation of the North American ECA



Maersk Green Initiatives

- Voluntarily reducing fuel sulfur levels
- Steady steaming
 - Fuel use and costs increase exponentially at higher speeds; lowest **constant** speed is best
- Low carbon leadership
 - Documenting supply chain for customers
 - Quantify and verify GHG reductions

Clean Cargo Working Group



Industry Efforts to Measure and Reduce Environmental Impacts

www.bsr.org

Clean Cargo Working Group is a business-to-business forum with the goal "to promote more sustainable product transportation."

CCWG's membership (2010)

Carriers



Shippers



- Standardized footprint calculation tools
- Annual environmental performance survey and benchmarking
- Working to harmonize environmental calculations globally
- Emissions factors published by trade lane.



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Industry Challenges

- Need to make it to ports by time certain
 - Slowing speeds means adding vessel to route
 - Costs of slipping on schedule
- Concerns about ability to steer ship at slow speeds

Additional Variables

- Potential for route changes away from CA ports and air quality improvements
 - Panama Canal expansion will allow larger ships through Canal
 - Expense of lower sulfur fuel (ECA and state) a factor
 - Sustainability initiatives reducing costs and environmental impacts

Looking Ahead

- Information gathering
 - Continue to meet with industry, ports, partners
 - Increase data capture and accuracy
 - Interest in vessel speed reduction for potential NOx and GHG reductions
 - Following state speed reduction study

