

Public Comment for SBCCOG Legislative Briefing, 7/13/23

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Good morning,

I will be attending this morning's legislative briefing on behalf of the South Coast Air Quality Management, and would like to provide the following updates during the Public Comment portion of the agenda. I am providing them in writing as well for your records:

South Coast AQMD has news on a multi-million dollar contribution that will aid air quality efforts across the South Bay and all of Los Angeles. The agency was awarded about \$76 million by the California State Transportation Agency (CalSTA) for zero-emission projects that will help transform the goods movement sector in the San Pedro Bay Port corridor. More than 80% of air pollution in Southern California is associated with mobile sources, including trucks, trains, planes and ocean-going vessels. As such, transitioning to zero emission technologies is essential to reducing air pollution.

South Coast AQMD will use the \$76,250,003 in CalSTA's Port and Freight Infrastructure Program to demonstrate one first-of-its-kind hydrogen fuel cell locomotive that will operate in and around Southern California, install 376 Direct Current Fast Chargers and 19 hydrogen refueling dispensers across seven locations for trucks used for goods movement. I am able to provide copies of our press release in English or Spanish, if requested. My email is bkeith@aqmd.gov, or I can be reached at 909-396-3952.

Additionally, today at 1:00 p.m. we have a meeting of the AQMP or Air Quality Management Plan Advisory Group, where members of our staff will be providing updates on emissions inventories as well as Stationary and Mobile Source control measures. The meeting will be available via Zoom: <https://scaqmd.zoom.us/j/99857381361>.

Regards,

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