Glen E. Stephens, P.E. Air Pollution Control Officer

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Board of Directors Eastern Kern APCD 2700 "M" Street, Suite 302 Bakersfield, California 93301

SUBJECT: Proposed Agreement with Antelope Valley Dust Control Group to Provide

Monitoring of Blow-Sand and Dust Control in the Fremont Valley Area

## Honorable Board:

The Fremont Valley (including Cantil and Rancho Seco) area of the Eastern Kern Air Pollution Control District (District) has been seriously devastated by blowing sand. To combat the problem, an assessment of the problem is necessary. This assessment will be used to determine areas to provide dust control.

Antelope Valley Dust Control Group (AVDCG) is a qualified firm to provide the required wind-blown sand and road quality assessments. The 15-month agreement is designed to assess the areas, the amount, and the source of the blow-sand. Additionally, control methods will be developed to help control blow sand. The 15-month agreement cost is not to exceed \$35,000.

Three copies of the proposed agreement (a sample copy is attached) were sent to AVDCG for signature and are expected to be returned to District prior to the Board Meeting. The District will withdraw the Agreement and hold it to the July 2022 Board Meeting if any significant changes are identified.

**IT IS RECOMMENDED** your Board approve and authorize Chairman to sign Agreement No. 05-005-2022 with Antelope Valley Dust Control Group.

Sincerely,

Glen E. Stephens, P.E. Air Pollution Control Officer

GES: kl Enclosure