

January 11, 2024

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

SUBJECT: New Classification--Air Quality Compliance Supervisor

Honorable Board:

The Eastern Kern Air Pollution Control District (District) currently has authorization for twelve positions (eleven are currently filled and one is held vacant). During my tenure as the Air Pollution Control Officer (APCO), the staff has performed efficiently. However, there is a need to add a new classification (Air Quality Compliance Supervisor). This position will supervise compliance and technical staff and confer with the California Air Resources Board to develop plans and rules to assist with bringing the District into attainment.

The District budgeted \$81,600 for the extra help position for fiscal year 2023/2024, none of these funds have been used to date. Staff estimates the cost of the new position will not exceed \$28,750 for the remainder of the fiscal year. Therefore, the proposed new position is incorporated into the current fiscal year 2023/2024 budget. The District's budget will not be affected by the staffing increase.

**IT IS RECOMMENDED** your Board approves the addition of a new classification--Air Quality Compliance Supervisor; authorize the APCO to inform Kern County Human Resources; and to take all other steps necessary to fill the position.

Sincerely,

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

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