

SUMMARY OF PROCEEDINGS

BOARD OF DIRECTORS EASTERN KERN AIR POLLUTION CONTROL DISTRICT

Regular Meeting
Thursday, September 5, 2024
2:00 P.M.

Location: Eastern Kern Air Pollution Control District Board Room
414 W. Tehachapi Blvd., Suite D, Tehachapi, CA 93561

Ridgecrest City Hall
100 W. California Ave., Ridgecrest, CA 93555

Zoom Video Conferencing - <https://zoom.us>
Meeting ID # 826 861 7254

DISTRICT TO RECONVENE

DIRECTORS: Davies (Chairman), Creighton, Gorman, and Peters

ROLL CALL: 4 Present (Davies, Creighton -Tehachapi) (Gorman, Peters - Zoom)

SALUTE TO FLAG: Director Gorman

AIR POLLUTION CONTROL OFFICER: Gary Ray, Jr.

LEGAL COUNSEL: Phillip Hall (Via Zoom)

BOARD SECRETARY: Bernave Garcia

BOARD ACTION SHOWN AFTER EACH ITEM IN CAPS. The vote is placed in **bold** below each Board Action. For example, **Creighton-Peters** denotes Director Creighton made the motion and Director Peters seconded the motion.

CONSENT AGENDA/OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC COMMENT: All items listed with a (-CA) were considered routine and approved by one motion.

Creighton - Peters: Roll call vote: Davies – Aye, Creighton – Aye, Gorman – Aye, Peters– Aye, 4 – Ayes

PUBLIC PRESENTATIONS

- 1) This portion of the meeting is reserved for persons to address the Board on any matter not on this agenda but under jurisdiction of the Board. Board members may respond briefly to statements made or questions posed. They may ask questions for clarification; make referrals to staff for information or request staff to report to the Board at a later meeting. In addition, the Board may take action to direct staff to place a matter of business on a future agenda. **SPEAKERS ARE LIMITED TO TWO MINUTES. PLEASE STATE YOUR NAME BEFORE MAKING YOUR PRESENTATION. THANK YOU. NO ONE HEARD.**

BOARD MEMBER PRESENTATIONS OR ANNOUNCEMENTS

- 2) On their own initiative, Board members may make brief announcements or brief reports on their own activities. They may ask questions for clarification, make referrals to staff or take action to have staff place a matter of business on a future agenda [Gov. Code Sec. 54954.2(a)].
NO ONE HEARD.

HEARINGS

- 3) Hearing to Consider Adoption of the Eastern Kern Air Pollution Control District’s Fiscal Year 2024-2025 Budget. – OPEN HEARING; RECEIVE PUBLIC COMMENT; CLOSE HEARING AND ADOPT THE RECOMMENDED BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2024-2025.
Creighton - Peters: Roll call vote: Davies – Aye, Creighton – Aye, Gorman – Aye, Peters– Aye, 4 – Ayes
- 4) Hearing to Present Eastern Kern APCD’s Annual AB2588 (Air Toxics) Report – OPEN HEARING; RECEIVE PUBLIC COMMENT; CLOSE HEARING; RECEIVE AND FILE THE DISTRICT’S ANNUAL AB2588 (AIR TOXICS) REPORT; AND DIRECT STAFF TO DISTRIBUTE REPORT
Creighton - Peters: Roll call vote: Davies – Aye, Creighton – Aye, Gorman – Aye, Peters– Aye, 4 – Ayes

DISTRICT REQUESTS

- 5-CA) Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) from California Air Pollution Control Officers Association for the District to receive EPA 105 Grant Funds – AUTHORIZE THE AIR POLLUTION CONTROL OFFICER TO SIGN THE MOU WITH THE CALIFORNIA AIR POLLUTION CONTROL OFFICERS ASSOCIATION, AND AUTHORIZE THE APCO TO DO ALL OTHER ACTS NECESSARY TO RECEIVE FUNDS FROM THE EPA 105 GRANT PROGRAM.
Creighton - Peters: Roll call vote: Davies – Aye, Creighton – Aye, Gorman – Aye, Peters– Aye, 4 – Ayes
- 6-CA) State Subvention Funds – AUTHORIZE THE AIR POLLUTION CONTROL OFFICER TO SIGN AND SUBMIT THE APPLICATION FOR STATE SUBVENTION FUNDS, AND TO TAKE ALL OTHER STEPS NECESSARY TO RECEIVE FUNDS.
Creighton - Peters: Roll call vote: Davies – Aye, Creighton – Aye, Gorman – Aye, Peters– Aye, 4 – Ayes

- 7-CA) 2025 DMV Grant Program Guidelines – APPROVE AND AUTHORIZE APCO TO IMPLEMENT NEW GUIDELINES.
Creighton - Peters: Roll call vote: Davies – Aye, Creighton – Aye, Gorman – Aye, Peters– Aye, 4 – Ayes
- 8-CA) Agreement No. 09-001-2024 with Joel Craig, Environmental Consultant for Data Processing and Training. Agreement costs shall not exceed \$150,000 for the five-year term of the agreement. – APPROVE AND AUTHORIZE CHAIRMAN TO SIGN AGREEMENT NO. 09-001-2024.
Creighton - Peters: Roll call vote: Davies – Aye, Creighton – Aye, Gorman – Aye, Peters– Aye, 4 – Ayes

MATTERS FOR EXECUTIVE APPROVAL

- 9-CA) Summary of Proceedings for Meeting of July 25, 2024 – APPROVE AND FILE.
Creighton - Peters: Roll call vote: Davies – Aye, Creighton – Aye, Gorman – Aye, Peters– Aye, 4 – Ayes

DOCUMENTS FOR FILING

- 10-CA) DISTRICT Notice of Violation's update – RECEIVE AND FILE.
Creighton - Peters: Roll call vote: Davies – Aye, Creighton – Aye, Gorman – Aye, Peters– Aye, 4 – Ayes

DISTRICT UPDATES

- 11) APCO Report (Verbal)

APCO COMMENTED ON A BALANCE BUDGET FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2024-2025. APCO ANNOUNCED THAT APPLICATIONS FOR THE UPCOMING INCENTIVE PROGRAMS WILL BE ACCEPTED ON OCTOBER 1, 2024. THESE INCENTIVE PROGRAMS INCLUDE THE DMV VOUCHER PROGRAM, WHICH PROVIDES ASSISTANCE IN THE PURCHASE OF NEW ELECTRIC VEHICLES; WOODSMOKE REDUCTION PROGRAM TO HELP RESIDENTS REPLACE THEIR OLDER, HIGH EMITTING WOOD-BURNING STOVES; AND THE DMV GRANT PROGRAM, WHICH PROVIDES FUNDING FOR ELIGIBLE PROJECTS SUCH AS ROAD PAVING, EV CHARGING STATIONS,

**AND EDUCATIONAL OUTREACH, AMONG OTHERS WHICH
ARE LISTED ON THE DISTRICT’S WEBSITE.**

ADJOURN TO THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 7, 2024, 2:00 PM, REGULAR
BOARD SESSION AT EASTERN KERN AIR POLLUTION CONTROL
DISTRICT BOARD ROOM, 414 W. TEHACHAPI BLVD., SUITE D,
TEHACHAPI, CA.

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(District Seal)



Bernave Garcia, Board Secretary
Eastern Kern APCD



Michael Davies, Chairman
Eastern Kern APCD