

**California Air Resources Board
GRANT REPORTING FORM**

Grant Title				Grant Number	
Community Air Protection Program (AB 617)				G22-CAPP-31	
Grantee Name				Report Number	
South Coast Air Quality Management District				1 - ANNUAL	
Reporting Period				Date Report Submitted	
From	7/19/2023	To	5/31/2024		
Report Type:			Total Grant Amount:		
Funding Status			Reporting Period		Cumulative
AB 617 Funds Received			\$ 21,880,000		\$ 21,880,000
Interest Earned			\$ 230,045		\$ 230,045
Expended			\$ 3,346,603		\$ 3,346,603
Remaining/(Use of South Coast AQMD Funds)			\$ 18,763,442		\$ 18,763,442
Remarks					
Category			Reporting Period Expenditures		Cumulative Expenditures
• Salaries and Benefits			\$ 2,297,755		\$ 2,297,755
• Operating Expenses			\$ 57,960		\$ 57,960
• Fixed Assets			\$ 66,776		\$ 66,776
• Administrative/Overhead			\$ 924,112		\$ 924,112
Total Expenditures			\$ 3,346,603		\$ 3,346,603
Indicate how grant is being utilized to meet the goals of AB 617 (If applicable, included emissions reductions being achieved)					
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Overview • DEI with Community Air Programs • Community Outreach, Relations & Engagement (CORE): This grant supported resources for staffing, supplies, and meeting logistics. This includes community outreach, interpretation, document translation, and facilitation services; all necessary for the successful hosting of quarterly Community Steering Committee (CSC) meetings, workgroup meetings, workshops, and community tours. This funding has ensured sustained and meaningful engagement with community members and has helped foster increased community involvement. It has also facilitated the implementation of the Community Emission Reduction Plans (CERPs) throughout the six designated communities. This funding was used to support additional outreach on AB 617 related projects, such as the Residential Air Filtration Program at local community events. This funding was used provide increased interpretation services in Spanish and Korean to communities that requested it. This funding was used to sponsor and participate in community events hosted by CSC member organizations such as SCLA-PUSH and East Yard Communities for Environmental Justice. • CERP Team: The funding from this grant supported staff resources to administer the South Coast AQMD Board-adopted Community Emission Reductions Plans (CERPs) for the six (6) South Coast AQMD AB 617-designated communities, including: implementing CERP objectives; program development; collaborating with internal and external stakeholders (e.g., local agencies, community-based organizations, businesses, 					

community members, colleges and universities); participating in meetings, conferences, and community events; developing informational videos, materials, and infographics; project plan development; providing letters of support and comment letters; conducting participatory budgeting; and reporting CERP implementation progress including the development of a public facing Dashboard.

- **CAMP Team:** The funding from this grant supported air monitoring and staff resources to implement Community Air Monitoring Plans (CAMPs) for the six (6) South Coast AQMD AB 617-designated communities, including establishing new air monitoring stations and/or supplementing existing air monitoring stations with additional measurement equipment; conducting community-wide and targeted mobile monitoring surveys; establishing and maintaining air quality sensors and sensor networks; supporting compliance and enforcement activities; and supporting other CERP activities.
- **Planning, Rule Development and Implementation** The funding from this grant supported staff resources to implement BARCT, source-specific, and toxics rule development, and conduct the work necessary to implement the Board-adopted Community Emissions Reduction Plans (CERPs). Such work could include new rule development, rule amendments, support documentation, or program development. The grant supported funding three community co-leads for the South Los Angeles community, meeting facilitators, and written and oral Spanish translation services. In addition, the grant supported staff resources to assist CARB staff developing the BACT/BARCT clearinghouse and emissions reporting regulation. The grant supported resources to participate and incorporate and implement the CTR program Staff implemented various CERP actions, such as working with stakeholders to install no-idling signs in the City of San Bernardino.
- **Technology Advancement Office:** The grant supported the work in the development of project plans (including the Clean Technology Truck Loaner Program) and the distribution of Community Air Protection Program (CAPP) incentives funding, home and school air filtration projects, and efforts to work closely with CSCs to develop recommendations for incentive projects. Additionally, the grant supported efforts to develop an incentive program to eliminate hexavalent chromium emissions beyond regulatory requirements by replacing chromium tanks with an alternative option at chrome plating facilities.

Summary of work completed and in progress since the last progress report

- **Community Air Programs:** During this reporting period, staff continued their community outreach and CERP implementation for all communities. For the Eastern Coachella Valley (ECV) and South Los Angeles (SLA) communities, staff organized recurring workgroup meetings to discuss specific topics related to CERP implementation. Some examples of administering the AB 617 program include developing Community Air Protection Incentives project plans, the AB 617 CERP Implementation Dashboard, and community-friendly outreach materials (e.g., meeting materials, informational handouts, rules brochures). Notable examples of work performed are the projects plans for paving and green space in Eastern Coachella Valley and Southeast Los Angeles, respectively, and participatory budgeting in South Los Angeles. Additionally, for all six communities, the CERP Team is developing a video to solicit community feedback for truck routes and working on collaborating with the University of California Master Gardeners Program for tree planting.
- **BARCT/CERP Rule Development:** During this reporting period, staff continued to work on numerous rules that involved a BARCT assessment and successfully adopted or amended the following rule: Rule 1118 (Control of Emissions from Refinery Flares) which is expected to reduce NOx emissions by 10.1 tons per year, SOx emissions by 16.6 tons per year, VOC emission by 3.8 tons per year and PM emissions by 3.3 tons per year . In addition, staff continues to work on the following six other BARCT rules as well as

rules for the CERPs: Proposed Rule 1159.1 (NOx Emissions from Nitric Acid Tanks), Proposed Amended Rule 1146.2 (Emissions of Oxides of Nitrogen from Large Water Heaters and Small Boilers and Process Heaters), Proposed Amended Rule 463 (Organic Liquid Storage), Proposed Amended Rule 1148.1 (Oil and Gas Production Wells), and Proposed Amended Rule 1173 (Control of Volatile Organic Compound Leaks and Releases from Components at Petroleum Facilities and Chemical Plants).

- **Air Toxics Rule Development:** During this reporting period, staff continued to work on numerous rules that sought to reduce risk from air toxics in various operations, including the following three toxic rules: Proposed Amended Rule 1401 (Toxic Air Contaminants for New or Modified Sources), Proposed Rule 1435 (Toxics from Metal Heat Treating Processes), and Proposed Rule 1445 (Control of Toxic Emissions from Laser Arc Cutting).
- **Enforcement:** During this reporting period, staff continued ongoing enforcement activities to ensure that regulated entities complied with South Coast AQMD permit conditions and air quality rules and regulations. Enforcement activities included community-specific CERP objectives, such as truck idling sweeps, complaint responses, facility inspections, evaluating and addressing notifications from regulated facilities (equipment breakdown, source testing, flaring events, etc.), surveillance operations, and investigations based on community air monitoring efforts that showed elevated levels of pollutants. Inspections were prioritized based on a variety of factors, such as proximity to schools and other sensitive receptors, pollutants generated, facility size and/or complaints received. In addition to these regular inspections, Enforcement staff continued to make progress towards implementing CERP objectives related to focused inspections, including referrals to appropriate agencies as needed, and collaborated with agency partners on joint inspections.
- **Legal:** During this reporting period, Legal continued to support all AB617 efforts by offering counsel, CERP review, and assisting in the formulation of responses to legal and regulatory questions.
- **Legislative, Public Affairs and Media:** During this reporting period, staff continued to implement CERP measures and conduct outreach on issues related to communities including Clean Air Program for Elementary Schools, Why Healthy Air Matters, information on air quality issues and filing complaints, and Small Business Assistance.

(Use additional pages as necessary)

District Authorization:



Wayne Nastri, Executive Officer

7/31/2024

Date