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Proposed Cooperative Agreement between the Port of LA, Port of Long Beach and the South Coast Air Quality Management District

November 20, 2025

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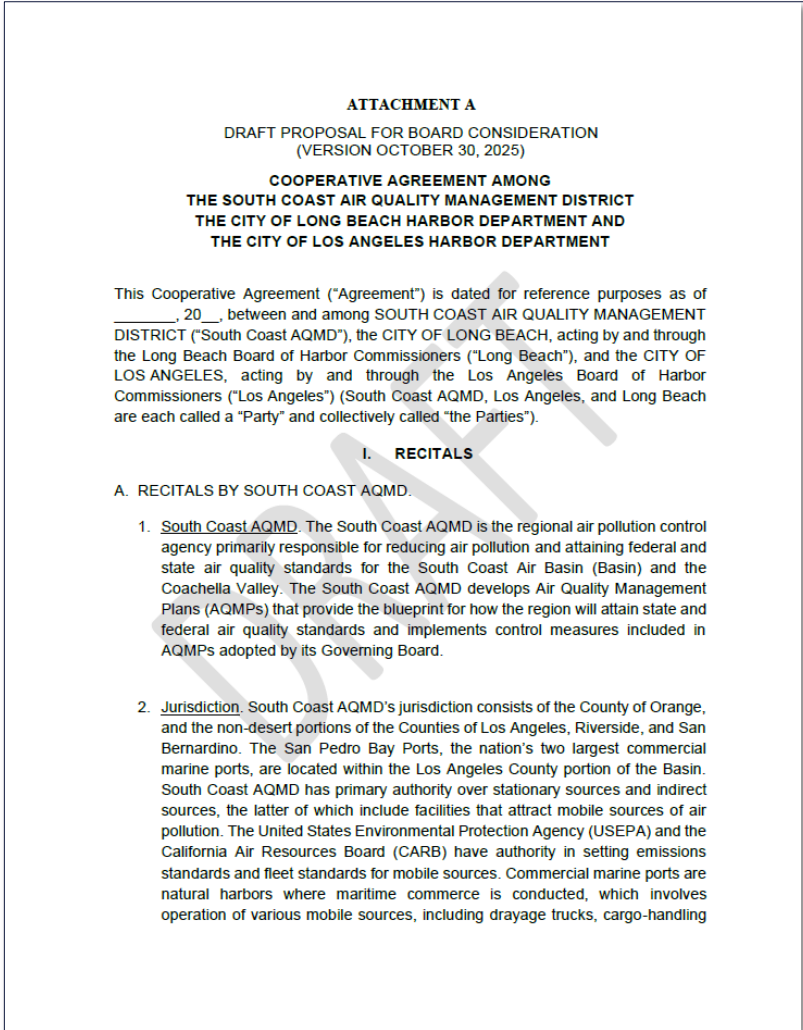
**Board of Harbor
Commissioners**

Recommended Actions

- Find that the proposed action is statutorily, categorically and generally exempt from the requirements of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) under Sections 15262, 15306 and 15061(b)(3) of the State CEQA Guidelines as determined by the Director of Environmental Management; and
- Approve the proposed Cooperative Agreement among Harbor Department, City of Long Beach Harbor Department, and the South Coast Air Quality Management District; and
- Authorize the Executive Director to execute and the Board Secretary to attest to said Cooperative Agreement for and on behalf of the Board; and
- Adopt Resolution No. _____.

Brief History of PR 2304 and the Proposed Collaborative Agreement

- The South Coast AQMD has been working on the Port measure (Control Measure MOB-01) since 2017.
- Initial approaches included MOUs and a potential Indirect Source Rule (ISR).
- Proposed Rule 2304 (PR 2304), initiated in 2022, focused solely on comprehensive **zero-emission (ZE) charging and fueling infrastructure** planning and implementation.
- Infrastructure planning is considered the **critical first step** to achieve necessary long-term emission reductions from widespread cleaner technology deployment.
- The Cooperative Agreement (CA) was proposed by the Ports in July 2025 as a potential substitute for PR 2304.
- In August, the South Coast AQMD Governing Board directed their staff to pause rulemaking and commence a 45-day negotiation with the ports. Based on the strength of the draft Cooperative Agreement, by October, they directed staff to undertake public review of the agreement and bring an agreement back by November.



- Parties:



- Scope:

- Established enforceable timelines for development and implementation of zero-emission (ZE) infrastructure plans on port-managed properties.
- Generally meets the objectives of PR 2304

- Term:

- Five years, effective from the date of last signature through December 31, 2030
- 45-Day Early Exit Clause

Covered Sources, Phases and Approval



• Port Sources Covered:

- Cargo Handling Equipment (CHE)
- Drayage Trucks
- Local Switcher Locomotives
- Harbor Craft
- Ocean Going Vessels (OGV)

• Phased ZE Plan Development Timelines:

- ZE Plan Phase 1 (plan due Dec. 31, 2027): CHE (container) and Drayage Trucks
- ZE Plan Phase 2 (plan due Dec. 31, 2028): CHE (non-container), Local Switcher Locomotives and Harbor Craft
- ZE Plan Phase 3 (plan due Dec. 31, 2029): Ocean Going Vessel

• Content and Approval:

- Must specify Planning Targets for infrastructure aggregate capacity and anticipated operational timeline
- More Robust Public Process
- Approval by Board of Harbor Commissioners



- **South Coast AQMD Role:**

- Monitoring, Assessment and Verification of ZE Plan Development and Implementation
- Receives Regular Reports Documenting Progress

- **Enforcement:**

- Failure to execute terms of the agreement (Default) is subject to financial consequences.
- Financial payments vary based on the tier of severity for the contract default:
 - Tier I: \$50,000 per Default.
 - Tier II: \$100,000 per Default.
 - Tier III: \$200,000 per Default.
- Payments are deposited into the South Coast AQMD-managed **Clean Air Mitigation Fund**.
- Funds must benefit communities most impacted by port pollution (subject to Tidelands Trust limits). South Coast AQMD is required to seek public input before allocating these funds.



November 7: Approved by the South Coast AQMD Governing Board (9-1) along with accompanying resolution directing staff to not pursue rulemaking while agreement is in effect.



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November 10: Adopted by Port of Long Beach Board of Commissioners.



Today: Consideration before the Port of Los Angeles Board of Harbor Commissioners.

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