

## Section 3.2

**Air Quality and Meteorology****3.2.1 Introduction**

Emissions from construction and operation of the proposed Project would affect air quality in the immediate Project area and the surrounding region. This section includes a description of the affected air quality environment, predicted impacts of the Proposed Project, mitigations, and project conditions subject to approval that would reduce significant impacts.

**3.2.2 Environmental Setting**

The site of the proposed Project is located near the Harbor District of the City of Los Angeles in the southwest coastal area of the South Coast Air Basin (SCAB). The SCAB consists of the non-desert portions of Los Angeles, Riverside, and San Bernardino Counties and all of Orange County. The SCAB covers an area of approximately 15,500 square kilometers (6,000 square miles) and is bounded on the west by the Pacific Ocean, on the north and east by the San Gabriel, San Bernardino, and San Jacinto Mountains, and on the south by the San Diego County line.

**3.2.2.1 Regional Climate and Meteorology**

The climate of the Project region is classified as Mediterranean, characterized by warm, rainless summers and mild, wet winters. The major influence on the regional climate is the Eastern Pacific High (a strong persistent area of high atmospheric pressure over the Pacific Ocean), topography, and the moderating effects of the Pacific Ocean. Seasonal variations in the position and strength of the High are a key factor in the weather changes in the area.

The Eastern Pacific High attains its greatest strength and most northerly position during the summer, when the High is centered west of northern California. In this location, the High effectively shelters Southern California from the effects of polar storm systems. Large-scale atmospheric subsidence associated with the High produces an elevated temperature inversion along the West Coast. The base of this subsidence inversion is generally from 1,000 to 2,500 feet (300 to 800 meters) above mean sea level (msl) during the summer. Vertical mixing is often limited to the base of the inversion, and air pollutants are trapped in the lower atmosphere. The mountain ranges that surround the Los Angeles Basin constrain the horizontal movement of air and also inhibit the dispersion of air pollutants out of the region. These two factors, combined with the air pollution sources of over 15 million people, are responsible for the high pollutant concentrations that can occur in the SCAB. In addition, the warm temperatures and high

1 solar radiation during the summer months promote the formation of ozone, which has its  
2 highest levels during the summer.

3 The proximity of the Eastern Pacific High and a thermal low pressure system in the  
4 desert interior to the east produce a sea breeze regime that prevails within the Project  
5 region for most of the year, particularly during the spring and summer months. Sea  
6 breezes at the Port typically increase during the morning hours from the southerly  
7 direction and reach a peak in the afternoon as they blow from the southwest. These  
8 winds generally subside after sundown. During the warmest months of the year,  
9 however, sea breezes could persist well into the nighttime hours. Conversely, during the  
10 colder months of the year, northerly land breezes increase by sunset and into the evening  
11 hours. Sea breezes transport air pollutants away from the coast and towards the interior  
12 regions in the afternoon hours for most of the year.

13 During the fall and winter months, the Eastern Pacific High can combine with high  
14 pressure over the continent to produce light winds and extended inversion conditions in  
15 the region. These stagnant atmospheric conditions often result in elevated pollutant  
16 concentrations in the SCAB. Excessive buildup of high pressure in the Great Basin  
17 region can produce a “Santa Ana” condition, characterized by warm, dry, northeast winds  
18 in the basin and offshore regions. Santa Ana winds often ventilate the SCAB of air  
19 pollutants.

20 The Palos Verdes Hills have a major influence on wind flow in the Port. For example,  
21 during afternoon southwest sea breeze conditions, the Palos Verdes Hills often block this  
22 flow and create a zone of lighter winds in the inner Harbor area of the Port. During  
23 strong sea breezes, this flow can bend around the north side of the Hills and end up as a  
24 northwest breeze in the inner Harbor area. This topographic feature also deflects  
25 northeasterly land breezes that flow from the coastal plains to a more northerly direction  
26 through the Port.

27 The proposed Project site is located approximately four miles north of the ports of Los  
28 Angeles (POLA or the Port) and Long Beach (POLB) in the southern part of the Los  
29 Angeles Basin. The dominant terrain features/water bodies that may influence wind  
30 patterns in this part of the Los Angeles Basin include the hills of the Palos Verdes  
31 Peninsula to the west and southwest, and the San Pedro Bay and shipping channels  
32 approximately four miles south of the yard. Although the area in the immediate vicinity  
33 of the Ports, including that covered by the extensive vehicle roadway network associated  
34 with the Project, is generally flat, these terrain features/water bodies may result in  
35 significant variations in wind patterns over relatively short distances. Areas to the west of  
36 the Palos Verdes Hills and within approximately 5 kilometers of the San Pedro Bay  
37 generally exhibit predominant winds from the northwest and from the south or southeast.  
38 The consistency of the predominant winds in this area indicates that the Palo Verdes Hills  
39 are channeling the winds from the northwest and that the San Pedro Bay and shipping  
40 channels influence the winds from the south and southeast. At the southern tip of the  
41 Port of Los Angeles, winds appear to be heavily influenced by the San Pedro Bay and  
42 predominant winds are from the southwest. This area is characterized by higher wind  
43 speeds and less variation in wind direction than patterns further inland (POLA/POLB,  
44 2010).

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### 3.2.2.2 Criteria Pollutants and Air Monitoring

#### Criteria Pollutants

Air quality at a given location can be described by the concentration of various pollutants in the atmosphere. Units of concentration are generally expressed in parts per million (ppm) or micrograms per cubic meter ( $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$ ). The significance of a pollutant concentration is determined by comparing the concentration to an appropriate national and/or state ambient air quality standard. These standards represent the allowable atmospheric concentrations at which national and/or state agencies have determined the public health and welfare are protected, and include a reasonable margin of safety to protect the more sensitive individuals in the population.

The US Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA) establishes the National Ambient Air Quality Standards (NAAQS). For most pollutants except for the 1-hour  $\text{SO}_2$  and  $\text{NO}_2$ , maximum pollutant concentrations shall not exceed a short-term NAAQS more than once per year; and they shall not exceed the annual standards. For 1-hour  $\text{SO}_2$  and  $\text{NO}_2$ , the 98th percentile (8th highest) daily maximum 1-hour  $\text{NO}_2$  concentration averaged over three years and the 99th percentile (4th highest) daily maximum 1-hour  $\text{SO}_2$  concentration averaged over three years shall not exceed the 1-hour  $\text{NO}_2$  and 1-hour  $\text{SO}_2$  NAAQS, respectively. The California Air Resources Board (CARB) establishes the California Ambient Air Quality Standards (CAAQS). California standards for ozone ( $\text{O}_3$ ), carbon monoxide (CO), nitrogen dioxide ( $\text{NO}_2$ ), particulate matter less than 10 microns ( $\mu\text{m}$ ) in diameter ( $\text{PM}_{10}$ ), and particulate matter less than 2.5  $\mu\text{m}$  in diameter ( $\text{PM}_{2.5}$ ) are values not to be exceeded. All other standards are not to be equaled or exceeded.

Pollutants that have corresponding national or state ambient air quality standards are known as criteria pollutants. These pollutants can harm human health and the environment, and cause property damage. These pollutants are called "criteria" air pollutants because they are regulated by developing human health-based and/or environmentally based criteria (science-based guidelines) for setting permissible levels. The set of limits based on human health is called the primary standards. Another set of limits intended to prevent environmental and property damage is called the secondary standards. The criteria pollutants of primary concern that are assessed in this EIR include ozone, CO,  $\text{NO}_2$ , sulfur dioxide ( $\text{SO}_2$ ),  $\text{PM}_{10}$ , and  $\text{PM}_{2.5}$ . Nitrogen oxides ( $\text{NO}_x$ ) and sulfur oxides ( $\text{SO}_x$ ) are the generic terms for  $\text{NO}_2$  and  $\text{SO}_2$ , respectively, because  $\text{NO}_2$  and  $\text{SO}_2$  are naturally highly reactive and may change composition when exposed to oxygen, other pollutants, and/or sunlight in the atmosphere. These oxides are produced during combustion. Criteria pollutants add directly to regional health problems. The known adverse effects associated with these criteria pollutants are shown in Table 3.2-1.

Of the criteria pollutants of concern, ozone is unique because it is not directly emitted from Project-related sources. Rather, ozone is a secondary pollutant, formed from the precursor pollutants volatile organic compounds (VOC) and  $\text{NO}_x$ . VOC and  $\text{NO}_x$  react to form ozone in the presence of sunlight through a complex series of photochemical reactions. As a result, unlike inert pollutants, ozone levels usually peak several hours after the precursors are emitted and many miles downwind of the source. Because of the complexity and uncertainty in predicting photochemical pollutant concentrations, ozone impacts are indirectly addressed by comparing Project-generated emissions of VOC and  $\text{NO}_x$  to daily emission thresholds set by the South Coast Air Quality Management District (SCAQMD). These emission thresholds are discussed in Section 3.2.4.2 (Significance Criteria).

1 Generally, concentrations of photochemical pollutants, such as ozone, are highest during  
2 the summer months and coincide with the season of maximum solar insolation.  
3 Concentrations of inert pollutants, such as CO, tend to be the greatest during the winter  
4 months and are a product of light wind conditions and surface-based temperature  
5 inversions that are frequent during that time of year. These conditions limit atmospheric  
6 dispersion. However, in the case of PM<sub>10</sub> impacts from fugitive dust sources, maximum  
7 concentrations may occur during high wind events or near man-made ground-disturbing  
8 activities, such as vehicular activities on roads and earth moving during construction  
9 activities.

10 Because most of the Project-related emission sources would be diesel-powered, diesel  
11 particulate matter (DPM) is a key pollutant evaluated in this analysis. DPM is one of the  
12 components of ambient PM<sub>10</sub> and PM<sub>2.5</sub>. DPM is also classified as a toxic air  
13 contaminant by the CARB. As a result, DPM is evaluated in this study both as a criteria  
14 pollutant (as a component of PM<sub>10</sub> and PM<sub>2.5</sub>) and as a toxic air contaminant.

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1 **Table 3.2-1. Adverse Effects Associated with the Criteria Pollutants.**<sup>d</sup>

Pollutant	Adverse Effects
Ozone (O <sub>3</sub> )	(a) Short-term exposures: (1) Pulmonary function decrements and localized lung edema in humans and animals and (2) Risk to public health implied by alterations in pulmonary morphology and host defense in animals; (b) Long-term exposures: Risk to public health implied by altered connective tissue metabolism and altered pulmonary morphology in animals after long-term exposures and pulmonary function decrements in chronically exposed humans; (c) Vegetation damage; (d) Property damage
Carbon Monoxide (CO)	(a) Aggravation of angina pectoris and other aspects of coronary heart disease; (b) Decreased exercise tolerance in persons with peripheral vascular disease and lung disease; (c) Impairment of central nervous system functions; (d) Possible increased risk to fetuses
Nitrogen Dioxide (NO <sub>2</sub> )	(a) Potential to aggravate chronic respiratory disease and respiratory symptoms in sensitive groups; (b) Risk to public health implied by pulmonary and extra-pulmonary biochemical and cellular changes and pulmonary structural changes; (c) Contribution to atmospheric discoloration
Sulfur Dioxide (SO <sub>2</sub> )	(a) Broncho-constriction accompanied by symptoms that may include wheezing, shortness of breath, and chest tightness during exercise or physical activity in persons with asthma
Suspended Particulate Matter (PM <sub>10</sub> )	(a) Excess deaths from short-term and long-term exposures; (b) excess seasonal declines in pulmonary function, especially in children; (c) asthma exacerbation and possibly induction; (d) adverse birth outcomes including low birth weight; (e) increased infant mortality; (f) increased respiratory symptoms in children such as cough and bronchitis; and (g) increased hospitalization for both cardiovascular and respiratory disease (including asthma) <sup>a</sup>
Suspended Particulate Matter (PM <sub>2.5</sub> )	(a) Excess deaths from short-term and long-term exposures; (b) excess seasonal declines in pulmonary function, especially in children; (c) asthma exacerbation and possibly induction; (d) adverse birth outcomes including low birth weight; (e) increased infant mortality; (f) increased respiratory symptoms in children such as cough and bronchitis; and (g) increased hospitalization for both cardiovascular and respiratory disease (including asthma) <sup>a</sup>
Lead <sup>b</sup>	(a) Increased body burden; (b) impairment of blood formation and nerve conduction, and neurotoxin.
Sulfates <sup>c</sup>	(a) Decrease in ventilatory function; (b) Aggravation of asthmatic symptoms; (c) Aggravation of cardiopulmonary disease; (d) Vegetation damage; (e) Degradation of visibility; (f) Property damage

Source: (SCAQMD, 2007b).

- a) More detailed discussions on the health effects associated with exposure to suspended particulate matter can be found in the following documents: OEHHA, Particulate Matter Health Effects and Standard Recommendations ([www.oehha.ca.gov/air/toxic\\_contaminants/PM10notice.html#may](http://www.oehha.ca.gov/air/toxic_contaminants/PM10notice.html#may)), May 9, 2002; and U.S. EPA, Air Quality Criteria for Particulate Matter, October 2004.
- b) Lead emissions were evaluated in the health risk assessment of this study.
- c) Sulfate emissions were evaluated in the health risk assessment of this study. The SCAQMD has not established an emissions threshold for sulfates, nor does it require dispersion modeling against the localized significance thresholds (LSTs).
- d) California Ambient Air Quality Standards have also been established for hydrogen sulfide, vinyl chloride, and visibility reducing particles. They are not shown in this table because they are not pollutants of concern for the proposed Project.

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## Local Air Monitoring Levels

USEPA designates all areas of the United States according to whether they meet the NAAQS. A nonattainment designation means that a primary NAAQS has been exceeded more than once per year in a given area. USEPA currently designates the SCAB as an “extreme” nonattainment area for 1-hour ozone, a nonattainment area for 8-hour ozone, a nonattainment area for PM<sub>10</sub>, and a nonattainment area for PM<sub>2.5</sub>, and a maintenance area for CO<sup>1</sup>. The SCAB is in attainment of the NAAQS for SO<sub>2</sub>, NO<sub>2</sub>, and lead (USEPA, 2005). States with nonattainment areas must prepare a State Implementation Plan (SIP) that demonstrates how those areas will come into attainment.

The CARB also designates areas of the state according to whether they meet the CAAQS. A nonattainment designation means that a CAAQS has been exceeded more than once in 3 years. The CARB currently designates the SCAB as an “extreme” nonattainment area for 1-hour ozone, and a nonattainment area for both PM<sub>10</sub>, and PM<sub>2.5</sub>. The air basin is in attainment of the CAAQS for CO, SO<sub>2</sub>, NO<sub>2</sub>, sulfates, and lead, and is unclassified for hydrogen sulfide and visibility reducing particles (CARB, 2011a).

The Port has been conducting its own air quality monitoring program since February 2005. The main objective of the program is to estimate ambient levels of DPM near the Port. The secondary objective of the program is to estimate ambient particulate matter levels within adjacent communities due to Port emissions. To achieve these objectives, the program measures ambient concentrations of PM<sub>10</sub>, PM<sub>2.5</sub>, at four locations in the Port vicinity (POLA, 2006). In 2008, the Port also began measuring ambient concentrations of ozone, SO<sub>2</sub>, NO<sub>2</sub> and CO. The station locations are:

- **Wilmington Station – Located at the Saints Peter and Paul School.** This station measures aged urban emissions during offshore flows and a combination of marine aerosols, aged urban emissions, and fresh emissions from Port operations during onshore flows. This station also provides information on the relative strengths of these source combinations. Meteorological data from this site and Terminal Island site (describe below) were used in this air quality analysis to model human health risks and criteria pollutant impacts associated with the proposed Project.
- **Coastal Boundary Station – Located at Berth 47 in the Port Outer Harbor.** This station measures aged urban and Port emissions and marine aerosols during onshore flows and aged urban emissions and fresh Port emissions during offshore flows.
- **Source-Dominated Station – Located at the Terminal Island Treatment Plant.** This site is surrounded by three terminals and has a potential to receive emissions from off-road equipment, on-road trucks, and rail. During onshore flows, this station measures marine aerosols and fresh emissions from several nearby diesel-fired sources (trucks, trains, and ships). During offshore flows, this station measures aged urban emissions and Port emissions. Meteorological data from this site and the Wilmington site (described above) were used in this air quality analysis to model human health risks and criteria pollutant impacts associated with the proposed Project.
- **San Pedro Station – Located at the Liberty Hill Plaza Building,** adjacent to the Port administrative property on Palos Verdes Street. This location is near the western

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<sup>1</sup> The SCAB has been achieving the federal 1-hour CO air quality standard since 1990, and the federal 8-hour CO standard since 2002. Effective June 11, 2007, the U.S. EPA redesignated SCAB as in attainment for CO. A redesignation to attainment has already been made for the state CO standards.

1 edge of Port operational emission sources and adjacent to residential areas in San  
 2 Pedro. During onshore flows, aged urban emissions, marine aerosols, and fresh Port  
 3 emissions have the potential to affect this site. During nighttime offshore flows, this  
 4 site measures aged urban emissions and Port emissions.

5 As discussed below, the Port has collected PM<sub>10</sub> data for six years at its Wilmington  
 6 station, PM<sub>2.5</sub> data at all four of its stations for six years, and ozone, SO<sub>2</sub>, NO<sub>2</sub> and CO  
 7 from all four of its stations for three years. Though the Port operates monitoring stations  
 8 in the vicinity of the proposed Project, three years of complete data from these stations  
 9 were not available and therefore these data are not used in this analysis. Of the  
 10 SCAQMD monitoring stations, the most representative station for the Project vicinity is  
 11 the North Long Beach station because it is the closest SCAQMD station to the Project  
 12 site. Table 3.2-2 shows the highest pollutant concentrations recorded at the North Long  
 13 Beach station for 2007 to 2009, the most recent complete 3-year period of quality assured  
 14 data available. Per the Port's ambient air pollutant concentration modeling protocol, the  
 15 most recent complete 3-year period of quality-assured concentration data is needed for  
 16 use in the analysis of ambient air pollutant concentrations. As shown in the table, the  
 17 following standards were exceeded at the North Long Beach Station over the 3-year  
 18 period: ozone (state 1-hour and 8-hour standards in 2007 and 2008 only), PM<sub>10</sub> (state 24-  
 19 hour and annual standards), and PM<sub>2.5</sub> (national 24-hour standard, and national and state  
 20 annual standards). No standards were exceeded for CO, NO<sub>2</sub>, SO<sub>2</sub>, lead, and sulfates,  
 21 although some data were not available for SO<sub>2</sub> and lead sulfates between 2007 and 2009.

22 Pollutant sampling data for the most recent three years (May 2007 through April 2010)  
 23 from the Port monitoring program are available. The data are summarized in Table 3.2-3.  
 24 Data collected concurrently at the SCAQMD North Long Beach monitoring station are  
 25 also presented for comparison. The table shows that for PM<sub>10</sub>, annual average  
 26 concentrations at the Port Monitoring Sites are lower than the North Long Beach station,  
 27 and 24-hour average concentrations are lower at the North Long Beach station than at the  
 28 Port Monitoring Sites. For PM<sub>2.5</sub>, concentrations at the Port Monitoring Sites are lower  
 29 than at the North Long Beach station. North Long Beach station concentrations are  
 30 higher than those at the Port Monitoring Sites for 8-hour average ozone, the 98<sup>th</sup>  
 31 percentile of 1-hour NO<sub>2</sub>, annual average PM<sub>10</sub>, and 24-hour and annual PM<sub>2.5</sub>.

32 Air quality within the SCAB has generally improved since the inception of air pollutant  
 33 monitoring in 1976. This improvement is mainly due to lower-polluting on-road motor  
 34 vehicles, more stringent regulation of industrial sources, and the implementation of  
 35 emission reduction strategies by the SCAQMD. This trend towards cleaner air has  
 36 occurred in spite of continued population growth.

37 **Table 3.2-2. Maximum Pollutant Concentrations Measured at the North Long Beach**  
 38 **Monitoring Station.**

Pollutant	Averaging Period	National Standard	State Standard	Highest Monitored Concentration		
				2007	2008	2009
Ozone (ppm)	1 hour	N/A	0.09	<b>0.099</b>	<b>0.093</b>	0.089
	8 hours	0.075	0.070	<b>0.073</b>	<b>0.074</b>	0.068
CO (ppm)	1 hour	35	20	3	3	3
	8 hours	9	9	2.6	2.6	2.2
NO <sub>2</sub> (ppm)	1 hour	N/A	0.18	0.11	0.13	0.11
	1 hour (98 <sup>th</sup> percentile)	0.100	N/A	0.08	0.09	0.07
	Annual	0.053	0.030	0.0207	0.0208	0.0212

Pollutant	Averaging Period	National Standard	State Standard	Highest Monitored Concentration		
				2007	2008	2009
SO <sub>2</sub> (ppm)	1 hour	N/A	0.25	0.11	0.09	0.02
	1 hour (99 <sup>th</sup> percentile)	0.075	N/A	0.019	0.030	0.012
	24 hours	N/A	0.04	0.011	0.012	0.005
	Annual	N/A	N/A	0.0027	0.0022	Not available
PM <sub>10</sub> (µg/m <sup>3</sup> )	24 hours	150	50	<b>75</b>	<b>62</b>	<b>62</b>
	Annual	N/A	20	<b>30.2</b>	<b>29.1</b>	<b>30.5</b>
PM <sub>2.5</sub> (µg/m <sup>3</sup> )	24 hours	35	N/A	<b>82.9</b>	<b>57.2</b>	<b>63.4</b>
	Annual	15.0	12	<b>14.6</b>	<b>14.2</b>	<b>13.0</b>
Lead (µg/m <sup>3</sup> )	30 days	N/A	1.5	0.02	0.01	0.00
	Calendar Quarter	1.5	N/A	0.01	0.01	0.00
	Rolling 3-month average	0.15	N/A	Not available	Not available	Not available
Sulfates (µg/m <sup>3</sup> )	24 hours	N/A	25	11.1	11.0	13.6

Note: Exceedances of the standards are highlighted in bold. Although the NAAQS were not exceeded at the North Long Beach Monitoring Station for CO 2007 to 2009, the South Coast Air Basin is classified by USEPA as nonattainment for this pollutant because violations have occurred at other monitoring stations in the Basin.

a) µg/m<sup>3</sup> micrograms per cubic meter

b) ppm parts per million

c) N/A Not applicable

d) The state 1-hour ozone standard was exceeded on 1 day in 2007, 0 days in 2008, and 0 days in 2009.

e) The state 8-hour ozone standard was exceeded on 1 day in 2007, 1 day in 2008, and 0 days in 2009.

f) The national 8-hour ozone standard was not exceeded.

g) The state 24-hour PM<sub>10</sub> standard was exceeded 5 days in 2007, 1 day in 2008, and 3 days in 2009. The national PM<sub>10</sub> standard was not exceeded.

h) The national 24-hour PM<sub>2.5</sub> standard was exceeded on 12 day in 2007, 8 days in 2008, and 6 days in 2009.

Source: SCAQMD ([www.aqmd.gov](http://www.aqmd.gov)); CARB (<http://www.arb.ca.gov/adam/welcome.html>);

USEPA (<http://www.epa.gov/aqspub11/>)

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**Table 3.2-3. Maximum Pollutant Concentrations Measured for the Port Air Quality Monitoring Program.**

Pollutant	Averaging Period	Port of Los Angeles Monitoring Sites				SCAQMD Monitoring Site
		Wilmington Community Site	Coastal Boundary Site	San Pedro Community Site	Source-Dominated Site	North Long Beach
Ozone (ppm)	1 hour	0.085	0.097	0.081	0.101	0.099
	8 hours	0.064	0.067	0.066	0.060	0.074
CO (ppm)	1 hour	5.3	2.2	5.2	5.1	3
	8 hours	2.8	2.1	1.5	1.6	2.6
NO <sub>2</sub> (ppm)	1 hour	Not available	Not available	Not available	Not available	0.13
	1 hour (98 <sup>th</sup> percentile)	0.071	0.066	0.082	0.087	0.09
	Annual	0.020	0.011	0.020	0.022	0.0212

Pollutant	Averaging Period	Port of Los Angeles Monitoring Sites				SCAQMD Monitoring Site
		Wilmington Community Site	Coastal Boundary Site	San Pedro Community Site	Source-Dominated Site	North Long Beach
SO <sub>2</sub> (ppm)	1 hour	Not available	Not available	Not available	Not available	0.11
	1 hour (99 <sup>th</sup> percentile)	0.022	0.023	0.03	0.059	0.030
	24 hours	0.007	0.015	0.010	0.025	0.012
	Annual	0.003	0.003	0.003	0.0065	0.0027
PM <sub>10</sub> (µg/m <sup>3</sup> )	24 hours	169.2	53.6	Not available	Not available	75
	Annual	28.5	24.0	Not available	Not available	30.5
PM <sub>2.5</sub> (µg/m <sup>3</sup> )	24 hours	69.2	31.9	55.5	42.3	82.9
	Annual	12.7	10.1	11.4	11.6	14.6
Lead (µg/m <sup>3</sup> )	30 days	Not available	Not available	Not available	Not available	0.02
	Calendar Quarter	Not available	Not available	Not available	Not available	0.01
	Rolling 3-month average	Not available	Not available	Not available	Not available	Not available
Sulfates (µg/m <sup>3</sup> )	24 hours	Not available	Not available	Not available	Not available	13.6

## Notes:

- a) For PM<sub>10</sub> and PM<sub>2.5</sub>, the Port monitoring sites measure a 24-hour sample every 3 days.
  - b) The Port data were collected between May 2007 and April 2010, with the exception of PM<sub>10</sub> measurements at the Coastal Boundary site, which began in September 2008. Data from the SCAQMD North Long Beach monitoring sites were collected between January 2007 and December 2009.
  - c) PM<sub>10</sub> is not measured at the San Pedro Community site or Source-Dominated site.
- Source: POLA, 2011.

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## Toxic Air Contaminants

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Toxic Air Contaminants (TACs) are identified and their toxicity is studied by the Office of Environmental Health Hazard Assessment (OEHHA). TACs are compounds that are known or suspected to cause short-term (acute) and/or long-term (chronic non-carcinogenic or carcinogenic) adverse health effects. Examples of TAC sources within the SCAB include industrial processes, dry cleaners, gasoline stations, paint and solvent operations, and fossil fuel combustion sources.

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The SCAQMD determined in the Multiple Air Toxics Exposure Study II (MATES II) that about 70 percent of the background airborne cancer risk in the SCAB is due to particulate emissions from diesel-powered on- and off-road motor vehicles (SCAQMD, 2000). The higher risk levels were found in the urban core areas in south central Los Angeles County, in Wilmington adjacent to the Port, and near freeways.

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In January 2008, the SCAQMD released the draft MATES III study (SCAQMD, 2008). Mates III determined that diesel exhaust remains the major contributor to air toxics risk, accounting for approximately 84 percent of the total risk. Compared to the MATES II study, the MATES III study found a decreasing risk for air toxics exposure, with the population-weighted risk down by 17 percent from the analysis in MATES II.

1 Furthermore, a CARB report titled *Diesel Particulate Matter Exposure Assessment Study*  
2 *for the Ports of Los Angeles and Long Beach* indicates that the Ports contributed  
3 approximately 21 percent of the total diesel PM emissions in the air basin during 2002  
4 (CARB, 2006a). These emissions are reported to result in elevated cancer risk levels  
5 over the entire 20-mile by 20-mile study area.

6 As discussed in Section 1.7.6, the Port, in conjunction with the Port of Long Beach, has  
7 developed the San Pedro Bay Ports Clean Air Action Plan (CAAP) that targets all  
8 emissions, but is focused primarily on TACs. The Port has also developed the  
9 Sustainable Construction Guidelines as discussed in Section 3.2.3.4 to reduce emissions,  
10 including TACs, from construction. Additionally, all major development projects will  
11 include a Health Risk Assessment to further assess TAC emissions and to target  
12 mitigation to reduce the impact on public health.

### 13 **Secondary PM<sub>2.5</sub> Formation**

14 Within the SCAB, PM<sub>2.5</sub> particles both are directly emitted into the atmosphere (e.g.,  
15 primary particles) and are formed through atmospheric chemical reactions from precursor  
16 gases (e.g., secondary particles). Primary PM<sub>2.5</sub> includes diesel soot, combustion  
17 products, road dust, and other fine particles. Secondary PM<sub>2.5</sub>, which includes products  
18 such as sulfates, nitrates, and complex carbon compounds, are formed from reactions  
19 with directly emitted NO<sub>x</sub>, SO<sub>x</sub>, VOCs, and ammonia (SCAQMD, 2006a).

20 Project-generated emissions of NO<sub>x</sub>, SO<sub>x</sub>, and VOCs would contribute toward secondary  
21 PM<sub>2.5</sub> formation some distance downwind of the emission sources. However, the air  
22 quality analysis in this EIR focuses on the effects of direct PM<sub>2.5</sub> emissions generated by  
23 the proposed Project and their ambient impacts. This approach is consistent with the  
24 recommendations of the SCAQMD (SCAQMD, 2006b).

### 25 **Ultrafine Particles**

26 Although USEPA and the State of California currently monitor and regulate PM<sub>10</sub> and  
27 PM<sub>2.5</sub>, they do not currently regulate ultrafine particles (UFP). New research is being  
28 done on UFP, which are particles classified as less than 0.1 micron in diameter. UFPs are  
29 formed usually by a combustion cycle, independent of fuel type. With diesel fuel, UFPs  
30 can be formed directly from the fuel during combustion. With gasoline and natural gas  
31 (liquefied or compressed), the UFPs are derived mostly from the lubricant oil. UFPs are  
32 emitted directly from the tailpipe as solid particles (soot—elemental carbon and metal  
33 oxides) and semivolatile particles (sulfates and hydrocarbons) that coagulate to form  
34 particles.

35 The research regarding UFPs is in its infancy but suggests that UFPs might be more  
36 dangerous to human health than the larger PM<sub>10</sub> and PM<sub>2.5</sub> particles (termed fine  
37 particles) due to size and shape. Because of the smaller size, UFPs are able to travel  
38 more deeply into the lung (the alveoli) and are deposited in the deep lung regions more  
39 efficiently than fine particles. UFPs are inert; therefore, normal bodily defense does not  
40 recognize the particle. UFPs might have the ability to travel across cell layers and enter  
41 into the bloodstream and/or into individual cells. With a large surface area-to-volume  
42 ratio, other entities might attach to the particle and travel into the cell as a kind of  
43 “hitchhiker.”

44 Current UFP research primarily involves roadway exposure. Preliminary studies suggest  
45 that over 50 percent of an individual’s daily exposure is from driving on highways.  
46 Levels appear to drop off rapidly in the direction away from major roadways. Little

1 research has been done directly on ships, and off-road vehicles and equipment, including  
2 locomotives. CARB is currently measuring and studying UFPs at the San Pedro Bay  
3 Ports. Work is being done on filter technology, including filters for locomotives and  
4 ships, which appears promising. LAHD began collecting UFP data at its four air quality  
5 monitoring stations in late 2007 and early 2008, and it actively participates in the CARB  
6 testing at the Port and will comply with all future regulations regarding UFPs. In  
7 addition, measures included in the CAAP aim to reduce all emissions throughout the  
8 Port.

### 9 **Atmospheric Deposition**

10 The fallout of air pollutants to the surface of the earth is known as atmospheric  
11 deposition. Atmospheric deposition occurs in both a wet and dry form. Wet deposition  
12 occurs in the form of precipitation or cloud water and is associated with the conversion in  
13 the atmosphere of directly emitted pollutants into secondary pollutants such as acids. Dry  
14 deposition occurs in the form of directly emitted pollutants or the conversion of gaseous  
15 pollutants into secondary PM. Atmospheric deposition can produce watershed  
16 acidification, aquatic toxic pollutant loading, deforestation, damage to building materials,  
17 and respiratory problems.

18 The CARB and California Water Resources Control Board are in the process of  
19 examining the need to regulate atmospheric deposition for the purpose of protecting both  
20 fresh and salt water bodies from pollution. Port-related emissions deposit into both local  
21 waterways and regional land areas. Emission sources from the Proposed Project would  
22 produce DPM, which contains trace amounts of toxic chemicals. Through its Clean Air  
23 Action Plan, the Port will reduce air pollutants from its future operations, which will  
24 work towards the goal of reducing atmospheric deposition for purposes of water quality  
25 protection. The Clean Air Action Plan will reduce air pollutants that generate both acidic  
26 and toxic compounds, include emissions of NO<sub>x</sub>, SO<sub>x</sub>, and DPM.

### 27 **3.2.2.3 Baseline Emissions**

28 This section discusses the baseline conditions, sources, and activities. The baseline for  
29 determining the significance of potential proposed Project impacts is 2005. The proposed  
30 Project site is devoted to warehousing, trans-loading and grain terminal operations;  
31 container and truck maintenance, servicing, and storage; rail service; and access roads for  
32 tenants. The baseline analysis considers the following businesses on the Project site  
33 (tenants or facilities) because they are the ones whose operations would be displaced by  
34 the proposed Project:

- 35 • ACTA Maintenance Yard
- 36 • California Cartage
- 37 • California Multimodal
- 38 • FastLane Transportation
- 39 • Flexi-Van
- 40 • L.A. Harbor Grain Terminal/Harbor Transload
- 41 • San Pedro Forklift
- 42 • Three Rivers Trucking
- 43 • Total Intermodal

1 Existing uses and a description of businesses and their operations are summarized in  
2 Table 2-1. Information about on-road and off-road equipment, locomotives, facility  
3 energy consumption, and worker commute activities during 2005 for each baseline tenant  
4 were obtained directly from individual tenants. In addition, international cargo drayage  
5 truck trips between the Port and the BNSF Hobart Yard (Hobart Yard) occurring in 2005  
6 were evaluated as part of the baseline emissions, as those truck trips would be shifted to  
7 the SCIG facility under the Proposed Project scenario, as described in Section 2.1. Truck  
8 trips generated by the existing tenants (both on-site and off-site totaling approximately  
9 585,000 annual round trips) and truck trips to and from the Hobart Yard (totaling  
10 approximately 814,000 annual round trips) were the largest sources of emissions in the  
11 baseline. Cargo-handling equipment used at the existing tenant sites were also a major  
12 source of emissions in the baseline.

13 Baseline emissions from land-based sources (trucks, cargo-handling equipment and  
14 motor vehicles used for employee commutes) were based on model runs of the CARB  
15 EMFAC2007, and OFFROAD2007 models. Data input and output from the model runs  
16 is provided in Appendix C1. Additional emissions estimates were conducted for rail  
17 locomotives calling on the existing tenant facilities (California Cartage and L.A. Harbor  
18 Grain Terminal), and for specialized cargo-handling equipment using emissions  
19 estimation guidance from the USEPA and CARB. The following assumptions were  
20 made in calculating baseline emissions from land-based sources:

- 21 • Activity of all motor vehicles (truck and employee vehicles), including trip  
22 generation rates and travel routes were based on the traffic modeling as described in  
23 Section 3.10. Assumptions for on-site activity of motor vehicles were obtained from  
24 information provided by the existing tenants.
- 25 • The fleet mix of trucks calling on Port destinations, including trucks trips between  
26 existing tenant facilities and the Ports and trucks trips between Hobart Yard and the  
27 Ports, were obtained from the Port baseline emission inventory (Starcrest, 2007).
- 28 • The fleet mix of vendor trucks calling on the existing tenant facilities which do not  
29 subsequently call on the Port were assumed to be the SCAB default fleet mix from  
30 the EMFAC2007 model.
- 31 • Assumptions for cargo-handling equipment operating at existing tenant facilities  
32 were obtained from information provided by the existing tenants.

33 Table 3.2-4 summaries the average daily operational emissions associated with the  
34 operation of the tenants on the Project site in the baseline year. The average daily  
35 emissions represent the annual emissions divided by the annual operating day for each  
36 tenant. The average daily emissions are provided for informational purposes and are not  
37 used for significance determination.

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1 **Table 3.2-4. CEQA Baseline (2005) Average Daily Operational Emissions.**

Source Category	Average Daily Emissions (lb/day) <sup>a, f</sup>					
	VOC	CO	NO <sub>x</sub>	SO <sub>x</sub>	PM <sub>10</sub>	PM <sub>2.5</sub>
Trucks On-Site <sup>b</sup>	54	121	237	1	51	18
Trucks Off-Site <sup>b, c</sup>	318	1,501	4,936	35	439	216
Locomotives Off-Site <sup>d</sup>	93	294	2,312	98	48	44
Employee Commute On-Site	1	7	1	0	2	0
Employee Commute Off-Site	21	452	45	0	118	11
Cargo Handling Equipment (CHE)	53	1,703	915	4	26	24
Tenant Locomotive Activities	0	0	2	0	0	0
<b>Total –Baseline<sup>e</sup></b>	<b>539</b>	<b>4,079</b>	<b>8,447</b>	<b>139</b>	<b>685</b>	<b>314</b>

- a) Emissions represent annual emissions divided by the annual operating day for each tenant.  
b) Trucks include medium and heavy duty trucks.  
c) Off-Site trucks emissions include trips originating from existing tenant facilities and trips between port terminals and Hobart Yard.  
d) Locomotives off-site refer to trips from the Hobart Yard to the SCAB boundary.  
e) Emissions might not add precisely due to rounding. For more explanation, refer to the discussion in Section 3.2.4.1.  
f) The emission estimates presented in this table were calculated using the latest available data, assumptions, and emission factors at the time this document was prepared.

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3 Table 3.2.-5 summaries the baseline peak daily operational emissions. Baseline peak  
4 daily emissions are compared to future Project peak daily emissions to determine  
5 significance for the proposed Project. Peak daily emissions represent theoretical upper-  
6 bound estimates of activity levels at the terminal. Therefore, in contrast to average daily  
7 emissions, peak daily emissions would occur infrequently and are based upon a lesser  
8 known, and therefore more theoretical, set of conservative assumptions. The peak daily  
9 emissions for trucks and cargo handling equipment were obtained by applying a peaking  
10 factor to the average daily emissions. The peaking factor was developed as part of the  
11 2004 Port baseline traffic study (Meyer, Mohaddes Associates, Inc, 2004), which  
12 examined activity levels on an average daily and peak daily basis at numerous Port  
13 facilities, and was assumed to be representative of peak day baseline conditions. Peak  
14 daily emissions were used in the significance determination for Impact AQ-3 consistent  
15 with SCAQMD guidance.

16 **Table 3.2-5. CEQA Baseline (2005) Peak Daily Operational Emissions.**

Source Category	Peak Daily Emissions (lb/day) <sup>a, f</sup>					
	VOC	CO	NO <sub>x</sub>	SO <sub>x</sub>	PM <sub>10</sub>	PM <sub>2.5</sub>
Trucks On-Site <sup>b</sup>	60	136	265	2	57	21
Trucks Off-Site <sup>b, c</sup>	356	1,680	5,526	40	492	241
Locomotives Off-Site <sup>d</sup>	93	752	3,342	98	48	44
Employee Commute On-Site	1	7	1	0	2	0
Employee Commute Off-Site	21	452	45	0	118	11
Cargo Handling Equipment (CHE)	59	1,907	1,024	4	30	27
Tenant Locomotive Activities	0	0	2	0	0	0
<b>Total –Baseline<sup>e</sup></b>	<b>590</b>	<b>4,935</b>	<b>10,205</b>	<b>144</b>	<b>747</b>	<b>345</b>

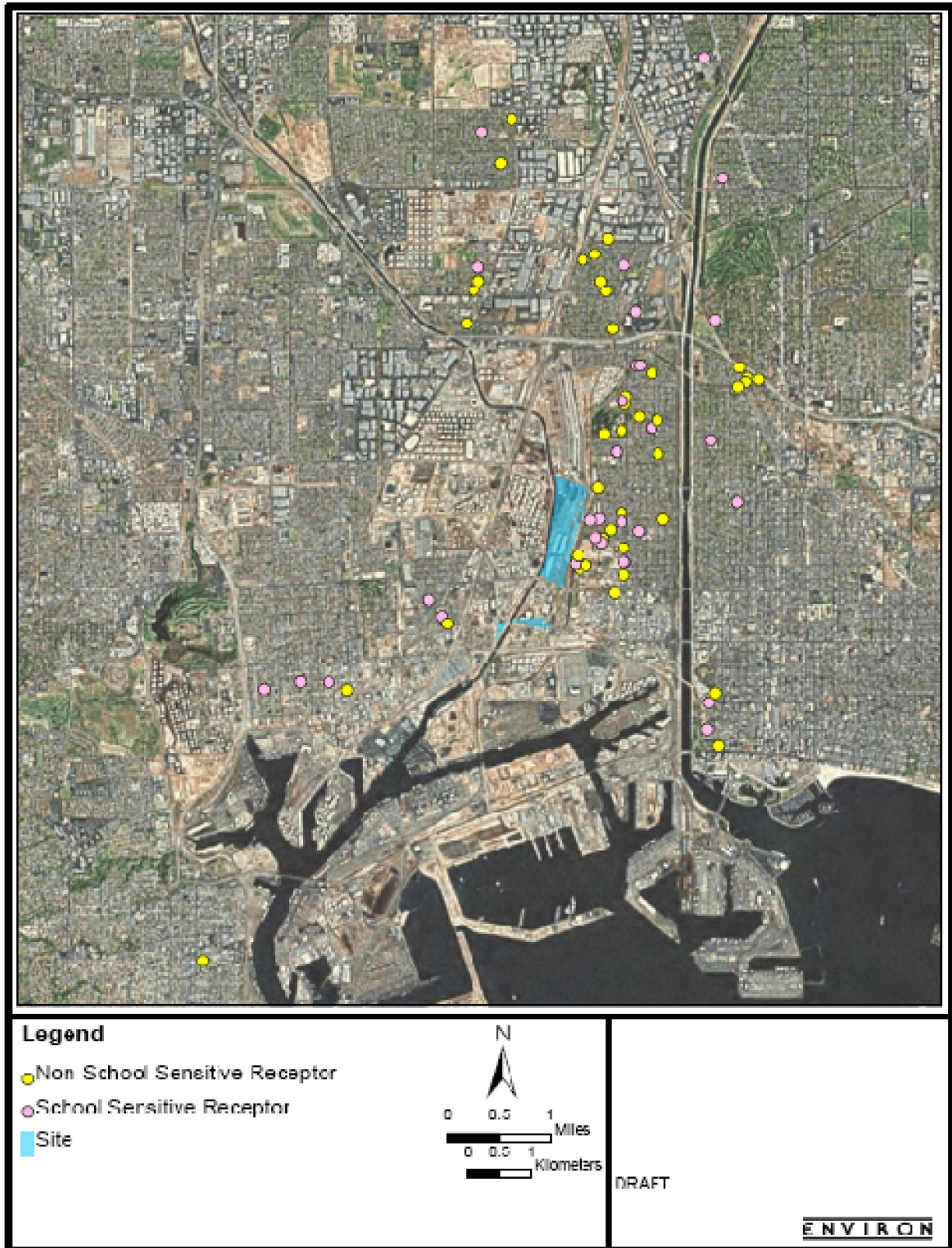
- a) Emissions assume maximum theoretical daily equipment activity levels. Such levels would rarely occur during day-to-day terminal operations.  
b) Trucks include medium and heavy duty trucks.  
c) Off-Site trucks emissions include trips originating from existing tenant facilities and trips between port terminals and Hobart Yard.  
d) Locomotives off-site refer to trips from the Hobart Yard to the SCAB boundary.  
e) Emissions might not add precisely due to rounding. For more explanation, refer to the discussion in Section 3.2.4.1.  
f) The emission estimates presented in this table were calculated using the latest available data, assumptions, and emission factors at the time this document was prepared.

1 The analysis of impacts is based on a comparison of the proposed project to the baseline  
2 existing conditions. This is consistent with CEQA Guidelines §15125 which states that  
3 the environmental setting “will normally constitute the baseline physical conditions by  
4 which a lead agency determines whether an impact is significant. This approach was  
5 recently confirmed in *Sunnyvale West Neighborhood Association v. City of Sunnyvale*  
6 (2010) 190 Cal. App. 4th 1351. Future conditions that could be affected by rules and  
7 regulations implemented over time were not considered in the baseline. Only rules and  
8 regulations occurring in 2005 are considered in the baseline for the source categories  
9 listed. These include on-road vehicle and off-road equipment emissions standards at the  
10 federal and state levels.

#### 11 **3.2.2.4 Sensitive Receptors**

12 The impact of air emissions on sensitive members of the population is a special concern.  
13 Sensitive receptor groups include children, the elderly, and the acutely and chronically ill.  
14 The locations of these groups include residences, schools, daycare centers, convalescent  
15 and retirement homes, and hospitals. Sensitive receptors that could be affected by the  
16 construction or operation of the proposed Project are shown in Figure 3.2-1. The nearest  
17 sensitive receptors to the proposed Project site include residents in the West Side  
18 neighborhood of Long Beach. Additionally, the Mary Bethune School and the Hudson  
19 Middle School are 435 and 530 feet, respectively, from the Eastern boundary of the  
20 proposed Project site. The nearest daycare center is the Cabrillo Child Development  
21 Center, about 415 feet from the Eastern boundary of the proposed Project site. The  
22 nearest convalescent home is Loram Manor, about 1670 feet east of the Project boundary.  
23 The nearest healthcare facility is Santa Fe Convalescent Hospital, approximately 0.94  
24 miles (4,950 feet) from the Project boundary.

1 Figure 3.2-1. Locations of sensitive receptors in the Vicinity of the Proposed Project site.



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### 3.2.3 Applicable Regulations

The Federal Clean Air Act of 1969 and its subsequent amendments established air quality regulations and the NAAQS, and delegated enforcement of these standards to the states. In California, the CARB is responsible for enforcing air pollution regulations. The CARB has, in turn, delegated the responsibility of regulating stationary emission sources to the local air agencies. In the SCAB, the local air agency is the SCAQMD.

#### 3.2.3.1 Federal Regulations

##### State Implementation Plan

In federal nonattainment areas, the Federal Clean Air Act (CAA) requires preparation of a State Implementation Plan (SIP), detailing how the State will attain the NAAQS within mandated timeframes. In response to this requirement, the SCAQMD and the Southern California Association of Governments (SCAG) have jointly developed the *2007 Air Quality Management Plan (AQMP)*. The 2007 AQMP addresses several federal planning requirements and incorporates significant new scientific data, primarily in the form of updated emissions inventories, ambient measurements, new meteorological episodes, and new air quality modeling tools. The 2007 AQMP builds upon the approaches taken in the 2003 AQMP for the SCAB for the attainment of NAAQS. The SCAQMD and SCAG, in cooperation with the CARB and USEPA, have developed the 2007 AQMP for purposes of demonstrating compliance with the new NAAQS for PM<sub>2.5</sub> and 8-hour ozone and other planning requirements, including compliance with the NAAQS for PM<sub>10</sub> (SCAQMD, 2007a). Additionally, the plan highlights the significant amount of reductions necessary and the urgent need to identify additional strategies, especially in the area of mobile sources, to meet federal criteria pollutant standards within the timeframes allowed under the federal Clean Air Act (SCAQMD, 2007b). Since it will be more difficult to achieve the 8-hour ozone NAAQS compared to the one-hour NAAQS, the 2007 AQMP contains substantially more emission reduction measures compared to the 2003 AQMP. The SCAQMD released the *Draft Program Environmental Impact Report* for the 2007 AQMP in March 2007 (SCAQMD, 2007a). The 2007 AQMP was submitted to CARB and CARB submitted the state-wide and South Coast SIP to USEPA for approval in September 2007. The US EPA approved the submitted SIP in May 2011.

##### Emission Standards for Nonroad Diesel Engines

To reduce emissions from off-road diesel equipment, USEPA established a series of cleaner emission standards for new off-road diesel engines. Tier 1 standards were phased in from 1996 to 2000 (year of manufacture), depending on the engine horsepower category. Tier 2 standards were phased in from 2001 to 2006. Tier 3 standards were phased in from 2006 to 2008. Tier 4 standards, which generally require add-on emission control equipment to attain them, are being phased in from 2008 to 2015. These standards apply to construction and cargo-handling equipment, but not locomotives (USEPA, 2007).

##### Emission Standards for Locomotives

To reduce emissions from switch and line-haul locomotives, USEPA established a series of increasingly strict emission standards for new or remanufactured locomotive engines. The standards have been adopted by the USEPA in two regulatory actions. In December

1 17, 1997, the USEPA adopted the first emissions regulation for railroad locomotives,  
2 requiring locomotive engines manufactured or remanufactured from 1973 to 2001 to  
3 meet Tier 0 standards, 2002 to 2004 to meet Tier 1 standards, and 2005 and later to meet  
4 Tier 2 standards (USEPA, 1997). Subsequently, in March 14, 2008, the USEPA adopted  
5 more stringent emissions regulation for railroad locomotives (USEPA, 2008). The  
6 regulation sets new emission standards for newly-built and remanufactured locomotive  
7 engines. The standards for newly-built locomotive engines are implemented in two tiers:  
8 Tier 3 standards take effect in 2012 and Tier 4 standards take effect in 2015. The  
9 regulation also sets new emissions standards for remanufactured Tiers 0, 1 and 2  
10 locomotive engines, phasing in from 2008 to 2010.

### 11 **Emission Standards for On-Road Trucks**

12 To reduce emissions from on-road, heavy-duty diesel trucks, USEPA established a series  
13 of increasingly strict emission standards for new engines, starting in 1988. The USEPA  
14 promulgated the final and cleanest standards with the 2007 Heavy-Duty Highway Rule  
15 (USEPA, 2001). The PM emission standard of 0.01 gram per horsepower-hour (g/hp-hr)  
16 is required for new vehicles beginning with model year 2007. Also, the NO<sub>x</sub> and  
17 nonmethane hydrocarbon (NMHC) standards of 0.20 g/hp-hr and 0.14 g/hp-hr,  
18 respectively, were phased in together between 2007 and 2010 on a percent of sales basis:  
19 50 percent from 2007 to 2009 and 100 percent in 2010.

### 20 **Nonroad Diesel Fuel Rule**

21 With this rule, USEPA set sulfur limitations for nonroad diesel fuel, including  
22 locomotives and marine vessels (though not for the marine residual fuel used by very  
23 large engines on oceangoing vessels). For the proposed Project, this rule affects line-haul  
24 locomotives; the California Diesel Fuel Regulations (described below) generally pre-  
25 empt this rule for other sources such as switching locomotives, construction equipment,  
26 and cargo-handling equipment. Under this rule, the diesel fuel used by line-haul  
27 locomotives was limited to 500 ppm starting June 1, 2007; and will be further limited to  
28 15 ppm starting January 1, 2012 (USEPA, 2004b).

### 29 **Highway Diesel Fuel Rule**

30 With this rule, USEPA set sulfur limitations for on-road diesel fuel to 15 ppm starting  
31 June 1, 2006 (USEPA, 2006).

## 32 **3.2.3.2 State Regulations, Agreements and Plans**

### 33 **California Clean Air Act**

34 The California Clean Air Act of 1988, as amended in 1992 (CCAA), outlines a program  
35 to attain the CAAQS by the earliest practical date. Because the CAAQS are more  
36 stringent than the NAAQS, attainment of the CAAQS will require more emissions  
37 reductions than what would be required to show attainment of the NAAQS.  
38 Consequently, the main focus of attainment planning in California has shifted from the  
39 federal to state requirements. Similar to the federal system, the state requirements and  
40 compliance dates are based upon the severity of the ambient air quality standard violation  
41 within a region.

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**1 Assembly Bill (AB) 2650**

2 Assembly Bill (AB) 2650 (Lowenthal) was signed into law by Governor Davis and  
3 became effective on January 1, 2003. Under AB 2650, shipping terminal operators are  
4 required to limit truck-waiting times to no more than 30 minutes at the Ports of Los  
5 Angeles, Long Beach, and Oakland, or face fines of \$250 per violation. Collected fines  
6 are to be used to provide grants to truck drivers to replace and retrofit their vehicles with  
7 cleaner engines and pollution control devices. A companion piece of legislation (AB  
8 1971) was passed in September 2004 that would ensure that the intent of AB 2650 is not  
9 circumvented by moving trucks with appointments inside the terminal gates to wait.

**10 Heavy Duty Diesel Truck Idling Regulation**

11 This CARB rule affects heavy-duty diesel trucks in California starting February 1, 2005.  
12 The rule requires that heavy-duty trucks shall not idle for longer than 5 minutes at a time.  
13 However, truck idling for longer than 5 minutes while queuing is allowed if the queue is  
14 located beyond 100 feet from any homes or schools.

**15 1998 Fleet Average Emissions MOU**

16 CARB, Class I freight railroads operating in the SCAB (BNSF and Union Pacific  
17 Railroad [UPRR]), and USEPA signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) in July  
18 1998. The goal of the MOU is a fleet average in the SCAB equivalent to USEPA's Tier  
19 2 locomotive standard by 2010. The 1998 MOU has a locomotive fleet-wide average  
20 requirement, in which each railroad must demonstrate that it has not exceeded its Fleet  
21 Average Target for the preceding year, beginning in 2010. Under the MOU, early  
22 reductions are bankable and the two railroads are making use of this feature by building  
23 up emissions credits toward the 2010 fleet-wide average. Because of the banking and  
24 credit provisions of the MOU, there is no guarantee that the railroads will operate all  
25 locomotives meeting the Tier 2 emission standard. The MOU addressed NOx emissions  
26 from locomotives. Under the MOU, NOx emissions from locomotives will be reduced  
27 by 67 percent.

**28 2005 CARB/Railroad Statewide Agreement**

29 On June 30, 2005, the California Air Resources Board (CARB) entered into a pollution  
30 reduction agreement with Union Pacific Railroad (UP) and BNSF Railway (BNSF)  
31 (CARB, 2005a). The railroads committed to implementing numerous actions to reduce  
32 pollutant emissions from rail operations throughout the state. In addition, the railroads  
33 prepared designated railyard emissions inventories that CARB used for CARB railyard-  
34 specific health risk assessments for diesel particulate matter. When fully implemented,  
35 the agreement is expected to achieve a 20 percent reduction in locomotive diesel  
36 particulate matter emissions near railyards. To do this, BNSF has:

- 37 • Phased-out non-essential idling and installed idling reduction devices on California  
38 based locomotives, resulting in a reduction in idling by a larger class of locomotives  
39 than what is required by regulation, earlier than required by regulation.
- 40 • Identified and expeditiously repaired locomotives with excessive smoke and ensured  
41 that at least 99 percent of the locomotives operating in California passed smoke  
42 inspections.



- 1 • Maximized the use of ultra low sulfur (15 parts per million) diesel fuel by January 1,  
2 2007, for locomotives fueled in California, six years before such fuel is required by  
3 regulation.

4 The Southern California Major Class I railyards covered in the agreement include  
5 BNSF's Hobart Yard. As required by the Agreement, BNSF has submitted Idling, Visible  
6 Emission Reduction Plan (CARB, 2005b), Review of Impacts of Air Emissions, and  
7 Assessment of Toxic Air Contaminants, among other elements, for the designated yards.  
8 CARB inspects the railyards, including Hobart, yearly for compliance (CARB, 2010).

### 9 **California Diesel Fuel Regulations**

10 With this rule, the CARB sets sulfur limitations for diesel fuel sold in California for use  
11 in on-road and off-road motor vehicles. Harbor craft and intrastate locomotives were  
12 originally excluded from the rule, but were later included by a 2004 rule amendment  
13 (CARB, 2005c). Under this rule, diesel fuel used in motor vehicles except harbor craft  
14 and intrastate locomotives has been limited to 500-ppm sulfur since 1993. The sulfur  
15 limit was reduced to 15 ppm beginning September 1, 2006. The phase-in period was  
16 from June 1, 2006, to September 1, 2006. (A federal diesel rule similarly limited sulfur  
17 content nationwide for on-road vehicles to 15 ppm beginning October 15, 2006.). Diesel  
18 fuel used in intrastate locomotives (switch locomotives) was limited to 15-ppm sulfur  
19 starting January 1, 2007.

### 20 **Measures to Reduce Emissions from Goods Movement Activities**

21 In April 2006, the CARB approved the *Emission Reduction Plan for Ports and Goods*  
22 *Movement in California* (CARB, 2006b). The Goods Movement Plan proposes measures  
23 that would reduce emissions from the main sources associated with port cargo handling  
24 activities, including ships, harbor craft, terminal equipment, trucks, and locomotives. The  
25 Goods Movement Plan includes discussion of Hobart and ICTF facilities.

26 In December 2006, CARB approved the "Regulation for Mobile Cargo Handling  
27 Equipment (CHE) at Ports and Intermodal Rail Yards" (Title 13, CCR, Section 2479) as  
28 amended in 2009 (CARB, 2009a), which is designed to use best available control  
29 technology (BACT) to reduce diesel PM and NOx emissions from mobile cargo-handling  
30 equipment at ports and inter-modal rail yards. Since January 1, 2007, the regulation  
31 imposes emission performance standards on new and in-use terminal equipment that vary  
32 by equipment type. The regulation would also include recordkeeping and reporting  
33 requirements. The effects of this regulation are accounted for in the unmitigated  
34 OFFROAD2007 emission factors used in this study.

### 35 **Statewide Portable Equipment Registration Program (PERP)**

36 The PERP establishes a uniform program to regulate portable engines and portable  
37 engine-driven equipment units (CARB, 2005d). Once registered in the PERP, engines  
38 and equipment units may operate throughout California without the need to obtain  
39 individual permits from local air districts. The PERP generally would apply to proposed  
40 back-up electricity generator.

### 41 **CARB Portable Diesel-Fueled Engines Air Toxic Control Measure**

42 Effective September 12, 2007, all portable engines having a maximum rated horsepower  
43 of 50 bhp and greater and fueled with diesel shall comply with this regulation and meet

1 weighted fleet average PM emission standards. The first fleet standard compliance date  
2 is in 2013.

### 3 **CARB In-Use Off-Road Diesel Vehicle Rule**

4 In late July 2007 CARB adopted a rule that requires owners of off-road mobile  
5 equipment powered by diesel engines 25 hp or larger to meet the fleet average or best  
6 available control technology (BACT) requirements for NOx and PM emissions by March  
7 1 of each year (CARB, 2007). The rule is structured by fleet size: large, medium and  
8 small. Medium sized fleets receive deferred compliance, and small fleets are exempt from  
9 NOx requirements and also get deferred compliance.

10 The original Regulation for In-Use Off-Road Diesel Vehicles was adopted in April, 2008.  
11 CARB subsequently amended the regulation to delay the turnover of Tier 1 equipment  
12 for meeting the NOx performance requirements of the regulation, and then to delay  
13 overall implementation of the equipment turnover compliance schedule in response to the  
14 economic downturn in 2008 and 2009. For purposes of this analysis the regulation was  
15 applied to construction activities beginning in 2013.

### 16 **CARB Surplus Off-Road Opt-In for NOx**

17 The Surplus Off-Road Opt-In for NOx (SOON) Program was originally adopted with the  
18 statewide Regulation for In-Use Off-Road Diesel Vehicles (Off-Road Rule) in 2008 and  
19 would apply to districts whose governing board elected to opt into the provision of the  
20 program. The SOON Program requires applicable fleets to meet a more stringent fleet-  
21 average NOx target than the statewide Off-Road Rule on a compliance schedule. The  
22 SCAQMD has opted into the SOON program and requires off-road equipment fleets to  
23 meet certain emissions Tier levels for NOx reduction.

### 24 **CARB Statewide Bus and Truck Regulation**

25 In December 2008, CARB adopted the Statewide Bus and Truck Regulation that requires  
26 installation of PM retrofits on all heavy duty trucks beginning January 1, 2012 and  
27 replacement of older trucks starting January 1, 2015. By January 1, 2023, all vehicles  
28 need to have 2010 model year engines or equivalent.

## 29 **3.2.3.3 Local Regulations and Agreements**

30 Through the attainment planning process, the SCAQMD develops the SCAQMD Rules  
31 and Regulations to regulate sources of air pollution in the SCAB (SCAQMD, 2007b).  
32 The most pertinent SCAQMD rules to the proposed Project and alternatives are listed  
33 below. The major emission sources associated with the proposed Project are considered  
34 mobile sources. Therefore, they are not subject to the SCAQMD rules that apply to  
35 stationary sources. Some minor sources such as the on-site emergency generator, would  
36 be potentially subject to Regulation XIII (New Source Review), Rule 1401 (New Source  
37 Review of Toxic Air Contaminants), or Rule 431.2 (Sulfur Content of Liquid Fuels).

38 **SCAQMD Rule 402 – Nuisance.** This rule prohibits discharge of air contaminants or  
39 other material that cause injury, detriment, nuisance, or annoyance to any considerable  
40 number of persons or to the public; or that endanger the comfort, repose, health, or safety  
41 of any such persons or the public; or that cause, or have a natural tendency to cause,  
42 injury or damage to business or property.



1           **SCAQMD Rule 403 – Fugitive Dust.** This rule prohibits emissions of fugitive dust  
2 from any active operation, open storage pile, or disturbed surface area that remains  
3 visible beyond the emission source property line. **SCAQMD Rule 1403 – Asbestos**  
4 **Emissions from Demolition/Renovation Activities.** The purpose of this rule is to limit  
5 emissions of asbestos, a toxic air contaminant, from structural demolition/renovation  
6 activities. The rule requires people to notify the SCAQMD of proposed  
7 demolition/renovation activities and to survey these structures for the presence of  
8 asbestos-containing materials (ACMs). The rule also includes notification requirements  
9 for any intent to disturb ACM; emission control measures; and ACM removal, handling,  
10 and disposal techniques. All proposed structural demolition activities associated with  
11 proposed Project construction would need to comply with the requirements of Rule 1403.

12           **POLA/POLB Switch Locomotive Modernization.** Pacific Harbor Line (PHL) entered  
13 into an agreement with the Ports of Los Angeles and Long Beach to replace their switch  
14 locomotive engines with cleaner engines that meet the Tier 2 locomotive standards or  
15 using alternative fuels. The replacement occurred in 2006 and 2007, per CAAP measure  
16 RL-1.

17           **POLA Clean Truck Program.** This program requires that only 2007 model year or  
18 newer trucks are allowed to operate at the Port starting 2012.

### 19   **3.2.3.4   San Pedro Bay Ports Clean Air Action Plan (CAAP)**

20           The Ports of Los Angeles and Long Beach, with the participation and cooperation of the  
21 staff of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, California Air Resources Board and  
22 South Coast Air Quality Management District, the San Pedro Bay Ports Clean Air Action  
23 Plan (CAAP), a planning and policy document that sets goals and implementation  
24 strategies to reduce air emissions and health risks associated with port operations while  
25 allow port development to continue. In addition, the CAAP sought the reduction of  
26 criteria pollutant emissions to the levels that assure port-related sources decrease their  
27 “fair share” of regional emissions to enable the Basin to attain state and federal ambient  
28 air quality standards. Each individual CAAP measure is a proposed strategy for achieving  
29 these emissions reduction goals. The Ports approved the first San Pedro Bay Ports Clean  
30 Air Action Plan (CAAP) in November, 2006. Specific strategies to significantly reduce  
31 the health risks posed by air pollution from port-related sources include:

- 32           • Aggressive milestones with measurable goals for air quality improvements
- 33           • Specific goals set forth as standards for individual source categories to act as a guide  
34           for decisionmaking
- 35           • Recommendations to eliminate emissions of ultrafine particulates
- 36           • Technology advancement programs to reduce greenhouse gases

37           Public participation processes with environmental organizations and the business  
38 communities

39           The CAAP focuses primarily on reducing diesel particulate matter (DPM), along with  
40 nitrogen oxides (NOx) and sulfur oxides (SOx). This reduces emissions and health risk  
41 and thereby allows for future port growth while progressively controlling the impacts  
42 associated with growth. The CAAP includes emission control measures as proposed  
43 strategies that are designed to further these goals expressed as Source-Specific  
44 Performance Standards which may be implemented through the environmental review

1 process, or could be included in new leases or Port-wide tariffs, Memoranda of  
2 Understanding (MOU), voluntary action, grants or incentive programs.

3 The CAAP Update, adopted in November, 2010 includes updated and new emission  
4 control measures as proposed strategies which support the goals expressed as Source-  
5 Specific Performance Standards and the Project-Specific Standards. In addition, the  
6 CAAP Update includes the recently developed San Pedro Bay Standards which establish  
7 emission and health risk reduction goals to assist the ports in their planning for adopting  
8 and implementing strategies to significantly reduce the effects of cumulative port-related  
9 operations.

10 The goals set forth as the San Pedro Bay Standards are the most significant addition to  
11 the CAAP and include both a Bay-wide health risk reduction standard and a Bay-wide  
12 mass emission reduction standard. Ongoing Port-wide CAAP progress and effectiveness  
13 will be measured against these Bay-wide Standards which consist of the following  
14 reductions as compared to 2005 emissions levels:

- 15 • Health Risk Reduction Standard: 85 percent reduction in DPM by 2020
- 16 • Emission Reduction Standards:
- 17 • By 2014, reduce emissions by 72 percent for DPM, 22 percent for NO<sub>x</sub>, and 93  
18 percent for SO<sub>x</sub>
- 19 • By 2023, reduce emissions by 77 percent for DPM, 59 percent for NO<sub>x</sub>, and 92  
20 percent for SO<sub>x</sub>

21 The Project-Specific Standard remains as adopted in the original CAAP in 2006, that new  
22 projects meet the 10 in 1,000,000 excess residential cancer risk threshold, as determined  
23 by health risk assessments conducted subject to CEQA statutes, regulations and  
24 guidelines, and implemented through required CEQA mitigations and/or lease  
25 negotiations. Although each Port has adopted the Project Specific Standard as a policy,  
26 the Boards of Harbor Commissioners retain the discretion to consider and approve  
27 projects that exceed this threshold if the Board deems it necessary by adoption of a  
28 statement of overriding considerations at the time of project approval.

29 The goals set forth as the Source-Specific Performance Standards of the CAAP address a  
30 variety of port-related emission sources – ships, trucks, trains, cargo-handling equipment  
31 and harbor craft – and outline specific strategies to reduce emissions from each source  
32 category. The Source-Specific Performance Standards have been updated as detailed in  
33 Section 2 of the CAAP Update and the applicable emission control measures (as detailed  
34 in Section 4 of the CAAP Update) for the proposed Project are discussed in Section  
35 1.6.1.1.

36 While the Port has adopted a general policy that its leases shall be compliant with the  
37 goals of the CAAP, the Board of Harbor Commissioners has discretion regarding the  
38 form of all lease provisions and CAAP measures at the time of lease approval. In  
39 addition, tenants must comply with all applicable federal, state, and local air quality  
40 regulations.

41 As the CAAP is a planning document that sets goals and implementation strategies to  
42 guide future actions, it does not constrain the discretion of the Ports' Boards of Harbor  
43 Commissioners as to any specific future action. Each individual CAAP measure is a  
44 proposed strategy for achieving necessary emission reductions. The Board of Harbor  
45 Commissioners uses its discretion in its approvals of projects, leases, tariffs, contracts, or  
46 other implementing activities in order to appropriately apply the CAAP to the particular

1 situation, and may make adjustments if any proposed measure proves infeasible or if  
2 better alternatives for a measure emerge. This EIR analysis assumes Project compliance  
3 with the CAAP. Project features or mitigation measures applied to reduce air emissions  
4 and public health impacts are largely consistent with, and in some cases exceed, the  
5 emission-reduction strategies of the CAAP (Table 3.2.27). Project features and  
6 mitigations also would extend beyond the five year CAAP time-frame to the end of the  
7 lease period in 2046.

### 8 **3.2.3.5 LAHD Sustainable Construction Guidelines**

9 In February 2008, the LAHD Board of Harbor Commissioners adopted the Los Angeles  
10 Harbor Department Sustainable Construction Guidelines for Reducing Air Emissions  
11 (LAHD Construction Guidelines). These guidelines will be used to establish air emission  
12 criteria for inclusion in construction bid specifications. The LAHD Construction  
13 Guidelines reinforce and require sustainability measures during performance of the  
14 contracts, balancing the need to protect the environment, be socially responsible, and  
15 provide for the economic development of the Port. Future Board resolutions will expand  
16 the guidelines to cover other aspects of construction, as well as planning and design.  
17 These guidelines support the forthcoming Port Sustainability Program. The intent of the  
18 LAHD Construction Guidelines is to facilitate the integration of sustainable concepts and  
19 practices into all capital projects at the Port and to phase in the implementation of these  
20 procedures in a practical yet aggressive manner. Significant features of the LAHD  
21 Construction Guidelines include, but are not limited to:

- 22 • All ships and barges used primarily to deliver construction-related materials for  
23 LAHD construction contracts will comply with the Vessel Speed Reduction Program  
24 and use low-sulfur fuel within 40 nautical miles of Point Fermin.
- 25 • Harbor craft will meet EPA Tier 2 engine emission standards. This requirement will  
26 increase to EPA Tier 3 engine emission standards by January 1, 2011.
- 27 • All dredging equipment will be electric.
- 28 • Onroad heavy-duty trucks will comply with EPA 2004 onroad emission standards for  
29 PM<sub>10</sub> and NO<sub>x</sub> and will be equipped with a CARB-verified Level 3 device. Emission  
30 standards will increase to EPA 2007 onroad emission standards for PM<sub>10</sub> and NO<sub>x</sub> by  
31 January 1, 2012.
- 32 • Construction equipment (excluding onroad trucks, derrick barges, and harbor craft)  
33 will meet EPA Tier-2 nonroad standards. The requirement will increase to Tier 3 by  
34 January 1, 2012, and Tier 4 by January 1, 2015. In addition, construction equipment  
35 will be retrofitted with a CARB-certified Level 3 diesel emissions control device.
- 36 • Comply with SCAQMD Rule 403 regarding fugitive dust and other fugitive dust  
37 control measures.
- 38 • Additional best management practices, based largely on best available control  
39 technology (BACT), will be required on construction equipment (including onroad  
40 trucks) to further reduce air emissions.

41 This EIR analysis assumes that the proposed Project would adopt all applicable  
42 Sustainable Construction Guidelines as mitigations. These measures are incorporated into  
43 the emission calculations for the mitigated proposed Project. Table 3.2-39 identifies the  
44 mitigation and monitoring requirements for these measures.

## 3.2.4 Impacts and Mitigation Measures

This section presents a discussion of the potential air quality impacts associated with the construction and operation of the proposed Project. Mitigation measures are provided where feasible for impacts found to be significant.

### 3.2.4.1 Methodology

Air pollutant emissions of VOC, CO, NO<sub>x</sub>, SO<sub>x</sub>, PM<sub>10</sub>, and PM<sub>2.5</sub> were estimated for construction and operation of the proposed Project. To determine their significance, the emissions were compared to **Significance Criteria AQ-1 and AQ-3** identified in Section 3.2.4.2. The criteria pollutant emission calculations are presented in Appendix C1.

Dispersion modeling of CO, NO<sub>x</sub>, PM<sub>10</sub>, and PM<sub>2.5</sub> emissions was performed to estimate maximum offsite pollutant concentrations in the air from emission sources attributed to the proposed Project. The predicted ambient concentrations associated with construction and operation of the proposed Project were compared to **Significance Criteria AQ-2 and AQ-4**, respectively. The complete dispersion modeling report is presented in Appendix C2.

Dispersion modeling of vehicle traffic also was performed at a worst-case roadway intersection affected by proposed Project-generated truck trips. The maximum predicted CO “hot spot” concentrations near the intersection were compared to **Significance Criterion AQ-5**.

The potential for proposed Project-generated odors at sensitive receptors in the Project vicinity was assessed qualitatively and compared to **Significance Criterion AQ-6**.

A health risk assessment (HRA) of toxic air contaminant emissions associated with construction and operation of the proposed Project was conducted in accordance with a Project-specific Protocol prepared by the Port and reviewed and approved by SCAQMD (POLA, 2008), the *Sunnyvale* decision, and in accordance with recent changes to Port protocols and procedures for conducting HRA's (POLA, 2011). Maximum predicted health risk values in the communities near to the SCIG site were compared to **Significance Criterion AQ-7**. The HRA analyzed Project emissions and human exposure to the emissions during the 70-year period from 2013 to 2082. The HRA includes an evaluation of three different types of health effects: individual lifetime cancer risk, chronic noncancer hazard index, and acute noncancer hazard index. **Impact AQ-7** also contains a discussion of the effects of PM on premature death (mortality) and disease (morbidity). This discussion is included to provide information on the association of DPM and ambient PM exposure with adverse health effects – a topic of increasing concern to citizens, regulatory agencies, and other entities. These health effects include an increased incidence of premature mortality and both cardiovascular and respiratory diseases. POLA has developed a methodology to evaluate potential mortality and morbidity from project-related PM; that methodology is summarized in Impact AQ-7 and provided in its entirety in Appendix C3. Evaluation of PM-attributable mortality and morbidity is not required under CEQA, and no significance thresholds exist to support interpretation of the calculated outcomes so this analysis is provided for informational purposes only. The complete Health Risk Assessment Report is presented in Appendix C3.

The consistency of the proposed Project with applicable air quality plans was addressed in accordance with **Significance Criterion AQ-8**.

1 Mitigation measures were applied to proposed Project activities that would exceed a  
2 significance criterion prior to mitigation, and then evaluated as to their effectiveness in  
3 reducing proposed Project impacts. Additional conditions of the Project subject to  
4 approval which would affect air quality were evaluated in this analysis and are discussed  
5 in Section 3.2.5 below.

6 The emission estimates, dispersion modeling, and health risk estimates presented in this  
7 document were calculated using the latest available data, assumptions, and emission  
8 factors at the time this document was prepared.

### 9 **Understanding Reported Results**

10 The numerical results presented in the tables of this report were rounded, often to the  
11 nearest whole number, for presentation purposes. As a result, the sum of tabular data in  
12 the tables could differ slightly from the reported totals. For example, if emissions from  
13 Source A equal 1.2 pound per day (lb/day), and emissions from Source B equal 1.4  
14 lb/day, the total emissions from both sources would be 2.6 lb/day. However, in a table,  
15 the emissions would be rounded to the nearest lb/day, such that Source A would be  
16 reported as 1 lb/day, Source B would be reported as 1 lb/day, and the total emissions  
17 from both sources would be reported as 3 lb/day. Although the rounded numbers create  
18 an apparent discrepancy in the table, the underlying addition is accurate.

### 19 **Methodology for Determining Construction Emissions**

20 Proposed Project construction activities would involve the use of off-road construction  
21 equipment, on-road trucks, locomotives, and general cargo ships for crane delivery.  
22 Because these sources would primarily use diesel fuel, they would generate emissions of  
23 diesel exhaust in the form of VOC, CO, NO<sub>x</sub> SO<sub>x</sub>, PM<sub>10</sub> and PM<sub>2.5</sub>. In addition, off-road  
24 and on-road construction equipment traveling over unpaved surfaces and performing  
25 earthmoving activities such as site clearing or grading would generate fugitive dust  
26 emissions in the form of PM<sub>10</sub> and PM<sub>2.5</sub>. Worker commute trips would generate vehicle  
27 exhaust and paved road dust emissions.

28 The equipment usage and scheduling data needed to calculate emissions for the proposed  
29 Project construction activities were provided by the applicant's project design engineers,  
30 or were developed in consultation with LAHD staff and in consideration of  
31 environmental reviews of previously proposed construction actions.

32 This analysis considers all construction activity associated with the proposed Project site  
33 during the years of construction as described in Section 2.4.3, organized into the major  
34 elements listed:

- 35 • SCIG construction (2013-2015)
  - 36 ○ Railyard site construction
  - 37 ○ Lead and storage tracks
  - 38 ○ Dominguez Channel bridge widening
  - 39 ○ Sepulveda Bridge reconstruction
  - 40 ○ Sepulveda Blvd underpass and SCE tower relocation
  - 41 ○ Pacific Coast Highway (PCH) grade separation
- 42 • Tenant relocation site construction (2013)
  - 43 ○ California Cartage
  - 44 ○ Three Rivers Trucking

- 1                   o ACTA Maintenance Yard
- 2                   o Fastlane Trucking

3                   Activities within each element are organized by their duration (in months) and their  
4                   scheduled start and completion dates, with overlaps of activities considered.

5                   To estimate peak daily construction emissions for comparison to SCAQMD emission  
6                   thresholds, emissions were first calculated for individual construction activities and then  
7                   emissions were summed where multiple construction activities overlapped in time, as  
8                   indicated in the proposed construction schedule (Table 2-2). The activity overlappings  
9                   also include those of relocated tenants. The SCAQMD emission thresholds are discussed  
10                  in Section 3.2.4.2.

11                  The specific approaches to calculating emissions for the various emission sources during  
12                  construction of the proposed Project are discussed below. Table 3.2-6 includes a  
13                  synopsis of the regulations and agreements that were assumed as part of the Project in the  
14                  construction calculations. The construction emission calculations are presented in  
15                  Appendix C1.

16                  LAHD Sustainable Construction Guideline measures are included as mitigation in this  
17                  EIR consistent with the guidelines.

18 **Table 3.2-6. Regulations and Agreements Assumed in the Unmitigated Project Construction**  
19 **Emissions.**

Off-Road Construction Equipment	On-Road Trucks	Trains	Fugitive Dust
<p><b>Emission Standards for Nonroad Diesel Engines</b> – Tier 1, 2, 3, and 4 standards gradually phased in over all years due to normal construction equipment fleet turnover.</p> <p><b>California Diesel Fuel Regulations</b> – 15-ppm sulfur starting 9/1/06.</p> <p><b>CARB In-Use Off-Road Diesel Vehicle Rule</b> – Off-road mobile equipment powered by diesel engines 25 hp or larger must meet the fleet average or best available control technology (BACT) requirements for NOx and PM emissions by March 1 of each year.</p> <p><b>CARB Portable Diesel-Fueled Engines Air Toxic Control Measure (ATCM)</b> Effective September 12, 2007, all portable engines having a maximum rated horsepower of 50 bhp and greater and fueled with diesel shall meet weighted fleet average PM emission standards.</p>	<p><b>Emission Standards for Onroad Trucks</b> – Engine emission standards gradually phased in due to normal truck fleet turnover.</p> <p><b>California Diesel Fuel Regulations</b> – 15-ppm sulfur starting September 1, 2006.</p> <p><b>Airborne Toxic Control Measure to Limit Diesel-Fueled Commercial Motor Vehicle Idling</b>—Diesel trucks are subject to idling limits starting 2/1/05.</p> <p><b>Port of Los Angeles Clean Truck Program</b> - Heavy-duty diesel drayage trucks calling on Port terminals shall meet the USEPA 2007 emission standards for on-road heavy-duty diesel engines (USEPA, 2001) by 2012.</p> <p><b>CARB Statewide Bus and Truck Regulation</b> Installation of PM retrofits on all heavy duty trucks beginning January 1, 2012 and replacement of older trucks starting January 1, 2015. By January 1, 2023, all vehicles need to have a 2010 model year engines or equivalent.</p>	<p><b>Emission Standards for Locomotives</b> – Tiered engine emission standards gradually phased in due to normal locomotive fleet turnover.</p> <p><b>1998 Fleet Average Agreement</b> Fleet average emission factors for NOx for linehaul locomotives operating in the South Coast area.</p> <p><b>2005 CARB/Railroad Statewide Agreement</b> – Reduced line haul locomotive idling times assumed to take effect starting in 2006.</p> <p><b>Nonroad Diesel Fuel Rule</b> – 500-ppm sulfur starting June 2007 and 15-ppm sulfur starting January 1, 2012. Applies to all line-haul locomotives.</p> <p><b>California Diesel Fuel Regulations</b> –15-ppm sulfur starting January 1, 2007. Applies to all switch locomotives.</p>	<p><b>SCAQMD Rule 403 Compliance</b> – 69 percent reduction in fugitive dust emissions due to daily watering of construction site.</p>

Note:

- This table is not a comprehensive list of all applicable regulations; rather, the table lists key regulations and agreements that substantially affect the emission calculations for the proposed Project. A description of each regulation or agreement is provided in Section 3.2.3.

## Off-Road Construction Equipment

Emissions of VOC, CO, NO<sub>x</sub>, SO<sub>2</sub>, PM<sub>10</sub>, and PM<sub>2.5</sub> from diesel-powered construction equipment were calculated using emission factors derived from the CARB OFFROAD 2007 Emissions Model (CARB, 2007). Using the SCAB fleet information, the OFFROAD model was run for each of the construction years of 2013, 2014 and 2015. Emission factors were calculated based on each type of equipment, horsepower rating of the equipment, and the corresponding equipment activity levels. The OFFROAD model output shows that, on a per-horsepower-hour basis, emission factors will steadily decline in future years as older equipment is replaced with newer, cleaner equipment that meets the already-adopted future state and federal off-road engine emission standards. In addition to the OFFROAD model, the EPA NONROAD model was utilized for modeling emissions from specialized track maintenance equipment in the Project construction as these equipment types are not included in the OFFROAD model. Emissions factors for all off-road construction equipment were adjusted to meet the CARB In-Use Off-Road Diesel Vehicle Rule and CARB Portable Diesel-Fueled Engines Air Toxic Control Measure (ATCM).

## On-Road Trucks

Emissions from on-road, heavy-duty diesel trucks during Project construction were calculated using emission factors generated by the EMFAC2007 on-road mobile source emission factor model for a truck fleet representative of the SCAB (CARB, 2007) with the CARB Statewide Bus and Truck Regulation applied. The EMFAC2007 model output shows that, on a per-mile basis, emission factors will steadily decline in future years as older trucks are replaced with newer, cleaner trucks that meet the required state and federal on-road engine emission standards. In addition, similar to off-road construction equipment, the current sulfur limit of 500 ppm in on-road diesel fuel was reduced to 15 ppm starting September 1, 2006.

Other assumptions regarding on-road trucks during construction include:

- Trucks are operating 10 hours per day and 6 days per week for the duration of each element of construction;
- The number of trips for each construction activity was determined based on the rough quantities of material to be hauled as provided by the applicant in the detailed construction plan;
- Truck average round-trip travel distances are assumed to be 13 miles for water trucks, 15 miles for concrete trucks, and 40 miles for all other supply truck trips;
- All construction-related trucks were assumed to travel 40 percent of the trip distance at 40 mph, 50 percent at 25 mph, and 10 percent at 10 mph (following similar assumptions used in previous Port environmental analyses);
- Nonincidental truck idling times were 20 minutes for concrete trucks and 10 minutes for all other supply trucks.

## General Cargo Ships

During construction, a general cargo ship would be used to deliver crane parts to the Port. It is assumed that one ship call is required for the delivery of a total of 20 RMG cranes to the Port.

1 The methodology in the Port of Los Angeles Inventory of Air Emissions 2007 was used  
2 to calculate ship emissions during transit and hoteling (Starcrest, 2008). This  
3 methodology uses assumptions regarding engine load factors and associated energy  
4 output during each trip segment. During transit, main engine load factors were assumed  
5 to follow the propeller law, which states that the engine load factor is proportional to the  
6 speed of the ship cubed. Other assumptions regarding general cargo ships during  
7 construction include:

- 8 • Without mitigation, the general cargo ship was assumed to observe the VSRP.
- 9 • Without mitigation, the general cargo ship was assumed to meet the fuel  
10 requirements in the CAAP measures OGV-3 and OGV-4, which call for low-sulfur  
11 fuel to be used in auxiliary and main engines respectively.
- 12 • During transport, emissions from the ship were calculated from the Port to the edge  
13 of SCAQMD waters (roughly a 50-mile, one-way trip).
- 14 • During hoteling, the ship was assumed to turn off its main engine but leave the  
15 auxiliary engines and boilers running.

### 16 **Rail Delivery**

17 Emissions from rail delivery of ballast material and rail segments were calculated by  
18 assuming that locomotives meeting fleet average Tier 2 linehaul emission standards  
19 would be used for all rail delivery. Four round trips for delivery of bulk material  
20 (switches, welded rail and ballast) would be needed. One locomotive trip would occur  
21 late in the rough grading sub-element of the lead and storage track construction, and three  
22 locomotive trips would occur late in the rough grading sub-element of the site  
23 construction. Emissions factors were modeled using guidance from the 2005 CARB  
24 MOU forecasts of locomotive emissions, and a fuel sulfur content of 15 ppm was  
25 assumed. Delivery locomotives traveling off-site were assumed to follow the line-haul  
26 duty cycle developed by EPA in their locomotive emission guidance (USEPA, 1998);  
27 whereas the duty cycle for on-site locomotive activity was provided as part of the detailed  
28 construction plan.

### 29 **Fugitive Dust**

30 The evaluation of fugitive dust incorporates all sources of dust (e.g., demolition and  
31 grading) that might be produced during the construction phase. PM<sub>10</sub> emissions were  
32 calculated using emission factor guidance from the EPA's AP-42 (USEPA, 2007).  
33 Emissions were reduced by 69 percent from uncontrolled levels to reflect required  
34 compliance with SCAQMD Rule 403. The dust-control methods for the proposed Project  
35 would be specified in the dust-control plan that must be submitted to the SCAQMD per  
36 Rule 403. Fugitive dust emissions from earth-moving activities are proportional to the  
37 surface area of the land being disturbed. The emissions were calculated assuming 5 to 20  
38 percent of the total activity area would be disturbed at any one time during construction.

### 39 **Worker Commute Trips**

40 Emissions from worker trips during Project construction were calculated using the default  
41 average commute distance, vehicle fleet mix and average travel speeds for passenger  
42 vehicles in the SCAB (SCAQMD, 2007a) in the land use emissions model URBEMIS  
43 2007, version 9.2.4 (Rimpo and Associates, 2007). The detailed Project construction  
44 plan provided information about the number of crew required. Emission factors were



1 generated by the EMFAC2007 on-road mobile source emission factor model for a fleet  
2 representative of the South Coast Air Basin (CARB, 2007).

### 3 **Relocated Tenant Construction Sites**

4 The construction emissions for relocated tenants were estimated using Urbemis 2007  
5 version 9.2.4. All Urbemis model runs assumed a General Heavy Industry land use type.  
6 All relocated tenant construction activity was modeled in Urbemis using the acreage of  
7 each relocation site, and assuming that construction would occur in 2013. The acreage of  
8 each relocated tenant site also determines the equipment usage and truck trips needed for  
9 each of five standard construction phases modeled in Urbemis – demolition, mass site  
10 grading, building construction, fine site grading, and paving. For the case of Three  
11 Rivers Trucking, only the demolition and building construction phases were considered  
12 since the only activities on the Three Rivers Trucking site are demolition and subsequent  
13 reconstruction of a warehouse facility.

14 CARB Statewide Bus and Truck Regulation and CARB In-Use Off-Road Diesel Vehicle  
15 Rule were applied to adjust URBEMIS 2007 model outputs to account for rules. Similar  
16 to the proposed Project site construction, AP-42 emissions factors were used to estimate  
17 fugitive dust emissions from the construction of relocated tenant sites.

### 18 **Methodology for Determining Operational Emissions**

19 Operational emission sources include locomotives, on-road trucks, yard hostlers, cargo  
20 handling equipment, and other service and maintenance equipment. Because many of  
21 these sources would use diesel fuel, they would generate emissions of diesel exhaust in  
22 the form of VOC, CO, NO<sub>x</sub>, SO<sub>x</sub>, PM<sub>10</sub>, and PM<sub>2.5</sub>. Gasoline fueled sources, including  
23 service and employee vehicles, would generate vehicle exhaust and paved road dust  
24 emissions.

25 Data on operational emission sources was primarily obtained from the applicant's design  
26 engineers, and additionally from interaction with LAHD staff, environmental review  
27 documents for previous development projects at the Port (LAHD, 1997 and 2002), the  
28 Project traffic study conducted as part of this EIR (Section 3.10), the Port of Los Angeles  
29 Inventory of Air Emissions 2005 (Starcrest, 2007), information provided by existing  
30 tenants at the proposed Project site, and other guidance documents. Operational  
31 emissions from the proposed Project site were estimated for the analysis years of 2016,  
32 2023, 2035, and 2046. Tenant operations on their existing sites prior to relocation were  
33 estimated for one year of operation in 2013. Relocated tenants operational emissions at  
34 the relocated sites were estimated in 2014 and 2015 and for the same future years as for  
35 the proposed Project operations. Relocated tenant operations are limited to California  
36 Cartage, Three Rivers Trucking, ACTA Maintenance yard, and Fastlane Trucking. Other  
37 tenants are not considered whose leases would be non-renewed or terminated.

38 Relocated tenant operational emissions were modeled assuming no change in activity in  
39 the future years relative to the baseline year of 2005, with the exception of California  
40 Cartage. California Cartage would be relocated to the 10-acre site and would retain the  
41 current 20 acre parcel on SCE land, comprising a total of 29 acres. All future year  
42 activities of California Cartage at the relocated site and SCE land were assumed to be  
43 scaled down by 72 percent relative to the acreage of the existing California Cartage site  
44 in 2005, which is 104 acres.

45 The emissions factors for on-road truck fleets operated by the relocated tenants were  
46 modeled for future years using EMFAC2007, adjusted to reflect the Port's Clean Truck

1 Program (CTP) and CARB’s Statewide Bus and Truck Regulation. The emissions factors  
 2 for vendor trucks that call at some relocated tenant facilities were derived using  
 3 EMFAC2007 assuming default South Coast Air Basin age distribution and adjusted to  
 4 meet CARB’s Statewide Bus and Truck Regulation. CHE emissions factors at relocated  
 5 tenant sites were modeled for future years using ARB’s CHE calculator and  
 6 OFFROAD2007 model.

7 Table 3.2-7 includes a synopsis of the regulations that were assumed in the unmitigated  
 8 operational emissions calculations. Current in-place regulations are treated as Project  
 9 elements rather than mitigation because they represent enforceable rules with or without  
 10 Project approval. Only current regulations and agreements were assumed as part of the  
 11 unmitigated Project emissions for the various analysis years.

12 The specific approaches to calculating emissions for the various emission sources during  
 13 Project operations are discussed below. Detailed operational emission calculations are  
 14 presented in Appendix C1.

15 **Table 3.2-7. Regulations and Agreements Assumed in the Unmitigated Project Operational**  
 16 **Emissions.**

Trucks	Trains	Other Equipment
<p><b>Emission Standards for Onroad Trucks – Tiered</b> standards gradually phased in over all years due to normal truck fleet turnover.</p> <p><b>California Diesel Fuel Regulations – 15-ppm sulfur</b> starting September 1, 2006.</p> <p><b>Airborne Toxic Control Measure to Limit Diesel-Fueled Commercial Motor Vehicle Idling</b>—Diesel trucks are subject to idling limits starting 2/1/05.</p> <p><b>Port of Los Angeles Clean Truck Program</b> - Heavy-duty diesel trucks shall meet the USEPA 2007 emission standards for on-road heavy-duty diesel engines (USEPA, 2001) by 2012.</p> <p><b>CARB Statewide Bus and Truck Regulation</b> Installation of PM retrofits on all heavy duty trucks beginning January 1, 2012 and replacement of older trucks starting January 1, 2015. By January 1, 2023, all vehicles need to have a 2010 model year engines or equivalent.</p>	<p><b>Emission Standards for Locomotives</b> – Tiered engine emission standards gradually phased in due to normal locomotive fleet turnover.</p> <p><b>1998 Fleet Average Agreement</b> – Fleet average emission factors for NOx for linehaul locomotives operating in the South Coast area.</p> <p><b>2005 CARB/Railroad Statewide Agreement</b> – Reduced line haul locomotive idling times assumed to take effect starting in 2006.</p> <p><b>Nonroad Diesel Fuel Rule</b> – 500-ppm sulfur starting June 2007 and 15-ppm sulfur starting January 1, 2012. Applies to all line-haul locomotives.</p> <p><b>California Diesel Fuel Regulations</b> –15-ppm sulfur starting January 1, 2007. Applies to all switch locomotives.</p>	<p><b>Emission Standards for Nonroad Diesel Engines</b> – Gradual phase-in of Tier 1, 2, 3, and 4 standards due to normal rail yard equipment fleet turnover.</p> <p><b>California Diesel Fuel Regulations</b> – 15-ppm sulfur starting September 1, 2006.</p> <p><b>CARB In-Use Off-Road Diesel Vehicle Rule</b> – Off-road mobile equipment powered by diesel engines 25 hp or larger must meet the fleet average or best available control technology (BACT) requirements for NOx and PM emissions by March 1 of each year.</p> <p><b>CARB Portable Diesel-Fueled Engines Air Toxic Control Measure</b> Effective September 12, 2007, all portable engines having a maximum rated horsepower of 50 bhp and greater and fueled with diesel shall meet weighted fleet average PM emission standards.</p>

Note:

- This table is not a comprehensive list of all applicable regulations; rather, the table lists key regulations and agreements that substantially affect the emission calculations for the proposed Project emissions. A description of each regulation or agreement is provided in Section 3.2.3.

## SCIG Drayage Trucks

Emissions from on-road, heavy-duty diesel drayage trucks hauling containers during proposed Project operations were calculated using emission factors generated by the EMFAC2007 on-road mobile source emission factor model (CARB, 2007) with modified fleet age distribution provided by Starcrest (Starcrest, 2008). The fleet age distribution considers the implementation of both the Port's Clean Truck Program (CTP) and CARB's Statewide Bus and Truck Regulation. Other assumptions regarding on-road drayage truck operations include the following:

- The number of truck trips is based upon the projected throughput of the SCIG facility for each analysis year, and assuming that 1.33 one-way drayage truck trips are generated per lift at the SCIG facility; the number of annual truck round trips in each analysis year are:
  - 2016 – 726,360 round trips
  - 2023 – 997,500 round trips
  - 2035 – 997,500 round trips
  - 2046 – 997,500 round trips
- The average drayage truck on-site travel distance, including ingress and egress from the PCH, is 3.87 miles per round trip;
- Each truck trip was assumed to travel on-site at an average speed of 15 mph;
- Total truck idle time is 24 minutes per round trip;
- Off-site drayage truck activity was modeled using roadway link-level travel distances and speeds from the transportation modeling (Section 3.10), following Project-prescribed non-residential routes to and from each of the San Pedro Bay Ports terminals (Ports of Los Angeles and Long Beach);
- $PM_{10}$  and  $PM_{2.5}$  emissions from paved road dust were estimated separately and added to the EMFAC2007 emissions from truck exhaust, tire wear, and brake wear. Road dust emission factors were derived from an emission factor equation published by USEPA (USEPA, 2006).

## Refueling Trucks

Emissions from refueling trucks were estimated using emission factors generated by the EMFAC2007 on-road mobile source emission factor model (CARB, 2007) assuming the South Coast Air Basin default age distributions. Emission factors were adjusted to meet CARB Statewide Truck and Bus Regulation. The number and activity of these trucks for each analysis year was estimated based on the expected fuel consumption at the facility and the truck tank capacity. Other assumptions regarding refueling truck operations include the following:

- The average on-site travel distance is 0.25 miles per round trip;
- Each truck trip was assumed to travel on-site at an average speed of 10 mph;
- Total truck idle time is 10 minutes per round trip;
- Off-site refueling truck activity is modeled using link-level roadway data from transportation modeling;

## 1                   **Service Trucks**

2                   Emissions from on-site gasoline-fuelled service trucks were calculated using emission  
3                   factors generated by the EMFAC2007 on-road mobile source emission factor model  
4                   (CARB, 2007) assuming the South Coast Air Basin default age distributions. The  
5                   number and activity of these trucks were provided by the applicant. Other assumptions  
6                   regarding service truck operations include the following:

- 7                   • The average on-site travel distance is 0.42 miles per round trip;
- 8                   • Each truck trip was assumed to travel on-site at an average speed of 10 mph;
- 9                   • Total truck idle time is 10 minutes per round trip.

## 10                   **Yard Hostlers**

11                   Emissions from on-site yard hostlers (10 yard hostlers at full capacity of the facility) were  
12                   calculated based on the activity data provided in the detailed design plan for the facility.  
13                   The activity of yard hostlers for each analysis year was determined based on the ramp-up  
14                   in facility throughput for future years. Yard hostlers were assumed to be low-emission  
15                   technology, and were modeled as an LNG-fueled yard hostler technology. Brake-specific  
16                   emissions factors were obtained from the average of multiple certified LNG engines from  
17                   the CARB engine certification database (CARB, 2009b). Other assumptions regarding  
18                   yard hostler operations include the following:

- 19                   • Yard hostlers operates 18 hours per day;
- 20                   • Yard hostlers operates at an average load factor of 65%;
- 21                   • The average on-site travel distance is 0.98 miles per round trip.

## 22                   **Emergency Generator**

23                   One on-site emergency generator would operate at the facility. The emergency generator  
24                   was assumed to be Tier 4-compliant for all analysis years. Emissions were calculated  
25                   based on the minimum required annual operating hours in the SCAQMD (SCAQMD,  
26                   2007a).

## 27                   **Trains and Rail Yard Equipment**

28                   Emissions associated with hauling containers by rail include yard locomotive emissions  
29                   during switching activities, and line-haul locomotive emissions during transport and  
30                   idling. These emission sources would use diesel fuel.

31                   SCIG line-haul locomotive emission factors were modeled using fleet forecasts through  
32                   2019 from the 1998 Fleet Average Agreement between CARB and the Class I railroads,  
33                   and the EPA national locomotive fleet forecast for all years after 2019. Emissions from  
34                   SCIG on-site line-haul locomotives were modeled using a detailed layout of track  
35                   segments, a plan of assumptions for the movement of locomotives along track segments  
36                   provided by the applicant, detailed duty cycle modeling to determine time-in-notch for  
37                   each track segment, and emissions factors by locomotive notch setting. Locomotives  
38                   entering the facility will shut down three of the four engines per locomotive consist. All  
39                   emissions analysis of movements of the linehaul locomotives in breaking down arriving  
40                   trains and building departing trains assume that only one of four engines per locomotive  
41                   is operational. The remaining three engines are only restarted immediately prior to  
42                   departure of trains from the facility. All linehaul locomotives are assumed to be equipped  
43                   with Automatic Engine Start Stop (AESS) technology, which limits idling times to 15  
44                   minutes.

1 SCIG off-site linehaul locomotives were modeled in two distinct segments: (1) travel  
2 from the facility along the Alameda Corridor until the end of the corridor; and (2) travel  
3 beyond the Alameda Corridor to the boundary of the SCAB. For off-site travel along the  
4 Alameda Corridor, a detailed duty cycle showing time-in-notch was provided by the  
5 applicant. For off-site line-haul locomotive travel beyond the Alameda Corridor to the  
6 boundary of the SCAB, it was assumed that these locomotives would follow the EPA  
7 turnover estimates and default linehaul duty cycle (USEPA, 1998). For both segments,  
8 emissions were estimated using locomotive emission factors as described above, and a  
9 system-wide gross ton-miles per gallon statistic for the BNSF Railway.

10 The throughput assumptions of the facility are such that in the opening year of the facility  
11 in 2016, there would be six roundtrip train visits to the facility per day, and in all future  
12 analysis years (2023, 2035, 2046) there would be eight roundtrip train visits to the facility  
13 per day.

14 Starting opening day (assumed to be January 1, 2016), yard and line-haul locomotives  
15 use diesel fuel with a maximum sulfur content of 15 ppm, in accordance with California  
16 Diesel Fuel Regulations and the USEPA Nonroad Diesel Fuel Rule (USEPA, 2004b).

17 Assumptions for SCIG on-site switcher locomotive activities were provided directly by  
18 the applicant. Switcher locomotives were assumed to be a low-emission technology, and  
19 were modeled as the average emission factors of two commercially available models of  
20 non-road engine generator set (genset) switchers or emissions-equivalent technology  
21 switchers. A total of two switcher locomotives were assumed to operate at the facility.  
22 Switching occurs to break smaller subsets of cars from the larger segments brought in for  
23 loading/unloading (i.e. to remove a single bad car for repair). Typically, switching is  
24 used for maintenance, removal of empty cars, or other operational needs. Switching  
25 activities were assumed to occur throughout the facility.

26 Rail yard equipment that would be used at the SCIG facility includes a diesel rail car  
27 wheel change machine, gasoline-fueled welding machines, gasoline-fueled air  
28 compressors and transport refrigerant units (TRUs). Approximately 0.13 percent of  
29 containers handled at the SCIG facility would be TRUs. Electrical plug-in facilities  
30 would be provided for TRUs, and TRU emissions were only estimated for the small  
31 fraction of time between arrival of TRUs and plug-in.

32 Emissions from the diesel rail car wheel change machine were calculated using the  
33 ARB's CHE calculator by considering the equipment to be newly purchased in the 2016  
34 opening year and tracking turnover of the equipment for all future years. Activity data  
35 for the wheel change machine were provided by the applicant. On the other hand,  
36 emissions from welders, air compressors and TRUs were calculated using emission  
37 factors derived from the CARB OFFROAD2007 assuming the SCAB default age  
38 distributions. Other assumptions regarding rail operations include the following:

- 39 • Three of the four engines making up a locomotive consist would shut down after  
40 entering the facility;
- 41 • The line-haul locomotive would conduct most of the yarding and building activities  
42 on site with one engine under power;
- 43 • All four engines in the locomotive consist would only be restarted immediately prior  
44 to departure of a train from the facility;
- 45 • Line-haul locomotive idling would be limited to no more than 15 minutes at any  
46 location due to the use of AESS technology;

- 1 • Switcher locomotives were assumed to be actively operating at the facility for a total  
2 of 20 minutes per day;
- 3 • A total of two diesel rail car wheel change machines would be used;
- 4 • TRUs would be diesel-powered for an average operational time of 30 minutes upon  
5 arrival at the facility before being plugged into the electrical outlets, after which the  
6 TRU diesel engine would be shut down; and;
- 7 • A total of two gasoline-powered welders and one gasoline-powered air compressor  
8 would be used.

### 9 **Worker Commute Trips**

10 Emissions from worker trips during Project operation were calculated using the default  
11 average commute distance and average travel speeds for passenger vehicles in the SCAB  
12 (SCAQMD, 2007a) in the land use emissions model URBEMIS 2007, version 9.2.0  
13 (Rimpo and Associates, 2007). The number of worker trips was estimated based on the  
14 employee count data at the facility, adjusted for ramp-up in facility throughput for future  
15 years. Emission factors were generated by the EMFAC2007 on-road mobile source  
16 emission factor model for a fleet representative of the SCAB (CARB, 2007). SCIG  
17 worker commute vehicles were assumed to travel on-site for 0.42 miles per round trip at  
18 an average speed of 10 mph and idle for 4 minutes per round trip.

### 19 **CEQA Impact Determination**

20 Section 15125 of the CEQA Guidelines requires an EIR to include a description of the  
21 physical environmental conditions in the vicinity of the project that exists at the time of  
22 the NOP. These environmental conditions would normally constitute the baseline  
23 physical conditions by which the CEQA lead agency determines whether an impact is  
24 significant. For purposes of this Draft EIR, the CEQA baseline for determining the  
25 significance of potential impacts of the proposed Project is 2005.

26 The CEQA baseline represents the setting at a fixed point in time (2005) and differs from  
27 the No Project Alternative (Alternative 1—discussed in Section 5) in that the No Project  
28 Alternative addresses what is likely to happen at the site over time, starting from the  
29 existing conditions. The No Project Alternative allows for growth at the proposed project  
30 site that would occur without additional approvals (i.e., activity growth of existing on-site  
31 uses).

### 32 **3.2.4.2 Significance Criteria**

33 The following thresholds were used in this study to determine the significance of the air  
34 quality impacts of the proposed Project.

### 35 **Construction Thresholds**

36 The *City of Los Angeles CEQA Thresholds Guide* references the SCAQMD *CEQA Air*  
37 *Quality Handbook* (SCAQMD, 1993) and USEPA *AP-42* for calculating and determining  
38 the significance of construction emissions. Each lead city department has the  
39 responsibility to determine the appropriate standards. Proposed Project-related factors to  
40 be used in a case-by-case evaluation of significance include the following:

- 41 • Combustion emissions from construction equipment:
  - 42 ○ Type, number of pieces, and usage for each type of equipment



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2**Table 3.2-9. SCAQMD Thresholds for Ambient Air Quality Concentrations Associated with Proposed Project Construction.**

Air Pollutant	Ambient Concentration Threshold
Nitrogen Dioxide (NO <sub>2</sub> ) 1-hour average Annual average	0.18 ppm (338 µg/m <sup>3</sup> ) 0.03 ppm
Particulates (PM <sub>10</sub> or PM <sub>2.5</sub> ) 24-hour average	10.4 µg/m <sup>3</sup>
Sulfate 24-hour average	1.0 µg/m <sup>3</sup>
Carbon Monoxide (CO) 1-hour average 8-hour average	20 ppm (23,000 µg/m <sup>3</sup> ) 9.0 ppm (10,000 µg/m <sup>3</sup> )

## Notes:

- The NO<sub>2</sub> and CO thresholds are absolute thresholds; the maximum predicted impact from construction activities is added to the background concentration for the Project vicinity and compared to the threshold.
- The PM<sub>10</sub> and PM<sub>2.5</sub> thresholds are an incremental threshold; meaning that the maximum predicted impacts from construction activities (without adding background concentrations) are compared to these thresholds.
- The SCAQMD has also established a threshold for sulfates, but it is currently not requiring a quantitative comparison to these thresholds (pers. comm., Koizumi, 2005).
- To evaluate Project impacts to ambient NO<sub>2</sub> levels, the analysis replaced the use of the current SCAQMD NO<sub>2</sub> thresholds with the more stringent revised 1-hour California ambient air quality standard of 338 µg/m<sup>3</sup>.

Source: SCAQMD, 2011a.

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**Operation Thresholds**

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The specific significance thresholds for operational air quality impacts are based on SCAQMD standards, which were adopted by the City of Los Angeles and apply to projects in the City of Long Beach and City of Carson. For the purposes of this study, a project would create a significant impact if it would result in one or more of the following:

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**AQ-3:** Operational emissions that would exceed 10 tons per year of VOCs or any of the SCAQMD thresholds of significance in Table 3.2-10. For determining CEQA significance, these thresholds are compared to the net change in Project emissions relative to CEQA baseline (2005) conditions.

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**Table 3.2-10. SCAQMD Thresholds for Operational Emissions.**

Air Pollutant	Emission Threshold (pounds/day)
Volatile organic compounds (VOC)	55
Carbon monoxide (CO)	550
Nitrogen oxides (NO <sub>x</sub> )	55
Sulfur oxides (SO <sub>x</sub> )	150
Particulates (PM <sub>10</sub> )	150
Particulates (PM <sub>2.5</sub> )	55

Source: SCAQMD, 2011a



**AQ-4:** Proposed Project operations would result in offsite ambient air pollutant concentrations that exceed any of the SCAQMD thresholds of significance in Table 3.2-11<sup>3</sup>. However, to evaluate Project impacts to ambient NO<sub>2</sub> levels, the analysis replaced the use of the current SCAQMD NO<sub>2</sub> thresholds with the revised 1-hour and annual California ambient air quality standards of 338 and 56 µg/m<sup>3</sup>, respectively.

**Table 3.2-11. SCAQMD Thresholds for Ambient Air Quality Concentrations Associated with Project Operations.**

Air Pollutant	Ambient Concentration Threshold
Nitrogen Dioxide (NO <sub>2</sub> )	
1-hour average	0.18 ppm (338 µg/m <sup>3</sup> )
annual average	0.03 ppm (56 µg/m <sup>3</sup> )
Particulates	
24-hour average (PM <sub>10</sub> or PM <sub>2.5</sub> )	2.5 µg/m <sup>3</sup>
annual average (PM <sub>10</sub> )	1.0 µg/m <sup>3</sup>
Carbon Monoxide (CO)	
1-hour average	20 ppm (23,000 µg/m <sup>3</sup> )
8-hour average	9.0 ppm (10,000 µg/m <sup>3</sup> )

Notes:

- a) The NO<sub>2</sub> and CO thresholds are absolute thresholds; the maximum predicted impact from proposed Project operations is added to the background concentration for the Project vicinity and compared to the threshold.
- b) The PM<sub>10</sub> threshold is an incremental threshold. For CEQA significance, the maximum increase in concentration relative to the CEQA baseline is compared to the threshold.
- c) The SCAQMD has also established thresholds for sulfates and annual PM<sub>10</sub>, but is currently not requiring a quantitative comparison to these thresholds (pers. comm., Koizumi, 2005).
- d) To evaluate Project impacts to ambient NO<sub>2</sub> levels, the analysis replaced the use of the current SCAQMD NO<sub>2</sub> thresholds with the more stringent revised 1-hour and annual California ambient air quality standards of 338 and 56 µg/m<sup>3</sup>, respectively.
- e) Source: SCAQMD, 2011a.

**AQ-5:** Project-generated on-road traffic would result in either of the following conditions at an intersection or roadway within 0.25 mile of a sensitive receptor.

- The proposed Project causes or contributes to an exceedance of the California 1-hour or 8-hour CO standards of 20 or 9.0 ppm, respectively.
- The incremental increase due to the Project is equal to or greater than 1.0 ppm for the California 1-hour CO standard, or 0.45 ppm for the 8-hour CO standard.

**AQ-6:** The Project would create an objectionable odor at the nearest sensitive receptor.

**AQ-7:** The Project would expose receptors to significant levels of toxic air contaminants. The determination of significance shall be made as follows:

<sup>3</sup> These ambient concentration thresholds target those pollutants the SCAQMD has determined are most likely to cause or contribute to an exceedance of the NAAQS or CAAQS. Although the thresholds represent the levels at which the SCAQMD considers the impacts to be significant, the thresholds are not necessarily the same as the NAAQS or CAAQS.

- 1 • Maximum Incremental Cancer Risk for Residential Receptors is > 10 in
- 2 1 million
- 3 • Noncancer Hazard Index is > 1.0 (project increment)
- 4 • Cancer Burden > 0.5 excess cancer cases in areas  $\geq$  1 in 1 million

5 These health-effects thresholds were established by the SCAQMD and adopted  
6 by the Port for evaluating new projects under CEQA (SCAQMD, 2011a). The  
7 San Pedro Bay Ports Clean Air Action Plan (CAAP, 2006) has also identified the  
8 10 in a million incremental cancer risk for residential receptors as a Project  
9 Specific Standard for CEQA analyses conducted by the Port.

10 **AQ-8:** The proposed Project would conflict with or obstruct implementation of an  
11 applicable air quality plan.

### 12 **3.2.4.3 Impacts and Mitigation**

13 **Impact AQ-1: The proposed Project would result in construction-related**  
14 **emissions that exceed an SCAQMD threshold of significance in Table 3.2-8.**

15 Table 3.2-12 presents peak daily criteria pollutant emissions associated with construction  
16 of the proposed Project and tenant relocation sites without mitigation, and Table 3.2-13  
17 presents peak daily criteria pollutant emissions associated with construction without  
18 mitigation overlapped with the operations of tenants that will be relocated as part of the  
19 proposed Project. The overlap of construction emissions with tenant operations was  
20 evaluated in order to capture the peak emissions levels from these activities, as they are  
21 expected to overlap in time. These tables contain peak daily construction emissions for  
22 each project year, as well as significance determinations. Maximum emissions for each  
23 construction element were determined by totaling the daily emissions from the individual  
24 construction activities and relocated tenant operational activities that overlap in the  
25 proposed construction schedule. Detailed tables of emissions for each proposed project  
26 activity can be found in Appendix C1. In addition, Appendix C1 contains data on  
27 emission levels for each construction equipment type in each proposed project activity.

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2**Table 3.2-12. Summary of Peak Daily Construction Emissions — Proposed Project without Mitigation.**

Source Category	Peak Daily Emissions (lb/day) <sup>c</sup>					
	VOC	CO	NO <sub>x</sub>	SO <sub>x</sub>	PM <sub>10</sub>	PM <sub>2.5</sub>
<b>Construction Year 2013</b>						
SCIG and Relocated Tenant Sites Construction - On-Site <sup>d</sup>	158	616	1,140	2	298	95
SCIG and Relocated Tenant Sites Construction - Off-Site <sup>d</sup>	95	269	1,179	1	62	36
<b>2013 Total Peak Daily<sup>b</sup></b>	<b>253</b>	<b>885</b>	<b>2,319</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>361</b>	<b>131</b>
Thresholds	<b>75</b>	<b>550</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>150</b>	<b>150</b>	<b>55</b>
<b>CEQA Significant?<sup>a</sup></b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>Yes</b>
<b>Construction Year 2014</b>						
SCIG Construction - On-Site <sup>d</sup>	66	279	491	1	283	73
SCIG Construction - Off-Site <sup>d</sup>	42	164	376	1	55	8
<b>2014 Total Peak Daily<sup>b</sup></b>	<b>108</b>	<b>442</b>	<b>867</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>338</b>	<b>81</b>
Thresholds	<b>75</b>	<b>550</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>150</b>	<b>150</b>	<b>55</b>
<b>CEQA Significant?<sup>a</sup></b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>Yes</b>
<b>Construction Year 2015</b>						
SCIG Construction - On-Site <sup>d</sup>	42	148	251	0	12	11
SCIG Construction - Off-Site <sup>d</sup>	201	431	3,787	55	78	57
<b>2015 Total Peak Daily<sup>b</sup></b>	<b>243</b>	<b>579</b>	<b>4,038</b>	<b>56</b>	<b>90</b>	<b>67</b>
Thresholds	<b>75</b>	<b>550</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>150</b>	<b>150</b>	<b>55</b>
<b>CEQA Significant?<sup>a</sup></b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>Yes</b>

a) CEQA significance is determined by comparing the peak daily construction emissions directly to the thresholds.

b) Emissions might not add precisely due to rounding. For more explanation, refer to the discussion in Section 3.2.4.1.

c) The emission estimates presented in this table were calculated using the latest available data, assumptions, and emission factors at the time this document was prepared. Future studies might use updated data, assumptions, and emission factors that are not currently available.

d) On-site refers to activities within the footprint of SCIG construction or within the relocated tenant construction sites. Off-site refers to truck and vehicle trips not on these construction sites.

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**Table 3.2-13. Summary of Peak Daily Construction Emissions Overlapped with Relocated Tenant Operations during Construction Period — Proposed Project without Mitigation.**

Source Category	Peak Daily Emissions (lb/day) <sup>c</sup>					
	VOC	CO	NO <sub>x</sub>	SO <sub>x</sub>	PM <sub>10</sub>	PM <sub>2.5</sub>
<b>Construction Year 2013</b>						
SCIG and Relocated Tenant Sites Construction - On-Site <sup>d</sup>	158	616	1,140	2	298	95
SCIG and Relocated Tenant Sites Construction - Off-Site <sup>d</sup>	95	269	1,179	1	62	36
Tenant Operations - On-Site <sup>e</sup>	71	1,581	446	0	41	14
Tenant Operations - Off-Site <sup>e</sup>	28	194	348	1	96	15
<b>2013 Total Peak Daily<sup>b</sup></b>	<b>352</b>	<b>2,660</b>	<b>3,113</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>498</b>	<b>160</b>
Thresholds	<b>75</b>	<b>550</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>150</b>	<b>150</b>	<b>55</b>
<b>CEQA Significant?<sup>a</sup></b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>Yes</b>
<b>Construction Year 2014</b>						
SCIG Construction - On-Site <sup>d</sup>	66	279	491	1	283	73
SCIG Construction - Off-Site <sup>d</sup>	42	164	376	1	55	8
Tenant Operations - On-Site <sup>e</sup>	28	493	222	0	24	7
Tenant Operations - Off-Site <sup>e</sup>	16	108	174	0	53	7
<b>2014 Total Peak Daily<sup>b</sup></b>	<b>152</b>	<b>1,044</b>	<b>1,263</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>415</b>	<b>95</b>
Thresholds	<b>75</b>	<b>550</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>150</b>	<b>150</b>	<b>55</b>
<b>CEQA Significant?<sup>a</sup></b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>Yes</b>
<b>Construction Year 2015</b>						
SCIG Construction - On-Site <sup>d</sup>	42	148	251	0	12	11
SCIG Construction - Off-Site <sup>d</sup>	201	431	3,787	55	78	57
Tenant Operations - On-Site <sup>e</sup>	17	493	223	0	24	7
Tenant Operations - Off-Site <sup>e</sup>	15	100	166	0	53	7
<b>2015 Total Peak Daily<sup>b</sup></b>	<b>275</b>	<b>1,172</b>	<b>4,427</b>	<b>56</b>	<b>168</b>	<b>82</b>
Thresholds	<b>75</b>	<b>550</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>150</b>	<b>150</b>	<b>55</b>
<b>CEQA Significant?<sup>a</sup></b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>Yes</b>

a) CEQA significance is determined by comparing the peak daily construction emissions directly to the thresholds.

b) Emissions might not add precisely due to rounding. For more explanation, refer to the discussion in Section 3.2.4.1.

c) The emission estimates presented in this table were calculated using the latest available data, assumptions, and emission factors at the time this document was prepared.

d) On-site refers to activities within the footprint of SCIG construction or within the relocated tenant construction sites. Off-site refers to truck and vehicle trips not on these construction sites.

e) Tenants are assumed to operate at their existing sites prior to relocation in 2013, and operate at their new relocated sites in 2014 and 2015.

As shown in Table 3.2-12, the unmitigated peak daily construction emissions in 2013 would exceed the SCAQMD daily emission thresholds for VOC, CO, NO<sub>x</sub>, PM<sub>10</sub>, and PM<sub>2.5</sub> under CEQA. In 2014 the SCAQMD daily emission thresholds would be exceeded by the unmitigated peak daily construction emissions for VOC, NO<sub>x</sub>, PM<sub>10</sub> and PM<sub>2.5</sub>, and in 2015 for VOC, CO, NO<sub>x</sub> and PM<sub>2.5</sub>. Considering the overlap of construction activities and the operations of relocated tenants during the construction period in 2013, 2014, and 2015, as shown in Table 3.2-13, the SCAQMD daily emissions thresholds would be exceeded by the unmitigated peak daily construction and relocated tenant operational emissions for VOC, CO, NO<sub>x</sub>, PM<sub>10</sub> and PM<sub>2.5</sub> during all during all three years.

The largest contributors to peak daily construction emissions include rail delivery of material and supplies during 2013, and delivery of crane parts and material by ship in

1 2015. In 2013 and 2014, off-road construction equipment emissions are also large  
2 contributors to the peak daily construction emissions in these years.

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4 Without mitigation, the proposed Project would exceed the daily construction emission  
5 thresholds for VOC, CO, NO<sub>x</sub>, PM<sub>10</sub>, and PM<sub>2.5</sub> during construction period of 2013-  
6 2015. Therefore, significant impacts would occur.

### 7 *Mitigation Measures*

8 Mitigation measures for proposed Project construction were derived, where feasible, from  
9 the LAHD's Sustainable Construction Guidelines, in consultation with LAHD staff, and  
10 applicable measures of the CAAP. These mitigation measures are required during  
11 construction and are to be implemented by the construction contractor.

### 12 **MM AQ-1: Fleet Modernization for Construction Equipment.**

- 13 • Tier Specifications:

14 a. From January 1, 2012, to December 31, 2014: All off-road diesel-powered  
15 construction equipment greater than 50 hp, except marine vessels and harbor  
16 craft, will meet Tier-3 off-road emission standards at a minimum. In addition, all  
17 construction equipment greater than 50 hp will be retrofitted with a CARB-  
18 verified Level 3 DECS. Any emissions control device used by the contractor  
19 shall achieve emissions reductions that are no less than what could be achieved  
20 by a Level 3 diesel emissions control strategy for a similarly sized engine as  
21 defined by CARB regulations. This mitigation measure was quantified and  
22 included in the mitigated construction emissions in Tables 3.2-14 and 3.2-15.

23 b. From January 1, 2015 on: All off-road diesel-powered construction equipment  
24 greater than 50 hp, except marine vessels and harbor craft, will meet Tier-4 off-  
25 road emission standards at a minimum. Any emissions control device used by the  
26 contractor shall achieve emissions reductions that are no less than what could be  
27 achieved by a Level 3 diesel emissions control strategy for a similarly sized  
28 engine as defined by CARB regulations. This mitigation measure was quantified  
29 and included in the mitigated construction emissions in Tables 3.2-14 and 3.2-15.

30 A copy of each unit's certified tier specification, BACT documentation, and CARB or  
31 SCAQMD operating permit shall be provided at the time of mobilization of each  
32 applicable unit of equipment. The above "Tier Specifications" measures shall be met,  
33 unless one of the following circumstances exists, and the contractor is able to provide  
34 proof that any of these circumstances exists:

- 35 ○ A piece of specialized equipment is unavailable as specified in 3(a), 3(b) or 3(c)  
36 within 200 miles of the Port of Los Angeles, including through a leasing  
37 agreement. If this circumstance exists, the equipment must comply with one of  
38 the options contained in the Step Down Schedule as shown in Table A below. At  
39 no time shall equipment meet less than a Tier 1 engine standard with a CARB-  
40 verified Level 2 DECS.
- 41 ○ The availability of construction equipment shall be reassessed in conjunction  
42 with the years listed in the above Tier Specifications (Prior to December 31,  
43 2011, January 1, 2012 and January 15, 2015) on an annual basis. For example, if

1 a piece of equipment is not available prior to December 31, 2011, the contractor  
2 shall reassess this availability on January 1, 2012.

- 3 • Construction equipment shall incorporate, where feasible emissions-savings  
4 technology such as hybrid drives and specific fuel economy standards. This  
5 mitigation measure was not quantified in the mitigated construction emissions.
- 6 • Idling shall be restricted to a maximum of 5 minutes when not in use. This  
7 mitigation measure was not quantified in the mitigated construction emissions.

#### 8 **MM AQ-2: Fleet Modernization for On-Road Trucks.**

- 9 • Trucks used in construction will be required to comply with EPA Standards as  
10 described below. These standards were quantified and included in the mitigated  
11 construction emissions in Tables 3.2-14 and 3.2-15:

12 a. On-Road Trucks except for Import Haulers and Earth Movers: From January 1,  
13 2012 on: All on-road heavy-duty diesel trucks with a GVWR of 19,500 pounds  
14 or greater used at the Port of Los Angeles will comply with EPA 2007 on-road  
15 emission standards for PM10 and NOx (0.01 g/bhp-hr and at least 1.2 g/bhp-hr,  
16 respectively).

17 b. For Import Haulers<sup>4</sup> Only: From January 1, 2012 on: All on-road heavy-duty  
18 diesel trucks with a GVWR of 19,500 pounds or greater used to move dirt to and  
19 from the construction site via public roadways at the Port of Los Angeles will  
20 comply with EPA 2004 on-road emission standards for PM10 and NOx (0.10  
21 g/bhp-hr and 2.0 g/bhp-hr, respectively).

22 c. For Earth Movers<sup>5</sup> Only: From January 1, 2012 on: All heavy-duty diesel trucks  
23 with a GVWR of 19,500 pounds or greater used to move dirt within the  
24 construction site at the Port of Los Angeles will comply with EPA 2004 on-road  
25 emission standards for PM10 and NOx (0.10 g/bhp-hr and 2.0 g/bhp-hr,  
26 respectively).

27 A copy of each unit's certified EPA rating and each unit's CARB or SCAQMD operating  
28 permit, will be provided at the time of mobilization of each applicable unit of equipment.  
29 The above standards/specifications shall be met unless one of the following  
30 circumstances exists and the contractor is able to provide proof that any of these  
31 circumstances exists:

- 32 ○ A piece of specialized equipment is unavailable in a controlled form within the  
33 state of California, including through a leasing agreement;
- 34 ○ A contractor has applied for necessary incentive funds to put controls on a piece  
35 of uncontrolled equipment planned for use on the proposed Project, but the  
36 application process is not yet approved, or the application has been approved, but  
37 funds are not yet available; or
- 38 ○ A contractor has ordered a control device for a piece of equipment planned for  
39 use on the proposed Project, or the contractor has ordered a new piece of  
40 controlled equipment to replace the uncontrolled equipment, but that order has  
41 not been completed by the manufacturer or dealer. In addition, for this exemption

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<sup>4</sup> Import Haulers are defined as all trucks hauling dirt to and from the construction site via public roadways.

<sup>5</sup> Earth Movers are defined as all trucks moving and/or working in dirt within the construction site (i.e. trucks are confined to the construction site and do not regularly enter or exit public roadways).

1 to apply, the contractor must attempt to lease controlled equipment to avoid using  
2 uncontrolled equipment, but no dealer within 200 miles of the proposed Project  
3 has the controlled equipment available for lease.

- 4 • Trucks hauling material such as debris or any fill material will be fully covered while  
5 operating off Port property. This mitigation measure was not quantified in the  
6 mitigated construction emissions.
- 7 • Idling will be restricted to a maximum of 5 minutes when not in use. This mitigation  
8 measure was not quantified in the mitigated construction emissions.

### 9 **MM AQ-3: Additional Fugitive Dust Controls.**

10 The calculation of fugitive dust (PM) from Project earth-moving activities assumes a 69  
11 percent reduction from uncontrolled levels to simulate rigorous watering of the site and  
12 use of other measures (listed below) to ensure Project compliance with SCAQMD Rule  
13 403.

14 SCAQMD Rule 403 requires a Fugitive Dust Control Plan be prepared and approved for  
15 construction sites. The Project construction contractor shall obtain a 403 Permit from  
16 SCAQMD prior to construction.

17 The following measures to further reduce fugitive dust emissions to a total reduction of  
18 90 percent from uncontrolled levels should be included in the contractor's Fugitive Dust  
19 Control Plan:

- 20 • SCAQMD's Best Available Control Technology (BACT) measures must be followed  
21 on all projects. They are outlined on Table 1 in Rule 403. Large construction projects  
22 (on a property which contains 50 or more disturbed acres) shall also follow Rule 403  
23 Tables 2 and 3.
- 24 • Active grading sites shall be watered three times per day.
- 25 • Contractors shall apply approved non-toxic chemical soil stabilizers to all inactive  
26 construction areas or replace groundcover in disturbed areas.
- 27 • Contractors shall provide temporary wind fencing around sites being graded or  
28 cleared.
- 29 • Trucks hauling dirt, sand, or gravel shall be covered or shall maintain at least 2 feet  
30 of freeboard in accordance with Section 23114 of the California Vehicle Code.  
31 ("Spilling Loads on Highways").
- 32 • Construction contractors shall install wheel washers where vehicles enter and exit  
33 unpaved roads onto paved roads, or wash off tires of vehicles and any equipment  
34 leaving the construction site.
- 35 • The grading contractor shall suspend all soil disturbance activities when winds  
36 exceed 25 mph or when visible dust plumes emanate from a site; disturbed areas shall  
37 be stabilized if construction is delayed.
- 38 • Open storage piles (greater than 3 feet tall and a total surface area of 150 square feet)  
39 shall be covered with a plastic tarp or chemical dust suppressant.
- 40 • Stabilize the materials while loading, unloading and transporting to reduce fugitive  
41 dust emissions.
- 42 • Belly-dump truck seals should be checked regularly to remove trapped rocks to  
43 prevent possible spillage.
- 44 • Comply with track-out regulations and provide water while loading and unloading to  
45 reduce visible dust plumes.

- 1 • Waste materials should be hauled off-site immediately.
- 2 • Pave road and road shoulders where available.
- 3 • Traffic speeds on all unpaved roads shall be reduced to 15 mph or less.
- 4 • Provide temporary traffic controls such as a flag person, during all phases of
- 5 construction to maintain smooth traffic flow.
- 6 • Schedule construction activities that affect traffic flow on the arterial system to off-
- 7 peak hours to the extent practicable.
- 8 • Require the use of clean-fueled sweepers pursuant to SCAQMD Rule 1186 and Rule
- 9 1186.1 certified street sweepers. Sweep streets at the end of each day if visible soil is
- 10 carried onto paved roads on-site or roads adjacent to the site to reduce fugitive dust
- 11 emissions.
- 12 • Appoint a construction relations officer to act as a community liaison concerning on-
- 13 site construction activity including resolution of issues related to PM<sub>10</sub> generation.

14 This mitigation measure was quantified and included in the mitigated construction  
15 emissions in Tables 3.2-14 and 3.2-15.

#### 16 **MM AQ-4. Best Management Practices.**

17 The following measures are required on construction equipment (including onroad  
18 trucks)<sup>6</sup>:

- 19 • Use diesel oxidation catalysts and catalyzed diesel particulate traps.
- 20 • Maintain equipment according to manufacturers' specifications.
- 21 • Restrict idling of construction equipment to a maximum of 5 minutes when not in
- 22 use.
- 23 • Install high-pressure fuel injectors on construction equipment vehicles.

24 LAHD shall implement a process by which to select additional BMPs to further reduce  
25 air emissions during construction. The LAHD shall determine the BMPs once the  
26 contractor identifies and secures a final equipment list.

27 Because the effectiveness of this measure has not been established and includes some  
28 emission reduction technology which may already be incorporated into equipment as part  
29 of the Tier level requirement in **MM AQ-1**, it is not quantified in this study.

#### 30 **MM AQ-5. General Construction Mitigation Measure.**

31 For any of the above construction mitigation measures (**MM AQ-1** through **AQ-3**), if a  
32 CARB-certified technology becomes available and is shown to be equal or more effective  
33 in terms of emissions performance than the existing measure, the technology could  
34 replace the existing measure pending approval by the LAHD. Because the effectiveness  
35 of this measure cannot be established, it is not quantified in this study.

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<sup>6</sup> Where not already covered under MM AQ-1.



**MM AQ-6. Special Precautions near Sensitive Sites.**

When construction activities are planned within 1,000 feet of sensitive receptors (defined as schools, playgrounds, day care centers, and hospitals), the construction contractor shall notify each of these sites in writing at least 30 days before construction activities begin.

Because the effectiveness of this measure has not been established, it is not quantified in this study.

**Residual Impacts**

Tables 3.2-14 and 3.2-15 present the maximum daily criteria pollutant emissions associated with construction of the proposed Project, after the application of **MM AQ-1** through **MM AQ-3**, without and with the overlap of relocated tenant operations respectively.

As shown in Table 3.2-14, without the overlap of the relocated tenant activities, the air quality impact of construction after mitigation remained significant for VOC, CO, NO<sub>x</sub> and PM<sub>2.5</sub> under CEQA in 2013, significant for VOC and NO<sub>x</sub> in 2014, and significant for VOC, CO, NO<sub>x</sub> and PM<sub>2.5</sub> in 2015. As shown in Table 3.2-15, with the overlap of the relocated tenant activities, the air quality impact of construction after mitigation remained significant for VOC, CO, NO<sub>x</sub>, PM<sub>10</sub> and PM<sub>2.5</sub> under CEQA in 2013, significant for VOC, CO, NO<sub>x</sub>, and PM<sub>10</sub> in 2014, and significant for VOC, CO, NO<sub>x</sub>, PM<sub>10</sub> and PM<sub>2.5</sub> in 2015.

**Table 3.2-14. Summary of Peak Daily Construction Emissions — Proposed Project with Mitigation.**

Source Category	Peak Daily Emissions (lb/day) <sup>c</sup>					
	VOC	CO	NO <sub>x</sub>	SO <sub>x</sub>	PM <sub>10</sub>	PM <sub>2.5</sub>
<b>Construction Year 2013</b>						
SCIG and Relocated Tenant Sites Construction - On-Site	126	608	1,058	2	73	28
SCIG and Relocated Tenant Sites Construction - Off-Site	94	264	1,100	1	60	33
<b>2013 Total Peak Daily<sup>b</sup></b>	<b>220</b>	<b>871</b>	<b>2,158</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>133</b>	<b>61</b>
Thresholds	<b>75</b>	<b>550</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>150</b>	<b>150</b>	<b>55</b>
<b>CEQA Significant?<sup>a</sup></b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>Yes</b>
<b>Construction Year 2014</b>						
SCIG Construction - On-Site	45	277	447	1	35	13
SCIG Construction - Off-Site	42	164	229	1	54	8
<b>2014 Total Peak Daily<sup>b</sup></b>	<b>87</b>	<b>440</b>	<b>676</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>90</b>	<b>20</b>
Thresholds	<b>75</b>	<b>550</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>150</b>	<b>150</b>	<b>55</b>
<b>CEQA Significant?<sup>a</sup></b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>No</b>
<b>Construction Year 2015</b>						
SCIG Construction - On-Site	25	138	235	0	4	3
SCIG Construction - Off-Site	201	431	3,787	55	78	57
<b>2015 Total Peak Daily<sup>b</sup></b>	<b>227</b>	<b>569</b>	<b>4,021</b>	<b>56</b>	<b>83</b>	<b>60</b>
Thresholds	<b>75</b>	<b>550</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>150</b>	<b>150</b>	<b>55</b>
<b>CEQA Significant?<sup>a</sup></b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>Yes</b>

a) CEQA significance is determined by comparing the peak daily construction emissions directly to the thresholds.

b) Emissions might not add precisely due to rounding. For more explanation, refer to the discussion in Section 3.2.4.1.

c) The emission estimates presented in this table were calculated using the latest available data, assumptions, and emission factors at the time this document was prepared. Future studies might use updated data, assumptions, and emission factors that are not currently available.

**Table 3.2-15. Summary of Peak Daily Construction Emissions Overlapped with Relocated Tenant Operations during Construction Period — Proposed Project with Mitigation.**

Source Category	Peak Daily Emissions (lb/day) <sup>c</sup>					
	VOC	CO	NO <sub>x</sub>	SO <sub>x</sub>	PM <sub>10</sub>	PM <sub>2.5</sub>
<b>Construction Year 2013</b>						
SCIG and Relocated Tenant Sites Construction – On-Site	126	608	1,058	2	73	28
SCIG and Relocated Tenant Sites Construction – Off-Site	94	264	1,100	1	60	33
Tenant Operations – On-Site	71	1,581	446	0	41	14
Tenant Operations – Off-Site	28	194	348	1	96	15
<b>2013 Total Peak Daily<sup>b</sup></b>	<b>320</b>	<b>2,647</b>	<b>2,952</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>270</b>	<b>90</b>
Thresholds	<b>75</b>	<b>550</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>150</b>	<b>150</b>	<b>55</b>
<b>CEQA Significant?<sup>a</sup></b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>Yes</b>
<b>Construction Year 2014</b>						
SCIG Construction – On-Site	45	277	447	1	35	13
SCIG Construction – Off-Site	42	164	229	1	54	8
Tenant Operations – On-Site	28	493	222	0	24	7
Tenant Operations – Off-Site	16	108	174	0	53	7
<b>2014 Total Peak Daily<sup>b</sup></b>	<b>131</b>	<b>1,042</b>	<b>1,072</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>167</b>	<b>35</b>
Thresholds	<b>75</b>	<b>550</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>150</b>	<b>150</b>	<b>55</b>
<b>CEQA Significant?<sup>a</sup></b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>
<b>Construction Year 2015</b>						
SCIG Construction – On-Site	25	138	235	0	4	3
SCIG Construction – Off-Site	201	431	3,787	55	78	57
Tenant Operations – On-Site	17	493	223	0	24	7
Tenant Operations – Off-Site	15	100	166	0	53	7
<b>2015 Total Peak Daily<sup>b</sup></b>	<b>259</b>	<b>1,161</b>	<b>4,410</b>	<b>56</b>	<b>160</b>	<b>75</b>
Thresholds	<b>75</b>	<b>550</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>150</b>	<b>150</b>	<b>55</b>
<b>CEQA Significant?<sup>a</sup></b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>Yes</b>

a) CEQA significance is determined by comparing the peak daily construction emissions directly to the thresholds.

b) Emissions might not add precisely due to rounding. For more explanation, refer to the discussion in Section 3.2.4.1.

c) The emission estimates presented in this table were calculated using the latest available data, assumptions, and emission factors at the time this document was prepared. Future studies might use updated data, assumptions, and emission factors that are not currently available.

**Impact AQ-2: The proposed Project construction would result in offsite ambient air pollutant concentrations that exceed a SCAQMD threshold of significance in Table 3.2-17.**

Dispersion modeling of onsite and offsite proposed Project construction emissions was performed to assess the impact of the unmitigated proposed Project construction on local ambient air concentrations. A screening method, which results in conservative predictions of concentrations from proposed Project construction emissions, was used. For instance, rather than modeling each construction year to identify the maximum pollutant concentrations, a single composite emissions scenario was modeled as a conservative approach. The composite emissions scenario is a combination of the peak year (for the annual PM<sub>10</sub> concentration threshold) or peak day (for the 24-hour PM<sub>10</sub> and PM<sub>2.5</sub> concentration thresholds) construction emissions within the modeling domain by source category. The peak year or day construction emissions for a particular source category

1 may not necessarily occur in the same year or day as the other categories; and therefore  
2 results in conservative estimates.

3 The EPA dispersion model AERMOD, version 09292, was used to predict maximum  
4 ambient pollutant concentrations at or beyond the proposed Project site. A summary of  
5 the dispersion modeling results is presented here, and the complete dispersion modeling  
6 report is included in Appendix C2.

7 Tables 3.2-16 and 3.2-17 present the maximum offsite ground level concentrations of  
8 criteria pollutants estimated for proposed Project construction including SCIG facility  
9 construction and the construction of relocated tenant sites, including the operations of  
10 relocated tenants.

11 Table 3.2-16 indicates that the maximum 1-hour  $\text{NO}_2$  concentration of  $1,371 \mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$   
12 would exceed the SCAQMD significance threshold of  $338 \mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$ . The annual  $\text{NO}_2$   
13 concentration of  $74 \mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$  would exceed the SCAQMD significance threshold of  $56$   
14  $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$ . The 98<sup>th</sup> percentile 1-hour  $\text{NO}_2$  concentration of  $1,272 \mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$  would also exceed  
15 the NAAQS of  $189 \mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$ , a standard not yet adopted as a threshold of significance by  
16 SCAQMD. The maximum 1-hour and 8-hour CO concentrations from construction of  
17 the proposed Project would be well below the SCAQMD significance thresholds.

18 The maximum 1-hour and 24-hour  $\text{SO}_2$  concentrations would be below the SCAQMD  
19 significance thresholds. The 99<sup>th</sup> percentile 1-hour  $\text{SO}_2$  concentration of  $55 \mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$  would  
20 also be below the NAAQS of  $196 \mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$ , a standard not yet adopted by SCAQMD.

21 Table 3.2-17 indicates that the maximum 24-hour  $\text{PM}_{10}$  concentration of  $39.3 \mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$   
22 would exceed the SCAQMD significance threshold for construction of  $10.4 \mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$  and  
23 that the annual  $\text{PM}_{10}$  concentration of  $8.2 \mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$  would exceed the SCAQMD  
24 significance threshold of  $1.0 \mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$ . The maximum 24-hour  $\text{PM}_{2.5}$  concentration of  $11.4$   
25  $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$  would also exceed the SCAQMD significance threshold for construction of  $10.4$   
26  $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$ .

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1 **Table 3.2-16. Maximum Offsite NO<sub>2</sub>, CO, and SO<sub>2</sub> Concentrations Associated with Construction of**  
 2 **the Proposed Project (With Tenant Operations).**

Pollutant	Averaging Time	Maximum Modeled Concentration of Unmitigated Proposed Project	Background Concentration <sup>b</sup>	Total Ground Level Concentration <sup>a</sup>	SCAQMD Threshold
		( $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$ )	( $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$ )	( $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$ )	( $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$ )
NO <sub>2</sub> <sup>c</sup>	1-hour	1,126	245	<b>1,371</b>	338
	1-hour <sup>d</sup>	1,126	146	<b>1,272</b>	(189) <sup>f</sup>
	Annual	34	40	<b>74</b>	56
CO	1-hour	1,145	5,842	6,987	23,000
	8-hour	279	4,467	4,746	10,000
SO <sub>2</sub>	1-hour	2.0	288	290	655
	1-hour <sup>e</sup>	2.0	53	55	(196) <sup>f</sup>
	24-hour	0.3	31	32	105

- a) Exceedances of the thresholds are indicated in bold. Modeled concentrations of NO<sub>2</sub>, SO<sub>2</sub>, and CO are absolute unmitigated proposed Project concentrations.
- b) CO background concentrations are the projected future year values for Monitor 4, Long Beach, published by the SCAQMD for years 2010, 2015, and 2020 (all identical). NO<sub>2</sub> and SO<sub>2</sub> background concentrations were obtained from the North Long Beach Monitoring Station. Unless noted otherwise, the maximum concentrations during the years of 2007, 2008, and 2009 were used.
- c) NO<sub>2</sub> concentrations were calculated assuming a 75 percent conversion rate from NO<sub>x</sub> to NO<sub>2</sub> for the annual averaging period and an 80 percent conversion rate from NO<sub>x</sub> to NO<sub>2</sub> for the 1-hour averaging period.
- d) This comparison is to the federal NAAQS, which is a 98th percentile threshold. Here, the background concentration is the 3-year average of the 8th highest daily maximum 1-hour concentration, over the years 2007, 2008, and 2009.
- e) This comparison is to the federal NAAQS, which is a 99th percentile threshold. Here, the background concentration is the 3-year average of the 4th highest daily maximum 1-hour concentration, over the years 2007, 2008, and 2009.
- f) A standard not yet adopted as a threshold of significance by SCAQMD.

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4 **Table 3.2-17. Maximum Offsite PM<sub>10</sub> and PM<sub>2.5</sub> Concentrations Associated with Construction of**  
 5 **the Proposed Project (With Tenant Operations).**

Pollutant	Averaging Time	Maximum Modeled Concentration of Unmitigated Proposed Project <sup>b</sup>	Maximum Modeled Concentration of CEQA Baseline <sup>b</sup>	Ground-Level Concentration CEQA Increment <sup>a,b</sup>	SCAQMD Threshold
		( $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$ )	( $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$ )	( $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$ )	( $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$ )
PM <sub>10</sub>	24-hour	39.3	--	<b>39.3</b>	10.4
	Annual	8.2	--	<b>8.2</b>	1.0
PM <sub>2.5</sub>	24-hour	11.4	--	<b>11.4</b>	10.4

- a) Exceedances of the threshold are indicated in bold. The thresholds for PM<sub>10</sub> and PM<sub>2.5</sub> are incremental thresholds; therefore, the incremental concentration without background is compared to the threshold.
- b) The CEQA Increment represents unmitigated proposed Project minus CEQA baseline. However, because there is no construction for the CEQA baseline, the CEQA increment for PM<sub>10</sub> and PM<sub>2.5</sub> is equivalent to the modeled proposed project concentration.

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For informational purposes, Tables 3.2-18 and 3.2-19 present the maximum off-site ground level concentrations of pollutants estimated for the unmitigated Project construction, excluding the relocated tenant operations.

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1 **Table 3.2-18. Maximum Offsite NO<sub>2</sub>, CO, and SO<sub>2</sub> Concentrations Associated with Construction of**  
 2 **the Proposed Project (No Tenant Operations)**

Pollutant	Averaging Time	Maximum Modeled Concentration of Unmitigated Proposed Project	Background Concentration <sup>b</sup>	Total Ground Level Concentration <sup>a</sup>	SCAQMD Threshold
		( $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$ )	( $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$ )	( $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$ )	( $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$ )
NO <sub>2</sub> <sup>c</sup>	1-hour	644	245	<b>888</b>	338
	1-hour <sup>d</sup>	644	146	<b>790</b>	(189) <sup>f</sup>
	Annual	33	40	<b>73</b>	56
CO	1-hour	429	5,842	6,271	23,000
	8-hour	169	4,467	4,636	10,000
SO <sub>2</sub>	1-hour	1.3	288	289	655
	1-hour <sup>e</sup>	1.3	53	55	(196) <sup>f</sup>
	24-hour	0.3	31	32	105

- a) Exceedances of the thresholds are indicated in bold. Modeled concentrations of NO<sub>2</sub>, SO<sub>2</sub>, and CO are absolute unmitigated proposed Project concentrations.
- b) CO background concentrations are the projected future year values for Monitor 4, Long Beach, published by the SCAQMD for years 2010, 2015, and 2020 (all identical). NO<sub>2</sub> and SO<sub>2</sub> background concentrations were obtained from the North Long Beach Monitoring Station. Unless noted otherwise, the maximum concentrations during the years of 2007, 2008, and 2009 were used.
- c) NO<sub>2</sub> concentrations were calculated assuming a 75 percent conversion rate from NO<sub>x</sub> to NO<sub>2</sub> for the annual averaging period and an 80 percent conversion rate from NO<sub>x</sub> to NO<sub>2</sub> for the 1-hour averaging period.
- d) This comparison is to the federal NAAQS, which is a 98th percentile threshold. Here, the background concentration is the 3-year average of the 8th highest daily maximum 1-hour concentration, over the years 2007, 2008, and 2009.
- e) This comparison is to the federal NAAQS, which is a 99th percentile threshold. Here, the background concentration is the 3-year average of the 4th highest daily maximum 1-hour concentration, over the years 2007, 2008, and 2009.
- f) A standard not yet adopted as a threshold of significance by SCAQMD.

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4 **Table 3.2-19. Maximum Offsite PM<sub>10</sub> and PM<sub>2.5</sub> Concentrations Associated with Construction of the**  
 5 **Proposed Project (No Tenant Operations).**

Pollutant	Averaging Time	Maximum Modeled Concentration of Unmitigated Proposed Project <sup>b</sup>	Maximum Modeled Concentration of CEQA Baseline <sup>b</sup>	Ground-Level Concentration CEQA Increment <sup>a,b</sup>	SCAQMD Threshold
		( $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$ )	( $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$ )	( $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$ )	( $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$ )
PM <sub>10</sub>	24-hour	38.5	--	<b>38.5</b>	10.4
	Annual	6.0	--	<b>6.0</b>	1.0
PM <sub>2.5</sub>	24-hour	10.3	--	10.3	10.4

- a) Exceedances of the threshold are indicated in bold. The thresholds for PM<sub>10</sub> and PM<sub>2.5</sub> are incremental thresholds; therefore, the incremental concentration without background is compared to the threshold.
- b) The CEQA Increment represents unmitigated proposed Project minus CEQA baseline. However, because there is no construction for the CEQA baseline, the CEQA increment for PM<sub>10</sub> and PM<sub>2.5</sub> is equivalent to the modeled proposed project concentration.

## 6 **Impact Determination**

7 Construction of the proposed Project would exceed the SCAQMD thresholds for 1-hour  
 8 and annual NO<sub>2</sub>, 24-hour and annual PM<sub>10</sub>, and 24-hour PM<sub>2.5</sub>; therefore, there are  
 9 significant impacts under AQ-2.

1 *Mitigation Measures*

2 Implementation of mitigation measures **MM AQ-1** through **MM AQ-3**, which assume  
 3 that the Port Sustainable Construction Guidelines for reducing emissions from  
 4 construction equipment operating at the proposed Project site including tenant relocation  
 5 sites are followed, would reduce the ambient impact relative to the unmitigated Project  
 6 levels.

7 Tables 3.2-20 and 3.2-21 present the maximum off-site ground level concentrations of  
 8 criteria pollutants estimated for the mitigated proposed Project construction. These data  
 9 show that the mitigation measures would reduce all pollutant impacts, but that 1-hour and  
 10 annual NO<sub>2</sub> and 24-hour and annual PM<sub>10</sub> increments would still exceed the SCAQMD  
 11 ambient thresholds. The 24-hour PM<sub>2.5</sub> increment would fall below the SCAQMD  
 12 ambient threshold.

13 **Table 3.2-20. Maximum Offsite NO<sub>2</sub>, CO, and SO<sub>2</sub> Concentrations Associated with Construction of**  
 14 **the Proposed Project (With Tenant Operations) – with Mitigation.**

Pollutant	Averaging Time	Maximum Modeled Concentration of Mitigated Proposed Project	Background Concentration <sup>b</sup>	Total Ground Level Concentration <sup>a</sup>	SCAQMD Threshold
		( $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$ )	( $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$ )	( $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$ )	( $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$ )
NO <sub>2</sub> <sup>c</sup>	1-hour	1,092	245	<b>1,336</b>	338
	1-hour <sup>d</sup>	1,092	146	<b>1,238</b>	(189) <sup>f</sup>
	Annual	31	40	<b>71</b>	56
CO	1-hour	1,143	5,842	6,985	23,000
	8-hour	278	4,467	4,746	10,000
SO <sub>2</sub>	1-hour	2.0	288	290	655
	1-hour <sup>e</sup>	2.0	53	55	(196) <sup>f</sup>
	24-hour	0.3	31	32	105

- a) Exceedances of the thresholds are indicated in bold. Modeled concentrations of NO<sub>2</sub>, SO<sub>2</sub>, and CO are absolute mitigated proposed Project concentrations.
- b) CO background concentrations are the projected future year values for Monitor 4, Long Beach, published by the SCAQMD for years 2010, 2015, and 2020 (all identical). NO<sub>2</sub> and SO<sub>2</sub> background concentrations were obtained from the North Long Beach Monitoring Station. Unless noted otherwise, the maximum concentrations during the years of 2007, 2008, and 2009 were used.
- c) NO<sub>2</sub> concentrations were calculated assuming a 75 percent conversion rate from NO<sub>x</sub> to NO<sub>2</sub> for the annual averaging period and an 80 percent conversion rate from NO<sub>x</sub> to NO<sub>2</sub> for the 1-hour averaging period.
- d) This comparison is to the federal NAAQS, which is a 98th percentile threshold. Here, the background concentration is the 3-year average of the 8th highest daily maximum 1-hour concentration, over the years 2007, 2008, and 2009.
- e) This comparison is to the federal NAAQS, which is a 99th percentile threshold. Here, the background concentration is the 3-year average of the 4th highest daily maximum 1-hour concentration, over the years 2007, 2008, and 2009.
- f) A standard not yet adopted as a threshold of significance by SCAQMD.

1 **Table 3.2-21. Maximum Offsite PM<sub>10</sub> and PM<sub>2.5</sub> Concentrations Associated with Construction of**  
 2 **the Proposed Project (With Tenant Operations) – with Mitigation.**

Pollutant	Averaging Time	Maximum Modeled Concentration of Unmitigated Proposed Project <sup>b</sup>	Maximum Modeled Concentration of CEQA Baseline <sup>b</sup>	Ground-Level Concentration CEQA Increment <sup>a,b</sup>	SCAQMD Threshold
		( $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$ )	( $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$ )	( $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$ )	( $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$ )
PM <sub>10</sub>	24-hour	14.6	--	<b>14.6</b>	10.4
	Annual	1.5	--	<b>1.5</b>	1.0
PM <sub>2.5</sub>	24-hour	6.6	--	6.6	10.4

- 3 a) Exceedances of the threshold are indicated in bold. The thresholds for PM<sub>10</sub> and PM<sub>2.5</sub> are incremental  
 4 thresholds; therefore, the incremental concentration without background is compared to the threshold.  
 5 b) The CEQA Increment represents mitigated proposed Project minus CEQA baseline. However, because there is  
 6 no construction for the CEQA baseline, the CEQA increment for PM<sub>10</sub> and PM<sub>2.5</sub> is equivalent to the modeled  
 7 mitigated proposed project concentration.  
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9 For informational purposes, Tables 3.2-22 and 3.2-23 present the maximum offsite  
 10 ground level concentrations of criteria pollutants estimated for the mitigated Project  
 11 construction, excluding relocated tenant operations.

12 **Table 3.2-22. Maximum Offsite NO<sub>2</sub>, CO, and SO<sub>2</sub> Concentrations Associated with Construction of**  
 13 **the Proposed Project (No Tenant Operations) – with Mitigation.**

Pollutant	Averaging Time	Maximum Modeled Concentration of Mitigated Proposed Project	Background Concentration <sup>b</sup>	Total Ground Level Concentration <sup>a</sup>	SCAQMD Threshold
		( $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$ )	( $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$ )	( $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$ )	( $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$ )
NO <sub>2</sub> <sup>c</sup>	1-hour	604	245	<b>849</b>	338
	1-hour <sup>d</sup>	604	146	<b>750</b>	(189) <sup>f</sup>
	Annual	31	40	<b>71</b>	56
CO	1-hour	426	5,842	6,267	23,000
	8-hour	168	4,467	4,635	10,000
SO <sub>2</sub>	1-hour	1.3	288	289	655
	1-hour <sup>e</sup>	1.3	53	55	(196) <sup>f</sup>
	24-hour	0.3	31	32	105

- 14 a) Exceedances of the thresholds are indicated in bold. Modeled concentrations of NO<sub>2</sub>, SO<sub>2</sub>, and CO are  
 15 absolute mitigated proposed Project concentrations.  
 16 b) CO background concentrations are the projected future year values for Monitor 4, Long Beach, published by the  
 17 SCAQMD for years 2010, 2015, and 2020 (all identical). NO<sub>2</sub> and SO<sub>2</sub> background concentrations were  
 18 obtained from the North Long Beach Monitoring Station. Unless noted otherwise, the maximum concentrations  
 19 during the years of 2007, 2008, and 2009 were used.  
 20 c) NO<sub>2</sub> concentrations were calculated assuming a 75 percent conversion rate from NO<sub>x</sub> to NO<sub>2</sub> for the annual  
 21 averaging period and an 80 percent conversion rate from NO<sub>x</sub> to NO<sub>2</sub> for the 1-hour averaging period.  
 22 d) This comparison is to the federal NAAQS, which is a 98th percentile threshold. Here, the background  
 23 concentration is the 3-year average of the 8th highest daily maximum 1-hour concentration, over the years 2007,  
 24 2008, and 2009.  
 25 e) This comparison is to the federal NAAQS, which is a 99th percentile threshold. Here, the background  
 26 concentration is the 3-year average of the 4th highest daily maximum 1-hour concentration, over the years 2007,  
 27 2008, and 2009.  
 28 f) A standard not yet adopted as a threshold of significance by SCAQMD.  
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1 **Table 3.2-23. Maximum Offsite PM<sub>10</sub> and PM<sub>2.5</sub> Concentrations Associated with Construction of**  
 2 **the Proposed Project (No Tenant Operations) – with Mitigation.**

Pollutant	Averaging Time	Maximum Modeled Concentration of Unmitigated Proposed Project Alternative <sup>b</sup>	Maximum Modeled Concentration of CEQA Baseline <sup>b</sup>	Ground-Level Concentration CEQA Increment <sup>a,b</sup>	SCAQMD Threshold
		(µg/m <sup>3</sup> )	(µg/m <sup>3</sup> )	(µg/m <sup>3</sup> )	(µg/m <sup>3</sup> )
PM <sub>10</sub>	24-hour	14.3	--	<b>14.3</b>	10.4
	Annual	1.1	--	<b>1.1</b>	1.0
PM <sub>2.5</sub>	24-hour	3.7	--	3.7	10.4

- 3 a) Exceedances of the threshold are indicated in bold. The thresholds for PM<sub>10</sub> and PM<sub>2.5</sub> are incremental  
 4 thresholds; therefore, the incremental concentration without background is compared to the threshold.  
 5 b) The CEQA Increment represents mitigated proposed Project minus CEQA baseline. However, because there is  
 6 no construction for the CEQA baseline, the CEQA increment for PM<sub>10</sub> and PM<sub>2.5</sub> is equivalent to the modeled  
 7 mitigated proposed project concentration.  
 8

### 9 *Residual Impacts*

10 Project construction residual air quality impacts would remain significant after mitigation  
 11 for 1-hour and annual NO<sub>2</sub> and 24-hour and annual PM<sub>10</sub> concentrations.

### 12 **Impact AQ-3: The proposed Project would not result in operational** 13 **emissions that would exceed 10 tons per year of VOCs and SCAQMD** 14 **thresholds of significance.**

15 Table 3.2-24 presents unmitigated average daily criteria pollutant emissions associated  
 16 with operation of the proposed Project for the analysis years of 2013, 2014, 2015, 2016,  
 17 2023, 2035, and 2046. The average daily emissions represent the annual emissions  
 18 divided by 360 days per year. Project emissions are compared to the CEQA Baseline  
 19 (2005) to determine CEQA significance.

20 The operational emissions calculations assume the following activity levels:

- 21 • In 2013, 2014, and 2015, the only operational emissions that occur would be those  
 22 from the operations of the relocated tenants;
- 23 • The proposed Project would begin operation in 2016 and generate 726,359 annual  
 24 truck round trips to port terminals in 2016, and 997,500 annual truck round trips in  
 25 2023, 2035, and 2046;
- 26 • The proposed Project would generate 6 train round trips per day in 2016, and 8 train  
 27 round trips per day in 2023, 2035, and 2046;
- 28 • The proposed Project would generate 250 daily employee vehicle commute round  
 29 trips in 2016, and 450 daily round trips in 2023, 2035, and 2046;
- 30 • It was assumed that seven low-emission yard hostlers would be used in 2016,  
 31 increasing to 10 such hostlers in 2023, 2035, and 2046.

32 The major contributors to Project operational emissions include on-road trucks, line-haul  
 33 locomotives and, primarily at the relocated tenant sites, cargo-handling equipment. All  
 34 Project source categories were modeled as meeting future year emission standards or  
 35 regulations that would substantially reduce their emissions over time, due to the  
 36 replacement of older vehicles and equipment with newer models meeting more stringent  
 37 emission standards.



1 **Table 3.2-24. Average Daily Operational Emissions without Mitigation– Proposed Project.**

Source Category	Average Daily Emissions (lb/day) <sup>a,e</sup>					
	VOC	CO	NOx	SOx	PM <sub>10</sub>	PM <sub>2.5</sub>
<b>Project Year 2013</b>						
Trucks On-Site	20	56	132	0	28	5
Trucks Off-Site <sup>b</sup>	23	96	304	1	40	8
CHE	43	1,355	265	0	8	7
Employee Commute On-Site	0	1	0	0	1	0
Employee Commute Off-Site <sup>b</sup>	3	86	8	0	51	5
Tenant Locomotive Activities	0	0	1	0	0	0
<b>Total - Project Year 2013<sup>d</sup></b>	<b>89</b>	<b>1,595</b>	<b>710</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>128</b>	<b>26</b>
<b>CEQA Impacts</b>						
CEQA Baseline Emissions	539	4,079	8,447	139	685	314
Proposed Project minus CEQA Baseline <sup>c</sup>	-106	-1,024	-1,435	-12	-156	-71
Thresholds	<b>55</b>	<b>550</b>	<b>55</b>	<b>150</b>	<b>150</b>	<b>55</b>
<b>Significance?</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>No</b>
<b>Project Year 2014</b>						
Trucks On-Site	12	35	80	0	17	3
Trucks Off-Site <sup>b</sup>	13	53	152	0	20	3
CHE	13	405	118	0	4	4
Employee Commute On-Site	0	1	0	0	0	0
Employee Commute Off-Site <sup>b</sup>	2	49	4	0	31	4
Tenant Locomotive Activities	0	0	0	0	0	0
<b>Total - Project Year 2014<sup>d</sup></b>	<b>39</b>	<b>543</b>	<b>354</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>73</b>	<b>13</b>
<b>CEQA Impacts</b>						
CEQA Baseline Emissions	539	4,079	8,447	139	685	314
Proposed Project minus CEQA Baseline <sup>c</sup>	-155	-2,076	-1,791	-12	-212	-84
Thresholds	<b>55</b>	<b>550</b>	<b>55</b>	<b>150</b>	<b>150</b>	<b>55</b>
<b>Significance?</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>No</b>
<b>Project Year 2015</b>						
Trucks On-Site	11	34	82	0	17	3
Trucks Off-Site <sup>b</sup>	12	49	145	0	20	3
CHE	4	406	117	0	4	4
Employee Commute On-Site	0	1	0	0	0	0
Employee Commute Off-Site <sup>b</sup>	1	45	4	0	32	4
Tenant Locomotive Activities	0	0	0	0	0	0
<b>Total - Project Year 2015<sup>d</sup></b>	<b>28</b>	<b>534</b>	<b>348</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>73</b>	<b>14</b>
<b>CEQA Impacts</b>						
CEQA Baseline Emissions	539	4,079	8,447	139	685	314
Proposed Project minus CEQA Baseline <sup>c</sup>	-166	-2,084	-1,797	-12	-212	-84
Thresholds	<b>55</b>	<b>550</b>	<b>55</b>	<b>150</b>	<b>150</b>	<b>55</b>
<b>Significance?</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>No</b>
<b>Project Year 2016</b>						
Locomotives On-Site	3	9	67	0	2	2
Locomotives Off-Site <sup>b</sup>	60	175	1,962	2	42	39
Trucks On-Site	34	127	394	1	203	30
Trucks Off-Site <sup>b</sup>	26	99	322	1	50	8
Railyard Equipment	6	661	7	0	0	0
TRU	0	0	0	0	0	0
Employee Commute On-Site	0	0	0	0	0	0
Employee Commute Off-Site <sup>b</sup>	1	17	1	0	13	1
Refueling Trucks On-Site	0	0	0	0	0	0
Refueling Trucks Off-Site <sup>b</sup>	0	0	0	0	0	0

Source Category	Average Daily Emissions (lb/day) <sup>a,e</sup>					
	VOC	CO	NO <sub>x</sub>	SO <sub>x</sub>	PM <sub>10</sub>	PM <sub>2.5</sub>
<u>Relocated Tenant Sources</u>						
Trucks On-Site	10	33	78	0	17	3
Trucks Off-Site <sup>b</sup>	11	46	131	0	20	3
CHE	12	405	94	0	3	3
Employee Commute On-Site	0	1	0	0	0	0
Employee Commute Off-Site <sup>b</sup>	1	36	3	0	27	3
Tenant Locomotive Activities	0	0	0	0	0	0
<b>Total - Project Year 2016<sup>d</sup></b>	<b>165</b>	<b>1,610</b>	<b>3,061</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>378</b>	<b>92</b>
<u>CEQA Impacts</u>						
CEQA Baseline Emissions	539	4,079	8,447	139	685	314
Proposed Project minus CEQA Baseline	-374	-2,470	-5,387	-135	-307	-221
Thresholds	<b>55</b>	<b>550</b>	<b>55</b>	<b>150</b>	<b>150</b>	<b>55</b>
<b>Significance?</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>No</b>
<b>Project Year 2023</b>						
Locomotives On-Site	3	12	67	0	1	1
Locomotives Off-Site <sup>b</sup>	53	244	1,888	3	28	25
Trucks On-Site	38	153	434	1	278	41
Trucks Off-Site <sup>b</sup>	24	92	235	1	67	11
Railyard Equipment	8	937	10	0	0	0
TRU	0	0	0	0	0	0
Employee Commute On-Site	0	0	0	0	1	0
Employee Commute Off-Site <sup>b</sup>	0	18	1	0	23	2
Refueling Trucks On-Site	0	0	0	0	0	0
Refueling Trucks Off-Site <sup>b</sup>	0	0	0	0	0	0
<u>Relocated Tenant Sources</u>						
Trucks On-Site	7	27	36	0	17	3
Trucks Off-Site <sup>b</sup>	7	28	43	0	20	3
CHE	12	408	86	0	3	3
Employee Commute On-Site	0	0	0	0	0	0
Employee Commute Off-Site <sup>b</sup>	1	22	2	0	27	3
Tenant Locomotive Activities	0	0	0	0	0	0
<b>Total - Project Year 2023<sup>d</sup></b>	<b>154</b>	<b>1,942</b>	<b>2,804</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>466</b>	<b>93</b>
<u>CEQA Impacts</u>						
CEQA Baseline Emissions	539	4,079	8,447	139	685	314
Proposed Project minus CEQA Baseline	-385	-2,137	-5,643	-134	-219	-220
Thresholds	<b>55</b>	<b>550</b>	<b>55</b>	<b>150</b>	<b>150</b>	<b>55</b>
<b>Significance?</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>No</b>
<b>Project Year 2035</b>						
Locomotives On-Site	1	9	29	0	1	0
Locomotives Off-Site <sup>b</sup>	21	169	793	3	11	11
Trucks On-Site	38	152	436	1	278	41
Trucks Off-Site <sup>b</sup>	23	88	233	1	64	11
Railyard Equipment	8	937	9	0	0	0
TRU	0	0	0	0	0	0
Employee Commute On-Site	0	0	0	0	1	0
Employee Commute Off-Site <sup>b</sup>	0	12	1	0	23	2
Refueling Trucks On-Site	0	0	0	0	0	0
Refueling Trucks Off-Site <sup>b</sup>	0	0	0	0	0	0
<u>Relocated Tenant Sources</u>						
Trucks On-Site	6	26	41	0	17	3
Trucks Off-Site <sup>b</sup>	6	23	43	0	19	3
CHE	11	404	48	0	1	1

Source Category	Average Daily Emissions (lb/day) <sup>a,e</sup>					
	VOC	CO	NO <sub>x</sub>	SO <sub>x</sub>	PM <sub>10</sub>	PM <sub>2.5</sub>
Employee Commute On-Site	0	0	0	0	0	0
Employee Commute Off-Site <sup>b</sup>	0	14	1	0	27	3
Tenant Locomotive Activities	0	0	0	0	0	0
<b>Total - Project Year 2035<sup>d</sup></b>	<b>115</b>	<b>1,836</b>	<b>1,636</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>444</b>	<b>75</b>
<u>CEQA Impacts</u>						
CEQA Baseline Emissions	539	4,079	8,447	139	685	314
Proposed Project minus CEQA Baseline	-424	-2,243	-6,811	-134	-241	-239
Thresholds	<b>55</b>	<b>550</b>	<b>55</b>	<b>150</b>	<b>150</b>	<b>55</b>
<b>Significance?</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>No</b>
<b>Project Year 2046</b>						
Locomotives On-Site	1	9	19	0	0	0
Locomotives Off-Site <sup>b</sup>	14	158	484	3	7	6
Trucks On-Site	38	151	435	1	278	41
Trucks Off-Site <sup>b</sup>	23	87	230	1	64	11
Railyard Equipment	8	938	10	0	0	0
TRU	0	0	0	0	0	0
Employee Commute On-Site	0	0	0	0	1	0
Employee Commute Off-Site <sup>b</sup>	0	11	1	0	23	2
Refueling Trucks On-Site	0	0	0	0	0	0
Refueling Trucks Off-Site <sup>b</sup>	0	0	0	0	0	0
<u>Relocated Tenant Sources</u>						
Trucks On-Site	6	26	42	0	16	2
Trucks Off-Site <sup>b</sup>	6	23	42	0	19	3
CHE	11	406	48	0	1	1
Employee Commute On-Site	0	0	0	0	0	0
Employee Commute Off-Site <sup>b</sup>	0	13	1	0	27	3
Tenant Locomotive Activities	0	0	0	0	0	0
<b>Total - Project Year 2046<sup>d</sup></b>	<b>107</b>	<b>1,823</b>	<b>1,312</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>438</b>	<b>70</b>
<u>CEQA Impacts</u>						
CEQA Baseline Emissions	539	4,079	8,447	139	685	314
Proposed Project minus CEQA Baseline	-432	-2,257	-7,136	-134	-247	-243
Thresholds	<b>55</b>	<b>550</b>	<b>55</b>	<b>150</b>	<b>150</b>	<b>55</b>
<b>Significance?</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>No</b>

- a) Emissions represent annual emissions divided by 360 days per year of operation.
- b) Truck, train, and worker commute emissions include transport within the South Coast Air Basin.
- c) By definition, the Proposed Project minus Baseline increment in 2013, 2014 and 2015 does not account for both the truck travel between port terminals to Hobart railyard and the rail travel from Hobart railyard to the South Coast Air Basin boundary as they are not a part of the Project and Alternatives during this period.
- d) Emissions might not precisely add due to rounding. For further explanation, refer to the discussion in Section 3.2.4.1.
- e) The emission estimates presented in this table were calculated using the latest available data, assumptions, and emission factors at the time this document was prepared.

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Table 3.2-25 summarizes estimated peak daily unmitigated emissions for the operation of the proposed Project in years 2013, 2014, 2015, 2016, 2023, 2035, and 2046. Peak daily emissions represent theoretical upper-bound estimates of activity levels at the facility and relocated tenant sites. Therefore, in contrast to average daily emissions, peak daily emissions would occur infrequently and are based upon a lesser known and therefore more theoretical set of conservative assumptions. Comparisons to the peak daily CEQA baseline emissions are presented to determine CEQA significance.

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**Table 3.2-25. Peak Daily Operational Emissions without Mitigation– Proposed Project.**

Source Category	Peak Daily Emissions (lb/day) <sup>a,e</sup>					
	VOC	CO	NO <sub>x</sub>	SO <sub>x</sub>	PM <sub>10</sub>	PM <sub>2.5</sub>
<b><i>Project Year 2013</i></b>						
Trucks On-Site	23	63	148	0	32	6
Trucks Off-Site <sup>b</sup>	25	108	340	1	44	9
CHE	48	1,517	297	0	9	8
Employee Commute On-Site	0	1	0	0	1	0
Employee Commute Off-Site <sup>b</sup>	3	86	8	0	51	5
Tenant Locomotive Activities	0	0	1	0	0	0
<b>Total - Project Year 2013 <sup>d</sup></b>	<b>99</b>	<b>1,775</b>	<b>794</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>137</b>	<b>29</b>
<b><u>CEQA Impacts</u></b>						
CEQA Baseline Emissions	590	4,935	10,205	144	747	345
Proposed Project minus CEQA Baseline <sup>c</sup>	-116	-1,102	-1,601	-13	-167	-79
Thresholds	<b>55</b>	<b>550</b>	<b>55</b>	<b>150</b>	<b>150</b>	<b>55</b>
<b>Significance?</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>No</b>
<b><i>Project Year 2014</i></b>						
Trucks On-Site	13	39	90	0	19	3
Trucks Off-Site <sup>b</sup>	14	59	170	0	22	3
CHE	15	453	132	0	4	4
Employee Commute On-Site	0	1	0	0	0	0
Employee Commute Off-Site <sup>b</sup>	2	49	4	0	31	4
Tenant Locomotive Activities	0	0	0	0	0	0
<b>Total - Project Year 2014 <sup>d</sup></b>	<b>44</b>	<b>602</b>	<b>396</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>77</b>	<b>15</b>
<b><u>CEQA Impacts</u></b>						
CEQA Baseline Emissions	590	4,935	10,205	144	747	345
Proposed Project minus CEQA Baseline <sup>c</sup>	-172	-2,275	-1,999	-13	-227	-94
Thresholds	<b>55</b>	<b>550</b>	<b>55</b>	<b>150</b>	<b>150</b>	<b>55</b>
<b>Significance?</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>No</b>
<b><i>Project Year 2015</i></b>						
Trucks On-Site	12	38	92	0	19	3
Trucks Off-Site <sup>b</sup>	13	55	162	0	22	3
CHE	4	454	131	0	4	4
Employee Commute On-Site	0	1	0	0	0	0
Employee Commute Off-Site <sup>b</sup>	1	45	4	0	32	4
Tenant Locomotive Activities	0	0	0	0	0	0
<b>Total - Project Year 2015 <sup>d</sup></b>	<b>32</b>	<b>593</b>	<b>389</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>78</b>	<b>15</b>
<b><u>CEQA Impacts</u></b>						
CEQA Baseline Emissions	590	4,935	10,205	144	747	345
Proposed Project minus CEQA Baseline <sup>c</sup>	-184	-2,284	-2,006	-13	-226	-94
Thresholds	<b>55</b>	<b>550</b>	<b>55</b>	<b>150</b>	<b>150</b>	<b>55</b>
<b>Significance?</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>No</b>
<b><i>Project Year 2016</i></b>						
Locomotives On-Site	9	15	123	0	3	3
Locomotives Off-Site <sup>b</sup>	145	351	3,288	2	60	55
Trucks On-Site	38	143	441	1	227	34
Trucks Off-Site <sup>b</sup>	29	111	361	1	56	9
Railyard Equipment	12	852	30	0	1	1
TRU	1	12	11	0	0	0
Employee Commute On-Site	0	0	0	0	0	0
Employee Commute Off-Site <sup>b</sup>	1	17	1	0	13	1
Refueling Trucks On-Site	0	0	0	0	0	0
Refueling Trucks Off-Site <sup>b</sup>	0	0	0	0	0	0

Source Category	Peak Daily Emissions (lb/day) <sup>a,e</sup>					
	VOC	CO	NOx	SOx	PM <sub>10</sub>	PM <sub>2.5</sub>
<u>Relocated Tenant Sources</u>						
Trucks On-Site	12	37	87	0	19	3
Trucks Off-Site <sup>b</sup>	13	51	146	0	22	3
CHE	12	405	94	0	3	3
Employee Commute On-Site	0	1	0	0	0	0
Employee Commute Off-Site <sup>b</sup>	1	36	3	0	27	3
Tenant Locomotive Activities	0	0	0	0	0	0
<b>Total - Project Year 2016<sup>d</sup></b>	<b>274</b>	<b>2,030</b>	<b>4,586</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>434</b>	<b>117</b>
<u>CEQA Impacts</u>						
CEQA Baseline Emissions	590	4,935	10,205	144	747	345
Proposed Project minus CEQA Baseline	-316	-2,905	-5,619	-139	-313	-228
Thresholds	<b>55</b>	<b>550</b>	<b>55</b>	<b>150</b>	<b>150</b>	<b>55</b>
<b>Significance?</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>No</b>
<b>Project Year 2023</b>						
Locomotives On-Site	12	19	163	0	5	4
Locomotives Off-Site <sup>b</sup>	194	468	4,384	3	80	74
Trucks On-Site	43	171	486	1	312	46
Trucks Off-Site <sup>b</sup>	27	103	263	1	75	12
Railyard Equipment	14	1,160	32	0	1	1
TRU	2	16	11	0	0	0
Employee Commute On-Site	0	0	0	0	1	0
Employee Commute Off-Site <sup>b</sup>	0	18	1	0	23	2
Refueling Trucks On-Site	0	0	0	0	0	0
Refueling Trucks Off-Site <sup>b</sup>	0	0	0	0	0	0
<u>Relocated Tenant Sources</u>						
Trucks On-Site	8	31	41	0	19	3
Trucks Off-Site <sup>b</sup>	8	31	49	0	22	3
CHE	12	408	86	0	3	3
Employee Commute On-Site	0	0	0	0	0	0
Employee Commute Off-Site <sup>b</sup>	1	22	2	0	27	3
Tenant Locomotive Activities	0	0	0	0	0	0
<b>Total - Project Year 2023<sup>d</sup></b>	<b>320</b>	<b>2,448</b>	<b>5,519</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>568</b>	<b>153</b>
<u>CEQA Impacts</u>						
CEQA Baseline Emissions	590	4,935	10,205	144	747	345
Proposed Project minus CEQA Baseline	-270	-2,487	-4,686	-138	-178	-192
Thresholds	<b>55</b>	<b>550</b>	<b>55</b>	<b>150</b>	<b>150</b>	<b>55</b>
<b>Significance?</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>No</b>
<b>Project Year 2035</b>						
Locomotives On-Site	7	19	137	0	3	3
Locomotives Off-Site <sup>b</sup>	121	468	3,669	3	50	46
Trucks On-Site	43	170	488	1	312	46
Trucks Off-Site <sup>b</sup>	26	99	261	1	72	12
Railyard Equipment	14	1,160	32	0	1	1
TRU	2	16	11	0	0	0
Employee Commute On-Site	0	0	0	0	1	0
Employee Commute Off-Site <sup>b</sup>	0	12	1	0	23	2
Refueling Trucks On-Site	0	0	0	0	0	0
Refueling Trucks Off-Site <sup>b</sup>	0	0	0	0	0	0
<u>Relocated Tenant Sources</u>						
Trucks On-Site	7	29	46	0	19	3
Trucks Off-Site <sup>b</sup>	7	26	49	0	22	3
CHE	11	404	48	0	1	1

Source Category	Peak Daily Emissions (lb/day) <sup>a,e</sup>					
	VOC	CO	NOx	SOx	PM <sub>10</sub>	PM <sub>2.5</sub>
Employee Commute On-Site	0	0	0	0	0	0
Employee Commute Off-Site <sup>b</sup>	0	14	1	0	27	3
Tenant Locomotive Activities	0	0	0	0	0	0
<b>Total - Project Year 2035<sup>d</sup></b>	<b>239</b>	<b>2,418</b>	<b>4,744</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>531</b>	<b>121</b>
<u>CEQA Impacts</u>						
CEQA Baseline Emissions	590	4,935	10,205	144	747	345
Proposed Project minus CEQA Baseline	-351	-2,517	-5,461	-138	-215	-224
Thresholds	<b>55</b>	<b>550</b>	<b>55</b>	<b>150</b>	<b>150</b>	<b>55</b>
<b>Significance?</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>No</b>
<b><i>Project Year 2046</i></b>						
Locomotives On-Site	6	17	123	0	2	2
Locomotives Off-Site <sup>b</sup>	81	158	2,338	3	50	46
Trucks On-Site	42	169	487	1	312	46
Trucks Off-Site <sup>b</sup>	26	98	257	1	72	12
Railyard Equipment	14	1,161	32	0	1	1
TRU	2	16	11	0	0	0
Employee Commute On-Site	0	0	0	0	1	0
Employee Commute Off-Site <sup>b</sup>	0	11	1	0	23	2
Refueling Trucks On-Site	0	0	0	0	0	0
Refueling Trucks Off-Site <sup>b</sup>	0	0	0	0	0	0
<u>Relocated Tenant Sources</u>						
Trucks On-Site	7	29	47	0	18	3
Trucks Off-Site <sup>b</sup>	7	26	48	0	22	3
CHE	11	406	48	0	1	1
Employee Commute On-Site	0	0	0	0	0	0
Employee Commute Off-Site <sup>b</sup>	0	13	1	0	27	3
Tenant Locomotive Activities	0	0	0	0	0	0
<b>Total - Project Year 2046<sup>d</sup></b>	<b>197</b>	<b>2,104</b>	<b>3,393</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>530</b>	<b>120</b>
<u>CEQA Impacts</u>						
CEQA Baseline Emissions	590	4,935	10,205	144	747	345
Proposed Project minus CEQA Baseline	-393	-2,832	-6,812	-138	-217	-225
Thresholds	<b>55</b>	<b>550</b>	<b>55</b>	<b>150</b>	<b>150</b>	<b>55</b>
<b>Significance?</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>No</b>

- a) Emissions assume the simultaneous occurrence of maximum theoretical daily equipment activity levels. Such levels would rarely occur during day-to-day operations of the facility.
- b) Truck, train, and worker commute emissions include transport within the South Coast Air Basin.
- c) By definition, the Proposed Project minus Baseline increment in 2013, 2014 and 2015 does not account for both the truck travel between port terminals to Hobart railyard and the rail travel from Hobart railyard to the South Coast Air Basin boundary as they are not a part of the Project and Alternatives during this period.
- d) Emissions might not precisely add due to rounding. For further explanation, refer to the discussion in Section 3.2.4.1.
- e) The emission estimates presented in this table were calculated using the latest available data, assumptions, and emission factors at the time this document was prepared. Future studies might use updated data, assumptions, and emission factors that are not currently available.

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The peak daily emission estimates for the proposed Project operations include the following assumptions that were chosen to identify a maximum theoretical activity scenario:

- Trucks: Peak day truck trips generated by the proposed Project were provided by the traffic study for each analysis year. The peak day represents a weekday during a peak

- 1 month of container throughput. The peak day truck trips generated by the proposed  
2 Project are greater than the average day truck trips by a factor of approximately 1.12.
- 3 • Locomotives: Peak day locomotive trips were assumed to be equivalent to the  
4 average daily trips due to the physical constraints on the number of train trips in a  
5 single day that the facility can accommodate. Peak locomotive emissions were  
6 estimated assuming that all daily locomotive trips on the peak day were conducted by  
7 the lowest Tier level locomotive in the fleet mix for each analysis year.
  - 8 • The on-site emergency generator was assumed to operate for 24 hours on the peak  
9 day.
  - 10 • TRUs were assumed to operate 24 hours on the peak day.
  - 11 • The peak daily activities for all other sources were assumed to be equivalent to their  
12 average daily activities.

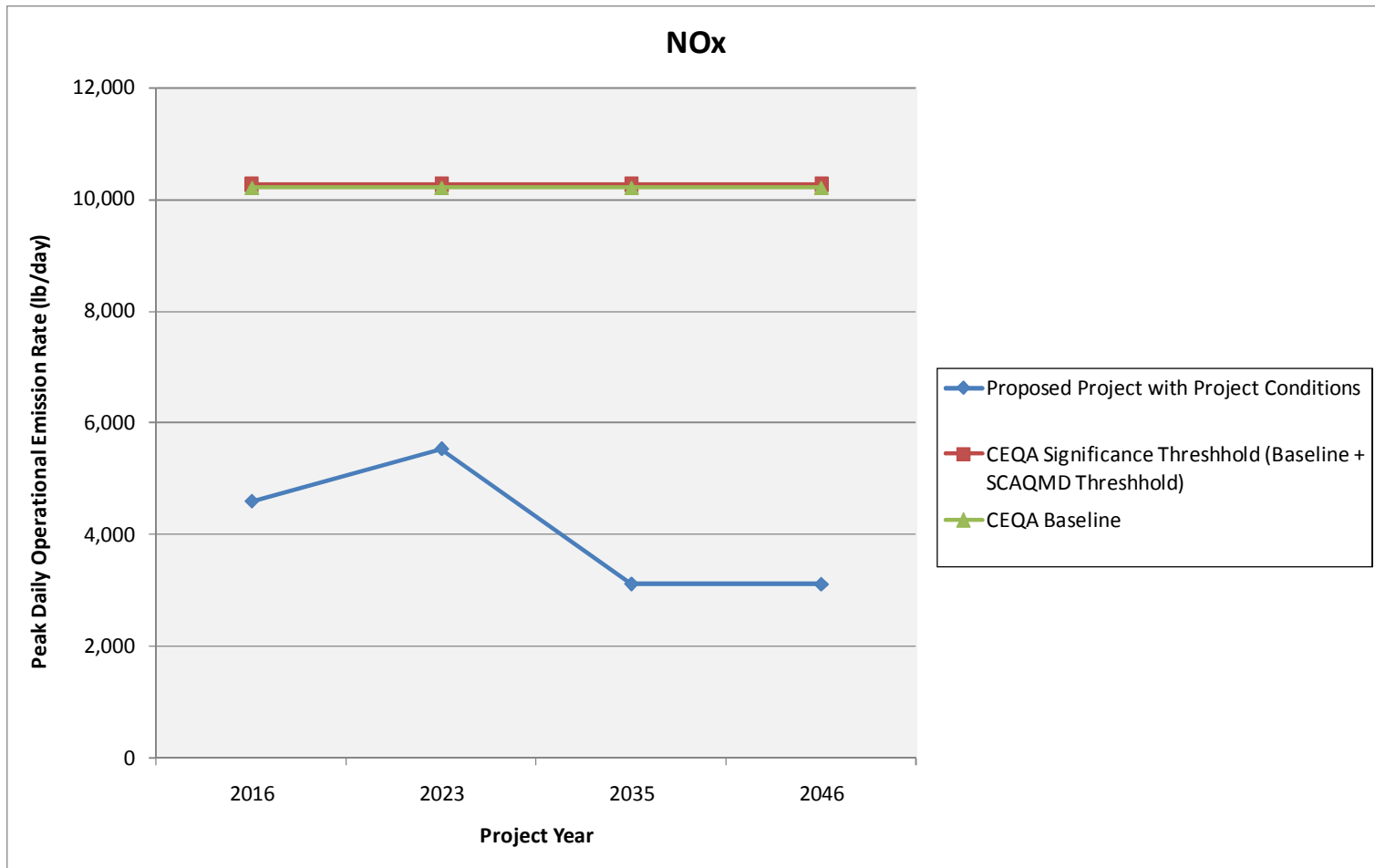
### 13 **Impact Determination**

14 The CEQA increments presented in Tables 3.2-24 and 3.2-25 are negative, indicating a  
15 net decrease in average daily and peak daily operational emissions between the  
16 unmitigated Project and the CEQA Baseline for VOC, CO, NO<sub>x</sub>, SO<sub>x</sub>, PM<sub>10</sub> and PM<sub>2.5</sub>  
17 for all analysis years. Therefore the unmitigated Project would have no impact under  
18 AQ-3. Figures 3.2-2 through 3.2-5 show operational emissions.

19 The proposed Project has a number of environmental features built into the project design  
20 which reduce operational emissions. In addition, the future year operational emissions of  
21 the Project are affected by a number of regulations and agreements that would reduce the  
22 future year operational emissions.

23 Table 3.2-7 summarizes regulatory requirements that were included in the unmitigated  
24 Project operational emissions. Table 3.2-26 details how various Project features compare  
25 to emissions reduction measures identified in the San Pedro Bays Ports CAAP.

1 **Figure 3.2-2. NOx Emission Trends for the Proposed Project Relative to the CEQA Baseline.**

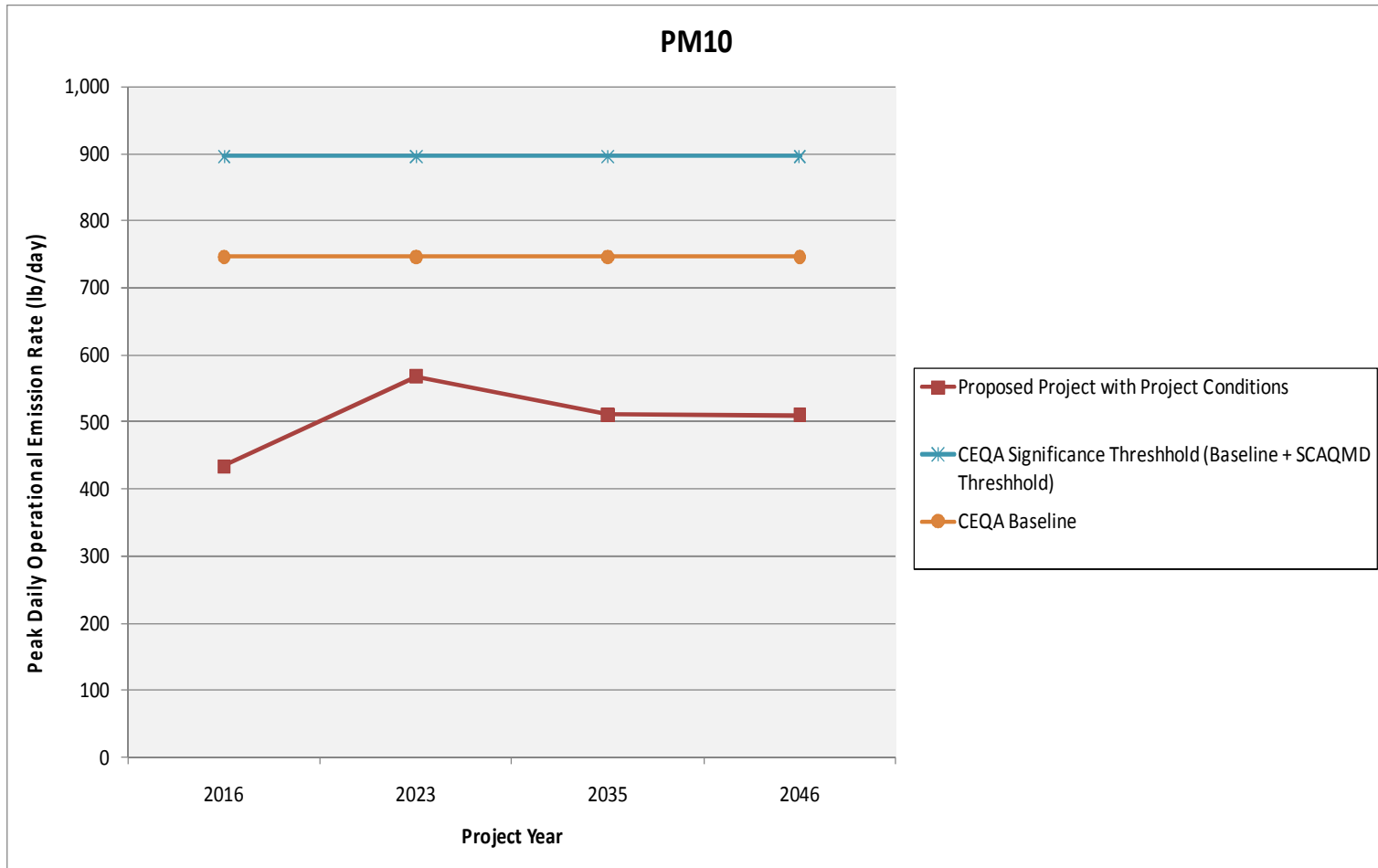


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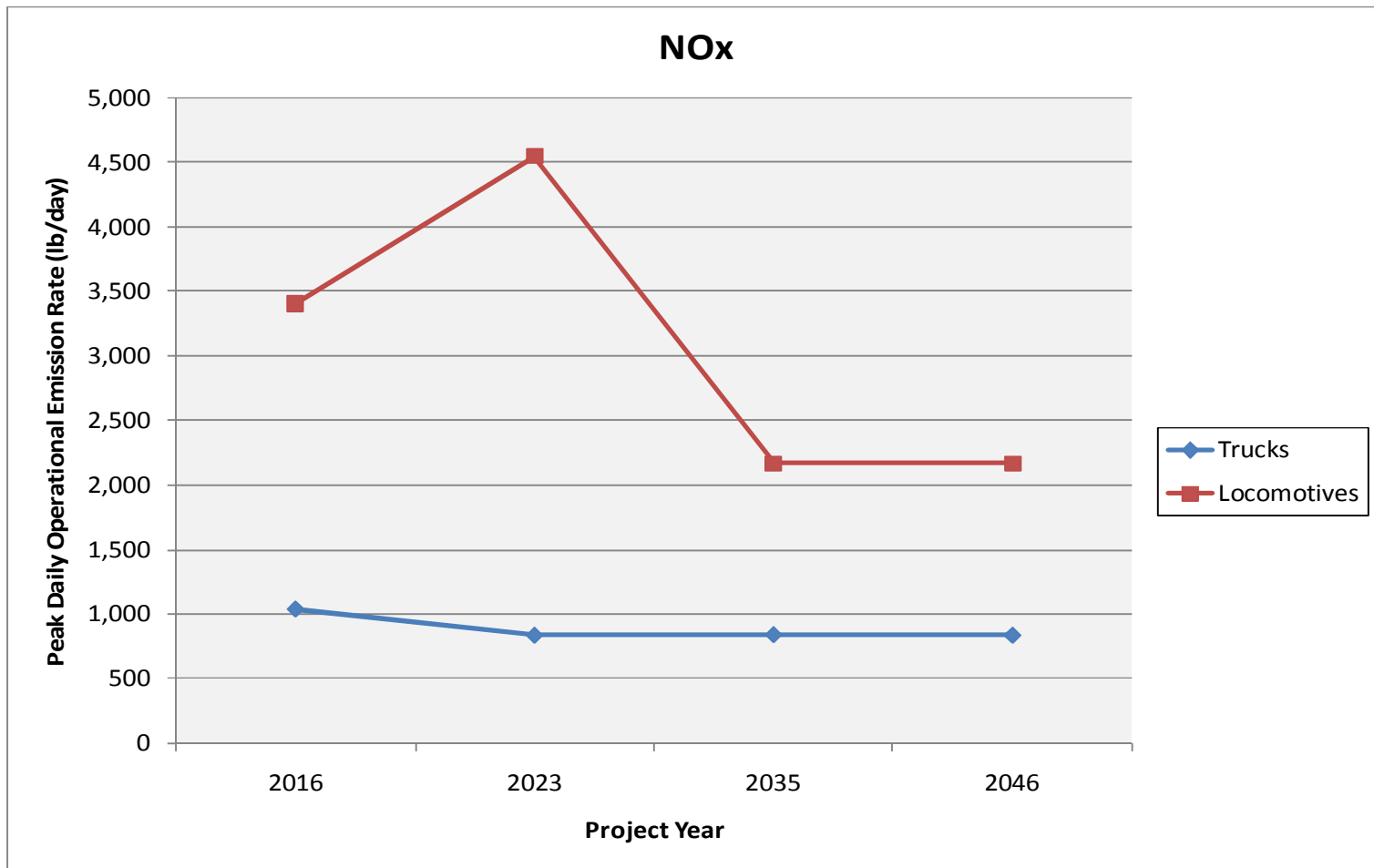
Figure 3.2-3. PM<sub>10</sub> Emission Trends for the Proposed Project Relative to the CEQA Baseline.



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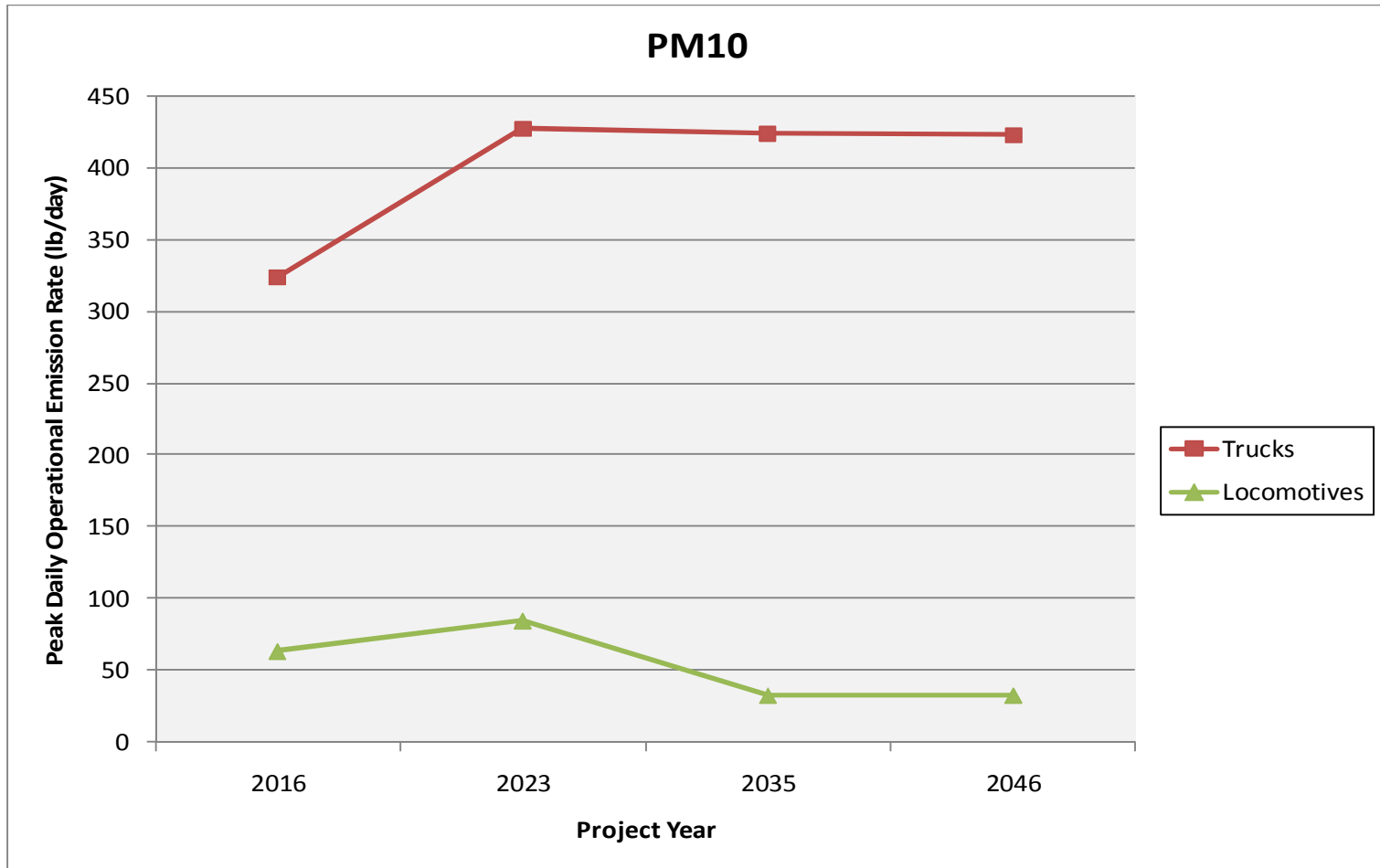
Figure 3.2-4. NOx Emissions by Source Category for the Mitigated Project.



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Figure 3.2-5. PM<sub>10</sub> Emissions by Source Category for the Mitigated Project.



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1 **Table 3.2-26. Comparison between San Pedro Bay Ports CAAP Control Measures and Proposed**  
 2 **Project Features.**

CAAP Measure #	CAAP Measure Name	CAAP Measure Description	Project Feature	Discussion
HDV-1	Performance Standards for On-Road Heavy-Duty Vehicles (HDVs)	All frequent caller trucks and semi-frequent caller container trucks model year (MY) 1992 and older will meet or be cleaner than the EPA 2007 Heavy-Duty Highway Rule on-road emissions standard (0.015 g/bhp-hr for PM) and the cleanest available NO <sub>x</sub> at time of replacement. Semi-frequent caller container trucks MY1993-2003 will be equipped with the maximum CARB verified emissions reduction technologies currently available.	All trucks which provide drayage services between the port terminals (Port of Los Angeles and Port of Long Beach) and the SCIG facility will meet the requirements of the CAAP HDV-1 measure.	
HDV-2	Alternative Fuel Infrastructure for Heavy-Duty Natural Gas Vehicles	Construct LNG or compressed natural gas (CNG) refueling stations.	No applicable project feature.	This measure will be implemented directly by the Ports. The Port of Long Beach, in conjunction with the Port of Los Angeles, recently released a RFP seeking proposals to design, construct and operate a public LNG fueling and maintenance facility on Port of Los Angeles property.
CHE-1	Performance Standards for CHE	Sets fuel neutral purchase requirements for CHE, starting in 2007. Requires by 2010, all yard tractors operating at the ports will have the cleanest engines meeting USEPA Tier 4 non-road emission standards for PM and NO <sub>x</sub> . All remaining CHE less than 750 hp will meet at a minimum the Tier 4 standards for PM and NO <sub>x</sub> by 2012. Requires that all remaining CHE greater than 750 hp to meet Tier 4 standards for PM and NO <sub>x</sub> by 2014 and prior to that, be equipped with the cleanest available Verified Diesel Emissions Control (VDEC).	Yard tractors operating at the SCIG facility would meet Tier 4 non-road engine emission standards, using LNG-powered models or an equivalent low-emission technology. SCIG would utilize electric wide-span rail-mounted gantry (RMG) cranes, which exceed the requirements for CHE to meet Tier 4 non-road engine emissions standards.	

CAAP Measure #	CAAP Measure Name	CAAP Measure Description	Project Feature	Discussion
RL-2	Existing Class 1 Railroad Operations	Affects Class 1 railroad operations on Port property. Lays out stringent goals for switcher, helper, and line-haul locomotives operating on Port properties. By 2010, all diesel-powered Class 1 locomotives entering Port facilities will meet emissions equivalent to Tier 2 locomotive standards. By 2023, all Class I locomotives entering the ports will meet emissions equivalent to Tier 3 locomotive standards.	Project switcher locomotives will use low-emission technology, such as non-road engine generator sets or an emissions-equivalent technology. Linehaul locomotives visiting the Project site would meet or exceed the fleet-wide average of Tier 3 equivalent emission standard. Linehaul locomotives visiting the Project site would use automatic engine start/stop (AESS) devices to limit idling to 15 minutes. All linehaul and switcher locomotives operating at SCIG would use ULSD fuel.	

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No mitigation measures are required to mitigate operational emission impacts under Impact AQ-3.

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**Impact AQ-4: The proposed Project operations would result in offsite ambient air pollutant concentrations that would exceed a SCAQMD threshold of significance in Table 3.2-28.**

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Dispersion modeling of onsite and offsite proposed Project operational emissions was performed to assess the impact of the proposed Project on local ambient air concentrations. A screening method, which results in conservative predictions of concentrations from project operational emissions, was used. For instance, rather than modeling each analysis year to identify the maximum pollutant concentrations, a single composite emissions scenario was modeled as a conservative approach. The composite emissions scenario is a combination of the peak year (for the annual NO<sub>2</sub> and PM<sub>10</sub> concentration thresholds), peak day (for the 24-hour SO<sub>2</sub>, PM<sub>10</sub>, and PM<sub>2.5</sub> concentration thresholds), or peak hour (for the 1-hour NO<sub>2</sub>, 1-hour and 8-hour CO, and 1-hour SO<sub>2</sub> concentration thresholds) emissions within the modeling domain by source category. Note that the peak year or day emissions for a particular source category may not necessarily occur in the same year or day as the other categories.

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The EPA dispersion model AERMOD, version 09292, was used to predict maximum ambient pollutant concentrations at or beyond the proposed Project site. A summary of the dispersion modeling results is presented here, and the complete dispersion modeling report is included in Appendix C2.

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1 **Table 3.2-27. Maximum Offsite NO<sub>2</sub>, CO, and SO<sub>2</sub> Concentrations Associated with Operation of the**  
 2 **Proposed Project.**

Pollutant	Averaging Time	Maximum Modeled Concentration of Unmitigated Proposed Project	Background Concentration <sup>b</sup>	Total Ground Level Concentration <sup>a</sup>	SCAQMD Threshold
		( $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$ )	( $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$ )	( $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$ )	( $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$ )
NO <sub>2</sub> <sup>c</sup>	1-hour	966	245	<b>1,211</b>	338
	1-hour <sup>d</sup>	966	146	<b>1,112</b>	(189) <sup>f</sup>
	Annual	57	40	<b>97</b>	56
CO	1-hour	1,011	5,842	6,853	23,000
	8-hour	256	4,467	4,723	10,000
SO <sub>2</sub>	1-hour	1.9	288	290	655
	1-hour <sup>e</sup>	1.9	53	55	(196) <sup>f</sup>
	24-hour	0.4	31	32	105

- 3 a) Exceedances of the thresholds are indicated in bold. Modeled concentrations of NO<sub>2</sub>, SO<sub>2</sub>, and CO are  
 4 absolute unmitigated proposed Project concentrations.  
 5 b) CO background concentrations are the projected future year values for Monitor 4, Long Beach, published by the  
 6 SCAQMD for years 2010, 2015, and 2020 (all identical). NO<sub>2</sub> and SO<sub>2</sub> background concentrations were  
 7 obtained from the North Long Beach Monitoring Station. Unless noted otherwise, the maximum concentrations  
 8 during the years of 2007, 2008, and 2009 were used.  
 9 c) NO<sub>2</sub> concentrations were calculated assuming a 75 percent conversion rate from NO<sub>x</sub> to NO<sub>2</sub> for the annual  
 10 averaging period and an 80 percent conversion rate from NO<sub>x</sub> to NO<sub>2</sub> for the 1-hour averaging period.  
 11 d) This comparison is to the federal NAAQS, which is a 98th percentile threshold. Here, the background  
 12 concentration is the 3-year average of the 8th highest daily maximum 1-hour concentration, over the years 2007,  
 13 2008, and 2009.  
 14 e) This comparison is to the federal NAAQS, which is a 99th percentile threshold. Here, the background  
 15 concentration is the 3-year average of the 4th highest daily maximum 1-hour concentration, over the years 2007,  
 16 2008, and 2009.  
 17 f) A standard not yet adopted as a threshold of significance by SCAQMD.

18 **Table 3.2-28. Maximum Offsite PM<sub>10</sub> and PM<sub>2.5</sub> Concentrations Associated with Operation of the**  
 19 **Proposed Project.**

Pollutant	Averaging Time	Maximum Modeled Concentration of Unmitigated Proposed Project <sup>b</sup>	Maximum Modeled Concentration of CEQA Baseline <sup>b</sup>	Ground-Level Concentration CEQA Increment <sup>a,b,c</sup>	SCAQMD Threshold
		( $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$ )	( $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$ )	( $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$ )	( $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$ )
PM <sub>10</sub>	24-hour	65.6	21.4	<b>59.5</b>	2.5
	Annual	34.8	6.3	<b>33.3</b>	1.0
PM <sub>2.5</sub>	24-hour	10.0	12.5	<b>7.6</b>	2.5

- 20 a) Exceedances of the threshold are indicated in bold. The thresholds for PM<sub>10</sub> and PM<sub>2.5</sub> are incremental  
 21 thresholds; therefore, the incremental concentration without background is compared to the threshold.  
 22 b) The maximum concentrations and increments presented in this table do not necessarily occur at the same  
 23 receptor location. This means that the increments cannot necessarily be determined by simply subtracting the  
 24 baseline concentrations from the Unmitigated Proposed Project Alternative concentration.  
 25 c) The CEQA Increment represents operation of the unmitigated proposed Project minus CEQA baseline.  
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27 Tables 3.2-27 and 3.2-28 present the maximum offsite ground level concentrations of  
 28 criteria pollutants estimated for the proposed Project operations, including relocated  
 29 tenant operations, without mitigation. Table 3.2-27 indicates that the maximum 1-hour  
 30 NO<sub>2</sub> concentration, 1,211  $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$ , would exceed the SCAQMD significance threshold of  
 31 338  $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$ . The annual NO<sub>2</sub> concentration, 97  $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$ , would exceed the SCAQMD  
 32 significance threshold of 56  $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$ . The 98<sup>th</sup> percentile 1-hour NO<sub>2</sub> concentration, 1,112  
 33  $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$ , would also exceed the national ambient air quality standard (NAAQS) of 189

1  $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$ , a standard not yet adopted as a threshold of significance by SCAQMD. Figures  
2 3.2-6 to 3.2-7 show the regions where the 1-hour and annual ground level  $\text{NO}_2$   
3 concentrations for the unmitigated Proposed Project exceed the significance thresholds.

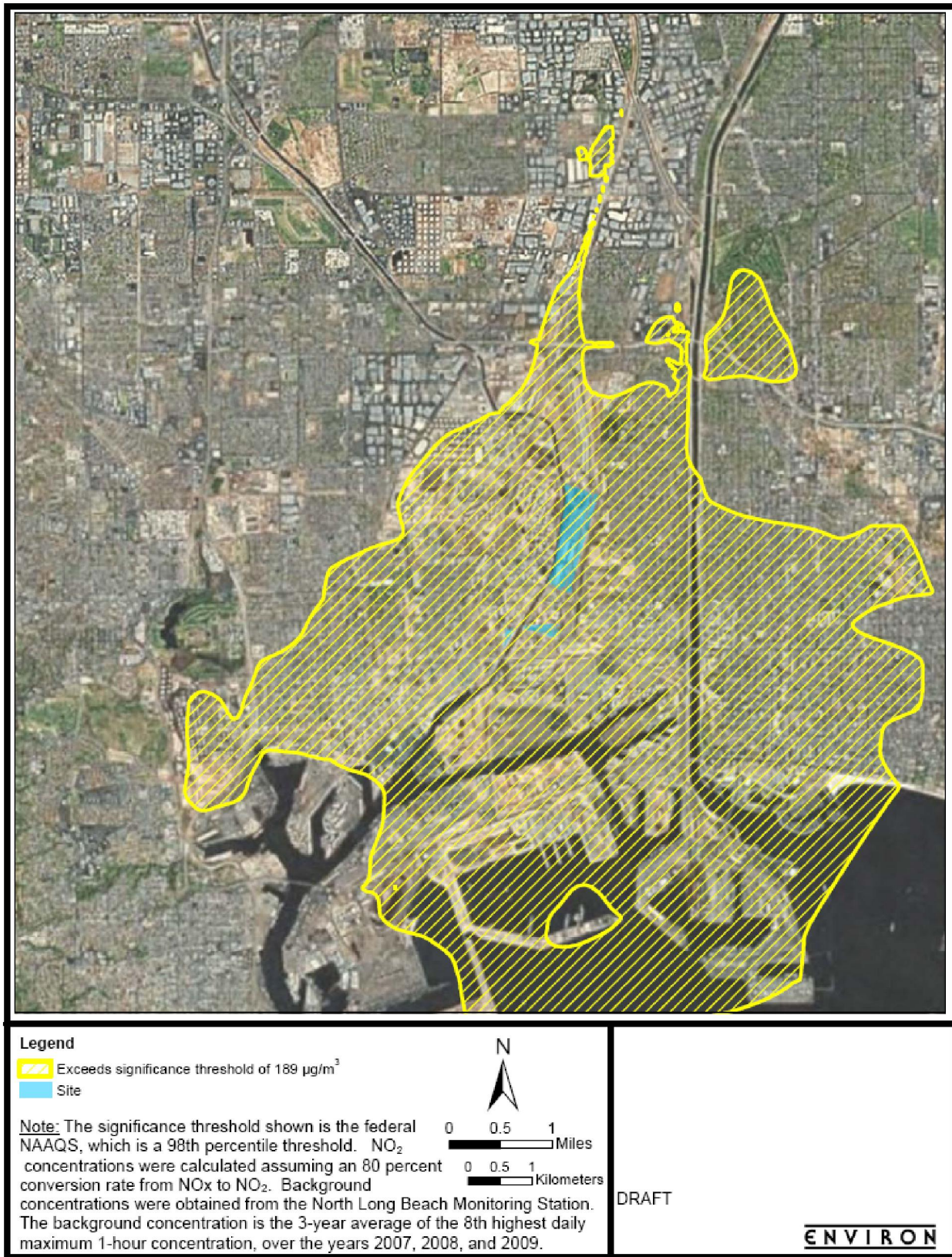
4 The maximum 1-hour and 8-hour CO concentrations from operational emissions of the  
5 proposed Project would be well below the SCAQMD significance thresholds.

6 The maximum 1-hour and 24-hour  $\text{SO}_2$  concentrations would be below the SCAQMD  
7 significance thresholds. The 99<sup>th</sup> percentile 1-hour  $\text{SO}_2$  concentration of  $55 \mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$  would  
8 also be below the national ambient air quality standard (NAAQS) of  $196 \mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$ , a  
9 standard not yet adopted as a threshold of significance by SCAQMD.

10 Table 3.2-28 indicates that the maximum 24-hour  $\text{PM}_{10}$  concentration of  $59.5 \mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$   
11 would exceed the SCAQMD significance threshold for operational concentrations of  $2.5$   
12  $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$  and that the annual  $\text{PM}_{10}$  concentration of  $33.3 \mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$  would exceed the SCAQMD  
13 significance threshold of  $1.0 \mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$ . The maximum 24-hour  $\text{PM}_{2.5}$  concentration of  $7.6$   
14  $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$  would exceed the SCAQMD significance threshold for operation of  $2.5 \mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$ .  
15 Figures 3.2-8 and 3.2-9 show the regions where the 24-hour and annual ground level  
16  $\text{PM}_{10}$  concentrations for the unmitigated Proposed Project minus baseline exceeds the  
17 significance thresholds. Figure 3.2-10 shows the regions where the 24-hour ground level  
18  $\text{PM}_{2.5}$  concentration for the unmitigated Proposed Project minus baseline exceeds the  
19 significance thresholds.



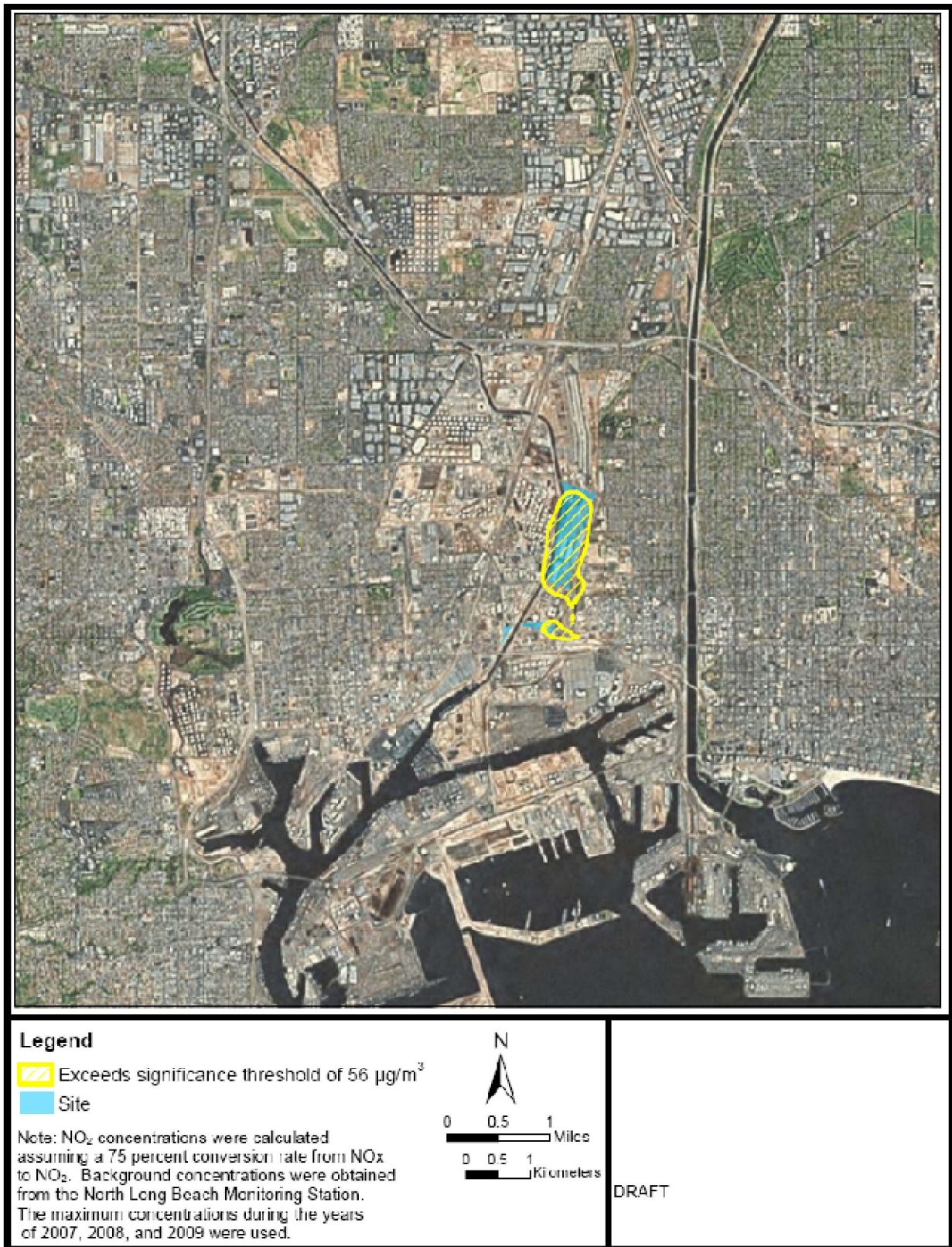
1 Figure 3.2-6. 1-hour NO<sub>2</sub> Ground-Level Concentration for Unmitigated Project Plus Background.



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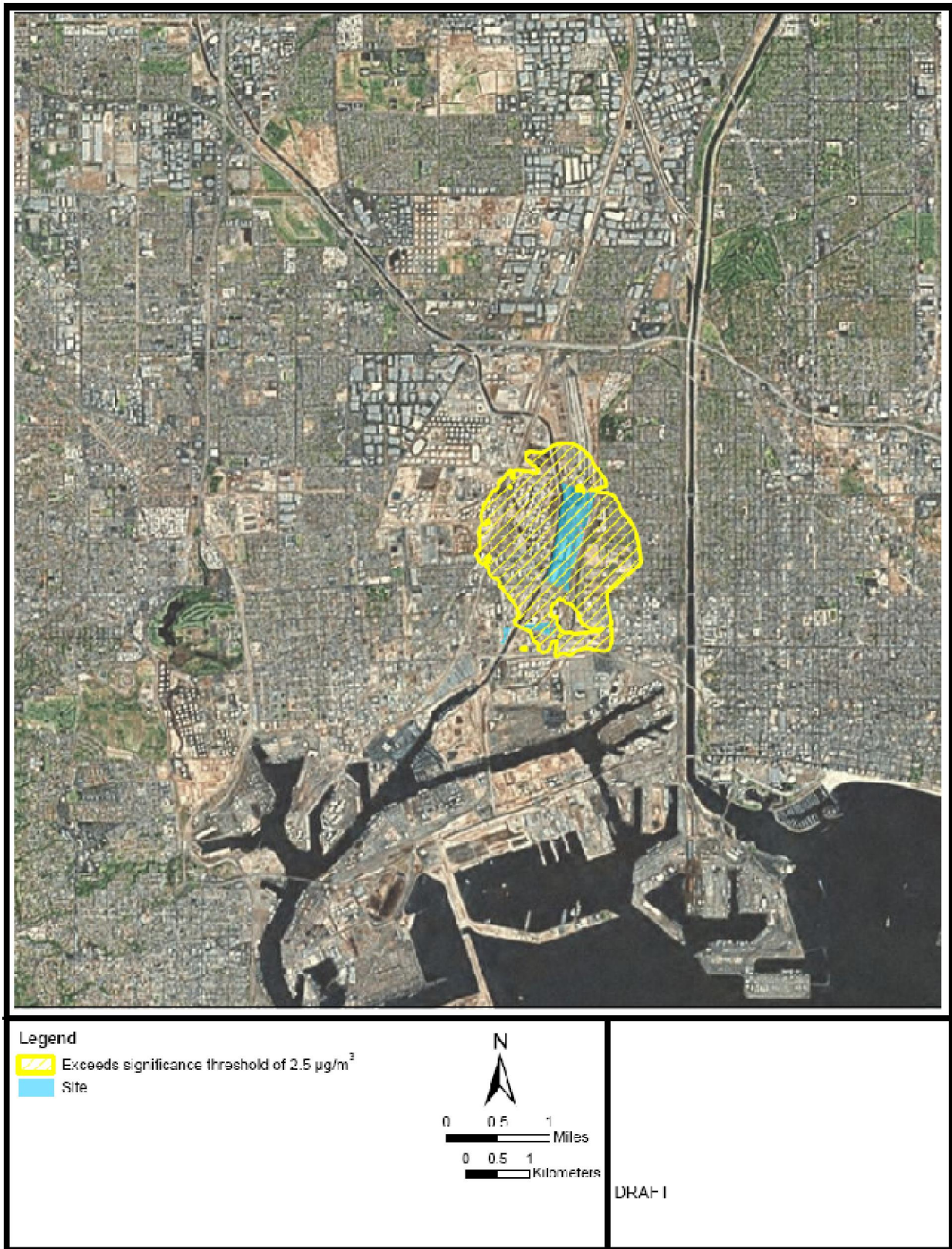
1 **Figure 3.2-7. Annual NO<sub>2</sub> Ground-Level Concentration for Unmitigated Project Plus Background.**



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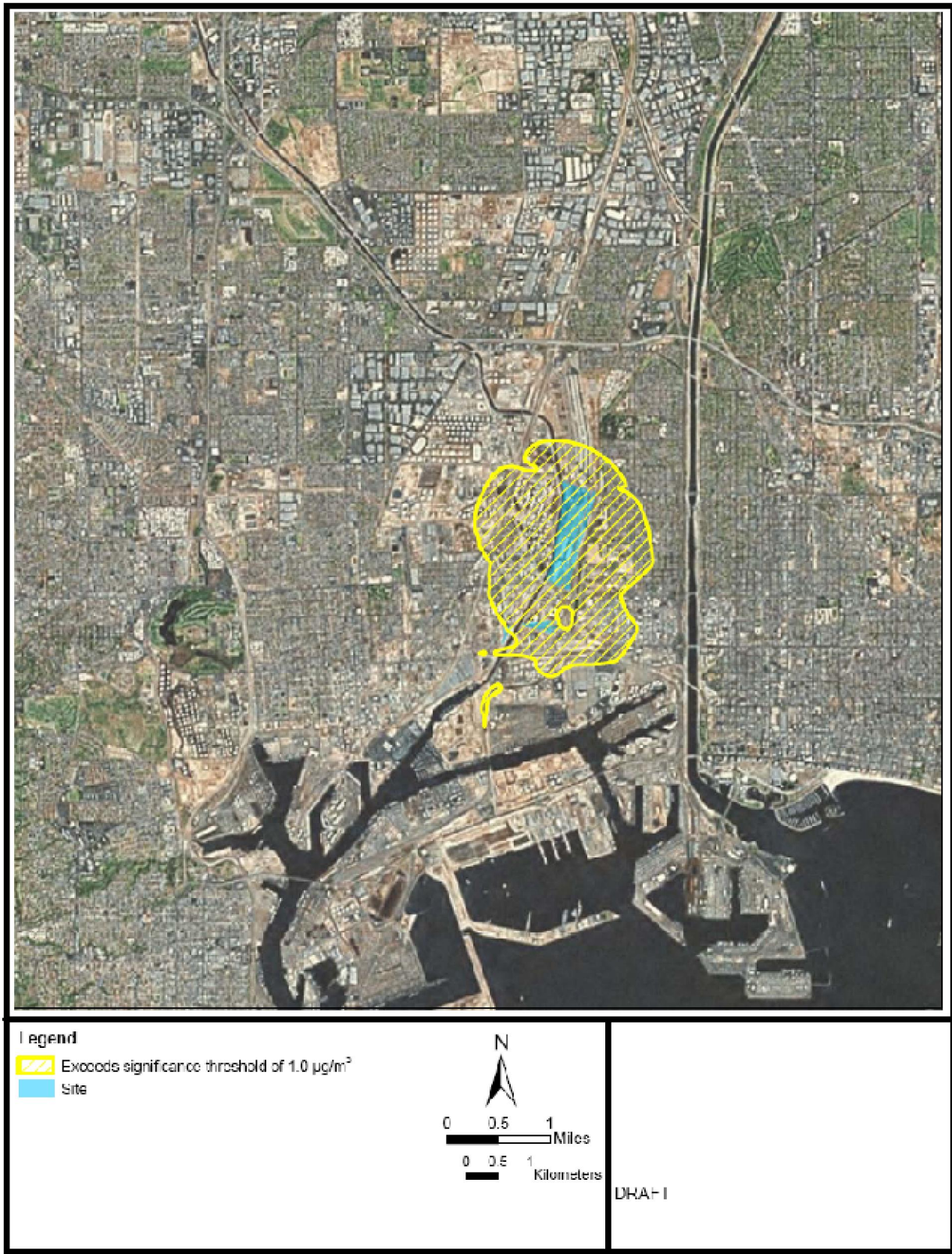
1 Figure 3.2-8. 24-Hour PM<sub>10</sub> Ground-Level Concentration for Unmitigated Project Minus Baseline.



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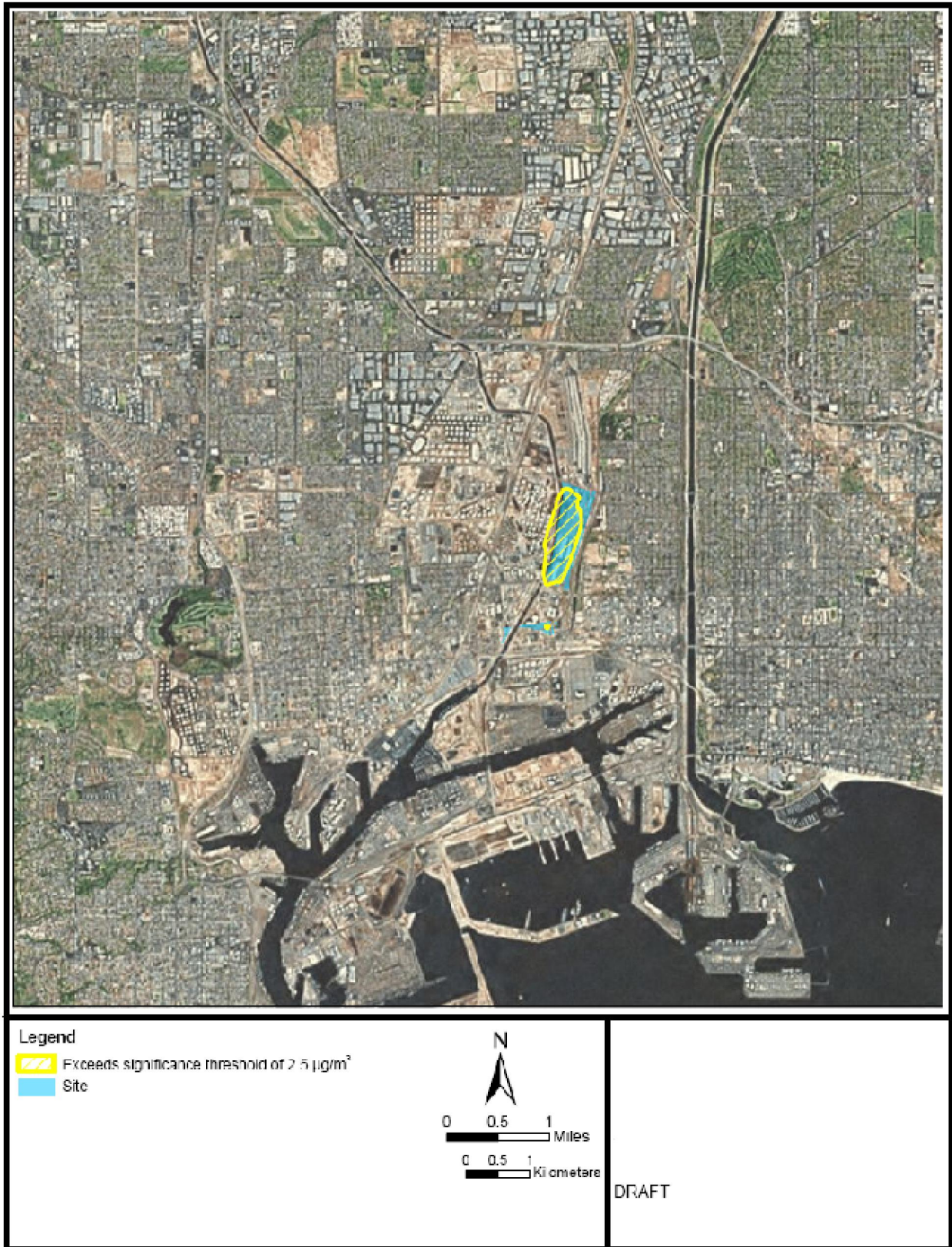
1 Figure 3.2-9. Annual  $PM_{10}$  Ground-Level Concentration for Unmitigated Project Minus Baseline.



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1 Figure 3.2-10. 24-Hour  $PM_{2.5}$  Ground-Level Concentration for Unmitigated Project Minus Baseline.



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**1 Impact Determination**

2 The proposed Project operations would exceed the SCAQMD thresholds for 1-hour and  
3 annual NO<sub>2</sub>, 24-hour and annual PM<sub>10</sub>, and 24-hour PM<sub>2.5</sub>. It would also exceed the  
4 NAAQS for 1-hour NO<sub>2</sub>. Therefore, the Project would have a significant impact under  
5 AQ-4.

**6 Mitigation Measures**

7 The mitigation measure considered for impacts related to AQ-4 is sweeping to control  
8 fugitive dust PM<sub>10</sub> and PM<sub>2.5</sub> emissions (**MM AQ-7**):

**9 MM AQ-7: On-Site Sweeping at SCIG Facility.**

10 BNSF shall sweep the SCIG facility on-site, along routes used by drayage trucks, yard  
11 hostlers, service trucks and employee commuter vehicles, on a weekly basis using a  
12 commercial street sweeper or any technology with equivalent fugitive dust control.

13 This measure was analyzed by assuming that sweeping on a weekly basis would result in  
14 a 26% control of paved road fugitive dust PM<sub>10</sub> and PM<sub>2.5</sub> emissions from on-road  
15 vehicles traveling within the SCIG facility (Countess Environmental, 2006).

16 The following mitigation measure applies to the SCIG facility and only two relocated  
17 tenants, Cal Cartage and Three Rivers Trucking. Fast Lane is largely a container storage  
18 business, and the trucks calling on the Fast Lane facility are primarily vendor trucks over  
19 which Fast Lane has no direct operational control. The ACTA maintenance yard consists  
20 primarily of a small administration building and a storage site for equipment, and is  
21 serviced by light-duty vehicles and maintenance trucks. For these reasons, this mitigation  
22 measure was not applied to Fast Lane and ACTA facilities.

**23 Lease Measures**

24 The following lease measures are recommended by staff for inclusion in the lease for the  
25 SCIG site between the Harbor Department and the Applicant. These measures are not  
26 required as CEQA mitigation measures but staff considers them important because they  
27 advance important Harbor Department environmental goals and objectives. Lease  
28 provisions are distinct from the requirement of CEQA mitigation measures to address  
29 identified significant impacts and are subject to discretionary approval by the Board.

**30 LM AQ-8: Periodic Review of New Technology and Regulations.**

31 The Port shall require the tenant to review, in terms of feasibility, any Port-identified or  
32 other new emissions-reduction technology, and report to the Port. Such technology  
33 feasibility reviews shall take place at the time of the Port's consideration of any lease  
34 amendment or facility modification for the Project site. If the technology is determined  
35 by the Port to be feasible in terms of cost, technical and operational feasibility, the tenant  
36 shall work with the Port to implement such technology.

37 Potential technologies that may further reduce emission and/or result in cost-savings  
38 benefits for the tenant may be identified through future work on the CAAP. Over the  
39 course of the lease, the tenant and the Port shall work together to identify potential new  
40 technology. Such technology shall be studied for feasibility, in terms of cost, technical  
41 and operational feasibility.

42 As partial consideration for the Port agreement to issue the permit to the tenant, the tenant  
43 shall implement not less frequently than once every 7 years following the effective date

1 of the permit, new air quality technological advancements, subject to mutual agreement  
 2 on operational feasibility and cost sharing, which shall not be unreasonably withheld.  
 3 The effectiveness of this measure depends on the advancement of new technologies and  
 4 the outcome of future feasibility or pilot studies.

#### 5 **LM AQ-9: Substitution of New Technology.**

6 If any kind of technology becomes available and is shown to be as good or as better in  
 7 terms of emissions reduction performance than an existing measure, the technology could  
 8 replace the existing measure pending approval by the Port. The technology's emissions  
 9 reductions must be verifiable through USEPA, CARB, or other reputable certification  
 10 and/or demonstration studies to the Port's satisfaction.

11 **Table 3.2-29. Maximum Offsite NO<sub>2</sub>, CO, and SO<sub>2</sub> Concentrations Associated with Operation of the**  
 12 **Proposed Project – with Mitigation.**

Pollutant	Averaging Time	Maximum Modeled Concentration of Mitigated Proposed Project	Background Concentration <sup>b</sup>	Total Ground Level Concentration <sup>a</sup>	SCAQMD Threshold
		( $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$ )	( $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$ )	( $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$ )	( $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$ )
NO <sub>2</sub> <sup>c</sup>	1-hour	966	245	<b>1,211</b>	338
	1-hour <sup>d</sup>	966	146	<b>1,112</b>	(189) <sup>f</sup>
	Annual	57	40	<b>97</b>	56
CO	1-hour	1,011	5,842	6,853	23,000
	8-hour	256	4,467	4,723	10,000
SO <sub>2</sub>	1-hour	1.9	288	290	655
	1-hour <sup>e</sup>	1.9	53	55	(196) <sup>f</sup>
	24-hour	0.4	31	32	105

- 13 a) Exceedances of the thresholds are indicated in bold. Modeled concentrations of NO<sub>2</sub>, SO<sub>2</sub>, and CO are in  
 14 absolute mitigated proposed Project concentrations.
- 15 b) CO background concentrations are the projected future year values for Monitor 4, Long Beach, published by the  
 16 SCAQMD for years 2010, 2015, and 2020 (all identical). NO<sub>2</sub> and SO<sub>2</sub> background concentrations were  
 17 obtained from the North Long Beach Monitoring Station. Unless noted otherwise, the maximum concentrations  
 18 during the years of 2007, 2008, and 2009 were used.
- 19 c) NO<sub>2</sub> concentrations were calculated assuming a 75 percent conversion rate from NO<sub>x</sub> to NO<sub>2</sub> for the annual  
 20 averaging period and an 80 percent conversion rate from NO<sub>x</sub> to NO<sub>2</sub> for the 1-hour averaging period.
- 21 d) This comparison is to the federal NAAQS, which is a 98th percentile threshold. Here, the background  
 22 concentration is the 3-year average of the 8th highest daily maximum 1-hour concentration, over the years 2007,  
 23 2008, and 2009.
- 24 e) This comparison is to the federal NAAQS, which is a 99th percentile threshold. Here, the background  
 25 concentration is the 3-year average of the 4th highest daily maximum 1-hour concentration, over the years 2007,  
 26 2008, and 2009.
- 27 f) A standard not yet adopted as a threshold of significance by SCAQMD.

1 **Table 3.2-30. Maximum Offsite PM<sub>10</sub> and PM<sub>2.5</sub> Concentrations Associated with Operation of the**  
 2 **Proposed Project – with Mitigation.**

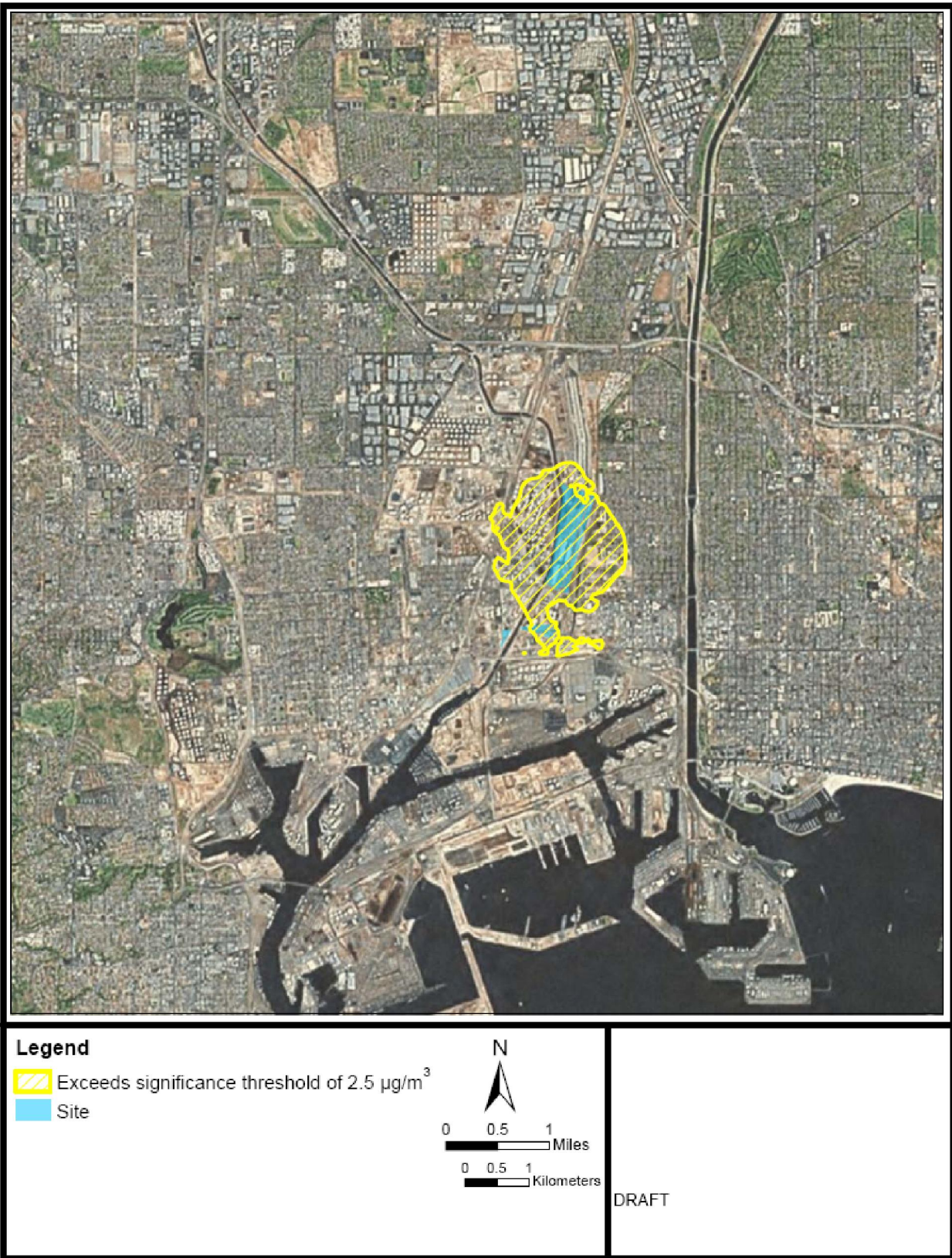
Pollutant	Averaging Time	Maximum Modeled Concentration of Mitigated Proposed Project <sup>b</sup>	Maximum Modeled Concentration of CEQA Baseline <sup>b</sup>	Ground-Level Concentration CEQA Increment <sup>a,b,c</sup>	SCAQMD Threshold
		( $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$ )	( $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$ )	( $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$ )	( $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$ )
PM <sub>10</sub>	24-hour	51.7	21.4	<b>43.6</b>	2.5
	Annual	27.1	6.3	<b>24.6</b>	1.0
PM <sub>2.5</sub>	24-hour	8.2	12.5	<b>5.4</b>	2.5

- 3 a) Exceedances of the threshold are indicated in bold. The thresholds for PM<sub>10</sub> and PM<sub>2.5</sub> are incremental  
 4 thresholds; therefore, the incremental concentration without background is compared to the threshold.  
 5 b) The maximum concentrations and increments presented in this table do not necessarily occur at the same  
 6 receptor location. This means that the increments cannot necessarily be determined by simply subtracting the  
 7 baseline concentrations from the mitigated proposed Project concentration.  
 8 c) The CEQA Increment represents operation of the mitigated proposed Project minus CEQA baseline.  
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10 Figures 3.2-11 and 3.2-12 show the regions where the 24-hour and annual ground level  
 11 PM<sub>10</sub> concentrations for the mitigated Proposed Project minus baseline exceed the  
 12 significance thresholds. Figure 3.2-13 shows the regions where the 24-hour ground level  
 13 PM<sub>2.5</sub> concentrations for the mitigated Proposed Project minus baseline exceed the  
 14 significance thresholds.



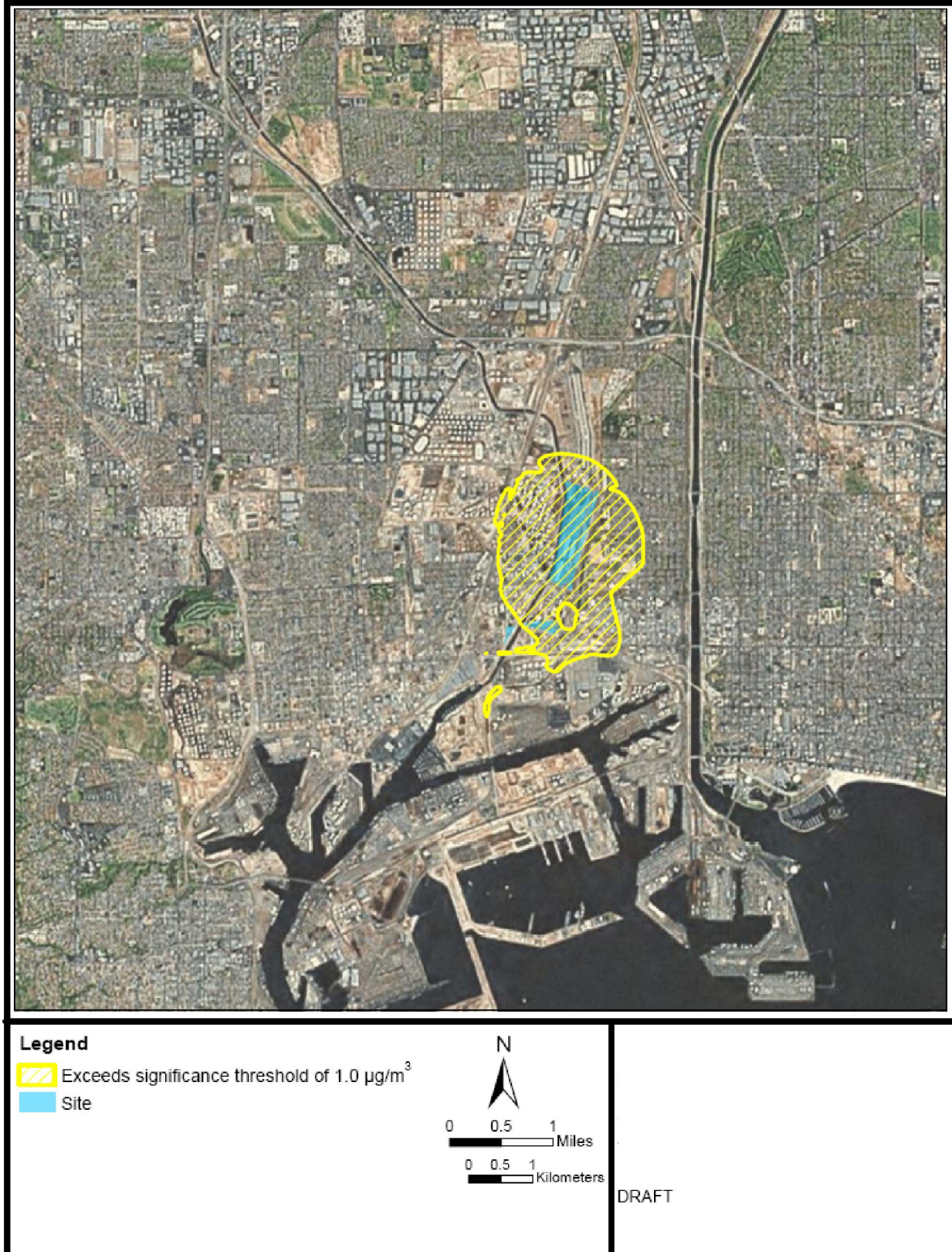
1 Figure 3.2-11. 24-Hour PM<sub>10</sub> Ground-Level Concentration for Mitigated Project Minus Baseline.



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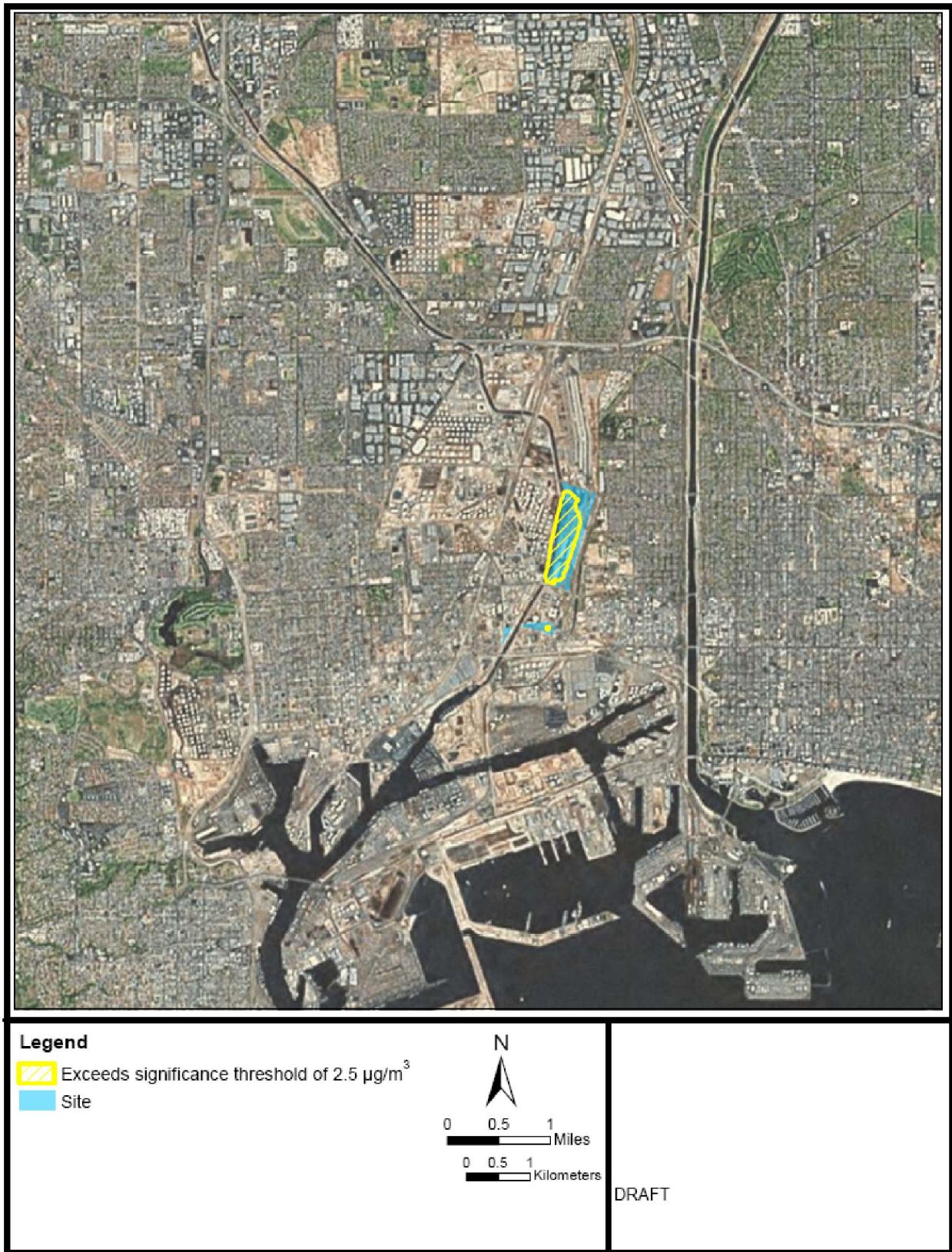
1 Figure 3.2-12. Annual PM<sub>10</sub> Ground-Level Concentration for Mitigated Project Minus Baseline.



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1 Figure 3.2-13. 24-Hour PM<sub>2.5</sub> Ground-Level Concentration for Mitigated Project Minus Baseline.



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1                    *Mitigation Measures Considered but Determined Infeasible*

2                    Additional mitigation measures for SCIG were considered for addressing impacts related  
3                    to AQ-4, operational off-site pollutant ambient concentrations. These measures were  
4                    evaluated but were determined to be infeasible for consideration as enforceable  
5                    mitigations:

- 6                    1. Advanced Locomotive Emission Control System (ALECS) – this system, which was  
7                    designed by Advanced Cleanup Technologies, Inc. (ACTI) consists of a bonnet, or  
8                    hood that is placed over a locomotive consist exhaust stack to capture exhaust  
9                    pollutants emitted by the locomotive consist. The system was designed to capture  
10                   locomotive emissions while the locomotive is motionless or moving slowly within  
11                   the range of physical extension of the hood system. The exhaust captured by the  
12                   hood is then sent to an Emission Treatment Subsystem (ETS) which uses catalytic  
13                   and scrubber aftertreatment technology to eliminate pollutants from the captured  
14                   exhaust of the locomotives. Although the ALECS system went through proof-of-  
15                   concept testing on a limited scale at the Union Pacific (UP) Roseville Railyard (Chan  
16                   M., Jackson M. D., 2007) as part of a multi-agency stakeholder process, the system  
17                   was never scaled up to full implementation at a railyard as a result of a number of  
18                   technical issues. Idling emissions were not determined to be a significant portion of  
19                   total railyard emissions in the testing, and therefore a number of hoods and  
20                   substantial range of extension would be needed to capture a reasonable fraction of  
21                   emissions from multiple trains calling on a railyard. Idling emissions at SCIG are  
22                   reduced through the use of Automatic Engine Start Stop (AESS) devices equipped on  
23                   all linehaul locomotives, and therefore to control emissions from locomotive  
24                   movement in the facility would require extensive overhead infrastructure to move the  
25                   bonnet throughout the rail tracks on-site. This setup may not be feasible given the  
26                   physical constraints of the facility and the operation of live lifts.
- 27                   2. Switching Locomotives Conducting Build/Break Activities at SCIG – an alternate  
28                   operation of the facility was considered as a mitigation measure, in which low-  
29                   emission switcher locomotives would conduct all breakdown and build activities at  
30                   the SCIG facility. This mitigation measure was determined to be infeasible as  
31                   connection of the low-emissions switcher to the locomotives would require leaving  
32                   SCIG locomotives stopped on the Alameda Corridor, thus posing a traffic hazard to  
33                   trains using the corridor, and would also require additional rail trackage on the SCIG  
34                   site to allow the switchers to connect to the locomotives which may not be possible  
35                   due to physical constraints of the SCIG site.
- 36                   3. Zero-Emissions Container Movement Systems for Locomotives – this mitigation  
37                   measure was considered infeasible, and a technical discussion is provided in Section  
38                   2.6.2. Zero-emission container movement systems such as maglev and linear  
39                   induction have not been feasibly demonstrated anywhere in the world, and require  
40                   significant operating costs. These technologies are also subject to some regulatory  
41                   restrictions on their use.
- 42                   4. Zero-Emissions and Hybrid Trucks – this mitigation measure was considered  
43                   technically infeasible, and a technical discussion is provided in Section 2.6.2. Zero  
44                   emission truck technology has been studied by the Port for technical feasibility and  
45                   application to Port-specific uses, including the heavy-duty drayage trucks calling on  
46                   the Port terminals and the Port-specific drayage truck duty cycle (TIAX, 2011). The  
47                   conclusion of the study is that this technology has not been demonstrated to  
48                   adequately meet the technical requirements of Port drayage trucks for gradeability

1 and top speed. Hybrid diesel-electric trucks are an emerging technology, and several  
2 manufacturers offer hybrid diesel-electric truck models as Class 6 or 7 heavy-duty  
3 on-road trucks (HVIP, 2011). At this time only Peterbilt manufactures a Class 8  
4 hybrid diesel-electric truck, but this truck model has not been tested for use in Port-  
5 specific applications or for the Port-specific drayage truck duty cycle and the Port's  
6 study of zero-emission and hybrid trucks indicate that the weight classes of hybrid  
7 truck currently available may not meet the requirements of Port drayage trucks. In  
8 addition, at this time there is insufficient data to characterize the emissions of hybrid  
9 trucks on a modal basis, including using standard testing duty cycles, Port-specific  
10 drayage truck duty cycles, or by-speed emissions. Some studies have modeled the  
11 potential benefits of hybrid diesel-electric trucks but are focused on the fuel economy  
12 benefits of the technology and have not considered the impacts of hybrids on criteria  
13 pollutant emissions (NESCCAF, ICCT, SwRI, TIAX, 2009). Without this detailed  
14 data on hybrid truck emissions performance, it is not possible to model these  
15 emissions accurately for use in air quality environmental analysis.

### 16 *Residual Impacts*

17 Mitigated proposed Project residual air quality impacts would remain significant and  
18 unavoidable for 1-hour and annual NO<sub>2</sub>, 24-hour and annual PM<sub>10</sub>, and 24-hour PM<sub>2.5</sub>.

### 19 **Impact AQ-5: The proposed Project would not generate on-road traffic that** 20 **would contribute to an exceedance of the 1-hour or 8-hour CO standards.**

21 The proposed Project would generate off-site traffic, including truck trips, that could  
22 affect nearby intersections predicted to experience congestion in future years. Under  
23 relatively stagnant conditions with periods of near-calm winds, heavily congested  
24 intersections can produce elevated levels of carbon monoxide in their immediate vicinity.  
25 Therefore, a microscale "hot-spot" modeling analysis was conducted to determine  
26 whether the proposed Project would contribute to a violation of the ambient air quality  
27 standards for CO at a local intersection.

28 The intersection of Anaheim Street/E. I Street/W. 9th Street (p.m. peak) was selected for  
29 the CO analysis. This intersection is the worst-performing intersection as determined by  
30 the transportation study (Section 3.10). It is projected to operate at LOS C in 2016, but  
31 by 2046, would operate at LOS E.

32 This analysis was conducted in accordance with EPA (1992) Caltrans (1997) and the  
33 SCAQMD (2005) guidance using the CAL3QHC dispersion model. Total peak-hour  
34 traffic through the intersection was modeled for each proposed Project study year, both  
35 with and without the proposed Project-generated truck and automobile trips. Peak-hour  
36 traffic volumes were derived from the transportation modeling described in Section 3.10.

37 Table 3.2-31 presents maximum 1-hour and 8-hour CO concentrations predicted at  
38 locations 3 meters from the edge of the intersection. These results indicate that CO  
39 concentrations would not exceed the CO standards during any Project analysis year,  
40 either with or without the Project. Despite increasing traffic volumes in the future, the  
41 modeling results show a declining trend in CO concentrations. This declining trend is due  
42 to the phasing in of cleaner fuels, tighter vehicle emission standards, and the gradual  
43 replacement of older vehicles with newer, cleaner vehicles. The input data and  
44 CAL3QHC output files for the CO intersection analysis are presented in Appendix C4.

1 **Table 3.2-31. Maximum Predicted CO Concentrations at the Anaheim St./E. I St/W. 9th St.**  
 2 **Intersection – Proposed Project.**

Project Year	1-hour Concentration (ppm)	8-hour Concentration (ppm)
2016	6.5	5.0
2046	5.7	4.4
Most stringent standard	20	9

## Notes:

- a) 1-hour concentrations include a background concentration of 5.1 ppm for 2016 and 2046 (SCAQMD, 2005).  
 b) 8-hour concentrations include a background concentration of 3.9 for 2016 and 2046.  
 c) A persistence of factor 0.77 was used to estimate 8-hour concentrations from model-calculated 1-hour concentrations, with this factor derived from the ratio (8-hour/1-hour) of future background values.  
 d) CAL3QHC input parameters include meteorological conditions of 0.5 meters per second (m/s) wind speed, stability F, 5-degree variation of wind direction, 1,000 meter mixing height, 0 cm/sec settling and deposition velocity, and 100 cm surface roughness length (urban land-use).  
 e) Emission factors were derived using EMFAC2007 v2.3 for link speeds of 27 mph for all movements except the southbound approach/northbound departure, which used 25 mph in 2016 with and without the proposed project/ 2046 with proposed project, and 26 mph no project.  
 f) Idle emission factors for vehicle classifications not derived in the EMFAC model were calculated by multiplying the emission factor for 3 mph x 3. Cumulative idle rates used in the modeling represent weighted-average emission rates based on vehicle classification and corresponding % VMT travel fractions.  
 g) Model receptors were placed 3 meters (10 feet) from the roadway edge, outside the mixing zone, at setback distances of approximately 25, 50, and 100 feet from the intersection corners along each road link and 1.8 m height.

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4 **Impact Determination**

5 The off-site traffic generated by the proposed Project would not cause ambient CO  
 6 concentrations to exceed the NAAQS, the CAAQS, or the SCAQMD thresholds for 1-  
 7 hour and 8-hour CO. Therefore, impacts under AQ-5 are less than significant.

8 *Mitigation Measures*

9 Mitigation is not required.

10 *Residual Impacts*

11 Impacts would be less than significant.

12 **Impact AQ-6: The proposed Project would not create objectionable odors at**  
 13 **the nearest sensitive receptor.**

14 Operation of the proposed Project would increase air pollutants due to the combustion of  
 15 diesel fuel. Some individuals might find diesel combustion emissions to be objectionable  
 16 in nature, although quantifying the odorous impacts of these emissions to the public is  
 17 difficult. The mobile nature of most Project emission sources would help to disperse  
 18 proposed Project emissions. Additionally, the distance between proposed Project  
 19 emission sources and the nearest residents is expected to be far enough to allow for  
 20 adequate dispersion of these emissions to below objectionable odor levels.

21 **Impact Determination**

22 As a result of the above, the potential is low for the proposed Project to produce  
 23 objectionable odors that would affect a sensitive receptor. Therefore odor impacts under  
 24 AQ-6, would be less than significant.

1            *Mitigation Measures*

2            Mitigation is not required.

3            *Residual Impacts*

4            Impacts would be less than significant.

5            **Impact AQ-7: The proposed Project would not expose receptors to**  
6            **significant levels of TACs.**

7            Project operations would emit TACs that could affect public health. An HRA spanning  
8            years 2013-2082 was conducted pursuant to a project-specific Protocol reviewed by  
9            SCAQMD (POLA, 2008), with modifications to the treatment of baseline TACs  
10           emissions per the *Sunnyvale* court decision as described above in Section 3.2.2.3. The  
11           period 2013-2082 is the 70-year exposure period with the greatest combined DPM  
12           emissions from the proposed Project construction and operation. In addition, the HRA  
13           evaluated the cancer impact of project emissions to workers based on average emissions  
14           calculated over a 40-year period (years 2013 to 2052) and evaluated the cancer impact to  
15           students based on peak annual emissions for an exposure duration of six years. The HRA  
16           was used to evaluate potential health impacts to the public from TACs generated by the  
17           construction and operation of the proposed Project. Methodologies as specified in the *Air*  
18           *Toxics Hot Spots Program Risk Assessment Guidelines* were used to perform health risk  
19           calculations based on output from the AERMOD dispersion model (OEHHA, 2003). The  
20           residential cancer risk estimates are based on the 80th percentile breathing rate, which has  
21           been identified by OEHHA and the CARB as providing health-protective estimates for  
22           residential receptors (CARB, 2003). The complete HRA report is included in Appendix  
23           C3 of this EIR.

24           The main sources of TACs from proposed Project operations are DPM emissions from  
25           SCIG offsite and onsite trucks, locomotives, construction, and relocated tenant CHE and  
26           onsite trucks. For health effects resulting from long-term exposure, CARB considers  
27           DPM as representative of the total health risks associated with the combustion of diesel  
28           fuel. TAC emissions from non-diesel sources (such as alternative fuel engines) were also  
29           evaluated in the HRA, although their impacts were minor in comparison to DPM. All  
30           TACs from CARB-based speciation profiles which had a toxicity value from OEHHA  
31           were evaluated in the HRA (CARB, 2011b). The HRA evaluated three principal health  
32           effect endpoints: individual lifetime cancer risk, chronic non-cancer effects, and acute  
33           non-cancer effects.

34           Individual lifetime cancer risk is the additional chance for a person to contract cancer  
35           after a lifetime of exposure to Project emissions. The “lifetime” exposure duration  
36           assumed in this HRA is 70 years for a residential receptor. The HRA also considered  
37           cancer burden, which is the estimated number of cancer cases for a population exposed  
38           over a 70-year period to project emissions (OEHHA, 2003). Consistent with SCAQMD  
39           CEQA significance thresholds (SCAQMD, 2011a), cancer burden is calculated for areas  
40           impacted by project-related increased cancer risks  $\geq$  one in a million.

41           Chronic and acute non-cancer effects are evaluated by calculating a hazard index (HI).  
42           The chronic non-cancer HI is a ratio of the maximum annual average concentration of a  
43           TAC to a chronic REL. Similarly, an acute non-cancer HI is the ratio of the maximum  
44           hourly concentration of a TAC to an acute REL. RELs are developed by OEHHA (2008)  
45           and represent the concentration of a TAC at or below which no adverse health effects are  
46           expected. A chronic non-cancer HI below 1.0, or an acute HI below 1.0 indicates that



1 adverse non-cancer health effects from long-term or short-term exposure, respectively,  
2 are not expected.

3 For the determination of significance, the HRA determined the incremental change in  
4 health effect endpoints due to the proposed Project by estimating the net change in  
5 impacts between the proposed Project and CEQA baseline conditions. The estimates of  
6 incremental cancer risk, chronic HI, acute HI, and cancer burden (proposed Project minus  
7 CEQA baseline) were compared to the significance thresholds for health risk described in  
8 Section 3.2.4.2.

### 9 **Health Effects of PM**

10 The proposed Project would emit DPM during Project construction and operation.  
11 OEHHA considers the toxicity of DPM to be the same as PM, thus the following  
12 discussion addresses potential health effects associated with DPM emissions. POLA's  
13 approach for evaluating the potential health impacts of DPM are also summarized.

14 Particulate matter small enough to be inhaled and retained by the lungs is a public health  
15 concern. These respirable particles (particulate matter less than about 10 micrometers in  
16 diameter [PM<sub>10</sub>] and particulate matter less than 2.5 micrometers in diameter [PM<sub>2.5</sub>]) can  
17 accumulate in the respiratory system or penetrate into the vascular system, causing or  
18 aggravating diseases such as asthma, bronchitis, lung disease, and cardiovascular disease.  
19 Children, the elderly, and the ill are believed to be especially vulnerable to adverse health  
20 effects of PM<sub>10</sub> and PM<sub>2.5</sub>.

21 Numerous studies have been published over the past 15 years that have established a  
22 strong correlation between the inhalation of ambient PM and an increased incidence of  
23 premature mortality from heart and/or lung diseases (Pope et al., 1995, 2002; 2004;  
24 Jerrett et al. 2005; Krewski et al., 2001; Gauderman et al., 2007). Asthma onset, or the  
25 exacerbation of existing disease, have also been linked to PM exposure (Pandaya et al.,  
26 2002; Jerrett et al., 2008; Clark et al., 2010).

27 In 2008, the CARB conducted an in-depth analysis of premature mortality related to  
28 PM<sub>2.5</sub> exposures (CARB, 2008) and identified a concentration-response relationship for  
29 PM<sub>2.5</sub> of a 10% increase in premature mortality for every 10 µg/m<sup>3</sup> increase in long-term  
30 exposure to PM<sub>2.5</sub>. In 2009, the US EPA conducted a risk assessment of premature  
31 mortality from PM<sub>2.5</sub> exposure as part of the agency's review of the NAAQS. The  
32 USEPA (2010) reported evidence linking long-term PM exposure to all-cause mortality,  
33 cardiopulmonary mortality, and ischemic heart disease (a specific category of  
34 cardiopulmonary disease). Using the data and methodology of the EPA, CARB estimated  
35 that the annual number of PM<sub>2.5</sub>-related premature deaths in California is 9,200 with an  
36 uncertainty range of 7,300 –11,000 (CARB, 2010).

### 37 **Quantifying Mortality and Morbidity**

38 The Port has previously included analyses of PM-related mortality in the TraPac, China  
39 Shipping, and San Pedro Waterfront EIRs. The latter two documents utilized a  
40 methodology published by CARB (2006c), while noting that the CARB method was  
41 primarily developed for large geographic areas such as air basins or the entire state as  
42 distinct from the much smaller areas expected to be impacted by projects.

43 Notwithstanding the uncertainties introduced by applying PM-related mortality  
44 calculations to a smaller geographic area, the Port has received requests from individuals,  
45 groups, and agencies to include separate quantitative assessments of project-related PM-  
46 attributable mortality in their CEQA analyses. Recently, the CARB requested that

1 morbidity effects also be quantified in future POLA CEQA documents. In response to  
2 these requests POLA developed a methodology to calculate morbidity and mortality from  
3 project emissions (see Appendix C3 for the complete methodology). The methodology  
4 follows the approach taken by CARB (2002), while utilizing the current concentration-  
5 response relationship for mortality identified in CARB (2008) and the concentration-  
6 response relationships for morbidity endpoints in CARB (2002). The morbidity  
7 endpoints identified in the POLA methodology (Appendix C3) are as follows:

- 8 • Hospital admissions for chronic obstructive pulmonary disease
- 9 • Hospital admissions for pneumonia
- 10 • Hospital admissions for cardiovascular disease
- 11 • Acute bronchitis
- 12 • Hospital admissions for asthma
- 13 • Emergency Room visits for asthma
- 14 • Asthma attacks
- 15 • Lower respiratory symptoms
- 16 • Work loss days
- 17 • Minor restricted activity days

18 No CEQA significance thresholds have been identified for premature mortality or  
19 morbidity by any state or local regulatory agency. With the exception of the three  
20 previous POLA EIRs, there is no precedent for calculating premature mortality for  
21 project-level effects, and no precedent for completing project-attributable morbidity from  
22 PM. As specified in Appendix C3, POLA has determined that morbidity and mortality  
23 will be calculated when the operation of the proposed Project would result in off-site 24-  
24 hour PM<sub>2.5</sub> concentrations that exceed the SCAQMD significance criterion of 2.5 µg/m<sup>3</sup>.  
25 The geographic area of analysis for the morbidity and mortality calculations is all census  
26 blocks partially or fully within the 2.5 µg/m<sup>3</sup> PM<sub>2.5</sub> peak daily concentration isopleths for  
27 the Project minus CEQA baseline. This approach is consistent with the significant impact  
28 threshold identified by the SCAQMD for PM<sub>2.5</sub>.

29 Table 3.2-32 presents the maximum predicted health impacts associated with the  
30 proposed Project. The table includes estimates of individual lifetime cancer risk, chronic  
31 non-cancer HI, and acute non-cancer HI at the maximally exposed residential,  
32 occupational, sensitive, student, and recreational receptors (the maximum exposed  
33 individual, or MEI). Results are presented for the Project, CEQA baseline, and CEQA  
34 increment (proposed Project minus baseline).

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1 **Table 3.2-32. Maximum Cancer Risk, Chronic and Acute Hazard Indices Associated with the**  
 2 **Unmitigated Proposed Project.**

Health Impact	Receptor Type	Maximum Predicted Impact			Significance Threshold
		Proposed Project	CEQA Baseline	CEQA Increment	
Cancer Risk	Residential	$48 \times 10^{-6}$	$568 \times 10^{-6}$	$-160 \times 10^{-6}$	10 x 10 <sup>-6</sup> (10 in a million)
		(48 in a million)	(568 in a million)	(-160 in a million)	
	Occupational	$41 \times 10^{-6}$	$215 \times 10^{-6}$	$-114 \times 10^{-6}$	
		(41 in a million)	(215 in a million)	(-114 in a million)	
	Sensitive	$41 \times 10^{-6}$	$220 \times 10^{-6}$	$-179 \times 10^{-6}$	
		(41 in a million)	(220 in a million)	(-179 in a million)	
Student	$2.7 \times 10^{-6}$	$4.7 \times 10^{-6}$	$-2 \times 10^{-6}$		
	(2.7 in a million)	(4.7 in a million)	(-2 in a million)		
Recreational	$62 \times 10^{-6}$	$329 \times 10^{-6}$	$-175 \times 10^{-6}$		
	(62 in a million)	(329 in a million)	(-175 in a million)		
Chronic Hazard Index	Residential	0.09	0.36	-0.05	1.0
	Occupational	0.47	0.69	0.11	
	Sensitive	0.11	0.16	-0.06	
	Student	0.11	0.16	-0.06	
	Recreational	0.47	0.69	0.11	
Acute Hazard Index	Residential	0.19	0.29	0.01	1.0
	Occupational	0.65	0.79	0.13	
	Sensitive	0.21	0.27	-0.062	
	Student	0.21	0.27	-0.062	
	Recreational	0.65	0.79	0.13	

## Notes:

- Exceedances of the significance thresholds are in bold. The significance thresholds apply to the CEQA increments only.
- The maximum increments might not occur at the same receptor locations as the maximum impacts. This means that the increments cannot necessarily be determined by subtracting the CEQA baseline impact from the project impact. Rather, the subtraction must be done at each receptor, for all modeled receptors, and the maximum result selected.
- The CEQA Increment represents Project minus CEQA baseline.
- When the maximum increment for a receptor type is negative, the maximum increment displayed is the increment at the maximum project receptor location.
- Data represent the receptor locations with the maximum impacts or increments. The impacts or increments at all other modeled receptors would be less than these values for each receptor type.
- The cancer risk values reported in this table for the residential receptor are based on the 80th percentile breathing rate. The risks associated with the 65th percentile (average) breathing rate will be less than these values. The risks associated with the 95th percentile (high end) breathing rate are  $63 \times 10^{-6}$  for the Project impact,  $740 \times 10^{-6}$  for the CEQA baseline impact, and  $-208 \times 10^{-6}$  for the CEQA increment.

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The calculation of cancer burden was also considered for the CEQA increment in accordance with the Port's methodology (POLA, 2009). That methodology stipulates that cancer burden will be calculated for all populations that are within census blocks impacted by the one in a million incremental cancer risk isopleths. However, the modeled incremental cancer risks for the proposed Project at the centroids of each census block are all less than zero. Hence, the one in a million cancer risk isopleth around the facility cannot be established. The absence of a cancer risk isopleth does not allow for the identification of population around the proposed Project and therefore does not support an analysis of cancer burden for the proposed Project.

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Note that for each receptor type, the various health values in Table 3.2-32 often occur at different locations. This means that the maximum CEQA increment cannot necessarily be

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1 determined by subtracting the maximum baseline result from the maximum proposed  
2 Project result in the table. Instead, the increments are subtracted at each of the hundreds  
3 of modeled receptors and the receptor with the highest difference is selected as the  
4 maximum CEQA increment. However, when the maximum increment is a negative  
5 value, the CEQA increment at the maximum impact receptor location is presented  
6 instead. The following examples shows how the residential CEQA cancer risk increment  
7 of -160 in a million in Table 3.2-32 was determined by examining the predicted risks at  
8 two modeled receptors.

### 9 **Example for Determining Maximum Risk Increment**

- 10 1. Determine Residential CEQA Increment at Receptor No. 1036 (Residential MEI  
11 location as shown on Figure 7-7 in Appendix C3.  $UTM_x = 386750$ ;  $UTM_y = 3739750$ ).  
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13 a. Proposed Project cancer risk impact, residential = 48.3 in a million  
14 b. Baseline cancer risk impact, residential = 208 in a million  
15 c. CEQA increment, residential =  $48.3 - 208.2 = -159.9$  in a million

16 This receptor happens to be the location of the maximum proposed Project impact of  
17 48.3 in a million (rounded to 48 in a million) for a residential receptor, as shown in  
18 Table 3.2-32. Although this is the location of the maximum Proposed Project impact,  
19 the CEQA increment of -159.9 (rounded to -160) in a million at this location is less  
20 than the maximum CEQA increment among all receptors. Therefore this receptor is  
21 not the location of the maximum CEQA increment.

- 22 2. Determine Residential CEQA Increment at Receptor No. 6075 ( $UTM_x = 377200$ ;  
23  $UTM_y = 3735500$ ).  
24 a. Proposed Project cancer risk impact, residential = 0.18 in a million  
25 b. Baseline cancer risk impact, residential = 2.13 in a million  
26 c. CEQA increment, residential =  $0.18 - 2.13 = -1.95$  in a million

27 As discussed, this receptor is not the location of the maximum proposed Project impact or  
28 the maximum CEQA baseline impact for a residential receptor. Based on the baseline and  
29 Proposed Project risk impact at this location, the CEQA increment of -1.95 in a million is  
30 the largest increment of any modeled residential receptor. Therefore, this receptor is the  
31 location of the overall maximum CEQA increment.

32 However, because this and all receptor locations have a negative increment, it indicates  
33 that the proposed Project would not expose receptors to any additional levels of TACs  
34 compared to the baseline at any receptor location. Accordingly, it is not very meaningful  
35 to present the maximum CEQA increment at Receptor No. 6075. Instead the increment at  
36 the maximum impact location, Receptor No. 1036, is presented in Table 3.2-33 as the  
37 CEQA increment to provide more meaningful information for the location with the  
38 maximum proposed Project impact.

39 Although the above example shows the CEQA cancer risk increment being calculated at  
40 two modeled receptors, the complete determination of the maximum increment involves  
41 this same type of calculation at hundreds of modeled receptors. If the maximum CEQA  
42 increment is a positive value, then this positive value is selected as the CEQA increment  
43 and presented in Table 3.2-32 (e.g. the CEQA increment for chronic HI of 0.11 for the  
44 occupational population). As described, if the maximum CEQA increment is a negative  
45 value, then the CEQA increment at the maximum Proposed Project impact is presented as

1 the CEQA increment in Table 3.2-32. The increments for the chronic and acute non-  
2 cancer HI are also calculated in this same manner.

3 Although the above example shows the CEQA cancer risk increment being calculated at  
4 two modeled receptors, the complete determination of the maximum increment involves  
5 this same type of calculation at hundreds of modeled receptors. The increments for the  
6 chronic and acute non-cancer HI are also calculated in this same manner. If the maximum  
7 CEQA increment is a positive value, then this positive value is selected as the CEQA  
8 increment and presented in Table 3.2-32 (e.g. the CEQA increment for chronic HI of 0.11  
9 for the occupational population).

### 10 **Impact Determination**

11 Table 3.2-32 shows that the CEQA cancer risk increment at the location of the MEI is  
12 predicted to be -160 in a million ( $-160 \times 10^{-6}$ ) at a residential receptor. This risk value, as  
13 well as the cancer risk values at all residential receptors, are negative values, and thus  
14 below the significance threshold of 10 in a million. The receptor location for the  
15 maximum impact for residential receptors is in the Westside neighborhood of Long  
16 Beach in a residential development near the intersection of West 20<sup>th</sup> Street and San  
17 Gabriel Avenue, approximately 730 feet east of the Southeastern site boundary. The  
18 CEQA increments are below the CEQA significance threshold at all receptor locations  
19 for all receptor populations, including occupational, sensitive, student, and recreational.  
20 The absolute Baseline cancer risk, absolute Project cancer risk, and CEQA cancer risk  
21 increment isopleths are shown in Figures 3.2-16, 3.2-17 and 3.2-18 respectively.

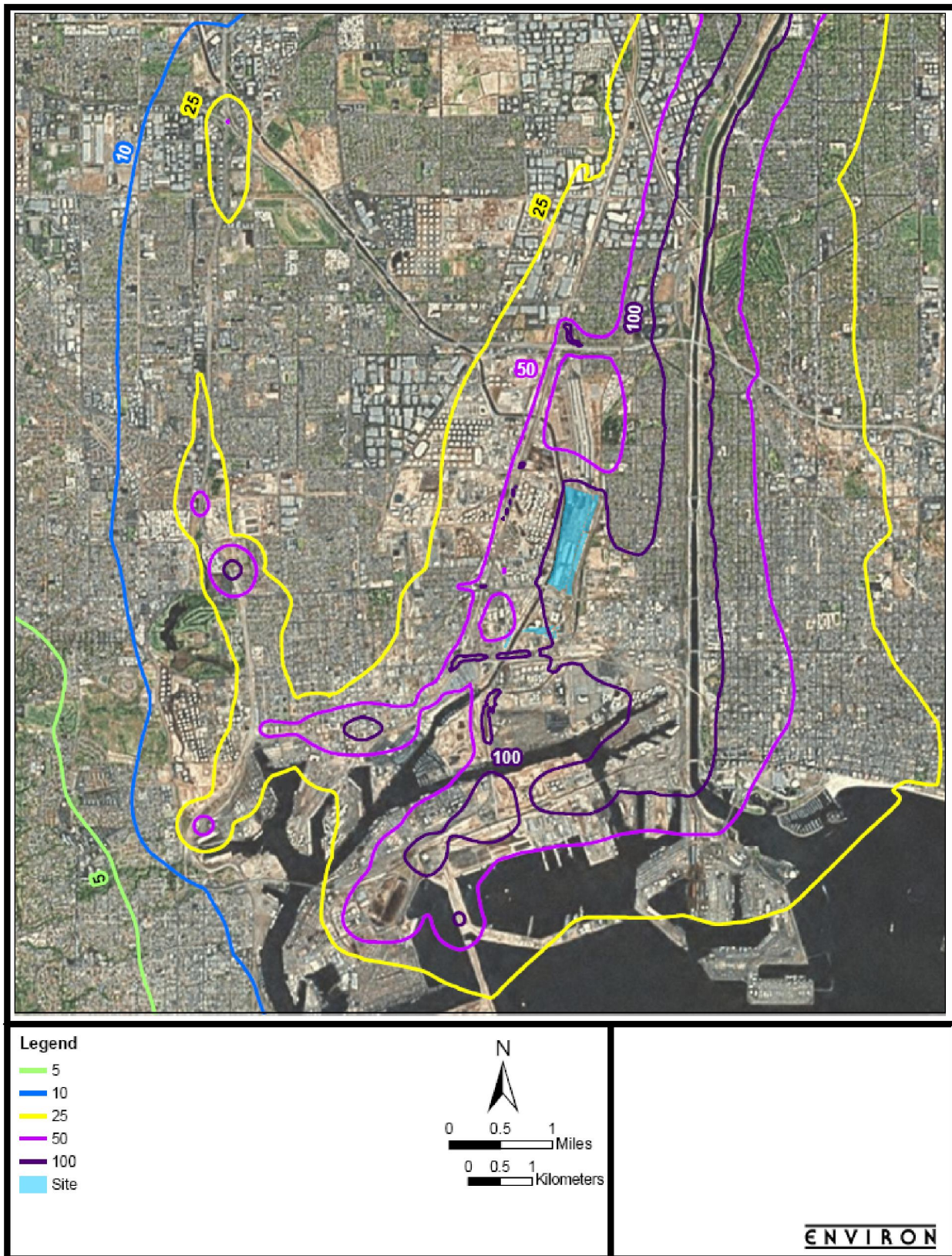
22 The maximum chronic HI increments are predicted to be less than the CEQA significance  
23 threshold of 1.0 at all receptors. The maximum acute HI increments are also predicted to  
24 be less than the CEQA significance threshold of 1.0 at all receptors. Therefore impacts  
25 under AQ-7 are less than significant.

### 26 *Mitigation Measures*

27 Project impacts would be less than significant; therefore, mitigation is not required.  
28 Nevertheless, Mitigation Measures **MM AQ-1** to **MM AQ-3** applied in Impact AQ-1  
29 would reduce the impacts from the proposed Project by reducing emissions from  
30 construction equipment operating at the Port. Table 3.2-33 presents a summary of the  
31 maximum health impacts that would occur with incorporation of construction mitigation  
32 measures. The cancer risk for the location of the maximum residential impact for the  
33 Mitigated proposed Project is 47.7 in a million ( $47.7 \times 10^{-6}$ , rounded to 48 in a million as  
34 shown in the table) which is about one percent lower than the maximum residential  
35 cancer risk associated with the Unmitigated proposed Project. The maximum residential  
36 chronic HI would be reduced by about 20 percent. The maximum residential acute HI  
37 would be reduced by about 12 percent.

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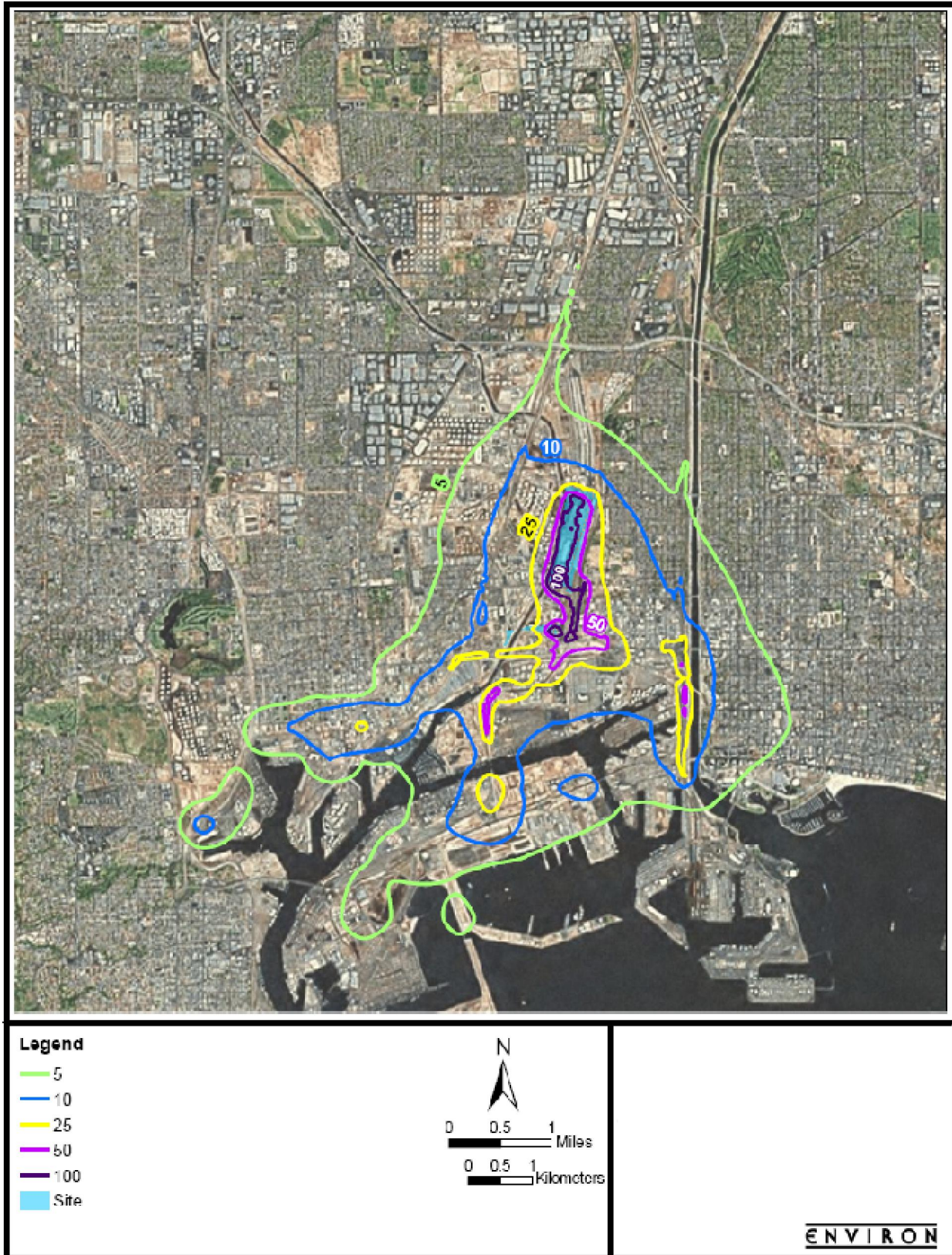
1 Figure 3.2-14. CEQA Baseline Residential Cancer Risk.



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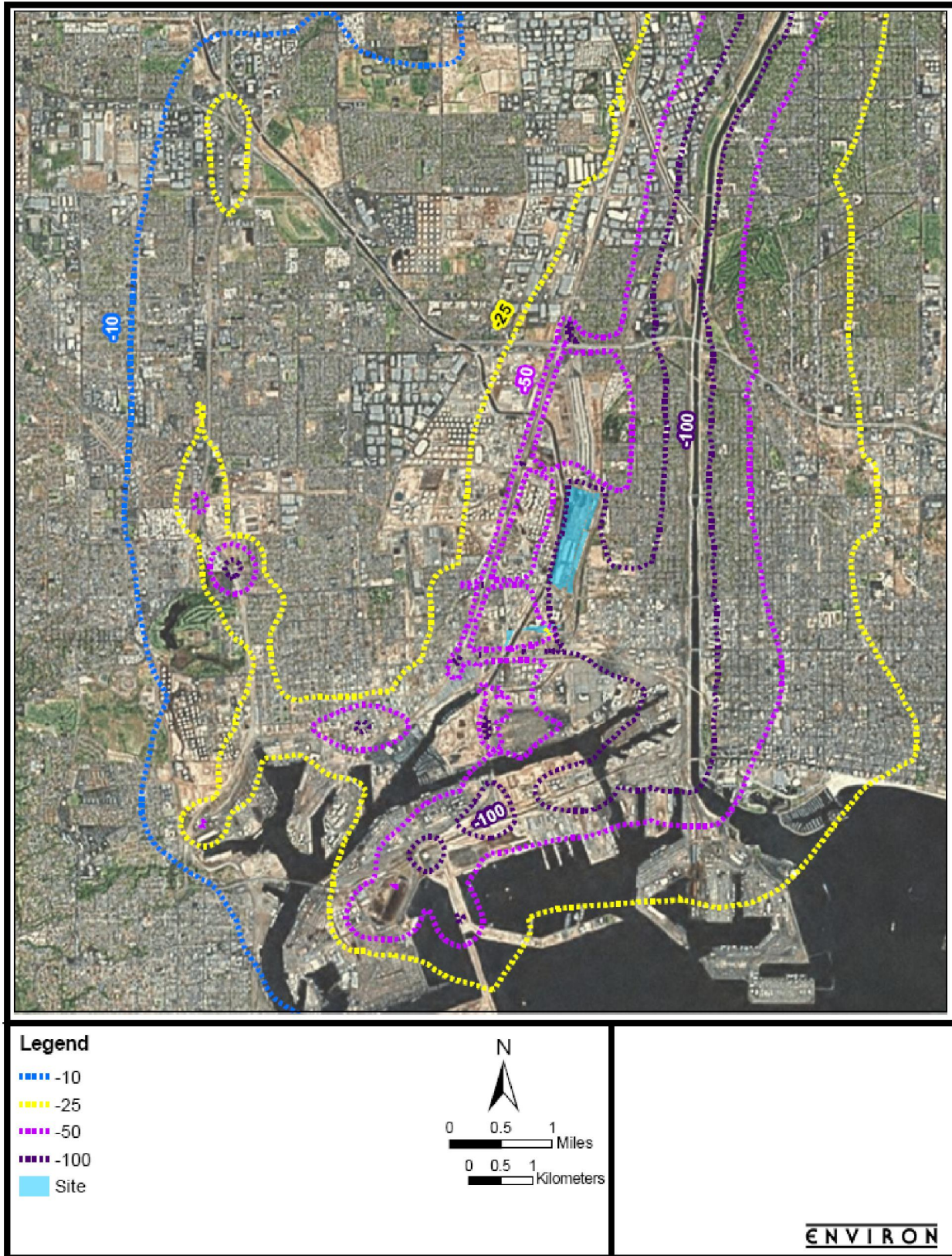
1 Figure 3.2-15. Unmitigated Proposed Project Residential Cancer Risk.



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1 Figure 3.2-16. Unmitigated Proposed Project minus CEQA Baseline Residential Cancer Risk.



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1 **Table 3.2-33. Maximum Cancer Risk, Chronic and Acute Hazard Indices Associated with the**  
 2 **Mitigated Proposed Project.**

Health Impact	Receptor Type	Maximum Predicted Impact			Significance Threshold
		Mitigated Project	CEQA Baseline	CEQA Increment	
Cancer Risk	Residential	$48 \times 10^{-6}$	$568 \times 10^{-6}$	$-161 \times 10^{-6}$	10 x 10 <sup>-6</sup> (10 in a million)
		(48 in a million)	(568 in a million)	(-161 in a million)	
	Occupational	$39 \times 10^{-6}$	$215 \times 10^{-6}$	$-116 \times 10^{-6}$	
		(39 in a million)	(215 in a million)	(-116 in a million)	
	Sensitive	$40 \times 10^{-6}$	$220 \times 10^{-6}$	$-180 \times 10^{-6}$	
		(40 in a million)	(220 in a million)	(-180 in a million)	
Student	$1.7 \times 10^{-6}$	$4.7 \times 10^{-6}$	$-2.9 \times 10^{-6}$		
	(1.7 in a million)	(4.7 in a million)	(-2.9 in a million)		
Recreational	$60 \times 10^{-6}$	$329 \times 10^{-6}$	$-177 \times 10^{-6}$		
	(60 in a million)	(329 in a million)	(-177 in a million)		
Chronic Hazard Index	Residential	0.07	0.36	-0.07	1.0
	Occupational	0.30	0.69	0.03	
	Sensitive	0.08	0.16	-0.08	
	Student	0.08	0.16	-0.08	
	Recreational	0.30	0.69	0.03	
Acute Hazard Index	Residential	0.17	0.29	-0.071	1.0
	Occupational	0.60	0.79	0.09	
	Sensitive	0.18	0.27	-0.09	
	Student	0.18	0.27	-0.09	
	Recreational	0.60	0.79	0.09	

## Notes:

- Exceedances of the significance thresholds are in bold. The significance thresholds apply to the CEQA increments only.
- The maximum increments might not occur at the same receptor locations as the maximum impacts. This means that the increments cannot necessarily be determined by subtracting the CEQA baseline impact from the project impact. Rather, the subtraction must be done at each receptor, for all modeled receptors, and the maximum result selected.
- The CEQA Increment represents Project minus CEQA baseline.
- When the maximum increment for a receptor type is negative, the maximum increment displayed is the increment at the maximum project receptor location.
- Data represent the receptor locations with the maximum impacts or increments. The impacts or increments at all other modeled receptors would be less than these values for each receptor type.
- The cancer risk values reported in this table for the residential receptor are based on the 80th percentile breathing rate. The risks associated with the 65th percentile (average) breathing rate will be less than these values. The risks associated with the 95th percentile (high end) breathing rate are  $62 \times 10^{-6}$  for the Project impact,  $740 \times 10^{-6}$  for the CEQA baseline impact, and  $-209 \times 10^{-6}$  for the CEQA increment.
- The Mitigated Proposed Project Alternative assumes that the Port guidelines for reducing emissions from construction equipment operating at the Port are followed; it is otherwise equivalent to the Unmitigated Proposed Project Alternative.

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The values in Table 3.2-33 show that the CEQA cancer risk increment at the location of the unmitigated proposed Project MEI is predicted to be -160 in a million ( $-160 \times 10^{-6}$ ), at a residential receptor. This risk value, as well as the cancer risk values at all residential receptors, are negative values and below the significance threshold of 10 in a million. The receptor location for the maximum Mitigated proposed Project impact for residential receptors is in the same location as the maximum Unmitigated proposed Project impact in the Westside neighborhood of Long Beach in a residential development near the intersection of West 20<sup>th</sup> Street and San Gabriel Avenue, approximately 730 feet east of the southeastern Project site boundary. The CEQA increments would also be below the CEQA significance threshold at all receptors, including occupational, sensitive, student, and recreational.

1 The maximum chronic HI increments are predicted to be less than the CEQA significance  
2 threshold of 1.0 at all receptors. The maximum acute HI increments are also predicted to  
3 be less than the CEQA significance threshold of 1.0 for all receptors.

#### 4 *Residual Impacts*

5 Residual impacts would be less than significant.

### 6 **Additional Analyses for Informational Purposes**

#### 7 *Particulates: Morbidity and Mortality*

8 Since the Project would generate emissions of DPM, **Impact AQ-7** also discusses the  
9 effects of ambient PM on mortality and morbidity for informational purposes only. As  
10 described in **Impact AQ-4**, the results of ambient air dispersion modeling indicated that  
11 operation of the Project would result in off-site 24-hour PM<sub>2.5</sub> concentrations that exceed  
12 the SCAQMD significance threshold of 2.5 µg/m<sup>3</sup>. Because of this exceedance,  
13 operational PM<sub>2.5</sub> concentrations meet the Port's criteria for calculating morbidity and  
14 mortality attributable to PM<sub>2.5</sub>. In accordance with the Port's methodology (Appendix  
15 C3), census blocks lying partially or completely within the 24-h PM<sub>2.5</sub> threshold  
16 concentration isopleths were identified. However, all of these census blocks were found  
17 to be located in industrial areas in the vicinity of the project; on-the-ground observations  
18 established that these census blocks did not show evidence of residential use. Because no  
19 residential populations inhabit the impacted census blocks, the proposed Project is not  
20 expected to have an impact on PM-attributable morbidity or mortality. Accordingly, no  
21 calculations of morbidity or mortality were calculated for the Unmitigated Proposed  
22 Project.

#### 23 *Residential Cancer Risk Using Adjusted CEQA Baseline*

24 The air quality analysis and the health risk assessment (HRA) of toxic air contaminant  
25 emissions associated with construction and operation of the proposed Project reported in  
26 Chapter 3.2 were conducted in accordance with a project-specific protocol prepared by  
27 the Port and reviewed and approved by SCAQMD (POLA, 2008), and in accordance with  
28 CEQA. Pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15125(a) and the Sunnyvale West  
29 Neighborhood Association v. City of Sunnyvale (2010) 190 Cal. App. 4th 1351  
30 (Sunnyvale) case, the impacts were analyzed compared to the existing setting, which, for  
31 this project is the time of the Notice of Preparation (NOP) or 2005. In addition, this Draft  
32 EIR provides, for information only, data showing results utilizing a "floating baseline" in  
33 which baseline emissions used in the 70-year averaging period for cancer risk were  
34 estimated by fixing activity levels at the time the NOP was released and allowing for  
35 future changes in emission factors due to adopted rules and regulations. A floating  
36 baseline established in this manner would result in relatively small baseline emissions  
37 and a more conservative (i.e., larger) increment. Figure C3.7-21 in Appendix C3 shows  
38 the incremental residential cancer risk calculated using the previous "floating baseline"  
39 methodology.

#### 40 **Impact AQ-8: The proposed Project would not conflict with or obstruct** 41 **implementation of an applicable air quality plan.**

42 Proposed project operations would produce emissions of nonattainment pollutants,  
43 primarily in the form of diesel exhaust. The 2007 AQMP proposes emission reduction  
44 measures that are designed to bring the SCAB into attainment of the state and national



1 ambient air quality standards. The attainment strategies in these plans include mobile-  
2 source control measures and clean fuel programs that are enforced at the state and federal  
3 level on engine manufacturers and petroleum refiners and retailers; as a result, proposed  
4 Project operations would comply with these control measures. The SCAQMD also adopts  
5 AQMP control measures into SCAQMD rules and regulations, which are then used to  
6 regulate sources of air pollution in the SCAB. Therefore, compliance with these  
7 requirements would ensure that the proposed Project would not conflict with or obstruct  
8 implementation of the AQMP.

9 The Port regularly provides SCAG with its Portwide cargo forecasts for development of  
10 the AQMP. Therefore, the attainment demonstrations included in the 2007 AQMP  
11 account for the emissions generated by projected future growth at the Port. Because one  
12 objective of the proposed Project is to accommodate growth in cargo throughput at the  
13 Port, the AQMP accounts for the Project and conforms to the SIP. In its Regional  
14 Transportation Plan (RTP), which is part of the AQMP, SCAG has identified the SCIG  
15 project as potentially playing a key role in addressing the growth of high-density truck  
16 traffic. (SCAG, 2008).

17 Proposed Project operations were also evaluated for consistency with the San Pedro Bay  
18 Ports' CAAP, which has the goal of reducing emissions and health risk in the area of the  
19 San Pedro Bay Ports, and the measures identified in the CAAP to achieve those goals.

#### 20 **Impact Determination**

21 The proposed Project would not conflict with or obstruct implementation of the AQMP.  
22 The proposed Project incorporates a number of environmental features which are  
23 consistent with CAAP measures, as described in Table 3.2-26. If Project Conditions are  
24 not approved, specifically the RL-3 fleet-wide locomotive emissions performance CAAP  
25 measure, the Project would not be consistent with the emissions and health risk reduction  
26 goals of the CAAP.

27 Therefore, there would be no significant impacts for the Project with Project Conditions.

#### 28 *Mitigation Measures*

29 No impacts; therefore, mitigation is not required.

#### 30 *Residual Impacts*

31 No impacts.

### 32 **3.2.4.4 Summary of Impact Determinations**

33 Table 3.2-34 provides a summary of the impact determinations of the proposed Project  
34 related to Air Quality, as described in the detailed discussion in Sections 3.2.4.3.

35 For each type of potential impact, the table provides a description of the impact, the  
36 impact determination, any applicable mitigation measures, and residual impacts (that is,  
37 the impact remaining after mitigation). All impacts, whether significant or not, are  
38 included in this table.

1 **Table 3.2-34. Summary Matrix of Impacts and Mitigation Measures for Air Quality Associated**  
 2 **with the Proposed Project.**

<b>Environmental Impacts</b>	<b>Impact Determination</b>	<b>Mitigation Measures</b>	<b>Impacts after Mitigation</b>
<b>AQ-1:</b> The proposed Project would result in construction-related emissions that exceed an SCAQMD threshold of significance.	<b>Significant impact</b>	<b>MM AQ-1:</b> Fleet modernization for off-road equipment. <b>MM AQ-2:</b> Fleet modernization for on-road trucks. <b>MM AQ-3:</b> Additional fugitive dust control. <b>MM AQ-4:</b> Best management practices. <b>MM AQ-5:</b> General mitigation measure. <b>MM AQ-6:</b> Special precautions near sensitive sites.	<b>Significant and unavoidable</b>
<b>AQ-2:</b> The proposed Project construction would result in offsite ambient air pollutant concentrations that exceed a SCAQMD threshold of significance.	<b>Significant impact</b>	<b>MM AQ-1:</b> Fleet modernization for off-road equipment. <b>MM AQ-2:</b> Fleet modernization for on-road trucks. <b>MM AQ-3:</b> Additional fugitive dust control.	<b>Significant and unavoidable</b>
<b>AQ-3:</b> The proposed Project would result in operational emissions that exceed an SCAQMD threshold of significance.	No impact	Mitigation not required	No impact
<b>AQ-4:</b> The proposed Project operations would result in offsite ambient air pollutant concentrations that exceed a SCAQMD threshold of significance.	<b>Significant impact</b>	<b>MM AQ-7:</b> On-site sweeping at SCIG facility.	<b>Significant and unavoidable</b>
<b>AQ-5:</b> The proposed Project would not generate on-road traffic that would contribute to an exceedance of the 1-hour or 8-hour CO standards.	Less than significant impact	Mitigation not required	Less than significant impact
<b>AQ-6:</b> The proposed Project would not create objectionable odors at the nearest sensitive receptor.	Less than significant impact	Mitigation not required	Less than significant impact
<b>AQ-7:</b> The proposed Project would not expose receptors to significant levels of TACs.	Less than significant impact	Mitigation not required, but recommended. <b>MM AQ-1:</b> Fleet modernization for off-road equipment. <b>MM AQ-2:</b> Fleet modernization for on-road trucks. <b>MM AQ-3:</b> Additional fugitive dust control.	Less than significant impact
<b>AQ-8:</b> The proposed Project would not conflict with or obstruct implementation of an applicable air quality plan.	No impact	Mitigation not required	No impact

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### 3.2.5 Consideration of Project Conditions Subject to Approval

The following project conditions (Table ES-4) are recommended by staff for inclusion in the lease for the SCIG site between the Harbor Department and the Applicant. These project conditions are not required as CEQA mitigation measures but staff considers them important because they advance important Harbor Department environmental goals and objectives. Project conditions incorporated into a lease are distinct from the requirement of CEQA mitigation measures to address identified significant impacts and are subject to discretionary approval by the Board.

#### **PC AQ-10. Zero Emission Technologies Demonstration Program.**

On July 7, 2011, the Boards of Harbor Commissioners of the Port of Los Angeles and the Port of Long Beach held a joint public workshop to receive and discuss presentations by staff and various agencies on strategies for the two ports (Ports) to advance zero emission technologies going forward. The Boards requested the Ports' staff to further develop the strategies discussed at the workshop and present them in a more detailed zero emissions demonstration proposal to be considered at a future meeting in late fall 2011. The demonstrations would follow TAP-approved testing protocols within specified timelines, and would conclude with technical and commercial feasibility determinations made by the Ports based upon TAP-established evaluation metrics.

The Board of Harbor Commissioners may consider adoption of a project condition requiring the SCIG facility lease to contain the following requirements:

- Participate in demonstrations of zero emission drayage truck, cargo handling, and proof of concept rail technologies in port-related operations using the Clean Air Action Plan Technology Advancement Program (TAP) for coordination.
- Participate in a zero emission technologies industry stakeholder group that, together with the TAP Technical Advisory Committee, would advise the TAP in the selection of technologies for testing, development of testing protocols and procedures, timelines for testing programs, and feasibility evaluations.
- Allow zero emission technologies tested under the TAP zero emissions program to operate at the SCIG facility, and the Applicant would allow Ports' staff access into portions of the SCIG facility where these trucks would operate for the purpose of test evaluation all subject to compliance with the Applicant's safety and operational rules and without interference with facility operation.
- Participate as part of a multi-organizational collaboration in the pursuit of full-scale proof of concept demonstration of linear synchronous motor (LSM) technology coordinated through the TAP. For the LSM concept, the Ports anticipate collaborating with the South Coast Air Quality Management District (AQMD), General Atomics (GA), and the Center for Commercial Deployment of Transportation Technologies (CCDoTT), a partnership of California State University, Long Beach and the USDOT. The initial element of this program would be to undertake a demonstration project pursuing the deployment of a proof-of-concept project that would demonstrate a system's ability to move loaded containers in a single car test at a designated test site determined by the collaboration.
- Provide match funding to the TAP in an amount equal to that provided by the Port of Los Angeles to the zero emissions program.

1                   **PC AQ-11. Low-Emission Drayage Trucks.**

2                   This proposed measure would require drayage trucks calling on the SCIG facility to meet  
3                   an emission reduction in diesel particulate matter emissions (DPM) of 95% by mass  
4                   relative to the federal 2007 on-road heavy-duty diesel engine emission standard (“low-  
5                   emission” trucks).

6                   The phase-in schedule for low-emission drayage trucks is shown in Table 3.2-35.

7                   **Table 3.2-35. Low-Emission Drayage Truck Phase-in Schedule**

Year	Truck Percentage
2016	10%
2017	12%
2018	15%
2019	20%
2020	25%
2021	35%
2022	50%
2023	75%
2024	80%
2025	85%
2026	90%

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9                   If this condition is approved, BNSF will be required to specify in their drayage contracts  
10                  that all drayage trucks calling on the SCIG facility shall meet the requirements specified  
11                  above and will incorporate the fleet mix into the operations by the end of the specified  
12                  years through the term of the lease. BNSF will be required to install Radio-Frequency  
13                  Identification (RFID) readers to control access at the gate to the SCIG facility. Truck  
14                  logs will be provided to the LAHD Environmental Management Division for tracking and  
15                  reporting.

16                  **PC AQ-12. San Pedro Bay Ports CAAP Measure RL-3**

17                  CAAP measure RL-3 establishes the goal that the Class 1 locomotive fleet associated  
18                  with new and redeveloped near-dock rail yards use 15-minute idle restrictors, use ULSD  
19                  or alternative fuels, and meet a minimum performance requirement of an emissions  
20                  equivalent of at least 50 percent Tier 4 line-haul locomotives and 40% Tier 3 line-haul  
21                  locomotives when operating on port properties by 2023. In March of 2008, USEPA  
22                  finalized a regulation which established a 2015 date for introduction of Tier 4  
23                  locomotives. There is no regulatory mechanism in place that would mandate the  
24                  introduction of Tier 4 locomotives prior to 2015. Implementation of the RL-3 goal for  
25                  the locomotives calling at SCIG while on port properties would be based on the  
26                  commercial availability of operationally proven Tier 4 locomotives in 2015 and any  
27                  adjustment in that date will require equivalent adjustment in the goal achievement date.  
28                  The RL-3 emissions goal for locomotives calling on SCIG while on port properties may  
29                  also be achieved by BSNF’s reduction in air emissions anywhere in the South Coast Air  
30                  Basin equivalent to the RL-3 goal for locomotives calling at SCIG while on port  
31                  properties through any other alternative means. RL-3 further establishes the goal that, by  
32                  the end of 2015, all Class 1 switcher locomotives operating on port property will meet  
33                  USEPA Tier 4 non-road standards. In September 2009, CARB adopted its “Staff  
34                  Recommendations to Provide Further Locomotive and Rail yard Emission Reductions”  
35                  (CARB, 2009c) which identified several high priority strategies for reducing emissions  
36                  from locomotive operations in California, including providing support for the ports “to

1 accelerate the turnover of cleaner Tier 4 line-haul locomotives serving port properties as  
 2 expeditiously as possible following their introduction in 2015, with the goal of 95 percent  
 3 Tier 4 line-haul locomotives serving the ports by 2020.” Thus, with the assistance of the  
 4 ports’ regulatory agency partners and in concert with CARB’s stated goals, measure RL3  
 5 will support the achievement of accelerating the natural turnover of the line-haul  
 6 locomotive fleet. Finally, measure RL3 establishes the goal of consistency with CAAP  
 7 measures HDV-1 and CHE-1.

8 This measure was analyzed by adjusting the fleet average locomotive emission factors  
 9 used in the operational emissions analysis for linehaul locomotives such that the fleet  
 10 average factors met the minimum requirements of 40 percent Tier 3 and 50 percent Tier 4  
 11 by 2023. This measure also affects future year linehaul locomotive operational emissions  
 12 in 2035 and 2046.

### 13 3.2.6 Mitigation and Lease Measure Monitoring and 14 Tracking

15 **Table 3.2-36. Mitigation and Lease Measure Monitoring and Project Conditions for Air Quality and**  
 16 **Meteorology.**

<p><b>AQ-1: The Project would result in construction-related emissions that exceed an SCAQMD threshold of significance.</b></p> <p><b>AQ-2: The proposed Project construction would result in offsite ambient air pollutant concentrations that exceed a SCAQMD threshold of significance.</b></p>	
<p>Mitigation Measures</p>	<p><b>MM AQ-1: Fleet Modernization for Construction Equipment.</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Construction equipment shall incorporate, where feasible, emissions savings technology such as hybrid drives and specific fuel economy standards.</li> <li>2. Idling shall be restricted to a maximum of 5 minutes when not in use.</li> <li>3. Tier Specifications:                             <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. <u>From January 1, 2012, to December 31, 2014:</u> All off-road diesel-powered construction equipment greater than 50 hp, except marine vessels and harbor craft, will meet Tier-3 off-road emission standards at a minimum. In addition, all construction equipment greater than 50 hp will be retrofitted with a CARB-verified Level 3 DECS. Per Port’s Construction Guidelines, for CEQA Project, in 2012 to 2014, construction equipment shall meet 50% Tier 3 Level 3, 20% Tier 2 Level 3, 10% Tier 1 Level 3, 10% Tier 2 Level 2, and 10% Tier 1 Level 2.</li> <li>b. <u>Post-January 1, 2015 on:</u> All off-road diesel-powered construction equipment greater than 50 hp, except marine vessels and harbor craft, will meet Tier-4 off-road emission standards at a minimum. Per Port’s Construction Guidelines, for CEQA Project, in 2015 and going forward, construction equipment shall meet 50% Tier 4, Tier 3 Level 3, 20% Tier 3 Level 3, 10% Tier 1 Level 3, 10% Tier 2 Level 2, and 10% Tier 1 Level 2.</li> </ol> </li> </ol> <p><b>MM AQ-2: Fleet Modernization for Onroad Trucks.</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Trucks hauling materials such as debris or fill shall be fully covered while operating off Port property.</li> <li>2. Idling shall be restricted to a maximum of 5 minutes when not in use.</li> <li>3. Tier Specifications:                             <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. <u>On-road trucks except for Import Haulers and Earth Movers:</u> From January 1, 2012 on: All on-road heavy-duty diesel trucks with a GVWR of 19,500 pounds or greater used at the Port of Los Angeles will comply with EPA</li> </ol> </li> </ol>

	<p>2007 on-road emission standards for PM10 and NOx (0.01 g/bhp-hr and at least 1.2 g/bhp-hr, respectively).</p> <p>b. <u>For Import Hauler Only</u> From January 1, 2012 on: All on-road heavy-duty diesel trucks with a GVWR of 19,500 pounds or greater used to move dirt to and from the construction site via <u>public</u> roadways at the Port of Los Angeles will comply with EPA 2004 on-road emission standards for PM10 and NOx (0.10 g/bhp-hr and 2.0 g/bhp-hr, respectively).</p> <p>c. <u>For Earth Movers Only</u>: From January 1, 2012 on: All heavy-duty diesel trucks with a GVWR of 19,500 pounds or greater used to move dirt within the construction site at the Port of Los Angeles <u>will</u> comply with EPA 2004 on-road emission standards for PM10 and NOx (0.10 g/bhp-hr and 2.0 g/bhp-hr, respectively).</p> <p>A copy of each unit's certified EPA rating and each unit's CARB or SCAQMD operating permit, will be provided at the time of mobilization of each applicable unit of equipment.</p> <p><b>MM AQ-3: Additional Fugitive Dust Controls.</b> The calculation of fugitive dust (PM) from Project earth-moving activities assumes a 69 percent reduction from uncontrolled levels to simulate rigorous watering of the site and use of other measures (listed below) to ensure Project compliance with SCAQMD Rule 403.</p> <p>The construction contractor shall further reduce fugitive dust emissions to 90 percent from uncontrolled levels. SCAQMD Rule 403 requires a Fugitive Dust Control Plan be prepared and approved for construction sites. The Project construction contractor shall obtain a 403 Permit from SCAQMD prior to construction.</p> <p>The following measures to reduce dust should be included in the contractor's Fugitive Dust Control Plan, at a minimum:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• SCAQMD's Best Available Control Technology (BACT) measures must be followed on all projects. They are outlined on Table 1 in Rule 403. Large construction projects (on a property which contains 50 or more disturbed acres) shall also follow Rule 403 Tables 2 and 3.</li> <li>• Active grading sites shall be watered three times per day.</li> <li>• Contractors shall apply approved non-toxic chemical soil stabilizers to all inactive construction areas or replace groundcover in disturbed areas.</li> <li>• Contractors shall provide temporary wind fencing around sites being graded or cleared.</li> <li>• Trucks hauling dirt, sand, or gravel shall be covered or shall maintain at least 2 feet of freeboard in accordance with Section 23114 of the California Vehicle Code. ("Spilling Loads on Highways").</li> <li>• Construction contractors shall install wheel washers where vehicles enter and exit unpaved roads onto paved roads, or wash off tires of vehicles and any equipment leaving the construction site.</li> <li>• The grading contractor shall suspend all soil disturbance activities when winds exceed 25 mph or when visible dust plumes emanate from a site; disturbed areas shall be stabilized if construction is delayed.</li> <li>• Open storage piles (greater than 3 feet tall and a total surface area of 150 square feet) shall be covered with a plastic tarp or chemical dust suppressant.</li> <li>• Stabilize the materials while loading, unloading and transporting to reduce fugitive dust emissions.</li> <li>• Belly-dump truck seals should be checked regularly to remove trapped</li> </ul>
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	<p>rocks to prevent possible spillage.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Comply with track-out regulations and provide water while loading and unloading to reduce visible dust plumes.</li> <li>• Waste materials should be hauled off-site immediately.</li> <li>• Pave road and road shoulders where available.</li> <li>• Traffic speeds on all unpaved roads shall be reduced to 15 mph or less.</li> <li>• Provide temporary traffic controls such as a flag person, during all phases of construction to maintain smooth traffic flow.</li> <li>• Schedule construction activities that affect traffic flow on the arterial system to off-peak hours to the extent practicable.</li> <li>• Require the use of clean-fueled sweepers pursuant to SCAQMD Rule 1186 and Rule 1186.1 certified street sweepers. Sweep streets at the end of each day if visible soil is carried onto paved roads on-site or roads adjacent to the site to reduce fugitive dust emissions.</li> <li>• Appoint a construction relations officer to act as a community liaison concerning on-site construction activity including resolution of issues related to PM10 generation.</li> </ul> <p><b>MM AQ-4. Best Management Practices.</b> The following measures are required on construction equipment (including onroad trucks):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Use diesel oxidation catalysts and catalyzed diesel particulate traps.</li> <li>• Maintain equipment according to manufacturers’ specifications.</li> <li>• Restrict idling of construction equipment to a maximum of 5 minutes when not in use.</li> <li>• Install high-pressure fuel injectors on construction equipment vehicles.</li> </ul> <p>LAHD shall implement a process by which to select additional BMPs to further reduce air emissions during construction. The LAHD shall determine the BMPs once the contractor identifies and secures a final equipment list.</p> <p>Because the effectiveness of the above measure has not been established, it is not quantified in this study.</p> <p><b>MM AQ-5. General Mitigation Measure.</b> For any of the above mitigation measures (MM AQ-1 through AQ-3), if a CARB-certified technology becomes available and is shown to be equal or more effective in terms of emissions performance than the existing measure, the technology could replace the existing measure pending approval by the LAHD.</p> <p><b>MM AQ-6. Special Precautions near Sensitive Sites.</b> When construction activities are planned within 1,000 feet of sensitive receptors (defined as schools, playgrounds, day care centers, and hospitals), the construction contractor shall notify each of these sites in writing at least 30 days before construction activities begin.</p>
Timing	During Project Construction.
Methodology	MM AQ-1 to AQ-6 will be required in the contract specifications for construction. LAHD will monitor implementation of mitigation measures during construction.
Responsible Parties	BNSF construction contractor(s) for SCIG and construction contractor(s) for Relocated Tenants will be responsible for implementing the mitigation measures in the contract specifications reviewed and approved by LAHD Environmental Management Division.
Residual Impacts	Significant and unavoidable
<b>AQ-4: The Project would result in off-site ambient air pollutant concentrations that exceed an SCAQMD threshold of significance.</b>	
Mitigation Measures	<b>MM AQ-7: On-Site Sweeping at SCIG Facility.</b> BNSF shall sweep the SCIG facility on-site, along routes used by drayage trucks, yard hostlers, service trucks and employee

	<p>commuter vehicles, on a weekly basis using a commercial street sweeper or any technology with equivalent fugitive dust control.</p> <p>This measure was analyzed by assuming that sweeping on a weekly basis would result in a 26% control of paved road fugitive dust PM<sub>10</sub> and PM<sub>2.5</sub> emissions from on-road vehicles traveling within the SCIG facility.</p>
Timing	During Project Operations beginning in 2016.
Methodology	MM AQ-7 will be required in the lease specifications for the site. LAHD will monitor implementation of mitigation measures during operation.
Responsible Parties	BNSF will be responsible for implementing MM AQ-7.
Residual Impacts	Significant and unavoidable
<p><b>The following lease measures may be included in the lease for the SCIG facility subject to approval by the Board. The measures are not required as CEQA mitigation measures but are included here for tracking purposes.</b></p>	
Lease Measures (LM)	
	<p><b>LM AQ-8: Periodic Review of New Technology and Regulations.</b> The Port shall require the tenant to review, in terms of feasibility, any Port-identified or other new emissions-reduction technology, and report to the Port. Such technology feasibility reviews shall take place at the time of the Port's consideration of any lease amendment or facility modification for the Project site. If the technology is determined by the Port to be feasible in terms of cost, technical and operational feasibility, the tenant shall work with the Port to implement such technology.</p> <p>Potential technologies that may further reduce emission and/or result in cost-savings benefits for the tenant may be identified through future work on the CAAP. Over the course of the lease, the tenant and the Port shall work together to identify potential new technology. Such technology shall be studied for feasibility, in terms of cost, technical and operational feasibility.</p> <p>As partial consideration for the Port agreement to issue the permit to the tenant, the tenant shall implement not less frequently than once every 7 years following the effective date of the permit, new air quality technological advancements, subject to mutual agreement on operational feasibility and cost sharing, which shall not be unreasonably withheld. The effectiveness of this measure depends on the advancement of new technologies and the outcome of future feasibility or pilot studies.</p> <p><b>LM AQ-9: Substitution of New Technology.</b> If any kind of technology becomes available and is shown to be as good or as better in terms of emissions reduction performance than an existing measure, the technology could replace the existing measure pending approval by the Port. The technology's emissions reductions must be verifiable through USEPA, CARB, or other reputable certification and/or demonstration studies to the Port's satisfaction.</p>
Timing	During Project Operations beginning in 2016.
Methodology	LAHD will monitor implementation of lease measures during operation.
Responsible Parties	LAHD will be responsible for enforcement of lease measures LM AQ-8 through LM AQ-9 and BNSF will be responsible for compliance and regular reporting.
<p><b>The following measures are Project Conditions that may be included in the lease for the SCIG facility subject to approval by the Board. The conditions are not required as CEQA mitigation measures but are included here for tracking purposes.</b></p>	
Project Conditions (PC)	
	<p><b>PC AQ-10: Zero Emission Technologies Demonstration Program.</b></p> <p>The Board of Harbor Commissioners may consider adoption of a project condition requiring the SCIG facility lease to contain the following requirements:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Participate in demonstrations of zero emission drayage truck, cargo handling, and proof of concept rail technologies in port-related operations using the Clean Air Action Plan Technology Advancement Program (TAP) for coordination.</li> </ul>



	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Participate in a zero emission technologies industry stakeholder group that, together with the TAP Technical Advisory Committee, would advise the TAP in the selection of technologies for testing, development of testing protocols and procedures, timelines for testing programs, and feasibility evaluations.</li> <li>• Allow zero emission technologies tested under the TAP zero emissions program to operate at the SCIG facility, and the Applicant would allow Ports’ staff access into portions of the SCIG facility where these trucks would operate for the purpose of test evaluation.</li> <li>• Participate as part of a multi-organizational collaboration in the pursuit of full-scale proof of concept demonstration of linear synchronous motor (LSM) technology coordinated through the TAP. For the LSM concept, the Ports anticipate collaborating with the South Coast Air Quality Management District (AQMD), General Atomics (GA), and the Center for Commercial Deployment of Transportation Technologies (CCDoTT), a partnership of California State University, Long Beach and the USDOT. The initial element of this program would be to undertake a demonstration project pursuing the deployment of a proof-of-concept project that would demonstrate a system’s ability to move loaded containers in a single car test at a designated test site determined by the collaboration.</li> <li>• Provide match funding to the TAP in an amount equal to that provided by the Port of Los Angeles to the zero emissions program.</li> </ul>
	<p><b>PC AQ-11. Low-Emission Drayage Trucks.</b> This proposed measure would require drayage trucks calling on the SCIG facility to meet an emission reduction in diesel particulate matter emissions (DPM) of 95% by mass relative to the federal 2007 on-road heavy-duty diesel engine emission standard (“low-emission” trucks). The requirement for the percentage of trucks calling on the SCIG facility to be low-emission trucks is as follows: 10 percent in 2016; 12 percent in 2017; 15 percent in 2018; 20 percent in 2019; 25 percent in 2020; 35 percent in 2021; 50 percent in 2022; 75 percent in 2023; 80 percent in 2024; 85% in 2025; and 90 percent in 2026.</p> <p>If this condition is approved, BNSF will be required to install Radio-Frequency Identification (RFID) readers to control access at the gate to the SCIG facility. Truck logs will be provided to the LAHD Environmental Management Division for tracking and reporting.</p>
	<p><b>PC AQ-12. San Pedro Bay Ports CAAP Measure RL-3.</b> CAAP measure RL-3 establishes the goal that the Class 1 locomotive fleet associated with new and redeveloped near-dock rail yards use 15-minute idle restrictors, use ULSD or alternative fuels, and meet a minimum performance requirement of an emissions equivalent of at least 50% Tier 4 line-haul locomotives and 40% Tier 3 line-haul locomotives when operating on port properties by 2023. In March of 2008, USEPA finalized a regulation which established a 2015 date for introduction of Tier 4 locomotives. There is no regulatory mechanism in place that would mandate the introduction of Tier 4 locomotives prior to 2015. Implementation of RL-3 would be based on the commercial availability of Tier 4 locomotives in 2015 and any adjustment in that date will require equivalent adjustment in the goal achievement date. The RL-3 goal may also be achieved by reduction in air emissions equivalent to RL-3 through alternative means. RL-3 further establishes the goal that, by the end of 2015, all Class 1 switcher locomotives operating on port property will meet USEPA Tier 4 non-road standards. In September 2009, CARB adopted its “Staff Recommendations to Provide Further Locomotive and Railyard Emission Reductions” (<a href="http://www.arb.ca.gov/railyard/ted/drtrec090909.pdf">http://www.arb.ca.gov/railyard/ted/drtrec090909.pdf</a>) which identified several high priority strategies for reducing emissions from locomotive operations in California, including providing support for the ports “to accelerate the turnover of cleaner Tier 4 line-haul locomotives serving port properties as expeditiously as possible following their introduction in 2015, with the goal of 95% Tier 4 line-haul locomotives serving the ports by 2020.” Thus, with the assistance of the ports’ regulatory agency partners and in</p>

	<p>concert with CARB’s stated goals, measure RL3 will support the achievement of accelerating the natural turnover of the line-haul locomotive fleet. Finally, measure RL3 establishes the goal of consistency with CAAP measures HDV-1 and CHE-1.</p> <p>This measure was analyzed by adjusting the fleet average locomotive emission factors used in the operational emissions analysis for linehaul locomotives such that the fleet average factors met the minimum requirements of 40% Tier 3 and 50% Tier 4 by 2023. This measure also affects future year linehaul locomotive operational emissions in 2035 and 2046.</p> <p>If approved, LAHD will include this project condition in the lease with BNSF. BNSF will be required to implement this lease measure into Project operations by the specified date. Monitoring and tracking of this lease measure will be the responsibility of the LAHD Environmental Management Division.</p>
Timing	During Project operation.
Methodology	PC AQ-10 to PC AQ-12 may be included in the SCIG lease for operation. LAHD may monitor implementation of the lease measures during operation.
Responsible Parties	LAHD may be responsible for enforcement of lease measures and BNSF may be responsible for compliance and regular reporting.

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2 **3.2.7 Significant Unavoidable Impacts**

3 Project construction and operation would generate significant unavoidable impacts  
 4 related to Impact AQ-1, Impact AQ-2 and Impact AQ-4.

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