



Eastern Kern

Air Pollution Control District

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Board of Directors
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SUBJECT: Hearing to Consider Adoption of the Eastern Kern Air Pollution Control District's Fiscal Year 2019-2020 Budget

Honorable Board:

Section 40131 of the California Health and Safety Code requires each air pollution control district to hold an initial public hearing at which its proposed budget for the next fiscal year is presented for discussion. On July 25, 2019, the initial hearing was held. This is the second hearing where the final budget is considered for adoption.

Proposed Budget

Included in your packet is a copy of District's Final Fiscal Year (FY) 2019-2020 Budget. This document consists of three parts:

Breakdown of Budget;

- a. Budget unit financing summary comparing last year's budget to this year (Page 4);
- b. Budget unit financing analysis comparing last year's budget to this year (Pages 5 – 6);
and
- c. Expense keys 7500 and 7545 (professional and specialized services) (Pages 9 – 10).

Budget Narrative Summary

District Staff has prepared the Proposed Budget for FY 2019-2020. Please note, there is no direct cost to the County of Kern or the three incorporated cities in the District from this proposed budget.

The Proposed FY 2019/20 Budget has recommended expenditures of \$5,298,480. There is a proposed expenditure increase of \$1,084,180 (20.5%) for all budget expenses in this Proposed FY 2019/20 Budget from the previous year Budget. Forecast expenditures for Non-District operations (Account 7545, Professional & Specialized Services for Contracts {PSS Contracts}) are \$1,941,900 (55.3% of the proposed budget). This is a \$988,800 increase for this pass-through account. This account is used to fund special projects for other entities and comes from three different grant funding sources. These funding sources are: motor vehicle registration fee surcharge collected by the Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV), the Carl Moyer Program

funds distributed to the District by the California Air Resources Board (CARB) and Cap-and-Trade Funds distributed to the District by CARB.

The Proposed Budget for actual District operations, salaries and benefits is \$1,717,570 (32.4 % of budget). The District operations budget represents a proposed \$267,670 increase in District operational cost. Employee expense increases including health care, retirement, and increased pay are the main sources of the cost growth.

Additional Items

Based on comments received from the District Board of Directors, District Staff will utilize \$200,000 of District funds to analyze and propose effective methods to reduce dust emission in the District. Also, District Staff has reserved \$200,000 in District funds to assist residences in the District jurisdiction with road paving projects.

Reserves

The FY 2018/19 Budget includes a reduction of \$50,533 to the General Reserve. District Staff proposed a \$135,000 reduction to the General Reserve for the FY 2018/19 budget. For the FY 2019/20 budget, District Staff is proposing a \$356,450 reduction to General Reserve. As proposed, the FY 2019/20 budget will reduce the General Reserve to approximately \$1.7-million. District Staff believes \$1.7-million is a healthy reserve.

IT IS RECOMMENDED your Board open hearing; receive public comment; close hearing and adopt the Budget for Fiscal Year 2019/2020.

Sincerely,

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Attachment