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# Eastern Kern

## Air Pollution Control District

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Air Pollution Control Officer

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Board of Directors  
Eastern Kern APCD  
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SUBJECT: Addition of an Air Quality Specialist

Honorable Board:

The Eastern Kern Air Pollution Control District (District) currently has a staff of 11 persons with a provision for one additional extra help staff. During my tenure as the Air Pollution Control Officer (APCO), the Staff has performed efficiently. However, there is a need to add an Air Quality Specialist (AQS); increasing regular staffing levels from 11 to 12; while eliminating the extra help position.

The District budgeted \$75,000 for the extra help position for fiscal year 2022 – 2023. District Staff estimated the cost of the new AQS position will not to exceed \$48,100 for the remainder of the fiscal year. Therefore, the proposed new position is incorporated into the current FY 2022/2023 fiscal budget. The District's budget will not be affected by the staffing increase.

**IT IS RECOMMENDED** your Board approve eliminating the Extra Help position and adding a regular full time Air Quality Specialist position to the District Staff.

Sincerely,

Glen E. Stephens, P.E.  
Air Pollution Control Officer

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