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# Eastern Kern

Air Pollution Control District

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Gary Ray, Jr.  
Air Pollution Control Officer

July 25, 2024

Board of Directors  
Eastern Kern APCD  
2700 "M" Street, Suite 302  
Bakersfield, California 93301

SUBJECT: Travel Request for Gary Ray, Jr. to Attend the National Ambient Air Monitoring Conference in New Orleans, Louisiana

Honorable Board:

During the week of August 12, 2024, the Environment Protection Agency (EPA) in conjunction with the National Association of Clean Air Agencies (NACAA) is holding the National Ambient Air Monitoring Conference (NAAMC) in New Orleans, Louisiana. The conference is designed to assist Air Districts with operating, planning, improving, and managing air monitoring networks.

The District has budgeted funds for this conference; additionally, EPA has made available the 103 Grant funds. The expected cost of sending a staff member to the conference is approximately \$3,000.

**IT IS RECOMMENDED** your Board approve the unusual travel request for Gary Ray, Jr., to attend the 2024 NAAMC in New Orleans, Louisiana, from August 11 through 16, 2024, at a cost not to exceed \$3,000.

Sincerely,

Gary Ray, Jr.  
Air Pollution Control Officer

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