

SUMMARY OF PROCEEDINGS

BOARD OF DIRECTORS EASTERN KERN AIR POLLUTION CONTROL DISTRICT

Regular Meeting
Thursday, May 7, 2026
2:00 P.M.

Location: Eastern Kern Air Pollution Control District Board Room
414 W. Tehachapi Blvd., Suite D, Tehachapi, CA 93561

Kern County Administration Building
1115 Truxtun Avenue, Suite #501, Bakersfield, CA 93301

Ridgecrest City Hall
100 W. California Ave., Ridgecrest, CA 93555

Zoom Video Conferencing - <https://zoom.us>
Meeting ID # 826 861 7254

DISTRICT TO RECONVENE

DIRECTORS: Creighton (Chairman), Parlier (Vice-Chairman), Gorman, Peters, and Gutierrez

ROLL CALL: 3 Present (Creighton -Tehachapi) (Gorman, Gutierrez- Zoom) 2
Absent (Peters, Palier)

SALUTE TO FLAG: Director Creighton

AIR POLLUTION CONTROL OFFICER: Gary Ray, Jr.
BOARD SECRETARY: Cristina Bolton

BOARD ACTION SHOWN AFTER EACH ITEM IN CAPS. The vote is placed in **bold** below each Board Action. For example, **Gorman – Gutierrez** denotes Director Gorman made the motion and Director Gutierrez seconded the motion.

CONSENT AGENDA/OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC COMMENT: All items listed with a **(-CA)** were considered routine and approved by one motion. **Gorman - Gutierrez: Roll call vote: Crieghton – Aye, Gorman – Aye, Gutierrez – Aye; 3 – Ayes, 2 – Absent (Peters, Parlier)**

PUBLIC PRESENTATIONS

- 1) This portion of the meeting is reserved for persons to address the Board on any matter not on this agenda but under jurisdiction of the Board. Board members may respond briefly to statements made or questions posed. They may ask questions for clarification; make referrals to staff for information or request staff to report to the Board at a later meeting. In addition, the Board

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may take action to direct staff to place a matter of business on a future agenda. **SPEAKERS ARE LIMITED TO TWO MINUTES. PLEASE STATE YOUR NAME BEFORE MAKING YOUR PRESENTATION. THANK YOU. NO ONE HEARD.**

BOARD MEMBER PRESENTATIONS OR ANNOUNCEMENTS

- 2) On their own initiative, Board members may make brief announcements or brief reports on their own activities. They may ask questions for clarification, make referrals to staff or take action to have staff place a matter of business on a future agenda [Gov. Code Sec. 54954.2(a)]. **NO ONE HEARD.**

HEARINGS

- 3) Hearing to Present and Receive Comments on Eastern Kern Air Pollution Control District’s Proposed Fiscal Year 2026-2027 Budget – OPEN HEARING; RECEIVE PUBLIC COMMENT; CLOSE HEARING AND DIRECT STAFF TO CONSIDER ALL COMMENTS RECEIVED IN PREPARATION OF ITS FINAL PROPOSED FISCAL YEAR 2026-2027 BUDGET FOR BOARD CONSIDERATION AT THE JULY 2026 GOVERNING BOARD MEETING. **Gorman - Creighton: Roll call vote: Crieghton – Aye, Gorman – Aye, Gutierrez – Aye; 3 – Ayes, 2 – Absent (Peters, Parlier)**

DISTRICT REQUESTS

- 4-CA) Agreement with Brown Armstrong, CPA for District’s Financial Records Audit and Reports for Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2026, through June 30, 2029 – APPROVE AND AUTHORIZE CHAIRMAN TO SIGN AGREEMENT NO. 05-001-2026 WITH BROWN ARMSTRONG, CPA; AND AUTHORIZE THE CHAIRMAN AND APCO TO SIGN THE BROWN ARMSTRONG, CPA ENGAGEMENT LETTER. **Gorman - Gutierrez: Roll call vote: Crieghton – Aye, Gorman – Aye, Gutierrez – Aye; 3 – Ayes, 2 – Absent (Peters, Parlier)**
- 5-CA) Community Air Protection - Carl Moyer Program Grant Agreement with Robin Onstott to Replace a Diesel-Fueled Compact Loader – APPROVE AND AUTHORIZE CHAIRMAN TO SIGN AGREEMENT NO. 05-002-2026 WITH ROBIN ONSTOTT FOR THE PURCHASE OF A NEW LOW-EMITTING COMPACT LOADER. **Gorman - Gutierrez: Roll call vote: Crieghton – Aye, Gorman – Aye, Gutierrez – Aye; 3 – Ayes, 2 – Absent (Peters, Parlier)**

- 6-CA) Carl Moyer Program Grant Agreement with Jason Griffin to Replace a Diesel-Fueled Backhoe – APPROVE AND AUTHORIZE CHAIRMAN TO SIGN AGREEMENT 05-003-2026 WITH JASON GRIFFIN FOR THE PURCHASE OF A NEW LOW-EMITTING MINI EXCAVATOR. **Gorman - Gutierrez: Roll call vote: Crieghton – Aye, Gorman – Aye, Gutierrez – Aye; 3 – Ayes, 2 – Absent (Peters, Parlier)**
- 7-CA) Grant Agreement with the California Air Resources Board for the District to receive AB 197 Grant Funds – APPROVE AND AUTHORIZE BOARD TO ADOPT RESOLUTION NO. 2026-001-05 REQUESTING ASSEMBLY BILL 197 GRANT FUNDS; AUTHORIZE THE APCO TO SIGN AN AGREEMENT WITH CARB; SUBMIT A CERTIFIED COPY OF THE BOARD RESOLUTION TO CARB AND DO ALL OTHER ACTS NECESSARY TO RESERVE AND RECEIVE AB 197 FUNDS. **Gorman - Gutierrez: Roll call vote: Crieghton – Aye, Gorman – Aye, Gutierrez – Aye; 3 – Ayes, 2 – Absent (Peters, Parlier)**
- 8-CA) California Air Resources Board Assembly Bill 617, Fiscal Year 2025/2026 Community Air Protection Program Grant Funds – APPROVE AND AUTHORIZE BOARD TO ADOPT RESOLUTION NO. 2026-002-05 TO REQUEST THE DISTRICT’S ANNUAL ALLOCATION OF CAPP FUNDS; AUTHORIZE THE APCO TO SIGN AN AGREEMENT WITH CARB; SUBMIT A CERTIFIED COPY OF THE BOARD RESOLUTION TO CARB, AND DO ALL OTHER ACTS NECESSARY TO RESERVE AND RECEIVE FISCAL YEAR 2025/2026 CAPP FUNDS. **Gorman - Gutierrez: Roll call vote: Crieghton – Aye, Gorman – Aye, Gutierrez – Aye; 3 – Ayes, 2 – Absent (Peters, Parlier)**
- 9-CA) California Air Resources Board G25-MCAP-06 Community Air Protection Incentives Year 9 Funds – APPROVE AND AUTHORIZE BOARD TO ADOPT RESOLUTION NO. 2026-003-05 REQUESTING THE DISTRICT’S ALLOCATION OF G25-MCAP-06 COMMUNITY AIR PROTECTION INCENTIVES YEAR 9 FUNDS; AUTHORIZE THE APCO TO SIGN THE AWARD LETTER; SUBMIT A CERTIFIED COPY OF THE BOARD RESOLUTION TO CARB, AND DO ALL OTHER ACTS NECESSARY TO RESERVE SAID FUNDS. **Gorman - Gutierrez: Roll call vote: Crieghton – Aye, Gorman – Aye, Gutierrez – Aye; 3 – Ayes, 2 – Absent (Peters, Parlier)**
- 10-CA) Memorandum of Understanding with San Luis Obispo County Air Pollution Control District for Redirection of FY2021/2023 Woodsmoke Reduction Program Project Funds – BOARD ADOPT RESOLUTION NO. 2026-004-05 REQUESTING THE DISTRICT ACCEPT SLOAPCD’S REDIRECTED

FY 2021/202023 WSRP PROJECT FUNDS; AUTHORIZE THE APCO TO SIGN AN MOU WITH SLOAPCD; SUBMIT A CERTIFIED COPY OF THE BOARD RESOLUTION TO CARB, AND DO ALL OTHER ACTS NECESSARY TO RECEIVE SAID FUNDS. **Gorman - Gutierrez: Roll call vote: Crieghton – Aye, Gorman – Aye, Gutierrez – Aye; 3 – Ayes, 2 – Absent (Peters, Parlier)**

11-CA) Proposed Amendment No. 1 to Agreement 01-006-2024 with Muroc Joint Unified School District – CHAIRMAN TO SIGN AMENDMENT NO. 1 (05-001-2026A) TO AGREEMENT 01-006-2024 WITH MUROC JOINT UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT. **Gorman - Gutierrez: Roll call vote: Crieghton – Aye, Gorman – Aye, Gutierrez – Aye; 3 – Ayes, 2 – Absent (Peters, Parlier)**

12-CA) 2026 DMV Grant Program Recommended Project List – APPROVE AND AUTHORIZE BOARD TO RECEIVE AND APPROVE THE DISTRICT'S 2026 DMV GRANT PROGRAM RECOMMENDED PROJECT LIST; RECEIVE PUBLIC COMMENT; AUTHORIZE STAFF AND LEGAL COUNSEL TO DRAFT NECESSARY PROJECT IMPLEMENTATION AGREEMENTS; AND BRING SAID AGREEMENTS TO THE JULY 2026 BOARD MEETING FOR CONSIDERATION. **Gorman - Gutierrez: Roll call vote: Crieghton – Aye, Gorman – Aye, Gutierrez – Aye; 3 – Ayes, 2 – Absent (Peters, Parlier)**

MATTERS FOR EXECUTIVE APPROVAL

13-CA) Summary of Proceedings for Meeting of January 15, 2026 – APPROVE AND FILE. **Gorman - Gutierrez: Roll call vote: Crieghton – Aye, Gorman – Aye, Gutierrez – Aye; 3 – Ayes, 2 – Absent (Peters, Parlier)**

DOCUMENTS FOR FILING

14-CA) Daniells Phillips Vaughan & Bock Audit Report of the District Financial Controls and Financial Statements for Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2025– RECEIVE AND FILE. **Gorman - Gutierrez: Roll call vote: Crieghton – Aye, Gorman – Aye, Gutierrez – Aye; 3 – Ayes, 2 – Absent (Peters, Parlier)**

15-CA) DISTRICT Notice of Violation's update – RECEIVE AND FILE. **Gorman - Gutierrez: Roll call vote: Crieghton – Aye, Gorman – Aye, Gutierrez – Aye; 3 – Ayes, 2 – Absent (Peters, Parlier)**

DISTRICT UPDATES

16) APCO Report (Verbal)

**MR. RAY THANKED ALL OF THE BOARD MEMBERS FOR
SHOWING UP TO THE BOARD MEETINGS.**

ADJOURN TO THURSDAY, JULY 23, 2026, 2:00 PM, REGULAR
BOARD SESSION AT EASTERN KERN AIR POLLUTION CONTROL
DISTRICT BOARD ROOM, 414 W. TEHACHAPI BLVD., SUITE D,
TEHACHAPI, CA. **CREIGHTON**

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(District Seal)



Cristina Bolton, Board Secretary
Eastern Kern APCD



Jim Creighton, Chairman
Eastern Kern APCD

