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Board of Supervisors Support Air Pollution Control District Hearing Board and Order for Abatement will be Enforced to Protect Residents

September 16, 2021 – In an effort to protect the health of our residents and the environment of the Imperial County, the Imperial County Board of Supervisors support the Imperial County Air Pollution Control District (ICAPCD) Hearing Board and Abatement Order issued on April 16, 2021 for violations of air district rules and regulations. This order requires that the Imperial Irrigation District (IID) construct Best Available Control Measures (BACM) at the Red Hill Bay Project Area to control airborne particulates that threatens the health and welfare of Imperial County residents.

Since July 2020, the Red Hill Bay Project area has produced multiple events of excessive airborne dust violating ICAPCD rules and regulations, threatening public health and safety.

The Imperial County Board of Supervisors serves as the governing District Board for the ICAPCD. The ICAPCD is the local regulatory agency with the mission to protect the people and environment of Imperial County from the effects of air pollution. The County of Imperial and ICAPCD are committed in working with all responsible agencies, parties, technical experts, and officials to ensure action is taken to address the growing crisis surrounding the Salton Sea to protect public health and the environment from adverse air quality impacts.

To view the Petition for Order for Abatement in its entirety, visit the following link: https://apcd.imperialcounty.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/11/Petition-for-Order-for-Abatement.pdf

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