



UPDATE ON FEDERAL ACTIONS / LEGISLATION

2016 AQMP FUNDING WORKING GROUP

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PAST FEDERAL APPROPRIATIONS

(In Millions)	FY 2016	FY 2017	FY 2018
DERA Grants	\$50	\$60	\$75
Targeted Airshed Grants	\$20	\$30	\$40
Section 103/105	\$228.2	\$228.2	\$228.2

CURRENT FEDERAL ISSUES – CONGRESS

FISCAL YEAR 2019 APPROPRIATIONS

SCAQMD has been working with the CA Delegation and key Members of Congress and Committee staff to support critical programs including *DERA*, *Targeted Airshed Grants* and *Section 103/105*. The FY 2019 budget levels have not been made public yet as negotiations have been behind the scenes. The House and Senate are holding budget hearings

House Energy & Commerce Subcommittee on Environment held hearing (4/26)

House Appropriations Subcommittee on Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies held hearing

Senate Appropriations hearings to be held in May -- Subcommittee on Energy & Water Development. (Possibility to include the Vehicle Innovation Act).

Infrastructure bill

- SCAQMD met with Members of Congress and staff last year and have been continuing the dialogue. The outlook for a bill is less optimistic. There may be a possibility of smaller bills moving versus a large package.

CURRENT ADMINISTRATIVE ISSUES

Proposed repeal of *Emission Requirements for Glider Vehicles, Glider Engines, and Glider Kits*

Executive Officer Wayne Nastri testified before the U.S. EPA in December 4, 2017.

SCAQMD has briefed the CA Delegation and key Members of Congress and staff.

Report language for FY 2018 Omnibus Appropriations bill requests an update by U.S. EPA to update Congress upon completion of review.

CURRENT ADMINISTRATIVE ISSUES CONTINUED

Reconsideration of the 2017 Final Determination of the Mid-term Evaluation of Greenhouse Gas Emission Standards for Model Year 2022-2025 Light-Duty Vehicles

- *(Corporate Average Fuel Economy Standards known as CAFE)* (In 2023 – the deadline for SCAQMD to attain the federal ozone standards – light-duty vehicles are estimated to contribute approximately 11% of our basin’s VOC and PM2.5 emissions, and 9% of our NOx emissions). Other concerns, possible impacts on CA Waiver, slow growth and innovation in zero and near zero vehicle market, set precedent for further roll backs in other vehicle classes such as heavy-duty.

California Waiver

- *California Waiver – U.S. EPA also announced a potential revocation of California’s Waiver under the Clean Air Act which allows the state to set its own vehicle emissions standards. (Currently, federal and California vehicle emissions standards are harmonized, but if the U.S. EPA revises the CAFE Standards, this would potentially create two sets of vehicle emissions standards in the U.S. 15 additional states have opted to adopt all or a portion of California’s standards as allowed by the Clean Air Act.*

CURRENT ADMINISTRATIVE ISSUES

Other actions:

- ▶ Presidential Memorandum for the Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency
 - ▶ “take specific actions to ensure efficient and cost-effective implementation of the National Ambient Air Quality Standards (NAAQS) program, including with regard to permitting decisions for new and expanded facilities, and with respect to the Regional Haze Program” (mentioned in Congressional hearings on 4/26 in context of timely review of State Implementation Plans and approval of permits.
- ▶ Proposed Rule “Strengthening Transparency and Validity in Regulatory Science”
 - ▶ Would require the use of studies that make all data publicly available.

OTHER FEDERAL ACTIVITIES

Visit by U.S. EPA Assistant Administrator Bill Wehrum:

*Southern California
Goods Movement &
Air Quality Tour*

- SCAQMD partnered with the Port of Los Angeles and Port of Long Beach to host U.S. EPA Assistant Administrator Bill Wehrum and staff from the Office of Air and Radiation and Region 9 for meetings and a tour including the Long Beach Container Terminal, APM Terminal, Environmental Justice in the Community, a Tour of SCAQMD Lab and Medium and Heavy Duty Vehicle Display



OTHER FEDERAL ACTIVITIES

Washington, D.C.

- SCAQMD is planning an upcoming Spring visit to Washington, D. C. to meet with the Administration, Members of Congress and Staff on key issues including appropriations, infrastructure, actions or potential actions by U.S. EPA.



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