

APCD Hearing Board meeting 10/14/22

To Whom It May Concern,

The Stipulated Order of Abatement must not be modified. This order exists because of a mounting public health issue, specifically pulmonary disease, from particulate matter emanating from the dunes.

I am a retired physician and my wife a retired marine biologist who was involved in the Channel Islands development. We live near the Oceano Dunes and both rely on scientific knowledge. As studies continue to emerge and cases of COPD increase there is no question that the particulate matter from the dunes is responsible. The Stipulated Order was constructed to target a 50% reduction in this offending emission. Any changes to reduce a reachable goal of 50% reduction, or extension of time are counterproductive. We believe that the original goals of compliance with state air quality standards is attainable and mandatory by 2023. A known public health issue must not be allowed to grow and should be treated at the highest level.

Respectfully,

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