SLO Air Pollution Control Hearing Board

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[Proposed] Stipulated Order of Abatement

Truth or Consequences

Regrettably & Shamefully Neither

Legal defects...

Finding of "no public nuisance" is false; the case has not been heard

No operating agreement exists between Parks and SLO County

"Force majeure" inventions are excuses for delay and non-compliance

"Negative externality" is, in fact, a taking by State Parks

Operational deficiencies...

- CARB model trumps reality unnecessarily
- Model measurements are not actual air pollution measurements at real monitors
- No control or baseline monitor, such as Oso Flaco, and no margin of error in measurement
- Timetable ignores the urgency; 5 years!!
- Built-in process delays (SAG, for example)
- Tying abatement to "Public Works Plan" is unnecessary and irrelevant (see CCC)

Mathematical reality...

Model algorithms are poor substitutes for factual measurement

24-hour average PM threshold for "exceedence" is a misunderstanding of the distribution of PM concentrations at ODSVRA

PM magnitudes are more important than frequencies

Fatal flaws in the SOA...

- No responsibility and no urgency
- No use of Oso Flaco or other ambient air quality control sites
- No appreciation for the hourly distribution of PM concentrations
- No measurement metrics based on real data
- No consequences for non-compliance
- No effective dispute resolution scheme

JUST SAY NO...

To this insulting abdication of responsibility and professional conduct.

The citizens of SLO County deserve and demand better.