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Judge Crandall Rules in Support of APCD's Dust Rule

SAN LUIS OBISPO, CALIFORNIA, – On Friday, April 19, Judge Crandall, Superior Court of San Luis Obispo, issued his ruling on the two lawsuits against the San Luis Obispo (SLO) County Air Pollution Control District's (APCD) Rule 1001 which regulates dust emissions from the Oceano Dunes. Judge Crandall's decision denied the arguments presented by Friends of Oceano Dunes, Inc., Kevin P. Rice and California State Parks that sought to overturn the rule.

"This was a solid and scholarly decision by Judge Crandall for the APCD that comprehensively addressed every issue raised in the lawsuits," states Ray Biering, APCD Legal Counsel. "The decision holds that APCD's Rule 1001 was legally adopted and supported by substantial scientific evidence on the need to reduce particulate matter emissions from the dunes to protect public health."

With this decision, the APCD looks forward to continuing its work with State Parks Off-Highway Vehicle Division to implement particulate matter reduction measures at the State Vehicular Recreation Area to reduce dust levels downwind on the Nipomo Mesa.

Judge Crandall's ruling can be found at:
http://slocourts.net/downloads/tentative_rulings/Crandall/rulings_orders/Friends%20of%20Oceano%20Dunes%20v.%20SLO,%20CV12-0013.pdf

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