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Dear Hearing Board members,

As the Stipulated Order of Abatement slogs on another year, it is painfully clear that State Parks is doing as little as it can get away with and has no intention of meeting the SOA agreement deadline to have air quality standards met after five years of mitigation efforts.

State Parks has indicated that it will take 600 acres of mitigation to meet the goal and has offered up 322 acres so far, with 2023 looming on the horizon. Furthermore, State Parks, with APCD acquiescence, has failed to treat known emissivity hot spots, which would accelerate the reduction of air pollution. Air Pollution Control Officer Gary Willey continues to approve insufficient incremental efforts all the while knowing what needs to be done for the SOA goal to be met.

The "conditionally approved" 2021 Work Plan draft will be before you on October 18. I encourage you to ask State Parks and Mr. Willey how they plan to successfully meet the SOA goals by 2023. And I urge you to not be complicit by supporting any extension of the SOA deadline, a prospective proposal that has been mentioned.

State Parks agreed to manage this project in five years. That is all it should have because this is not some effort to make the regulators happy. This is about protecting human health, which generally seems to be overlooked when mitigation guidelines and proposals are developed.

Thank you.
Arlene Versaw

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"Freedom of the press ensures that the abuse of every other freedom can be known, can be challenged and even defeated". Kofi Annan