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neighborhood council



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Porter Ranch Neighborhood Council Ad Hoc Committee: Aliso Canyon Monday, July 17, 2017 4:00 – 5:30 pm

Porter Ranch Branch Library (Meeting Room) 11371 Tampa Avenue, Porter Ranch, California

Note: Ad Hoc Committees are not subject to the notice and posting requirements of The Brown Act.

Meeting Agenda

- I. Introductions
 - A. Susan Gorman-Chang, Vice President Porter Ranch Neighborhood Council & Co-Chair Sustainability Committee
 - B. Jarrod DeGonia, Senior Field Deputy, Supervisor Kathryn Barger
 - C. Katie Butler, Health Impact Assessment Analyst, County of Los Angeles Public Health
 - D. Andrea Polidori, Atmospheric Measurements Manager, SCAQMD
- II. Procedures for Ad Hoc Committee
 - A. Advisory only: return to full Board with recommendation
 - B. Purpose
 - 1. Ideas for securing reliable, independent, permanent air monitoring
 - 2. No would-ha, should-ha, could-ha discourse
 - 3. Brainstorming for solutions going forward
 - 4. Review what has been done *for context*, but look to future solutions
- III. Past Monitoring
 - A. UCLA
 - B. Los Angeles County Department of Public Health
 - C. CARB
 - D. Coordination among these entities?
- IV. Current Monitoring
 - A. Argo Scientific (2/1/2016 present)
 - B. SoCalGas (due to lawsuit 6SC00433; 3 years from 11/2016)
 - C. SCAQMD (where & how much longer?)
 - D. Coordination among these entities?
 - E. Challenges with data: SoCalGas v. Argo Scientific v. CARB

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1. Flat line of 2.0 with SoCalGas

"The California Air Resources Board has identified that 1.9-2 parts per million (ppm) is the normal background level of methane for the Porter Ranch Area. As such, we can expect that the normal level is what would be detected most of the time. Essentially, a flat line at 2 ppm means that the monitors do not detect any methane above normal background levels. You can compare our readings with those from the South Coast Air Quality Management District's monitor, which is available here. Please keep in mind that this monitor uses a different technology than ours, so the readings may vary"

- 2. Argo Scientific measurements vary: posted every 5 minutes
- 3. CARB: Nothing posted past 3/28/2017
- V. Monitoring Going Forward: PR needs monitoring that is:
 - A. Independent (Not SoCalGas & not Gov't Agency)
 - B. Raw data not rounded or smoothed
 - C. Raw data available in real time & on Smart Phones
 - D. Data that is kept for later analysis
 - E. Redundancy/cross checks desirable
- VI. Funding Ideas?
 - A. Grant possibilities?
 - B. CARB?
 - C. EPA? (Methane Emissions Standards upheld by Appeals Court 7/2017)
 - D. Rule 1148.3- Regulations for underground gas storage facilities?
- VII. SCAQMD Rule 1180-Mandatory air monitoring around refineries
- VIII. SCAQMD Rule 1148.3- Regulations for underground gas storage facilities
 - A. Next Workshop on Rule 1148.3 is scheduled for when?
- IX. Wrap Up
 - A. Summarize follow up items/assignments
 - B. Next meeting date/time suggestions
 - C. Guest speaker suggestions