To: Jim Provenza, Chair

and Members of the Board of Directors

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Date: May 12, 2021

Subject: CARB Emission Reporting Regulations

Recommended Action

This is an informational report only.

Background

On November 20, 2020, the California Air Resources Board approved amendments to the Criteria Air Pollutants and Toxic Air Contaminants Reporting (CTR) Regulation and the Emissions Inventory Criteria and Guidelines (EICG). Currently, CARB staff is making a number of changes through a public 15-day revision process. It is anticipated that both the revised CTR Regulation and EICG will be fully adopted in Spring 2021.

The proposed changes to the CTR Regulation and the EICG will significantly increase the number of permitted facilities required to report emissions data to CARB, as well as increase the number of toxic pollutants that are required to be reported. Reporting for different facility types are included in three phases, with the first phase required to report beginning in 2025, and the second and third phases initially reporting in 2027 and 2028, respectively.

Budget Impacts

The EICG is part of the AB 2588 (Air Toxics Hot Spots Information and Assessment Act), and District Rule 4.9 includes a fee program for costs associated with this program. Currently, there is no District rule or funding mechanism to recover costs associated with the CTR Regulation, and CARB estimates the costs to air districts state-wide will be up to \$5.3 million, annually.