

Owens Lake Scientific Advisory Panel: Off-Lake Sources of Airborne Dust

May Hybrid Meeting



May 29, 2024 OPEN SESSION

Location: Sulfate Facility 111 Sulfate Rd, Keeler CA, 93530

INTRODUCTIONS

8:30 am Welcome and orientation

Ted Russell, Chair

- Welcome, introductions
- NASEM processes
- OLSAP's task

8:40 am Introduction: History of Owens Valley PM10 Planning Area Dust Control Challenges

Phillip Kiddoo, GBUAPCD (15 min presentation + 5 min Q&A)

- brief history and current status of OVPA PM10 exceedances
- brief history of relevant regulatory context
- remaining dust control challenges

Jaime Valenzuela, LADWP (15 min presentation + 5 min Q&A)

- brief history of dust control measures
- progress in addressing on-lake exceedances
- regulatory context for off-lake sources

OFF-LAKE SOURCES

9:20 am Geologic history of the Owens Lake Basin: Relationship of off-lake sources with paleo shorelines

Steve Bacon, GBUAPCD (15 min presentation + 10 min Q&A)

- Lake level history
- Relationship of sources to paleo shorelines

9:45 am Off-lake areas of concern that contribute to exceedances

Grace Holder, GBUAPCD (15 min presentation + 10 min Q&A)

• areas of concern and their impacts to PM10 exceedances

- types of sources (e.g., shoreline berms, aeolian dunes, pluvial lake deposits, alluvial surfaces, recent flood events)
- changes in source areas over time

10:10 am BREAK

10:25 am Keeler Dunes

Grace Holder, GBUAPCD (15 min presentation)

changes in Keeler Dunes over time

Jim Richards & Katie Kolesar, LADWP (15 min presentation)

- aeolian dune morphology and dune volume changes
- important hydrologic features and changes on the alluvial fans influencing vegetation stability
- emissions potential of aeolian and alluvial surfaces

Q&A with all speakers (20 min): Grace Holder, Jim Richards, Katie Kolesar

11:15 am Lunch & flood deposits (e.g. Centennial Wash, Keeler Dunes, Coso wash)

Nik Barbieri, GBUAPCD (10 min presentation + 2 min Q&A)

mapping of flash flood deposits

Brian Schmid, Hank Dickey, Yohannes Yimam, LADWP (10 min presentation + 2 min Q&A)

- geomorphology and sources in centennial flats
- impact of tropical storms

12:00 pm Safety for field visits

Jevon Lam, LADWP (15 min presentation)

FIELD ORIENTATION TRIP #1 (south side)

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May 30, 2024 OPEN SESSION

8:30 am Welcome and orientation

Ted Russell, Chair

TRIBAL NATIONS AND STAKEHOLDERS

8:35 am Sally Manning, Big Pine Paiute Tribe (12 min presentation)

OFF-LAKE DUST CONTROL METHODS

8:50 am Off-lake Dust Controls

Grace Holder, GBUAPCD (15 min presentation)

- Summary of Keeler Dunes Dust Control Project
- Keeler Dunes lessons learned

9:05 am Ann Logan, GBUAPCD (8 min presentation)

Important considerations (environmental resources, water, feasibility, cost...)

9:13 am Q&A/Discussion with all speakers: Grace Holder and Ann Logan

REGULATORY CONTEXT

9:35 am Regulatory context of off-lake sources, including exceptional events policy

Shaye Hong, EPA (15 min presentation)

Introduction to EPA's Exceptional Events Rule

Carrie MacDougall & John Bannister, LADWP (20 min presentation)

- off-lake sources in the 2016 SIP
- EPA's Exceptional Events Rule
- Rule 433

Ann Logan, GBUAPCD (15 min presentation)

- Off-lake sources under the CAA
- EPA's exceptional events rule

Q&A/Discussion with all speakers: Shaye Hong, Dena Vallano, Sheila Tsai, Stella Cook, Ginger Vagenas, Gobeail McKinley, Beth Palma (EPA); Ann Logan (GBUAPCD), Carrie MacDougall, John Bannister (LADWP); Alicia Kindred, Leah Matthews, Theresa Najita (CARB)

10:50 BREAK

TRIBAL NATIONS AND STAKEHOLDERS

11:05 am Tribal Nations

Kathy Bancroft, Lone Pine Paiute Shoshone Reservation (confirmed)
Also invited: Fort Independence Indian Reservation, Bishop Paiute Tribe,

Timbisha Shoshone Tribe

11:25 am Stakeholder comment period

Michael Prather, Eastern Sierra Audubon (confirmed)

Friends of the Inyo

11:45 am Public comment period (must be in person and sign up by 10:45 am PT)

12:00 pm Lunch and continued discussion

FIELD ORIENTATION TRIP #2 (north side)

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