

**Comment 1 for Imperial County Air Quality and Consider Approval of the  
2009 Imperial County PM10 SIP (pm10sip) - Non-Reg.**

First Name: Louis A.

Last Name: Fuentes

Email Address: Non-web submitted comment

Affiliation:

Subject: County of Imperial

Comment:

please see attached

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**Comment 2 for Imperial County Air Quality and Consider Approval of the  
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Email Address: Non-web submitted comment

Affiliation:

Subject: Imperial County-Air Pollution Control District

Comment:

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**Comment 3 for Imperial County Air Quality and Consider Approval of the  
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Comment:

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## **Comment 4 for Imperial County Air Quality and Consider Approval of the 2009 Imperial County PM10 SIP (pm10sip) - Non-Reg.**

First Name: Carolina

Last Name: Villa

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Affiliation: Concerned Citizen and SCU member

Subject: SIP approval

Comment:

I am a citizen and a community member of the Imperial Valley. I do volunteer work with the community and have with Comite Civico in areas that I feel are important to serve the best interest of the community as a whole. I want you to know that the EPA had urged the County Supervisors to not approve the SIP originally and also their were around 12 community people who spoke out at that meeting to ask the supervisors to do their homework first before the approved the SIP as is. There were some 4 speakers on the other side voting to approve as is. Mostly farmer Bureau and other farm people with interest in representing the farmers. Here you see where clearly majority of numbers don't count, because the few spoke for their interest. Which the changes would affect how they do business so to speak. One of the supervisors clearly stated in another meeting that he was a farmer for some 20 or more years.

According to the Basta Study that was done this past year the Imperial Valley has a high incidence of Asthma in children by 20% and some 13 % could be undiagnose by not having knowledge of the symptoms to be diagnosed. I feel that the most vulnerable ones here have to be protected for their health and future. I had a brother in law die of Cancer at the age of 44 leaving his son and daughter father-less. He lived here in the valley most of his life. A young girl Maria Dugan who was only 16 years old, died last year around the time of field burning that was going on. She had an attack and died that day at the hospital. The basta study is dedicated in her memory. Perhaps the Revised Sip should have a dedication to her memory saying Basta, No more deaths. We are important, we matter. We have the same rights to breathe clean air and need the equal chance to have the quality of other places like Joaquin Valley. I ask you that you please consider all the people who live here in the valley. We need stricter rules to have less exceedances and become attainable like other areas. I have grandchildren who I want to be able to play outside in green grass and be able to breathe with out asthma, allergies or respiratory problems. Please help us breathe better by listening, and being empathatic to the needs of health improvements starting with clean air. Think of your grandkids if they lived here in the valley. Would you not want the best atmosphere and environment for your own blood. I think that is what we are asking. Better and we Deserve Better.

Thank you for your considerations of my words.

Respectfully,  
Carolina Villa

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**Comment 5 for Imperial County Air Quality and Consider Approval of the  
2009 Imperial County PM10 SIP (pm10sip) - Non-Reg.**

First Name: Deborah

Last Name: Jordan

Email Address: Non-web submitted comment

Affiliation:

Subject: United States Environmental Protection Agency

Comment:

please see attached

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## **Comment 6 for Imperial County Air Quality and Consider Approval of the 2009 Imperial County PM10 SIP (pm10sip) - Non-Reg.**

First Name: John R

Last Name: Jordan

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Affiliation:

Subject: Imperial Count Air Quality

Comment:

Dear Sirs,

I have lived in sense 1950. I am a pilot and fly in and out of the Imperial County. When the source of wind is from the west or north and the wind is not very strong we generally have every good air quality.

We get air pollution from four sourcres. The break down of the desert batina by the off road vehicles in San Diego county on the boarder with Imperial County. (this is not a problem unless there are strong winds. In the pre off road days the infrequent rain created a seal on the desert which made the dust from the strong western winds much less. In the "old days" it was always possible to leave the valley on Highway 78 with out getting sand blasted. Now that is not now the case.

Two: Smog coming down wind from the LA basin. This is very visible in the Niland area as the air will get dirty and then clean with about 6 to 8 hours lags on the snarl on the big city.

Three: The prevailing winds ,in total time, from the South bring the pollution from Mexicali and its miles of dirt roads. Its old cars with little smog control. and the natural gas power plants to the west of Mexicali.

The validity of this is very visible and our air quality goes down remarkably whe we get their air.

4: The off roaders to the East in the area east of the sand dunes. They are generally down wind from the valley.

In the Imperial Valley forty or fifty years ago we had very clean air day after day. From that base line we have improved. On my farm we run a full time water truck on the roads to keep the dust down. We work up the ground on fields that has land the moves in with wind so when it sits idle there is no dust.

In the valley the acreage of perment crops has increased over time. With the addition of Alfala acres, and the introduction of long lived grasses like Bermuda grass.

Wind events have always caused blowing dust and it still does. If our current condition exceeds pre human conditions I doubt it.

When you look at the pristine desert in a wind event you see blowing dust.

Sugestions:

Pave the streets of Mexacili, Outlaw the off road vehicles on lands what have a component pml0 particles. Have the mexicans clean up there generating plants. Pave more county roads in Imperial county.

Thank you,

John R. Jordan

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## **Comment 7 for Imperial County Air Quality and Consider Approval of the 2009 Imperial County PM10 SIP (pm10sip) - Non-Reg.**

First Name: James

Last Name: Walker

Email Address: drofnats@beamspeed.net

Affiliation:

Subject: Imperial County PM10 State Implementation Plan

Comment:

I am a life-long resident and farmer in the Imperial County. I have children and grandchildren who are also living here and breathing the same air that I have breathed all my life without any harm.

I would encourage you to approve the Imperial County PM10 State Implementation Plan.

This plan is the result of a cooperative effort between agricultural organizations, business coalitions, community, military and academic groups, the California Highway Patrol, and local, state and federal air quality agencies representatives.

This plan confirms the agricultural community's interest in supporting measures such as Regulation VIII Fugitive Dust rules in order to reduce PM10 levels in Imperial County.

The records show that, since 2006, the only instances when the county exceeded PM10 limits were days when either we have had very high winds (we are living in a desert) or that there was PM10 carryover from Mexico.

We have all attempted to work closely with the Imperial County Air Pollution Control District to continue to improve air quality in the County. We feel the State Implementation Plan is an important part of this cooperative effort.

Again, I would encourage you to approve the Imperial County PM10 State Implementation Plan.

Sincerely,

James D. Walker

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## **Comment 8 for Imperial County Air Quality and Consider Approval of the 2009 Imperial County PM10 SIP (pm10sip) - Non-Reg.**

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Affiliation: California Cattlemen's Association

Subject: Imperial County PM10 SIP  
Comment:

May 26, 2010

Mrs. Mary Nichols  
Chairman, California Air Resources Board  
1001 I Street  
Sacramento, CA 95814

Dear Chairman Nichols,

The California Cattlemen's Association (CCA) strongly urges you to approve the 2009 Imperial County PM10 State Implementation Plan (SIP). CCA represents California beef producers who are good stewards of nation's natural resources and balance the production of safe, nutritious and an affordable food with continued environmental stewardship.

The Imperial County PM10 SIP was adopted by Imperial County in August of 2009 and meets all requirements under the federal Clean Air Act to allow the local air district to meet attainment objectives by focusing on the reduction of PM10 from documented sources. The SIP also demonstrates that Imperial County has employed Best Available Control Measures (BACM) for source categories.

Beef producers in the Imperial Valley have worked closely with county and local air district officials to adopt a SIP that achieves actual reductions in PM10 and improves poor air quality. Collaboration between industry and the local air district has been occurring since 2004 with the adoption of BACMs.

Our industry supported the adoption of the 2009 PM10 SIP by Imperial County in August of 2009 and likewise would urge the Air Resources Board to vote to approve the SIP at your May board hearing.

Should you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact Justin Oldfield in the CCA office.

Sincerely,

Paul Cameron  
Feeder Council Vice Chair

CC: Brad Poiriez, Imperial County Air Pollution Control Officer

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## **Comment 9 for Imperial County Air Quality and Consider Approval of the 2009 Imperial County PM10 SIP (pm10sip) - Non-Reg.**

First Name: Candace

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Email Address: candacecrg@gmail.com

Affiliation:

Subject: I encourage you to approve the Imperial County PM10 SIP

Comment:

I am a fourth-generation native of Imperial Valley. I have moderate-to-severe asthma, so air quality is extremely important to me.

I am writing to respectfully encourage the State Air Resources Board to approve the Imperial County PM10 State Implementation Plan.

I strongly believe that the SIP is a strong step toward improving our air quality in Imperial County, and have seen an improvement in the air quality here within the last few years.

The State Implementation Plan was developed with the cooperation of numerous community groups, including business, community, military, agriculture and academic groups, as well as representatives from the California Highway Patrol, and local, state and federal air agencies.

Since 2006, the only days the county has exceeded the PM10 limits have been days with extreme high wind events or events directly related to PM10 carryover from Mexico. The populated areas of Imperial County lie between two large open desert areas. Our prevailing winds are from the West, and during extreme high wind events, the wind stirs up the light sand from the desert to our West and carries it through the populated areas of Imperial County. Windblown dust accounts for about 70% of our PM10 emissions.

The State Implementation Plan demonstrates our community's efforts to adopt measures like the Regulation VIII fugitive dust rules in order to reduce PM10 levels in Imperial County. Cropland accounts for nearly 1/3 of the area in Imperial County, and yet windblown dust from cropland accounts for just 4% of PM10 levels.

The businesses and citizens in the County have shown a willingness to work closely with the Imperial County Air Pollution Control District to continue improving air quality in the County, and I feel the State Implementation Plan is an important part of this cooperative effort.

Once again, I encourage the State Air Resources Board to approve the Imperial County PM10 State Implementation Plan.

Sincerely,  
Candace R Nelson  
Imperial, CA

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Subject: EcoLogic

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**Comment 2 for Imperial County Air Quality and Consider Approval of the 2009 Imperial County PM10 SIP (pm10sip). (At Hearing)**

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Affiliation:

Subject: Earth Justice/ Comite Civico

Comment:

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**Comment 3 for Imperial County Air Quality and Consider Approval of the 2009 Imperial County PM10 SIP (pm10sip). (At Hearing)**

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Affiliation:

Subject: Comit  Civico

Comment:

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