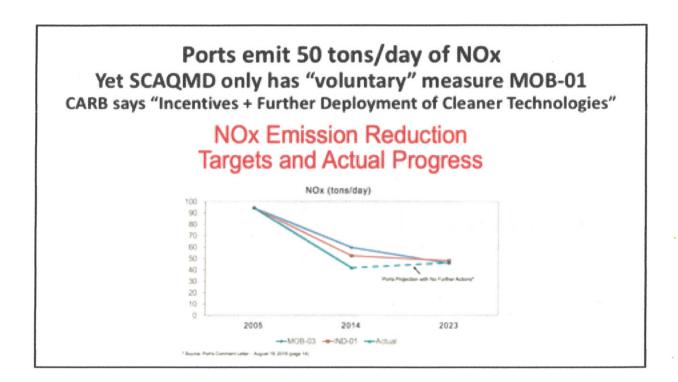


The South Coast AQMD MATES IV 2013 study showed the Ports area as the only area where the cancer risk is greater than 1200 per million people. Yet the South Coast AQMD is relying on "voluntary action," and has failed to include a Ports Backstop Rule in this AQMP, even though it included such a rule in the previous AQMP.

Thousands of people are likely to die or have serious illness as a result.

This is where I live. I and my neighbors are being sacrificed for the commercial gain of everyone else in the United States.

We ask the ARB to direct the South Coast AQMD to immediately implement a strong Ports Backstop Rule that will protect our health.



This slide from the SC AQMD shows how the pollution will increase under the Ports own projection with no further actions, which are not specified in this plan.

Yet the ARB SIP has only "Incentives + Further Deployment of Cleaner Technologies" to address this urgent health crisis. We ask the Board to direct the ARB staff to come back with specified technologies and enforceable rules that will result in more healthy air and save thousands from untimely death.

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