

July 26, 2007

Air Resources Board
Mobile Source Control Division
1001 I Street
Sacramento, Ca 95812

Re: Notice of Hearing / Off Road Vehicles

To The Board,

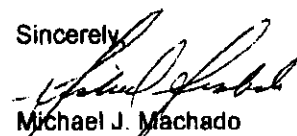
Please be advised that we oppose the planned regulation to obsolete construction equipment by enactment of regulations which operate to accelerate turnover of construction equipment due to air quality guidelines.

Construction equipment is incidental to any effects on air quality in that it is only used in construction and not a vehicle used as primary transportation. The effects of regulation will cost the construction industry tens of millions of dollars that will be passed on to taxpayers. California cannot afford to lose the only industry it has left. The construction industry is the backbone of California's economy. Regulation by California has nearly wiped out every other industry in this State and is the primary reason why we are not competitive in any market for manufactured goods and services.

By example, while Arizona can build a mile of freeways for 8 million, California is in the neighborhood of 15 million dollars per mile. Thus California regulation has effectively destroyed its ability to improve our own infrastructure.

Construction equipment air pollution is not even measurable against aircraft or the 6,000 new cars put on our highways every month. This is simply regulation based on short sighted thinking and one more nail in the State's economic coffin.

It is our intent if necessary to ask the United States to intervene in the protection of our Civil Liberties. My guess is that the State cannot demonstrate that construction equipment has any impact upon air quality making it a target for needed regulation in the interest of public safety.

Sincerely,

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C.c.: Congresswoman Mary Bono
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