Proposed Emission Reduction Plan for Ports and Goods Movement in California

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Health Impacts

Need for Plan

• Administration’s Goods Movement Action Plan
• Community health and environmental justice
• ARB’s Diesel Risk Reduction Plan
• Air quality standards and plans (SIPs)

Air Pollutants from Goods Movement

• Particulate matter (PM)
  – Diesel PM
  – Nitrates (NOx) and sulfates* (SOx) that form particles
• Ozone
  – From NOx and reactive organics (ROG)

*Not yet included in goods movement analyses

Overview

• Health impacts
• Plan development
• Emissions and strategies
• Benefits and costs
• Major issues
• Near term actions
• Staff recommendations

2005 Health Impacts from Goods Movement

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<td>5,100</td>
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<td>Asthma/other respiratory</td>
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*Uncertainty range is 720 to 4,100 deaths/year
Elements of Methodology

- Air Quality Monitoring Data
- Goods Movement Emissions
- Health Studies
- Ports Risk Assessment
- Quantify Health Impacts

PM and Premature Death

- American Cancer Society study (~500,000 adults, 1982-1998)
  - For PM2.5, over 300,000 adults in 51 cities
  - Pope (2002) analysis
  - Jerrett (2005) analysis for Los Angeles
- Staff working to incorporate other data
  - New studies on PM and premature death
  - Sulfate particle impacts

Health Endpoints Quantified

- Plan recognizes over 20 discrete health endpoints from PM and ozone exposure
- Staff sought sufficient evidence to quantify
- 8 outcomes now quantified, including some combined endpoints (all-cause mortality, asthma and respiratory effects)
- Remaining endpoints are addressed qualitatively

Ports—Increased Cancer Risk

- Ports of Los Angeles & Long Beach*
  - Year 2002
  - Lifetime Risk (chances/million)
    - >500  50,000
    - >200  400,000
    - >100  1 million
    - >10   >2 million
  - People impacted

Rail Yards—Increased Cancer Risk

- Roseville Rail Yard*
  - Year 2000
  - Lifetime Risk (chances/million)
    - 100-500  20,000
    - 10-100   150,000
  - People impacted

Freeways—Increased Cancer Risk

- Freeways and High Traffic Roads*
  - Lifetime Risk (chances/million)
    - 300-1,700

*October 2005 Draft ARB Study

*October 2004 ARB Study

*April 2005 ARB Land Use and Air Quality Handbook
**Context for Health Estimates**

- Impacts from PM and ozone levels above the State standards = 9,000 premature deaths* annually
- Range of average air toxic cancer risk in California’s urban areas = 500-1,000 chances/million

*Uncertainty range is 3,000 to 15,000 deaths/year

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**Economic Value* of 2005 Impacts ($ in millions)**

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<td>$67</td>
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*Uncertainty range total is $6,100 to $36,000

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**Scientific Peer Review**

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**Conclusions on Health**

- Plan uses best available information on impacts of air pollution on health
- PM is the pollutant of greatest concern
- Goods movement accounts for a substantial fraction of the total health impacts

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**Next Steps on Health**

- Develop best method to incorporate other PM studies into premature death analyses
- Formal peer review process
- Update Board on health impacts from goods movement in late 2006

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**Plan Development**
Goods Movement Action Plan Process

- Governor Schwarzenegger
- Cabinet Work Group
- Integrating Work Group

ARB Emission Reduction Plan

Public Health and Environmental Impact Mitigation
Infrastructure
Innovative Finance and Alternative Funding
Homeland Security and Public Safety
Community Impact Mitigation and Workforce Development

Emissions and Strategies

Nature of the Problem

- Existing emissions impacts, especially near ports, rail yards, high traffic corridors
- Growth in international trade and goods movement in general
- “Legacy” fleets of diesel engines needing controls or replacement

Key Emission Sources

- Heavy diesel trucks
- Locomotives
- Ships
- Harbor craft
- Cargo handling equipment

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Goods Movement Contribution to Statewide Emissions in 2005

Growth Projections 2001-2020

- Continued increase in international trade -- cargo through ports triples by 2020
- California population grows 25%
- Truck travel increases 50%
- Cargo carried on rail grows by 110%
- Emissions grow at a slower rate due to controls and efficiency improvements

All Plan numbers include growth

Diesel PM from Goods Movement

NOx from Goods Movement

SOx from Goods Movement

Goals for Goods Movement

"No net increase"
1. By 2010, reduce statewide emissions back to 2001 levels and below
   Diesel PM risk
2. By 2020, reduce statewide risk 85%
**Goals for Goods Movement**

- Attainment of federal standards
  - Reduce South Coast NOx 30% in 2015 and 50% in 2020 (preliminary targets)
  - Apply strategies statewide to aid all regions in attaining standards

**Future Work**

- Achieving attainment of California and more stringent air quality standards
- Abating remaining “hot spots”

**Clean Air Every Day**

**Regulations and Strategies**

- Regulatory actions are, and will remain, the framework for emission reductions
- Incentive programs are essential
- Leases, agreements, or trading are potential mechanisms

**Ships**

**Background**

- Ship emissions will more than double by 2020
- International standards are inadequate
- US EPA standards limited to US flagged ships
- High sulfur fuels are used

**New Strategies**

- Cleaner new engines and fuels
- Add-on emission controls
- Operational changes
- Shore-based electrical power in port (aka, “cold ironing”)

**Ships In/Near Port**

- ARB rule for cleaner auxiliary engine fuel (Adopted December 2005)
- Strategy to cut dockside emissions
  - Use of plug-in shore power
  - Alternative at-dock technologies (like channeling exhaust through barge-mounted control devices)
**ARB Report on Shore Power**

"Evaluation of Cold-Ironing Ocean-Going Vessels at California Ports" (March 2006)

- Most cost-effective for passenger, container, and refrigerated cargo ships
- Prime candidate ports: LA, Long Beach, Oakland, San Diego, SF, Hueneme
- 2/3 of capital & benefits at LA/Long Beach

**Targets for At Dock Controls**

- Plan seeks increasing percentage of ship visits to use shore power or alternatives

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<th>2020</th>
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<td>Shore Power</td>
<td>20%</td>
<td>60%</td>
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**SOx Emission Control Area (SECA) or Alternative**

- Up to 45,000 ppm sulfur in ship fuel now
- A SECA caps fuel sulfur at 15,000 ppm
- ARB doing extensive SECA analyses
  - Need 5,000 ppm sulfur or less by 2015
- May not go far enough or fast enough
- Alternative is ARB rulemaking for CA only

**Ships at Sea**

- Cleaner propulsion engine fuel
- Retrofit controls for existing engines
- Bring cleaner ships to California service
  - Step 1: 30% lower NOx and PM emissions than existing standards, beginning 2010
  - Step 2: Best technology at 90% NOx and at least 60% PM control, beginning 2015

**Commercial Harbor Craft**

- Background
  - Current US EPA standard achieves 30-45% control for new engines
  - ARB rule requires low sulfur fuel in 2007
  - Fishing boats may need incentives
**Harbor Craft**

**New Strategies**
- ARB fleet rule for existing engines (underway)
- Shore-based electrical power in port
- Tighter U.S. EPA emission standards for new engines (or ARB adoption)

**ARB Report on Port Truck Modernization**
- “Evaluation of Port Trucks and Possible Mitigation Strategies” (April 2006)
- Basic elements in plan
  - Incentives to replace oldest trucks and retrofit controls on the rest
  - ARB rule to push owners to incentives
  - Ports as gatekeepers for clean fleet

**Heavy Diesel Trucks**

**Background**
- 2010 standards for new engines
- Downward emissions trend
- Existing fleet is the problem, especially older, dirtier trucks in port service
- Some truck fleets may need incentives

**Private Truck Fleets Rule**
- Part of 2000 Diesel Risk Reduction Plan
- Staff just launched public process in April
- Plan assumptions draw on prior diesel fleet measures; specifics are very preliminary
- Many details to work out in public rule development process

**Trucks**

**New Strategies**
- Port “drayage” truck modernization program
- ARB rule for privately-owned truck fleets (underway)
- Enhanced enforcement of truck idling limits in communities
  ✓ ARB rule for international trucks (Adopted January 2006)

**Locomotives**

**Background**
- South Coast fleet will be 65% cleaner by 2010
- Growth overcomes the statewide benefits of current controls by 2020
- Low sulfur diesel fuel being introduced
  - Intrastate locomotives in 2007
  - 80%+ of interstate locomotives by 2008
  - Nationwide beginning in 2012
Reducing Risk at Rail Yards

- 2005 MOU reduces localized risk from diesel PM at rail yards
- Idling restrictions in place, training and enforcement underway
- Community meetings and health risk assessment process have begun
- Public meeting to identify potential new control measures scheduled for April 25

Rail Yard Locomotives
New Strategies

- Upgrade switcher/local yard locomotives
  - Multiple off-road engines (gen-sets)
  - Diesel-electric engines (Green Goats)
  - Alternative fuels

Long-Haul Locomotives
New Strategies

- National Tier 3 locomotive standards
  - 90%+ PM and NOx control on new engines, cleaner rebuilds, diagnostics, anti-idling
- Tier 3 locomotives brought to California service

Cargo Handling Equipment
Background

- 2012 standards for new engines
- ARB port risk assessment indicated this equipment is a priority

Cargo Equipment
New Strategies

- ARB rule for new and existing equipment (Adopted December 2005)
- 85% PM control on all engines

Other Activities Underway

- Plan highlights activities of ports, railroads, local agencies, and US EPA to reduce emissions or improve efficiency
- These programs are important contributors to the benefits in the plan
- We expect these efforts to continue
Partnerships Critical to Success

- Ports and shippers
- Railroads
- Truckers
- Air districts
- Local governments and communities
- US EPA/federal government

Plan Benefits Public Health

- By 2020, over 1,500 premature deaths would be avoided
- Corresponding reduction in:
  - Hospitalizations for heart & lung disease
  - Asthma
  - Acute bronchitis
  - Absences from school or work

Benefits and Costs

Plan Meets Goals

✅ Goes further than no net increase by 2010, bringing emissions 20-40% below 2001 levels
✅ Reduces diesel PM risk 85% by 2020
✅ Achieves preliminary South Coast SIP targets for 2015 and 2020
✅ Achieves substantial reductions in South Coast, SJ Valley, Bay Area, San Diego, & Sacramento

Cumulative Costs and Benefits

- Cumulative cost to implement plan strategies (2006-2020): $6 to $10 billion
- Goods movement contributes more than $200 billion/year to California’s economy
- Plan provides $3-8 in benefits for each $1 spent on controls

Major Issues
Accuracy of Health Assessment

- Commenters assert that the health impacts analysis underestimates premature deaths
- Jerrett study and others would change estimates of mortality from all PM
- Staff seeking expert advice on how to best incorporate new analyses
- We expect to resolve later this year

Stringency of Goals

- Commenters urge Board to apply “no net increase” goal to each sector in 2010
- Achieved for all sectors except ships
- Not feasible for ships unless number of visits to California ports are restricted

Localized Impacts

- Concern that plan reduces, but doesn’t eliminate, localized health risks
- Staff is proposing process to address
- Land use decisions matter
- Staff will continue advising local land use decision makers

Funding

- All industries involved in goods movement must share investment costs
- Incentives critical for some sectors
- Bond issue pending
- Role of container fees or other potential funding sources uncertain

Enforceability

- Use regulatory power to maximum extent
- Convert strategy into SIP commitments by region, as appropriate

Role of MOUs and Trading

- All options on the table for discussion
- Any voluntary agreements would be subject to new Board and public process for development and approval
- Any trading program would need to consider community impacts
**Truck Strategies**

- Concerns over inclusion of these strategies
- Many questions on specifics of each
- Port truck report evaluates multiple options
- Private fleets rule just starting development
- Public process will determine best course
- Plan does not constrain ARB rulemaking

**Near Term Actions**

**ARB Rulemakings**

- Low sulfur fuel for trucks, equipment, harbor craft, in-state locomotives
- Truck idling limits
- Marine auxiliary engine fuels
- Cargo handling equipment fleets
- Ban on cruise ship incineration
- International border trucks

**Other ARB Actions**

- Roseville Rail Yard risk assessment
- 2005 agreement on diesel PM at rail yards
- Ports of LA/Long Beach risk assessment
- Shore power feasibility study
- Port truck modernization report

**2006-2007 ARB Rulemaking or Effective Alternatives**

- Port trucks
- Privately-owned truck fleets
- Low sulfur marine propulsion engine fuel
- Shore power for ships and harbor craft
- Harbor craft fleets
- New harbor craft engine standards
- Upgrade switcher/yard locomotives
- Bring cleaner ships to California

**2006-2007 Pending US EPA Rulemaking & Actions**

- Advanced technology standards for NOx/PM
  - New and rebuilt locomotives
  - Auxiliary/main engines on ships in US waters
  - New harbor craft engines
- SOx Emission Control Area for West Coast of North America
**Link to Cal/EPA-BTH Action Plan**

"Simultaneous and continuous improvement"

- Relies on ARB Plan to set emission targets by corridor for 2010, 2015, 2020
- Calls on ARB to verify progress toward targets
- Proposed ARB Plan consistent with progress goals and verification, but broader due to other drivers

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**Recommendations**

And direct staff to:

- Expeditiously pursue proposed ARB rules and other actions
- Initiate public process to identify additional strategies to reduce localized health risk
- Report back in November and every 6 months thereafter

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**Staff Recommendations**

We recommend that the Board approve:

- Plan goals
- Overall strategy
- Near-term action items