



## Western Riverside Council of Governments

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Western Municipal Water District • Riverside County Superintendent of Schools

### RESOLUTION NUMBER 01-25

#### **A RESOLUTION OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF THE WESTERN RIVERSIDE COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS OPPOSING THE SOUTH COAST AIR QUALITY MANAGEMENT DISTRICT'S PROPOSED AMENDED RULES 1111 AND 1121**

**WHEREAS**, the Western Riverside Council of Governments (“WRCOG”) is a joint powers authority consisting of the County of Riverside and 18 cities, the Eastern Municipal Water District, the Western Municipal Water District, and the Riverside County Superintendent of Schools, situated in Western Riverside County; and

**WHEREAS**, the South Coast Air Quality Management District (SCAQMD) has proposed amendments to Rules 1111 and 1121 to require a transition to zero-emission residential furnaces and water heaters in an effort to reduce nitrogen oxide (NOx) emissions; and

**WHEREAS**, WRCOG recognizes the importance of improving air quality and reducing emissions to meet state and federal environmental goals; and

**WHEREAS**, the proposed amendments would place significant financial burdens on homeowners, businesses, and local governments due to the high costs of new appliances, infrastructure upgrades, and installation requirements; and

**WHEREAS**, there are concerns regarding the technological readiness of zero-emission heating appliances, particularly in existing housing stock where retrofitting may be costly or infeasible; and

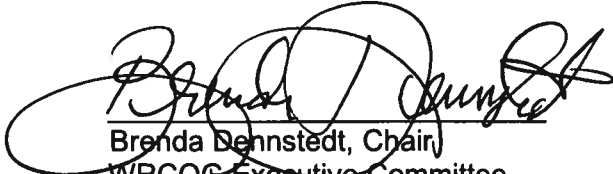
**WHEREAS**, the proposed implementation timeline may not allow sufficient time for communities, manufacturers, and contractors to transition effectively, potentially leading to supply chain challenges and increased costs; and

**WHEREAS**, several cities, councils of governments, and industry stakeholders have expressed opposition to the proposed amendments due to their economic and logistical challenges; and

**WHEREAS**, WRCOG supports a more measured approach that balances air quality improvements with economic feasibility, technological advancements, and equitable implementation strategies.

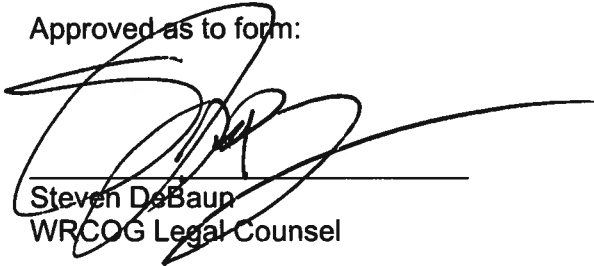
**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Executive Committee of the Western Riverside Council of Governments hereby opposes SCAQMD's Proposed Amended Rules 1111 and 1121 in their current form and urges SCAQMD to consider alternative approaches that minimize negative impacts on local governments, businesses, and residents.

**PASSED AND ADOPTED** by the Executive Committee of the Western Riverside Council of Governments on March 3, 2025.

  
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Brenda Dennstedt, Chair  
WRCOG Executive Committee

  
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Dr. Kurt Wilson, Secretary  
WRCOG Executive Committee

Approved as to form:

  
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Steven DeBaun  
WRCOG Legal Counsel

AYES: 20

NAYS: 0

ABSENT: 4

ABSTAIN: 0