

**Comment 1 for Southern California Consolidation Project (socalproject2016)  
- Non-Reg.**

First Name: Kevin

Last Name: De Leon

Email Address: senator.deleon@senate.ca.gov

Affiliation: California Senate

Subject: Location of Southern California Laboratory

Comment:

See attached

Attachment: 'www.arb.ca.gov/lists/com-attach/5-socalproject2016-WmpXYwMvAmMGM1B9.pdf'

Original File Name: 02-23-16 Pro Tem letter to Mary Nichols regarding CARB lab.pdf

Date and Time Comment Was Submitted: 2016-02-29 14:57:22

No Duplicates.

**Comment 2 for Southern California Consolidation Project (socalproject2016)  
- Non-Reg.**

First Name: Mark  
Last Name: Sheahan  
Email Address: PECG@PECG.ORG  
Affiliation: PECG

Subject: So. CA. Consolidation Project - New Motor Vehicle Emissions Testing and Research Facility  
Comment:

See attached

Attachment: 'www.arb.ca.gov/lists/com-attach/6-socalproject2016-VycGZVc1WGwHXgVp.pdf'

Original File Name: PECG LTR\_FEB2016.pdf

Date and Time Comment Was Submitted: 2016-02-29 15:10:26

No Duplicates.

**Comment 3 for Southern California Consolidation Project (socialproject2016)**  
**- Non-Reg.**

First Name: Grace  
Last Name: Napolitano  
Email Address: joe.sheehy@mail.house.gov  
Affiliation: Member of Congress

Subject: Support Staff Recommendation of Pomona Site  
Comment:

Mary D. Nichols  
Chair  
California Air Resources Board  
1001 "I" Street  
Sacramento, CA 95814

RE: Support the ARB Staff Recommendation for the Southern  
California Consolidation Project to be located at the Pomona site.

Dear Chairwoman Nichols and Board Members:

I write in strong support of the staff recommendation that the Air Resources Board's consolidation facilities should be located at the Pomona site. I am proud to represent the ARB's current vehicle and engine emissions testing and research facilities in El Monte. The work that is done at these facilities is incredibly important to maintaining a clean environment and healthy communities in our state.

I am also grateful for the economic benefit that these facilities bring to the San Gabriel Valley, and the many constituents of mine that work here. As you are aware, your internal polling concluded that 85% of the employees support the Pomona site location. I ask that you respect the overwhelming request of the employees and my constituents so that they are not further burdened by this relocation.

I applaud Cal Poly Pomona and the CSU System for their commitment to keeping ARB in LA County. I am glad that Cal Poly signed an MOU with the State for the acquisition of the former Lanterman Development Center that requires the University to "accommodate the real property needs" of ARB. This proposal will be beneficial for both ARB and Cal Poly by creating partnerships between state scientists, regulators, professors and students which will improve ARB's current work and create hands-on workforce development opportunities for the next generation of ARB scientists and staff.

Thank you for your careful consideration of your staff's recommendation.

Sincerely,

Grace F. Napolitano  
Member of Congress

Attachment: 'www.arb.ca.gov/lists/com-attach/7-socalproject2016-AXMHZFcmVitWD1M9.pdf'

Original File Name: Rep. Napolitano Support letter for CA ARB location at Pomona.pdf

Date and Time Comment Was Submitted: 2016-03-04 07:18:40

No Duplicates.

**Comment 4 for Southern California Consolidation Project (socalproject2016)  
- Non-Reg.**

First Name: Bob  
Last Name: Huff  
Email Address: Senator.Huff@senate.ca.gov  
Affiliation: California State Senate

Subject: SOCALPROJECT2016  
Comment:

RE: Southern California Consolidation Project's Site Location

Attachment: 'www.arb.ca.gov/lists/com-attach/9-socalproject2016-UTABdVY1VVIWPARh.zip'

Original File Name: ARB LETTER.zip

Date and Time Comment Was Submitted: 2016-03-08 13:24:11

No Duplicates.

**Comment 5 for Southern California Consolidation Project (socalproject2016)  
- Non-Reg.**

First Name: Rachel

Last Name: Barbosa

Email Address: rbarbosa@bos.lacounty.gov

Affiliation: Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors

Subject: Support for relocation of CARB to Cal Poly Pomona

Comment:

Please see attached letter from the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors.

Attachment: 'www.arb.ca.gov/lists/com-attach/10-socalproject2016-VWBcdwR2UGoGZ1MM.pdf'

Original File Name: 5-sig letter\_CA Environmental Protection Agency\_M Rodriguez.pdf

Date and Time Comment Was Submitted: 2016-03-08 14:46:09

No Duplicates.

**Comment 6 for Southern California Consolidation Project (socalproject2016)  
- Non-Reg.**

First Name: ERICA

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Affiliation: POMONA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

Subject: Commitment Letter for ARB

Comment:

Please see attached

Attachment: 'www.arb.ca.gov/lists/com-attach/11-socalproject2016-UyNQOQFtADwEbABh.pdf'

Original File Name: PomonaChamber\_Cal Poly.pdf

Date and Time Comment Was Submitted: 2016-03-11 11:31:11

No Duplicates.

**Comment 7 for Southern California Consolidation Project (socalproject2016)  
- Non-Reg.**

First Name: Ed

Last Name: Royce

Email Address: [darrin.schrader@mail.house.gov](mailto:darrin.schrader@mail.house.gov)

Affiliation: Office of Rep. Ed Royce (CA-39)

Subject: Southern California Consolidation Project's Site Location

Comment:

For your review.

Attachment: '[www.arb.ca.gov/lists/com-attach/12-socalproject2016-UCIAaVcvBTULaFIN.pdf](http://www.arb.ca.gov/lists/com-attach/12-socalproject2016-UCIAaVcvBTULaFIN.pdf)'

Original File Name: Royce ARB Letter.pdf

Date and Time Comment Was Submitted: 2016-03-11 13:41:33

No Duplicates.



**Comment 8 for Southern California Consolidation Project (socalproject2016)  
- Non-Reg.**

First Name: Ed

Last Name: Hernandez, O.D

Email Address: Senator.Hernandez@senate.ca.gov

Affiliation: California State Senate

Subject: Support for ARB in Pomona

Comment:

Please see attached letter for the support of the ARB location to be in Pomona, California.

Attachment: 'www.arb.ca.gov/lists/com-attach/13-socalproject2016-VTZWMQd0VWQGxwNv.pdf'

Original File Name: CARB Location CARB to Cal Poly.pdf

Date and Time Comment Was Submitted: 2016-03-11 15:52:32

No Duplicates.

**Comment 9 for Southern California Consolidation Project (socalproject2016)**  
**- Non-Reg.**

This comment was posted then deleted because it was unrelated to the Board item or it was a duplicate.

## **Comment 10 for Southern California Consolidation Project (socalproject2016) - Non-Reg.**

First Name: Patrick

Last Name: Frost

Email Address: pfrost@ucla.edu

Affiliation:

Subject: Why I oppose the Recommendation for Consolidation Project

Comment:

While it is clear that the ARB has made great strides in meeting the air quality needs of Californians, there is a huge risk of undermining these accomplishment by failing to recognize and maintain the appropriate mission priorities and goals. The ARB's current focus on relocating their facilities is one such problem, as allocating massive amounts of resources simply to gain "new buildings and more space" do not reflect the ARB's core mission of improving air quality and meeting mandated goals. I have reviewed the statements and documents made by the ARB to justify these expensive moves and find them problematic and unconvincing.

For example, one factor cited in this move is that the ARB will be better suited to building a world class research program that will benefit if situated close to an academic institution. This is absurd on its face, as the ARB is a government agency that has absolutely none of the rigorous academic and research checks and balances. Rather, I fear that the ARB would simply pick and chose science that supports its own political mandate to advance the internal goals of the ARB at the expense of real scientific debate.

I am a well published scientist with a Veterans Administration funded laboratory who is also associated with UCLA. When advocacy government (as clearly the ARB has become) begins to "associate" itself with science, it tends to ignore anything that goes against its best interest and bias research to further its now ends.

Thus, for these reasons, I would urge that the ARB recognize that it fills an important role as a government regulatory agency and NOT get entangled in trying to buff itself into a research institute.

That being said, it is also clear to me as an active researcher that the government can form collaborative interactions with the scientific and academic communities, but that these relationships should be maintained as desecrate and independent entities, such that one can either support or correct the other. Moving the ARB into an academic environment doesn't serve this purpose and blurs those lines between regulation and science.

Next, the funding of this move is questionable. I find the arguments that this move will have minimal financial impact on the State to be unpersuasive and self serving. At this time, the financial health of California is poor and the clearly the money to be spent on moving a perfectly good institution to another place

could be better used elsewhere. Especially since the major rationale for this move is to burnish the academic credentials of the ARB as opposed to actually address the air quality needs of Californians.

Millions of dollars spent on moving to another facility while most Californians struggle with health care costs (ironically put at risk because of exposure to toxic air contaminants), housing, transportation and daily living expenses seems cruelly insensitive.

I would think that the ARB ought to worry less about putting its name on new buildings and rather maintain its focus on reducing air pollution, improving air and living quality and developing more common sense regulatory policies.

Finally, if the ARB has actually outgrown its space, then they would be better served to find cheaper alternatives than moving to Riverside or Pomona, especially since the only reason these areas seem to have been selected is to try to associate the ARB with an academic institution.

In summary, I would urge that the ARB take a closer look at what exactly it hopes to achieve by making these moves, why they chose the areas they did and make a stronger case for the use of State monies which is really outside the primary mission goals of the ARB. Those millions of dollars could be much better spent to upgrade current facilities, research could be outsourced, and the ARB could focus on its duty to improve air quality.

For these reasons, I would be strongly opposed to these moves and hope that the ARB reconsider.

Sincerely Yours

Patrick Frost, PhD  
Greater Los Angeles VA Healthcare System  
Department of Hematology/Oncology  
Laboratory of Multiple Myeloma Research  
and  
Adjunct Professor  
UCLA School of Medicine

Attachment: "

Original File Name:

Date and Time Comment Was Submitted: 2016-03-13 18:41:44

No Duplicates.

**Comment 11 for Southern California Consolidation Project  
(socalproject2016) - Non-Reg.**

First Name: Chad

Last Name: Mayes

Email Address: ASSEMBLYMEMBER.MAYES@ASSEMBLY.CA.GOV

Affiliation: 42nd District Assemblymember

Subject: Siting of project in Riverside

Comment:

See attached

Attachment: 'www.arb.ca.gov/lists/com-attach/17-socalproject2016-UmIANVJ+UzFXYQEs.pdf'

Original File Name: 03-10-16 Asm Chad Mays ltr\_So Cal Site.pdf

Date and Time Comment Was Submitted: 2016-03-14 08:16:36

No Duplicates.

**Comment 12 for Southern California Consolidation Project  
(socalproject2016) - Non-Reg.**

First Name: Jay

Last Name: Winkenbach

Email Address: Jay.Winkenbach@redcross.org

Affiliation: American Red Cross Blood Drives

Subject: Support of ARB

Comment:

The attached letter shows our support to the ARB coming to Cal Poly  
Pomona.

Attachment: 'www.arb.ca.gov/lists/com-attach/18-socalproject2016-VjcBagZiV3YEa1Az.pdf'

Original File Name: American Red Cross 3-2016.pdf

Date and Time Comment Was Submitted: 2016-03-14 08:48:36

No Duplicates.

## **Comment 13 for Southern California Consolidation Project (socalproject2016) - Non-Reg.**

First Name: Cindy

Last Name: Roth

Email Address: croth@riverside-chamber.com

Affiliation: Greater Riverside Chambers of Commerce

Subject: Selection of Riverside for Relocation of California Air Resources Board Research Facility

Comment:

The Honorable Mary Nichols  
California Air Resources Board  
P.O. Box 2815  
Sacramento, CA 95812

RE: Selection of Riverside for Relocation of California Air Resources Board Research Facility

Dear Chair Nichols and Members of the Board,

On behalf of the Greater Riverside Chambers of Commerce and its approximately 1,300 members representing more than 100,000 employees in Inland Southern California, I am writing to offer the full support of our business community in your consideration to relocate the facility of the California Air Resources Board (ARB), currently located in El Monte, to Riverside.

The close and productive partnership between the Chamber, the University of California, Riverside (UCR), the City of Riverside, the County of Riverside, and local state and federal elected leaders demonstrates our community's common purpose to create a synergistic environment between public and private enterprises. As such, we strongly believe the relocation of your facility to Riverside will create a mutually beneficial relationship for ARB and our community. Regionally, we have partnered with the County of San Bernardino to establish a two-county effort to bring ARB to our Riverside.

We are confident that ARB will quickly and effectively capitalize on the significant research being done at UCR. Specifically, we are extremely proud of the work conducted by the College of Engineering - Center for Environmental Research & Technology (CE-CERT) at UCR, and its director Matt Barth, to bring business and government together in collaboration to preserve our environmental strengths and stimulate economic growth. The work conducted by ARB at a proposed Riverside facility combined with the research and innovation of CE-CERT as well as UCR's community-oriented School of Medicine and the recently-established School of Public Policy will create a dynamic environment for air quality research, healthcare, public policy, and practical implementation.

Moreover, the pipeline of skilled graduates coming from UCR and other surrounding higher education institutions will provide a

steadily growing stream of talented and well-trained employees to meet the facility's current and future workforce needs.

The cost of doing business is significantly more competitive in Riverside than elsewhere in Southern California and this extends to a more affordable cost of living for local employees coupled with an excellent quality of life. In addition, the significant economic growth in the region will offer a wide selection of employment opportunities, ranging from entry level to executive positions. We continuously strive to ensure that the local business climate and the level of coordination and partnership between business, government, and our education institutions are superb.

For these reasons and more, we strongly believe that Riverside is an ideal location for your facility. The Chamber is committed to making this happen and pledge our full support and assistance.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Respectfully,  
Cindy Roth  
President/CEO

Attachment: 'www.arb.ca.gov/lists/com-attach/19-socalproject2016-BWJcKARmWWkGX1U4.pdf'

Original File Name: GRCC MAR 2016 CARB Relocation Letter.pdf

Date and Time Comment Was Submitted: 2016-03-14 11:35:15

No Duplicates.



**Comment 14 for Southern California Consolidation Project  
(socalproject2016) - Non-Reg.**

First Name: Timothy  
Last Name: Johnson  
Email Address: johnsontv@corning.com  
Affiliation: Corning Incorporated

Subject: Support for Relocation to Riverside  
Comment:

On behalf of Corning Incorporated, I write to express my concern that the recently released California Air Resources Board "Staff Report: Analysis of Sites for the Southern California Consolidation Project" recommends the El Monte facility be relocated to California State Polytechnic University, Pomona (Cal Poly) instead of the University of California, Riverside (UCR). I have some concerns and think the ARB will be much better served by co-locating the facility with the UCR's Center for Environmental Research and Technology (CE-CERT).

Attachment: 'www.arb.ca.gov/lists/com-attach/20-socalproject2016-BmUBZgd0VmdWD1R5.pdf'

Original File Name: CARB - Letter from Corning (20160307).pdf

Date and Time Comment Was Submitted: 2016-03-14 12:17:33

No Duplicates.

**Comment 15 for Southern California Consolidation Project  
(socialproject2016) - Non-Reg.**

First Name: Ching

Last Name: Liu

Email Address: chingl@solarmaxtech.com

Affiliation: Solar Max Technology

Subject: Support for Relocation to Riverside

Comment:

On behalf of Solarmax Technology, Inc., I write to express my concern regarding the recently released California Air Resources Board "Staff Report: Analysis of Sites for the Southern California Consolidation Project" that recommends the El Monte facility be relocated to California State Polytechnic University, Pomona (Cal Poly) instead of the University of California, Riverside (UCR).

Attachment: 'www.arb.ca.gov/lists/com-attach/21-socialproject2016-AWJdOl0uVWRRCFV4.pdf'

Original File Name: CARB - Letter from SolarMax (20160225).pdf

Date and Time Comment Was Submitted: 2016-03-14 12:22:14

No Duplicates.

**Comment 16 for Southern California Consolidation Project  
(socalproject2016) - Non-Reg.**

First Name: Gordon

Last Name: Bourns

Email Address: gordon.bourns@bourns.com

Affiliation: Bourns, Inc.

Subject: Support for Relocation to Riverside

Comment:

I also want to stress the importance of being located near a research university. My company has several close collaborations with UCR researchers, including those at CE-CERT. This collaboration has been greatly enhanced due the fact we are located only two miles away from UCR and next to CE-CERT. Having CARB in Riverside would greatly facilitate collaborations among CARB, CE-CERT, Bourns and other Inland Southern California universities and companies.

Attachment: 'www.arb.ca.gov/lists/com-attach/22-socalproject2016-VjVVMgFyVmdWD1B9.pdf'

Original File Name: CARB - Letter from Bourns (20160224).pdf

Date and Time Comment Was Submitted: 2016-03-14 12:27:04

No Duplicates.

**Comment 17 for Southern California Consolidation Project  
(socialproject2016) - Non-Reg.**

First Name: Penny

Last Name: Newman

Email Address: penny.n@ccaej.org

Affiliation: Center for Community Action and Environm

Subject: Select Riverside for Future Air Resources Board Facility Site

Comment:

Please see the attached letter.

Attachment: 'www.arb.ca.gov/lists/com-attach/23-socialproject2016-AWJcOwR3V2YGXwRo.pdf'

Original File Name: CARB letter re El Monte.pdf

Date and Time Comment Was Submitted: 2016-03-14 13:22:49

No Duplicates.

**Comment 18 for Southern California Consolidation Project  
(socalproject2016) - Non-Reg.**

First Name: David

Last Name: Reyno

Email Address: DReyno@foothilltransit.org

Affiliation:

Subject: Site Relocation Recommendation - Pomona

Comment:

Please see the attached letter in support of Air Resources Board  
relocating to the Pomona site.

Attachment: 'www.arb.ca.gov/lists/com-attach/24-socalproject2016-UzUCawZoUXYEalI7.pdf'

Original File Name: Foothill Transit.pdf

Date and Time Comment Was Submitted: 2016-03-14 13:59:45

No Duplicates.

**Comment 19 for Southern California Consolidation Project  
(socalproject2016) - Non-Reg.**

First Name: Carol

Last Name: Liu

Email Address: daniel.cedeno@sen.ca.gov

Affiliation: California State Senate

Subject: Support for relocation of CARB to Cal Poly Pomona

Comment:

For your review, see attached.

Attachment: 'www.arb.ca.gov/lists/com-attach/25-socalproject2016-B3RXNFM8BAGFb1U8.pdf'

Original File Name: Sen Liu. 2nd Cal Poly Pomona Letter of Support.pdf

Date and Time Comment Was Submitted: 2016-03-14 14:24:19

No Duplicates.

**Comment 20 for Southern California Consolidation Project  
(socalproject2016) - Non-Reg.**

First Name: Paul

Last Name: Little

Email Address: paul@pasadena-chamber.org

Affiliation: Pasadena Chamber of Commerce

Subject: Suport for CARB at Cal Poly Pomona

Comment:

Attached is a letter of support for locating the California Air Resources Board at Cal Poly Pomona.

Attachment: 'www.arb.ca.gov/lists/com-attach/26-socalproject2016-VjVVMIM+Aw8Adglm.pdf'

Original File Name: Cal Poly Pomona support to CARB.pdf

Date and Time Comment Was Submitted: 2016-03-14 14:40:13

No Duplicates.

**Comment 21 for Southern California Consolidation Project  
(socalproject2016) - Non-Reg.**

First Name: Chris

Last Name: Holden

Email Address: assemblymember.holden@assembly.ca.gov

Affiliation:

Subject: Assemblymember Holden supports Pomona site for ARB relocation

Comment:

See attached support letter.

Attachment: 'www.arb.ca.gov/lists/com-attach/27-socalproject2016-BXYHdFQIBCcAaVUn.doc'

Original File Name: Support Letter - Cal Poly Pomona 3-14-16.doc

Date and Time Comment Was Submitted: 2016-03-14 14:42:25

No Duplicates.



**Comment 22 for Southern California Consolidation Project  
(socalproject2016) - Non-Reg.**

First Name: Kirk

Last Name: Howie

Email Address: khowie@TVMWD.com

Affiliation: Three Valleys Municipal Water District

Subject: Support for Relocation to Pomona

Comment:

Please see the attached letter in support of Air Resources Board  
relocating to the Pomona site.

Attachment: 'www.arb.ca.gov/lists/com-attach/28-socalproject2016-  
AHQAcFE9VnIHZVd5.pdf'

Original File Name: TVMWD.pdf

Date and Time Comment Was Submitted: 2016-03-14 14:54:08

No Duplicates.

**Comment 23 for Southern California Consolidation Project  
(socalproject2016) - Non-Reg.**

First Name: Andrew

Last Name: Cooper

Email Address: andrew@theaar.com

Affiliation: Arcadia Association of Realtors

Subject: Commitment Letter for the CA Air Resources Board Proposal

Comment:

Hello,

Please find a commitment letter for the CA Air Resources Board  
Proposal attached.

Respectfully submitted,  
Andrew Cooper

Attachment: 'www.arb.ca.gov/lists/com-attach/29-socalproject2016-UzBcO1E8Aw8Fc1c4.pdf'

Original File Name: Cal Poly Pomona Letter 10.23.15.pdf

Date and Time Comment Was Submitted: 2016-03-14 15:12:08

No Duplicates.

**Comment 24 for Southern California Consolidation Project  
(socalproject2016) - Non-Reg.**

First Name: El Monte Facility St  
Last Name: El Monte Facility St  
Email Address: helpline@arb.ca.gov  
Affiliation: ARB

Subject: Supporting the Staff Recommendation of CalPoly, Pomona for ARB Relocation  
Comment:

Please see attached document.

Attachment: 'www.arb.ca.gov/lists/com-attach/30-socalproject2016-  
AGFdKVc0BAgBdAVx.pdf'

Original File Name: ARB\_staff\_pomona\_support\_letter\_signatures.pdf

Date and Time Comment Was Submitted: 2016-03-14 15:06:23

No Duplicates.

**Comment 25 for Southern California Consolidation Project  
(socalproject2016) - Non-Reg.**

First Name: Ken

Last Name: Stream

Email Address: ken.stream@greshamsavage.com

Affiliation: Monday Morning Group of Western Riversid

Subject: ARB Facility Site Selection - Riverside

Comment:

See attached letter.

Attachment: 'www.arb.ca.gov/lists/com-attach/31-socalproject2016-BWgHbF07U15ROgJj.pdf'

Original File Name: MMG MAR 2016 CARB Relocation Support Letter.pdf

Date and Time Comment Was Submitted: 2016-03-14 15:24:29

No Duplicates.

**Comment 26 for Southern California Consolidation Project  
(socalproject2016) - Non-Reg.**

First Name: William R.

Last Name: Bailey

Email Address: RBailey@riversideca.gov

Affiliation: City of Riverside

Subject: Support for Relocation to Riverside

Comment:

On behalf of the City of Riverside, I write to express my concern that Air Resources Board (ARB) staff is recommending the current El Monte facility be relocated to California State Polytechnic University, Pomona (Cal Poly) rather than to the University of California, Riverside (UCR).

Attachment: 'www.arb.ca.gov/lists/com-attach/33-socalproject2016-UD0FYlwkVGgEcAhX.pdf'

Original File Name: Mayor Bailey - ARB Letter.pdf

Date and Time Comment Was Submitted: 2016-03-14 15:32:17

No Duplicates.

**Comment 27 for Southern California Consolidation Project  
(socalproject2016) - Non-Reg.**

First Name: Ron

Last Name: Whittemore

Email Address: rwhittemore@cityofindustry.org

Affiliation: Industry Manufacturers Council

Subject: Support for ARB Relocation to Pomona

Comment:

Please see the attached letter in support of Air Resources Board  
relocating to the Pomona site.

Attachment: 'www.arb.ca.gov/lists/com-attach/34-socalproject2016-  
VD1UPFYzACZWIIAk.pdf'

Original File Name: IndustryMfg.pdf

Date and Time Comment Was Submitted: 2016-03-14 15:37:37

No Duplicates.

## **Comment 28 for Southern California Consolidation Project (socalproject2016) - Non-Reg.**

First Name: Ling Ling

Last Name: Chang

Email Address: luigi.luciano@asm.ca.gov

Affiliation: California State Assemblywoman, 55th AD

Subject: Support for the relocation of ARB to Cal Poly Pomona

Comment:

Friday, March 11, 2016

Mary D. Nichols, Chair  
California Air Resources Board  
1001 I Street  
Sacramento, CA 95814

RE: Southern California Consolidation Project's Site Location

Dear Chair Nichols:

I have been following the status of ARB's Southern California Consolidation Project closely as the results will impact not only my District, but Los Angeles County as well. I was pleased to read the ARB Staff Report Analysis of Sites for the Southern California Relocation Project document released February 11, 2016 recommended Cal Poly Pomona as the proposed location for ARB and I am writing to strongly urge the California Air Resources Board to adopt the staff's site recommendation for Pomona for multiple reasons.

First, LA County cannot afford the loss of approximately 400 jobs to Riverside County and to do so is unacceptable. Those skilled jobs, and the accompanying economic development impacts affect housing, retail, spousal jobs, etc., and need to remain in LA County. Figure 10 in your Staff Report clearly shows most of the El Monte ARB employees currently reside around LA and these employees are already engrained in LA County. Moving to Riverside would have a wider effect on the County beyond these 400 jobs.

Second, the State needs to be good stewards of its resources, and allowing ARB to relocate to Riverside would prove costly. As stated in the Staff Report, the recently revised Professional Engineers in California Government (PECG) Bargaining Unit 9 MOU with California requires ARB to pay relocation expenses to qualified employees, which effects "almost 80% of the [ARB] staff," at an estimated cost of "\$1.0 million to about \$7.3 million" to the State. Next, the Staff Report specifies that a move to Riverside would "likely involve relocation, resignation, or retirement of ARB employees," given the differences in driving commutes and long public transit commutes. Keeping ARB in LA County "would likely retain more of ARB's existing and highly trained workforce necessary to support ARB's ability to carry out its responsibilities" and "would be much less disruptive to ARB's operations because there would [be] less disruption to ARB employees." Relocating to Riverside would cause

undue financial burdens and longer term concerns for ARB in maintaining their quality staff and relatedly the outstanding services ARB provides. The work that ARB does is important to the State, and we rely on the quality results that come out of your facilities; the loss of employees that would undoubtedly occur if ARB relocated to Riverside would be a detriment.

Lastly, organizations are only as good as the employees that work for them and I commend the ARB in considering your employees' views in the decision. As evidenced in the Staff Report, the ARB employees have made their preferences very clear, with "approximately 85% of the respondents prefer[ing] the Pomona site." They cited commute distance and time, the impact a move to Riverside would make on their personal lives and families, and the impact to their work. For the latter, the ability to complete field/outreach tasks within a day versus overnight, proximity to ports, railroads, refineries, etc. was a concern, in addition to "siting in Pomona would likely allow ARB to select from a larger candidate pool because of its proximity to the Los Angeles area."

I strongly encourage ARB to adopt the Staff Report recommendation; it makes economic and operational sense from multiple angles and it is consistent with the will of your employees. I look forward to hearing the results of the March 17th Board meeting and sincerely hope that ARB will remain in LA County. If you need additional information, please contact my office at 714-529-5502.

Sincerely,

LING LING CHANG  
Assemblywoman, 55th District  
California State Legislature

Attachment: 'www.arb.ca.gov/lists/com-attach/35-socalproject2016-VDdRNIA9UFwFcwBv.pdf'

Original File Name: Cal Poly Pomona - ARB letter 2.pdf

Date and Time Comment Was Submitted: 2016-03-14 15:41:06

No Duplicates.



**Comment 29 for Southern California Consolidation Project  
(socialproject2016) - Non-Reg.**

First Name: Jonna  
Last Name: Lewis  
Email Address: jjlewis@cpp.edu  
Affiliation: 909.869.3017

Subject: Cal Poly Pomona Academic Support  
Comment:

Please see attached file.

Attachment: 'www.arb.ca.gov/lists/com-attach/36-socialproject2016-UTAGY1MzWG8BYgBt.pdf'

Original File Name: Academic Support.pdf

Date and Time Comment Was Submitted: 2016-03-14 15:34:10

No Duplicates.

**Comment 30 for Southern California Consolidation Project  
(socalproject2016) - Non-Reg.**

First Name: Dolores

Last Name: Green

Email Address: dgreen@rcmanet.org

Affiliation: Riverside County Medical Association

Subject: Selection of Riverside for ARB Facility

Comment:

Please see the attached letter supporting the selection of  
Riverside for the California Air Resources Board facility.

Respectfully,  
Dolores Green

Attachment: 'www.arb.ca.gov/lists/com-attach/37-socalproject2016-  
USMFYARoADJXf1U2.pdf'

Original File Name: RCMA.CARB.3.14.15.pdf

Date and Time Comment Was Submitted: 2016-03-14 16:10:19

No Duplicates.

**Comment 31 for Southern California Consolidation Project  
(socalproject2016) - Non-Reg.**

First Name: Steve

Last Name: Larson

Email Address: steven.larson@rmcps.com

Affiliation: Riverside Medical Clinic

Subject: ARB Research Facility - Riverside

Comment:

To Members of the California Air Resources Board,

Please see the attached letter in support of the selection of  
Riverside for your future facility.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

Steve Larson, MD

Chairman, Riverside Medical Clinic

President, California Medical Association

Attachment: 'www.arb.ca.gov/lists/com-attach/38-socalproject2016-VzIN1Q9PFQhGXwNl.pdf'

Original File Name: rmc ca air resources board.pdf

Date and Time Comment Was Submitted: 2016-03-14 16:14:18

No Duplicates.

**Comment 32 for Southern California Consolidation Project  
(socalproject2016) - Non-Reg.**

First Name: Christina

Last Name: Romero

Email Address: christinar@cpp.edu

Affiliation: Cal Poly Pomona, College of Agriculture

Subject: SCCP - Support for Pomona

Comment:

Attached is my letter for public comment regarding the Southern California Consolidation Project.

Christina Romero

Attachment: 'www.arb.ca.gov/lists/com-attach/40-socalproject2016-UzBVPFE9UG5SMQln.docx'

Original File Name: comment.3.14.docx

Date and Time Comment Was Submitted: 2016-03-14 16:22:50

No Duplicates.

**Comment 33 for Southern California Consolidation Project  
(socalproject2016) - Non-Reg.**

First Name: Fabiola

Last Name: Perez

Email Address: [fabiolaperez@cpp.edu](mailto:fabiolaperez@cpp.edu)

Affiliation: Cal Poly Pomona, College of Agriculture

Subject: SCCP - Support for Pomona

Comment:

Attached is my letter for public comment in regards to the Southern California Consolidation Project and support for the Pomona site.

Fabiola Perez

Attachment: 'www.arb.ca.gov/lists/com-attach/41-socalproject2016-B2QAaQFtWGYKaQJs.docx'

Original File Name: comment.3.14.docx

Date and Time Comment Was Submitted: 2016-03-14 16:26:59

No Duplicates.

**Comment 34 for Southern California Consolidation Project  
(socialproject2016) - Non-Reg.**

First Name: Janet

Last Name: Napolitano

Email Address: susan.mckee@ucr.edu

Affiliation: University of California

Subject: Selection of UCR for ARB Research Facility

Comment:

On behalf of University of California President Janet Napolitano,  
please see the attached letter.

Attachment: 'www.arb.ca.gov/lists/com-attach/42-socialproject2016-  
UD4CbVY0UmkBaFI+.pdf'

Original File Name: nichols.PDF

Date and Time Comment Was Submitted: 2016-03-14 16:35:27

No Duplicates.

**Comment 35 for Southern California Consolidation Project  
(socalproject2016) - Non-Reg.**

First Name: Jose

Last Name: Medina

Email Address: assemblymember.medina@assembly.ca.gov

Affiliation: 61st Assembly District

Subject: Selection of UCR for ARB Research Facility

Comment:

On behalf of Assemblymember Jose Medina, please see the attached letter.

Attachment: 'www.arb.ca.gov/lists/com-attach/43-socalproject2016-VTkHZFQhWH9WNQFz.pdf'

Original File Name: Letter to CARB\_re\_Riverside.pdf

Date and Time Comment Was Submitted: 2016-03-14 16:39:04

No Duplicates.

## **Comment 36 for Southern California Consolidation Project (socialproject2016) - Non-Reg.**

First Name: Sarah

Last Name: Rascon

Email Address: srascon@lachamber.com

Affiliation: LA Area Chamber of Commerce

Subject: Proposed Relocation of the Southern California ARB Facility - SUPPORT- CSU  
Pomona

Comment:

March 14, 2016

Mary D. Nichols

Chair, California Air Resources Board

Chairman's Office

P.O. Box 2815

Sacramento, CA 95812

RE: Proposed Relocation of the Southern California ARB Facility -  
SUPPORT

Dear Chairwoman Nichols:

On behalf of the Los Angeles Area Chamber of Commerce, representing over 1,650 member organizations, I am writing to express our support for the site recommendation, relocating the ARB. As the voice of business, the Chamber promotes collaboration and business development in the region in order to build greater economic prosperity and quality of life for all Los Angeles residents. Given our mission, I was pleased to read the California Air Resources Board's (ARB) recent report "Analysis of Sites for the Southern California Relocation Project," which recommends relocation of the ARB's El Monte facilities to the campus of California State Polytechnic University, Pomona.

The Chamber knows that retaining talented staff is key to organizational success, and we commend the ARB for commissioning this report to assess how relocation would impact current employees. As the staff report found, employees strongly favor the Cal Poly Pomona site, with "approximately 85% of the respondents prefer[ing] the Pomona site" over alternative options. The staff report specifies that moving the facility to Riverside County would "likely involve relocation, resignation, or retirement of ARB employees," given the sharp differences in driving and public transit commutes. By comparison, maintaining the facility in Los Angeles County would "likely retain more of ARB's existing and highly trained workforce [who are] necessary to support ARB's ability to carry out its responsibilities" and "would be much less disruptive to ARB's operations."

Further, the staff report also concluded that moving the facility to Pomona would "allow ARB to select from a larger candidate pool because of its proximity to the Los Angeles area." We understand the importance of the work that ARB does and believe that retaining the facility in Los Angeles County will be optimal for the ARB by



helping to attract and retain talented staff.

The Los Angeles region also stands to benefit from maintaining the southern California facility in Los Angeles County, as the ARB functions as a key employer in our local economy. We cannot afford to lose approximately 400 jobs to our neighbors in Riverside County. Those high-skilled, high-paying jobs—and the economic development components that accompany these jobs, such as employee housing, retail, spousal jobs, etc.—should remain in Los Angeles.

Furthermore, the Los Angeles Area Chamber of Commerce is committed to promoting education and workforce development opportunities that will prepare our young people for 21st century jobs. We are pleased to see that Cal Poly Pomona and the CSU System are eager to collaborate with ARB, and have proposed to develop new state-of-the-art facilities on their campus property. This campus co-location will not only retain hundreds of jobs in our County, but will offer additional educational benefits and training opportunities for Cal Poly students and faculty, as well as for our local community. As the only polytechnic university in southern California, Cal Poly Pomona is uniquely positioned to prepare students for critically-needed scientific and professional careers through its superior teaching, scholarly activity, and high-quality academic programs and experiential learning opportunities. In addition, Cal Poly Pomona's status as a federally defined Hispanic-Serving Institute (HSI) enables it to meet our current and projected workforce needs with diverse and highly-skilled job candidates. The Chamber greatly supports how co-location of the ARB facility on the Cal Poly Pomona campus will create collaborative educational and training opportunities that will have a positive impact on our entire community.

For these reasons, the Los Angeles Area Chamber of Commerce strongly encourages ARB to adopt the staff report's recommendation to relocate the El Monte facility to the Cal Poly Pomona campus. This move makes economic and operational sense from multiple angles, is consistent with the will of your employees, and creates additional educational and training opportunities for our future workforce. I look forward to hearing the results of the March 17th Board meeting and sincerely hope I will soon have the opportunity to announce to business community that ARB will be remaining in Los Angeles County. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,  
Gary Toebben  
President & CEO

Attachment: 'www.arb.ca.gov/lists/com-attach/45-socalproject2016-BjUHLwExVzABKVvk.pdf'

Original File Name: 3.14.16\_CARB\_relocation\_facility\_to\_CSU\_Pomona.pdf

Date and Time Comment Was Submitted: 2016-03-14 16:39:27

No Duplicates.

**Comment 37 for Southern California Consolidation Project  
(socalproject2016) - Non-Reg.**

First Name: Sally

Last Name: Barron

Email Address: hardcorecourser@gmail.com

Affiliation: None

Subject: ARB Southern California Consolidation Project

Comment:

Good Afternoon,

I am opposed to the relocation of the existing ARB facilities in Southern California.

Cost too much money which may or may not be appropriated by the legislature. As a tax payer I object.

Attachment: "

Original File Name:

Date and Time Comment Was Submitted: 2016-03-14 16:41:09

No Duplicates.

**Comment 38 for Southern California Consolidation Project  
(socalproject2016) - Non-Reg.**

First Name: John

Last Name: Tavaglione

Email Address: jtavaglione@rcbos.org

Affiliation: Board of Supervisors

Subject: Support for Relocation to Riverside

Comment:

I am writing on behalf of Riverside County in asking that your Board reconsider the staff recommendation and consolidate your Southern California operations in the City of Riverside. I have had the pleasure of representing the Riverside region for more than a quarter of a century, first as a member of the Riverside City Council and now as a member of the Board of Supervisors. Over the years, I have taken significant pride in the partnership between the Air Resources Board (ARB) and our community. Relocating to Riverside is the next logical step in that relationship.

Attachment: 'www.arb.ca.gov/lists/com-attach/47-socalproject2016-WzhUMwR3UGEFXAEs.pdf'

Original File Name: CARB - Letter from Tavaglione (20160314).pdf

Date and Time Comment Was Submitted: 2016-03-14 16:39:01

No Duplicates.

## **Comment 39 for Southern California Consolidation Project (socalproject2016) - Non-Reg.**

First Name: Jorge

Last Name: Marquez

Email Address: JorgeMarquezSGV@gmail.com

Affiliation: Councilmember City of Covina

Subject: Support for ARB in Pomona

Comment:

Mary D. Nichols, Chair  
California Air Resources Board  
1001 I Street  
Sacramento, CA 95814

RE: Southern California Consolidation Project's Site Location

Chair Nichols:

Please accept this letter as my strongest recommendation for ARB's Southern California Consolidation Project to be relocated within the City of Pomona. As an advocate for our ARB employee's families in Covina and the greater San Gabriel Valley moving these 400 employees and their families 40-50 more miles away would not only cause a negative economic effect to our region, but would place stress between families to uproot their lives. Less time with family, more time in their cars and in traffic, and possible lower morale.

As much as 400 jobs will be lost within the San Gabriel Valley to Riverside County which will directly affected the vast majority of those who live in the region and within Covina. With skilled labor force along with the economic development components around 400 jobs such as housing, retail, spousal jobs need to remain in LA County.

For these reasons, I strongly encourage ARB to adopt the Staff Report recommendation; it makes economic and operational sense from multiple angles and it is consistent with the will of your employees. I look forward to hearing the results of the March 17th Board meeting and sincerely hope that ARB will remain in LA County.

If you need additional information, please contact myself oat  
626-214-8586

Sincerely,

Jorge Marquez  
Covina City Councilmember

Attachment: "

Original File Name:

Date and Time Comment Was Submitted: 2016-03-14 16:49:15

No Duplicates.

**Comment 40 for Southern California Consolidation Project  
(socalproject2016) - Non-Reg.**

First Name: David

Last Name: Flaks

Email Address: david.flaks@laedc.org

Affiliation:

Subject: Support Letter for Pomona Location

Comment:

Please see attached letter of support.

Attachment: 'www.arb.ca.gov/lists/com-attach/49-socalproject2016-  
VCcGdQR1V3RXPgJw.docx'

Original File Name: Support letter CARB facility in Pomona DF.docx

Date and Time Comment Was Submitted: 2016-03-14 16:53:38

No Duplicates.

**Comment 41 for Southern California Consolidation Project  
(socalproject2016) - Non-Reg.**

First Name: Robert

Last Name: Torres

Email Address: Robert.Torres@asm.ca.gov

Affiliation: California State Assembly

Subject: Letter to ARB - SoCal Consolidation Project

Comment:

Letter from Assemblymember Freddie Rodriguez

Attachment: 'www.arb.ca.gov/lists/com-attach/50-socalproject2016-B3RUOQRoAg4CNIRs.pdf'

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Date and Time Comment Was Submitted: 2016-03-14 16:32:34

No Duplicates.

**Comment 42 for Southern California Consolidation Project  
(socalproject2016) - Non-Reg.**

First Name: Daisy

Last Name: Ma

Email Address: daisy.ma@asm.ca.gov

Affiliation: Assemblymember Ed Chau

Subject: Letter regarding relocation of ARB from El Monte

Comment:

Letter from Assemblymember Ed Chau regarding the relocation of ARB  
from El Monte

Attachment: 'www.arb.ca.gov/lists/com-attach/51-socalproject2016-  
BjUHZFY0UGYKMQIn.pdf'

Original File Name: 03.14.16 - ARB.pdf

Date and Time Comment Was Submitted: 2016-03-14 16:53:58

No Duplicates.



**Comment 1 for Southern California Consolidation Project  
(socalproject2016). (At Hearing)**

First Name: Mark

Last Name: Takano

Email Address: Non-web submitted comment

Affiliation: Inland Empire Congressional Delegation

Subject: Inland Empire Congressional Delegation

Comment:

see attached

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Original File Name: 16-3-2 Inland Empire congressional delegation.pdf

Date and Time Comment Was Submitted: 2016-03-22 15:52:56

No Duplicates.

**Comment 2 for Southern California Consolidation Project  
(socalproject2016). (At Hearing)**

First Name: James

Last Name: Ramos

Email Address: Non-web submitted comment

Affiliation: San Bernardino County

Subject: San Bernardino County

Comment:

see attached

Attachment: [www.arb.ca.gov/lists/com-attach/53-socalproject2016-BjdUZFJ+A2NQe1Rm.pdf](http://www.arb.ca.gov/lists/com-attach/53-socalproject2016-BjdUZFJ+A2NQe1Rm.pdf)

Original File Name: 16-3-2 James Ramos.pdf

Date and Time Comment Was Submitted: 2016-03-22 15:52:56

No Duplicates.

**Comment 3 for Southern California Consolidation Project  
(socalproject2016). (At Hearing)**

First Name: Bobby

Last Name: Spiegel

Email Address: Non-web submitted comment

Affiliation: Corona Chamber of Commerce

Subject: Selection of UCR for Relocation of CARB Research Facility

Comment:

see attached

Attachment: [www.arb.ca.gov/lists/com-attach/54-socalproject2016-BzZdbQQoWTlQewQ2.pdf](http://www.arb.ca.gov/lists/com-attach/54-socalproject2016-BzZdbQQoWTlQewQ2.pdf)

Original File Name: 16-3-2 Bobby Spiegel.pdf

Date and Time Comment Was Submitted: 2016-03-22 15:52:56

No Duplicates.

**Comment 4 for Southern California Consolidation Project  
(socalproject2016). (At Hearing)**

First Name: Christina

Last Name: Carrizosa

Email Address: Non-web submitted comment

Affiliation: City of Pomona

Subject: El Monte Facility Relocation to CalPoly Pomona

Comment:

see attached

Attachment: [www.arb.ca.gov/lists/com-attach/55-socalproject2016-ADFUZZFF9UDADKFJg.pdf](http://www.arb.ca.gov/lists/com-attach/55-socalproject2016-ADFUZZFF9UDADKFJg.pdf)

Original File Name: 16-3-2 Christina Carrizosa.pdf

Date and Time Comment Was Submitted: 2016-03-22 15:52:56

No Duplicates.

**Comment 5 for Southern California Consolidation Project  
(socalproject2016). (At Hearing)**

First Name: V. John

Last Name: White

Email Address: Non-web submitted comment

Affiliation: V. John White Associates

Subject: letter from V John White

Comment:

see attached

Attachment: [www.arb.ca.gov/lists/com-attach/57-socalproject2016-UiQBWFE6WWVQPgVr.pdf](http://www.arb.ca.gov/lists/com-attach/57-socalproject2016-UiQBWFE6WWVQPgVr.pdf)

Original File Name: V\_JohnWhiteLtr\_March162016.pdf

Date and Time Comment Was Submitted: 2016-03-22 15:52:56

No Duplicates.

**Comment 6 for Southern California Consolidation Project  
(socalproject2016). (At Hearing)**

First Name: Ron

Last Name: Loveridge

Email Address: Non-web submitted comment

Affiliation:

Subject: Southern California Consolidation Project

Comment:

see attached

Attachment: [www.arb.ca.gov/lists/com-attach/58-socalproject2016-BjdcBFJ+VDRSeQIw.pdf](http://www.arb.ca.gov/lists/com-attach/58-socalproject2016-BjdcBFJ+VDRSeQIw.pdf)

Original File Name: 16-3-2 Ron Loveridge.pdf

Date and Time Comment Was Submitted: 2016-03-22 15:52:56

No Duplicates.

**Comment 7 for Southern California Consolidation Project  
(socalproject2016). (At Hearing)**

First Name: Gilbert

Last Name: Ivey

Email Address: Non-web submitted comment

Affiliation: Los Angeles Business Federation

Subject: BizFed Supports ARB Staff Recommendation of CalPoly Site for Proposed SoCal  
Project

Comment:

see attached

Attachment: [www.arb.ca.gov/lists/com-attach/59-socalproject2016-BTQFNVd7WTlQewAy.pdf](http://www.arb.ca.gov/lists/com-attach/59-socalproject2016-BTQFNVd7WTlQewAy.pdf)

Original File Name: 16-3-2 Los Angeles County Business Federation.pdf

Date and Time Comment Was Submitted: 2016-03-22 15:52:56

No Duplicates.

**Comment 8 for Southern California Consolidation Project  
(socalproject2016). (At Hearing)**

First Name: Kim

Last Name: Wilcox

Email Address: Non-web submitted comment

Affiliation: University of Riverside

Subject: University of Riverside

Comment:

See attached

Attachment: [www.arb.ca.gov/lists/com-attach/60-socalproject2016-UidROVw0AicCYVcl.pdf](http://www.arb.ca.gov/lists/com-attach/60-socalproject2016-UidROVw0AicCYVcl.pdf)

Original File Name: University of Riverside.pdf

Date and Time Comment Was Submitted: 2016-04-13 15:43:41

No Duplicates.