



October 8, 2025

The Honorable Laura Richardson
Secretary, Senate
Sacramento, CA 95814

Subject: Support. SB-9, Senator Laura Richardson

Dear Secretary Richardson,

The Sierra Club writes regarding “Air Pollution: community air monitoring: port-adjacent communities”, prioritizing air monitoring and emissions reduction planning in communities neighboring port infrastructure and corridors. This policy aligns with our goals for clean air.

Clean air is essential for everyone, our health, and the climate. More specifically, zoning practices, redlining, and port infrastructure disproportionately affect the communities which neighbor such activities. With constant exposure to air pollution, these communities and anyone else exposed to pollution face increased risk of developing asthma, strokes, premature death, cancer, and heart attacks. The implications of this bill would protect the low-income communities that are affected the most by air pollution.

For this reason, the Sierra Club supports this bill.
