

**State of California
AIR RESOURCES BOARD**

Executive Order G-19-092

**Fresno Council of Governments (FCOG)
2018 Sustainable Communities Strategy
CARB Acceptance of GHG Quantification Determination**

WHEREAS, SB 375 (Steinberg, Chapter 728, Statutes of 2008), also known as the Sustainable Communities and Climate Protection Act, aims to reduce greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions from passenger vehicle travel through improved transportation and land use planning at the regional scale;

WHEREAS, SB 375 requires each of the State's 18 federally designated Metropolitan Planning Organizations (MPOs), including the Fresno Council of Governments (FCOG), to develop a Sustainable Communities Strategy (SCS) or an Alternative Planning Strategy (APS) that meets the regional GHG emissions reduction targets for passenger vehicles set by the California Air Resources Board (CARB or Board);

WHEREAS, on September 23, 2010, the Board set targets for the FCOG region of 5 percent per capita reduction by 2020, and 10 percent per capita reduction by 2035 relative to 2005 levels;

WHEREAS, on January 29, 2015, CARB accepted FCOG's quantification of greenhouse gas emissions for its first SCS, adopted by the FCOG Board of Directors on June 26, 2014;

WHEREAS, in preparation for its 2018 SCS, FCOG staff engaged the public via online surveys, community meetings, public workshops, and public hearings between October 2016 and July 2018;

WHEREAS, in April 2018, FCOG published its draft 2018 SCS, which was available for public review through June 2018;

WHEREAS, on July 26, 2018, FCOG's Board of Directors adopted the final 2018 SCS with a determination that the SCS would achieve the region's GHG targets of 5 percent per capita reduction by 2020, and 10 percent per capita reduction by 2035 relative to 2005 levels;

WHEREAS, FCOG submitted the final 2018 SCS to CARB on November 15, 2018, as required by California Government Code section 65080, subdivision (b)(2)(J)(ii), and completed its submittal of supporting information on May 29, 2019;

WHEREAS, CARB staff performed a technical evaluation of the 2018 SCS based on CARB's technical methodology for evaluation of an SCS (published in July 2011);

WHEREAS, CARB staff's evaluation indicated that FCOG used technical methodologies that would reasonably quantify GHG emissions reductions from the 2018 SCS;

WHEREAS, CARB staff's evaluation showed FCOG's 2018 SCS, when implemented, would meet the GHG emissions reduction targets that the Board established for the region for 2020 and 2035;

WHEREAS, CARB staff's technical evaluation of FCOG's GHG emissions reduction determination is included in Attachment A, *Technical Evaluation of the Greenhouse Gas Emissions Reduction Quantification for Fresno Council of Governments' SB 375 2018 Sustainable Communities Strategy*, September 2019;

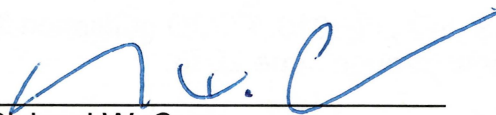
WHEREAS, California Government Code section 65080, subdivision (b)(2)(J)(ii), calls for CARB to accept or reject an MPO's determination that the strategy submitted would, when implemented, achieve the GHG emissions reduction targets established by the Board;

WHEREAS, the California Health and Safety Code sections 39515 and 39516 delegate to the Board's Executive Officer the authority to act on behalf of the Board in this manner;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that under California Government Code section 65080, subsection (b)(2)(J)(ii), the Executive Officer hereby accepts FCOG's determination that the SCS adopted by the FCOG Board of Directors on July 26, 2018, would achieve the 2020 and 2035 GHG emissions reduction targets established by CARB when implemented.

NOW, THEREFORE, CARB staff is directed to forward this executive order to the FCOG Executive Director.

Executed at Sacramento, California this 3rd day of October 2019.



Richard W. Corey
Executive Officer

Attachment A: *Technical Evaluation of the Greenhouse Gas Emissions Reduction Quantification for Fresno Council of Governments' SB 375 2018 Sustainable Communities Strategy*, September 2019.