

**State of California
AIR RESOURCES BOARD**

Executive Order G-20-236

**Madera County Transportation Commission's (MCTC)
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 Madera County Transportation Commission (MCTC), to develop a Sustainable Communities Strategy (SCS) or an Alternative Planning Strategy that meets the regional GHG emissions reduction targets for automobiles and light trucks set by the California Air Resources Board (CARB or Board);

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

WHEREAS, on February 9, 2018, CARB accepted MCTC's quantification of GHG emissions reductions for automobiles and light trucks as meeting the applicable targets in its Amended 2014 SCS, adopted by the MCTC Board on June 21, 2017;

WHEREAS, in preparation for its 2018 SCS, MCTC staff engaged the public via public meetings and notices, web postings, and public hearings between September 2017 and September 2018;

WHEREAS, on May 31, 2018, MCTC published its draft 2018 SCS, which was available for public review through July 16, 2018;

WHEREAS, on September 19, 2018, MCTC's Board adopted the final 2018 SCS, known as the 2018 Regional Transportation Plan and Sustainable Communities Strategy, with a determination that the SCS would achieve the region's GHG targets of a 5 percent per capita reduction by 2020 and a 10 percent per capita reduction by 2035 relative to 2005 levels;

WHEREAS, MCTC 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 September 23, 2020;

WHEREAS, CARB staff performed a technical evaluation of the 2018 SCS's quantification of the GHG emissions reductions the plan would achieve and the

technical methodology used to obtain that result based on CARB's July 2011 document entitled *Description of Methodology for ARB Staff Review of Greenhouse Gas Reductions from Sustainable Communities Strategies Pursuant to SB 375*;

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

WHEREAS, CARB staff's technical evaluation of MCTC's GHG emissions reduction determination is included in Attachment A, *Technical Evaluation of the Greenhouse Gas Emissions Reduction Quantification for Madera County Transportation Commission's SB 375 2018 Sustainable Communities Strategy*, October 2020;

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

WHEREAS, 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 MCTC's determination that the SCS adopted by the MCTC Board on September 19, 2018, would, when implemented, achieve the applicable GHG emissions reduction targets for automobiles and light trucks of a 5 percent per capita reduction by 2020 and a 10 percent per capita reduction by 2035, relative to 2005 levels, as established by CARB for the region.

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

Executed at Sacramento, California this 26th day of October 2020.



Richard W. Corey
Executive Officer

Attachment A: *Technical Evaluation of the Greenhouse Gas Emissions Reduction Quantification for Madera County Transportation Commission's SB 375 2018 Sustainable Communities Strategy*, October 2020.