

July 22, 2021

Ms. Deborah Jordan, Acting Regional Administrator
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Region 9
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Dear Ms. Jordan:

The California Air Resources Board (CARB or Board) is submitting to the United States Environmental Protection Agency (U.S. EPA) the *2021 PM10 Maintenance Plan for the South Coast Air Basin* (2021 PM10 Plan) as a revision to the California State Implementation Plan (SIP). The South Coast Air Quality Management District (District) adopted the 2021 PM10 Plan on June 4, 2021. In this submittal, CARB is also including the transportation conformity emission budgets associated with the 2021 PM10 Plan as included in the *CARB Review of the South Coast PM10 Maintenance Plan SIP Revision* (CARB Staff Report) and adopted by CARB on June 24, 2021.

On July 26, 2013, U.S. EPA designated the South Coast Air Basin (South Coast) attainment for the 150 micrograms per cubic meter 24-hour national ambient air quality standard (PM10 standard) and approved the District's first maintenance plan demonstrating that the South Coast would maintain attainment of the PM10 standard for at least ten years, until 2023. Section 175(A)(b) of the Clean Air Act requires that areas redesignated to attainment submit a SIP revision, 8 years after redesignation to attainment, that demonstrates the area will remain in attainment for an additional 10 years after the initial 10-year maintenance period, until at least July 2033. The 2021 PM10 Plan was developed to meet these requirements and demonstrates that the South Coast will maintain attainment of the PM10 standard through 2035.

On May 14, 2021, CARB noticed the June 24, 2021 public meeting to consider the 2021 PM10 Plan. CARB received no written comments on the 2021 PM10 Plan, and received only one oral comment at the Board meeting which did not address the substance of the item before the Board. On June 24, 2021, the Board approved the 2021 PM10 Plan, together with transportation conformity emission budgets included in the CARB Staff Report, note Errata posted May 21, 2021.

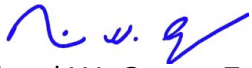
This submittal includes electronic copies of the following materials:

1. District 2021 PM10 Plan submission package to CARB, including:
 - a. June 9, 2021 submittal letter from Wayne Nastri to Richard Corey;
 - b. Approved District Board Resolution 21-16;
 - c. Final 2021 PM10 Plan; and
 - d. District proof of publication for their Board adoption of the 2021 PM10 Plan;
2. CARB Staff Report including transportation conformity emissions budgets posted on May 14, 2021, and Errata posted May 21, 2021;

3. CARB Resolution 21-13 adopting the 2021 PM10 Plan and transportation conformity emissions budgets;
4. May 14, 2021 public notice for the June 24, 2021 CARB public meeting; and
5. CARB SIP Completeness Checklist.

CARB staff is committed to working with U.S. EPA staff to provide any additional clarifying information needed. If you have any questions, please contact Edie Chang, Deputy Executive Officer, at (916) 445-4383, or have your staff contact Dr. Michael Benjamin, Chief, Air Quality Planning and Science Division, at (916) 201-8968.

Sincerely,



Richard W. Corey, Executive Officer

Enclosures (5)

cc: (With Resolution 21-13 only)

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