

February 12, 2024

Martha Guzman
Regional Administrator
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region 9
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Dear Administrator Guzman:

The California Air Resources Board is submitting to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, the *1997 8-hour Ozone National Ambient Air Quality Standard Clean Data Determination Request* prepared by the five local air districts representing the Sacramento Metro nonattainment area. The California Air Resources Board requests that the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency find the Sacramento Metro nonattainment area has met the 1997 8-hour ozone National Ambient Air Quality Standard.

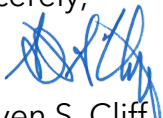
Sacramento Metro is designated as nonattainment with a Severe classification for the 1997 8-hour ozone National Ambient Air Quality Standard. The five local air districts in Sacramento Metro are the Sacramento Metropolitan Air Quality Management District, Feather River Air Quality Management District, Yolo-Solano Air Quality Management District, Placer County Air Pollution Control District, and El Dorado County Air Quality Management District. This request demonstrates that ozone levels in Sacramento Metro have decreased significantly over the past two decades, and the area meets the 1997 8-hour ozone National Ambient Air Quality Standard for the 2020-2022 period. The California Air Resources Board has reviewed this request and concurs with the districts' findings.

This submittal package consists of the following documents:

1. A December 21, 2023 letter from the local districts to the California Air Resources Board to request clean data determination; and
2. The *Air Quality Analysis and Justification for Clean Data Determination for 1997 8-hour Ozone National Ambient Air Quality*, prepared by the local districts.

If you have any questions, please contact Edie Chang, Deputy Executive Officer, at (916) 445-4383, or have your staff contact Michael Benjamin, Chief, Air Quality Planning and Science Division, at (916) 201-8968.

Sincerely,



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Enclosures (2)