

## CALIFORNIA AIR RESOURCES BOARD

### NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING TO CONSIDER 70 PARTS PER BILLION OZONE STATE IMPLEMENTATION PLAN SUBMITTAL

The California Air Resources Board (CARB or Board) will conduct a public meeting at the time and place noted below to consider the 70 Parts Per Billion (ppb) 2015 Ozone National Ambient Air Quality Standard State Implementation Plan (SIP) Submittal of (1) the baseline inventories for 18 8-hour ozone nonattainment areas, and (2) the vehicle miles travelled (VMT) emissions-offset demonstrations for those areas designated as Severe or Extreme nonattainment, as required by the federal Clean Air Act.

DATE: June 25, 2020

TIME: 9:00 a.m.

Please see the Public Agenda for the meeting location and/or any appropriate direction regarding a possible remote-only Board Meeting; the agenda will be posted ten days before the June 25, 2020, Board Meeting.

This item will be considered at a meeting of the Board, which will commence at 9:00 a.m., June 25, 2020, and may continue at 8:30 a.m., June 26, 2020. This item is scheduled to be heard on the Board's Consent Calendar, unless removed upon the request of a Board member or if someone requests to speak on this item at the Board Meeting. Please consult the agenda for the meeting to determine the day on which this item will be considered.

#### **Background**

The federal Clean Air Act (Act) establishes planning requirements for areas that exceed the health-based National Ambient Air Quality Standards (standards). Areas are designated as nonattainment based on monitored exceedances of these standards.

In 2015, the United States Environmental Protection Agency (U.S. EPA) strengthened the ambient air quality standard for 8-hour ozone from 75 to 70 ppb. Effective August 3, 2018, U.S. EPA designated 19 areas in California as nonattainment for the 2015 70 ppb 8-hour ozone standard and classified them as marginal, moderate, serious, severe or extreme. For ozone, the Act requires states to prepare baseline emission inventories for all areas exceeding the standard within two years of designation. Per U.S. EPA guidance, CARB has prepared the 2017 baseline emissions inventory for oxides of nitrogen and reactive organic gases for all 19 ozone nonattainment areas.

Also, within two years of designations, the Act requires states to submit enforceable transportation control strategies and transportation control measures to offset any growth in emissions from growth in VMT or numbers of vehicle trips (VMT emissions offset demonstration) for severe and extreme ozone nonattainment areas. CARB has

prepared the VMT emissions offset demonstration for these areas.

The Board will hear the proposed 70 ppb Ozone SIP Submittal consisting of the baseline emissions inventories and VMT emissions offset demonstration required for the 2015 70 ppb 8-hour ozone standard as part of the State Implementation Plan submittal.

### **Proposed Action**

CARB staff will present a written Staff Report at the meeting. Subject to limitations below, copies of the report may be obtained from CARB's Public Information Office, 1001 I Street, First Floor, Environmental Services Center, Sacramento, California, 95814, after May 22, 2020. The report may also be obtained from [CARB's website](https://ww2.arb.ca.gov/resources/documents/2017-baseline-inventory-and-vehicle-miles-traveled-offset-demonstration-2015-70) at <https://ww2.arb.ca.gov/resources/documents/2017-baseline-inventory-and-vehicle-miles-traveled-offset-demonstration-2015-70>. Because of current travel, facility, and staffing restrictions, the California Air Resources Board's offices may have limited public access. Please contact Chris Hopkins, Regulations Coordinator, at [chris.hopkins@arb.ca.gov](mailto:chris.hopkins@arb.ca.gov) or (916) 445-9564 if you need physical copies of the documents.

Interested members of the public may present comments orally or in writing at the meeting and may provide comments by postal mail or by electronic submittal before the meeting. To be considered by the Board, written comments not physically submitted at the meeting, must be received **no later than June 22, 2020**, and addressed to the following:

Postal mail: Clerks' Office, California Air Resources Board  
1001 I Street, Sacramento, California 95814

**Electronic submittal:** <http://www.arb.ca.gov/lispub/comm/bclist.php>

Please note that under the California Public Records Act (Government Code section 6250 et seq.), your written and oral comments, attachments, and associated contact information (e.g., your address, phone, email, etc.) become part of the public record and can be released to the public upon request.

CARB requests that written statements on this item be filed at least ten days prior to the meeting so that CARB staff and Board members have additional time to consider each comment. Further inquiries regarding this matter should be directed to Tiffanie Be, Air Pollution Specialist, Emissions Inventory Development Section, at [Tiffanie.be@arb.ca.gov](mailto:Tiffanie.be@arb.ca.gov) or (916) 327-8170, Stephanie Huber, Manager, Emissions Inventory Development Section, at [Stephanie.huber@arb.ca.gov](mailto:Stephanie.huber@arb.ca.gov) or (916) 323-2664, or Nesamani Kalandiyur, Manager, Transportation Analysis Section, at [nesamani.kalandiyur@arb.ca.gov](mailto:nesamani.kalandiyur@arb.ca.gov) or (916) 324-0466.

## **SPECIAL ACCOMMODATION REQUEST**

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- An interpreter to be available at the meeting;
- Documents made available in an alternate format or another language; and
- A disability-related reasonable accommodation.

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- Un intérprete que esté disponible en la audiencia;
- Documentos disponibles en un formato alternativo u otro idioma; y
- Una acomodación razonable relacionados con una incapacidad.

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Richard W. Corey  
Executive Officer

Date: May 22, 2020

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