

Notice of Public Availability of Additional Documents and Information

Proposed Amendments to the Small Off-Road Engine Regulations: Transition to Zero Emissions

Public Hearing Date: December 9, 2021
Public Availability Date: November 12, 2021
Deadline for Public Comment: November 29, 2021

At its December 9, 2021, public hearing, the California Air Resources Board (CARB or Board) will consider amending California Code of Regulations, title 13, sections 2400, 2401, 2402, 2403, 2404, 2405, 2405.1, 2405.2, 2405.3, 2406, 2407, 2408, 2408.1, 2750, 2752, 2753, 2754, 2754.1, 2754.2, 2755, 2756, 2757, 2758, 2759, 2761, 2762, 2763, 2764, 2765, 2766, 2767, 2767.1, and 2771, adopting California Code of Regulations, title 13, sections 2408.2 and 2754.3, and repealing California Code of Regulations, title 13, section 2768, together the Proposed Amendments to the Small Off-Road Engine Regulations. The Proposed Amendments seek to accelerate the transition from equipment using small off-road engines (SORE) to zero-emission equipment. The regulatory documents for this rulemaking are available online at the following CARB website: <https://ww2.arb.ca.gov/rulemaking/2021/sore2021>.

In the interest of completeness and in accordance with Government Code section 11347.1, subdivision (a), staff has added to the rulemaking record and invites comments on the following additional documents. Staff is not proposing any modifications to the regulatory text as part of this notice.

In the Final Statement of Reasons, staff will respond to all comments received on the record during the comment periods. The Administrative Procedure Act requires that staff respond to comments received regarding all noticed changes. Therefore, staff will only address comments on the additional documents added to the record as described herein that are received during this 15-day comment period and that respond to this Notice or to those documents.

Additional Documents Added to the Record

In the interest of completeness, staff has added the documents below to the rulemaking record:

1. CARB. 2021k. Technical Support Document: Potential Increase in Electricity Demand from Added Charging Requirements for Zero-Emission Small Off-Road Equipment under Proposed Amendments to the Small Off-Road Engine Regulations. Prepared by staff of the Monitoring and Laboratory Division, California Air Resources Board. November 2021.

2. California Energy Commission. 2021a. TN 236983 California Energy Demand Forecast Update, 2020 - 2030 Baseline Forecast - Mid Demand Case for the State Planning Area, Corrected February 2021. Microsoft Excel spreadsheet report downloaded on November 3, 2021, from the California Energy Commission website available at: <https://efiling.energy.ca.gov/Lists/DocketLog.aspx?docketnumber=20-IEPR-03>.

3. California Energy Commission. 2021b. California Energy Consumption Database: Electricity Consumption by County (GWh) in 2020. Microsoft Excel spreadsheet report downloaded on November 8, 2021, from the California Energy Commission online database available at: <http://www.ecdms.energy.ca.gov/>.

The technical support document is provided as Attachment 1 to this Notice. Please contact Bradley Bechtold, Regulations Coordinator, at bradley.bechtold@arb.ca.gov or (916) 322-6533 if you need physical copies of the documents. Because of current travel, facility, and staffing restrictions, the California Air Resources Board's offices have limited public access. Pursuant to Government Code section 11346.5, subdivision (b), upon request to the aforementioned Regulations Coordinator, physical copies would be obtained from the Public Information Office, California Air Resources Board, 1001 I Street, Visitors and Environmental Services Center, First Floor, Sacramento, California, 95814, between the hours of 9:00am to 4:00pm, Monday through Friday (excluding holidays).

Agency Contacts

Inquiries concerning the substance of the additional documents added to the record may be directed to Dorothy Fibiger, Air Resources Engineer, Testing and Certification Section, at (916) 324-8426 or (designated back-up contact) Chris Burford, Air Resources Engineer, Testing and Certification Section, at (916) 327-4719.

Public Comments

Written comments will only be accepted on the additional documents added to the record identified in this Notice. Comments may be submitted by postal mail or by electronic submittal no later than November 29, 2021, to the following:

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

[Electronic submittal:](https://www.arb.ca.gov/lispub/comm/bclist.php) <https://www.arb.ca.gov/lispub/comm/bclist.php>

Written and verbal comments on the additional documents identified in this Notice also may be submitted during the hearing. Please note that under the California Public Records Act (Gov. Code § 6250 et seq.), your written and verbal 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.

In order to be considered by the Board, comments must be directed to CARB in one of the two forms described above and received by CARB no later than the deadline date for public comment listed at the beginning of this notice.

If you need this document in an alternate format or another language, please contact the Clerks' Office at (916) 322-5594 or by facsimile at (916) 322-3928 no later than five (5) business days from the release date of this notice. TTY/TDD/Speech to Speech users may dial 711 for the California Relay Service.

Si necesita este documento en un formato alternativo u otro idioma, por favor llame a la oficina del Secretario del Consejo de Recursos Atmosféricos al (916) 322-5594 o envíe un fax al (916) 322-3928 no menos de cinco (5) días laborales a partir de la fecha del lanzamiento de este aviso. Para el Servicio Telefónico de California para Personas con Problemas Auditivos, ó de teléfonos TDD pueden marcar al 711.

California Air Resources Board



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Date: November 12, 2021

The energy challenge facing California is real. Every Californian needs to take immediate action to reduce energy consumption. For a list of simple ways you can reduce demand and cut your energy costs, see [CARB's website](http://www.arb.ca.gov) (www.arb.ca.gov).