

CALIFORNIA AIR RESOURCES BOARD

NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING TO CONSIDER THE SUPPLEMENTAL DOCUMENT FOR THE SAN JOAQUIN VALLEY 24-HOUR PM2.5 SIP

The Air Resources Board (ARB or Board) will conduct a public meeting at the time and place noted below to consider the Supplemental Document for the San Joaquin Valley 24-hour PM2.5 State Implementation Plan (SIP) for inclusion in the California SIP.

DATE: October 23, 2014

TIME: 9:00 a.m.

PLACE: South Coast Air Pollution Control District
Auditorium
21865 Copley Drive
Diamond Bar, California 91765

This item will be considered at a two-day meeting of the Board, which will commence at 9:00 a.m., October 23, 2014, and will continue at 8:30 a.m., on October 24, 2014. This item may not be considered until October 24, 2014. Please consult the agenda for the meeting, which will be available at least 10 days before October 23, 2014, to determine the order in which this item will be considered. This item is scheduled to be heard on the Board's Consent Calendar. All agenda items on the Consent Calendar – unless removed upon the request of a Board member or if someone in the audience submits a request to speak card on that item – will be voted on by the Board at the beginning of the public meeting.

Background

In December 2012, the San Joaquin Valley Air Pollution Control District (District) adopted a SIP for the 35 ug/m³ 24-hour PM2.5 standard (2012 PM2.5 Plan). The 2012 PM2.5 Plan was developed to meet requirements specified by the United States Environmental Protection Agency (U.S. EPA) PM2.5 Implementation Rule based on Subpart 1 provisions of the federal Clean Air Act (Act). In January 2013, ARB approved the 2012 PM2.5 Plan.

In the time between the 2012 PM2.5 Plan adoption by the District in December 2012 and the ARB hearing in January 2013, the D.C. Circuit Court determined that U.S. EPA erred in solely developing its implementation rule for PM2.5 under the Subpart 1 general provision of the Act without considering the more specific particulate matter provisions in Subpart 4. The Court remanded the rule back to U.S. EPA to address the Subpart 4 provisions. During the January 2013 ARB hearing, the Board determined it was appropriate to approve the 2012 PM2.5 Plan at that time and later provide any necessary supplemental information once U.S. EPA provided guidance in response to the D.C. Circuit Court decision.

In 2014, U.S. EPA classified the San Joaquin Valley under Subpart 4 as a moderate nonattainment area for the 35 ug/m³ 24-hour PM_{2.5} standard and directed the State to submit a SIP by the end of 2014 that would meet the moderate area requirements. Also, U.S. EPA directed states to follow the existing guidance for PM₁₀ SIP implementation under Subpart 4.

On September 18, 2014, the District adopted the "*Supplemental Document: Clean Air Act Subpart 4: The 2012 PM_{2.5} Plan for the 2006 PM_{2.5} Standard and District Rule 2201 (New and Modified Stationary Source Review)*" (Supplemental Document). The Supplemental Document demonstrates that the existing 2012 PM_{2.5} Plan satisfies the Subpart 4 requirements for a moderate PM_{2.5} nonattainment area. The Supplemental Document also includes the District's request that the San Joaquin Valley be classified as a serious PM_{2.5} nonattainment area under Subpart 4 consistent with the attainment demonstration in the 2012 PM_{2.5} Plan. The Supplemental Document provides the information U.S. EPA needs to approve the 2012 PM_{2.5} Plan under Subpart 4 consistent with the DC Circuit Court direction to U.S. EPA.

PROPOSED ACTION

Staff has reviewed the Supplemental Document and concluded that the 2012 PM_{2.5} Plan meets the requirements of Subpart 4 of the Act for moderate PM_{2.5} nonattainment areas. Staff recommends that the Board approve the Supplemental Document and direct staff to submit it to U.S. EPA as a revision to the California SIP.

Copies of the ARB staff report will be available on September 22, 2014. These may be obtained from ARB's Public Information Office, 1001 I Street, First Floor, Environmental Services Center, Sacramento, California, 95814, (916) 322-2990. The report may also be obtained from ARB's website at: <http://www.arb.ca.gov/planning/sip/sip.htm>

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 5:00 pm, October 20, 2014**, and addressed to the following:

Postal mail: Clerk of the Board, 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 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.

ARB requests that written and email statements on this item be filed at least 10 days prior to the meeting so that ARB staff and Board members have additional time to consider each comment. Further inquiries regarding this matter should be directed to

Dr. Patricia Velasco, Staff Air Pollution Specialist at 916-323-7560 or Mr. Webster Tasat, Manager, Central Valley Air Quality Planning Section at 916-323-4950.

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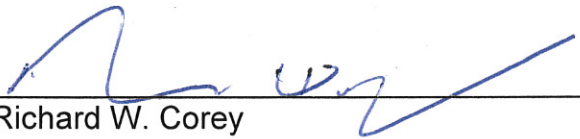
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Date:

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