## CALIFORNIA AIR RESOURCES BOARD

## NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING TO CONSIDER REVISIONS TO THE CALIFORNIA INFRASTRUCTURE STATE IMPLEMENTATION PLAN

The Air Resources Board (ARB or Board) will conduct a public meeting at the time and place noted below to consider the approval of revisions to the California Infrastructure State Implementation Plan (SIP) for submittal to the United States Environmental Protection Agency (U.S. EPA). The proposed Infrastructure SIP revisions address the provisions of the Clean Air Act (CAA) related to interstate transport.

DATE: December 17, 2015

TIME: 9:00 a.m.

PLACE: California Environmental Protection Agency

Air Resources Board Byron Sher Auditorium

1001 I Street

Sacramento, California 95814

This item will be considered at a two-day meeting of the Board, which will commence at 9:00 a.m., December 17, 2015. 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.

A fundamental requirement of the CAA is that states demonstrate that they have the authority to adopt, implement, and enforce regulations, and have sufficient personnel and resources to meet the federal air quality standards. The CAA refers to these elements collectively, as the necessary "infrastructure." The Infrastructure SIP describes the programs in place to address these elements and provides reference to the authority under which these programs are administered.

Infrastructure SIP elements were initially addressed in California's comprehensive Infrastructure SIP, submitted to meet the requirements of the 1970 CAA and approved by U.S. EPA in 1979 (40 Code of Federal Regulations Part 52.220). ARB has since submitted infrastructure SIP revisions in response to new or revised federal standards. The most recent revisions addressed requirements for ozone (1997 and 2008), fine particulate matter (1997, 2006, and 2012), lead (2008), nitrogen dioxide (2010), and sulfur dioxide (2010).

Under the CAA, Infrastructure SIPs must include provisions designed to address impacts of pollution in downwind states that may originate in upwind states. These are

known as the "interstate transport" provisions. In recent years, U.S. EPA has strengthened the National Ambient Air Quality Standards (NAAQS) for fine particulate matter ( $PM_{2.5}$ ), sulfur dioxide, and ozone. The updates to these standards triggered a requirement that California assess its pollutant contributions to areas in other states with NAAQS violations. This proposed Infrastructure SIP revision provides the required assessment for  $PM_{2.5}$ , sulfur dioxide, and ozone, showing that California does not significantly contribute to downwind concentrations of those pollutants. Nevertheless, California's s efforts to meet air quality standards in the State will reduce any downwind impacts even further.

## PROPOSED ACTION

ARB staff recommends that the Board approve the proposed revision and direct staff to submit it to U.S. EPA as a revision to the California Infrastructure SIP.

ARB staff will present a written report at the meeting. Copies of the report may be obtained from ARB's Public Information Office, 1001 I Street, First Floor, Environmental Services Center, Sacramento, California, 95814, (916) 322-2990 on November 13, 2015. The report may also be obtained from ARB's website at <a href="http://www.arb.ca.gov/planning/sip/sip.htm">http://www.arb.ca.gov/planning/sip/sip.htm</a>.

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, December 14, 2015,** and addressed to the following:

Postal mail: Clerk of the Board, Air Resources Board 1001 I Street, Sacramento, California 95814

Electronic submittal: <a href="http://www.arb.ca.gov/lispub/comm/bclist.php">http://www.arb.ca.gov/lispub/comm/bclist.php</a>

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 Mr. Webster Tasat, Manager, Central Valley Air Quality Planning Section, at (916) 323-4950, or (designated back-up contact) Ms. Theresa Najita, Air Pollution Specialist, at (916) 322-7297.

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**Executive Officer** 

Date: 11/13/15

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