

CALIFORNIA AIR RESOURCES BOARD

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING TO CONSIDER THE APPROVAL OF OZONE EARLY PROGRESS PLANS FOR COACHELLA VALLEY, ANTELOPE VALLEY AND WESTERN MOJAVE DESERT, VENTURA COUNTY, IMPERIAL COUNTY AND EASTERN KERN COUNTY.

The Air Resources Board (the Board or ARB) will conduct a public meeting at the time and place noted below to consider the approval of Ozone Early Progress Plans for Coachella Valley, Antelope Valley and Western Mojave Desert, Ventura County, Imperial County and Eastern Kern County.

DATE: February 28, 2008

TIME: 9:00 a.m.

**PLACE: California Environmental Protection Agency
Byron Sher Auditorium, Second Floor
1001 I Street
Sacramento, California 95814**

This item will be considered at a one-day meeting of the Board, which will commence at 9:00 a.m. on February 28, 2008. Please consult the agenda for the meeting, which will be available at least ten days before February 28, 2008, to determine the order in which the items will be considered.

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ARB will conduct a public hearing to consider approval of ozone early progress plans for the areas cited above. The purpose of these plans is to show progress toward attaining the 8-hour National Ambient Air Quality Standard for ozone and to establish transportation conformity budgets for each area. These plans are necessary to ensure that the transportation planning processes in each area will be able to continue while U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (U.S. EPA) revises its ozone State Implementation Plan requirements. If adopted, ARB will submit these plans and transportation conformity budgets to the U.S. EPA for its approval.

ARB staff will present oral statements at the meeting. Copies of the early progress plans may be obtained from the Board's Public Information Office, 1001 "I" Street, First Floor, Environmental Services Center, Sacramento, California 95814, (916) 322-2990, at least ten days before February 28, 2008. The early progress plans may also be obtained from ARB's internet site <http://www.arb.ca.gov/planning/planning.htm>

Interested members of the public may also present comments orally or in writing at the meeting, and in writing or by email before the meeting. To be considered by the Board, written comments submissions not physically submitted at the meeting must be received **no later than 12:00 noon, February 27, 2008**, 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>

Facsimile submittal: (916) 322-3928

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. Additionally, this information may become available via Google, Yahoo, and any other search engines.

The Board requests, but does not require 30 copies of any written submission. Also, ARB requests that written and email statements be filed at least ten days prior to the meeting so that ARB staff and Board members have time to fully consider each comment. Further inquiries regarding this matter should be directed to Dennis Wade, Air Pollution Specialist at (916) 327-2963.

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/s/

James N. Goldstene
Executive Officer

Date: January 29, 2008