

CALIFORNIA AIR RESOURCES BOARD

NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING TO CONSIDER APPROVAL OF THE 2012 PM2.5 EMISSION INVENTORY SUBMITTAL TO THE STATE IMPLEMENTATION PLAN FOR THE SAN FRANCISCO BAY AREA

The Air Resources Board (ARB or Board) will conduct a public meeting at the time and place noted below to consider the proposed fine particulate matter (PM2.5) Emission Inventory State Implementation Plan (SIP) submittal for the San Francisco Bay Area that was developed and approved by the Bay Area Air Quality Management District (District). If approved, ARB will submit this submittal to the United States Environmental Protection Agency (U.S. EPA) for approval as a revision to the California SIP.

DATE: December 6, 2012

TIME: 9:00 a.m.

PLACE: South Coast Air Quality Management District
21865 Copley Drive
Diamond Bar, California 91765

This item may be considered at a two-day meeting of the Board, which will commence at 9:00 a.m., December 6, 2012, and may continue at 8:30 a.m., on December 7, 2012. This item is scheduled to be heard on the Board's Consent Calendar. All items on the consent calendar can be voted on by the Board immediately after the start of the public meeting. Any item may be removed from the consent calendar at the request of a Board member or if someone in the audience would like to speak on that item.

In December 2006, the U.S. EPA lowered the 24-hour standard for PM2.5 from 65 $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$ to 35 $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$. Effective December 14, 2009, the U.S. EPA designated the San Francisco Bay Area as nonattainment for this more stringent 24-hour PM2.5 standard. The federal Clean Air Act establishes planning requirements for such designated areas that exceed the health-based National Ambient Air Quality Standards (NAAQS). These nonattainment areas must develop and implement a SIP that demonstrates how they will attain the standards by specified dates. The SIP submittal deadline for the revised 24-hour PM2.5 standard is December 14, 2012.

However, under the U.S. EPA's *Clean Data Policy for the Fine Particulate National Ambient Air Quality Standards* (Clean Data Policy), nonattainment areas that attain the NAAQS prior to the SIP submittal deadline are eligible for reduced regulatory requirements.

Based on quality-assured federal reference method monitoring data for 2008-2010, the San Francisco Bay Area has demonstrated attainment of the 24-hour PM2.5 NAAQS for 2008-2010. The San Francisco Bay Area continues to attain based on the most recent

air quality data. On December 8, 2011, ARB submitted a request to the U.S. EPA to issue a clean data finding under the Clean Data Policy, suspending the majority of the planning elements under the Clean Air Act, including the attainment demonstration, reasonable further progress demonstration, reasonably available control measures, and contingency elements of a SIP.

To address the remaining SIP requirement, the District developed the *2010 Bay Area Winter Emissions Inventory for Primary PM_{2.5} and PM Precursors* (Emission Inventory SIP Submittal). The District Board of Directors adopted the Emission Inventory SIP Submittal at a public hearing on November 7, 2012.

ARB staff has reviewed the District's Emission Inventory SIP submittal and has concluded that it meets the applicable Clean Air Act requirements. Staff is recommending that the Board approve the Emission Inventory SIP Submittal as a revision to the California SIP.

ARB staff will present a written Staff Report prior to 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. 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 verbally or in writing at the meeting and may be submitted 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 12:00 noon, December 5, 2012**, 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>

You can sign up online in advance to speak at the Board meeting when you submit an electronic board item comment. For more information go to:
<http://www.arb.ca.gov/board/online-signup.htm>.

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 Ms. Sylvia Vanderspek, Manager, Particulate Matter Analysis Section, Planning and

Technical Support Division at (916) 324-7163 or Ms. Elizabeth Melgoza, Air Pollution Specialist, Particulate Matter Analysis Section, Planning and Technical Support Division at (916) 322-6161.

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- Documents made available in an alternate format or another language;
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/s/

James N. Goldstene
Executive Officer

Date: November 13, 2012

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