

CALIFORNIA AIR RESOURCES BOARD

NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING TO CONSIDER THE 2017 OZONE ATTAINMENT PLAN FOR THE EASTERN KERN NONATTAINMENT AREA

The California Air Resources Board (ARB or Board) will conduct a public meeting at the time and place noted below to consider adoption of the Eastern Kern Air Pollution Control District 2017 Ozone Attainment Plan (2017 Plan) developed by the Eastern Kern Air Pollution Control District (District) for the 75 parts per billion (ppb) 8-hour ozone standard. If adopted, ARB will submit the 2017 Plan to the United States Environmental Protection Agency (U.S. EPA) as a revision to the California State Implementation Plan (SIP).

DATE: September 28, 2017

TIME: 9:00 a.m.

LOCATION: California Environmental Protection Agency
Air Resources Board
Byron Sher Auditorium
1001 I Street
Sacramento, CA 95814

This item will be considered at a two-day meeting of the Board, which will commence at 9:00 a.m., September 28, 2017. 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

The federal Clean Air Act (the Act) establishes planning requirements for areas that exceed the health-based National Ambient Air Quality Standards (standards). These nonattainment areas must develop and implement a SIP that demonstrates how they will attain the standards by specified dates.

In 2008, U.S. EPA strengthened the 8-hour ozone standard to 75 ppb. The Eastern Kern Nonattainment Area (Eastern Kern) is classified as a Moderate nonattainment area with an attainment date of July 20, 2018. Eastern Kern is primarily impacted by transport from upwind nonattainment areas. Although significant emission reductions continue to occur in these upwind areas, air quality modeling demonstrates that a Serious classification provides the timeframe necessary to achieve sufficient emission reductions for attainment in Eastern Kern.

The District prepared a SIP that addresses Serious classification planning requirements and that demonstrates attainment of the standards by the Serious deadline of July 20, 2021. The District Governing Board approved the 2017 Plan on July 28, 2017, including a request that U.S. EPA classify Eastern Kern as a Serious nonattainment area.

The 2017 Plan includes a comprehensive emission inventory, attainment demonstration, reasonable further progress (RFP) demonstration, assessment of reasonably available control measures and technologies, and identification of contingency measures for RFP and attainment. The 2017 Plan also includes motor vehicle transportation conformity budgets developed using the EMFAC2014 emissions model that reflects the latest planning assumptions.

ARB staff has reviewed the 2017 Plan and has concluded that it meets the applicable Act requirements for a Serious nonattainment area.

Proposed Action

ARB staff recommends that the Board adopt the 2017 Plan and direct staff to submit it to U.S. EPA as a revision to the California SIP, with a request to classify Eastern Kern as a Serious nonattainment area.

ARB staff has prepared a written report. Copies of the report may be obtained from ARB's Public Information Office, 1001 I Street, First Floor, Environmental Services Center, Sacramento, California, 95814, on August 25, 2017. The report may also be obtained from ARB's website at <https://www.arb.ca.gov/planning/sip/planarea/easternkern/easternkern.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 p.m., September 25, 2017** and addressed to the following:

Postal mail: Clerk of the Board, California 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 oral comments, attachments, and associated contact information (e.g., your address, phone, etc.) become part of the public record and can be released to the public upon request.

ARB requests that written statements on this item be filed at least ten 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 Tina Suarez-Murias, Air Pollution Specialist, Central Valley Air Quality Planning Section at (916) 323-1495 or (designated back-up contact) Webster Tasat, Manager of the Central Valley Air Quality Planning Section at (916) 323-4950.

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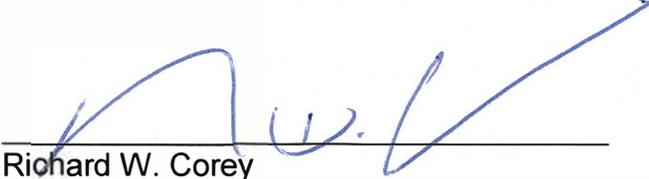
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Richard W. Corey
Executive Officer

Date: August 17, 2017

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