

BOARD MEETING DATE: October 7, 2022

AGENDA NO. 3

PROPOSAL: Set Public Hearings to Consider Adoption of and/or Amendments to South Coast AQMD Rules and Regulations:

November 4, 2022:

A. Determine That Reclassification of Coachella Valley for the 2008 8-Hour Ozone Standard and Updated Motor Vehicle Emissions Budgets Are Exempt from CEQA and Approve Request to Reclassify Coachella Valley for the 2008 8-Hour Ozone Standard and Updated Motor Vehicle Emissions Budgets

The Clean Air Act requires that transportation activities do not interfere with air quality progress for attainment or maintenance of air quality standards. To that end, Motor Vehicle Emissions Budgets (MVEB) are required for each air quality standard for which an area is in nonattainment. Coachella Valley is classified as a “severe” nonattainment area for the 2008 ozone standard. Accordingly, MVEBs were established in the 2016 AQMP and the 2018 SIP Update and were subsequently approved by U.S. EPA in 2020. Since then, an updated on-road mobile source emissions model has estimated emissions which exceed the budget. Because the new emission estimates exceed the budget, new transportation projects are not allowed in the region, impacting projects worth approximately \$26 billion. Reclassifying the Coachella Valley to “extreme” nonattainment provides an opportunity to develop a new SIP and adjust the budgets, resolving this situation. This action is to approve the voluntary reclassification request and the new MVEBs for the 2008 ozone standard and submit them to U.S. EPA. (Reviewed: Mobile Source Committee, August 19, 2022)

B. Determine That Proposed Amended Rule 1148.2 – Notification and Reporting Requirements for Oil and Gas Wells and Chemical Suppliers, Is Exempt from CEQA and Amend Rule 1148.2

Rule 1148.2 – Notification and Reporting Requirements for Oil and Gas Wells and Chemical Suppliers is a notification rule for facilities that operate oil and gas wells. Proposed Amended Rule 1148.2 (PAR 1148.2) will address notification and reporting concerns raised by Wilmington, Carson, and West Long Beach and South Los Angeles AB 617 communities. PAR 1148.2 adds notification

requirements to include both acidizing work for injection wells and diesel-fueled workover rig operations. PAR 1148.2 also includes annual reporting requirements for chemicals used during well operations. This action is to adopt the Resolution: 1) Determining that Proposed Amended Rule 1148.2 – Notification and Reporting Requirements for Oil and Gas Wells and Chemical Suppliers, is exempt from the requirements of the California Environmental Quality Act, and 2) Amending Rule 1148.2 – Notification and Reporting Requirements for Oil and Gas Wells and Chemical Suppliers. (Reviewed: Stationary Source Committee, September 16, 2022)

C. Certify Final Subsequent Environment Assessment for Proposed Amended Rule 1168 – Adhesive and Sealant Applications; and Amend Rule 1168

Proposed Amended Rule 1168 will delay VOC limit effective dates or increase VOC limits for certain categories where the technology assessment demonstrated the proposed effective dates or limits are not feasible; create further subcategories to better characterize and refine VOC limits; prohibit the use of para-Chlorobenzotrifluoride (pCBtF) and tertiary-Butyl Acetate (t-BAc); and clarify rule language. This action is to adopt the Resolution: 1) Certifying the Final Subsequent Environmental Assessment for Proposed Amended Rule 1168 – Adhesive and Sealant Applications; and 2) Amending Rule 1168 – Adhesive and Sealant Applications. (Reviewed: Stationary Source Committee, September 16, 2022)

D. Determine That Proposed Rule 1460 – Control of Particulate Emissions from Metal Recycling and Shredding Operations Is Exempt from CEQA, and Adopt Proposed Rule 1460

Proposed Rule 1460 will reduce fugitive dust emissions from metal recycling and metal shredding facilities by requiring housekeeping and best management practice provisions and facilities to register with South Coast AQMD. Proposed Rule 1460 addresses an air quality priority identified by the Southeast Los Angeles and South Los Angeles Community Emission Reduction Plans that were developed under the AB 617 program. This action is to adopt the Resolution: 1) Determining that Proposed Rule 1460 - Control of Particulate Emissions from Metal Recycling and Shredding Operations, is exempt from the requirements of the California Environmental Quality Act; and 2) Adopting Proposed Rule 1460 - Control of Particulate Emissions from Metal Recycling and Shredding Operations. (Reviewed: Stationary Source Committee, September 16, 2022)

December 2, 2022:

E. Certify Final Program Environmental Impact Report for 2022 AQMP and Adopt 2022 AQMP

The 2022 Air Quality Management Plan (AQMP) is the blueprint for how the region will meet the 2015 8-hour ozone national ambient air quality standard. The 2022 AQMP has been developed in partnership with CARB, U.S. EPA, SCAG and stakeholders throughout the region, including input from local government, health and environmental organizations and the business community. It identifies control measures needed to meet the 2015 8-hour ozone standard for the South Coast Air Basin and Coachella Valley by the 2037 deadline. This action is to adopt the Resolution: 1) Certifying the Final Program Environmental Impact Report for the 2022 AQMP and; 2) Adopting the 2022 AQMP. (Reviewed: Mobile Source Committee, February 18, and September 16, 2022; Board Meetings March 4, May 12, and August 5, 2022)

The complete text of the proposed rule, proposed amendments, staff reports and other supporting documents will be available from the South Coast AQMD's Public Information Center at (909) 396-2001, or Mr. Derrick Alatorre – Deputy Executive Officer/Public Advisor, South Coast AQMD, 21865 Copley Drive, Diamond Bar, CA 91765, (909) 396-2432, dalatorre@aqmd.gov and on the Internet (www.aqmd.gov) as of October 5, 2022 for the Draft Staff Report for the Coachella Valley reclassification request and updated MVEBS for the 2008 8-hour ozone standard, and PAR 1148.2, PAR 1168, and PR 1460; and prior to the December 2, 2022 Public Hearing for the Draft Final 2022 AQMP.

RECOMMENDED ACTIONS:

Set public hearings November 4, 2022 to approve the Coachella Valley reclassification request and updated MVEBS for the 2008 8-Hour Ozone Standard, amend Rule 1148.2 and Rule 1168, and adopt Rule 1460; and set the public hearing December 2, 2022 to adopt the Draft Final 2022 Air Quality Management Plan.

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