

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

PROPOSED 2021 PM10 MAINTENANCE PLAN FOR THE SOUTH COAST AIR BASIN AND PROPOSED SUBMISSION INTO THE STATE IMPLEMENTATION PLAN

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a public hearing on the matter of the 2021 PM10 Maintenance Plan for the South Coast Air Basin will be held on **Friday, June 4, 2021 at 9:00 a.m.**, at which time evidence will be taken and all interested persons will be heard by the South Coast AQMD Board. Given the health and safety concerns regarding COVID-19, this meeting will be conducted via webcast with opportunities for public comment. Please refer to the instructions on the South Coast AQMD's website for details on how to participate: <http://www.aqmd.gov/home/news-events/meeting-agendas-minutes>.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the purpose of this hearing is for the South Coast AQMD Board to consider approval of the 2021 PM10 Maintenance Plan for the South Coast Air Basin and its submittal to the California Air Resources Board (CARB) and United States Environmental Protection Agency (U.S. EPA) for inclusion into the State Implementation Plan (SIP).

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the South Coast AQMD's initial PM10 Maintenance Plan, which was approved by U.S. EPA effective July 26, 2013, covers the 10-year period from July 2013 to July 2023 as part of the requirements for redesignation as an attainment area for the 1987 24-hour PM10 standard.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that effective July 2013, the South Coast Air Basin was redesignated as an attainment area for the 1987 24-hour PM10 standard.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the 2021 PM10 Maintenance Plan is a subsequent plan revision to the SIP that is required to be submitted to the U.S. EPA.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the purpose of the 2021 PM10 Maintenance Plan is to demonstrate continued attainment of the 24-hour PM10 standard for the 12-year period from July 2023 to July 2035.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the Draft 2021 PM10 Maintenance Plan implements Section 175a of the federal Clean Air Act.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the Draft 2021 PM10 Maintenance Plan includes new information on key elements such as:

- An analysis of exceedances of the 24-Hour PM10 standard in the South Coast Air Basin during the period covered by the 2013 PM10 Maintenance Plan;
- Trends of 24-Hour PM10 design values in the South Coast Air Basin during the period covered by the 2013 PM10 Maintenance Plan;
- Maintenance demonstration based on PM10 and its precursor emissions inventory;
- Updated motor vehicles emissions budget for Transportation conformity determination
- Commitment to maintain a future PM10 monitoring network;
- Verification of continued attainment of the 24-Hour PM10 standard;
- Contingency plan measures; and
- Contingency plan trigger.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the Draft 2021 PM10 Maintenance Plan was released on April 8, 2021 for public review. Written comments received on or before April 26, 2021 would be addressed and included in the Draft Final 2021 PM10 Maintenance Plan to be released on or before May 4, 2021.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that a public consultation meeting was held on April 15, 2021 via video conference and telephone and comments from the public were received and addressed at the meeting.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Guidelines Sections 15002(k) and 15061, the proposed project is exempt from CEQA pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Sections 15061(b)(3) and 15308. Further, there is no substantial evidence indicating that any of the exceptions in CEQA Guidelines Section 15300.2 apply to the proposed project. A Notice of Exemption will be prepared pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15062 and if the proposed project is approved, the Notice of Exemption will be filed for posting with the State Clearinghouse of the Governor's Office of Planning and Research.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the Draft 2021 PM10 Maintenance Plan for the South Coast Air Basin is available at: [http://www.aqmd.gov/home/air-quality/clean-air-plans/air-quality-mgt-plan/other-state-implementation-plan-\(sip\)-revisions](http://www.aqmd.gov/home/air-quality/clean-air-plans/air-quality-mgt-plan/other-state-implementation-plan-(sip)-revisions), or by calling the South Coast AQMD's Public Information Center at (909) 396-2001, or from: Mr. Derrick Alatorre - Deputy Executive Officer/Public Advisor, South Coast AQMD, 21865 Copley Drive, Diamond Bar, CA 91765, (909) 396-2432, dalatorre@aqmd.gov.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that at the conclusion of the public hearing, the South Coast AQMD Board may make other modifications to the 2021 PM10 Maintenance Plan, which are justified by the evidence presented, or may decline to approve.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that at the conclusion of the public hearing, if approved by the South Coast AQMD Board, the maintenance plan will be submitted to CARB and U.S. EPA for inclusion into the SIP.

Questions, comments or requests for clarification regarding the maintenance plan can be directed to Nico Schulte, nschulte@aqmd.gov, (909) 396-2349. CEQA inquiries can be directed to Kendra Reif, KReif@aqmd.gov, (909) 396-2492. Comments and inquiries can also be submitted to the attention of the above person(s) to Planning, Rule Development and Area Sources, South Coast AQMD, 21865 Copley Drive, Diamond Bar, CA 91765.

Interested persons may provide oral or written statements at the public hearing. Individuals who wish to submit written or electronic comments must submit such comments to the Clerk of the Board, 21865 Copley Drive, Diamond Bar, CA, 91765-4178, (909) 396-2500, or to cob@aqmd.gov on or before 5 p.m., Tuesday, June 1, 2021.

Americans with Disabilities Act and Language Accessibility

Disability and language-related accommodations can be requested to allow participation in the Governing Board meeting. The agenda will be made available, upon request, in appropriate alternative formats to assist persons with a disability (Gov. Code Section 54954.2(a)). In addition, other documents may be requested in alternative formats and languages. Any disability or language related accommodation must be requested as soon as practicable. Requests will be accommodated unless providing the accommodation would result in a fundamental alteration or undue burden to the South Coast AQMD. Please contact the Clerk of the Boards Office, South Coast AQMD, 21865 Copley Drive, Diamond Bar, CA 91765-4178, at (909) 396-2500 (for TTY, 909-396-3560) from 7:00 a.m. to 5:30 p.m., Tuesday through Friday, or send the request to PICrequests@aqmd.gov.

DATED: April 28, 2021

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Clerk of the Boards