

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

PROPOSED 2016 AIR QUALITY MANAGEMENT PLAN FOR THE SOUTH COAST AIR QUALITY MANAGEMENT DISTRICT

and

REPORT ON THE HEALTH IMPACTS OF PARTICULATE MATTER AIR POLLUTION IN THE SOUTH COAST AIR BASIN

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a public hearing on the matter of adoption of the 2016 Air Quality Management Plan (AQMP or Plan) for the South Coast Air Quality Management District (SCAQMD or District) will be held on **Friday, February 3, 2017** in the Auditorium at SCAQMD Headquarters, 21865 Copley Drive, Diamond Bar, CA 91765, at 9:00 a.m. at which time evidence will be taken and all interested persons will be heard by the SCAQMD Board.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that this public hearing also concerns a report on the health impacts of particulate matter air pollution in the South Coast Air Basin. The report has been included in Appendix I (Health Effects) of the 2016 AQMP.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the 2016 AQMP is designed to meet federal and state Clean Air Act requirements and addresses the attainment demonstration requirements of the federal Clean Air Act for the South Coast Air Basin (*Orange County, and the non-desert regions of Los Angeles, Riverside and San Bernardino counties*).

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the 2016 AQMP will be submitted to the California Air Resources Board (CARB) and the Environmental Protection Agency for inclusion into the State Implementation Plan (SIP).

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the Plan addresses air quality standards established in 2008 for 8-hour ozone, in 2012 for annual PM_{2.5}, and in 2006 for 24-hour PM_{2.5}, as well as updates provisions relevant to the revoked 1997 8-hour and 1979 1-hour ozone standards. The 2016 AQMP updates transportation emission budgets based on the latest motor vehicle emissions model and planning assumptions. The 2016 AQMP is jointly prepared by the District, CARB, and the Southern California Association of Governments (SCAG).

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the 2016 AQMP includes new information on key elements such as:

- Current air quality and health effects of air pollution;
- Emission inventories (*base year 2012, attainment years and quantitative milestone years*);
- Overall control strategy comprised of Stationary and Mobile Source Control Measures, including SCAG's transportation control measures;
- New attainment demonstrations for the for 2008 8-hour ozone, 2012 annual PM_{2.5}, and 2006 24-hour PM_{2.5} standard;
- Updated attainment demonstrations for the revoked 1997 8-hour and 1979 1-hour ozone standards;

- Federal and State Clean Air Act requirements including RACM/BACM, Impracticability Demonstration, Reasonable Further Progress, General/Transportation Conformity, Motor Vehicle Emission Budgets PM Precursors, VMT offsets, and New Source Review;
- Current and Future Air Quality for the Desert (Coachella Valley) Nonattainment SIP;
- Air Toxics Control Strategy;
- Other related topics such as Climate Change and Energy

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the Draft 2016 AQMP was released for public comment and review on June 30, 2016 followed by six regional workshops held on July 14, 20, and 21, 2016 to discuss the Plan and solicit public input. Sixty-nine comment letters were received on the Draft Plan and in response to the comments, a Revised Draft 2016 AQMP was released on September 7, 2016; 33 comments letters were received on the Revised Draft 2016 AQMP.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that four regional public hearings were held on November 15 and 17, 2016 to discuss the Revised Draft 2016 AQMP. The Draft Final 2016 AQMP was released on December 2, 2016. Notice was heretofore given of these hearings pursuant to the requirements under the California Health & Safety Code §40466.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that, pursuant to the California Environmental Act (CEQA), a Program Environmental Impact Report (PEIR) for the 2016 AQMP was prepared and released for a 60-day public comment and review period ending on November 15, 2016. Ten comment letters were received and responses to the comment letters will be in the Final PEIR.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that a Socioeconomic Assessment for the 2016 AQMP was prepared and released for various ongoing public comment and review periods as different chapters were made available, and a complete Socioeconomic Assessment released on November 19, 2016 for an additional 30-day public comment and review period.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the SCAQMD has prepared documents, for consideration by the SCAQMD Board, including:

- Draft Final 2016 AQMP and accompanying appendices:
 - Health Effects (Appendix I)
 - Current Air Quality (Appendix II)
 - Base and Future Year Emission Inventory (Appendix III)
 - SCAQMD’s Stationary and Mobile Control Measures (Appendix IV-A)
 - CARB’s Mobile Source Strategy (Appendix IV-B)
 - SCAG’s Regional Transportation Strategy (Appendix IV-C)
 - Modeling and Attainment Demonstrations (Appendix V)
 - Compliance with other Clean Air Act Requirements (Appendix VI)
- Draft Program Environmental Impact Report for the 2016 AQMP (Final PEIR anticipated to be available mid-January); and

- Draft Socioeconomic Assessment for the 2016 AQMP (Final Socioeconomic Assessment anticipated to be available mid-January).

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that 102 comment letters submitted to the SCAQMD on the 2016 AQMP were made available online when they were received (<http://www.aqmd.gov/home/library/clean-air-plans/air-quality-mgt-plan/Draft2016AQMP/2016-aqmp-comment-letters>) and responses to these comments are being prepared to be released prior to the Board Adoption Hearing for consideration during the adoption hearing.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that all the documents listed above as already prepared are available (along with the Draft and Revised Draft 2016 AQMP) and may be obtained from the District's Public Information Center located in the SCAQMD headquarters lobby or the District's 2016 AQMP website located at: <http://www.aqmd.gov/home/library/clean-air-plans/air-quality-mgt-plan> or from Derrick Alatorre, Deputy Executive Officer of the Legislative & Public Affairs/Media Office, South Coast AQMD, 21865 Copley Drive, Diamond Bar, CA 91765, (909) 396-3122, dalatorre@aqmd.gov.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that interested persons may attend the Public Hearing and submit oral or written statements on any or all of the documents listed above. Written comments can be submitted electronically at: <https://onbase-pub.aqmd.gov/sAppNet/UnityForm.aspx?key=UFSessionIDKey> or via email at aqmp@aqmd.gov.

The SCAQMD Governing Board will consider all comments received from all the regional hearings as part of its deliberations on the adoption of the 2016 AQMP at the final public hearing.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that at the conclusion of the public hearing, the SCAQMD Board may adopt the 2016 AQMP or variations of the 2016 AQMP, which are justified by the evidence presented, or may decline to adopt all or part of the 2016 AQMP.

Questions, comments or requests for clarification regarding the 2016 AQMP can be directed to Michael Krause, Planning and Rules Manager, Planning, Rule Development, and Area Sources, SCAQMD, 21865 Copley Drive, Diamond Bar, CA 91765, (909) 396-2706, mkrause@aqmd.gov. All CEQA inquiries can be directed to Jillian Wong, Planning and Rules Manager, CEQA Section, Office of Planning, Rule Development and Area Sources, SCAQMD, 21865 Copley Drive, Diamond Bar, CA 91765, jwong1@aqmd.gov or by calling (909) 396- 3176. All inquiries regarding the Socioeconomic Assessment can be directed to Elaine Shen, Program Supervisor, Socioeconomic Section, Office of Planning, Rule Development and Area Sources, SCAQMD, 21865 Copley Drive, Diamond Bar, CA 91765, eshen@aqmd.gov, (909) 396-2715.

Interested persons may attend and submit oral or written statements at the Board Adoption Hearing. Twenty-five (25) copies of all written materials must be submitted to the Clerk of the Boards. Individuals who wish to submit written comments for review prior to the public hearing must submit such comments to the Clerk of the Boards, 21865 Copley Drive, Diamond Bar, CA, 91765, (909) 396-2500, or to cob@aqmd.gov on or before Tuesday, January 24, 2017. Electronic

submittals will only be accepted if no more than 10 pages including attachments; and in MS Word, plain or HTML format.

DATED: December 14, 2016

DENISE GARZARO
Clerk of the Boards