

State of California
Air Resources Board

BOARD ITEM SUMMARY

**ITEM # 20-11-5: Public Meeting to Consider an Informational Update on
Implementation of the San Joaquin Valley PM2.5 Plan**

STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

This is an informational item only; no action is required.

DISCUSSION:

California Air Resources Board (CARB or Board) staff will update the Board on the status of implementation of the *2018 Plan for the 1997, 2006, and 2012 PM2.5 Standards* (2018 PM2.5 Plan or Plan) for the San Joaquin Valley (Valley). Developed by CARB and the San Joaquin Valley Air Pollution Control District (District), the 2018 PM2.5 Plan sets forth a comprehensive strategy to meet four National Ambient Air Quality Standards (NAAQS or standards) for fine particulate matter (PM2.5) for which the Valley is in nonattainment. The Plan demonstrates that emissions reductions from CARB and District measures will provide significant air quality benefits for the Valley, continue trends in air quality improvement and provide for timely attainment.

CARB adopted the Plan at a public hearing on January 24, 2019, and forwarded it to U.S. EPA for inclusion in the California State Implementation Plan. On July 22, 2020, the United States Environmental Protection Agency approved the portions of the Plan that pertain to the 2006 PM2.5 standard of 35 micrograms per cubic meter ($\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$), and granted an extension of the Serious area attainment date for the standard from December 31, 2019, to December 31, 2024, based on a determination that the State has satisfied the statutory criteria for this extension.

When CARB adopted the Plan in 2019, the Board directed staff to return annually with an update on implementation of the Plan. This second annual informational update will focus on progress made on regulatory and incentive-based measures committed to in the Plan, implementation challenges, and potential additional measures to achieve further emissions reductions needed for attainment.

SUMMARY AND IMPACTS:

None.