CALIFORNIA AIR RESOURCES BOARD

NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING TO CONSIDER SUPPLEMENTAL TRANSPORTATION CONFORMITY BUDGETS FOR THE PORTOLA FINE PARTICULATE MATTER (PM2.5) ATTAINMENT PLAN

The California Air Resources Board (CARB or Board) will conduct a public meeting at the time and place noted below to consider transportation conformity budgets for the Portola PM2.5 nonattainment area.

DATE:	October 26, 2017
TIME:	9:00 a.m.
LOCATION:	Riverside County Administration Center 4080 Lemon St. Riverside, California 92501

This item will be considered at a meeting of the Board that will commence at 9:00 a.m., October 26, 2017, and may continue at 8:30 a.m. on October 27, 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

Section 176(c) of the federal Clean Air Act (CAA or the Act) establishes transportation conformity requirements which are intended to ensure that transportation activities do not interfere with air quality progress. The CAA requires that transportation plans, programs, and projects that obtain federal funds or approvals be consistent with, or conform to applicable state implementation plans (SIP) before being approved by a Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO). Conformity to the SIP means that proposed transportation activities must not:

- Cause or contribute to any new violation of any standard,
- Increase the frequency or severity of any existing violation of any standard in any area, or
- Delay timely attainment of any standard or any required interim emission reductions or other milestones in any area.

The Act also establishes requirements for State Implementation Plans to include emissions budgets for nonattainment pollutants and precursors.

In April 2016, the United States Environmental Protection Agency (U.S. EPA) designated the City of Portola and surrounding areas of Plumas County as nonattainment for the 12 $\mu g/m^3$ PM2.5 National Ambient Air Quality Standard (NAAQS). On January 23, 2017, the Northern Sierra Air Quality Management District (the District) approved the *Portola Fine Particulate Matter (PM2.5) Attainment Plan* (the Plan) which was submitted to the Board. The Plan contains a transportation conformity budget for the attainment year of 2021. The Board adopted the Plan in February 2017 and submitted it to U.S. EPA.

U.S. EPA has requested supplemental transportation conformity budgets for the rate of progress (RFP) year of 2019 and the post-attainment year of 2022. Staff has prepared these supplemental budgets as requested by U.S. EPA.

Proposed Action

Staff recommends that the Board adopt the supplemental transportation conformity budgets for the *Portola Fine Particulate Matter (PM2.5) Attainment Plan* and direct staff to submit those budgets to U.S. EPA for inclusion into the California SIP.

CARB staff has prepared a written report. Copies of the report may be obtained from CARB's Public Information Office, 1001 I Street, First Floor, Environmental Services Center, Sacramento, California, 95814, on September 22, 2017. The report may also be obtained from CARB's website at:
https://www.arb.ca.gov/planning/sip/planarea/nsierra/nsierra.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., Monday October 23, 2017,** and addressed to the following:

Postal mail: Clerk of the Board, 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.

CARB requests that written and email statements on this item be filed at least ten days prior to the meeting so that CARB staff and Board members have additional time to consider each comment. Further inquiries regarding this matter should be directed to

Dennis Wade, Air Pollution Specialist Transportation Analysis Section, (916) 327-2963 or Nesamani Kalandiyur, Manager, Transportation Analysis Section at (916) 324-0466.

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- An interpreter to be available at the meeting;
- Documents made available in an alternate format or another language; and
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Executive Officer

Date: 9/22/17

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