

Attachment 3:

Public Comments

Public Workshop Marysville

September 24, 2008

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Public Workshop Comments (Marysville, September 24, 2008)

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Comment #1: Why would the Air Resources Board rather continue to pollute instead of having sources install equipment that use manure methane in combustion engines to produce electricity? (Regional Measures, regarding dairy emissions)

Response: Tim Taylor, Sacramento Metropolitan AQMD
There are benefits to doing this because it helps reduce some emissions. However, it would substitute these emissions (ROG and other green house gases) for of pollutants, including NOx. NOx emissions are more important to ozone formation in our region than the hydrocarbon emissions (ROG) from uncontrolled methane. It is not desirable to trade ROG for NOx.

Comment #2: I just want to confirm that you can only take credit for up to 0.48 tons per day even though reductions are about 0.84 tons per day? (Urban Forest control measure)

Response: Janice Lam, Sacramento Metropolitan AQMD
Yes, due to the EPA cap on emissions reductions from emerging and voluntary measures, only 6% of the emissions shortfall for attainment can be claimed.

Comment #3: Do these (truck) regulations (referring to the light/medium category under the mobile emission inventory pie chart) include pick up trucks? (State control measures)

Response: Charles Anderson, Sacramento Metropolitan AQMD
Pie chart under light/medium duty category does include pickup trucks. These regulations include pick up trucks running on gas and diesel fuel.

Attachment 4:

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Public Hearing at Board Meeting

February 2, 2009

Summary of Public Comments
Feather River Air Quality Management District
Board Meeting/Public Hearing
For Adoption of the SFNA 8-hour Ozone SIP
February 2nd, 2009

Public Comment #1

Sue Teranishi, Volunteer
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Breathe CA strongly supports adoption of the plan as proposed. The organization is very concerned about public health. Studies specific to this area have shown the health effects of pollution on asthma rates and rates of hospitalization. They have monitoring studies currently underway along Interstates 5 and 99 to determine impacts on health of persons living downwind of dense traffic corridors. The plan as proposed will ensure minimum emission reductions of 3% per year in order to meet the 8-hour standard by 2018. The plan will improve public health for all Californians, particularly the tens of thousands of children who suffer from asthma in Northern California. This plan outlines State Strategies to attain the standard through new control measures such as Indirect Source Rules and Tree Mitigation strategies.

Response: None required.

Public Comment #2

Bill Mueller, CEO Valley Vision
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Mr. Mueller is manager Cleaner Air Partnership, which is a nonprofit partnership between Breathe CA and Chamber of Commerce that couples together business community with public health and environmental community. He spoke to the economic side of the plan. This conformity plan is important because it keeps transportation funding flowing to the region. If we don't have this plan in place, many of the projects that are currently underway will not be pursued. The health impacts are known and equally important. This plan has been in development for over two years and has been found to be innovative and forward thinking, achieving balance between air quality and economic development.

Response: None required.

Public Comment #3

Jason Crow
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Mr. Crow expressed SACOG's strong support for the plan. The SIP is critical key to our ability to show conformity to our transportation plan and they think the timing is especially critical with the Federal Stimulus Bill. SACOG has worked closely with air districts and ARB in developing this plan and they feel it's very important both in meeting the goals of cleaner air as well as to the transportation plan.

Response: None required.

Public Comment #4

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The Environmental Defense Fund is a national nonprofit dedicated to environmental problems and public health. They support the attainment plan along with the cost effective measures to ensure health benefits for the short and long term.

Response: None required.