

State of California
Environment Protection Agency
AIR RESOURCES BOARD

Notice of Decision

Project Title: Regulation for Greenhouse Gas Emissions Standards for Crude Oil and Natural Gas Facilities (SCH# 2016062017)

Project Location: Statewide

Public Meeting Dates: March 23, 2017; Agenda Item #17-3-6

Project Description: The Regulation for Greenhouse Gas Emissions Standards for Crude Oil and Natural Gas Facilities sets greenhouse gas emission standards for crude oil and natural gas production facilities, natural gas processing plants, natural gas gathering, boosting, and transmission compressor stations, and underground natural gas storage facilities.

This notice is to advise that the California Air Resources Board (ARB or Board), as the lead agency, adopted the above regulatory action on March 23, 2017.

ARB prepared a programmatic level environmental analysis (EA) in accordance with the requirements of its certified regulatory program under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) (Cal. Code Regs., tit. 14, §15251, subd. (d).), to analyze and disclose the reasonably foreseeable indirect physical changes in the environment that could result from implementing the regulatory action. The EA, included as Appendix C of the Staff Report: Initial Statement of Reasons (ISOR), concluded implementing the regulatory action may result in significant adverse environmental impacts. The EA includes the types of mitigation measures that could typically be required to reduce the significant environmental impacts identified, but the authority to determine project-level impacts and require project-level mitigation lies with the lead agency with authority over those particular projects. The Board made CEQA findings and adopted a statement of overriding considerations for this project.

Staff prepared written responses to comments received during the 45 day comment period that raised significant environmental issues pertaining to this item. The written responses to the EA comments are included in the document entitled *Responses to Comments on the Draft Environmental Analysis for the Regulation for Greenhouse Gas Emission Standards for Crude Oil and Natural Gas Facilities*. Before taking final action, the Board considered and approved written responses to these comments as required by ARB's certified regulations. (Cal. Code Regs., tit. 17, § 60007(a).)

The EA, the *Responses to Comments on the Draft Environmental Analysis for the Regulation for Greenhouse Gas Emission Standards for Crude Oil and Natural Gas Facilities*, and all other related documents are available for public inspection on the ARB rulemaking webpage at: <https://www.arb.ca.gov/regact/2016/oilandgas2016/oilandgas2016.htm>

These documents may also be examined at:

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