

**NOTICE OF COMPLETION (NOC) OF A DRAFT PROGRAM ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT
(PROGRAM EIR) AND OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC COMMENT**

To: Governor's Office of Planning and Research – State Clearinghouse
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From: South Coast Air Quality Management District
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Project Title: 2022 Air Quality Management Plan (AQMP)

Project Location: The proposed project is located in the South Coast Air Quality Management District's (South Coast AQMD) jurisdiction, which includes the four-county South Coast Air Basin (all of Orange County and the non-desert portions of Los Angeles, Riverside, and San Bernardino Counties), and the Riverside County portion of the Salton Sea Air Basin and the non-Palo Verde, Riverside County portion of the Mojave Desert Air Basin.

Description of Nature, Purpose, and Beneficiaries of Project: In accordance with the United States Environmental Protection Agency strengthening the National Ambient Air Quality Standard (NAAQS) for ground-level 8-hour ozone in 2015, by lowering the primary and secondary 8-hour ozone standard to 70 parts per billion, the 2022 AQMP identifies control measures and strategies which have been developed to bring the South Coast Air Basin and the Coachella Valley into attainment with this standard by 2037. The 2022 AQMP control measures and strategies were developed to achieve this NAAQS by focusing on reducing emissions of nitrogen oxides (NOx), which are precursors to the formation of ozone, and other air pollutants. The 2022 AQMP is comprised of the following control measures which address stationary point and area and mobile sources: 1) the South Coast AQMD's Stationary and Mobile Source Control Measures; 2) control measures identified in the 2022 State Strategy for the State Implementation Plan by the California Air Resources Board; and 3) approved Regional Transportation Plan/Sustainable Communities Strategy and Transportation Control Measures provided by the Southern California Association of Governments. The 2022 AQMP also includes emission inventories, the most current air quality data, updated growth projections, new up-to-date modeling techniques, demonstrations of compliance with state and federal Clean Air Act requirements, and an adoption and implementation schedule for the proposed control strategies. The 2022 AQMP is designed to protect and improve public health for those living, working and visiting the region within South Coast AQMD's jurisdiction. The proposed project is estimated to reduce NOx emissions by approximately 124 tons per day beyond implementation of existing regulations. The analysis in the Draft Program EIR concluded that impacts to the following environmental topic areas would be significant and unavoidable: 1) air quality during construction and greenhouse gases; 2) energy; 3) hazards and hazardous materials; 4) hydrology and water quality; 5) noise; and 6) solid and hazardous waste. No other significant adverse impacts were identified. Of the entities affected by the 2022 AQMP, some are facilities that may be identified on lists compiled by the California Department of Toxic Substances Control per Government Code Section 65962.5. However, the implementation of the 2022 AQMP will not alter the status of the facilities on the lists.

Lead Agency:
South Coast Air Quality Management District

Division:
Planning, Rule Development and Area Sources

The NOC, Draft Program EIR and all supporting documentation are available for public review from:

- South Coast AQMD's website: <http://www.aqmd.gov/home/research/documents-reports/lead-agency-scaqmd-projects>
 - South Coast AQMD Public Information Center: by email at PICrequests@aqmd.gov and by phone at (909) 396-2039
 - State Clearinghouse of the Governor's Office of Planning and Research website at: <https://ceqanet.opr.ca.gov/search/recent>
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The Revised Draft 2022 AQMP and all supporting documentation are available from South Coast AQMD's website at: <http://www.aqmd.gov/2022aqmp>

The NOC is provided to the public through the following:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Los Angeles Times (September 16, 2022) | <input type="checkbox"/> South Coast AQMD Mailing List & Interested Parties |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Orange County Register (September 16, 2022) | <input type="checkbox"/> South Coast AQMD Public Information Center |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Riverside Press Enterprise (September 16, 2022) | <input type="checkbox"/> South Coast AQMD Website |
| <input type="checkbox"/> San Bernardino Sun (September 16, 2022) | <input type="checkbox"/> Governor's Office of Planning and Research – State Clearinghouse Website |
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Draft Program EIR Review Period (46 days): September 16, 2022 to November 1, 2022

Scheduled Public Meeting Date(s) (subject to change): The public is invited to attend and provide public comments at the following Regional Public Hearings:

Date/Time	Regional Public Hearings	Locations
October 12, 2022 2:00 p.m.	Meeting #1 for Los Angeles County	Remotely via Zoom videoconference and by telephone: https://scaqmd.zoom.us/j/97319116794 Zoom Webinar ID: 973 1911 6794 Teleconference Dial In: +1 669 900 6833
October 12, 2022 6:00 p.m.	Meeting #2 for San Bernardino County	Remotely via Zoom videoconference and by telephone: https://scaqmd.zoom.us/j/91005796281 Zoom Webinar ID: 910 0579 6281 Teleconference Dial In: +1 669 900 6833
October 18, 2022 6:00 p.m.	Meeting #3 for Coachella Valley	Remotely via Zoom videoconference and by telephone: https://scaqmd.zoom.us/j/99950751763 Zoom Webinar ID: 999 5075 1763 Teleconference Dial In: +1 669 900 6833
October 19, 2022 1:00 p.m.	Meeting #4 for Orange County	Remotely via Zoom videoconference and by telephone: https://scaqmd.zoom.us/j/97747622239 Zoom Webinar ID: 977 4762 2239 Teleconference Dial In: +1 669 900 6833
October 20, 2022 1:00 p.m.	Meeting #5 for Riverside County	Remotely via Zoom videoconference and by telephone: https://scaqmd.zoom.us/j/94508364659 Zoom Webinar ID: 945 0836 4659 Teleconference Dial In: +1 669 900 6833

The proposed project will be considered at the Governing Board Meeting (Public Hearing) on December 2, 2022 at 9:00 a.m. (subject to change). The Governing Board Meeting agenda with details on how the public can participate will be posted at least 72 hours prior to the meeting on South Coast AQMD’s website at: <http://www.aqmd.gov/home/news-events/meeting-agendas-minutes>.

Send CEQA Comments to: Kevin Ni	Phone: (909) 396-2462	Email: kni@aqmd.gov	Fax: (909) 396-3982
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Date: September 15, 2022

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