

Notice of Exemption

To: Office of Planning and Research
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County Clerk

County of: Sacramento
Sacramento, CA 95814

From: (Public Agency): _____
Sacramento Metropolitan Air Quality Management District

777 12th Street, 3rd floor, Sacramento, CA 95814

(Address)

Project Title: Sacramento Regional 2015 NAAQS 8-Hour Ozone Attainment and Reasonable Further Progress Plan

Project Applicant: Sacramento Metropolitan Air Quality Management District; 777 12th St, 3rd floor, Sacramento, CA 95814

279-207-1122

Project Location - Specific:

The Sacramento Federal Ozone Nonattainment Area which comprises Sacramento and Yolo counties and portions of Solano, Sutter, Placer, and El Dorado counties.

Project Location - City: _____ Project Location - County: Sacramento, Yolo, Solano, Placer

Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project:
See attached sheet.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: Sacramento Metropolitan Air Quality Management District

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: Sacramento Metropolitan Air Quality Management District

Exempt Status: (check one):

- Ministerial (Sec. 21080(b)(1); 15268);
- Declared Emergency (Sec. 21080(b)(3); 15269(a));
- Emergency Project (Sec. 21080(b)(4); 15269(b)(c));
- Categorical Exemption. State type and section number: Section 15308
- Statutory Exemptions. State code number: Section 15061(b)(3)

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SACRAMENTO COUNTY

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Reasons why project is exempt:
See attached sheet.

Lead Agency
Contact Person: Janice Lam Snyder Area Code/Telephone/Extension: 916-491-0929

If filed by applicant:

1. Attach certified document of exemption finding.
2. Has a Notice of Exemption been filed by the public agency approving the project? Yes No

Signature: [Signature] Date: 09/28/2023 Title: Program Manager

Signed by Lead Agency Signed by Applicant

Authority cited: Sections 21083 and 21110, Public Resources Code.
Reference: Sections 21108, 21152, and 21152.1, Public Resources Code.

Date Received for filing at OPR: _____

Description of Nature, Purpose, and Beneficiaries of Project:

The Sacramento Metropolitan Air Quality Management District adopted the Sacramento Regional 2015 8-Hour Ozone Attainment and Reasonable Further Progress (RFP) Plan (Plan), which demonstrates attainment of the 2015 federal health standard, known as the National Ambient Air Quality Standards (NAAQS), for ozone of 70 parts per billion. This Plan meets federal Clean Air Act (CAA) Section 110 requirements for state implementation plans (SIPs), and Sections 172, 176, 181, and 182, and 40 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) Part 51 Subpart CC planning requirements for the “Severe” classification. This Plan demonstrates that the SFNA will meet the 2015 ozone NAAQS by the end of 2032.

The Plan uses a 2017 emission inventory as the base year and demonstrates that existing control measures as well as new State control measures will provide the Volatile Organic Compound (VOC) and Nitrogen Oxides (NO_x) emission reductions necessary to meet the 2023, 2026, and 2029 RFP milestone years, and 2032 attainment year. This plan includes two contingency control measures: Smog Check Programs amendments if adopted by the State and air districts’ commitments to amend their Architectural Coating Rules. The Plan also establishes new motor vehicle emissions budgets for the milestone and attainment years, which ensure the emissions from regional transportation plans and projects will not delay the timely attainment of the ozone standard.

The Plan is the region’s roadmap to meet the 2015 federal ozone health standard, and it will improve air quality by lowering ambient ozone concentration and protect health and property of residents, workers, and businesses owners in the SFNA.

Reasons why project is exempt:

The adoption of the Sacramento Regional 2015 8-Hour Ozone Attainment and Reasonable Further Progress Plan is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) as an action by a regulatory agency for the protection of the environment (Class 8 Categorical Exemption, Section 15308, State CEQA Guidelines) and because it can be seen with certainty that there is no possibility that the activity in question may have a significant adverse effect on the environment (Section 15061(b)(3), State CEQA Guidelines).