

**COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO
AIR POLLUTION CONTROL DISTRICT**

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

NOTICE, pursuant to Code of Federal Regulations, Title 40, Section 51.102, Public Resources Code Section 21092, and California Code of Regulations Title 14 Section 15072, is hereby given of a public hearing on October 14, 2020, at 9:00 a.m., before the Air Pollution Control Board of the County of San Diego, in Room 310, County Administration Center, 1600 Pacific Highway, San Diego, California, for the purpose of receiving public comments on and considering (1) Approval of the 2020 Plan (Plan) for Attaining the National Ambient Air Quality Standards for Ozone in San Diego County, (2) Approval of the 2020 Reasonably Available Control Technology (RACT) Demonstration for the National Ambient Air Quality Standards for Ozone in San Diego County, (3) Approval of the Initial Study and Negative Declaration for the proposed Plan and RACT Demonstration, and (4) Submittal of District Rule 61.3.1 (Transfer of Gasoline into Stationary Underground Storage Tanks) for inclusion in the State Implementation Plan (SIP) for San Diego County.

Pursuant to federal requirements, the San Diego County Air Pollution Control District (District) must submit the proposed Plan and RACT Demonstration to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency through the California Air Resources Board (CARB) for the current national ozone standards. The proposed Plan and RACT Demonstration outline the combination of local, state, and federal emission control regulations necessary to bring the area into attainment of current national ozone standards as expeditiously as practicable. Under federal law, San Diego County is currently classified as a Serious nonattainment area for the 2008 ozone standard, and a Moderate nonattainment area for the 2015 ozone standard, but may be reclassified to Severe nonattainment status for both ozone standards in the near future. The proposed Plan satisfies all federal criteria of a Severe nonattainment area for both ozone standards, and predicts San Diego County will attain the 2008 ozone standard by 2026, and the 2015 ozone standard by 2032. Attainment of both ozone standards will be achieved through ongoing implementation of existing District, CARB, and EPA emission control regulations, as well as planned future rulemakings to further reduce air pollution.

The District prepared an Initial Study pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act and determined the proposed Plan and RACT Demonstration would not have a significant environmental impact. As such, a proposed Negative Declaration was prepared and solicited for comment during a 30-day review period. No public comments were received.

Additionally, the District proposes to submit existing District Rule 61.3.1 to the EPA through CARB, for inclusion in the federal SIP for San Diego County and to support the proposed RACT Demonstration as a Severe nonattainment area. Rule 61.3.1, previously adopted in 2006, is not being proposed for amendment, and its submittal to the EPA will not impose additional requirements or emission controls.

The Board may consider modifications to the proposal, which may be deemed appropriate. Written comments are also invited. Comments should be addressed to:

Kathy Keehan, Supervising Air Resources Specialist
San Diego County Air Pollution Control District
10124 Old Grove Road, San Diego, CA 92131

Copies of the proposed plan may be examined by visiting the District's website at <http://www.sdapcd.org/content/sdc/apcd/en/air-quality-planning.html>. Specific information with respect to this matter may also be obtained by calling Kathy Keehan, Supervising Air Resources Specialist, at (858) 586-2726.

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