



Regional Planning Partnership

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Update on Eastern Solano Projects of Air Quality Concern

Recommendation: None, this item is for information.

Discussion: Under federal law, certain types of transportation projects must be reviewed through interagency consultation to determine whether they are in conformity with regional PM_{2.5} attainment efforts. Projects that are not determined by the interagency group to be projects of air quality concern (POAQC) are considered to meet the conformity criteria.

The Sacramento Federal Nonattainment Area (SFNA) for PM_{2.5} includes all of Sacramento County and portions of El Dorado, Placer, Yolo, and Solano Counties. The majority of the SFNA falls within the boundaries of SACOG's metropolitan planning area, but the Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC) is responsible for making conformity determinations for projects in Eastern Solano. As such, a representative of the SFNA is responsible for participating in MTC's interagency consultation and providing quarterly reports of POAQC determinations in Eastern Solano County to the SACOG Regional Planning Partnership.

Since the last POAQC determination update in September 2013, no projects in Eastern Solano County have been reviewed through MTC's interagency consultation process. Mr. Matt Jones of Yolo-Solano Air Quality Management District will be present to answer any questions from the Partnership regarding conformity determinations in Eastern Solano County.

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