



Regional Planning Partnership

Item #4 Information

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Update on Project of Air Quality Concern Determinations

Issue: What actions have MTC and the SACOG Project Level Conformity Group taken since September 23, 2021?

Recommendation: None, this item is for information only.

Discussion: 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 PM_{2.5} SFNA and all of the PM₁₀ SFNA (i.e., Sacramento County) fall within the boundaries of SACOG's metropolitan planning area. Using delegated authority from the RPP, the Project Level Conformity Group (PLCG) is tasked with reviewing and taking action on PM_{2.5} and PM₁₀ Project of Air Quality Concern (POAQC) determinations and hot spot analyses within the SACOG region.

For the portion of the PM_{2.5} SFNA outside of the SACOG region, the Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC) is responsible for making conformity determinations for projects. 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, and determining if individual projects need to be presented to both MTC's Air Quality Conformity Task Force and SACOG's PLCG. Mr. Matt Jones of Yolo Solano Air Quality Management District serves as the SFNA representative for MTC's interagency consultation.

Since September 23, 2020, three projects were reviewed by SACOG's PLCG: two projects were determined not to be POAQCs and one was exempted for POAQC. No projects were reviewed in eastern Solano County through MTC's process.

1. City of West Sacramento Broadway Bridge Project
2. Placer County Bell Road Ramp Project (Exempted)
3. Sacramento County Fair Oaks Complete Street Project

Since the adoption of this process in 2011, the PLCG has reviewed 67 projects (Attachment A). Anyone from the RPP is welcome to be a member of the PLCG (Attachment B) and review POAQCs within the SACOG region. If you would like to join, please contact sgao@sacog.org.

Attachments

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