

FEATHER RIVER AIR QUALITY MANAGEMENT DISTRICT
MEMORANDUM
08/05/2019

TO: FRAQMD BOARD OF DIRECTORS

FROM: Christopher D. Brown, AICP, APCO

SUBJECT: Approve Resolution #2019-09 to adopt the Northern Sacramento Valley Planning Area 2018 Triennial Air Quality Attainment Plan and authorize the Chair to sign related documents.

RECOMMENDATION:

Approve Resolution #2019-09 to adopt the Northern Sacramento Valley Planning Area 2018 Triennial Air Quality Attainment Plan (2018 Plan) as approved by the Basin Control Council (BCC).

ALTERNATIVE:

Not approve Resolution #2019-09 and provide direction to BCC representative

BACKGROUND:

The California Clean Air Act (CCAA) requires air districts which have been designated as a nonattainment area for California ambient air quality standards (CAAQS) for ozone, carbon monoxide, sulfur dioxide, or nitrogen dioxide to prepare and submit a plan for attaining and maintaining the standards. The CCAA also requires that districts review their progress made toward attaining the CAAQS every three years.

The Air Pollution Control Districts and Air Quality Management Districts (Districts) for the counties located in the northern portion of the Sacramento Valley together establish the Northern Sacramento Valley Planning Area (NSVPA). The NSVPA Districts were designated as nonattainment for the ozone CAAQS and agreed to jointly prepare an Air Quality Attainment Plan.

The Sacramento Valley Basin Control Council (BCC), which includes the NSVPA air districts (Butte County AQMD, Colusa County APCD, Feather River AQMD, Glenn County APCD, Shasta County AQMD, and Tehama County APCD) in addition to Sacramento Metro AQMD, Yolo Solano AQMD, and Placer County APCD, approved the 2018 update to the Air Quality Attainment Plan (2018 Plan) in December 2018. Each air district must now hold a public hearing on the 2015 Plan and take it before its respective Board of Directors for approval and subsequent submittal to ARB.

DISCUSSION:

The 2018 Plan includes an assessment of progress towards achieving the control measure commitments in the 2015 triennial update, a summary of the last three years of ozone data, a comparison of the expected versus actual emission reductions for each measure committed to in the 2015 triennial update, updated control measure commitments, and updated growth rates of population, industry, and vehicle related emissions. The 2018 Plan also includes a description of public outreach programs, grant programs, and land use review programs and their quantitative or qualitative impacts.

The 2018 Plan includes monitoring data from 2015 through 2017 as well as trends over the past 10 years. The data generally shows a continuance of the downward trend in the number of exceedances of the 1-hour and 8-hour ozone CAAQS. The Yuba City monitoring station had no exceedances of the 1-hour standard between 2015 and 2017 and only one exceedance of the 8-hour standard. The Sutter Buttes monitoring station recorded two exceedances of the 1-hour standard between 2015 and 2017 and forty-three exceedances of the 8-hour standard, mostly during 2016 which had thirty-three exceedances.

Mobile sources comprise the majority of the NOx emission inventory with 65% of the total. For ROG emissions, area-wide sources account for the largest portion of non-biogenic sources at 49% of the total.

The District published a public notice in the July 5, 2019, edition of the Appeal Democrat that the 2018 Plan was available for public review and comment. The 2018 Plan is also available on the District website www.fraqmd.org and at the District office. As of July 24, 2019, the District has not received any public comment on the 2018 Plan.

FISCAL IMPACT:

There is no fiscal impact from adopting the 2018 Plan.

ATTACHMENTS:

- 1 – Resolution #2019-09
- 2 – Public Notice July 5, 2019
- 3 – NSVPA 2018 Triennial Air Quality Attainment Plan

Attachment 1: Resolution 2019-09 Adopting NSVPA 2018 Triennial AQAP

**RESOLUTION #2019-09 OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS ADOPTING THE
NORTHERN SACRAMENTO VALLEY PLANNING AREA 2018 TRIENNIAL AIR
QUALITY ATTAINMENT PLAN**

WHEREAS, Section 40911 of the California Health and Safety Code ("Health and Safety Code") requires each air district which has been designated nonattainment for the California ambient air quality standards (CAAQS) for ozone to prepare and submit a plan for attaining the CAAQS to the California Air Resources Board (ARB); and

WHEREAS, the Feather River Air Quality Management District (FRAQMD) was designated by the ARB as a nonattainment area for the CAAQS for ozone; and

WHEREAS, Health and Safety Code, Section 40925, requires any air district that is nonattainment for the ozone CAAQS, on or before December 31, 1994, and at least once every three years thereafter, to review and revise its attainment plan to correct for deficiencies in meeting the interim measures of progress incorporated into the plan pursuant to Section 40914; and

WHEREAS, The ARB found that with the approved 1994 State Implementation Plan (SIP) for ozone, the Northern Sacramento Valley Planning Area (NSVPA) air districts would not be required to prepare a comprehensive plan revision for subsequent triennial plans. Instead, the air districts were directed to submit an update to the existing plan that focuses on implementing existing control strategies and SIP commitments; and

WHEREAS, the counties of the Northern Sacramento Valley Planning Area, including Butte, Colusa, Glenn, Shasta, Sutter, Tehama, and Yuba, have jointly prepared the required attainment plan designated as the Northern Sacramento Valley Planning Area 2018 Triennial Air Quality Attainment Plan ("2018 Triennial AQAP") which includes the necessary modifications and strategies to attain the state standard for ozone; and

WHEREAS, The Sacramento Valley Basin Control Council (BCC) approved the 2018 Triennial AQAP update in December 2018. Each air district must now take the 2018 Triennial AQAP before its respective Board at a public hearing for local adoption and subsequent submittal to ARB; and

WHEREAS, the FRAQMD published a public notice of the availability of the 2018 Triennial AQAP for public review and comment on July 5, 2019, and held a public hearing for adoption on August 5, 2019; and

WHEREAS this action is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to California Code of Regulations Title 14, Division 6, Chapter 3, §15061(b)(3) (no possibility of a significant adverse effect on the environment) and §15308 (actions taken by regulatory agencies to assure the maintenance, restoration, enhancement, or protection of the environment); and

WHEREAS staff of the Feather River Air Quality Management District, at 541 Washington Avenue, Yuba City, CA, maintains the record of the proceedings upon which this decision is based.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Feather River Air Quality Management District Board of Directors does hereby approve the NSVPA 2018 Triennial Air Quality Attainment Plan, and directs the Air Pollution Control Officer to submit such plan to the state Air Resources Board; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Feather River Air Quality Management District Board of Directors finds that the adoption of the 2018 Triennial AQAP is exempt from CEQA.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Feather River Air Quality Management District on August 5, 2019, by the following vote:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSENT:

ABSTAIN:

Chairman

ATTEST:

APPROVED FOR LEGAL FORM:

Attachment 2: Public Notice

PROOF OF PUBLICATION
(2015.5 C.C.P.)

APPEAL-DEMOCRAT

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STATE OF CALIFORNIA * Counties of Yuba and Sutter

I am not a party to, nor interested in the above entitled matter. I am the principal clerk of the printer and publisher of THE APPEAL-DEMOCRAT, a newspaper of general circulation, printed & published in the City of Marysville, County of Yuba, to which Newspaper has been adjudged a newspaper of general circulation by The Superior Court of the County of Yuba, State of California under the date of November 9, 1951, No. 11481, and County of Sutter to which Newspaper has been adjudged a newspaper of general circulation by the Superior Court of the County of Sutter, State of California under the date of May 17, 1999, Case No.CV PT99-0819. The Notice, of which the annexed is a copy, appeared in said newspaper on the following dates:

July 5, 2019

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

July 5, 2019



Date

Signature

Feather River Air Quality Management District

Request for Public Comment

COPY:

REQUEST FOR PUBLIC COMMENT and
PUBLIC HEARING FOR NORTHERN
SACRAMENTO VALLEY PLANNING AREA 2018 TRIENNIAL AIR QUALITY ATTAINMENT PLAN.

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the Feather River Air Quality Management District (District) is requesting public comments on the Northern Sacramento Valley Planning Area (NSVPA) 2018 Triennial Air Quality Attainment Plan (Attainment Plan). The Attainment Plan addresses the progress made in implementing the 2015 Air Quality Attainment Plan and proposes strategies necessary to attain the California ambient air quality standards. The Attainment Plan identifies the air pollution problems and health impacts which are cooperatively addressed by the air districts of the NSVPA, which includes Yuba, Sutter, Colusa, Glenn, Butte, Tehama, and Shasta Counties. The Attainment Plan is available on the District's website: www.fraqmd.org beginning June 28, 2019, and at the District office located at 541 Washington Avenue, Yuba City, CA.

Written comments will be accepted at the District office until 5:00 p.m. Monday, July 22, 2019. Comments should be submitted to: Feather River Air Quality Management District, 541 Washington Avenue, Yuba City, CA 95991 Attn: APCO. Comments may also be sent by email to: fracmd@fracmd.org. In addition, written and oral testimony may be presented to the Board of Directors at the public hearing on August 5, 2019.

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that the District will hold a public hearing at 4:00 pm on Monday, August 5, 2019, in the Marysville Conference Room of the Yuba County Government Center located at 915 8th Street in Marysville, CA. The purpose of the hearing is to adopt the Attainment Plan. For more information please contact the District at (530) 634-7659 or email to fracmd@fracmd.org.

July 5, 2019

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Attachment 3: NSVPA 2018 Triennial Air Quality Attainment Plan