



# Air Resources Board



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August 28, 2015

Mr. Hasan Ikhata  
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Dear Mr. Ikhata:

Air Resources Board (ARB) staff has reviewed the projects submitted by the Southern California Association of Governments (SCAG) on behalf of the Los Angeles Metropolitan Transportation Authority (LA Metro) as substitute transportation control measures (TCM). The projects are the construction of new park and ride lots in the cities of Santa Clarita and Old Town Calabasas, construction of the Vincent community bikeway access, and construction of the Athens and West Carson community bikeway as substitute TCMs for the construction of the MTA Blue Line Park and Ride Facility in the city of Long Beach.

We have reviewed the analysis provided by SCAG and LA Metro for the four proposed substitute TCM projects and concur that they meet the procedural and emission reduction requirements for substitution of a TCM in an approved State Implementation Plan (SIP). Enclosed with this letter is a table summarizing ARB staff findings.

The Clean Air Act (Act) transportation conformity provisions specify the procedures to substitute or add a TCM to an approved SIP. The Act requires that the replacement TCM must achieve equal or greater emission reductions, be implemented on a schedule consistent with the measure being replaced, and be supported by adequate resources and authority to be implemented, monitored, and enforced. The TCM must be developed through a collaborative process involving all affected jurisdictions, ARB, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (U.S. EPA), and the public.

The transportation conformity provisions of the Act provide that our concurrence with SCAG's finding, together with the concurrence of the U.S. EPA Administrator, constitute adoption of the TCMs. The Act further provides that once adopted, the substitute measure or measures become part of the SIP by operation of law. ARB will submit the

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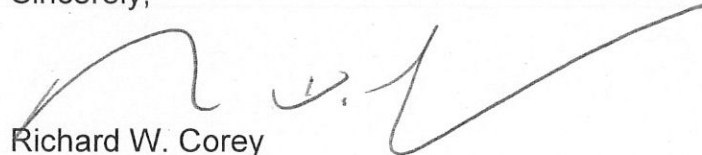
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substitute TCMs to U.S. EPA for incorporation in the codified applicable SIP within 90 days in accordance with the Act. U.S. EPA will then update the Code of Federal Regulations to reflect the changes to the SIP to clarify that the replacement TCMs are part of the federally enforceable SIP.

If you have any questions or would like to discuss this decision, please contact Mr. Kurt Karperos, Deputy Executive Officer, at (916) 322-2739. Technical questions may be directed to Mr. Dennis Wade, Air Pollution Specialist, at (916) 327-2963.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'R. W. Corey', written over a horizontal line.

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