

Ventura County Air Pollution Control District

Public Review and Hearing Notice

DRAFT 2020 REASONABLY AVAILABLE CONTROL TECHNOLOGY (RACT) STATE IMPLEMENTATION PLAN (SIP) AND EMISSIONS STATEMENT CERTIFICATION

The draft 2020 Reasonably Available Control Technology State Implementation Plan (2020 RACT SIP) and Emissions Statement Certification are available for public review.

The 2020 RACT SIP and Emissions Statement Certification do not propose any new emission control measures or District regulations. Staff has determined that the existing rules meet the requirements of the Federal Clean Air Act.

The 2020 RACT SIP is prepared to satisfy the requirements of the Federal Clean Air Act. Sections 182(b)(2) and 182(f) of the Federal Clean Air Act require ozone nonattainment areas to implement RACT for sources subject to control techniques guidelines issued by the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), and for "major sources" of volatile organic compounds (VOC) and oxides of nitrogen (NOx), which are ozone precursors. Furthermore, EPA's Final Rule "Implementation of the 2015 National Ambient Air Quality Standards for Ozone: Nonattainment Area State Implementation Plan Requirements" (83 FR 62998-63036; December 6, 2018) states that areas classified as moderate nonattainment or higher for ozone must demonstrate that their current air pollution rules fulfill 8-hour ozone RACT. Ventura County is a serious federal ozone nonattainment area.

Also, the 2020 Emissions Statement Certification is prepared to satisfy the requirement of Section 182(a)(3)(B) of the Clean Air Act (Act), which requires all ozone nonattainment areas to have in place a program that requires emissions statements from stationary sources of NOx and VOC with emissions greater than or equal to 25 tons per year of VOC or NOx. Specifically, section 182(a)(3)(B)(i) of the Act requires air agencies to submit to U.S. EPA a SIP revision requiring the owner or operator of these stationary sources to report and certify the accuracy of their reported NOx and VOC emissions, beginning in 1993 and annually thereafter. Ventura County Air Pollution Control District certifies the existing provisions of Rule 24-Source Recordkeeping, Reporting and Emissions Statements meet the section 182(a)(3)(B) Emissions Statement requirements for the 2015 70 ppb 8-hour ozone standard and that no revision to the rule is required.

The draft 2020 RACT SIP and Emission Statement Certification are both available on the District's website, www.vcapcd.org, and at the Ventura County Air Pollution Control District office located at 669 County Square Drive, 2nd Floor, Ventura, California, 93003 between 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. Monday through Friday. Copies of the draft 2020 RACT SIP and Emissions Statement Certification can also be obtained by calling the District offices at 805-645-1400.

Written comments must be submitted to the Ventura County Air Pollution Control District by 5:00 p.m. on May 18, 2020.

Written comments and questions related to the RACT SIP may be directed to Tyler Harris, Ventura County Air Pollution Control District, 669 County Square Drive, 2nd Floor, Ventura, CA, 93003; telephone 805-645-1407; facsimile 805-645-1444; email tyler@vcapcd.org.

Written comments and questions related to the Emissions Statement Certification may be directed to Alan Ballard, same mailing address and fax number as above, telephone 805-645-1477; email alan@vcapcd.org.

The public hearing will be held at the following time and location:

June 9, 2020 at 1:30 p.m.
Board of Supervisors Meeting Room
Hall of Administration
Ventura County Government Center
800 South Victoria Avenue
Ventura, California

The public is invited to attend this hearing and be heard on this matter.

Persons who require accommodation for any audio, visual or other disability in order to participate in a meeting of the Air Pollution Control Board per the American Disabilities Act (ADA), may obtain assistance by requesting such accommodation in writing addressed to the Clerk of the Board, 800 South Victoria Avenue, Loc. #1920, Ventura, CA 93009, e-mailing Clerkoftheboard@ventura.org, or by calling (805) 654-2251. Any such request for accommodation should be made at least 48 hours prior to the scheduled meeting for which assistance is requested. Persons wishing to attend the meeting in person should contact the Clerk of the Board at (805) 654-2251 or Clerkoftheboard@ventura.org or visit our website at www.ventura.org/meetings-and-broadcasts/ prior to the meeting to confirm how to access the meeting given the implementation of social distancing related to the outbreak of COVID-19 in the community.