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CEQA Filing Fee No Effect Determination

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CEQA Lead Agency: South Coast Air Quality Management District

Project Title: 2022 Air Quality Management Plan

CEQA Document Type: Environmental Impact Report

State Clearinghouse Number/local agency ID number: 2022050287

Project Location: The proposed project is located in the South Coast Air Quality Management District's (South Coast AQMD) jurisdiction, which includes the four-county South Coast Air Basin (all of Orange County and the non-desert portions of Los Angeles, Riverside, and San Bernardino Counties), and the Riverside County portion of the Salton Sea Air Basin and the non-Palo Verde, Riverside County portion of the Mojave Desert Air Basin. An aerial map of the entire South Coast AQMD jurisdiction can be found at:

<https://scaqmd-online.maps.arcgis.com/apps/webappviewer/index.html?id=3d51b5d2fc8d42d9af8c04f3c00f88d3>

Brief Project Description: In accordance with the United States Environmental Protection Agency strengthening the National Ambient Air Quality Standard (NAAQS) for ground-level 8-hour ozone in 2015, by lowering the primary and secondary 8-hour ozone standard to 70 parts per billion (ppb), the 2022 AQMP identifies control measures and strategies which have been developed to bring the region into attainment with this standard by 2037 for the South Coast Air Basin and the Coachella Valley. The 2022 AQMP control measures and strategies were developed to achieve this NAAQS by focusing on reducing emissions of nitrogen oxides (NOx), which are precursors to form ozone, and other air pollutants. The 2022 AQMP is comprised of the following control measures which address stationary point and area and mobile sources: 1) the South Coast AQMD's Stationary and Mobile Source Control Measures; 2) control measures identified in the 2022 State Strategy for the State Implementation Plan by the California Air Resources Board; and 3) approved Regional Transportation Plan/Sustainable Communities Strategy and Transportation Control Measures provided by the Southern California Association of Governments. The 2022 AQMP also includes emission inventories, the most current air quality setting, updated growth projections, new up-to-date modeling techniques, demonstrations of compliance with state and federal Clean Air Act requirements, and an adoption and implementation schedule for the proposed control strategies. The 2022 AQMP is designed to protect and improve public health for those living, working and visiting the region within South Coast AQMD's jurisdiction. However, the NOP/IS identified potentially significant

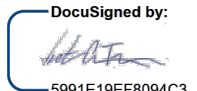
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adverse impacts to the following environmental topic areas: air quality and greenhouse gas emissions, energy, hazards and hazardous materials, hydrology and water quality, noise, and solid and hazardous waste, which will be analyzed in the Draft Program EIR. Some facilities affected by the 2022 AQMP may be identified on lists compiled by the California Department of Toxic Substances Control per Government Code Section 65962.5. However, the implementation of the 2022 AQMP will not alter the status of the facilities on the lists.

Determination: Based on a review of the project as proposed, the Department of Fish and Wildlife has determined that for purposes of the assessment of CEQA filing fees (Fish & G. Code, § 711.4, subd. (c)) the project has no effect on fish, wildlife or their habitat and the project as described does not require payment of a CEQA filing fee. This determination does not in any way imply that the project is exempt from CEQA and does not determine the significance of any potential project effects evaluated pursuant to CEQA.

Please retain this original determination for your records. Local lead agencies are required to file two copies of this determination with the county clerk at the time of filing the Notice of Determination (NOD) after the project is approved. State lead agencies are required to file two copies of this determination with the Governor's Office of Planning and Research (i.e., State Clearinghouse) at the time of filing the NOD. If you do not file a copy of this determination as appropriate with the county clerk or State Clearinghouse at the time of filing the NOD, the appropriate CEQA filing fee will be due and payable.

Without a valid CEQA Filing Fee No Effect Determination form or proof of fee payment, the project will not be operative, vested, or final and any local permits issued for the project will be invalid, pursuant to Fish and Game Code section 711.4, subdivision (c)(3).

Approved by:  5991E19EF8094C3... Date: 6/1/2022

Signature

Victoria Tang, Senior Environmental Scientist
(Supervisory)

Name, Title

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