



San Diego Region Conformity Working Group

Wednesday, November 2, 2022

10:30 a.m.

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Agenda

1. Welcome and Introductions

2. Public Comments/Member Comments

Members of the public shall have the opportunity to address the Conformity Working Group on any issue within the jurisdiction of SANDAG that is not on this agenda.

+3. Meeting Minutes

The San Diego Region Conformity Working Group (CWG) is asked to review the minutes from its September 7, 2022 meeting.

+4. 2021 Regional Plan Amendment

Kirsten Uchitel, SANDAG

SANDAG will provide an update on the anticipated schedule for the 2021 Regional Plan Amendment. Interagency consultation will be conducted with discussion of the conformity criteria for the Amendment to the 2021 Regional Plan.

- a) 2021 Regional Plan Amendment Schedule
- b) 2050 Regional Growth Forecast
- c) Latest Emission Model and Emission Budgets

5. Regional Air Quality Strategy (RAQS) Update

Nick Cormier, San Diego County Air Pollution Control District

San Diego County does not meet the state ozone standards. To comply with State law, APCD must prepare an updated State Ozone Attainment Plan ("Regional Air Quality Strategy" or RAQS) to identify possible new actions to further reduce emissions. Initially adopted in 1992, the RAQS identifies measures to reduce emissions from sources regulated by the District, primarily stationary sources such as industrial operations and manufacturing facilities. Last updated in 2016, the RAQS is periodically updated to reflect updated information on air quality, emission trends, and new feasible control measures. Nick Cormier (APCD) will present a condensed overview of the draft 2022 RAQS that is now available for review and public comment.



6. State SIP Strategy Approval Update

Nesamani Kalandiyur, California Air Resources Board

The California Air Resources Board approved the State SIP strategy in September 2022. Nesamani Kalandiyur will provide a quick update on the approved SIP strategy and the next steps in that process.

7. EMFAC2021 Update

Nesamani Kalandiyur, California Air Resources Board

The California Air Resources Board (CARB) will provide an update on the status of EMFAC2021.

8. 2020 Ozone State Implementation Plan Update

Nick Cormier, San Diego County Air Pollution Control District

John Kelly, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency

San Diego County is designated as a non-attainment area for the federal 2008 and 2015 ozone standards, requiring the development of a revised State Implementation Plan. The San Diego County Air Pollution Control District prepared the 2020 Plan for Attaining the National Ambient Air Quality Standards for Ozone in San Diego County (2020 SIP) demonstrating attainment of both standards by mandated Clean Air Act deadlines. On October 19, 2021, the motor vehicle emissions budgets from the 2020 SIP were found adequate by U.S. EPA for transportation conformity purposes (86 FR 54692). This item provides updates on the approval process and implementation of this plan.

9. Upcoming Meeting

The next meeting of the CWG is scheduled for December 7, 2022, at 10:30 a.m.

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We are committed to creating a San Diego region where every person who visits, works, and lives can thrive.

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Action: **Information**

September 7, 2022, Meeting Minutes

Sam Sanford (SANDAG), called the meeting of the San Diego Region Conformity Working Group (CWG) to order at 10:32 a.m.

1. Welcome and Introductions

Sam Sanford facilitated introductions. The attendance sheet for this meeting was included.

2. Public Comments/Communications/Member Comments (Discussion)

Sam Sanford shared information that responsibility for SANDAG conformity efforts and CWG meetings was transitioning to Kirsten Uchitel (SANDAG).

Richard Radcliffe (SANDAG) shared an update regarding the 2023 RTIP. Public comment closed on the 2023 RTIP on August 27, 2022, and Richard thanked all of those who participated in the process. The SANDAG Board of Directors will hold a public hearing on the 2023 RTIP on September 16, 2022, and the final 2023 RTIP will return as a SANDAG Board item on September 23, 2022.

Abhijit Bagde (Caltrans) expressed appreciation for the work on the 2023 RTIP and Sam confirmed that as per Caltrans' request, the conformity checklist would be included with the 2023 RTIP submittal.

Nick Cormier (SPCD) provided an update that EPA had turned off the sanction clocks associated with the 2016 Ozone Plan, and that APCD had completed all related rule revisions, which were pending EPA approval. Nick also shared that APCD is continuing to work on the RAQS and expected to bring an update to the CWG at the November 2022 meeting.

3. Meeting Minutes (Information)

Sam Sanford asked the CWG to review the minutes from its June 1, 2022, meeting. No comments or corrections were made.

Reports

4. Air Quality Monitoring Annual Update (Information)

APCD provided an overview of the 2021 monitoring data on air quality for the San Diego Region. David Sodeman (APCD) reviewed the relevant agencies and areas of regulatory authority for monitoring and permitting activities in the San Diego Region. David discussed the ozone challenges presented in the region, and presented the applicable design values for regional ozone, PM 2.5, PM 10, and CO. David noted that APCD is tracking US EPA's ongoing review of PM 2.5 standards relevant to the San Diego Region.

5. 2025 Regional Plan Schedule (Information)

Keith Greer (SANDAG) provided an update on the anticipated schedule for the 2025 Regional Plan, as well as the SANDAG Board's direction to bring a staff report to the Board on September 23, 2022, outlining options for removing the road user change from the 2021 Regional Plan.

6. 2020 Ozone State Implementation Plan Update (Information)

Nick Cormier (APCD) shared that US EPA was expected to take action on the 2020 Federal Ozone Plan in late September or early October, at which point it would be available for public comment, and then ready for US EPA to take final action.

7. EMFAC2021 Update (Information)

Nesamani Kalandiyur (CARB) shared that CARB and US EPA management were working together and reviewing the final draft of the Federal Register notice for EMFAC2021. Nesamani also shared that the 2022 State SIP Strategy would be considered by CARB's Board on September 22, 2022.

8. Upcoming Meetings

The next CWG meeting is scheduled for October 5, 2022, at 10:30 a.m.

9. Adjournment

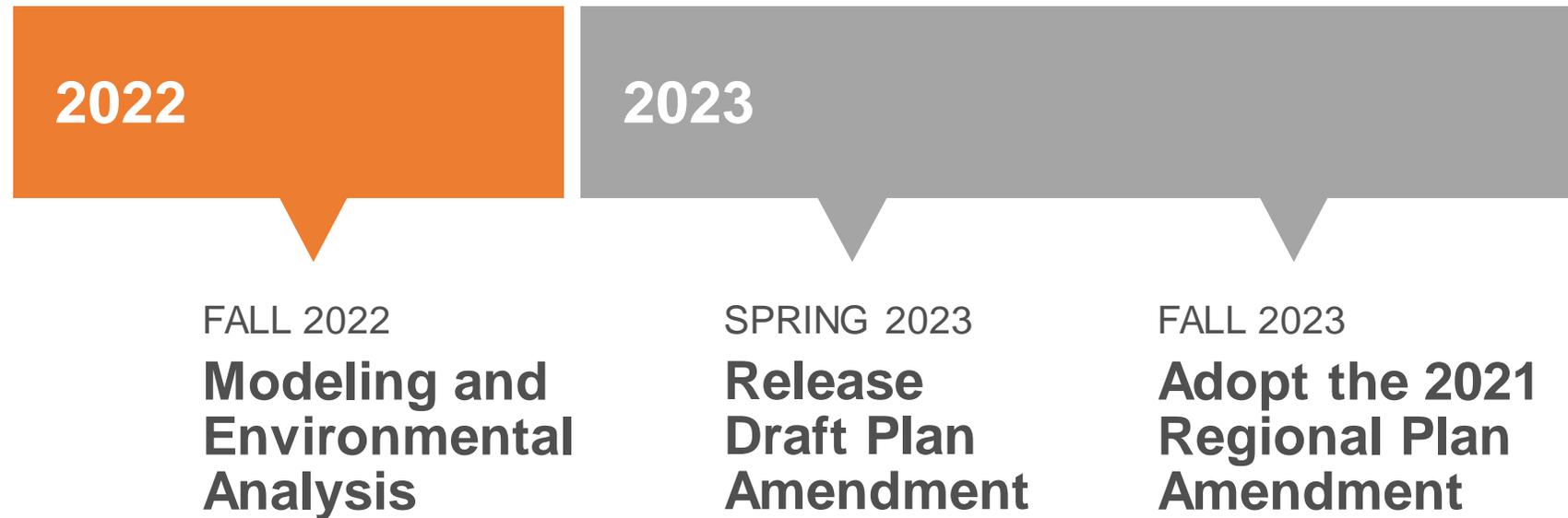
Sam Sanford adjourned meeting at 11:40 a.m.

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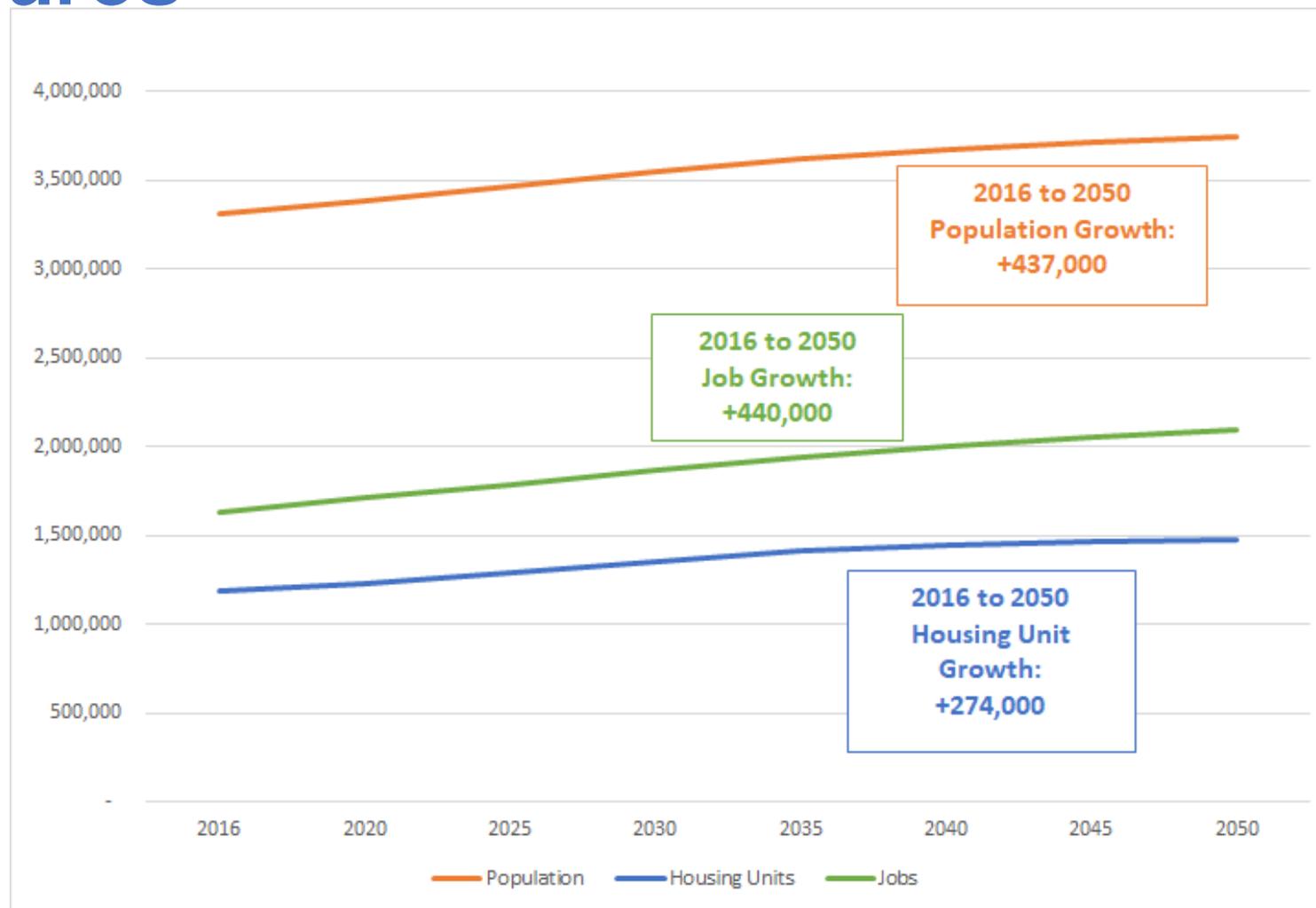
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Jurisdiction	Name	Attended	Comments
California Air Resources Board	Nesamani Kalandiyur	Yes	
Caltrans	Abhijit Bagde	Yes	
	Lexie Arellano	Yes	
	Erika Espinosa Araiza	Yes	
	Diane Vermeulen	Yes	
	Lucas Sanchez	Yes	
	Roger	Yes	
Caltrans District 11	Maurice Eaton	Yes	
	Michelle Blake	Yes	
Federal Highway Administration			
Federal Transit Administration			
U.S. EPA			
San Diego County Air Pollution Control District	Nick Cormier	Yes	
	Adam Canter	Yes	
	David Sodeman	Yes	
San Diego County Planning and Development Services	Rouya Rasoulzadeh	Yes	
Other Attendees			
Public Members	Haley Grassi	Yes	
SANDAG Staff			
	Keith Greer	Yes	
	Kirsten Uchitel	Yes	
	Richard Radcliff	Yes	
	Sam Sanford	Yes	
	Sue Alpert	Yes	
	Lauren Lee	Yes	

San Diego Forward: The Amendment to The 2021 Regional Plan - Conformity Criteria and Procedures



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- EMFAC2017
- Two National Ambient Air Quality Standards
 - 2008 Ozone
 - 2015 Ozone
- One State Implementation Plan Budget
 - 2020

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2020 SIP analysis years and budgets for 2008 and 2015 standards

Year	2023	2026	2029	2032	2040	2050
ROG Budget						
NOx Budget						