

Notice of Decision

Project Title:	2023 Eastern Kern 8-Hour Ozone Attainment Plan
Project Location:	Statewide (2023 Plan)
Public Meeting Date:	June 22, 2023; Agenda Item #23-6-1
Project Description:	The 2023 Plan to addresses the requirements of the Clean Air Act for the Eastern Kern nonattainment area, including emission inventories, attainment demonstrations, reasonable further progress demonstrations, associated motor vehicle emissions budgets, reasonably available control measures, and contingency measures. The 2023 Plan demonstrates attainment of the 75-ppb and 70-ppb ozone standards in the Eastern Kern nonattainment area by the end of 2026 and 2032, respectively, which are the last full ozone seasons prior to the respective attainment deadlines.

This notice is to advise that the California Air Resources Board (CARB or Board), as the lead agency, approved the above project on June 22, 2023.

CARB determined that, pursuant to title 14, California Code of Regulations, section 15168, the 2023 Eastern Kern 8-Hour Ozone Attainment Plan (2023 Plan) is within the scope of a prior environmental analysis prepared for the 2023 Plan by Eastern Kern (Notice of Exemption) and the 2022 State Strategy for the State Implementation Plan, entitled "Final Environmental Analysis for the Proposed 2022 State Strategy for the State Implementation Plan" (Final EA) and certified by the Board on September 22, 2022 (SCH 2021070211). The 2022 Ozone Plan does not involve any changes that result in new or substantially increased significant adverse impacts and there are no changes in circumstances or new information that would otherwise warrant any subsequent environmental review to the analysis prepared by Eastern Kern or the Final EA. An explanation of CARB's decision to not prepare a subsequent or supplemental EA for the 2023 Plan is included in Chapter VII of the Staff Report released May 12, 2023.

The within-the-scope determination included in Chapter VII of the Staff Report released May 12, 2023, and all other related documents, are available for public inspection on the CARB rulemaking webpage at: [2023 Eastern Kern 8-Hour Ozone Plan | California Air Resources Board](#).

These documents may also be examined at:

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June 28, 2023