

**DATE:** September 18, 2015

**TO:** Interagency Consultation Partners and Public

**FROM:** Dylan Stone, Regional Planning Supervisor

**RE: Availability of Draft 2015 Conformity Analysis for the 2008 Ozone and 2012 PM2.5 Standards for the 2014 RTP and 2015 FTIP for Interagency Consultation and Public Review**

The Madera County Transportation Commission (MCTC) is releasing the Draft 2015 Conformity Analysis addressing the 2008 Ozone and 2012 PM2.5 Standards for the 2015 FTIP and 2014 RTP for public review. Associated documentation are attached as indicated below.

- **Conformity Requirements:** Attachment 1 includes the Draft 2015 Conformity Analysis for the 2008 Ozone and 2012 PM2.5 Standards which contains the documentation to demonstrate that the criteria specified in the federal transportation conformity rule and the federal ozone implementation rule for the 2008 Ozone standard are satisfied by the 2015 TIP and 2014 RTP. As required by the federal ozone implementation rule published in March 2015, the 2015 Conformity Analysis for the 2008 Ozone and 2012 PM2.5 Standards addresses a new attainment year of 2031. In addition, the 2015 Conformity Analysis contains a new conformity demonstration for the 2012 annual PM2.5 Standards. In accordance with Section 93.122(g) of the conformity rule, the 2015 Conformity Demonstration for the 2008 Ozone and 2012 PM2.5 Standards relies on the federally approved previous emissions analysis for PM-10, and PM2.5 (1997 24-hour & Annual Standards and 2006 24-Hour Standard). The 2014 RTP/2015 FTIP and corresponding conformity analysis were approved by FHWA and FTA on December 12, 2014. No changes are made to the projects and/or project phases contained in the 2015 TIP and 2014 RTP and therefore, approval of the 2015 Conformity Analysis for the 2008 Ozone and 2012 PM2.5 Standards does not interfere with the timely implementation of any approved TCMs.
- **Public Involvement:** Attachment 2 includes the Draft Public Notice and Adoption Resolution.

The public review and comment period is open for 30 days commencing on September 18, 2015 and ending on October 21, 2015. A public hearing will be held on October 21, 2015; comments are due by 3:30 p.m. on October 21, 2015. These documents can also be viewed on the MCTC website at [www.maderactc.org](http://www.maderactc.org).

The MCTC Board of Directors will consider the adoption of the Draft 2015 Ozone (2008 Standard) Conformity Analysis on October 21, 2015. The meeting will be at the address noted above.

In conclusion, the Draft 2015 Conformity Analysis for the 2008 Ozone and 2012 PM2.5 Standards meets all applicable transportation planning requirements per 23 CFR Part 450, 40 CFR Part 93, and conform to the applicable SIPs. If you have any questions or would like to submit comments, please contact:

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**ATTACHMENT 1**

**DRAFT 2015 CONFORMITY ANALYSIS FOR THE 2008 OZONE AND 2012 PM2.5  
STANDARDS**

**ATTACHMENT 2**

**DRAFT PUBLIC NOTICE AND ADOPTION RESOLUTION**

**NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING ON THE  
DRAFT 2015 CONFORMITY ANALYSIS FOR THE 2008 OZONE AND 2012 PM2.5  
STANDARDS**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Madera County Transportation Commission (MCTC) will hold a public meeting on October 21, 2015 at The MCTC offices located at 2001 Howard Road, Suite 201, Madera, Ca 93637 regarding the Draft 2015 Conformity Analysis for the 2008 Ozone and 2012 PM2.5 Standards. The purpose of this public meeting is to receive public comments on these documents.

- The 2015 Conformity Analysis for the 2008 Ozone and 2012 PM2.5 Standards contains the documentation to support a finding that the 2015 FTIP and 2014 meet the air quality conformity requirements for ozone and particulate matter.

Individuals with disabilities may call MCTC (with 3-working-day advance notice) to request auxiliary aids necessary to participate in the public hearing. Translation services are available (with 3-working-day advance notice) to participants speaking any language with available professional translation services.

A concurrent 30-day public review and comment period will commence on September 18, 2015 and conclude on October 21, 2015. The draft documents are available for review at the MCTC office, located at 2001 Howard Road, Suite 201, Madera, Ca 93637 and on the MCTC website at [www.maderactc.org](http://www.maderactc.org).

Public comments are welcomed at the meeting, or may be submitted in writing by 3:30 p.m. on October 21, 2015 to Dylan Stone at the address below.

After considering the comments, the documents will be considered for adoption, by resolution, by the MCTC at a regularly scheduled meeting to be held on October 21, 2015. The documents will then be submitted to state and federal agencies for approval.

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BEFORE  
THE COMMISSIONERS OF THE MADERA COUNTY TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION  
COUNTY OF MADERA, STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the matter of )  
MCTC 2015 CONFORMITY )  
ANALYSIS FOR THE 2008 OZONE )  
AND 2012 PM2.5 STANDARDS )

Resolution No. 15-10

**WHEREAS**, the Madera County Transportation Commission is a Regional Transportation Planning Agency and a Metropolitan Planning Organization, pursuant to State and Federal designation; and

**WHEREAS**, federal planning regulations require Metropolitan Planning Organizations to prepare and adopt a long range Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) for their region; and

**WHEREAS**, federal planning regulations require that Metropolitan Planning Organizations prepare and adopt a Federal Transportation Improvement Program (FTIP) for their region; and

**WHEREAS**, a 2014 Regional Transportation Plan has been prepared in full compliance with federal guidance; and

**WHEREAS**, a 2014 Regional Transportation Plan has been prepared in accordance with state guidelines adopted by the California Transportation Commission; and

**WHEREAS**, federal planning regulations require that Metropolitan Planning Organizations prepare and adopt a short range Federal Transportation Improvement Program (FTIP) for their region; and

**WHEREAS**, the 2015 Federal Transportation Improvement Program (2015 FTIP) has been prepared to comply with Federal and State requirements for local projects and through a cooperative process between the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), the Federal Transit Administration (FTA), the State Department of Transportation (Caltrans), principal elected officials of general purpose local governments and their staffs, and public owner operators of mass transportation services acting through the Madera County Transportation Commission forum and general public involvement; and

**WHEREAS**, the 2015 FTIP program listing is consistent with: 1) the 2014 Regional Transportation Plan; 2) the 2014 State Transportation Improvement Program; and 3) the 2015 Conformity Analysis for the 2008 Ozone and 2012 PM2.5 Standards; and

**WHEREAS**, the 2015 FTIP contains the MPO's certification of the transportation planning process assuring that all federal requirements have been fulfilled; and

**WHEREAS**, the 2015 FTIP meets all applicable transportation planning requirements per 23 CFR Part 450.

**WHEREAS**, projects submitted in the 2015 FTIP must be financially constrained and the financial plan affirms that funding is available; and

**WHEREAS**, the MPO must demonstrate conformity per 40 CFR Part 93 for the RTP and FTIP;  
and

**WHEREAS**, the 2015 Conformity Analysis for the 2008 Ozone and 2012 PM2.5 Standards supports a finding that the 2015 FTIP and 2014 RTP meet the air quality conformity requirements for ozone and particulate matter; and

**WHEREAS**, the 2015 Conformity Analysis for the 2008 Ozone and 2012 PM2.5 Standards relies on the federally approved previous emissions analysis for PM-10 and PM2.5 (1997 24-hour and annual PM2.5 standards and the 2006 24-hour PM2.5 standards); and

**WHEREAS**, the 2014 RTP and 2015 FTIP [as amended, if necessary] do not interfere with the timely implementation of the Transportation Control Measures; and

**WHEREAS**, the 2014 RTP and 2015 FTIP conforms to the applicable SIPs; and

**WHEREAS**, the documents have been widely circulated and reviewed by Madera County Transportation Commission advisory committees representing the technical and management staffs of the member agencies; representatives of other governmental agencies, including State and Federal; representatives of special interest groups; representatives of the private business sector; and residents of Madera County consistent with public participation process adopted by Madera County Transportation Commission; and

**WHEREAS**, a public hearing was conducted on October 21, 2015 to hear and consider comments on the 2015 Conformity Analysis for the 2008 Ozone and 2012 PM2.5 Standards;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that Madera County Transportation Commission adopts the 2015 Conformity Analysis for the 2008 Ozone and 2012 PM2.5 Standards.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Madera County Transportation Commission finds that the 2014 RTP and 2015 FTIP are in conformity with the requirements of the Federal Clean Air Act Amendments and applicable State Implementation Plans for air quality.

**THE FOREGOING RESOLUTION** was passed and adopted by Madera County Transportation Commission this 21st day of October 2015.

Commissioner Wheeler voted: \_\_\_\_\_  
Commissioner Rodriguez voted: \_\_\_\_\_  
Commissioner Rogers voted: \_\_\_\_\_  
Commissioner Poythress voted: \_\_\_\_\_  
Commissioner Medellin voted: \_\_\_\_\_  
Commissioner Ahmed voted: \_\_\_\_\_

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Chairman, Madera County Transportation Commission

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Executive Director, Madera County Transportation Commission