Annual Air Monitoring Network Plan



Environmental Justice Advisory Group

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Network Plan Requirements

- Network plan describes the state of the network and changes that are planned (40 Code of Federal Regulations §58.10)
- Public review process prior to submission to EPA
- Monitoring objectives
 - Attainment of Federal Standards/Strategy
 - Research Support
 - Provide Public Timely Information

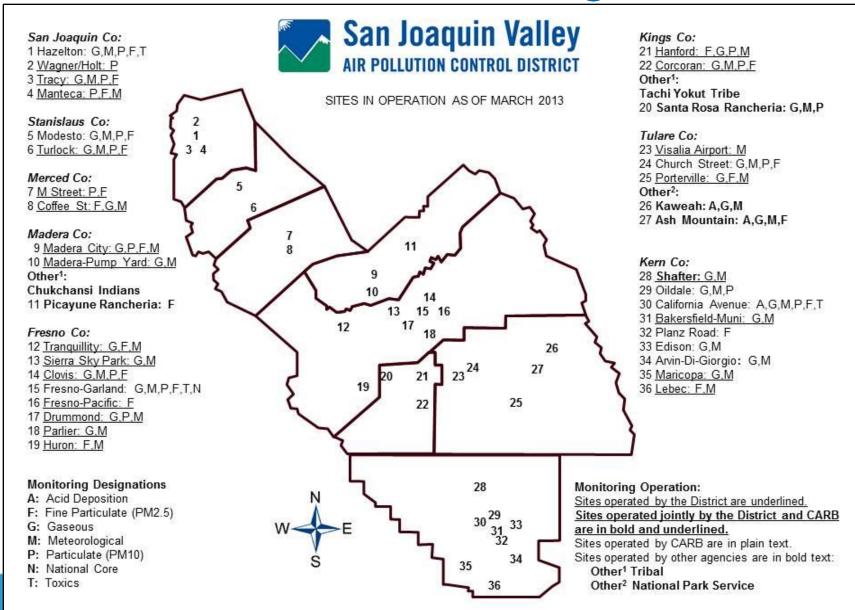


District's Air Monitoring Network

- District (in cooperation with CARB) operates an extensive monitoring network (36 air monitoring stations) to support mission to improve & protect public health
 - Valley covers an area of 23,490 sq. miles
 - Valley is home to approx. 4 million residents
 - Several major metropolitan areas, vast expanses of agricultural/rural areas, industrial sources, highways and schools
 - Maximize use of limited financial and personnel resources for air quality monitoring



District's Air Monitoring Network



Monitoring Network Basics

- Common pollutants monitored
 - Particulate Matter (PM10 and PM2.5)
 - Ozone
 - Carbon Monoxide (CO)
 - Nitrogen Oxides (NO2)
 - Sulfur Dioxide (SO2)



- Utilizes complex equipment/analyzers
 - Tapered Element Oscillating Microbalance (TEOM), Beta Attenuation Monitors (BAMS)



Extensive Ozone Network

County Name	Required # of Monitors	Current # of Monitors in Valley
Fresno	2	5
Kern	2	6
Kings	1	1
Madera	1	2
Merced	1	1
San Joaquin	2	2
Stanislaus	2	2
Tulare	2	2



Extensive PM2.5 Network

County Name	Required # of Monitors	Current # of Monitors	Additional special purpose monitors
Fresno	2	4	4
Kern	2	2	1
Kings	1	1	2
Madera	1	1	0
Merced	1	1	1
San Joaquin	2	2	1
Stanislaus	2	3	0
Tulare	1	1	3



Network Plan Includes Completed and Planned Changes to Network

- New Air Monitoring Stations (AMS)
 - Fresno and Bakersfield Near Roadway Monitors
- Enhancements to AMS
 - Replace older equipment, test new analyzers, streamlining monitoring
- Replace/Relocate AMS
 - Moved of Fresno-First AMS to new Fresno-Garland location
 - Relocation of Bakersfield-Muni PM equipment to a suitable location



SJV Near Road Network

- NO2 monitors triggered in four CBSAs— Fresno, Bakersfield, Stockton-Lodi, Modesto
- NO2 siting requirements:
 - Located in area that is likely to have maximum concentrations
 - As close to the freeway as possible (< 50 m)
 - Sites operational by January 1, 2017



Rigorous Near Roadway Site Selection Process

- Followed the EPA's Technical Assistance Document as closely as possible
- District and CARB worked together in order to find acceptable locations
 - Used Google Earth
 - Staff sent to visually observe locations
- EPA involved throughout the siting process and provided input



Rigorous Near Roadway Site Selection Process (Cont'd)

- Evaluate traffic count data
 - CARB gathered traffic count data from CalTrans and estimated missing data points
- Defined start and end of segment
- Ranked segments by FE-AADT
 - Fleet Equivalent Annual Average Daily Traffic
 - Extra weight given to truck traffic
- Ranked all segments in a county/CBSA to determine top 10

Rigorous Near Roadway Site Selection Process (Cont'd)

- Find acceptable locations where a site can be built (focusing on the highest ranked locations)
 - Contact property owners to determine interest in leasing property
 - Work with interested property owners to establish lease



Fresno and Bakersfield Near Roadway Monitoring Site Selection

- Fresno
 - East of Highway 99, north of Jensen
 - 2482 Foundry Park Avenue
 - Exact location on the property is to be determined
- Bakersfield
 - East of Highway 99, south of JCT 65
 - 2809 Unicorn Road
 - Exact location on the property is to be determined

Comparison with South Coast

	South Coast	Fresno	Bakersfield
Highest FE-AADT	733,000	257,000	386,000
10th Highest FE-AADT	665,000	212,000	198,000

- Both SC and SJV are required to have 4 sites
 - South Coast: 2 CBSAs, 2 sites each (14 million in population)
 - San Joaquin: 4 CBSAs, 1 site each (3 million in population)
- SC Near Road Study on I-710 measured 83 ppb (98th percentile)