

State of California
Environmental Protection Agency
AIR RESOURCES BOARD

**Notice of Decision and
Response to Significant Environmental Issues**

Item: AMENDMENTS TO THE ASSESSMENT OF THE IMPACTS
OF TRANSPORTED POLLUTANTS ON OZONE
CONCENTRATIONS IN CALIFORNIA

Adopted By: Resolution 01-9

Agenda Item: 01-3-3

Public Hearing Date: April 26, 2001

Issuing Authority: Air Resources Board

Comment: Several comments were received identifying significant environmental impacts on downwind areas that need to be mitigated, noting that the proposed regulation amended transport couple identifications but did not amend mitigation requirements for upwind areas. After discussing transport mitigation options, the Board directed staff to return early in 2002 with proposed amendments to the transport mitigation regulation incorporating those concepts identified in the Final Statement of Reasons, which is incorporated by reference herein. Further, the Board directed ARB staff to initiate discussions among the various stakeholders to pursue additional options, including enhanced smog check, that would mitigate the effects on downwind areas of transported air pollutants. These discussions are ongoing. The Final Statement of Reasons provides information regarding the first of several such meetings.

Response: Resolution 01-9 is incorporated herein and attached hereto. In the Resolution, the Board made various findings pertaining to transport mitigation and that more staff work had to be done before further Board action. The Board found that the proposed regulations pertaining to transport couples would not have any significant adverse impacts on the environment.

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