



Area Designations (Activities and Maps)

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This website area provides information on how area designations for the State ambient air quality standards have changed over time. Below are links to PDF files that show the State area designations adopted by the ARB for each year, beginning in 1989. There are also links to the annual Staff Reports which describe the rationale for each of the changes.

Summaries of Historical Area Designations for State Standards

- [Ozone](#)
- [PM2.5](#) (fine particulate matter)
- [PM10](#) (suspended particulate matter)
- [Carbon Monoxide](#)
- [Nitrogen Dioxide](#)
- [Sulfur Dioxide](#)
- [Sulfates](#)
- [Hydrogen Sulfide](#)
- [Lead](#)
- [Visibility Reducing Particles](#)

Links to Area Designation Staff Reports (Initial Statement of Reasons for Rulemaking)

- [1989 Staff Report](#)
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- [2003 Staff Report](#)
- [2004 Staff Report](#)
- 2005: No staff report (no changes to area designations)
- [2006 Staff Report](#)
- [2007 Changes by Operation of Law](#) (no staff report)
- 2008: No staff report (no changes to area designations)
- 2009: No staff report (no changes to area designations)
- [2010 Staff Report](#)
- [2011 Staff Report](#)
- [2012 Staff Report](#)
- [2013 Staff Report](#)
- 2014: No staff report (no changes to area designations)
- [2015 Changes by Operation of Law](#) (no staff report)
- [2016 Changes by Operation of Law](#) (no staff report)