



SIP Revision: 2008 Eight-Hour Ozone Reasonable Further Progress (RFP), Dallas-Fort Worth (DFW), June 3, 2015

On June 3, 2015, the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) adopted an RFP State Implementation Plan (SIP) revision for the DFW moderate nonattainment area under the 2008 eight-hour ozone National Ambient Air Quality Standard (NAAQS).

Summary of the SIP Revision

Adoption Date: 06/03/2015

Proposal Date: 12/10/2014

EPA Action: Approved on 12/7/2016 ([81 FR 88124](#))

Background: The Federal Clean Air Act (FCAA) requires states to submit plans that demonstrate progress in reducing emissions for areas that are not attaining the NAAQS within their jurisdictions. On March 12, 2008, the United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) strengthened the eight-hour ozone standard from 0.08 parts per million (ppm) to 0.075 ppm. Under the 0.075 ppm (75 parts per billion) standard, the EPA designated Collin, Dallas, Denton, Ellis, Johnson, Kaufman, Parker, Rockwall, Tarrant, and Wise Counties as nonattainment with a moderate classification, effective July 20, 2012. These counties form the DFW 2008 eight-hour ozone standard moderate nonattainment area. The attainment date for the DFW moderate nonattainment area was established in the EPA's implementation rule for the 2008 ozone NAAQS published in the *Federal Register* (FR) on May 21, 2012 ([77 FR 30160](#)) and was set as December 31, 2018. To fulfill FCAA requirements for moderate ozone nonattainment areas, the state is required to submit an RFP plan demonstrating that the DFW nonattainment area will reduce emissions of ozone precursors (volatile organic compounds [VOC] and nitrogen oxides [NO_x]) consistent with moderate nonattainment area requirements. The DFW RFP SIP revision provides analyses of incremental reductions in NO_x and VOC from a 2011 base year out to the attainment year for the 2008 eight-hour ozone standard.

On December 23, 2014, the D.C. Circuit Court ruled on a lawsuit that modified the attainment date from December 31, 2018 to July 20, 2018. In addition, because the attainment year ozone season is the ozone season immediately preceding a nonattainment area's attainment date, the attainment year for the DFW moderate nonattainment area changed from 2018 to 2017. In order to address the change in the attainment year, the adopted SIP revision provides a required RFP analysis for the 2017 attainment year, including a contingency plan and a motor vehicle emissions budget (MVEB). This SIP revision also demonstrates an 18% emissions reduction in ozone precursors from the 2011 base year through a 2018 attainment year, a 3% emissions reduction demonstration for contingency for each milestone year, and an updated RFP MVEB for each milestone year, in the event that the 2018 attainment year requirement is reinstated.

Key Changes:

This SIP revision included:

- An RFP analysis for both the originally proposed 2018 attainment year and the revised 2017 attainment year;
- Updated 2011 base year emissions inventories for point, area, non-road mobile, and on-road mobile sources;



- An MVEB for the revised 2017 attainment year as well as the originally proposed 2018 attainment year and 2017 milestone year; and
- A contingency plan.

SIP Narrative

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April 22, 2016 Technical Supplement

The 2017 Wise County RFP demonstration in the adopted DFW RFP SIP revision used a transfer of excess VOC reductions from the nine-county area previously designated as nonattainment to the newly designated Wise County. Upon notification that the option to transfer creditable VOC reductions between county groups was no longer available per the EPA's final 2008 Ozone Standard SIP Requirements Rule ([80 FR 12264](#))⁴, the TCEQ corrected the adopted DFW RFP analyses to remove the VOC reduction transfer and credit emission reductions from drilling rig controls that were available but had not been credited. The corrections were submitted to the EPA in an April 22, 2016 technical supplement.

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