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SIP Revision: Demonstration of Conformity Regarding Areas in Nonattainment or Maintenance Status, November 16, 1994

On November 16, 1994, the Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission (TNRCC) adopted a General Conformity State Implementation Plan (SIP) revision for areas in nonattainment and maintenance for one or more of the National Ambient Air Quality Standards (NAAQS).

Summary of the SIP Revision

Adoption Date: 11/16/1994

EPA Approval Date: 03/11/1998 ([63 FR 11833](#))

Background and Key Changes: In addition to ensuring that transportation funding conformed to an approved implementation plan, under the 1990 amendments to the Federal Clean Air Act (FCAA), the federal government was also required to ensure that all of its other activities conformed to an approved implementation plan. The general conformity rule, published by the United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) on November 30, 1993, required each state to adopt rules and make SIP revisions to implement general conformity requirements no later than November 30, 1994 ([58 FR 63214](#)). Federal actions subject to general conformity review included providing financial assistance, licensing, and permitting that would result in a regionally significant increase in emissions above a de minimis level. The EPA rules allowed states to adopt more stringent general conformity requirements if the state subjected its own state agencies to the same requirements; TNRCC chose not to exercise the option. Since transportation conformity was addressed separately, these rules specifically excluded the transportation conformity determination process adopted in October 1994.

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