

## STATE OF CONNECTICUT

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TO:

Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) Directors

FROM:

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SUBJECT:

Connecticut Ozone/PM2.5 Air Quality Conformity Determination

2019-2045 Metropolitan Transportation Plans and 2018-2021 Transportation Improvement Programs

Attached is an electronic version of the latest Regional Transportation Conformity Report. As established in the Department's Air Quality LEAN that was held last year, this version combines both the Ozone and PM2.5 Air Quality Conformity Determinations of the 2019-2045 Metropolitan Transportation Plans and the FY 2018-2021 Transportation Improvement Programs for the following areas:

- 1. Connecticut portion of the New York-Northern New Jersey-Long Island, NY-NJ-CT Ozone Moderate Nonattainment Area.
- 2. Greater Connecticut Ozone Marginal Nonattainment Area.
- 3. Connecticut portion of the New York-Northern New Jersey-Long Island, NY-NJ-CT PM 2.5 Attainment/Maintenance Area.

The February 2019 report shows conformity to the motor vehicle emission budgets for both Ozone nonattainment areas as noted in the current State Implementation Plan (SIP) for air quality, as well as the PM 2.5 attainment/maintenance area. Emissions were calculated using the latest version of the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) required software, MOVES2014b.

An electronic version of the report will be posted on the CTDOT website at <a href="http://www.ct.gov/dot/cwp/view.asp?a=3529&q=447490">http://www.ct.gov/dot/cwp/view.asp?a=3529&q=447490</a>.

Each MPO shall follow their public involvement procedures to notify the public that a new Ozone and/or PM2.5 Air Quality Conformity Analysis has been prepared. Please make the document available for a 30-day public review and comment period, as well as appropriate public meeting.

Please direct any questions or comments regarding the Air Quality Emission Analysis to Ms. Judy Raymond, Transportation Supervising Planner, at <a href="mailto:judy.raymond@ct.gov">judy.raymond@ct.gov</a> or (860) 594-2032. After the public review and comment period, please provide Ms. Raymond with a resolution stating your region's endorsement of the conformity determination(s). A sample resolution for each nonattainment and attainment area has been included for your information.

## **Attachments**

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