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From: Mays, Rory
Sent: Wednesday, April 8, 2020 8:51 AM
To: Mark Rose
Cc: Kurpius, Meredith; Nayamin Martinez; Adams, Elizabeth; Christenson, Kara; Hong, Jeanhee; Lee, Anita; Mays, Rory
Subject: RE: Comment Extension Request Re: EPA's Approval of SJV 2006 PM2.5 SIP

Dear Mr. Rose,

Thank you for your letter. Unfortunately, we are not able to extend the comment period on this particular proposed rule because our statutory timeframe for considering California's request for an extended attainment date under section 188(e) of the Clean Air Act (CAA) ends on June 30, 2020. As we explained in our March 27, 2020 proposed rule (85 FR 17382, 17419), section 179(c) of the CAA requires the EPA to determine, no later than 6 months after the applicable attainment date for a nonattainment area, whether the area attained the national ambient air quality standards (NAAQS) by that date. Absent an extension of the Serious area attainment date under CAA section 188(e), the deadline for the San Joaquin Valley area to attain the 2006 PM2.5 NAAQS was December 31, 2019, and the statutory deadline for the EPA to determine whether the area attained these NAAQS by the Serious area attainment date is June 30, 2020. Final EPA action on California's submission by June 30, 2020 is not feasible if the EPA extends the current comment period beyond April 27, 2020.

We recognize the unique hardships imposed by the COVID-19 pandemic and regret that we are not able to accommodate your request at this time. Thank you for your interest in this matter. Best regards,

Rory

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Hello Mr. Mays,

Please see the attached letter submitted on behalf of National Parks Conservation Association (NPCA) and the Central California Environmental Justice Network (CCEJN) requesting a 30-day extension to the comment period for EPA's proposed approval of portions of the 2006 PM2.5 SIP for California's San Joaquin Valley.

I will also be submitting this letter to the docket (#EPA-R09-OAR-2019-0318).

Kind regards,
Mark



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