

STATE OF TEXAS

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF SEGUIN, TEXAS, APPROVING THE SUBMISSION OF COMMENTS TO THE TEXAS COMMISSION ON ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY REGARDING THE STATE DESIGNATION BOUNDARY RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY FOR THE 2015 OZONE NATIONAL AMBIENT AIR QUALITY STANDARDS; AND DECLARING AN EFFECTIVE DATE

WHEREAS, the City of Seguin is presently considered as part of the San Antonio-New Braunfels Metropolitan Statistical Area (the "MSA"); and

WHEREAS, under the new National Ambient Air Quality Standards ("NAAQS") for ozone, states have until October 1, 2016 to submit a proposed state implementation plan to meet the new standards; and

WHEREAS, the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality is considering submitting Bexar County as nonattainment based on the three year period 2013-2015; and

WHEREAS, under the present operational standards if Bexar County is designated nonattainment the entire San Antonio MSA, including the City of Seguin, will, in all likelihood, be designated nonattainment and be subject to restrictions on economic development; and

WHEREAS, the ozone monitor in Seguin shows that for the 2013-2015 time period the City's 4th highest 8 hour average readings have been decreasing and meet both the current ozone standards and the standards set by the 2015 NAAQS; and

WHEREAS, with respect to Bexar County on high ozone days modeling has shown that the majority of the ozone comes from transport originating outside of Bexar County, if not outside of the State of Texas; and

WHEREAS, there is no evidence showing that Seguin significantly contributes to the high ozone days as measured in Bexar County; and

WHEREAS, the City of Seguin has been, and continues to be, an active participant in the Alamo Area Council of Government's Air Resource Committees; and

WHEREAS, the City of Seguin will continue to support efforts to decrease emissions that lead to ozone formation.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of Seguin, Texas:

PART 1. The City Council of Seguin Texas hereby adopts in full the recitals set forth above as part of this Resolution as if fully set forth herein.

PART 2. The City Council submits the following summary comments:

- a. The City Council adopts the comments submitted by the Alamo Area Council of Government's Air Executive Committee.

b. According to data from TCEQ gathered from the Seguin Outdoor Learning Center (C506) monitor Seguin meets the 2015 NAAQS Ozone Standards. Further, the monitor data shows that Seguin has met the standards during the 2013-2015 time period. With this data, Guadalupe County, of which Seguin is the largest city, should be designated as Attainment rather than unclassified.

c. In order to protect the Seguin's best interests it is essential that monitoring at C506 located at the Seguin Outdoor Learning Center needs to continue during 2016, and beyond.

PART 3. The City Council approves of submitting this Resolution, along with the attached detailed comments, to the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality Office of Air for consideration with reference to the 2015 Ozone NAAQS Designation Recommendations.

PART 4. This Resolution is in full force and effect from and after the date of its passage.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 5th day of April 2016.

DON KEIL
MAYOR

ATTEST:

Thalia Stautzenberger
City Secretary