ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

40 CFR Part 52

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Approval and Promulgation of State Implementation Plans; California State Implementation Plan Revision, South Coast Air Quality Management District

AGENCY: Environmental Protection

Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Proposed Rule.

SUMMARY: EPA is proposing a limited approval and limited disapproval of revisions to the California State Implementation Plan (SIP) which concern the control of volatile organic compound (VOC) emissions from active and inactive landfills.

The intended effect of proposing limited approval and limited disapproval of these rules is to regulate emissions of VOCs in accordance with the requirements of the Clean Air Act, as amended in 1990 (CAA or the Act). In the Final Rules Section of this Federal Register, the EPA is finalizing a simultaneous limited approval and limited disapproval of the state's SIP revision as a direct final rule without prior proposal because the Agency views this as a noncontroversial action and anticipates no adverse comments. A detailed rationale for this limited approval and limited disapproval is set forth in the direct final rule. If no adverse comments are received in response to this proposed rule, no further activity is contemplated in relation to this rule. If EPA receives adverse comments, the direct final rule will be withdrawn and all public comments received will be addressed in a subsequent final rule based on this proposed rule. The EPA will not institute a second comment period on this document. Any parties interested in commenting on this action should do so at this time.

DATES: Comments on this proposed rule must be received in writing by June 5, 1997.

ADDRESSES: Written comments on this action should be addressed to: Andrew Steckel, Rulemaking Office (AIR-4), Air Division, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region IX, 75 Hawthorne Street, San Francisco, CA 94105–3901.

Copies of the rules and EPA's evaluation report of the rules are available for public inspection at EPA's Region IX office during normal business hours. Copies of the submitted rules are also available for inspection at the following locations:

South Coast Air Quality Management District, 21865 E. Copley Drive, Diamond Bar, CA 91765–4182 California Air Resources Board, Stationary Source Division, Rule Evaluation Section, 2020 "L" Street, Sacramento, CA 95814.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Patricia A. Bowlin, Rulemaking Office (AIR-4), Air Division, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region IX, 75 Hawthorne Street, San Francisco, CA 94105–3901, Telephone: (415) 744–1188

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

This document concerns South Coast Air Quality Management District's Rule 1150.1, Control of Gaseous Emissions from Active Landfills, and Rule 1150.2, Control of Gaseous Emissions from Inactive Landfills. The rules were submitted by the California Air Resources Board (CARB) to EPA on October 16, 1985 and February 10, 1986, respectively. For further information, please see the information provided in the Direct Final action which is located in the Final Rules Section of this **Federal Register**.

Authority: 42 U.S.C. 7401–7671q. Dated: April 13, 1997.

Felicia Marcus,

Regional Administrator.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Fish and Wildlife Service

50 CFR Part 17

RIN 1018—AC10

Endangered and Threatened Wildlife and Plants, Notice of Extension of Comment Period on Proposed Threatened Status for the Flat-tailed Horned Lizard

AGENCY: Fish and Wildlife Service, Interior.

ACTION: Proposed rule, notice of extension of comment period.

SUMMARY: The Fish and Wildlife Service (Service), pursuant to the Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended (Act), provides notice of an extension of the comment period on the proposed threatened status for the flat-tailed horned lizard (*Phrynosoma mcalli*). The comment period has been extended at the request of an individual interested in providing public comment.

DATES: The public comment period has been extended 30 days, and will now

close on June 9, 1997. Any comments received by the closing date will be considered in the final decision on this proposal.

ADDRESSES: Written comments and materials concerning this proposal should be sent directly to the Field Supervisor, Carlsbad Field Office, 2730 Loker Avenue West, Carlsbad California 92008. Comments and materials received will be available for public inspection, by appointment, during normal business hours at the above address

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Sandy Vissman, at the address listed above (telephone 760/431–9440, facsimile 760/431–9618).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

The flat-tailed horned lizard inhabits desert areas of southern Riverside, eastern San Diego, and Imperial Counties in California; southwestern Arizona; and adjacent regions of northwestern Sonora and northeastern Baja California Norte, Mexico. Within the United States, populations of the flat-tailed horned lizard are centered in portions of the Coachella Valley, Ocotillo Wells, Anza Borrego Desert, West Mesa, East Mesa and the Yuma Desert in California: and the area between Yuma and the Gila Mountains in Arizona. The flat-tailed horned lizard occurs on Federal, State, county, and privately owned lands.

This species may be threatened by one or more of the following: commercial and residential development, agricultural development, off-highway vehicle activity, energy developments, military activities, and pesticide use.

On November 29, 1993, the Service published a rule proposing threatened status for the flat-tailed horned lizard. The original comment period closed on January 28, 1994. The Service was unable to make a final listing determination on this species because of a limited budget, other endangered species assignments driven by court orders, and higher listing priorities. In addition, a moratorium on listing actions (Pub. L. 104-6) that took effect April 10, 1995, stipulated that no funds could be used to make final listing or critical habitat determinations. Now that funding has been restored, the Service is proceeding with a final determination for this species.

In response to a request from a constituent of Senator Kyl of Arizona, the Service is extending the comment period for 30 days. This individual requested an extension to allow

sufficient time to review requested documents and prepare comments.

The Service continues to seek information that has become available in the last 3 years concerning:

- (1) biological, commercial, or other relevant data on any threat (or lack thereof) to this species; and
- (2) the size, number, or distribution of populations of this species.

Written comments may be submitted through June 9, 1997, to the Service office in the ADDRESSES section.

Author: The primary author of this notice is Sandy Vissman (see **ADDRESSES** section).

Authority: The authority for this action is the Endangered Species Act of 1973 (16 U.S.C. 1531 *et seq.*)

Dated: April 29, 1997.

Thomas J. Dwyer,

Acting Regional Director, Region 1. [FR Doc. 97–11712 Filed 5–5–97; 8:45 am] BILLING CODE 4310–55–P