Potential Cost of Nonattainment in the San Antonio Metropolitan Area

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Purpose of Study

Purpose: Project the costs of marginal and moderate nonattainment in the eight counties of the San Antonio Metropolitan Area.

This presentation is derived from a draft report that still has open comments from AACOG and TCEQ staff. Cost estimates are subject to change until a final version is issued.

Overview of Key Assumptions and Methodologies

• Assumptions:

- Costs for marginal nonattainment measured over 27 year period and costs for moderate nonattainment measured over 30 year period.
- All dollar values in 2016 dollars.
- All 8 counties in the MSA are assumed to be designated nonattainment.
- In order to distribute some costs across counties, the proportion of employment in the county relative to the total MSA population as projected for 2018 was used.

Methodologies:

- Costs are estimated in terms of reduced gross regional product
- IMPLAN input-output model: includes multiplier effects; assumes constant returns to scale and no price changes; an industry will always produce the same mix of commodities regardless of the level of production

Summary of Annual Potential Costs of Nonattainment in the San Antonio MSA (Millions 2016 \$)

	Marginal		Moderate	
	Low Estimate	High Estimate	Low Estimate	High Estimate
Lost Manufacturing Company Expansion/Relocation*	\$25.917	\$925.445	\$25.917	\$925.445
Cost of Permitting	\$0.894	\$2.234	\$0.894	\$2.234
Cost of Project Delays	\$52.817	\$52.817	\$52.817	\$52.817
TERP	\$0.318	\$0.318	\$0.318	\$0.318
Costs Associated with Commute Solutions	\$0.546	\$0.546	\$1.109	\$1.109
Reductions in GRP due to Inspection Fees			\$112.533	\$181.032
Lost GRP due to Road Construction Delays	\$21.133	\$21.133	\$28.530	\$28.530
Costs of Point Source NOX Reduction	\$15.674	\$16.563	\$15.467	\$16.267
Total	\$117.299	\$1,019.056	\$237.585	\$1,207.752

^{*}Cost estimates could be subject to overestimation due to uncertainties of the impacts on manufacturing

NOTE: Numbers do not include costs to small businesses and other control strategies that may be implemented beyond what is estimated in this analysis.

Summary of Annual Potential Hard Costs of Nonattainment for Bexar County (Millions 2016 \$)

	Marginal		Moderate	
	Low Estimate	High Estimate	Low Estimate	High Estimate
Cost of Permitting	\$0.470	\$1.175	\$0.470	\$1.175
Cost of Project Delays	\$33.224	\$33.224	\$33.224	\$33.224
Reductions in GRP due to Inspection Fees	\$0.000	\$0.000	\$89.681	\$144.270
Lost GRP due to Road Construction Delays	\$16.985	\$16.985	\$22.929	\$22.929
Total	\$50.679	\$51.384	\$146.304	\$201.598

NOTE: Numbers do not include costs to small businesses and other control strategies that may be implemented beyond what is estimated in this analysis.

Summary of Potential Total Annual Costs of Nonattainment by County (Millions 2016 \$)

	Marginal		Moderate	
County	Low Estimate	High Estimate	Low Estimate	High Estimate
Atascosa	\$3.021	\$22.066	\$5.405	\$25.894
Bandera	\$0.302	\$8.553	\$1.338	\$10.216
Bexar	\$79.600	\$797.611	\$175.567	\$948.121
Comal	\$14.659	\$61.940	\$21.564	\$72.357
Guadalupe	\$15.019	\$72.452	\$22.334	\$84.129
Kendall	\$0.843	\$14.974	\$2.698	\$17.904
Medina	\$2.505	\$21.805	\$4.910	\$25.667
Wilson	\$1.350	\$19.655	\$3.769	\$23.464
MSA	\$117.299	\$1,019.056	\$237.585	\$1,207.752

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Questions?