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List of Abbreviations and Symbols

AADT	Annual Average Daily Traffic count
AB	Assembly Bill
ANP	Annual Network Plan
AQMD	Air Quality Management District
AQS	Air Quality System
AQS ID	Air Quality System site identification number
BAM	Beta Attenuation Monitor
CARB	California Air Resources Board
CBSA	Core Based Statistical Area
CDF	California Department of Forestry
CFR	Code of Federal Regulations
CO	Carbon monoxide
E-BAM	Portable, non-FEM version of the BAM
EPA	United States Environment Protection Agency
FAA	Federal Aviation Administration
FEM	Federal Equivalent Method
FRM	Federal Reference Method
MSA	Metropolitan Statistical Area
NAAQS	National Ambient Air Quality Standard(s)
NCore	National Core multipollutant monitoring station
NO	Nitrogen oxide
NO_2	Nitrogen dioxide
NO_x	Oxides of nitrogen
NRP	Nipomo Regional Park
O_3	Ozone
ODSVRA	Oceano Dunes State Vehicular Recreation Area
PAMS	Photochemical Assessment Monitoring Station
$PM_{2.5}$	Particulate Matter less than 2.5 microns in aerodynamic diameter
PM_{10}	Particulate Matter less than 10 microns in aerodynamic diameter
Pb	Lead
ppb	Parts per billion
PQAO	Primary Quality Assurance Organization
SIP	State Implementation Plan
SLAMS	State or Local Air Monitoring Station
SLO County APCD	San Luis Obispo County Air Pollution Control District
SO_2	Sulfur dioxide
SPM	Special Purpose Monitor
ZAG	Zero Air Generator

Introduction

Every year the San Luis Obispo County Air Pollution Control District (SLO County APCD) submits an ambient air monitoring network plan (ANP) to the United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA); the present document comprises the ANP for 2026. It is intended to fulfill the requirements of 40 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) 58.10 and to provide information about local monitoring activities to the public. The focus of this ANP is the network of regulatory monitors in the County; non-regulatory monitoring is discussed in Appendix D.

Consistent with these goals and requirements, this ANP will be made available for public review and comment for at least 30 days prior to its submission to EPA. All comments received and any SLO County APCD responses to those comments will be attached as Appendices E and F, respectively, and submitted to EPA as part of this ANP. The cover letter accompanying submission will note the beginning and ending dates of the comment period, whether any comments were received, and which comments were substantive. For any non-substantive comments, the cover letter will provide a rationale for deeming them as such. If public comments prompt changes to the ANP, these changes will be noted in the cover letter.

The ANP is a snapshot of the air monitoring network as it currently exists, and it also documents any changes since the last ANP (published July 2025) and any modifications anticipated over the next 18 months. This review and planning process helps to ensure continued consistency with federal requirements and monitoring objectives. It also confirms and updates information in state and federal monitoring records. Information is provided for all ambient air pollution monitoring which occurred in the County, including one site operated by the California Air Resources Board (CARB). Data from the CARB site was obtained from that agency and are accurate to the best of our knowledge.

All pollutant monitors in SLO County APCD's SLAMS network meet the requirements of 40 CFR 58 Appendices A, B, C, D, and E, where applicable, and any SLO County APCD-run Special Purpose Monitors meet the requirements of Appendices A and E.

General Information on Air Monitoring Networks

Most ambient air quality monitoring stations operated by air quality agencies are classified as State or Local Air Monitoring Station (SLAMS). SLAMS are long-term monitoring stations and are generally considered to be permanent sites. Their primary objective is to collect data for comparison to the National Ambient Air Quality Standards (NAAQS). Stations may instead be classified as Special Purpose Monitors (SPM) or Prevention of Significant Deterioration stations, the latter being generally short-term sites with objectives other than NAAQS comparison.

Appendix D of 40 CFR 58 specifies design criteria for SLAMS networks and states that networks must be designed to meet a minimum of three basic monitoring objectives: 1) Provide air pollution data to the public in a timely manner; 2) Support compliance with the NAAQS; and 3) Support air pollution research. A variety of site types are needed to support these basic objectives, including the six general types identified in Table D-1 of the Appendix:

- **Highest Concentration**: Sites located to determine the highest concentration expected to occur in the area covered by the network.
- **Population Oriented**: Those located to determine representative concentrations in areas of high population density.
- **Source Impact**: Sites located to determine the impact on ambient pollution levels of significant sources or source categories.
- **General/Background**: Those located to determine general background concentration levels.
- **Regional Transport**: Sites located to determine the extent of regional pollutant transport among populated areas, and in support of secondary standards.
- **Welfare Related Impacts**: Sites located to determine the welfare-related impacts in more rural and remote areas (such as visibility impairment and effects on vegetation)

The physical siting of an air monitoring station must conform to the requirements of the Appendix, and its location must achieve a spatial scale of representativeness that is consistent with the monitoring objective and site type. The spatial scale results from the physical location of the site with respect to the pollutant sources and categories. It estimates the size of the area surrounding the monitoring site that experiences uniform pollutant concentrations. The categories of spatial scale defined in the Appendix are:

- **Microscale**: An area of uniform pollutant concentrations ranging from several meters up to 100 meters
- **Middle Scale**: uniform pollutant concentrations in an area of about 100 meters to 0.5 kilometer
- **Neighborhood Scale**: an area with dimensions in the 0.5 to 4-kilometer range
- **Urban Scale**: Citywide pollutant conditions with dimensions from 4 to 50 kilometers
- **Regional Scale**: An entire rural area of the same general geography (this area ranges from tens to hundreds of kilometers)
- **National and Global Scales**.

The relationship between site type and spatial scale is summarized in Table 1, below, which is adapted from Table D-1 of the Appendix.

Table 1: Relationship between Site Type and Spatial Scale

Site Type	Appropriate Spatial Scale
Highest concentration	Micro, middle, neighborhood, (sometimes urban or regional for secondary pollutants)
Population oriented	Neighborhood, urban
Source impact	Micro, middle, neighborhood
General/background & regional transport	Urban, regional
Welfare Related Impacts	Urban, regional

Air Monitoring Stations in San Luis Obispo County

San Luis Obispo County comprises the San Luis Obispo-Paso Robles Metropolitan Statistical Area (MSA). Air monitoring responsibilities for the MSA are divided between SLO County APCD and California Air Resources Board (CARB), as allowed by Section 2(e) of Appendix D to 40 CFR 58. SLO County APCD acknowledges this joint responsibility and is a member of the CARB Primary Quality Assurance Organization (PQAO). The roles and responsibilities of the two agencies with regard to fulfilling state and federal monitoring requirements are formalized in a "Roles and Responsibilities" document, which can be viewed on the CARB website.[1]

There are currently ten SLAMS stations in the County/MSA; their locations are shown in Figure 1. CARB operates the station in Paso Robles as part of their network, while the other eight are operated by SLO County APCD. Table 2 lists these stations, along with the pollutants and meteorological parameters monitored at each location and the site type. Every criteria pollutant monitor at each of these nine SLAMS meets all applicable requirements in Appendices A, B, C, D, and E to 40 CFR 58.

SLO County APCD also assists in the operation of the Oso Flaco monitoring station for the California Department of Parks and Recreation (06-079-9001). This site is located within the Oceano Dunes State Vehicle Recreation Area (ODSVRA) where off-highway vehicle activity is not allowed and is therefore a background station relative to other SLO County APCD monitoring stations that are downwind of the ODSVRA. The PM_{10} FEM monitor at the site was initially established as a SPM but was redesignated to a SLAMS station in 2023 and complies with 40 CFR 58.11(a)(2), meeting all applicable requirements of 40 CFR 58 Appendices A and E.

[1] California Air Resources Board, "Quality Management Documents, Document Repository, Finalized Roles and Responsibilities," https://ww2.arb.ca.gov/sites/default/files/classic/aaqm/qa/pqao/repository/slo_rolesandresponsibilities.pdf

Table 2: Summary of Parameters Currently Monitored at SLAMS in San Luis Obispo County

Site [a]	Ozone [b]	Nitrogen Dioxide	PM_{10}	$PM_{2.5}$	Wind [c]	Virtual Temp
Atascadero (06-079-8002)	P, C	P, C	P	P	X	X
Carrizo Plain (06-079-8006)	T, B				X	X
CDF (06-079-2007)			S, C	S, C	X	X
Mesa2 (06-079-2004)			S	S	X	X
Morro Bay Kings Ave (06-079-3003)	B				X	X
Nipomo Regional Park (06-079-4002)	B	B	B		X	X
Paso Robles (06-079-0005)	B		B,P		X	X
San Luis Obispo-Roberto Ct. (06-079-2020)			P	P		
Red Hills (06-079-8005)	T, C				X	X
OFS-State Parks Owned (06-079-9001)			B		X	X

Site Types: B = General/Background, C = Highest Concentration, P = Population Exposure, T = Regional Transport, S = Source Impact, X = Parameter measured at this site.

Notes:

[a] The Paso Robles SLAMS is operated by CARB; all other sites are operated or assisted in operation by SLO County APCD.

[b] The Atascadero SLAMS typically has the highest ozone concentration in the western County attainment area, while the Red Hills SLAMS reports the highest ozone concentration in the eastern County nonattainment area.

[c] Wind speed, wind direction, and sigma theta.

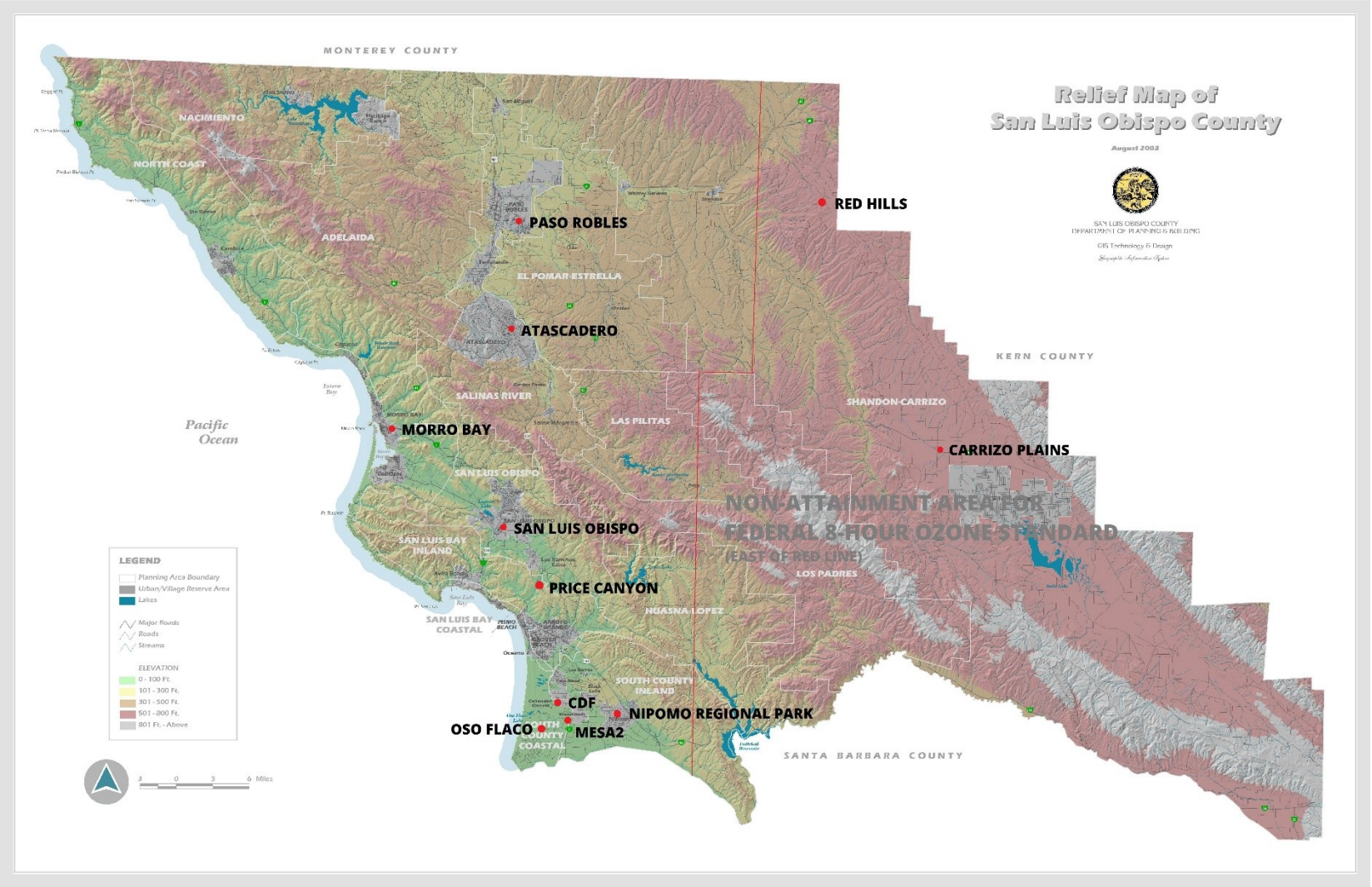


Figure 1: Locations of air monitoring stations in San Luis Obispo County as of May 2025. The thin red line depicts the boundary of the western County ozone attainment area and the eastern County ozone nonattainment area.

Changes to Monitoring Network Since the Previous ANP

Changes to the monitoring network since the publication of the last ANP are summarized below.

Ozone Monitoring Network Changes

The probe height of the Atascadero ozone analyzer was elevated to 8.9m from the ground to meet siting criteria.

Particulate Monitoring Network Changes

No changes have been made to either the $PM_{2.5}$ or PM_{10} monitoring networks since the previous ANP.

Nitrogen Dioxide Monitoring Network Changes

The probe height of the Atascadero nitrogen dioxide analyzer was elevated to 8.9m from the ground to meet siting criteria.

Infrastructure and Support Equipment Changes

The meteorological tower at the Mesa2 monitoring station was replaced with a new Alumatower T135 telescoping aluminum tower.

Detailed Descriptions of the Current Network

Ozone Monitoring Network

The SLAMS network features ozone monitors in Atascadero, Red Hills, Carrizo Plain, Paso Robles, Morro Bay, and Nipomo Regional Park. The eastern portion of San Luis Obispo County is designated as a marginal nonattainment area for the 8-hour ozone standard, and the Red Hills and Carrizo Plain monitors are located in this area. The EPA determined that Eastern San Luis Obispo County attained the 2015 Ozone NAAQS by the August 3, 2021, attainment date and will remain classified as marginal nonattainment. Since EPA is not acting to re-designate the area, an Enhanced Monitoring Plan is not required.

Atascadero – SLO County APCD has operated an ozone monitor in Atascadero since 1988. The Atascadero station was moved in 2015 from the central business district to a nearby city property. The monitor is classified as population-oriented and neighborhood scale. It provides ozone measurements representative of the City of Atascadero. Ozone concentrations at this site exhibit strong diurnal fluctuations caused by the titration or mixing of ozone with nitric oxide from nearby mobile and residential sources. Concentrations at this site are similar to those recorded at Paso Robles and are often the highest among the five ozone monitors in the western portion of the County that is classified as attaining the federal ozone standard, thus it is also classified as highest concentration. The highest ozone concentrations at Atascadero occur when high pressure over the interior southwest U.S. causes transport of ozone and other pollutants into the County from the east. Under these infrequent conditions, transported ozone, enhanced by local pollutants, can cause highly elevated concentrations. Most of the time, prevailing winds from the west and northwest help keep ozone levels at Atascadero low.

Carrizo Plain – Operated by SLO County APCD since January 2006, this regional scale station monitors background levels and ozone transport from the interior areas of the state. The monitor is located in an outbuilding at the Carrisa Plains Elementary School. The ozone concentrations recorded here are second only to Red Hills in concentration and persistence; this site is located within the Eastern San Luis Obispo County nonattainment area.

Morro Bay Kings Ave – SLO County APCD has operated an ozone monitor in Morro Bay since 1975. In 2023 the site was relocated from downtown to a nearby city property off Kings Ave less than one mile away. The slight increase in elevation at the new location reduced diurnal influences while continuing to provide regional-scale, general/background ozone monitoring. The monitor generally measures background levels of ozone from the predominant northwest winds blowing off the Pacific Ocean. Under unusual meteorological conditions, the site can record elevated ozone concentrations transported from urban areas as far south as the Los Angeles basin.

Nipomo Regional Park (NRP) – Operated by SLO County APCD since 1998, this station provides monitoring of background levels of ozone on a regional scale. Previously (1979 to 1996) ozone had been monitored in Nipomo on Wilson Street, several miles away. The ozone concentrations measured at NRP are representative of interior portions of the Nipomo Mesa and are the highest recorded in the coastal region of San Luis Obispo County.

Paso Robles – Operated by CARB since 1974, this general/background, neighborhood scale ozone monitor provides a representative ozone concentration for the suburban areas of the City of Paso Robles. The conditions under which elevated ozone levels occur and the location's prevailing winds are similar to Atascadero.

Red Hills – Operated by SLO County APCD since 2000, this station is located near the summit of Red Hills at an elevation of about 2,000 feet. It is in a very sparsely populated area near the community of Shandon. This regional scale site is often influenced by ozone transport from distant source areas outside of the County, and it consistently records the highest and most persistent ozone concentrations in the network; its site type is thus regional transport and highest concentration. In early 2012, the eastern portion of the County was designated as marginally nonattainment for the federal 8-hr ozone standard based on the design value from this site.

As noted in Table 2, the SLAMS site types employed by the existing ozone network are:

1. **Highest Concentration** – The Red Hills station typically records the highest ozone concentrations in the County. The high ozone levels tend to occur in the interior areas of the County during summer, either following long periods of wind stagnation, or as a result of offshore winds which can transport pollutants from interior regions of the state from distant sources to the northeast. Among the sites in the western portion of the County which is classified as attaining the ozone standard, Atascadero and Paso Robles measure the highest concentrations.

2. **Population Exposure** – The Paso Robles and Atascadero monitors provide good representations of the ozone levels in the larger cities of the County.
3. **Source Impact** – Because ozone is a secondary pollutant, the effect of emissions from any single source are experienced five to seven hours later and often many miles distant. As a regional pollutant, monitoring for specific sources of ozone is not performed.
4. **General/Background** – The monitors at Morro Bay, Carrizo Plain, and Nipomo Regional Park provide regional background ozone levels.
5. **Regional Transport** – The stations located at Carrizo Plain and Red Hills provide excellent surveillance of regional transport of ozone into the interior part of the County. Coastal monitoring stations have provided evidence in the past of regional transport of ozone over the Pacific Ocean from distant urban sources.

Nitrogen Dioxide Monitoring Network

The SLAMS network in San Luis Obispo County features nitrogen dioxide (NO_2) monitors at Atascadero and Nipomo Regional Park. NO_2 levels have always been well below the state and federal standards at all locations in our County. For this reason, NO_2 monitoring is most useful as an indicator of depletion of ambient ozone through titration or mixing with nitric oxide. Having NO_2 monitors in North and South County also serves a long-term air quality surveillance role.

Atascadero – Operated by SLO County APCD since 1990 and relocated in 2015, this population-oriented monitor is considered neighborhood scale. This is the only NO_2 monitor in the Salinas River air basin, in the northern interior portion of the county, and it records the highest NO, NO_2, and NO_x levels in the County. The monitor's downtown location has established a strong diurnal inverse relationship between ozone and NO_2 levels caused by local mobile sources and residential and commercial combustion of natural gas.

Nipomo Regional Park – Operated by the SLO County APCD since 1998, this monitor is regional in scale and is representative of background concentrations on the Nipomo Mesa. The site's location in a large natural area away from local or mobile sources makes it ideal for regional surveillance of NO_2.

The SLAMS sites in the existing NO_2 network are:

1. **Highest Concentration** – The Atascadero monitor historically has measured the highest NO_2 concentrations in the County. NO_2 levels are the result of titration or mixing of ambient ozone by local sources of nitric oxide and as a result values are always relatively low. Levels have never exceeded the 1-hour NO_2 standard (100 ppb), with annual maximum 1-hour concentrations typically around 50% of the standard.
2. **General/Background** – With no significant local sources present, the monitor at Nipomo Regional Park provides excellent information on coastal background levels of NO_2.

Regional Transport and Welfare-Related impacts of NO_2 are not currently addressed by SLO County APCD's SLAMS network and are not thought to be significant. The San Luis Obispo-Paso Robles MSA

does not have, nor per Appendix D, Section 4.3 of 40 CFR 58 is it required to have, any NO_2 sites for vulnerable populations or near-road NO_2 monitoring sites.

Particulate Monitoring Network

The particulate SLAMS network in San Luis Obispo County consists of seven permanent Federal Equivalent Method (FEM) PM_{10} monitors (Paso Robles, Atascadero, San Luis Obispo, Mesa2, CDF, Nipomo Regional Park, and Oso Flaco) and four permanent FEM $PM_{2.5}$ monitors (Atascadero, CDF, Mesa2, and San Luis Obispo). The PM_{10} network has been in place since 1988, and $PM_{2.5}$ sampling began in 1999 in response to the establishment of the federal standards for $PM_{2.5}$ in 1997. Originally, all particulate monitoring in the County was performed as part of CARB's network, but eventually all monitors except those at Paso Robles became part of the SLO County APCD network. Note that for quality assurance, SLO County APCD remains part of the CARB PQAO. SLO County APCD, therefore, relies on CARB for performing federally required audits of its particulate monitors and for meeting federal collocation requirements.

Additionally, as a member of the CARB PQAO and as outlined in the Roles and Responsibilities mentioned previously, CARB is to coordinate all changes to the PM2.5 monitoring network with SLO County APCD, the general public, and affected CARB divisions. Any PM2.5 network changes are thoroughly reviewed by CARB and SLO County APCD working groups, both separately and in coordinated discussions, and impacts on all CFR requirements are assessed. CARB and the SLO County APCD then work together, and with U.S. EPA Region 9, to mitigate impacts of any changes to the monitoring network, particularly with regard to any changes that impact any monitors that have violated the NAAQS. Public comment is solicited through the ANP process as required by 40 CFR 58.10(c) and any comments received are addressed in either this document or in the documents of the individual district Annual Network Plans.

Initially all particulate sampling was conducted by filter based Federal Reference Monitors (FRM). With the advent of continuous monitoring technologies, all the FRM monitors in the County have been replaced with FEM monitors in recent years. Currently these are Met One Instruments BAM 1020 semi-real time monitors that report hourly PM concentrations. The hourly data have greatly improved our ability to issue timely air quality forecasts and alerts, which is a significant benefit for the advancement of public health goals.

Atascadero – Operated by SLO County APCD, PM_{10} monitoring has been conducted in Atascadero since 1988, initially via an FRM and currently with a continuous FEM monitor. Collocated FRM $PM_{2.5}$ monitors began operation in 1999 and have since been replaced by a single FEM. The monitors are neighborhood in scale and representative of particulate concentrations in the City of Atascadero. As previously noted, the station was moved about 400 meters north of its original location in February 2015 and was moved 3 meters in 2023.

CDF – Originally established for the SLO County APCD's Nipomo Mesa Phase 2 Particulate Study, this site has become a permanent part of the SLAMS particulate network. The site features continuous FEM samplers for PM_{10} and $PM_{2.5}$, which are neighborhood in scale and measure source impacts

from the ODSVRA. These monitors record the highest particulate levels in the County and are strongly influenced by the ODSVRA, located directly upwind. In 2012, extensive temporary monitoring on the Nipomo Mesa confirmed that this site is located within the 1 square mile sector of the study area that experiences the highest PM_{10} levels.[2]

Mesa2 – PM_{10} sampling began at this site in 1991, and the monitors have been operated by the SLO County APCD since 2006. This site initially featured collocated FRM PM_{10} samplers that were replaced by a single continuous FEM PM_{10} monitor in 2009. A continuous $PM_{2.5}$ FEM monitor was installed at the same time. This site monitors source impacts from the nearby pending oil refinery demolition and remediation activities and the coastal dunes, and the monitors are neighborhood in scale. These monitors record some of the highest particulate levels in the County and are strongly influenced by the extensive coastal sand dunes and the ODSVRA located upwind.

Nipomo Regional Park – Operated at this location by SLO County APCD since 1998, it replaced a site at Wilson Street in Nipomo that operated from 1990-96. The 1-in-6 day FRM PM_{10} sampler was replaced with a continuous FEM sampler in 2010. The monitor is neighborhood in scale and is representative of PM_{10} concentrations on the Nipomo Mesa.

Oso Flaco – Operated by SLO County APCD on behalf of the California Department of Parks and Recreation, this PM_{10} monitor was established in July 2015 to fulfill a requirement of SLO County APCD Rule 1001. It has been recently reclassified as a SLAMS monitor. It is located within the Oso Flaco area of the ODSVRA; off-road vehicular activity is not permitted upwind of the monitor. It is considered neighborhood in scale and representative of the non-riding areas of the dunes complex.

Paso Robles – Operated by CARB since 1991, this PM_{10} monitor is neighborhood in scale and representative of the City of Paso Robles. The FRM sampler at this site was replaced with an FEM PM_{10} sampler in August 2009.

San Luis Obispo – CARB operated a PM_{10} sampler in San Luis Obispo from 1988 through early 2021 and a $PM_{2.5}$ sampler from 1999 through early 2021. CARB replaced their FRM samplers with continuous FEM instruments in 2011. These population-oriented monitors were neighborhood in scale and representative of particulate concentrations in the City of San Luis Obispo. This station closed early 2021. On January 1, 2021, the SLO County APCD began operating replacement PM_{10} and $PM_{2.5}$ monitors at its office, approximately 2 miles from the closed CARB SLAMS site.

Other Networks

San Luis Obispo County, which comprises the San Luis Obispo-Paso Robles MSA, is not required to have, does not currently have, and does not plan to establish any NCore, PAMS, lead, carbon monoxide or near-road monitoring stations.

[2] San Luis Obispo County Air Pollution Control District, "South County Community Monitoring Project," January 2013. Available online: https://www.slocleanair.org/library/air-quality-reports.php

Proposed Network Changes and Improvements

The following sections list any modifications that are planned for the 18-month period after the publication of this ANP. Note that with a population well below 500,000, the San Luis Obispo-Paso Robles MSA/CBSA[3] is not required to have any near-road NO_2, carbon monoxide, or $PM_{2.5}$ monitors, and SLO County APCD has no plans to establish any such monitors.

New Stations and Station Closures and Relocations

There are no station-related changes planned to the monitoring network.

Ozone Monitoring Network Proposed Changes

There are no changes planned to the ozone monitoring network.

Particulate Monitoring Network Proposed Changes

Routine replacement of aging Beta Attenuation monitors may occur. There are no other changes planned to the particulate monitoring network.

Nitrogen Dioxide Network

There are no changes planned to the nitrogen dioxide monitoring network.

Infrastructure and Support Equipment Changes

The district is in the beginning stages of soliciting quotes to replace the monitoring shelter at Nipomo Regional Park. Additionally, one new meteorological tower is expected to replace the existing tower at the Carrizo Plain monitoring station. These infrastructure upgrades are expected to occur in late 2026 and 2027.

Accessing Air Quality Data

All SLAMS monitoring stations currently operating in the County are registered with the EPA and CARB and their data are regularly reported by SLO County APCD staff to the EPA's AQS database, CARB's AQMIS2 website, and the AirNow website. Validated data from SLAMS sites operated by SLO County APCD are typically submitted to AQS by end of the quarter following the quarter in which they were collected. Raw data is uploaded automatically to AQMIS2 and AirNow within an hour after being generated in the field. In addition, raw data for the current day and previous day is available on the SLO County APCD website. All data generated at these stations are public information and are available in various formats. Table 3, below, lists some popular sources for this data.

SLO County APCD, and where applicable CARB, regularly submit precision and accuracy data to AQS for all gaseous and particulate pollutants measured in the SLAMS network. Additionally, in accordance with 40 CFR 58.15, SLO County APCD certifies its AQS dataset for the previous year every

[3] San Luis Obispo County, the San Luis Obispo-Paso Robles MSA, and the San Luis Obispo-Paso Robles CBSA have identical borders and populations.

spring. SLO County APCD submitted a certification package for calendar year 2025 data to EPA on March 31, 2026.

Table 3: Sources for Air Quality Data from San Luis Obispo

Agency	Address for Data Requests	Website for Data Access	Data Available Online
SLO County APCD	3433 Roberto Court, San Luis Obispo, CA 93401	Table: www.slocleanair.org/pages/air-quality/lasthour.php Map: www.slocleanair.org/air-quality/current-air-quality-maps.php	Raw data from last 24 to 48 hours for sites in San Luis Obispo County.
CARB	P.O. Box 2815 Sacramento, CA 95812	AQMIS2: www.arb.ca.gov/aqmis2/aqmis2.php ADAM: www.arb.ca.gov/adam/	Most California sites, including all sites in San Luis Obispo County. Real-time raw data and archived validated data.
EPA	U.S. EPA OAQPS/OID/NADG ATTN: AQS MD-C339-01 Research Triangle Park, NC 27711	AQS: www.epa.gov/outdoor-air-quality-data	Validated data from across the U.S. Typically one to several months behind current date.
EPA AirNow	U.S. EPA Attn: AirNow Mail Drop C 304-01 109 T.W Alexander Drive PO Box 12055 RTP, NC 27711	AirNow: www.airnow.gov	Current air quality conditions, nationwide. Based on real-time raw data.

Appendix A: Minimum Monitoring Requirements

The SLO County APCD monitoring network meets the minimum monitoring requirements for all criteria pollutants as established in 40 CFR 58. The tables below list the criteria used to determine compliance with Federal regulations. The County population cited in these tables (282,424) is the official figure from the most recent US Census (2020). The U.S. Census bureau estimate for July 1, 2024, is 281,843.[4] The California Department of Finance estimate for Julyy 1, 2025, is 282,367[5]. Using either of these figures in lieu of the official census count from 2020 does not change the required number of sites for any pollutant.

Traffic count data presented in the Appendices are derived from the most recent readily available Caltrans, county, or local jurisdiction traffic datasets available at the time the site descriptions were prepared. For many local roads adjacent to monitoring stations, updated Annual Average Daily Traffic (AADT) data are not collected on a routine annual basis by the responsible agencies. As a result, several traffic counts included in this ANP are based on historical traffic studies conducted between 2016 and 2018.

SLO County APCD has reviewed the surrounding roadway configurations, land use patterns, and source characteristics associated with these monitoring locations and determined that the historical traffic counts remain reasonably representative of current roadway activity for the purposes of ambient monitoring network characterization and siting documentation under 40 CFR Part 58. None of the monitoring stations described in this ANP are intended to satisfy near-road monitoring requirements, and moderate changes in traffic volume on nearby local roadways would not materially affect monitor spatial scale classifications, monitoring objectives, or representativeness determinations.

Where newer traffic data becomes readily available through Caltrans or local transportation agencies, SLO County APCD will continue to incorporate updated values into future Annual Network Plans as appropriate.

Minimum Monitoring Requirements for Ozone (O_3)

MSA	County	Population (Census Year)	8-hour Design Value (years) [a]	Design Value Site Name (AQS ID)	Number of Required Sites [b]	Number of Active Sites	Number of Additional Sites Needed
San Luis Obispo - Paso Robles	San Luis Obispo	282,424 (2020)	71 ppb (2023-2025)	Red Hills (06-079-8005)	1	6	0

[a] This Design Value is for eastern San Luis Obispo County, which is designated as marginally nonattainment for the 2008 8-hour ozone standard. The design value for the rest of the County is 60 ppb (2022-24) from Paso Robles (06-079-0005).
[b] Refer to section 4.1 and Table D-2 of Appendix D to 40 CFR Part 58 for requirements.

Monitors required for SIP or Maintenance Plan: None

[4] United States Census Bureau, Quick Facts: San Luis Obispo County, California, https://www.census.gov/quickfacts/fact/table/sanluisobispoCountycalifornia,sanluisobispocitycalifornia#
[5] State of California, Department of Finance, E-1 Population Estimates for Cities, Counties and the State with Annual Percent Change — January 1, 2023 and 2025. Sacramento, California, May 2025.https://dof.ca.gov/forecasting/demographics/estimates-e1/

Minimum Monitoring Requirements for $PM_{2.5}$ SLAMS

MSA	County	Population (Census Year)	Annual Design Value (years)	Annual Design Value Site (AQS ID)	Daily Design Value (years)	Daily Design Value Site Name (AQS ID)	Number of Required SLAMS Sites [a]	Number of Active SLAMS Sites	Number of Additional SLAMS Sites Needed
San Luis Obispo - Paso Robles	San Luis Obispo	282,424 (2020)	6.2 $\mu g/m^3$ (2023-2025)	CDF (06-079-2007)	18 $\mu g/m^3$ (2023-2025)	Mesa 2 (06-079-2004)	0	4	0

[a] Refer to section 4.7.1 and Table D-5 of Appendix D to 40 CFR Part 58 for requirements.

Monitors required for SIP or Maintenance Plan: None

Minimum Monitoring Requirements for Continuous $PM_{2.5}$ Monitors

MSA	County	Population (Census Year)	Annual Design Value (years)	Annual Design Value Site (AQS ID)	Daily Design Value (years)	Daily Design Value Site Name (AQS ID)	Number of Required Continuous Monitors [a]	Number of Active Continuous Monitors	Number of Additional Continuous Monitors Needed
San Luis Obispo - Paso Robles	San Luis Obispo	282,424 (2020)	6.2 $\mu g/m^3$ (2023-2025)	CDF (06-079-2007)	18 $\mu g/m^3$ (2023-2025)	Mesa 2 (06-079-2004)	0	4	0

[a] Refer to section 4.7.2 and Table D-5 of Appendix D to 40 CFR Part 58 for requirements.

Monitors required for SIP or Maintenance Plan: None

Minimum Monitoring Requirements for PM_{10}

MSA	County	Population (Census Year)	Maximum Concentration (Year)	Maximum Concentration Site Name (AQS ID)	Number of Required Sites [a]	Number of Active Sites	Number of Additional Sites Needed
San Luis Obispo - Paso Robles	San Luis Obispo	282,424 (2020)	102 $\mu g/m^3$ (2025)	Mesa 2 (06-079-2004)	0-1	7	0

[a] Refer to section 4.6 and Table D-4 of Appendix D to 40 CFR Part 58 for requirements.

Monitors required for SIP or Maintenance Plan: None

Minimum Monitoring Requirements for Nitrogen Dioxide (NO_2)

CBSA	Population (Census Year)	Maximum AADT Count (Years)	Number of Required Near-road Monitors [b]	Number of Active Near-road Monitors	Number of Additional Near-road Monitors Needed	Number of Required Area-wide Monitors [b]	Number of Active Area-wide Monitors	Number of Additional Area-wide Monitors Needed
San Luis Obispo - Paso Robles	282,424 (2020)	68,000 (2023) [a]	0	0	0	0	2	0

[a] US Hwy 101 in Pismo Beach
[b] Refer to section 4.3 of Appendix D to 40 CFR Part 58 for requirements.

Monitors required for SIP or Maintenance Plan: None
Monitors required for PAMS: None
EPA Regional Administrator-required monitors per 40 CFR 58, App. D 4.3.4: None

Minimum Monitoring Requirements for Sulfur Dioxide (SO_2)

CBSA	County	Population (Census Year)	Total SO_2 [a] (Tons/year)	Population Weighted Emissions Index (million person-tons/year) [b]	Data Requirements Rule Source(s) Using Monitoring [c]	Number of Required Monitors [d]	Number of Active Monitors	Number of Additional Monitors Needed
San Luis Obispo - Paso Robles	San Luis Obispo	282,424 (2020)	208	59	NA	0	0	0

[a] From the 2020 National Emissions Inventory, which is the most current year for which the Inventory is available: https://www.epa.gov/air-emissions-inventories/2020-national-emissions-inventory-nei-data.
[b] Product of CBSA population and SO_2 emissions, divided by one million.
[c] Refer to 40 CFR 51 Subpart BB. There are no sources within the County/CBSA/SLO County APCD jurisdiction with annual emissions over 2,000 tons, therefore, neither monitoring nor modelling is required to meet the "Data Requirements Rule."
[d] Refer to section 4.4 of Appendix D to 40 CFR Part 58 for requirements.

Monitors required for SIP or Maintenance Plan: None

Minimum Monitoring Requirements for Carbon Monoxide (CO)

CBSA	Population (Census Year)	Number of Required Near-Road Monitors [a]	Number of Active Near-Road Monitors	Number of Additional Monitors Needed
San Luis Obispo-Paso Robles	282,424 (2020)	0	0	0

[a] Refer to section 4.2 of Appendix D to 40 CFR Part 58 for requirements.

Monitors required for SIP or Maintenance Plan: None
EPA Regional Administrator-required monitors per section 4.2.2. of Appendix D to 40 CFR 58: None

Minimum Monitoring Requirements for Lead at NCore

NCore Site	CBSA	Population (Census Year)	Number of Required Monitors [a]	Number of Active Monitors	Number of Additional Monitors Needed
none	San Luis Obispo-Paso Robles	282,424 (2020)	0	0	0

[a] Refer to section 4.5 of Appendix D to 40 CFR Part 58 for requirements.

Source Impact Lead Monitoring (Including Airports)

Source	Address	Pb Emissions (Tons/yr)	Emissions Inventory Source Data (Year)	Max 3-Month Design Value	Design Value Date	Number of Required Monitors [b]	Number of Active Monitors	Number of Additional Monitors Needed
none [a]	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	0	0	0

[a] According to the 2020 National Emissions Inventory, which is the most current year for which the inventory is available, total lead emissions in the County are less than 0.50 tons, therefore no single source exceeds the 0.50 ton threshold.
[b] Refer to section 4.5 of Appendix D to 40 CFR Part 58 for requirements.

Monitors required for SIP or Maintenance Plan: None
EPA Regional Administrator-required monitors per section 4.5(c) of Appendix D to 40 CFR 58: None

Near-Road NO_2, $PM_{2.5}$, and CO Monitors

CBSA	Population (Census Year)	Maximum AADT Count (Years)	Number of Required NO_2 Monitors [a]	Number of Active NO_2 Monitors	Number of Required $PM_{2.5}$ Monitors [a]	Number of Active $PM_{2.5}$ Monitors	Number of Required CO Monitors [a]	Number of Active CO Monitors	Number of Additional Monitors Needed
San Luis Obispo - Paso Robles	282,424 (2020)	68,000 (2023) [b]	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

[a] Refer to 40 CFR Part 58.13 and sections 4.2, 4.3, 4.7 of Appendix D to 40 CFR Part 58
[b] US Hwy 101 in Pismo Beach.

Appendix B: Collocation Requirements

Particulate monitoring (PM_{10}, $PM_{2.5}$, and lead) is subject to the collocation requirements described in Section 3 of Appendix A to 40 CFR 58. The requirements apply at the PQAO level, and monitors are aggregated by method when determining the required number of collocated monitors. SLO County APCD is part of the CARB PQAO and all particulate monitors in our network are Met One BAM 1020s, which are continuous FEM instruments (PM_{10} method code: 122; $PM_{2.5}$ method code: 170). While there are no collocated particulate monitors within the SLO County APCD network, there are collocated monitors within the CARB PQAO.

Collocation requirements are being met at the PQAO level. According to CARB's 2025 Annual Network Plan,[6] in 2025 there were 55 active $PM_{2.5}$ FEM BAM 1020 monitors (method 170) in the PQAO; thus, eight collocated monitors were needed: four FRM/FEM pairs and four FEM/FEM pairs. The CARB ANP indicates there were four FEM/FEM pairs and four FRM/FEM pairs. The AMP600 for the year 2023 generated from AQS indicated there were 56 active $PM_{2.5}$ FEM BAM 1020 monitors (method 170) in the PQAO with 8 collocated monitors. The AMP600 does not specify the collocation monitor types.

All PM10 monitors operated by SLO County APCD are continuous FEM monitors, because of this no PM10 collocation requirements currently apply under 40 CFR Part 58 Appendix A. Finally, lead monitoring is not done in the County, and therefore there is no collocation requirement.

Table B- 1: Collocation Requirements for $PM_{2.5}$, Method Code 170

Data Source (see text)	Number of Primary Monitors	Number of Required Collocated Monitors	Number of Active Collocated FRM Monitors	Number of Active Collocated FEM Monitors (same method designation as primary)
CARB	55	8	4	8
AMP600	55	8	8 total collocated monitors, type not indicated	

[6] California Air Resources Board, Draft Version "Annual Network Plan Covering Monitoring Operations in 26 California Air Districts," June 2025. https://ww2.arb.ca.gov/sites/default/files/2025-05/2025%20Annual%20Network%20Plan%20Draft%20Remediated.pdf.

Appendix C: Detailed Site Information

Local site name	**Paso Robles**	
AQS ID	06-079-0005	
GPS coordinates (decimal degrees)	35.61467, -120.65691	
Street Address	235 Santa Fe Ave, Paso Robles	
County	San Luis Obispo	
Distance to roadways (meters)	27 to Santa Fe Ave. 110 to Sherwood Rd. 180 to Creston Rd. 2700 to US 101	
Traffic count (AADT, year)	Santa Fe Ave.: 75 (estimated) Sherwood Rd.: 10,027 (2017) Creston Rd: 17,347 (2017) US101: 40,500 (2023)	
Groundcover (e.g. asphalt, dirt, sand)	Asphalt	
Representative statistical area name (i.e. MSA, CBSA, other)	San Luis Obispo – Paso Robles (MSA)	
Pollutant, POC	Ozone, 1	PM_{10}, 2
Primary / QA Collocated / Other	N/A	Primary
Parameter code	44201	81102
Basic monitoring objective(s)	NAAQS Comparison	Public info, NAAQS Comparison
Site type(s)	General/background	General/background, Population Exposure
Monitor type(s)	SLAMS	SLAMS
Network Affiliation	N/A	N/A
Instrument manufacturer and model	API T400	Met One BAM 1020
Method code	087	122
FRM/FEM/ARM/other	FEM	FEM
Collecting Agency	CARB	CARB
Analytical Lab (i.e. weigh lab, toxics lab, other)	N/A	N/A
Reporting Agency	CARB	CARB
Spatial scale (e.g. micro, neighborhood)	Neighborhood	Neighborhood
Monitoring start date (MM/DD/YYYY)	09/01/1991	06/01/2013 [a]
Current sampling frequency (e.g. 1:3, continuous)	continuous	continuous
Calculated sampling frequency (e.g. 1:3/1:1)	continuous	continuous
Sampling season (MM/DD-MM/DD)	01/01-12/31	01/01-12/31
Probe height (meters)	6.2	5.2
Distance from supporting structure (meters)	2.9	1.9
Distance from obstructions on roof (meters)	N/A	N/A
Distance from obstructions not on roof (meters)	N/A	N/A
Distance from trees (meters)	30	N/A
Distance to furnace or incinerator flue (meters)	N/A	N/A
Distance between monitors fulfilling a QA Collocation requirement (meters)	N/A	N/A
For low volume PM instruments, is any PM instrument within 1m of the instrument?	N/A	No
For high volume PM instruments, is any PM instrument within 2m of the instrument?	N/A	N/A
Unrestricted airflow (degrees)	360	360

Local site name	**Paso Robles**	
Probe material for reactive gases (e.g. Pyrex, stainless steel, Teflon)	Teflon	N/A
Residence time for reactive gases (seconds)	11.98	N/A
Will there be changes within the next 18 months?	No	No
Is it suitable for comparison against the annual PM2.5?	N/A	N/A
Frequency of flow rate verification for manual PM samplers	N/A	N/A
Frequency of flow rate verification for automated PM analyzers	N/A	monthly
Frequency of one-point QC check for gaseous instruments	daily	N/A
Date of 2025 Annual Performance Evaluation for gaseous parameters	4/15/2025	N/A
Dates of 2025 Semi-Annual Flow Rate Audits for PM monitors	N/A	4/15/2025 10/27/2025

[a] This instrument did not begin reporting PM_{10}-standard (88102) until 06/01/2013, but it has been reporting PM_{10}-actual (85101) since 08/11/2009.

Local site name	**Mesa2**	
AQS ID	06-079-2004	
GPS coordinates (decimal degrees)	35.02079, -120.56389	
Street Address	1300 Guadalupe Rd., Nipomo	
County	San Luis Obispo	
Distance to roadways (meters)	40 to Guadalupe Rd. (CA 1)	
Traffic count (AADT, year)	Guadalupe Rd. (CA 1): 6,000 (2023)	
Groundcover (e.g. asphalt, dirt, sand)	Vegetative	
Representative statistical area name (i.e. MSA, CBSA, other)	San Luis Obispo – Paso Robles (MSA)	
Pollutant, POC	$PM_{2.5}$, 1	PM_{10}, 3
Primary / QA Collocated / Other	Primary	Primary
Parameter code	88101	81102
Basic monitoring objective(s)	NAAQS Comparison	NAAQS Comparison
Site type(s)	Source Oriented	Source Oriented
Monitor type(s)	SLAMS	SLAMS
Network Affiliation	N/A	N/A
Instrument manufacturer and model	Met One BAM 1020	Met One BAM 1020
Method code	170	122
FRM/FEM/ARM/other	FEM	FEM
Collecting Agency	SLO County APCD	SLO County APCD
Analytical Lab (i.e. weigh lab, toxics lab, other)	N/A	N/A
Reporting Agency	SLO County APCD	SLO County APCD
Spatial scale (e.g. micro, neighborhood)	Neighborhood	Neighborhood
Monitoring start date (MM/DD/YYYY)	07/01/2009	07/01/2009
Current sampling frequency (e.g. 1:3, continuous)	continuous	continuous
Calculated sampling frequency (e.g. 1:3/1:1)	continuous	continuous
Sampling season (MM/DD-MM/DD)	01/01-12/31	01/01-12/31
Probe height (meters)	5.5	5.6
Distance from supporting structure (meters)[a]	1.8	1.9
Distance from obstructions on roof (meters)	N/A	N/A
Distance from obstructions not on roof (meters)	N/A	N/A
Distance from trees (meters)	N/A	N/A
Distance to furnace or incinerator flue (meters)	N/A	N/A
Distance between monitors fulfilling a QA Collocation requirement (meters)	N/A	N/A
For low volume PM instruments, is any PM instrument within 1 m of the instrument?	No	No
For high volume PM instruments, is any PM instrument within 2m of the instrument?	N/A	N/A
Unrestricted airflow (degrees)	360	360
Probe material for reactive gases (e.g. Pyrex, stainless steel, Teflon)	N/A	N/A
Residence time for reactive gases (seconds)	N/A	N/A
Will there be changes within the next 18 months?	No	No
Is it suitable for comparison against the annual PM2.5?	Yes	N/A
Frequency of flow rate verification for manual PM samplers	N/A	N/A

Local site name	**Mesa2**	
Frequency of flow rate verification for automated PM analyzers	bi-weekly	bi-weekly
Frequency of one-point QC check for gaseous instruments	N/A	N/A
Date of 2025 Annual Performance Evaluation for gaseous parameters	N/A	N/A
Dates of 2025 Semi-Annual Flow Rate Audits for PM monitors	5/1/2025 10/28/2025	5/1/2025 10/28/2025

[a] This is the roof-to-probe distance. There are no walls, parapets, penthouses, or other potential obstacles on the roof.

Local site name	**CDF**	
AQS ID	06-079-2007	
GPS coordinates (decimal degrees)	35.04673, -120.58777	
Street Address	2391 Willow Rd., Arroyo Grande	
County	San Luis Obispo	
Distance to roadways (meters)	53 to Willow Rd. (CA 1).	
Traffic count (AADT, year)	Willow Rd. (CA-1): 7,800 (2023)	
Groundcover (e.g. asphalt, dirt, sand)	Vegetative, Sand	
Representative statistical area name (i.e. MSA, CBSA, other)	San Luis Obispo – Paso Robles (MSA)	
Pollutant, POC	$PM_{2.5}$, 1	PM_{10}, 2
Primary / QA Collocated / Other	Primary	Primary
Parameter code	88101	81102
Basic monitoring objective(s)	NAAQS Comparison	NAAQS Comparison
Site type(s)	Highest Concentration, Source Oriented	Highest Concentration, Source Oriented
Monitor type(s)	SLAMS	SLAMS
Network Affiliation	N/A	N/A
Instrument manufacturer and model	Met One BAM 1020	Met One BAM 1020
Method code	170	122
FRM/FEM/ARM/other	FEM	FEM
Collecting Agency	SLO County APCD	SLO County APCD
Analytical Lab (i.e. weigh lab, toxics lab, other)	N/A	N/A
Reporting Agency	SLO County APCD	SLO County APCD
Spatial scale (e.g. micro, neighborhood)	Neighborhood	Neighborhood
Monitoring start date (MM/DD/YYYY)	08/01/2010	01/01/2010
Current sampling frequency (e.g. 1:3, continuous)	continuous	continuous
Calculated sampling frequency (e.g. 1:3/1:1)	continuous	continuous
Sampling season (MM/DD-MM/DD)	01/01-12/31	01/01-12/31
Probe height (meters)	5.3	5.2
Distance from supporting structure (meters) [a]	2.4	2.5
Distance from obstructions on roof (meters)	N/A	N/A
Distance from obstructions not on roof (meters)	N/A	N/A
Distance from trees (meters)	N/A	N/A
Distance to furnace or incinerator flue (meters)	N/A	N/A
Distance between monitors fulfilling a QA Collocation requirement (meters)	N/A	N/A
For low volume PM instruments, is any PM instrument within 1 m of the instrument?	No	No
For high volume PM instruments, is any PM instrument within 2m of the instrument?	N/A	N/A
Unrestricted airflow (degrees)	360	360
Probe material for reactive gases (e.g. Pyrex, stainless steel, Teflon)	N/A	N/A
Residence time for reactive gases (seconds)	N/A	N/A
Will there be changes within the next 18 months?	No	No
Is it suitable for comparison against the annual PM2.5?	Yes	N/A

Local site name	**CDF**	
Frequency of flow rate verification for manual PM samplers	N/A	N/A
Frequency of flow rate verification for automated PM analyzers	bi-weekly	bi-weekly
Frequency of one-point QC check for gaseous instruments	N/A	N/A
Date of 2025 Annual Performance Evaluation for gaseous parameters	N/A	N/A
Dates of 2025 Semi-Annual Flow Rate Audits for PM monitors	4/17/2025 10/28/2025	4/17/2025 10/28/2025

[a] This is the roof-to-probe distance. There are no walls, parapets, penthouses, or other potential obstacles on the roof.

Local site name	**Morro Bay- Kings Ave**
AQS ID	06-079-3003
GPS coordinates (decimal degrees)	35.361589, -120.836819
Street Address	492 Kings Ave., Morro Bay
County	San Luis Obispo
Distance to roadways (meters)	43 to Kings Ave. 47 to Carmel St. 525 to CA 1
Traffic count (AADT, year)	Kings Ave: N/A residential street Carmel St: N/A Residential cul de sac CA 1: 24,500 (2023)
Groundcover (e.g. asphalt, dirt, sand)	Dirt/grass
Representative statistical area name (i.e. MSA, CBSA, other)	San Luis Obispo – Paso Robles (MSA)
Pollutant, POC	O_3, 1
Primary / QA Collocated / Other	N/A
Parameter code	44201
Basic monitoring objective(s)	NAAQS Comparison
Site type(s)	General/Background
Monitor type(s)	SLAMS
Network Affiliation	N/A
Instrument manufacturer and model	API T400
Method code	087
FRM/FEM/ARM/other	FEM
Collecting Agency	SLO County APCD
Analytical Lab (i.e. weigh lab, toxics lab, other)	N/A
Reporting Agency	SLO County APCD
Spatial scale (e.g. micro, neighborhood)	Regional
Monitoring start date (MM/DD/YYYY)	07/01/2023
Current sampling frequency (e.g. 1:3, continuous)	continuous
Calculated sampling frequency (e.g. 1:3/1:1)	continuous
Sampling season (MM/DD-MM/DD)	01/01-12/31
Probe height (meters)	4.6
Distance from supporting structure (meters)	1.6
Distance from obstructions on roof (meters)	N/A
Distance from obstructions not on roof (meters)	N/A
Distance from trees (meters)	N/A
Distance to furnace or incinerator flue (meters)	N/A
Distance between monitors fulfilling a QA Collocation requirement (meters)	N/A
For low volume PM instruments, is any PM instrument within 1 m of the instrument?	N/A
For high volume PM instruments, is any PM instrument within 2m of the instrument?	N/A
Unrestricted airflow (degrees)	360
Probe material for reactive gases (e.g. Pyrex, stainless steel, Teflon)	Teflon
Residence time for reactive gases (seconds)	13.2
Will there be changes within the next 18 months?	No

Local site name	**Morro Bay- Kings Ave**
Is it suitable for comparison against the annual PM2.5?	N/A
Frequency of flow rate verification for manual PM samplers	N/A
Frequency of flow rate verification for automated PM analyzers	N/A
Frequency of one-point QC check for gaseous instruments	Daily
Date of 2025 Annual Performance Evaluation for gaseous parameters	11/6/2025
Dates of 2025 Semi-Annual Flow Rate Audits for PM monitors	N/A

[a] This is the most current AADT available for this segment.

Local site name	**Nipomo Regional Park (NRP)**		
AQS ID	06-079-4002		
GPS coordinates (decimal degrees)	35.03150, -120.50101		
Street Address	W. Tefft St. and Pomeroy Rd., Nipomo		
County	San Luis Obispo		
Distance to roadways (meters)	500 to Tefft St. 350 to Camino Caballo 240 to Pomeroy Rd.		
Traffic count (AADT, year)	Tefft St.: 65,000 (2023)[c] Camino Caballo: 2,556 (2016)[d] Pomeroy Rd.: 5,048 (2017)[d]		
Groundcover (e.g. asphalt, dirt, sand)	Vegetative		
Representative statistical area name (i.e. MSA, CBSA, other)	San Luis Obispo – Paso Robles (MSA)		
Pollutant, POC	O_3, 1	NO_2, 1	PM_{10}, 2
Primary / QA Collocated / Other	N/A	Primary	Primary
Parameter code	44201	42602	81102
Basic monitoring objective(s)	NAAQS Comparison	NAAQS Comparison	NAAQS Comparison
Site type(s)	General/ Background	General/ Background	General/ Background
Monitor type(s)	SLAMS	SLAMS	SLAMS
Network Affiliation	N/A	N/A	N/A
Instrument manufacturer and model	API T400	API T200U	Met One BAM 1020
Method code	087	599 [a]	122
FRM/FEM/ARM/other	FEM	FRM	FEM
Collecting Agency	SLO County APCD	SLO County APCD	SLO County APCD
Analytical Lab (i.e. weigh lab, toxics lab, other)	N/A	N/A	N/A
Reporting Agency	SLO County APCD	SLO County APCD	SLO County APCD
Spatial scale (e.g. micro, neighborhood)	Regional	Regional	Neighborhood
Monitoring start date (MM/DD/YYYY)	11/01/1998	11/01/1998	05/16/2010
Current sampling frequency (e.g. 1:3, continuous)	continuous	continuous	continuous
Calculated sampling frequency (e.g. 1:3/1:1)	continuous	continuous	continuous
Sampling season (MM/DD-MM/DD)	01/01-12/31	01/01-12/31	01/01-12/31
Probe height (meters)	4.2	4.2	4.6
Distance from supporting structure (meters) [b]	1.1	1.1	1.5
Distance from obstructions on roof (meters)	N/A	N/A	N/A
Distance from obstructions not on roof (meters)	N/A	N/A	N/A
Distance from trees (meters)	N/A	N/A	N/A
Distance to furnace or incinerator flue (meters)	N/A	N/A	N/A
Distance between monitors fulfilling a QA Collocation requirement (meters)	N/A	N/A	N/A
For low volume PM instruments, is any PM instrument within 1 m of the instrument?	N/A	N/A	No
For high volume PM instruments, is any PM instrument within 2m of the instrument?	N/A	N/A	N/A

Local site name	**Nipomo Regional Park (NRP)**		
Unrestricted airflow (degrees)	360	360	360
Probe material for reactive gases (e.g. Pyrex, stainless steel, Teflon)	Teflon	Teflon	N/A
Residence time for reactive gases (seconds)	14.0	12.5	N/A
Will there be changes within the next 18 months?	No	No	No
Is it suitable for comparison against the annual PM2.5?	N/A	N/A	N/A
Frequency of flow rate verification for manual PM samplers	N/A	N/A	N/A
Frequency of flow rate verification for automated PM analyzers	N/A	N/A	bi-weekly
Frequency of one-point QC check for gaseous instruments	daily	daily	N/A
Date of 2025 Annual Performance Evaluation for gaseous parameters	5/1/2025	5/1/2025	N/A
Dates of 2025 Semi-Annual Flow Rate Audits for PM monitors	N/A	N/A	5/1/2025 10/29/2025

[a] EPA, "AQS Memo - Changes to Oxides of Nitrogen Analyzer Method Codes," December 22, 2014. https://www.epa.gov/aqs/aqs-memo-changes-oxides-nitrogen-analyzer-method-codes

[b] This is the roof-to-probe distance. There are no walls, parapets, penthouses, or other potential obstacles on the roof.

[c] This is the most current AADT available for this segment of the 101.

[d] This is the most current AADT available

Local site name	**Atascadero**			
AQS ID	06-079-8002			
GPS coordinates (decimal degrees)	35.49453, -120.66617			
Street Address	5599 Traffic Way, Atascadero, CA			
County	San Luis Obispo			
Distance to roadways (meters)	163 to Traffic Way 770 to US 101 330 to CA 41			
Traffic count (AADT, year)	Traffic Way: < 7400 (2014) [a] US 101: 62,000 (2023) CA 41: 16,000 (2023)			
Groundcover (e.g. asphalt, dirt, sand)	Vegetative			
Representative statistical area name (i.e. MSA, CBSA, other)	San Luis Obispo – Paso Robles (MSA)			
Pollutant, POC	O_3, 1	NO_2, 1	$PM_{2.5}$, 3	PM_{10}, 3
Primary / QA Collocated / Other	N/A	Primary	Primary	Primary
Parameter code	44201	42602	88101	81102
Basic monitoring objective(s)	NAAQS Comparison	NAAQS Comparison	NAAQS Comparison	NAAQS Comparison
Site type(s)	Population Exposure, Max Concentration	Population Exposure, Max Concentration	Population Exposure	Population Exposure
Monitor type(s)	SLAMS	SLAMS	SLAMS	SLAMS
Network Affiliation	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Instrument manufacturer and model	API T400	API T200	Met One BAM 1020	Met One BAM 1020
Method code	087	099	170	122
FRM/FEM/ARM/other	FEM	FEM	FEM	FEM
Collecting Agency	SLO County APCD	SLO County APCD	SLO County APCD	SLO County APCD
Analytical Lab (i.e. weigh lab, toxics lab, other)	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Reporting Agency	SLO County APCD	SLO County APCD	SLO County APCD	SLO County APCD
Spatial scale (e.g. micro, neighborhood)	Neighborhood	Neighborhood	Neighborhood	Neighborhood
Monitoring start date (MM/DD/YYYY)	02/25/2015	02/25/2015	02/25/2015	02/25/2015
Current sampling frequency (e.g. 1:3, continuous)	continuous	continuous	continuous	continuous
Calculated sampling frequency (e.g. 1:3/1:1)	continuous	continuous	continuous	continuous
Sampling season (MM/DD-MM/DD)	01/01-12/31	01/01-12/31	01/01-12/31	01/01-12/31
Probe height (meters)	8.9	8.9	4.7	4.6
Distance from supporting structure (meters) [b]	6.2	6.2	2.0	1.9
Distance from obstructions on roof (meters)	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

Local site name	**Atascadero**			
Distance from obstructions not on roof (meters)	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Distance from trees (meters)	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Distance to furnace or incinerator flue (meters)	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Distance between monitors fulfilling a QA Collocation requirement (meters)	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
For low volume PM instruments, is any PM instrument within 1 m of the instrument?	N/A	N/A	No	No
For high volume PM instruments, is any PM instrument within 2m of the instrument?	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Unrestricted airflow (degrees)	360	360	360	360
Probe material for reactive gases (e.g. Pyrex, stainless steel, Teflon)	Teflon	Teflon	N/A	N/A
Residence time for reactive gases (seconds)	10.77	12.61	N/A	N/A
Will there be changes within the next 18 months?	No	No	No	No
Is it suitable for comparison against the annual PM2.5?	N/A	N/A	Yes	N/A
Frequency of flow rate verification for manual PM samplers	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Frequency of flow rate verification for automated PM analyzers	N/A	N/A	bi-weekly	bi-weekly
Frequency of one-point QC check for gaseous instruments	daily	daily	N/A	N/A
Date of 2025 Annual Performance Evaluation for gaseous parameters	4/16/2025	4/16/2025	N/A	N/A
Dates of 2025 Semi-Annual Flow Rate Audits for PM monitors	N/A	N/A	4/16/2025 10/26/2025	4/16/2025 10/26/2025

[a] This is the most current AADT available for this segment. Traffic counts were conducted only during peak morning and afternoon hours along this street. Along this stretch of Traffic Way, a total of 1,233 vehicles were counted during these four hours, therefore, six times this figure (7,398) represents the likely maximum AADT.

[b] This is the roof-to-probe distance. There are no walls, parapets, penthouses, or other potential obstacles on the roof.

Local site name	**Red Hills**
AQS ID	06-079-8005
GPS coordinates (decimal degrees)	35.64366, -120.23134
Street Address	3601 Gillis Canyon Rd., Shandon
County	San Luis Obispo
Distance to roadways (meters)	100 to Gillis Canyon Rd. 1740 to Bitterwater Rd. 10,400 to CA 41/46
Traffic count (AADT, year)	Gillis Canyon Rd.: 24 (2016) [a] Bitterwater Rd.: 98 (2013) [a] CA 41/46: 18,200 (2023)
Groundcover (e.g. asphalt, dirt, sand)	Vegetative
Representative statistical area name (i.e. MSA, CBSA, other)	San Luis Obispo – Paso Robles (MSA)
Pollutant, POC	O_3, 1
Primary / QA Collocated / Other	N/A
Parameter code	44201
Basic monitoring objective(s)	NAAQS Comparison
Site type(s)	Regional Transport, Max Concentration
Monitor type(s)	SLAMS
Network Affiliation	N/A
Instrument manufacturer and model	API T400
Method code	087
FRM/FEM/ARM/other	FEM
Collecting Agency	SLO County APCD
Analytical Lab (i.e. weigh lab, toxics lab, other)	N/A
Reporting Agency	SLO County APCD
Spatial scale (e.g. micro, neighborhood)	Regional
Monitoring start date (MM/DD/YYYY)	07/01/2000
Current sampling frequency (e.g. 1:3, continuous)	continuous
Calculated sampling frequency (e.g. 1:3/1:1)	continuous
Sampling season (MM/DD-MM/DD)	01/01-12/31
Probe height (meters)	5.1
Distance from supporting structure (meters)	1.3
Distance from obstructions on roof (meters)	N/A
Distance from obstructions not on roof (meters)	N/A
Distance from trees (meters)	N/A
Distance to furnace or incinerator flue (meters)	N/A
Distance between monitors fulfilling a QA Collocation requirement (meters)	N/A
For low volume PM instruments, is any PM instrument within 1 m of the instrument?	N/A
For high volume PM instruments, is any PM instrument within 2m of the instrument?	N/A
Unrestricted airflow (degrees)	360
Probe material for reactive gases (e.g. Pyrex, stainless steel, Teflon)	Teflon
Residence time for reactive gases (seconds)	11.38
Will there be changes within the next 18 months?	No

Local site name	**Red Hills**
Is it suitable for comparison against the annual PM2.5?	N/A
Frequency of flow rate verification for manual PM samplers	N/A
Frequency of flow rate verification for automated PM analyzers	N/A
Frequency of one-point QC check for gaseous instruments	daily
Date of 2025 Annual Performance Evaluation for gaseous parameters	11/5/2025
Dates of 2025 Semi-Annual Flow Rate Audits for PM monitors	N/A

[a] This is the most current AADT available for this segment.

Local site name	**Carrizo Plain**
AQS ID	06-079-8006
GPS coordinates (decimal degrees)	35.35474, -120.04013
Street Address	9640 Carrizo Highway (CA 58), California Valley
County	San Luis Obispo
Distance to roadways (meters)	38 to Carrizo Highway (CA 58)
Traffic count (AADT, year)	Carrizo Highway (CA 58): 470 (2023)
Groundcover (e.g. asphalt, dirt, sand)	Vegetative (to the west, north, and east) Asphalt (south)
Representative statistical area name (i.e. MSA, CBSA, other)	San Luis Obispo – Paso Robles (MSA)
Pollutant, POC	O_3, 1
Primary / QA Collocated / Other	N/A
Parameter code	44201
Basic monitoring objective(s)	NAAQS Comparison
Site type(s)	Regional Transport, General Background
Monitor type(s)	SLAMS
Network Affiliation	N/A
Instrument manufacturer and model	API T400
Method code	087
FRM/FEM/ARM/other	FEM
Collecting Agency	SLO County APCD
Analytical Lab (i.e. weigh lab, toxics lab, other)	N/A
Reporting Agency	SLO County APCD
Spatial scale (e.g. micro, neighborhood)	Regional
Monitoring start date (MM/DD/YYYY)	01/01/2006
Current sampling frequency (e.g. 1:3, continuous)	continuous
Calculated sampling frequency (e.g. 1:3/1:1)	continuous
Sampling season (MM/DD-MM/DD)	01/01-12/31
Probe height (meters)	4.7
Distance from supporting structure (meters)	1.1
Distance from obstructions on roof (meters)	N/A
Distance from obstructions not on roof (meters)	N/A
Distance from trees (meters)	N/A
Distance to furnace or incinerator flue (meters)	N/A
Distance between monitors fulfilling a QA Collocation requirement (meters)	N/A
For low volume PM instruments, is any PM instrument within 1 m of the instrument?	N/A
For high volume PM instruments, is any PM instrument within 2m of the instrument?	N/A
Unrestricted airflow (degrees)	360
Probe material for reactive gases (e.g. Pyrex, stainless steel, Teflon)	Teflon
Residence time for reactive gases (seconds)	14.81
Will there be changes within the next 18 months?	No
Is it suitable for comparison against the annual PM2.5?	N/A

Local site name	**Carrizo Plain**
Frequency of flow rate verification for manual PM samplers	N/A
Frequency of flow rate verification for automated PM analyzers	N/A
Frequency of one-point QC check for gaseous instruments	daily
Date of 2025 Annual Performance Evaluation for gaseous parameters	11/6/2025
Dates of 2025 Semi-Annual Flow Rate Audits for PM monitors	N/A

Local site name	**Oso Flaco**
AQS ID	06-079-9001
GPS coordinates (decimal degrees)	35.00876, -120.59998
Street Address	Near intersection of Oso Flaco Lake & Beigle Rds., Nipomo
County	San Luis Obispo
Distance to roadways (meters)	1150 to Oso Flaco Lake Rd. 2800 to Guadalupe Rd. (CA 1)
Traffic count (AADT, year)	Oso Flaco Lake Rd.: 2063 (2019) Guadalupe Rd. (CA 1): 6000 (2023)
Groundcover (e.g. asphalt, dirt, sand)	Vegetative, sand
Representative statistical area name (i.e. MSA, CBSA, other)	San Luis Obispo – Paso Robles (MSA)
Pollutant, POC	PM_{10}, 1
Primary / QA Collocated / Other	N/A
Parameter code	81102
Basic monitoring objective(s)	Public Information, Rule 1001 Compliance
Site type(s)	Background
Monitor type(s)	SLAMS
Network Affiliation	N/A
Instrument manufacturer and model	Met One BAM 1020
Method code	122
FRM/FEM/ARM/other	FEM
Collecting Agency	SLO County APCD
Analytical Lab (i.e. weigh lab, toxics lab, other)	N/A
Reporting Agency	SLO County APCD
Spatial scale (e.g. micro, neighborhood)	Neighborhood
Monitoring start date (MM/DD/YYYY)	07/01/2015
Current sampling frequency (e.g. 1:3, continuous)	continuous
Calculated sampling frequency (e.g. 1:3/1:1)	continuous
Sampling season (MM/DD-MM/DD)	01/01-12/31
Probe height (meters)	3.4
Distance from supporting structure (meters)	2.1
Distance from obstructions on roof (meters)	N/A
Distance from obstructions not on roof (meters)	N/A
Distance from trees (meters)	N/A
Distance to furnace or incinerator flue (meters)	N/A
Distance between monitors fulfilling a QA Collocation requirement (meters)	N/A
For low volume PM instruments, is any PM instrument within 1 m of the instrument?	No
For high volume PM instruments, is any PM instrument within 2m of the instrument?	N/A
Unrestricted airflow (degrees)	360
Probe material for reactive gases (e.g. Pyrex, stainless steel, Teflon)	N/A
Residence time for reactive gases (seconds)	N/A
Will there be changes within the next 18 months?	No
Is it suitable for comparison against the annual PM2.5?	N/A

Local site name	**Oso Flaco**
Frequency of flow rate verification for manual PM samplers	N/A
Frequency of flow rate verification for automated PM analyzers	bi-weekly
Frequency of one-point QC check for gaseous instruments	N/A
Date of 2025 Annual Performance Evaluation for gaseous parameters	N/A
Dates of 2025 Semi-Annual Flow Rate Audits for PM monitors	4/17/2025 10/28/2025

Local site name	**SAN LUIS OBISPO – ROBERTO CT.**	
AQS ID	06-079-2020	
GPS coordinates (decimal degrees)	35.25944, -120.64477	
Street Address	3433 Roberto Ct	
County	San Luis Obispo	
Distance to roadways (meters)	18 to Roberto Ct. 180 to Sacramento Dr. 190 to Orcutt Rd.	
Traffic count (AADT, year)	Sacramento Dr: 4541 (2022) Orcutt Rd: 16256 (2022)	
Groundcover (e.g. asphalt, dirt, sand)	asphalt	
Representative statistical area name (i.e. MSA, CBSA, other)	San Luis Obispo – Paso Robles (MSA)	
Pollutant, POC	$PM_{2.5}$, 1	PM_{10}, 1
Primary / QA Collocated / Other	Primary	Primary
Parameter code	88101	81102
Basic monitoring objective(s)	NAAQS Comparison	NAAQS Comparison
Site type(s)	Max Concentration, Source Oriented	Max Concentration, Source Oriented
Monitor type(s)	SLAMS	SLAMS
Network Affiliation	N/A	N/A
Instrument manufacturer and model	Met One BAM 1020	Met One BAM 1020
Method code	170	122
FRM/FEM/ARM/other	FEM	FEM
Collecting Agency	SLO County APCD	SLO County APCD
Analytical Lab (i.e. weigh lab, toxics lab, other)	N/A	N/A
Reporting Agency	SLO County APCD	SLO County APCD
Spatial scale (e.g. micro, neighborhood)	Neighborhood	Neighborhood
Monitoring start date (MM/DD/YYYY)	01/01/2021	01/01/2021
Current sampling frequency (e.g. 1:3, continuous)	continuous	continuous
Calculated sampling frequency (e.g. 1:3/1:1)	continuous	continuous
Sampling season (MM/DD-MM/DD)	01/01-12/31	01/01-12/31
Probe height (meters) [a]	8.0	8.0
Distance from supporting structure (meters) [b]	2.6	2.6
Distance from obstructions on roof (meters)	N/A	N/A
Distance from obstructions not on roof (meters)	N/A	N/A
Distance from trees (meters)	11	11
Distance to furnace or incinerator flue (meters)	4	4
Distance between monitors fulfilling a QA Collocation requirement (meters)	N/A	N/A
For low volume PM instruments, is any PM instrument within 1 m of the instrument?	No	No
For high volume PM instruments, is any PM instrument within 2m of the instrument?	N/A	N/A
Unrestricted airflow (degrees)	360	360
Probe material for reactive gases (e.g. Pyrex, stainless steel, Teflon)	N/A	N/A
Residence time for reactive gases (seconds)	N/A	N/A
Will there be changes within the next 18 months?	No	No
Is it suitable for comparison against the annual PM2.5?	Yes	N/A

Local site name	**SAN LUIS OBISPO – ROBERTO CT.**	
Frequency of flow rate verification for manual PM samplers	N/A	N/A
Frequency of flow rate verification for automated PM analyzers	bi-weekly	bi-weekly
Frequency of one-point QC check for gaseous instruments	N/A	N/A
Date of 2025 Annual Performance Evaluation for gaseous parameters	N/A	N/A
Dates of 2025 Semi-Annual Flow Rate Audits for PM monitors	4/17/2025 10/28/2025	4/17/2025 10/28/2025

[a]Probe height is above ground level, monitors are housed on the roof of the building.

Appendix D: Non SLAMS Network Operations

In addition to these SLAMS stations mentioned in the main report, SLO County APCD also conducts temporary monitoring projects to support certain objectives. In 2016, SLO County APCD received an EPA multipurpose grant for the construction of a mobile particulate monitoring platform to be used for further characterizing dust impacts downwind of the ODSVRA. The platform, which hosts PM_{10} and $PM_{2.5}$ FEM BAM monitors, was completed in the spring of 2017. The mobile monitoring platform was deployed in early 2025 to a location on the Phillips 66 Santa Maria refinery property. The trailer was strategically located in an area downwind of the ODSVRA but upwind of the refinery structure and CDF/Mesa 2 monitoring stations. The data from this deployment will be utilized to help ensure that large amounts of particulate matter are not being generated and impacting communities downwind of the refinery during demolition and remediation work.

The SLO County APCD also has an additional self-contained solar powered monitoring platform outfitted with a BAM-1020 that was funded with the AB617 Community monitoring funds. In previous years this trailer was used to monitor PM_{10} near Lopez Continuation High School. This trailer is available to be deployed strategically for response to wildfires, prescribed burns, or other events within the county.

In collaboration with CARB, South Coast AQMD, residents, and a variety of community partners, we have deployed dozens of Purple Air sensors throughout the County. These are visible on the Purple Air website.[7]

Additionally, the SLO County APCD has a hydrogen sulfide data feed from the monitoring station at Sentinel Peak Resources' Arroyo Grande Oilfield in Price Canyon, but it does not play any role in data collection or validation. Table 3 summarizes the pollutant and meteorological parameters monitored at these non-SLAMS stations.

Table 3: Summary of Parameters Currently Monitored at Non-SLAMS in San Luis Obispo County

Site/Station	Hydrogen Sulfide	PM_{10}	$PM_{2.5}$	Relative Humidity	Wind [a]	Temp
Price Canyon Oilfield	X			X	X	X
P66 Trailer		X	X			

Note: [a] Wind speed, wind direction, and sigma theta.

[7] Purple Air, "Map – Purple Air," https://www.purpleair.com/map.