

## **Appendix A**

## Ohio MPO 2021 – 2024 Transportation Improvement Programs 1997 Ozone Standard “Orphan” Areas Conformity Analysis Summary

### Overview:

Seven Ohio MPOs located within US EPA designated 1997 Ozone Standard “Orphan” Areas are developing new 2021 – 2024 Transportation Improvement Programs (TIP). One of the MPOs, the Toledo Metropolitan Area Council of Governments (TMACOG), is also concurrently developing a 2045 Transportation Plan Update.

As a 1997 Ozone Standard “orphan areas” and consistent with US EPA’s November 29, 2018 guidance resulting from the South Coast II Court Case, the MPOs will advance qualitative Transportation Plan and new 2021 – 2024 TIP transportation conformity determinations.

### Affected MPO/Air Quality Areas:

MPO	1997 Ozone Standard Geography	New Conformity Determination	
		Transportation Plan Update	2021-2024 TIP
Toledo / TMACOG	Lucas & Wood Cos., OH	Yes	Yes
Lima / LACRPC	Allen County, OH		Yes
Dayton / MVRPC	Clark, Greene, Miami, & Montgomery Cos., OH		Yes
Springfield / SCC-TCC			Yes
Youngstown / Eastgate	Mahoning & Trumbull Cos., OH		Yes
Wheeling / Bel-O-Mar	Belmont Co., OH Marshall & Ohio Cos., WV		Yes
Parkersburg / WWW	Washington Co., OH Wood Co., WV		Yes

### Qualitative Conformity Determination Criteria – 40 CFR 93.109:

- Latest planning assumptions – Each MPO maintains current travel demand model socio-economic variables and highway/transit networks used to develop the MPOs’ Transportation Plans.
- Latest emission model – Should a future quantitative emission analyses be needed, the MPOs and ODOT will use US EPA’s MOVES2014a emissions software
- TCMs – The Ohio SIP does not include any TCMs
- Conformity process schedule

- Each MPOs will conduct a public review of its 2021 - 2024 TIP and 1997 Ozone Standard “Orphan” area conformity determination information consistent with its adopted Public Involvement Process. The MPO TIP public involvement processes will be coordinated with ODOT’s STIP public involvement period, as recorded below.

MPO	ODOT STIP Public Involvement Period	MPO TIP Public Involvement Period	MPO Policy Board TIP Approval & Conformity Determination Resolution Date
Toledo / TMACOG	March 30, 2020 – April 10, 2020	3/30/20 – 4/10/20	4/15/20
Lima / LACRPC		3/30/20 – 4/10/20	4/23/20
Dayton / MVRPC		3/11/20 - 4/13/20	5/7/20
Springfield / SCC-TCC		3/30/20 – 4/10/20	5/8/20
Youngstown / Eastgate		3/30/20 – 4/10/20	4/27/20
Wheeling / Bel-O-Mar		3/26/20 – 4/10/20	4/30/20
Parkersburg / WWW		3/30/20 – 4/10/20	5/20/20

- MPO Conformity Tests
  - 1997 Standard Ozone “Orphan Area” qualitative conformity determination

**Outcomes:**

- ODOT and the MPOs listed above request Ohio’s Transportation Conformity Interagency Consultation Partners review the information above and provide written concurrence/comments that the documentation herein meets the requirements for advancing **qualitative** 1997 Ozone Standard “Orphan” Area Transportation Plan and 2021 – 2024 TIP conformity determinations. All partners responded concurrence via e-mail on the following dates.

FHWA: Noel Mehlo (12/30/2019) and Chandra Inglis-Smith (1/2/2020)

FTA: Mark Kane (1/2/2020)

U.S. EPA: Anthony Maietta (1/2/2020)

OEPA: Paul Brown (1/6/2020)