



TRANSPORTATION CONFORMITY

Are you involved with federal road construction activities? If so, CAA transportation conformity requirements may affect your project. These requirements coordinate transportation and air quality planning to ensure that planning for a transportation system is consistent with the SIP for an area where one or more of Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA) air quality standards cannot be met (i.e., a non-attainment area), and that transportation activities do not worsen air quality or interfere with the implementation of the SIP. Metropolitan planning organizations are responsible for developing a transportation improvement program (TIP) that is consistent with a SIP. If the TIP and SIP are not consistent, the area is out of conformity. While construction contractors are not typically responsible for developing a TIP, you should confirm that the TIP and SIP for the area where their road project is located are consistent. Funding and implementation of a federal highway project in a non-attainment area can be suspended when the TIP does not conform with the SIP.