

being approved may be replaced in the future by new adequate budgets. This flexibility has been used in limited situations in the past. In such cases, the MOVES5-based budgets would be used for conformity purposes once they have been found adequate, if requested by the state in its SIP submission and specified in EPA's SIP approval. States should consult with their EPA Regional Office to determine if this flexibility applies to their situation.

C. Use of MOVES5 for Regional Emissions Analyses During the Grace Period

During the conformity grace period, areas should use interagency consultation to examine how MOVES5 will impact their future transportation plan and TIP conformity determinations, including regional emissions analyses. Isolated rural areas should also consider how future regional emissions analyses will be affected when the MOVES5 grace period ends. Areas should carefully consider whether the SIP and budgets should be revised with MOVES5 or if transportation plans and TIPs should be revised before the end of the conformity grace period, since doing so may be necessary to ensure conformity in the future.

Finally, the transportation conformity rule provides flexibility for completing conformity determinations based on regional emissions analyses that use MOVES4 that are started before the end of the grace period. Regional emissions analyses that are started during the MOVES5 grace period can use either MOVES5 or MOVES4. The interagency consultation process should be used if it is unclear if a MOVES4-based analysis was begun before the end of the grace period. If there are questions about which model should be used in a conformity determination, the EPA Regional Office can be consulted.

When the grace period ends on *December 11, 2026*, MOVES5 will become the only EPA motor vehicle emissions model for regional emissions analyses for transportation conformity in states other than California. In general, this means that all new transportation plan and TIP conformity determinations started after the end of the grace period must be based on MOVES5, even if the SIP is based on MOVES4 or an older version of the MOVES model.

D. Use of MOVES5 for Project-Level Hot-Spot Analyses During the Conformity Grace Period

The MOVES5 grace period also applies to the use of MOVES5 for CO,

PM₁₀ and PM_{2.5} hot-spot analyses. Sections 93.116 and 93.123 of the transportation conformity regulation contain the requirements for when a hot-spot analysis is required for project-level conformity determinations.¹⁵ The transportation conformity rule provides flexibility for analyses that are started before the end of the grace period. A conformity determination for a transportation project may be based on a previous model if the analysis was begun before or during the grace period, and if the final environmental document for the project is issued no more than three years after the issuance of the draft environmental document (40 CFR 93.111(c)). Interagency consultation should be used if it is unclear if a previous analysis was begun before the end of the grace period. For CO, PM₁₀ and PM_{2.5} hot-spot analyses that start during the MOVES5 grace period, project sponsors can choose to use MOVES5 or MOVES4. Any new CO, PM₁₀ or PM_{2.5} hot-spot analyses for conformity purposes begun after the end of the MOVES5 grace period must be based on MOVES5.

Interagency consultation must be used to evaluate and choose model(s) and associated methods and assumptions to be used in hot-spot analyses and regional emissions analyses (40 CFR 93.105(c)(1)(i)). This includes which MOVES version to use for a hot-spot analysis. EPA encourages project sponsors to use the consultation process to determine which option may be most appropriate for a given situation. For questions about how the MOVES grace periods apply in a project-level conformity determination, contact your EPA Regional Office.

EPA has guidance on how to conduct quantitative PM_{2.5} and PM₁₀ hot-spot modeling for transportation conformity purposes, and on how to use MOVES for a CO hot-spot analysis. See EPA's "Project-level Conformity" website, <https://www.epa.gov/state-and-local-transportation/project-level-conformity-and-hot-spot-analyses>, for the latest information and guidance documents on how to conduct CO, PM₁₀ and PM_{2.5} hot-spot modeling for transportation conformity purposes.

¹⁵ In CO nonattainment and maintenance areas, a hot-spot analysis is required for all non-exempt projects, with quantitative hot-spot analyses being required for larger, congested intersections and other projects (40 CFR 93.123(a)(1)). In addition, in PM_{2.5} and PM₁₀ nonattainment and maintenance areas, the transportation conformity regulation requires that a quantitative hot-spot analysis be completed for certain projects (see 40 CFR 93.123(b)(1)).

E. FHWA's CO Categorical Hot-Spot Finding

FHWA released the most recent CO categorical hot-spot finding for intersection projects on January 31, 2023, that was based on MOVES3.¹⁶ Until September 12, 2025, a project sponsor outside of California may continue to rely on the categorical finding for applicable projects that are determined through interagency consultation to be covered by the finding's parameters. However, any new CO hot-spot analyses for conformity purposes begun after September 12, 2025, would not be able to rely on the MOVES3-based January 2023 CO categorical hot-spot finding.

F. CO Hot-spot Protocols that Were Previously Approved into the SIP

Section 93.123(a)(1) of the transportation conformity regulation allows areas to develop alternate procedures for determining localized CO hot-spot analyses, when developed through interagency consultation and approved by the EPA Regional Administrator. Some states have chosen in the past to develop such procedures based on previous EPA emissions models.

During the MOVES5 grace period, areas with previously approved CO hot-spot protocols based on MOVES4 may continue to rely on these protocols. Once the MOVES5 two-year grace period ends, new CO hot-spot analyses for conformity purposes will need to be based on MOVES5 and thus may no longer rely on CO hot-spot protocols based on MOVES4 or earlier versions.

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FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

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Open Commission Meeting Wednesday, December 11, 2024

December 04, 2024.

The Federal Communications Commission will hold an Open Meeting on the subjects listed below on Wednesday, December 11, 2024, which is scheduled to commence at 10:30 a.m. in the Commission Meeting Room of the

¹⁶ See <https://www.epa.gov/state-and-local-transportation/project-level-conformity-and-hot-spot-analyses#cohotspot>.

Federal Communications Commission, 45 L Street NE, Washington, DC. While attendance at the Open Meeting is available to the public, the FCC headquarters building is not open access

and all guests must check in with and be screened by FCC security at the main entrance on L Street. Attendees at the Open Meeting will not be required to have an appointment but must

otherwise comply with protocols outlined at: www.fcc.gov/visit. Open Meetings are streamed live at: www.fcc.gov/live and on the FCC's YouTube channel.

Item No.	Bureau	Subject
1	Office of Engineering and Technology	<i>Title:</i> Unlicensed Use of the 6 GHz Band (ET Docket No. 18–295); Expanding Flexible Use in Mid-Band Spectrum Between 3.7 and 24 GHz (GN Docket No. 17–183). <i>Summary:</i> The Commission will consider a Third Report and Order that would expand unlicensed use of the 6 GHz band by very low power devices in two additional sub-bands, making a contiguous 1200 megahertz of spectrum available for use by these devices.
2	Media	<i>Title:</i> Broadcast Rule Update (MB Docket No. 24–626). <i>Summary:</i> The Commission will consider a Notice of Proposed Rulemaking that would amend its rules for radio and television stations to reflect current application processing requirements, clarify and harmonize provisions, and remove references to outdated procedures and legacy filing systems.
3	Wireline Competition	<i>Title:</i> Connect America Fund (WC Docket No. 10–90); The Uniendo a Puerto Rico Fund and the Connect USVI Fund (WC Docket No. 18–143); Rural Digital Opportunity Fund (WC Docket No. 19–126); Letters of Credit for Recipients of High-Cost Competitive Bidding Support (WC Docket No. 24–144); Connect America Fund Phase II Auction (AU Docket No. 17–182); Rural Digital Opportunity Fund Auction (AU Docket No.20–34); Establishing a 5G Fund for Rural America (GN Docket No. 20–32). <i>Summary:</i> The Commission will consider a Report and Order that would adopt targeted modifications to the requirements for Letters of Credit that recipients of Universal Service Fund (USF) high-cost support awarded through a competitive process must obtain.
4	Enforcement	<i>Title:</i> Enforcement Order on Reconsideration (EB Docket No. 23–64). <i>Summary:</i> The Commission will consider an Order on Reconsideration of its March 19, 2024, Memorandum Opinion and Order in the UPM Technology, Inc. v. Unigestion Holding, S.A., d/b/a Digicel Haiti, complaint proceeding.
5	Enforcement	<i>Title:</i> Enforcement Bureau Action. <i>Summary:</i> The Commission will consider an enforcement action.
6	Enforcement	<i>Title:</i> Enforcement Bureau Action. <i>Summary:</i> The Commission will consider an enforcement action.
7	Enforcement	<i>Title:</i> Enforcement Bureau Action. <i>Summary:</i> The Commission will consider an enforcement action.

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The meeting will be webcast at: www.fcc.gov/live. Open captioning will be provided as well as a text only version on the FCC website. Other reasonable accommodations for people with disabilities are available upon request. In your request, include a description of the accommodation you will need and a way we can contact you if we need more information. Last minute requests will be accepted but may be impossible to fill. Send an email to: fcc504@fcc.gov or call the Consumer & Governmental Affairs Bureau at 202–418–0530.

Press Access—Members of the news media are welcome to attend the meeting and will be provided reserved seating on a first-come, first-served basis. Following the meeting, the Chairwoman may hold a news conference in which she will take questions from credentialed members of the press in attendance. Also, senior policy and legal staff will be made available to the press in attendance for questions related to the items on the meeting agenda. Commissioners may

also choose to hold press conferences. Press may also direct questions to the Office of Media Relations (OMR): MediaRelations@fcc.gov. Questions about credentialing should be directed to OMR.

Additional information concerning this meeting may be obtained from the Office of Media Relations, (202) 418–0500. Audio/Video coverage of the meeting will be broadcast live with open captioning over the internet from the FCC Live web page at www.fcc.gov/live.

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FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

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Information Collection Being Submitted for Review and Approval to Office of Management and Budget

AGENCY: Federal Communications Commission.

ACTION: Notice and request for comments.

SUMMARY: As part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork burdens, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA) of 1995, the Federal Communications Commission (FCC or the Commission) invites the general public and other Federal Agencies to take this opportunity to comment on the following information collection. Pursuant to the Small Business Paperwork Relief Act of 2002, the FCC seeks specific comment on how it might “further reduce the information collection burden for small business concerns with fewer than 25 employees.” The Commission may not conduct or sponsor a collection of