# **Cost Of Nonattainment Study For The OKC Area**

#### What is Nonattainment Status?

The Oklahoma City Metro Area could soon receive a Nonattainment status from the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA). This designation means the quality of air in the OKC area does not meet the National Air Quality Standards. A Nonattainment status for this region would result in billions of dollars in transportation and economic development costs.



### How Nonattainment Could Affect the OKC Area

Mandatory Emissions Controls

Potential loss of federal revenue due to long-term road project delay

Increased Road Project Delays

**Costs for Road Projects** 

**Annual Car Inspections** 



Could Cost OKC
Metro Area
\$9.6 - 15.2 Billion
In Economic
Development Costs

For more information, please go to: acogok.org/cnastudy

## **Public Health & Public Welfare Ozone Impacts**



Respiratory



Cardiovascular Effects



Mortality



Damage to Vegetation



Ecosystem Damage

## **Frequenty Asked Questions**

1. Is there any way to keep OKC from receiving a Nonattainment status?

Yes, however, Ozone level monitors in and around the Oklahoma City area from 2016--2019 indicate that the area's ozone concentrations are at the maximum allowable levels.

2. What are some of the things citizens can do to improve OKC's air quality?

Mow at dusk, refuel vehicles at night, carpool, pre-cool your home during non-peak hours, just to name a few.

3. Why did ACOG commission this study?

The Association of Central Oklahoma Governments (ACOG), commissioned this study to utilize its resources as the Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) for Central Oklahoma to be innovative, forward-thinking and to prepare the region for all possible scenarios.

"Keeping Central Oklahoma in attainment is key for ODOT to deliver needed transportation projects and is absolutely critical to the success of current and future mobility improvements in the Oklahoma City metro area."

> -Tim Gatz, Secretary of Transportation, ODOT Executive Director

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