

# Regional Conformity Assessment Report

TAC Meeting

April 14, 2026

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- TIP development must demonstrate Clean Air Act conformity
- Region currently meets all federal air quality standards
- Richmond–Petersburg was formerly a nonattainment/maintenance area 2018 court ruling requires ongoing conformity determinations
- Applies despite attainment of newer ozone standards

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- Interagency consultation conducted
- Draft conformity report prepared and reviewed
- TAC advanced the draft for public review
- Public comment period opened March 10, 2026

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- Projects within former 8-hour ozone maintenance area
- Constrained projects from ConnectRVA 2045
- Ungrouped projects from the draft FY27–30 TIP
- Combined list forms the RRTPO project set
- Policy Board approved projects on March 5, 2026

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5 Comments

## **Air Quality Conformity Report – Key Feedback**

- Agreement with findings, but concern it focuses on minimum compliance rather than real emissions reduction
- Calls for stronger climate leadership, equity focus, and clearer links between projects and air-quality outcomes

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- TAC to review the draft Regional Conformity Assessment and provide a recommendation of approval to the RRTPO policy board.