

Appendix 2

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Dust Emissions from Unpaved Roads⁵:
$$E = \frac{k(s/12)^a(W/3)^b}{(M/0.2)^c} \times \frac{(365-p)}{365} \times \frac{S}{15}$$

Dust Emissions from Paved Roads:
$$E = \left[k \left(\frac{sL}{2} \right)^{0.65} \times \left(\frac{W}{3} \right)^{1.5} - C \right] \left[1 - \left(\frac{P}{4N} \right) \right]$$

Dust Emissions for Bulldozer Operations:
$$E = \frac{2.6(s)^{1.2}}{(M)^{1.4}}$$

Dust Emissions for Grading Operations:
$$E = 0.0034(S)^{2.5}$$

Dust Emissions for Scrapers Removing Topsoil:
$$0.0057 \text{ g / VKT}$$

Dust Emissions for Excavators (kg/Mg):
$$E = k(0.0016) \frac{(U/22)^{1.3}}{(M/2)^{1.4}}$$

E	=	Size specific emission (lb/VMT) (1lb/VMT = 281.9 g/VKT)
s	=	Surface material silt content (11.7%)
S	=	Mean vehicle speed (10 mph)
W	=	Mean vehicle weight (Tons)
M	=	Surface material moisture content (18 %)
k	=	Particle size multiplier for PM ₃₀ (dimensionless)
a	=	Constant for PM ₃₀ (dimensionless)
b	=	Constant for PM ₃₀ (dimensionless)
c	=	Constant for PM ₃₀ (dimensionless)
d	=	Constant for PM ₃₀ (dimensionless)
C	=	Emission factor for vehicle fleet exhaust, brake wear and tyre wear
U	=	Average windspeed (3 m/s)
sL	=	Road surface silt loading (7.4 g/m ²)
p	=	Number of days in the year with more than 0.254mm of rain (128 days)
N	=	Number of days in the averaging period (30 days)
P	=	Number of days in 30 day period with more than 0.254mm of rain (2 days)

Emissions are based on an assumption of 80% efficiency of dust reduction measures on unpaved haul roads and a 50% efficiency associated with all other earthmoving activity. No reduction has been applied to paved haul roads.

⁵ Compilation of Air Pollution Emission Factors. Volume II. AP42 US EPA 1998-2006

