

PM10 – Portola (Table 7)

In 1995 the NSAQMD began monitoring PM10 in the downtown area of Portola at the request of the city council. Portola was second only to Truckee in its high levels of particulate matter, but has now surpassed Truckee. With only 5 ½ years of data there is no discernible trend, but it is likely that PM10 levels will remain consistently high if no efforts are made to mitigate the existing problem. The sampler was turned off in July of 2000, and will not be re-activated. A PM2.5 sampler was added to this location in early 1999. Additionally, a PM2.5 BAM was added to this site in late 2002.

Long Term Outlook: As far as PM10 goes there is no long-term outlook because we no longer monitor for that pollutant (*see PM2.5*)