

# 713000 - COBB Tuning SF Intake & Air Box Install Instructions



Congratulations on your purchase of the COBB Tuning SF Intake & Air Box Kit. The following instructions will assist you through your installation process. Please read them first BEFORE beginning the install and familiarize yourself with the steps and tools needed. If you feel that you cannot properly perform this installation, we HIGHLY recommend you take the vehicle to a qualified and experienced automotive technician.

#### **Part List**

- SF Intake Kit
  - MAF Sensor Housing (1)
  - Air Filter (1)
  - Mounting Bracket (1)
  - Bolt (1)
  - Flat Washer (1)
  - Hex-head Bolts (2)
  - Lock Washer (1)
  - COBB Sticker (1)
- SF Air Box Kit
  - Air Box Surround (1)
  - Air Box Lid (1)
  - Lid Support Bracket (1)
  - 53" of Edge Trim (1)

- Button-head Hex Bolts (5)
- Nylon Washers (5)
- 19" Silicone Hose (1)
- 23" Rubber Hose (1)
- 10 mm Bolt and Washer (1)

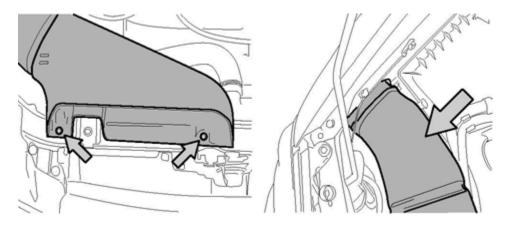
### **Tools Needed**

- Flat Head & Phillips Head Screwdrivers
- Socket Wrench (We recommend 3/8" drive)
- 12" Extension for Socket Wrench
- 10mm & 12mm Socket
- 10mm Boxed End Wrench
- 2.5mm & 3mm Hex-head/Allen wrench
- Needle Nose Pliers

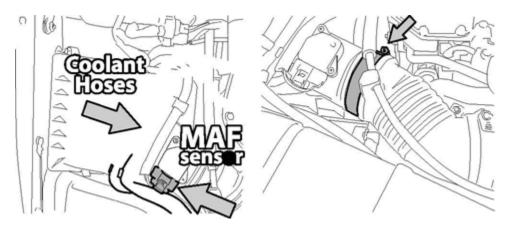


## **Removal of Stock Air box and Silencer**

- 1) Disconnect car battery
- 2) Remove the two 10mm bolts holding the air inlet scoop on and remove the inlet scoop.



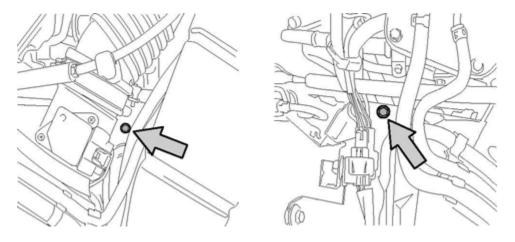
- 3) Remove the wiring harness clip from the MAF sensor.
- 4) Remove the coolant hoses from their clips on the top of the air box.



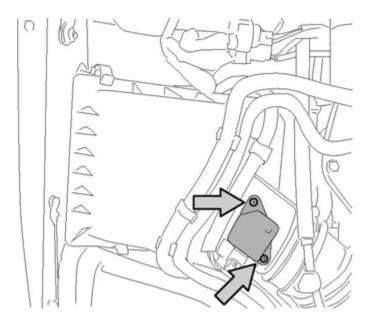
5) Use the flathead screwdriver to loosen the hose clamp that holds the intake hose to the air box and remove the cruise control wire from the clip if equipped. Retain the hose clamp for use with the COBB SF Intake System.



6) Use the 12mm socket, 12" extension, and socket wrench to remove the 2 bolts holding the air box to the chassis and pull up to remove the air box. You may have to angle it in order to slide it out of the grommet and the silencer in the fender well. Retain one of the bolts for use with the COBB SF Intake System.

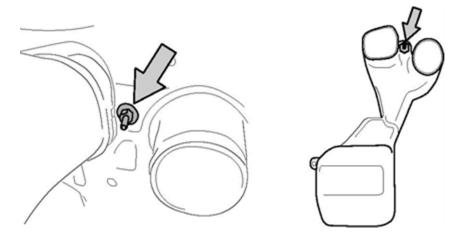


7) Use the Phillips head screwdriver to remove the MAF sensor from the factory air box. BE VERY CAREFUL WITH THE SENSOR AS IT IS SENSITIVE AND CAN BE DAMAGED.

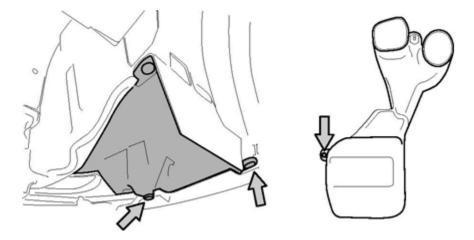




- 8) On some cars the silencer in the fender well may contact the end of the filter. If desired, the silencer may be trimmed slightly or removed altogether. However, it is recommended that the silencer be kept in place as it aids in getting cold air to the intake.
  - a) (Optional) Remove the 10mm nut that is holding on the top of the silencer to the fender well. The first picture is with the silencer in the car, and the second with it out of the car.



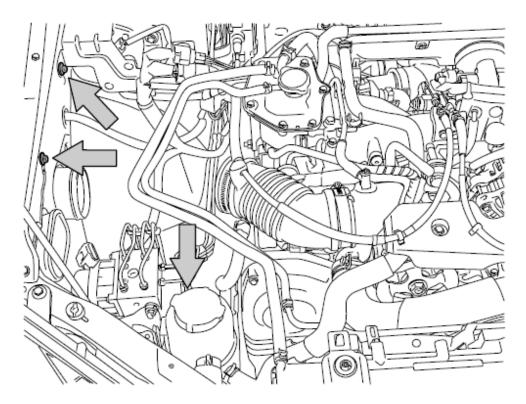
- b) Remove the pop-in retainers from the fender liner at the bottom of the fender well. Do not remove the entire fender liner, just open up the bottom for access to the silencer.
- c) Remove the silencer from the fender well. It is secured with another 10 mm nut inside the fender well. The picture below is with the silencer removed so that you can see the location of the nut in relation to the silencer.



d) Place the splash guard back in its original position and reinstall the pop-in retainers.

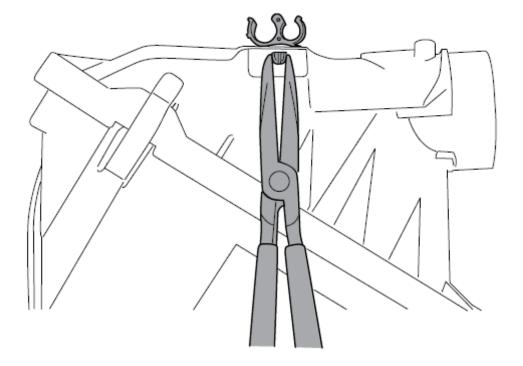


9) Now remove the 10 mm bolt from the boost control solenoid bracket. Also remove the 10 mm bolt and plastic clip that secures the ground wire to the chassis. And lastly, remove the remaining 12 mm bolt that secures the ABS unit. Keep track of all the removed bolts as they will be reused with the COBB air box.





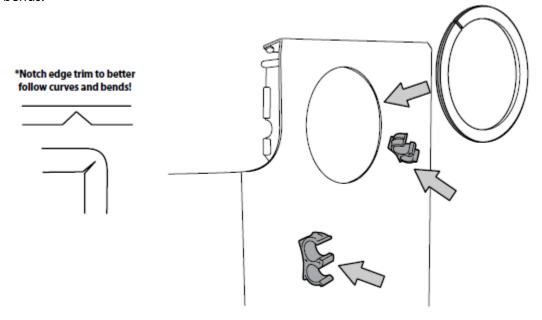
10) At this point, it is also necessary to remove the two hose retainers on top of the factory air box using a pair of needle nose pliers as shown.



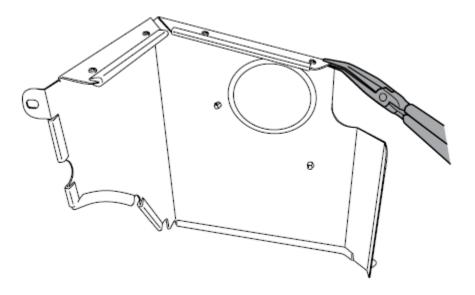


## Installation of COBB Tuning Intake and Air Box

1. Now install the two factory hose retainers in the COBB air box as shown. Note that the small hose is below the large hose on both clips. Also install the edge trim around the outer edges of the air box, see diagram below for proper placement. Remember to notch the edge trim for a better fit around tight bends.

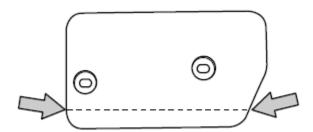


(Optional) If a tighter seal is desired, cut the supplied edge trim and install as shown.

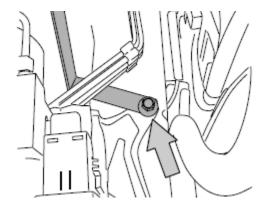




\*Note 02-03 WRX owners will need to remove and /or trim the boost control solenoid cover as shown.



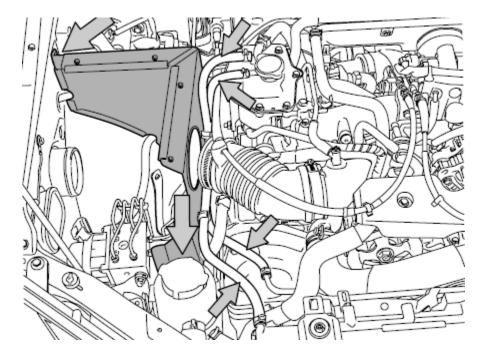
2. Using one of the bolts that secured the factory air box to the chassis, install the bracket for the COBB SF Intake System in the most forward facing of the two bolt holes. Do not tighten the bolt so that it can move to properly position the housing/filter later.



3. At this point it is time to replace the coolant lines going from the radiator to the air separator tank. IMPORTANT!!! MAKE SURE THE CAR HAS HAD PLENTY OF TIME TO COOL DOWN BEFORE ATTEMPTING TO REMOVE THE HOSES (30 minutes to 1 hour). Once cool, remove the radiator cap to relieve any pressure still remaining in the system. Star by using a pair of needle nose pliers to remove the clamps from both hoses. Be ready with the new hoses, or a way to catch the coolant that may come out when removing the hoses. Reusing the hose clamps from the factory lines install the shorter silicone hose in between the nipple off of the radiator cap and the hard line that goes to the coolant overflow bottle. The longer rubber hose goes in between the nipple just above the radiator cap and the nipple on the radiator. See diagram below for proper hose routing.



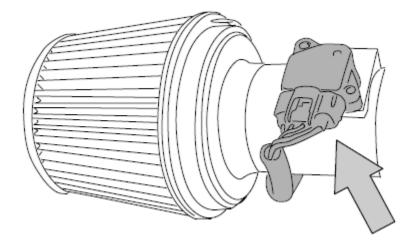
4. Install the COBB air box bottom reusing the 10 mm bolt that holds the boost control solenoid bracket in place and the 12 mm bolt that hold the ABS bracket in place. The coolant hoses may now be clipped on to the side of the air box.



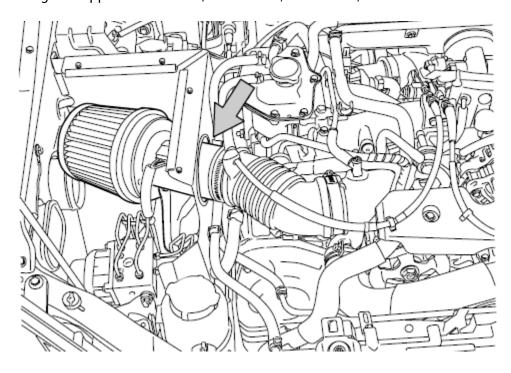
5. Place the filter on the air horn end of the COBB MAF Sensor Housing and secure it using the supplied clamp.



6. Install the factory MAF sensor into the COBB MAF housing using the supplied hex bolts. BE VERY CAREFUL WITH THE SENSOR AS IT IS SENSITIVE AND CAN BE DAMAGED. The sensor can only be mounted one way due to the orientation of the mounting holes. TAKE CARE NOT TO PINCH THE O-RING WHEN INSTALLING. Tighten the hex bolts securely, but do not over tighten.

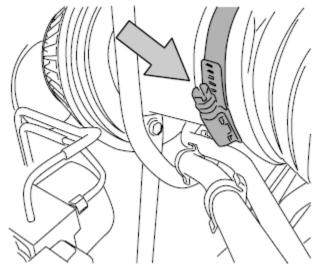


7. Now carefully slide the COBB MAF/filter assembly into the hole in the air box and into the factory intake tube. Before tightening the hose clamp on the intake tube, loosely bolt the bracket to the MAF housing using the supplied 10 mm bolt, lock washer, and washer, in that order.

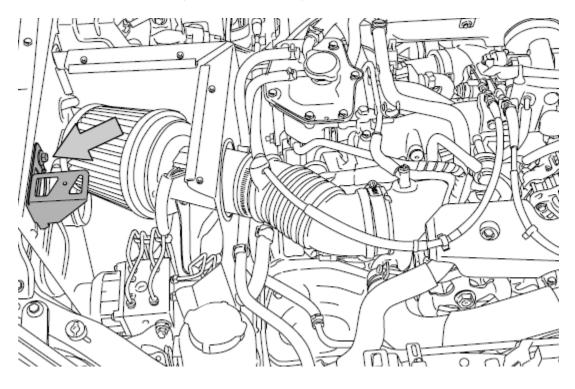




8. Now position the MAF housing directly in the center of the hole in the air box and tighten the 10 mm and 12 mm bolts on the MAF housing bracket and the hose clamp on the factory intake tube.

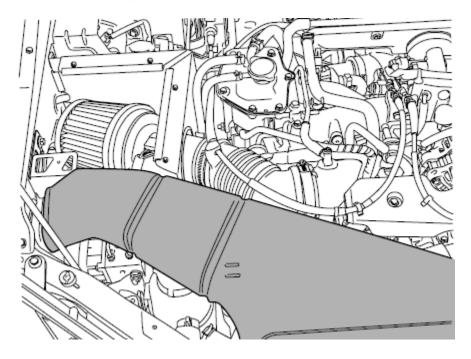


9. Install the lid support bracket using the 10mm bolt and washer to hold the ground in place. Make sure to install the ground under the bracket in the cutout to retain a good ground. Note: the plastic clip that retains the ground wire may not reach and may need to be removed.

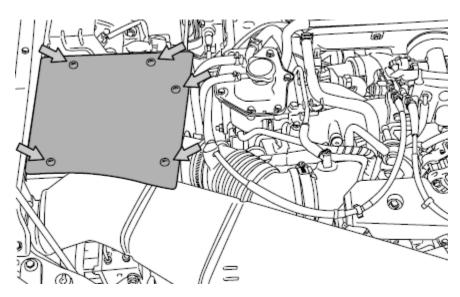




10. Reinstall the factory air intake scoop.



11. It is now time to install the air box lid. Using the 5 supplied button head hex bolts and 5 black nylon washers, loosely install all 5 of the hex bolts with the nylon washers underneath to protect the finish on the lid. If you find that the bolt holes do not line up, the air box bottom and/or lid support bracket may need to be loosened, adjusted, and re tightened for a perfect fit. All of the holes are slotted to allow for differences from car to car.





12. The car should be started and warmed up to check for any vacuum or coolant leaks.

13. Enjoy your new COBB Tuning intake system!