



NOTICE OF PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD BEGINNING OCTOBER 19, 2015 AND A PUBLIC HEARING ON NOVEMBER 19, 2015, IF REQUESTED

Conducted by the Nevada Division of Environmental Protection
Bureau of Air Quality Planning

Pursuant to the public hearing requirements in Title 40 of the Code of Federal Regulations Part 51 section 102, the Nevada Division of Environmental Protection (NDEP) is issuing the following notice and is taking comment on the NDEP's proposed State Implementation Plan (SIP) for the 2012 annual primary fine particulates (PM_{2.5}) national ambient air quality standard (NAAQS).

On January 15, 2013, the United States Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA) published (78 FR 3086) a revised annual primary PM_{2.5} NAAQS, to be effective March 18, 2013. When USEPA promulgates a new standard or revises an existing standard, Clean Air Act section 110(a)(1) requires each state to submit a plan showing they have the authority and programs needed to implement, maintain, and enforce the standard, regardless of designation status. This documentation is submitted to USEPA for approval and is generally referred to as an "infrastructure SIP." States must submit an infrastructure SIP within three years after a federal standard is adopted or revised. Nevada's PM_{2.5} infrastructure SIP will be submitted to USEPA by December 14, 2015, the submittal deadline.

The NDEP is responsible for developing and implementing state plans in the 15 rural counties of Nevada. Clark County and Washoe County have their own air quality agencies, which are responsible for their respective counties. The NDEP adopted the revised 2012 PM_{2.5} NAAQS as the State air quality standard and prepared a draft PM_{2.5} plan demonstrating that with the adoption of the federal standard Nevada's existing authority and programs meet the requirements of the Clean Air Act. The NDEP's draft infrastructure SIP and related materials are available on the NDEP website at <http://ndep.nv.gov/admin/public.htm>, click on "Air Quality Planning." Access to the draft document may also be obtained by contacting Adele Malone at NDEP, 901 S. Stewart Street, Suite 4001, Carson City, NV 89701; (775) 687-9356; or e-mail to amalone@ndep.nv.gov.

Persons wishing to comment on the proposed Nevada Clean Air Act section 110(a)(2) submittal or to request a public hearing should submit their comments or request **in writing** either in person or by mail or fax to Adele Malone at the above address or by fax at (775) 687-6396. ***A request for a hearing must be received by November 12, 2015. Written comments will be received by the NDEP until 5:00 PM PST, November 19, 2015 and will be retained and considered.***

Upon receipt of a valid written request, the NDEP will hold a public hearing in Carson City on:

**November 19, 2015
10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.
Great Basin Conference Room, 4th Floor
901 South Stewart Street
Carson City, Nevada**

An agenda will be posted on the NDEP web site at least 3 working days before the hearing. Oral comments will be received at the Hearing. If no request for a public hearing is received by November 12, 2015, the hearing will be cancelled. Persons may check on the status of the hearing on the NDEP web site at <http://ndep.nv.gov/admin/public.htm>, click on "Air Quality Planning," or you may call the NDEP Bureau of Air Quality Planning at (775) 687-9349.

This notice has been published in the Las Vegas Review-Journal and the Reno Gazette Journal newspapers. It has been posted at the NDEP offices in Carson City and Las Vegas, at the State Library in Carson City and at County libraries throughout Nevada. Members of the public who are disabled and require special accommodations or assistance at the hearing are requested to notify Patricia Bobo (775-687-9543) or Ann McKnight (775-687-9349) no later than 3 working days before the hearing.

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