STATE OF NEVADA



Department of Conservation & Natural Resources

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May 23, 2025

Mr. Josh F.W. Cook Regional Administrator ORA-1, USEPA Region 9 75 Hawthorne Street San Francisco, CA 94105

RE: Submittal of a Revision to Nevada's Regional Haze State Implementation Plan for the Second Planning Period

Dear Mr. Cook,

On behalf of Governor Lombardo, as his appointed designee, this letter informs you of our electronic transmittal of a revision to Nevada's Regional Haze State Implementation Plan for the Second Planning Period (Regional Haze SIP Revision) to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA) through the State Planning Electronic Collaboration System (SPeCS). The Regional Haze SIP Revision is also available for download at https://ndep.nv.gov/air/planning-and-modeling/regional-haze-and-bart. The Regional Haze SIP Revision is submitted to address certain requirements of 40 CFR part 51 section 308, "Regional haze program requirements". The Nevada Division of Environmental Protection (NDEP) requests approval of the Regional Haze SIP Revision into the Nevada State Implementation Plan.

On August 12, 2022, NDEP submitted "The Nevada State Implementation Plan for the Regional Haze Rule for the Second Planning Period; Withdrawal and Replacement of Elements of the 2012 PM2.5 NAAQS and 2015 Ozone NAAQS Infrastructure SIPs" (2022 Regional Haze SIP) for USEPA approval into the applicable Nevada SIP. Changes to the energy landscape along with transmission system reliability considerations in Nevada necessitated reconsideration of portions of the 2022 Regional Haze SIP. On July 27, 2023, NDEP submitted a letter informing the USEPA of its partial withdrawal of the 2022 Regional Haze SIP. Having completed the four-factor re-analysis and established new reasonable progress requirements, NDEP is now submitting the enclosed revision to replace the withdrawn elements in the 2022 Regional Haze SIP. The Regional Haze SIP Revision also incorporates by reference updated permits for the Lhoist Apex and Graymont Pilot Peak facilities.

We certify that all portions of the Regional Haze SIP Revision were properly noticed. Evidence of public participation is included in Appendix G of the Regional Haze SIP Revision. Evidence of consultation with Federal Land Managers is included in Appendix E. The Administrator of the NDEP has the authority to adopt and submit state implementation plans to USEPA, as indicated in Appendix H. The NDEP hereby adopts this revision to Nevada's Regional Haze State Implementation Plan for the Second Planning Period. We request the USEPA's approval of this submittal into the applicable Nevada SIP.

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Please contact Andrew Tucker, Chief, Bureau of Air Quality Planning at (775)-687-9340, if you have any questions or require additional clarification.

Sincerely,

Jennifer Carr (May 23, 2025 14:11 PDT)

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