

Public Notice
Ohio Environmental Protection Agency
Demonstration for Attainment of the 1-Hour Sulfur Dioxide Standard in Nonattainment
Areas State Implementation Plan

Notice is hereby given that the Director of the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency, (Ohio EPA) is submitting to the United States Protection Agency (U.S. EPA) the Sulfur Dioxide (SO₂) State Implementation Plan (SIP), for the following nonattainment areas in Ohio:

- Lake County, OH: all of Lake County.
- Muskingum River, OH: Center Township in Morgan County and Waterford Township in Washington County.
- Steubenville OH-WV: Cross Creek Township, Steubenville Township, Warren Township, Wells Township, and Steubenville City in Jefferson County, Ohio and includes the Cross Creek Tax District in Brooke County, West Virginia. This SIP only addresses the Ohio portion of this area.

This SIP addresses the 2010 1-hour SO₂ national ambient air quality standard (NAAQS). These areas were designated as nonattainment areas under provisions contained in the Clean Air Act (CAA). The CAA requires states with SO₂ nonattainment areas to submit a plan within eighteen months of the effective date of the designations detailing how the SO₂ standard will be attained by October 4, 2018.

Ohio submitted its preliminary SIP containing the attainment demonstration to U.S. EPA on April 3, 2015. This submittal is now being made available for public comment and includes a draft of the rules regulating specific sources of SO₂ emissions deemed necessary to provide for attainment of the air quality standard by October 4, 2018.

The State of Ohio will request that U.S. EPA:

1. Review and approve the emissions inventory for SO₂.
2. Review and approve Ohio's Reasonably Available Control Measures (RACM) and Reasonably Available Control Technology (RACT) analysis.
3. Review and approve the revised regulations requiring emissions reductions for certain sources of SO₂.
4. Review and approve the entirety of the SO₂ Attainment Demonstration SIP.

These actions must be noticed to allow public comment and to satisfy U.S. EPA requirements for public involvement in SIP related activities. This notice addresses Ohio EPA's reliance on the emission projections and modeling as evidence of attainment by October 4, 2018. Written comments will be received on or before July 1, 2015 at the following address:

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Pursuant to Section 119.03 of the Ohio Revised Code, public hearings on this attainment demonstration will be conducted as follows:

June 29, 2015 at 3:00 PM

Pomeroy Public Library
216 West Main Street
Pomeroy, Ohio 45769

June 30, 2015 at 3:00 PM

Steubenville Public Library
Schiappa Branch
Conference Room
4141 Mall Drive
Steubenville, OH 43952

July 1, 2015 at 3:00 PM

Parma Heights Library
6206 Pearl Rd.
Parma Heights, Ohio 44130-3086

All interested persons are entitled to attend or be represented at the hearings and give written or oral comments on these changes. All oral comments presented at the hearing, and all written statements submitted at the hearing or to the above address by the close of business on July 1, 2015 will be considered by Ohio EPA prior to final action on this redesignation. Written statements submitted after July 1, 2015 may be considered as time and circumstances permit, but will not be part of the official record of the hearing.

This attainment demonstration is available on Ohio EPA DAPC's Web page for electronic downloading at: <http://www.epa.ohio.gov/dapc/SIP/so2.aspx>. These rules are available on the Ohio EPA DAPC Regulations webpage for electronic downloading at: <http://epa.ohio.gov/dapc/DAPCrules.aspx>. See the information on these rules dated May 22, 2015 under the "Proposed Rules" tab. Questions regarding accessing the web site should be directed to Paul Braun at 614-644-3734; other questions or comments about this document should be directed to Jennifer Van Vlerah at (614) 644-3696, Jennifer.vanvlerah@epa.ohio.gov or mailed to Jennifer Van Vlerah. at the above address. Persons submitting comments electronically are encouraged to follow-up with a hard copy via regular mail.