

Public Notice
Ohio Environmental Protection Agency
2008 Lead Standard - Second Round of Recommended Designations

The Ohio Environmental Protection Agency (Ohio EPA) is soliciting comments regarding the second round of recommended designations for the revised lead National Ambient Air Quality Standard (NAAQS) which changed from 1.5 micrograms per cubic meter (ug/m³) to 0.15 ug/m³. (The United States Environmental Protection Agency (U.S. EPA) adopted this revised lead standard effective on October 15, 2008.) The comments received will be used to formulate the State's second round recommendation proposal to U.S. EPA. The first round of nonattainment area recommendations was submitted to U.S. EPA on October 5, 2009. Ohio EPA recommended three nonattainment areas at that time. U.S. EPA has not taken final action to date on the first round nonattainment designations. Ohio EPA is not suggesting any additional nonattainment areas as part of Ohio's second recommendation.

This action must be noticed to allow public comment and to satisfy U.S. EPA requirements for public involvement in state implementation plan related activities. Comments should be submitted on or before December 8, 2010 to the following address:

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Pursuant to Section 119.03 of the Ohio Revised Code, a public hearing on these recommendations will be conducted at 1:30 p.m. on December 8, 2010, in Conference Room C at Ohio EPA, 50 West Town Street, Suite 700, Columbus, Ohio. All interested persons are entitled to attend or be represented at the hearing and give written or oral comments on these recommendations. 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 December 8, 2010, will be considered with equal consideration by Ohio EPA prior to final action on these recommendations. Written statements submitted after December 8, 2010, may be considered as time and circumstances permit, but will not be part of the official record of the hearing.

The lead designation recommendation documentation is available on Ohio EPA DAPC's web page for electronic downloading by clicking on "State Implementation Plans" under the "topics" drop-down box. The URL is: <http://www.epa.state.oh.us/dapc/SIP/lead.html>

Questions regarding accessing the web site should be directed to Arunee Niamlarb at (614) 728-1342; other questions or comments about this document should be directed to either Jennifer Hunter at (614) 644-3696, Jennifer.hunter@epa.state.oh.us or mailed to Jennifer Hunter at the above address.