

Notice of Intent to Revise the State Implementation Plan for Air Quality: Attainment Demonstration for the Southwest Nonattainment Area for the 2008 Ozone National Ambient Air Quality Standard (NAAQS) and Address the 1997 Ozone NAAQS SIP Call

The Commissioner of the Department of Energy and Environmental Protection (DEEP) hereby gives notice of intent to revise the State Implementation Plan (SIP) to comply with the 2008 National Ambient Air Quality Standards for Ozone. This plan is necessary to fulfill the requirements under sections 172 and 182(b) of the Clean Air Act (CAA) for moderate nonattainment areas. This revision addresses the attainment demonstration, for the Southwest Connecticut portion of the New York- Northern New Jersey-Long Island, (NY-NJ-CT) Connecticut Nonattainment Area, which is comprised of Fairfield, New Haven and Middlesex counties. DEEP concludes that since the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) failed to put in place a full remedy for interstate ozone transport, the Southwest Connecticut Nonattainment area, while likely to attain the 1997 ozone NAAQS, is unlikely to attain the 2008 ozone NAAQS by the end of the 2017 ozone season.

The authority to adopt this SIP revision is granted by section 22a-174 of the Connecticut General Statutes (CGS). This notice is required pursuant to 40 Code of the Federal Regulations 51.102.

A copy of the proposed SIP revision is available for public inspection during normal business hours at DEEP's Bureau of Air Management, Planning and Standards Division 5th Floor, 79 Elm Street, Hartford, CT and may be reviewed by contacting Kathleen Knight at 860-424-3823. The SIP Revision is also available at the link below.

All interested persons are invited to comment on the proposed SIP revision. Comments should be submitted via electronic mail to Kathleen.knight@ct.gov or via postal carrier to Kathleen Knight at the DEEP, Bureau of Air Management, 5th Floor, 79 Elm Street, Hartford, CT 06106-4064. All comments should be received by 4:30 PM on July 25, 2017.

In accordance with 40 CFR 51.102, DEEP will hold a hearing at the time and location set out below.

PUBLIC HEARING
July 25, 2017 at 10:00 AM
Department of Energy and Environmental Protection, 5th Floor,
Ensign Room, 79 Elm St
Hartford, CT 06106

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Date


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