

## NOTICE OF PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

The West Virginia Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) is announcing an opportunity for public comment on a proposed *West Virginia State Implementation Plan revision for Clean Air Act §110(a)(2)(A)-(M) Requirements for Fine Particulate Matter* with regard to the 2012 primary annual particulate matter (PM<sub>2.5</sub>) National Ambient Air Quality Standards (NAAQS). The state implementation plan (SIP) is the plan developed by West Virginia in order to fulfill its responsibilities under the Clean Air Act (CAA) to attain and maintain the NAAQS promulgated by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (U.S. EPA). A public hearing will take place beginning at 6 p.m. on October 27, 2015 in the Dolly Sods Conference Room at the DEP headquarters. The public comment period will begin on September 25, 2015 and end at the conclusion of the public hearing on October 27, 2015.

In this proposed revision to the SIP, West Virginia is demonstrating that it has adequate resources and authority to implement the 2012 primary annual PM<sub>2.5</sub> NAAQS. Compliance with specific CAA section 110(a)(2) requirements is detailed in a document demonstrating that the State meets these express requirements through authorities granted under state laws and regulations, as well as implementation of existing air programs. DEP is seeking comments on whether the document adequately demonstrates West Virginia's compliance with the pertinent federal CAA mandates related to these SIP infrastructure elements.

Upon completion of the public notice period, and after addressing any written or verbal comments, the DEP will submit the final documentation to the U.S. EPA as a revision to the SIP.

Copies of the proposed CAA §110(a)(2) SIP revision may be viewed between 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. at the DEP Division of Air Quality, 601 57<sup>th</sup> SE, Charleston, WV 25304, beginning September 25, 2015, or electronically upon e-mail request to: Tammy.L.Mowrer@wv.gov. The proposal may also be accessed via the following web address: <http://www.dep.wv.gov/daq/publicnoticeandcomment/Pages/default.aspx>.

Send written comments to be included in the formal record to William F. Durham, Director, Division of Air Quality at the above address. Please identify the document to which the comments apply, the commenter's name, address, and telephone number. Comments will also be accepted by e-mail if received by 5:00 p.m. on May 20, 2013 to: Tammy.L.Mowrer@wv.gov. Comments submitted by U.S. Mail must be postmarked by October 27, 2015.

