2020 Ambient Air Monitoring Annual Network Plan and SO₂ Data Requirement Rule Annual Report

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Executive Summary
The Annual Network Plan (ANP) provides information on each site within the West Virginia Department of Environmental Protection Division of Air Quality’s (DAQ’s) ambient air quality network. The requirement for this ANP was established by the United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) in 40 CFR Part 58.

Appendix A to this document provides DAQ’s Sulfur Dioxide Data Requirements Rule (SO2 DRR) Annual Report, including an emissions assessment, pursuant to the requirements of 40 CFR 51, Subpart BB, at §51.1205(b).

A public inspection and comment period is open for 30 days from the date this document is posted on our website.

A summary of air monitoring network changes since the previous approval includes:

- **Summit Circle** - In Spring of 2019, extensive tree trimming occurred near this site. On September 16, 2019 this site temporarily suspended operations with EPA approval in order to upgrade the site, electrical lines, fencing and decking, and move a new shelter onto the Summit Circle site. Monitoring resumed on January 16, 2020 (except for ozone which resumed on March 1, 2020, and PM10 which is expected to resume in May 2020.
- **New Cumberland** - In order to minimize data loss of ozone while the Summit Circle site was being upgraded, EPA approved the installation and operation of a monitor at the New Cumberland site, and substitution of this data while Summit Circle’s ozone monitor was offline.
- **Follansbee/Mahan Lane** - In Spring of 2019, extensive tree trimming occurred near this site. With EPA approval in Fall of 2019 development began on an upgraded site including electrical wiring, fencing, decking and new shelter approximately 100 feet from where the old site continued to operate. All equipment was moved to the new shelter on December 13, 2019.
- **Moundsville** – A continuous PM2.5 T640X monitor was installed on June 27, 2019 at Moundsville as a special purpose monitor.
- **Chester** - The discretionary PM10 metals toxics site Chester site in Hancock County operated throughout 2019, and discontinued operations at the end of the first quarter of 2020. EPA acknowledged notification in March 2020.
- **Fairmont** – This PM2.5 site operates on the roof of a health care facility. Operations were temporarily suspended due to COVID-19 exposure concerns. The last PM2.5 sample was on March 22, 2020, and EPA was notified.

A summary of proposed upcoming air monitoring network changes includes:

- **Charleston NCore** – DAQ will request that the special purpose continuous FEM PM2.5, BAM, at the NCore site in Charleston be excluded from NAAQS determinations.
- **Moundsville** – DAQ will request that the special purpose continuous FEM PM2.5 T-640x at the Moundsville site be excluded from NAAQS determinations.
**Purpose**
The Annual Network Plan (ANP) provides information on each site within the West Virginia Department of Environmental Protection Division of Air Quality’s (DAQ’s) ambient air quality network. If necessary, the ANP includes documentation of any changes to the state’s PM\(_{2.5}\) monitoring that would affect the location of a violating PM\(_{2.5}\) monitor. It should be noted that there are no PM\(_{2.5}\) monitors in West Virginia that currently violate either the 24-hour or annual National Ambient Air Quality Standard. Except for circumstances not anticipated during this review period, such as inadequate federal or state funding, leasing issues, site maintenance issues, personnel resource issues or equipment failures no other intentional changes are expected to be made to the PM\(_{2.5}\) monitoring network or the criteria pollutant monitoring network/stations during the next 12 months except those discussed within this document. All monitoring sites are leased and those leases are subject to periodic renewals which can affect the DAQ’s ability to retain a monitoring site location. The proposed changes are listed in the specific air monitoring site section.

In the pages that follow, each individual monitoring site and corresponding photograph, is listed by county along with the Air Quality Subsystem (AQS) site ID number, site location information, the Metropolitan Statistical Area (MSA) that is represented by the site, a statement as to whether it meets the requirements of Part 58, sampling and analytical method for each parameter, proposed site changes, and any other general comments regarding the site. Other pertinent information such as latitude/longitude, site purpose, the monitor’s objective/site type and representative scale is also listed for each site.

**Background**
On October 17, 2006, the US Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) published final amendments to 40 CFR Part 53 and 58 “Revisions to Ambient Air Monitoring Regulations; Final Rule”. This rule became effective on December 18, 2006.

Under Part 58, Subpart B-Monitoring Network, § 58.10 Annual Monitoring Network Plan and Periodic Assessments (a)(1): “Beginning July 1, 2007, the State, or where applicable local, agency shall adopt and submit to the Regional Administrator an annual monitoring network plan which shall provide for the establishment and maintenance of an air quality surveillance system that consists of a network of SLAMS monitoring stations including FRM, FEM, and ARM monitors that are part of SLAMS, NCore stations, STN stations, State speciation stations, SPM stations, and/or, in serious, severe and extreme ozone nonattainment areas, PAMS stations, and SPM monitoring stations. The plan shall include a statement of purposes for each monitor and evidence that siting and operation of each monitor meets the requirements of appendices A, C, D, and E of this part, where applicable. The annual monitoring network plan must be made available for public inspection for at least 30 days prior to submission to EPA. “

On March 28, 2016 (effective April 27, 2016) EPA finalized revisions to 40CFR Part 58 “Revision to Ambient Monitoring Quality Assurance and Other Requirements; Final Rule”.

Under Part 58 §58.10 (a)(1) “Annual monitoring network plan and periodic network assessment” EPA amended the 2006 language to clarify the handling of any public comment received on the plan: “The annual monitoring network plan must be made available for public inspection and
comment for at least 30 days prior to submission to the EPA and the submitted plan shall include and address, as appropriate, any received comments (emphasis added).

To review the September 2006 and April 2016 Monitoring Regulations please visit https://www3.epa.gov/ttn/amtic/monregs.html.

Additional information and to view data publicly available from the AQS data system can be found at www.epa.gov/airdata/. A copy of the latest DAQ annual air monitoring report can be found at www.dep.wv.gov/daq/.

**SO₂ Data Requirement Rule (DRR)**

On August 10, 2015, EPA finalized requirements for air agencies to monitor or model ambient sulfur dioxide (SO₂) levels in areas with large sources of SO₂ emissions to help implement the 1-hour SO₂ National Air Ambient Quality Standard (NAAQS). The rule establishes that, at a minimum, air agencies must characterize air quality around sources that emit 2,000 tons per year (tpy) or more of actual SO₂ emissions. An air agency may avoid the requirement for air quality characterization near a source by adopting enforceable emission limits that ensure that the source will not emit more than 2,000 tpy maximum potential to emit of SO₂. The rule requires agencies to use either modeling of actual source emissions or appropriately sited ambient air quality monitors to assess local SO₂ concentrations.

As stated in previous ANPs, there are no West Virginia sources subject to the DRR rule that have elected to conduct ambient air monitoring for SO₂. However, there are two (2) SO₂ DRR monitoring sites located within our borders that are neither operated nor overseen by DAQ.

A summary of these sites is below; additional details may be found in the specific West Virginia counties sections of this report. DAQ is not be responsible for the operation, maintenance, data collection/reporting or quality assurance activities at these sites.

One of the SO₂ monitoring sites is located in Mineral County, West Virginia near the Maryland border. The Maryland Department of the Environment (MDE) is the Primary Quality Assurance Organization (PQAO). The Verso Paper Corporation Luke Mill, an SO₂ source in Maryland, began conducting SO₂ monitoring in 2017. On April 30, 2019, the Verso Corporation announced the paper mill would be closing June 30, 2019. DAQ understands the source, MDE and EPA are exploring a path to shut the monitors down now that the source has decided to relinquish its Title V permit. This will likely impact the continued operation of this monitoring site, however no details are known at this time.

The second SO₂ DRR monitoring site is located in Mason County, West Virginia near the Ohio border. There are also two SO₂ DRR sources in Ohio: American Electric Power’s James M. Gavin and the Ohio Valley Electric Corporation Kyger Creek power plants. Both facilities are electric generating utilities that are located within two miles of each other along the Ohio River in Gallia County. These facilities began conducting SO₂ air monitoring under the SO₂ DRR beginning in 2017 and one of those monitoring sites is in Lakin, West Virginia. The Ohio Environmental Protection Agency (OEPA) is the PQAO.

Appendix A to this document provides DAQ’s SO₂ DRR Annual Report, including an emissions assessment, pursuant to the requirements of 40 CFR 51, Subpart BB, at §51.1205(b).
Overview
This ANP covers operations during 2019 as well as proposed changes for 2020. The map below shows all known air quality monitoring sites in West Virginia using FRM/FEM monitors. DAQ operated eighteen (18) sites across the state in 2019. Though shown on the map, DAQ is neither the operator nor the Primary Quality Assurance Organization for the two (2) SO₂ DRR monitoring sites or for the two (2) CASTNET sites.
The table below provides summary information on all of DAQ’s air monitoring sites that operated in 2019, and for at least part of 2020.

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** PM10 LO-VOL = Toxic Metals Analysis Only Manual 3 day sampler (Charleston N/C) Manual every 6 days sampler (Chester) Shut-down 3/31/2020

** TECOM = Continuous Particulate samplers
** PM2.5 = Manual 3 day samplers
** FRM = Federal Reference Method
** SPEC = Speciated
** MET = Meteorology
Berkeley County

Site: Martinsburg Ball Field
Location: Martinsburg Ball Field, Martinsburg, Berkeley County, WV
AQS ID: 54-003-0003
MSA: Hagerstown-Martinsburg, MD-WV
Latitude: 39.448001
Longitude: -77.96413

Comment: Site complies with Appendix A, C, D, E of Part 58. This site is suitable for NAAQS comparisons. Current site established in 1999 to provide air quality monitoring in Berkeley County and the Eastern Panhandle of WV.

Parameters monitored, sampling method, scale, and purpose:

**Particulates:**
PM$_{2.5}$ sequential Lo-Volume sampler, Federal Reference Method, samples once every three days. Samples analyzed by gravimetric analysis.
Representative siting scale: Urban
Monitoring objective/site type: Population oriented
State audit conducted: 4/4/2019 and 10/1/2019
EPA performance evaluation audit conducted 8/7/2019

**Gaseous:**
Ozone – UV absorption continuous gas monitor operated during ozone season March – October
Representative siting scale: Urban
Monitoring objective/site type: Population oriented
State accuracy audit conducted 4/18/2019
Brooke County

Site: Mahan Lane
Location: Mahan Lane, Follansbee, Brooke County, WV
AQS ID: 54-009-0005
MSA: Steubenville-Weirton OH-WV
Latitude: 40.340933
Longitude: -80.596533

Comment: Site complies with Appendix A, C, D but does not comply with Appendix E of Part 58. There continues to be infringement of tree growth that is outside of site area which is affecting the ideal monitor distance from the tree drip line. The site was established in 1983 to provide air quality monitoring in an industrialized area of Brooke County. The DAQ had some historical leasing issues with this site and currently operates without a lease in place.

Implemented change: In Spring of 2019, extensive tree trimming occurred near this site. In Fall of 2019 development began, with EPA approval, on an upgraded site including electrical wiring, fencing, decking and new shelter approximately 100 feet from where the old site continued to operate. All equipment was moved to the new shelter on December 13, 2019.

In early 2019, the agency had re-established contact with the City of Follansbee, and the process of obtaining a lease for a location adjacent to the current site is underway. However even though the City of Follansbee held a City Council meeting on March 18, 2019 and approved moving
Parameters monitored, sampling method, scale, and purpose:

**Particulates:**
- PM$_{2.5}$ sequential Lo-Volume sampler, Federal Reference Method, samples once every three days. Samples analyzed by gravimetric analysis.
- Representative siting scale: Neighborhood
- Monitoring objective/site type: Population oriented
- State audit conducted 4/4/2019 and 10/1/2019

**Gaseous:**
- Sulfur Dioxide – UV fluorescent continuous gas monitor
- Representative siting scale: Neighborhood
- Monitoring objective/site type: Population oriented
- State accuracy audit conducted 6/24/2019

**Site: McKims Ridge**
- Location: McKims Ridge Road, Brooke County, WV
- AQS ID: 54-009-0007
- MSA: Steubenville-Weirton OH-WV
- Latitude: 40.38966
- Longitude: -80.58624

Comment: Site complies with Appendix A, C, D, E of Part 58. This site is suitable for NAAQS comparisons. Site established in 1997 as part of a dispersion model evaluation study and to provide additional air quality monitoring in Brooke and Hancock Counties in West Virginia.
Gaseous:
Sulfur Dioxide – UV fluorescent continuous gas monitor
Representative siting scale: Neighborhood
Monitoring objective/site type: Population oriented
State accuracy audit conducted 11/26/2019

**Site: Marland Heights**
Location: Marland Heights, Weirton, Brooke County, WV
AQS ID: 54-009-0011
MSA: Steubenville-Weirton, OH-WV
Latitude: 40.394583
Longitude: -80.612017

Comment: Site complies with Appendix A, C, D, E of Part 58. This site is suitable for NAAQS comparisons. Site established in 1992 to provide air quality monitoring in an industrial area of Brooke and Hancock Counties in West Virginia.

Parameters monitored, sampling method, scale, and purpose:

**Particulates:**
Tapered Element Oscillating Micro-Balance (TEOM) Series 1405 continuous PM$_{10}$ monitor.
Representative siting scale: Neighborhood
Monitoring objective/site type: Population oriented
State flow rate audit conducted 6/25/2019 and 11/26/2019

PM$_{2.5}$ sequential Lo-Volume sampler, Federal Reference Method, samples once every three days. A collocated PM$_{2.5}$ monitor samples every 12$^{th}$ day. Samples analyzed by gravimetric analysis.
Representative siting scale: Neighborhood
Monitoring objective/site type: Population oriented
State audit conducted 4/4/2019 and 10/1/2019
EPA performance evaluation audit conducted 9/24/2019 and 12/5/2019
Gaseous:
Sulfur Dioxide – UV fluorescent continuous gas monitor
Representative siting scale: Neighborhood
Monitoring objective/site type: Population oriented
State accuracy audit conducted 3/7/2019

Cabell County

Site: Huntington/Prindle Field
Location: 1313 14th Street, Huntington, Cabell County, WV
AQS-ID: 54-011-0007
MSA: Huntington-Ashland, WV-KY-OH Metro Area
Latitude: 38.410242
Longitude: -82.432436

Comment: Site complies with Appendix A, C, D, E of Part 58. This site is suitable for NAAQS comparisons. This site began operation in January 2019. This site replaces the Marshall University, Huntington site, and started reporting data in 2019.

Parameters monitored, sampling method, scale, and purpose:

Particulates:
PM$_{2.5}$ sequential Lo-Volume sampler, Federal Reference Method, samples once every three days. A collocated sequential PM$_{2.5}$ monitor samples every 12th day. Samples analyzed by gravimetric analysis.
Representative siting scale: Urban
Monitoring objective/site type: Population oriented
State audit conducted 4/11/2019 and 10/1/2019
Gaseous:
Ozone – UV absorption continuous gas monitor operated during ozone season March – October
Representative siting scale: Urban
Monitoring objective/site type: Population oriented
State audit conducted 5/24/2019

Greenbrier County

Site: Sam Black Church
Location: Department of Highway Garage, Sam Black Church, Greenbrier County, WV
AQS ID: 54-025-0003
MSA: NA
Latitude: 37.908533
Longitude: -80.632633

Comment: Site complies with Appendix A, C, D, E of Part 58. This site is suitable for NAAQS comparisons. Current site established in 1999 to continue historical background ozone air quality monitoring that started in 1984 in Greenbrier County, a rural area of West Virginia. A new shelter was installed, along with upgraded power in early 2019.

Parameters monitored, sampling method, scale, and purpose:

Gaseous:
Ozone – UV absorption continuous gas monitor operated during ozone season March – October
Representative siting scale: Urban
Monitoring objective/site type: Population oriented
State accuracy audit conducted 6/14/2019
Hancock County

Site: New Cumberland
Location: RD#1, Carothers Road, New Cumberland, Hancock County, WV
AQS ID: 54-029-0007
MSA: Steubenville-Weirton, OH-WV
Latitude 40.460138
Longitude -80.576567

Comment: Site complies with Appendix A, C, D, E of Part 58. This site is suitable for NAAQS comparisons. Site established in 1990 as part of a multi-state SO₂ study (PA-WV-OH) and to provide air quality monitoring in Hancock County, WV.

Implemented temporary change: EPA approved this site to temporarily monitor for ozone and substitute to minimize data loss during the upgrade at the Summit Circle site which took place starting in September 16, 2019 until the end of ozone season on October 31, 2019. Additional details can be found in the Summit Circle site section.

Parameters monitored, sampling method, scale, and purpose:

Gaseous:
Sulfur Dioxide – UV fluorescent continuous gas monitor
Representative siting scale: Urban
Monitoring objective/site type: Population oriented
State accuracy audit conducted 3/7/2019
Site: Chester
Location: Allison Elementary School, 647 Railroad Street, Chester, Hancock County, WV
AQS ID: 54-029-0008
MSA: Steubenville-Weirton, OH-WV
Latitude: 40.615720
Longitude: -80.560000

Comment: Site complies with Appendix A, C, D, E of Part 58. This site is suitable for NAAQS comparisons. The site at Chester was established on 5/15/1991 to provide air quality monitoring in northern Hancock County, WV. The last data reported to AQS was the SO$_2$ hourly and 5-minute data through 12/31/2017.

The discretionary special purpose monitoring for the collection of PM$_{10}$ samples for metals analysis was conducted at this site starting in 2009 (TSP metals, and later PM$_{10}$ metals) to support EPA’s multi-state investigation into manganese emissions from SH Bell in Liverpool, OH. After a period of overlap, monitoring was switched from TSP metals to PM10 metals monitoring in 2016. PM$_{10}$ samples were collected over a 24-hour period on a once every 6-day schedule.

**Implemented change:** This discretionary PM$_{10}$ metals toxics site operated throughout 2019, and discontinued operations at the end of the first quarter of 2020. EPA acknowledged this via email on March 26, 2020.
Site: Summit Circle
Location: Summit Circle, Weirton, Hancock County, WV
AQS ID: 54-029-0009
MSA: Steubenville-Weirton, OH-WV
Latitude: 40.427372
Longitude: -80.592318

Comment: Site complies with Appendix A, C, D, E of Part 58. This site is suitable for NAAQS comparisons. Site established in 1992 provide air quality monitoring in an industrial area of Hancock County, West Virginia.

Implemented changes: In Spring of 2019, extensive tree trimming occurred near this site. On September 16, 2019 this site temporarily suspended operations with EPA approval in order to upgrade the site, electrical lines, fencing, decking, and move a new shelter onto the Summit Circle site. Monitoring resumed on January 16, 2020 (except for ozone which resumed on March 1, 2020, and PM$_{10}$ which is expected to resume in May 2020. In order to minimize data loss of ozone, EPA approved the installation and operation of a monitor at the New Cumberland site, and substitution of this data while Summit Circle’s ozone monitor was offline. These two sites are approximately 2.4 air miles from one another and at virtually the same elevation (1,188 feet for Summit Circle and 1,178 for New Cumberland). Since ozone is a regional pollutant, the monitor results were very similar between these two sites for this pollutant.
Parameters monitored, sampling method, scale, and purpose:

**Particulates:**
Tapered Element Oscillating Micro-Balance (TEOM) Series 1400AB/1400a continuous PM$_{10}$ monitor.
Representative siting scale: Urban
Monitoring objective/site type: Population oriented
State accuracy audit conducted 6/25/2019

PM$_{2.5}$ sequential sampler, Federal Reference Method, samples once every three days.
Samples analyzed by gravimetric analysis.
Representative siting scale: Urban
Monitoring objective/site type: Population oriented
State accuracy audit conducted 4/4/2019

**Gaseous:**
Sulfur Dioxide – UV fluorescent continuous gas monitor
Representative siting scale: Neighborhood
Monitoring objective/site type: Population oriented
State accuracy audit conducted 6/25/2019

Ozone – UV absorption continuous gas monitor operated during ozone season March – October
Representative siting scale: Urban
Monitoring objective/site type: Population oriented
State accuracy audit conducted 8/12/2019
**Site: Lawrenceville**
Location: Community Park and Tyrone Road, Lawrenceville, Hancock County, WV
AQS ID: 54-029-0015
MSA: Steubenville-Weirton, OH-WV
Latitude: 40.618353
Longitude: -80.540618

Comment: Site complies with Appendix A, C, D, E of Part 58. This site is suitable for NAAQS comparisons. Site established in 1995 in response to the 1992 installation of Waste Technology Industries (WTI), now known as Heritage Thermal Services, and to provide air monitoring in upper Hancock County, West Virginia.

**Implemented change:** Operation of the discretionary 10-meter meteorological tower ceased on January 7, 2020.

Parameters monitored, sampling method, scale, and purpose:

**Gaseous:**
Sulfur Dioxide – UV fluorescent continuous gas monitor
Representative siting scale: Urban
Monitoring objective/site type: Population oriented
State accuracy audit conducted 9/24/2019
Harrison County

Site: Clarksburg
Location: Washington Irving Junior High School, Clarksburg, Harrison County, WV
AQS ID: 54-033-0003
MSA: NA
Latitude: 39.278117
Longitude: -80.342250

Comment: Site complies with Appendix A, C, D, E of Part 58. This site is suitable for NAAQS comparisons. Site established in 1997 to monitor PM$_{2.5}$ in Harrison County, West Virginia.

Parameters monitored, sampling method, scale, and purpose:

**Particulates:**
PM$_{2.5}$ sequential Lo-Volume sampler, Federal Reference Method, samples once every three days. Samples analyzed by gravimetric analysis.
Representative siting scale: Urban
Monitoring objective/site type: Population oriented
State audit conducted 4/2/2019 and 10/1/2019
Kanawha County

Site: NCore
Location: 1436 Dixie St., Charleston, Kanawha County, WV
AQS ID: 54-039-0020
MSA: Charleston, WV
Latitude: 38.346258
Longitude: -81.621161

Comment: Site complies with Appendix A, C, D, E of Part 58. Site required to be established by EPA as part of the national NCore multi-pollutant monitoring network. This site started reporting data in 2016.

Proposed change: DAQ will request that the special purpose continuous PM$_{2.5}$ BAM, at the NCore site in Charleston be excluded from NAAQS determinations.

Parameters monitored, sampling method, scale, and purpose:

**Particulates:**
Met One BAM 1020 continuous PM$_{2.5}$ monitor
Representative siting scale: Urban
Monitoring objective/site type: Population oriented
State audit conducted 5/2/2019 and 10/10/2019

PM$_{2.5}$ sequential sampler, Federal Reference Method, samples once every three days.
Samples analyzed by gravimetric analysis.
Representative siting scale: Urban
Monitoring objective/site type: Population oriented
State audit conducted 4/4/2019 and 10/2/2019
EPA performance evaluation audit conducted 5/15/2019
PM$_{10}$ sequential sampler, Federal Reference Method, samples once every three days. Samples analyzed by gravimetric analysis. Data is used only to calculate and report PM Coarse which equals PM$_{10}$ minus PM$_{2.5}$.

Representative siting scale: Urban
Monitoring objective/site type: Population oriented

**Gaseous:**
Sulfur Dioxide – UV fluorescent continuous trace gas monitor
Representative siting scale: Urban
Monitoring objective/site type: Population oriented
State audit conducted 9/27/2019
EPA through the probe audit conducted 5/15/2019

Ozone – UV absorption continuous trace gas monitor
Representative siting scale: Urban
Monitoring objective/site type: Population oriented
State audit conducted 6/26/2019 and 9/11/2019
EPA through the probe audit conducted 5/15/2019

NO/NO$_y$ – Chemiluminescence continuous trace gas monitor
Representative siting scale: Urban
Monitoring objective/site type: Population oriented
State audit conducted 12/19/2019

Carbon Monoxide – Gas filter correlation continuous trace gas monitor
Representative siting scale: Urban
Monitoring objective/site type: Population oriented
State audit conducted 11/18/2019
EPA through the probe audit conducted 5/15/2019

PM$_{2.5}$ Speciation
Speciation Trends Network (STN) site equipped with Met One Super SASS and URG 3000N Carbon sampler. Both sample on a once every three-day schedule.
Representative siting scale: Urban
Monitoring objective/site type: Population oriented
State flow rate audit conducted 3/20/2019, 6/12/2019, 9/17/2019 and 12/18/2019

**Toxics**
TSP metals, certain Volatile Organic Compounds, and Carbonyls
Representative siting scale: Neighborhood
Samples once every 12 days
Monitoring objective/site type: Population oriented

**Other**
Ultra-Sonic wind sensor
Temperature
Barometric Pressure
Relative Humidity
Site: South Charleston
Location: South Charleston Public Library 312 4th Ave., South Charleston, Kanawha County, WV
AQS ID: 54-039-1005
MSA: Charleston, WV
Latitude: 38.366183
Longitude: -81.69372717

Comment: Site complies with Appendix A, C, D, E of Part 58. This site is suitable for NAAQS comparisons. Site established in 1974 to provide air quality monitoring in Kanawha County, West Virginia.

Parameters monitored, sampling method, scale, and purpose:

- **Particulates**
  - PM$_{2.5}$ sequential Low-Volume sampler, Federal Reference Method. Samples once every three days. Samples analyzed by gravimetric analysis.
  - Representative siting scale: Urban
  - Monitoring objective/site type: Population oriented
  - State audit conducted 4/10/2019 and 10/2/2019
Marion County

Site: Fairmont
Location: 401 Guffey Street, Manchin Health Care Center, Fairmont, Marion County, WV
AQS ID: 54-049-0006
MSA: NA
Latitude: 39.481483
Longitude: -80.134667

Comment: Site complies with Appendix A, C, D, E of Part 58. This site is suitable for NAAQS comparisons. Site established in 2000 to monitor PM$_{2.5}$ in Marion County, West Virginia.

Parameters monitored, sampling method, scale, and purpose:

**Particulates:**
PM$_{2.5}$ sequential sampler, Federal Reference Method, samples once every three days.
Samples analyzed by gravimetric analysis.
Representative siting scale: Urban
Monitoring objective/site type: Population oriented
State audit conducted 4/2/2019 and 10/1/2019
EPA performance evaluation audit conducted 5/15/2019 and 8/22/2019

**Implemented temporary change:** This site operates on the roof of a health care facility. Operations were temporarily suspended due to COVID-19 exposure concerns. The last PM$_{2.5}$ sample was on March 22, 2020 and EPA was notified.
Marshall County

Site: Moundsville
Location: Moundsville National Guard Armory, Moundsville, Marshall County, WV
AQS ID: 54-051-1002
MSA: Wheeling, WV-OH
Latitude: 39.915961
Longitude: -80.733858

Comment: Site complies with Appendix A, C, D, E of Part. This site is suitable for NAAQS comparisons except for the PM$_{2.5}$ continuous special purpose monitor. Site established in 1983 to provide air quality monitoring in Marshall County, West Virginia.

Implemented change: A continuous PM2.5 T640X monitor was installed on June 27, 2019 at Moundsville as a special purpose monitor.

Proposed change: DAQ will request that the special purpose continuous PM2.5 T-640x at the Moundsville site be excluded from NAAQS determinations.

Parameters monitored, sampling method, scale, and purpose:

- **Particulates:**
  - PM$_{2.5}$ sequential sampler, Federal Reference Method. Samples once every three days.
  - Samples analyzed by gravimetric analysis.
  - Representative siting scale: Urban
  - Monitoring objective/site type: Population oriented
  - EPA performance evaluation audit conducted 5/21/2019 and 12/5/2019

- **PM$_{2.5}$ Speciation**
  - Chemical Speciation Network site. Met One Super SASS and URG 3000N Carbon sampler. Both sample on a once every six-day schedule
  - Representative siting scale: Urban
  - Monitoring objective/site type: Population oriented
Gaseous:
Sulfur Dioxide – UV fluorescent continuous gas monitor
Representative siting scale: Urban
Monitoring objective/site type: Population oriented
State accuracy audit conducted 6/17/2019

Mason County

Site: Lakin
Location: HWY 62, Lakin, WV
AQS ID: 54-053-0001
CBSA: Point Pleasant WV-OH
Latitude: 38.956476
Longitude: -82.088693

Comment: American Electric Powers’ (AEP) James M. Gavin and Ohio Valley Electrical Corporation (OVEC) Kyger Creek electric generating facilities located in Gallia County, Ohio have elected to conduct air monitoring under the SO$_2$ Data Requirements Rule. One of the SO$_2$ air monitoring sites is in Lakin, Mason County, West Virginia and is included herein for reference. The site is operated by Shell Engineering on behalf of AEP and OVEC. The Ohio Environmental Protection Agency is the responsible Primary Quality Assurance Organization. The DAQ does not have any role in the sites operation, data reporting or quality assurance.

Gaseous:
Sulfur Dioxide – UV fluorescent continuous gas monitor
Representative siting scale: Neighborhood
Monitoring objective/site type: Source-oriented

Mineral County

Site: Bean Site
Location: Old WV 46, Keyser
AQS ID: 54-057-8883
CBSA: Cumberland, MD
Latitude: 39.4452
Longitude: -79.0691

Comment: The Verso Luke Mill, located in Alleghany County, MD has elected to perform air monitoring under the SO$_2$ DRR. One of the SO$_2$ air monitoring sites will be in Mineral County, West Virginia. The Maryland Department of the Environment is the responsible Primary Quality Assurance Organization. The DAQ does not have any role in the site operation, data reporting or quality assurance.

Comment: On April 30, 2019, the Verso Corporation announced the paper mill would be closing June 30, 2019. DAQ understands the source, MDE and EPA are exploring a path to shut the monitors down now that the source has decided to relinquish its Title V permit. This will likely impact the continued operation of this monitoring site, however no details are known at this time.
Gaseous:
Sulfur Dioxide – UV fluorescent continuous gas monitor
Representative siting scale: Neighborhood
Monitoring objective/site type: Source-oriented

Monongalia County

Site: Morgantown
Location: Morgantown Airport, Morgantown, Monongalia County, WV
AQS ID: 54-061-0003
MSA: NA
Latitude: 39.649367
Longitude: -79.920897

Comment: Site complies with Appendix A, C, D, E of Part 58. This site is suitable for NAAQS comparisons. Site established in 1983 to provide air quality monitoring in Monongalia County, West Virginia.

Parameters monitored, sampling method, scale, and purpose:

Particulates:
PM$_{2.5}$ sequential sampler, Federal Reference Method. Samples once every three days.
Samples analyzed by gravimetric analysis.
Representative siting scale: Urban
Monitoring objective/site type: Population oriented
State audit conducted 4/1/2019 and 10/1/2019
EPA performance evaluation audit conducted 8/22/2019

Gaseous:
Sulfur Dioxide – UV fluorescent continuous gas monitor
Representative siting scale: Urban
Monitoring objective/site type: Population oriented
State accuracy audit conducted 12/16/2019
EPA through the probe audit conducted 11/13/2019
Ozone – UV absorption continuous gas monitor operated during ozone season March – October
Representative siting scale: Urban
Monitoring objective/site type: Population oriented
State accuracy audit conducted 4/19/2019 and 9/17/2019
EPA through the probe audit conducted 8/22/2019

Ohio County

Site: Wheeling
Location: Warwood Water Treatment Plant, Wheeling, Ohio County, WV
AQS ID: 54-069-0010
MSA: Wheeling, WV-OH
Latitude: 40.11476
Longitude: -80.700972

Comment: Site complies with Appendix A, C, D, E of Part 58. This site is suitable for NAAQS comparisons. Current site established in 2005 to continue to provide air quality monitoring in Ohio County, West Virginia.

Parameters monitored, sampling method, scale, and purpose:

**Particulates:**
PM$_{2.5}$ sequential sampler, Federal Reference Method, samples once every three days.
Samples analyzed by gravimetric analysis.
Representative siting scale: Urban
Monitoring objective/site type: Population oriented
State audit conducted 4/4/2019 and 10/1/2019

**Gaseous:**
Ozone – UV absorption continuous gas monitor operated during ozone season March – October
Representative siting scale: Urban
Monitoring objective/site type: Population oriented
State accuracy audit conducted 6/17/2019
EPA through the probe audit conducted 5/21/2019
Toxics
TSP metals, certain Volatile Organic Compounds, and Carbonyls.
Representative siting scale: Neighborhood
Samples once every 12 days
Monitoring objective/site type: Population oriented

Wood County

Site: Vienna
Location: Neale Elementary School, Wood County, WV
AQS ID: 54-107-1002
MSA: Parkersburg-Marietta, WV-OH
Latitude: 39.323553
Longitude: -81.552367

Comment: Site complies with Appendix A, C, D, E of Part 58. This site is suitable for NAAQS comparisons. Site established in 1975 to provide air quality monitoring in Wood County, West Virginia.

Parameters monitored, sampling method, scale, and purpose:
Particulates:
PM$_{2.5}$ sequential sampler, Federal Reference Method. Samples once every three days.
Samples analyzed by gravimetric analysis.
Representative siting scale: Urban
Monitoring objective/site type: Population oriented
State audit conducted 4/10/2019 and 10/1/2019
EPA performance evaluation audit conducted 5/21/2019 and 12/5/2019

Gaseous:
Sulfur Dioxide – UV fluorescent continuous gas monitor
Representative siting scale: Urban
Monitoring objective/site type: Population oriented
State accuracy audit conducted 3/27/2019
Ozone – UV absorption continuous gas monitor operated during ozone season March – October
Representative siting scale: Urban
Monitoring objective/site type: Population oriented
State accuracy audit conducted 5/23/2019 and 9/12/2019
Appendix A – SO$_2$ Data Requirement Rule Annual Report

Introduction
On August 21, 2015, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) published the Data Requirements Rule for the 2010 1-Hour Sulfur Dioxide (SO$_2$) Primary National Ambient Air Quality Standard (NAAQS) (80 FR 51051). This rule, referred to as the Data Requirements Rule (DRR), includes provisions in 40 CFR 51.1205(b) requiring an air agency to submit a report to the EPA documenting SO$_2$ emissions for areas where modeling of actual SO$_2$ emissions served as the basis for designating the area attainment for the 2010 1-hour SO$_2$ NAAQS. The report must include an assessment of the cause of any emission increases from the previous year and a recommendation regarding whether additional modeling is needed. These annual reports are due by July 1 after the effective date of an area’s initial designation.

Regulatory History
On June 2, 2010, the EPA signed a final rule (75 FR 35519) revising the SO$_2$ NAAQS. The EPA established a new 1-hour SO$_2$ primary NAAQS of 75 parts per billion (ppb), based on the three-year average of the annual 99$^{th}$ percentile of daily 1-hour maximum concentrations. Whenever the EPA revises a NAAQS, the Clean Air Act (CAA) requires the EPA to designate areas as “attainment” (meeting), “nonattainment” (not meeting), or “unclassifiable” (insufficient data). Within one year of a NAAQS revision, each state must submit their designation recommendations. The CAA requires the EPA to complete the designations process within three years of a NAAQS revision.

On August 5, 2013, EPA published (78 FR 47191) a final rule designating 29 areas, in 16 states including two areas in West Virginia, as nonattainment for the 2010 1-hour SO$_2$ NAAQS. In that rulemaking, the EPA stated they would address the designation of all other areas in separate future actions. At that time, the EPA was still developing its strategy for completing the designations process. The EPA anticipated using a hybrid approach, allowing the use of either modeling or monitoring data for designations purposes, but the EPA anticipated the need to issue additional rulemaking and guidance documents prior to finalizing additional designations. Shortly thereafter, three lawsuits were filed against the EPA in different U.S. District Courts, alleging that the EPA had failed to perform a nondiscretionary duty under the CAA by not issuing 1-hour SO$_2$ designations for all portions of the country within three years of NAAQS promulgation. To resolve the legal challenges, a consent decree was entered in federal court on March 2, 2015.

This consent decree established the criteria and deadlines for the EPA to complete a second, third, and fourth round of designations for the 2010 1-hour SO$_2$ NAAQS. The second round mostly affected only those areas that contained a source meeting certain emissions-related criterion established in the consent decree. Such areas were required to be designated no later July 2, 2016. The third round affected all undesignated areas that had not installed and begun operating a new SO$_2$ monitoring network by January 1, 2017. The deadline for the third round was December 31, 2017. Most areas in the U.S. were designated in this round. In the fourth and final round, the remaining undesignated areas must be designated by December 31, 2020.

On August 21, 2015, the consent decree was finalized, and the EPA published the DRR in 80 FR 51051. The DRR’s primary purpose is to require air agencies to characterize maximum 1-hour SO$_2$ concentrations around sources emitting 2,000 tons per year (tpy) or more. Implementation
of the DRR requires states to use either modeling or ambient monitoring to assess SO\textsubscript{2} concentrations or to establish federally enforceable emission limits that limit a source’s emissions to less than 2,000 tpy.

The DRR’s initial implementation step required states to identify, by January 15, 2016, sources not located in a nonattainment area that had actual annual SO\textsubscript{2} emissions of at least 2,000 tons or were deemed by the air agency as requiring further air quality characterization.

The DRR established January 13, 2017 as the deadline for states to submit the results of those sources modeled. This date also served as the compliance deadline for any new federally enforceable emission limits used to satisfy the DRR. While these deadlines, and those associated with the monitoring option, allow the third and fourth rounds of designations to be informed by data that must be submitted pursuant to the DRR, meeting the second round’s July 2, 2016, designation deadline required states and EPA to take actions before the DRR was finalized.

**Emissions Assessment**

Applicable SO\textsubscript{2} emission sources, defined as having actual annual SO\textsubscript{2} emissions of 2,000 tons or more, where modeled by the DAQ as the basis for designating the area as attainment with the 2010 1-hour SO\textsubscript{2} NAAQS. The applicable sources modeled were all electrical generating units (EGU). Since emissions were modeled based on actual emissions instead of allowable emissions, §51.1205(b) requires the submittal to the EPA an annual report documenting the annual SO\textsubscript{2} emissions from each applicable source and providing an assessment of any emission increases from the previous year. Additionally, §51.1205(b)(1) requires an agency’s recommendation regarding whether additional modeling characterizing an area’s air quality is needed to determine whether the area meets or does not meet the 2010 1-hr SO\textsubscript{2} NAAQS.

The DRR requires an assessment of SO\textsubscript{2} emissions increases from the previous year. Since this report includes certified ambient SO\textsubscript{2} air quality monitoring data for 2019, the DAQ is assessing actual SO\textsubscript{2} emissions from previous year (2018) that may have impacted the 2019 monitoring data. Assessing only the previous year’s SO\textsubscript{2} increase effectively limits the assessment to a two-year period and does not allow for an accurate assessment to determine the need for additional modeling. A comparison of each applicable source’s actual annual SO\textsubscript{2} emissions during the initial modeling period, which demonstrated attainment with the 2010 NAAQS, to the previous year’s actual emissions allows for a better and more meaningful assessment. Therefore, the DAQ has made our assessment based the initial modeling years to the previous year. **Table 1** below shows each source’s three-year initial modeling period and the results of that modeling as a maximum percentage of the 2010 1-hour SO\textsubscript{2} NAAQS.

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<th>EGU Modeled</th>
<th>Years Modeled (actual emissions)</th>
<th>Maximum Percent of NAAQS Modeled</th>
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<td>Fort Martin</td>
<td>2013-2015</td>
<td>64%</td>
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<td>Harrison</td>
<td>2012-2014</td>
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<td>Mountaineer</td>
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<td>2013-2015</td>
<td>&lt; 50%</td>
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<td>Pleasants Power</td>
<td>2013-2015</td>
<td>77.7%</td>
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Figure 1 shows the actual annual SO$_2$ emissions for each EGU modeled from 2013 through 2018. These emissions were taken from the EPA’s Clean Air Markets Division (CAMD) database. As the chart illustrates, SO$_2$ emissions from each EGU has been largely stable or decreasing over the assessment period.

Figure 1: 2013-18 EGU SO$_2$ Emissions

![2013-18 EGU SO$_2$ Emissions](chart.png)

From Figure 1, the source’s highest actual SO$_2$ emissions from the initial three-year modeling period can be compared to the source’s actual 2018 emissions. Table 2 shows this comparison and demonstrates that in all cases the 2018 SO$_2$ emissions were less than the highest modeled year’s emissions.
Table 2: Highest Modeled Year SO₂ Emissions vs. 2018 SO₂ Emissions

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<th>EGU Modeled</th>
<th>Highest Modeled Year</th>
<th>Highest Modeled Year Emissions (tons)</th>
<th>2018 Emissions (tons)</th>
<th>Decrease from Highest Year to 2018 (tons)</th>
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<td>6,767</td>
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As shown in Table 1, emissions initially modeled for each source were substantially less than the SO₂ 1-hour NAAQS; with one-half of the sources modeled less than 50 percent of the standard. The emission comparison in Table 2 demonstrates that 2018 actual SO₂ emissions were less than the emissions for the highest modeled year. If the 2019 actual SO₂ emissions were modeled, the results would be less than those modeled during the three-year initial modeling period and less than the maximum percent of the NAAQS shown in Table 1. Therefore, as required in §51.1205(b) and based on the assessment, the air quality areas represented by the modeled sources continue to meet the 2010 1-hour SO₂ NAAQS and the DAQ recommends no additional modeling is needed to characterize the areas’ air quality.