

west virginia department of environmental protection

# **Appendix F: Public Participation**

West Virginia Division of Air Quality 601 57<sup>th</sup> Street, SE Charleston, WV 25304

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### **Public Notice**

#### NOTICE OF PUBLIC COMMENT AND HEARING

The West Virginia Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) is offering an opportunity for public comment and a public hearing, on the proposed *Redesignation Request and Maintenance Plan for the West Virginia Portion of the Steubenville, OH-WV 2010 1-hour Sulfur Dioxide* (SO<sub>2</sub>) *Nonattainment Area, Comprising the Cross Creek Tax District of Brooke County (Redesignation Request and Maintenance Plan).* The proposal concerns two inter-related actions regarding the West Virginia portion of the nonattainment area. First, DEP is requesting the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) redesignate the area to attainment pursuant to the provisions of Clean Air Act (CAA), section 107. Second, DEP is asking that EPA concurrently approve, as a revision to the State Implementation Plan (SIP), the related maintenance plan which demonstrates the area will continue to meet the SO<sub>2</sub> standard for at least ten more years. DEP is expressly soliciting comment on whether the proposed maintenance plan adequately meets the requirements of CAA, section 175A, as well as any relevant comments regarding the incorporation of the finalized maintenance plan into the West Virginia SIP.

The Steubenville, OH-WV area was designated nonattainment with the 2010 1-hour SO<sub>2</sub> NAAQS in the August 5, 2013 Federal Register [78 FR 47191], effective October 4, 2013. On April 25, 2016, DEP submitted the Attainment Demonstration for the 1-hour National Ambient Air Quality Standard for Sulfur Dioxide (SO<sub>2</sub>) State Implementation Plan for the West Virginia Portion of the Steubenville-Weirton, OH-WV Nonattainment Area, Comprising the Cross Creek Tax District of Brooke County, which demonstrated that the Steubenville, OH-WV SO<sub>2</sub> nonattainment area would meet the 1-hour SO<sub>2</sub> national ambient air quality standard (NAAQS) by the mandatory date of October 4, 2018. In the proposed Redesignation Request and Maintenance Plan the DEP demonstrates that federally enforceable emission reduction measures have been implemented which have resulted in monitored and modeled air quality improvement and the air quality now meets the 2010 SO<sub>2</sub> NAAQS. Further, DEP shows that with expected growth and federally enforceable controls, the area will continue attainment of the NAAQS for at least ten years.

A hearing will be held on June 24, 2019, beginning at 6:00 p.m. at the DEP Northern Panhandle Regional Office at 131A Peninsula Street, Wheeling, WV 26003, and the public comment period will extend until the close of the hearing.

Upon completion of the public comment period, and after addressing any received written comments or oral comments received at the public hearing, the DEP will submit the final documentation to EPA as a revision to the SIP.

Copies of the proposed SIP revision and documentation may be viewed on weekdays between 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. at the DEP Northern Panhandle Regional Office located at the above Wheeling address. Copies will also be available for public review at the Division of Air Quality, 601 57<sup>th</sup> Street, SE, Charleston, WV 25304. The relevant documents may also be accessed via the following web address: <a href="http://www.dep.wv.gov/daq/publicnoticeandcomment/Pages/default.aspx">http://www.dep.wv.gov/daq/publicnoticeandcomment/Pages/default.aspx</a>

Transmit written comments to Laura M. Crowder, Director of the Division of Air Quality, at the following address:

WV Department of Environmental Protection Division of Air Quality 601 57<sup>th</sup> Street, SE Charleston, WV 25304

Written comments will also be accepted for inclusion in the formal record by mail, facsimile (304-926-0479), e-mail (<u>Sandra.K.Adkins@wv.gov</u>) or other delivery to the Division of Air Quality if received by the close of business on June 24, 2019.

# Correspondence



#### west virginia department of environmental protection

Division of Air Quality 601 57th Street, SE Phone: (304) 926-0475 Fax: (304) 926-0479 Austin Caperton, Cabinet Secretary dep.wv.gov

May 23, 2019

Ms. Cristina Fernandez USEPA Region 3 1650 Arch Street Mail Code: 3AD00 Philadelphia, PA 19103-2029

Re: Proposed Redesignation Request and Maintenance Plan for the West Virginia Portion of the Steubenville, OH-WV 2010 1-hour Sulfur Dioxide (SO<sub>2</sub>) Nonattainment Area, Comprising the Cross Creek Tax District of Brooke County (Redesignation Request and Maintenance Plan)

#### Dear Ms. Fernandez:

The West Virginia Department of Environmental Protection, Division of Air Quality is herein submitting for your review and comment the enclosed Redesignation Request and Maintenance Plan for the West Virginia Portion of the Steubenville, OH-WV 2010 1-hour Sulfur Dioxide (SO<sub>2</sub>) Nonattainment Area, Comprising the Cross Creek Tax District of Brooke County (Redesignation Request and Maintenance Plan) (proposed). We are providing all documentation electronically via the EPA's CDX system. The relevant documents may also be accessed via the following web address: <a href="http://www.dep.wv.gov/daq/publicnoticeandcomment/Pages/default.aspx">http://www.dep.wv.gov/daq/publicnoticeandcomment/Pages/default.aspx</a>

The Steubenville-Weirton, OH-WV 1-hour sulfur dioxide (SO<sub>2</sub>) nonattainment area is a multistate nonattainment area, comprised of the Cross Creek Tax District of Brooke County, West Virginia, and Jefferson County, Ohio (partial) including the Cross Creek, Steubenville, Warren and Wells Townships and Steubenville City. The area was designated as nonattainment with the 2010 1-hour SO<sub>2</sub> National Ambient Air Quality Standard (NAAQS) in the August 5, 2013 Federal Register [78 FR 47191], effective October 4, 2013.

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If you have questions, please contact Jon McClung in our Division of Air Quality at (304) 926-0499, extension 1689.

Sincerely,

Laura M. Crowder

Director, Division of Air Quality



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Mr. Bob Hodanbosi, Director Division of Air Pollution Control Ohio Environmental Protection Agency 500 West Town Street, Suite 700 Columbus, OH 43215

Re:

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### **Public Comments**

## **Response to Comments**