

**MONTANA DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY
PUBLIC NOTICE**

October 18, 2017

1) The Department of Environmental Quality (Department) is inviting public comment on the proposed removal of provisions from the Montana State Implementation Plan (SIP).

2) The Department proposes to remove provisions related to the list of materials prohibited from open or outdoor burning. Specifically, the Department proposes to remove Administrative Rules of Montana (ARM) 17.8.604(1)(w), regarding “asbestos or asbestos-containing materials,” and an internal reference to that provision in ARM 17.8.320(9).

In addition, the Department proposes to remove a similar provision where it is included in the SIP as part of the Lincoln County Air Pollution Control Program at 75.1.405(2)(w) of the Lincoln County Regulations.

This submittal proposes to remove the provisions from the SIP, but the submittal will not change the status of the provisions in state and local rules.

3) Any person may request a public hearing on this matter. If the Department receives a request for public hearing, a public hearing on this matter will be scheduled and the time for that hearing will be announced. Additionally, another 30 day time period for submitting comment will begin.

4) Interested persons may view the proposed SIP submittal on the Department’s website at: <http://deq.mt.gov/Public/publiccomment> or may call the Department at 444-1472 to have copies made available for their inspection.

5) The State of Montana makes reasonable accommodations for any known disability that may interfere with a person’s ability to participate in state government proceedings. Persons requiring accommodation need to contact Deb Sutliff concerning the nature of the accommodation. Please contact Deb at P.O. Box 200901, Helena, Montana 59620-0901; phone 406-444-7889; fax 406-444-1499; or email dsutliff@mt.gov.

6) Interested parties may submit their comments concerning the proposal described above in writing to the Department by

- addressing them to Rebecca Harbage, Air Quality Bureau, P.O. Box 200901, Helena, MT 59620-0901;
- faxing them to 406-444-1499; or
- sending them via email addressed to rharbage@mt.gov.

To be guaranteed consideration, written comments must be postmarked on or before 5:00 p.m., Friday, November 17, 2017.