

## MONTANA DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY PUBLIC NOTICE

- 1) The Department of Environmental Quality (Department) is inviting public comment on the submittal of a proposed Request for Redesignation of the Columbia Falls PM<sub>10</sub> nonattainment area to attainment and a proposed Columbia Falls attainment area Maintenance Plan. The proposal will be submitted to the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) as a revision to the Montana State Implementation Plan (SIP).

The Columbia Falls PM<sub>10</sub> nonattainment area has attained the 1987 National Ambient Air Quality Standards for particulate matter smaller than 10 microns (PM<sub>10</sub> NAAQS). The Department has provided a demonstration that the area has attained and will maintain compliance with the 1987 PM<sub>10</sub> NAAQS.

- 2) The Department will accept public comment for 30 days beginning on Friday, November 16, 2018 through Monday, December 17, 2018.
- 3) Interested persons may view the proposed submission 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.
- 4) Interested parties may submit their comments concerning the proposal described above in writing to the Department by
  - addressing them to Stephen Coe;
  - faxing them to 406-444-1499; or
  - sending them via email addressed to [scoe@mt.gov](mailto:scoe@mt.gov).

To be guaranteed consideration, written comments must be postmarked on or before 5 p.m. Monday, December 17, 2018.