

MONTANA DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY PUBLIC NOTICE

August 11, 2017

1) In accordance with 40 CFR 51.102, the Department of Environmental Quality (Department) invites the public to submit written comments on the submittal of the Periodic Progress Report for the Regional Haze Program into the Montana State Implementation Plan (SIP).

2) The Periodic Progress Report for the Regional Haze Program addresses visibility in mandatory Federal Class I Areas in Montana and neighboring states. The document proposed for submittal into the SIP provides a summary of progress made to protect and improve visibility in these areas since a baseline period of 2000-2004. The document discusses the status of emission control measures at several large Montana facilities, as well as emission and visibility trends across the state.

3) On Monday, September 11, 2017, at 1:00 p.m., the Department will hold a public hearing in room 45 of the Metcalf Building (1502 E 6th Ave, Helena, MT) to consider the proposed submittal. Immediately preceding the hearing, at 12:00 p.m., at the same location, the Department will hold an informal question and answer session regarding the proposed submittal.

4) Interested persons may view the associated documents on the Department's website at: <http://deq.mt.gov/Public/publiccomment> or may call the Department at 406-444-1472 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 should 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. on Friday, September 22, 2017.