

**MONTANA DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY  
NOTICE FOR PUBLIC HEARING**

- 1) The Department of Environmental Quality is inviting public comment on the amendment of an administrative rule in the Montana State Implementation Plan (SIP).
- 2) The air quality rule proposed to be amended is Administrative Rules of Montana (ARM) 17.8.818, regarding the removal of the 24-hour averaging period from the significant monitoring concentration (SMC) for particulate matter having a diameter of less than or equal to 2.5 micrograms (PM-2.5).

The Montana Board of Environmental Review adopted this change on August 5, 2016, as set forth in MAR Notice No. 17-383.

- 3) The Department will be accepting public comment regarding the proposal to amend this rule into the SIP.

- 4) Any person may request 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.

- 5) Interested persons may view the rules on the Department's website at: <http://deq.mt.gov/Public/publiccomment> or may call the Department at 406-444-9741 to have copies made available for their inspection.

- 6) 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 Lisa Peterson concerning the nature of the accommodation. Please contact Lisa at P.O. Box 200901, Helena, Montana 59620-0901; phone 406-444-2929; fax 406-444-1499; or email [lpeterson@mt.gov](mailto:lpeterson@mt.gov).

- 7) Interested parties may submit their comments concerning the proposal described above in writing to the Department by
  - addressing them to Liz Ulrich;
  - faxing them to 406-444-1499; or
  - sending them via email addressed to [eulrich2@mt.gov](mailto:eulrich2@mt.gov)

To be guaranteed consideration, written comments must be postmarked on or before 5 p.m. on Monday, September 12, 2016.