Airspace Designations and Reporting Points, dated September 1, 2000, and effective September 16, 2000, is amended as follows:

Paragraph 6005 Class E airspace areas extending upward from 700 feet or more above the surface of the earth.

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AMT MT ES Sidney, MT [REVISED]

Sidney-Richland Municipal Airport, MT (Lat. 47°42′25″N, long. 107°11′33″W.) Sidney NDB (Lat. 47°42′41″N, long. 104°10′54″W.)

That airspace extending upward from 700 feet above the surface within the 7.9-mile radius of the Sidney-Richland Municipal Airport, and within 8.3 miles east and 4 miles west of the 356° bearing from the Sidney NDB extending from the NDB to 16.1 miles north of the NDB, and within 8.3 miles southeast and 4 miles northwest of the 215° bearing from the Sidney NDB extending from the NDB to 16.1 miles southwest of the NDB; and that airspace extending upward from 1,200 feet above the surface bounded by a line beginning at lat. 47°20′00″N, long. 104°00′32″W; to lat. 47°37′10″N, long. 104°38′28″W; to lat. 47°52′00″N, long. 105°00′00″W; to lat. 48°00′00″N, long. 105°00′00″W; to lat. 52°30′00″N, long. 104°29′40″W; to lat. 48°10′00″N, long. 104°12′00″W; to lat. 47°46′10″N, long. 103°36′23″W; to point of origin; and excluding that airspace within Federal airways: the Poplar, MT, and Glasgow, MT, Class E airspace areas.


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40 CFR Parts 52 and 81 [CO–001–0058b, CO–001–0059b; FRL–6989–2]

Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; Montana

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Proposed rule.

SUMMARY: EPA is proposing to take direct final action to approve a State Implementation Plan (SIP) revision submitted by the State of Montana on September 10, 1997, December 10, 1997, April 14, 1999, December 6, 1999 and March 3, 2000. These revisions recodify and modify the State’s air quality rules so that they are consistent with Federal requirements, minimize repetition in the air quality rules, and clarify existing provisions. In addition, we are also approving into the SIP Yellowstone County’s Local Regulation No.002—Open Burning. Finally, we are also announcing that we delegate the authority for the implementation and enforcement of the New Source Performance Standards (NSPS) to the State. EPA is either not acting on or disapproving certain provisions of the State’s air quality rules that should not be in the SIP because they are not generally related to attainment of the National Ambient Air Quality Standards (NAAQS) or they are inconsistent with our SIP requirements. Finally, some provisions of the rules will be acted on at a later date. This action is being taken under section 110 and 111 of the Clean Air Act. In the “Rules and Regulations” section of this Federal Register, EPA is approving the State’s SIP revision as a direct final rule without prior proposal because the Agency views this as a noncontroversial SIP revision and anticipates no adverse comments. A detailed rationale for the approval is set forth in the preamble to the direct final rule. If EPA receives no adverse comments, EPA will not take further action on this proposed rule. If EPA receives adverse comments, EPA will withdraw the direct final rule and it will not take effect. EPA will address all public comments in a subsequent final rule based on this proposed rule. EPA will not institute a second comment period on this action. Any parties interested in commenting must do so at this time. Please note that if EPA receives adverse comment on an amendment, paragraph, or section of this rule and if that provision may be severed from the remainder of the rule, EPA may adopt as final those provisions of the rule that are not the subject of an adverse comment.

DATES: Comments must be received in writing on or before July 16, 2001.

ADDRESSES: Written comments may be mailed to Richard R. Long, Director, Air and Radiation Program, Mailcode 8P-AR, Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), Region VIII, 999 18th Street, Suite 300, Denver, Colorado, 80202. Copies of the documents relevant to this action are available for public inspection during normal business hours at the Air and Radiation Program, Environmental Protection Agency, Region VIII, 999 18th Street, Suite 300, Denver, Colorado, 80202. Copies of the State documents relevant to this action are available for public inspection at the Montana Department of Environmental Quality, Air and Waste Management Bureau, 1520 E. 6th Avenue, Helena, Montana 59620

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Laurie Ostrand, EPA Region 8, (303) 312–6437.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: See the information provided in the Direct Final action of the same title which is located in the Rules and Regulations section of this Federal Register.

Authority: 42 U.S.C. 7401 et seq.
Published: May 16, 2001.
Jack W. McGraw, Acting Regional Administrator, Region VIII.

Environmental Protection Agency

ACTION: Proposed rule.

SUMMARY: EPA is proposing to take direct final action to approve a State Implementation Plan (SIP) revision submitted by the State of Colorado on May 10, 2000, for the purpose of redesignating the Telluride, Colorado and Pagosa Springs, Colorado areas from nonattainment to attainment for particulate matter with an aerodynamic diameter less than or equal to a nominal 10 micrometers (PM10) under the 1987 standards. The Colorado Air Pollution Control Division’s (Colorado) submittal, among other things, documents that the Telluride and Pagosa Springs areas have attained the PM10 national ambient air quality standards (NAAQS), requests redesignation to attainment, and includes maintenance plans for the areas demonstrating maintenance of the PM10 NAAQS for ten years. EPA is approving these redesignation requests and maintenance plans because of its determination that Colorado has met the applicable requirements of the Clean Air Act (CAA), as amended. Subsequent to this approval, the Telluride and Pagosa Springs areas will be designated as attainment for the PM10 NAAQS. This action is being taken under sections 107, 110, and 175A of the Clean Air Act. In
the “Rules and Regulations” section of this Federal Register, EPA is approving the State’s SIP revision as a direct final rule without prior proposal because the Agency views this as a noncontroversial SIP revision and anticipates no adverse comments. A detailed rationale for the approval is set forth in the preamble to the direct final rule. If EPA receives no adverse comments, EPA will not take further action on this proposed rule. If EPA receives adverse comments, EPA will withdraw the direct final rule and it will not take effect. EPA will address all public comments in a subsequent final rule based on this proposed rule. EPA will not institute a second comment period on this action. Any parties interested in commenting must do so at this time. Please note that if EPA receives adverse comment on an amendment, paragraph, or section of this rule and if that provision may be severed from the remainder of the rule, EPA may adopt as final those provisions of the rule that are not the subject of an adverse comment.

DATES: Comments must be received in writing on or before July 16, 2001.

ADDRESSES: Written comments may be mailed to Richard R. Long, Director, Air and Radiation Program, Mailcode 8P-107, EPA Region 10, 1200 Sixth Avenue, Seattle, Washington, 98101. Copies of documents relevant to this action are available for public review during normal business hours (8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.) at this same address.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Christi Lee, Office of Air Quality Mail Code OAQ–107, EPA Region 10, 1200 Sixth Avenue, Seattle, Washington, 98101. (360) 753–9079.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Throughout this document, the words “we,” “us,” or “our” means the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

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I. Background
A. Designation and Classification of CO Nonattainment Areas

The Clean Air Act (CAA) Amendments of 1990 authorized EPA to designate areas across the country as nonattainment, and to classify these areas according to the severity of the air pollution problem. Pursuant to section 107(d) of the CAA, following enactment on November 15, 1990, States were requested to submit lists, within 120 days, which designated all areas of the country as either attainment, nonattainment, or unclassifiable for CO. The EPA was required to promulgate these lists of areas no later than 240 days following enactment of the CAA Amendments (see 56 FR 56694, (November 6, 1991)).

On enactment of the CAA Amendments, a new classification structure was created for CO nonattainment areas, pursuant to section 186 of the CAA, which included both a moderate and a serious area classification. Under this classification structure, moderate areas with a design value of 9.1–16.4 ppm, were expected to attain the CO NAAQS as expeditiously as practicable, but no later than December 31, 1995. CO nonattainment areas designated as serious, with a design value of 16.5 ppm and above, were expected to attain the CO NAAQS as expeditiously as practicable, but no later than December 31, 2000.

States containing areas designated as either moderate or serious for CO had the responsibility of developing and submitting to EPA State Implementation Plans (SIPs) which addressed the nonattainment air quality problems in those areas. The EPA issued general guidance concerning the requirements for SIP submittals, which included requirements for CO nonattainment area SIPs, pursuant to Title I of the CAA (see generally, 57 FR 13498 (April 16, 1992), and 57 FR 18070 (April 28, 1992)). The air quality planning requirements for moderate and serious CO nonattainment areas are addressed in sections 186–187 respectively of the CAA, which pertain to the classification of CO nonattainment areas, as well as to the requirements for the submittal of both moderate and serious area SIPs.

The EPA has the responsibility for determining whether a nonattainment area has attained the CO NAAQS by the applicable attainment date 1. In this case the EPA is required to make determinations concerning whether serious CO nonattainment areas attained the NAAQS by their December 31, 2000 attainment date. Pursuant to the CAA, the EPA is required to make attainment determinations for these areas by June 30, 2001, no later than 6 months following the attainment date for the areas. Therefore, this action is being taken to make a determination of attainment for a serious CO nonattainment area with a December 31, 2000 attainment date.

1 See sections 179(c) and 186(b)(2) of the CAA Amendments.