supporting this determination is available in the docket where indicated under ADDRESSES. We seek any comments or information that may lead to the discovery of a significant environmental impact from this proposed rule.

G. Protest Activities

The Coast Guard respects the First Amendment rights of protesters. Protesters are asked to contact the person listed in the FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT section to coordinate protest activities so that your message can be received without jeopardizing the safety or security of people, places, or vessels.

V. Public Participation and Request for Comments

We view public participation as essential to effective rulemaking, and will consider all comments and material received during the comment period. Your comment can help shape the outcome of this rulemaking. If you submit a comment, please include the docket number for this rulemaking, indicate the specific section of this document to which each comment applies, and provide a reason for each suggestion or recommendation. We encourage you to submit comments through the Federal eRulemaking Portal at http://www.regulations.gov. If your material cannot be submitted using http://www.regulations.gov, contact the person in the FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT section of this document for alternate instructions.

We accept anonymous comments. All comments received will be posted without change to http://www.regulations.gov and will include any personal information you have provided. For more about privacy and the docket, visit http://www.regulations.gov/privacyNotice.

Documents mentioned in this NPRM as being available in the docket, and all public comments, will be in our online docket at http://www.regulations.gov and can be viewed by following that website’s instructions. Additionally, if you go to the online docket and sign up for email alerts, you will be notified when comments are posted or a final rule is published.

List of Subjects in 33 CFR Part 165

Marine safety, Navigation (water), Reporting and record keeping requirements, Waterways.

For the reasons discussed in the preamble, the Coast Guard proposes to amend 33 CFR part 165 as follows:

PART 165—REGULATED NAVIGATION AREAS AND LIMITED ACCESS AREAS

1. The authority citation for part 165 continues to read as follows:


2. Add a new § 165.T01–0023 to read as follows:

§ 165.T01–0023 Safety Zone; Safety Zone, MBTA Railroad Bridge Replacement Project—Annisquam River, Gloucester, Massachusetts.

(a) Location. The following area is a safety zone: All navigable waters within 100 yards of the Massachusetts Bay Transportation Authority (MBTA) Railroad Bridge, at mile 0.7, across the Annisquam River, Gloucester, Massachusetts.

(b) Enforcement Periods. This rule is enforceable from 12:01 a.m. on November 1, 2019, to 11:59 p.m. on June 30, 2023.

(c) Definitions. As used in this section:

(1) Designated representative means any Coast Guard commissioned, warrant, petty officer, or any federal, state, or local law enforcement officer who has been designated by the Captain of the Port (COTP) Boston, to act on his or her behalf. The designated representative may be on an official patrol vessel or may be on shore and will communicate with vessels via VHF–FM radio or loudhailer. In addition, members of the Coast Guard Auxiliary may be present to inform vessel operators of this regulation.

(2) Official patrol vessels means any Coast Guard, Coast Guard Auxiliary, state, or local law enforcement vessels assigned or approved by the COTP Boston to enforce this section.

(d) Regulations. When this safety zone is enforced, the following regulations, along with those contained in § 165.23 apply:

(1) No person or vessel may enter or remain in this safety zone without the permission of the COTP Boston or the COTP’s designated representatives. However, any person or vessel permitted to enter the safety zone must comply with the directions and orders of the COTP Boston or the COTP’s designated representatives.

(2) To obtain permission required by this regulation, individuals may reach the COTP Boston or a COTP-designated representative via Channel 16 (VHF–FM) or 617–223–5757 (Sector Boston Command Center).

(3) Penalties. Those who violate this section are subject to the penalties set forth in 33 U.S.C. 1232.


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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

40 CFR Part 52


Air Plan Approval; New Mexico; Approval of Revised Statutes; Error Correction

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Proposed rule.

SUMMARY: Pursuant to the Federal Clean Air Act (CAA or the Act), the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is proposing to approve revisions to New Mexico’s State Implementation Plan (SIP) that incorporate updates to the New Mexico statutes. EPA is also correcting its previous approval of some statute provisions to provide clarification of the approval action taken.

DATES: Written comments should be received on or before September 18, 2019.

ADDRESSES: Submit your comments, identified by EPA–R06–OAR–2015–0850, at https://www.regulations.gov or via email to Riley.Jeffrey@epa.gov. For additional information on how to submit comments see the detailed instructions in the ADDRESSES section of the direct final rule located in the rules section of this Federal Register.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Jeff Riley, [214] 665–8542, Riley.Jeffrey@epa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: In the final rules section of this Federal Register, the EPA is approving portions of the State’s SIP submittal as a direct rule without prior proposal because the Agency views this as noncontroversial submittal and anticipates no adverse comments. A detailed rationale for the approval is set forth in the direct final rule. If no relevant adverse comments are received in response to this action no further activity is contemplated. If the EPA receives relevant adverse comments, the direct final rule will be withdrawn and all public comments
ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

40 CFR Part 52

Air Plan Approval; Illinois; Emissions Reduction Market System Sunsetting

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Proposed rule.

SUMMARY: The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is proposing to approve a State Implementation Plan (SIP) revision submitted by the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency (Illinois EPA) on January 11, 2019, concerning the state's Emissions Reduction Market System (ERMS) program for the Chicago ozone nonattainment area (NAA) in Illinois. The revision sunsets the ERMS program and effectively removes from the SIP provisions in 35 Illinois Administrative Code (35 IAC) Part 205, as the ERMS program is no longer effective in providing any additional emissions reductions or environmental benefit. The submittal also includes a demonstration under section 110(l) of the Clean Air Act (CAA) that addresses emission impacts associated with the sunsetting of the program.

DATES: Comments must be received on or before September 18, 2019.

ADDRESSES: Submit your comments, identified by Docket ID No. EPA–R05–OAR–2019–0032 at http://www.regulations.gov, or via email to blakley.pamela@epa.gov. For comments submitted at Regulations.gov, follow the online instructions for submitting comments. Once submitted, comments cannot be edited or removed from Regulations.gov. For either manner of submission, EPA may publish any comment received to its public docket. Do not submit electronically any information you consider to be Confidential Business Information (CBI) or other information whose disclosure is restricted by statute. Multimedia submissions (audio, video, etc.) must be accompanied by a written comment. The written comment is considered the official comment and should include discussion of all points you wish to make. EPA will generally not consider comments or comment contents located outside of the primary submission (i.e., on the web, cloud, or other file sharing system). For additional submission methods, please contact the person identified in the FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT section. For the full EPA public comment policy, see http://www2.epa.gov/dockets/commenting-epa-dockets.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Francisco J. Acevedo, Mobile Source Program Manager, Control Strategies Section, Air Programs Branch (AR–18J), Environmental Protection Agency, Region 5, 77 West Jackson Boulevard, Chicago, Illinois 60604, (312) 886–6061, acevedo.francisco@epa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Throughout this document whenever “we,” “us,” or “our” is used, we mean EPA. This supplementary information section is arranged as follows:

I. What is the background for this action?

II. What changes have been made as part of the SIP revision?

III. What is EPA’s analysis of the state’s submittal?

IV. What action is EPA taking?

V. Incorporation by reference

VI. Statutory and Executive Order reviews

I. What is the background for this action?

The ERMS program was originally implemented in Illinois as a cap-and-trade program designed to reduce the emissions of volatile organic compounds (VOC) in the Chicago ozone NAA below the levels required by reasonably available control technology (RACT) and other regulations. The program was intended to achieve additional emission reductions needed for the post-1999 ozone Rate of Progress (ROP) plan for the now-revoked 1979 1-hour ozone standard, while providing sources with more flexibility than is typically present in “command and control” regulations. As part of this program, major VOC sources, i.e., industrial facilities emitting at least 25 tons per year, including at least 10 tons between May and September, were required to participate. ERMS addresses the period between May 1st through September 30th, known as the seasonal allotment period or season, as ozone typically forms in the hotter, sunnier days of the year.

The ERMS program is a cap-and-trade market system in which sources must hold allowances, known as Allotment Trading Units (ATUs), for their actual VOC emissions during the ERMS season. Every source in the ERMS program is issued ATUs each year based on its historical baseline emissions. An ATU is equivalent to 200 pounds of VOC. Sources with a surplus of ATUs can bank them for use in the following season or trade them to sources that exceeded their allotments. Under Illinois’ program, ATUs have a two-season lifespan and if they are not used in the second season, they expire and are no longer allowed to be used to account for emissions at the source. Overall, VOC emissions are limited to the total number of available ATUs. To address stakeholder concerns that there may not have been enough ATUs available for purchase, the ERMS program also established an Alternative Compliance Market Account (ACMA) to which an amount equal to one percent of the annual amount of ATU allotments given to sources are deposited. These ATUs never expire while in the ACMA.

Annual allotments of ATUs to sources are made in early April before the start of the season. Trades of ATUs for the season’s emissions must be made by December 31st and emissions compensation is performed by Illinois EPA in early January of every year. ATUs are removed from each source’s account in an amount equivalent to the source’s emissions during the prior season. Sources with an insufficient amount of ATUs in their account at that point must either buy them from the ACMA or borrow from the source’s allotment for the next year.

The ERMS program was adopted by Illinois in 1997 and implemented in 2000 and approved as part of the Illinois SIP by EPA on October 15, 2001 (66 FR 52343). The program was amended in 2005 and those amendments were approved by EPA on July 7, 2008 (73 FR 38328).

II. What changes have been made as part of the SIP revision?

For areas that fail to meet the National Ambient Air Quality Standards (NAAQS) for ozone, states are required