

**ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY**

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**Notification of a Public Meeting of the Clean Air Scientific Advisory Committee (CASAC) Lead Review Panel****AGENCY:** Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** The EPA Science Advisory Board (SAB) Staff Office announces a public meeting of the Clean Air Scientific Advisory Committee (CASAC) Lead Review Panel to provide a consultation on Volume 2 of the Agency's *Integrated Review Plan for the Lead National Ambient Air Quality Standards* (IRP).

**DATES:** The public meeting will be held on April 8, 2022, from 11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Eastern Time.

**ADDRESSES:** The meeting will be conducted virtually. Please refer to the CASAC website at <https://casac.epa.gov> for details on how to access the meeting.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Any member of the public wishing further information regarding this notice may contact Mr. Aaron Yeow, Designated Federal Officer (DFO), SAB Staff Office, by telephone at (202) 564-2050 or via email at [yeow.aaron@epa.gov](mailto:yeow.aaron@epa.gov). General information concerning the CASAC, as well as any updates concerning the meeting announced in this notice can be found on the CASAC website: <https://casac.epa.gov>.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

*Background:* The CASAC was established pursuant to the Clean Air Act (CAA) Amendments of 1977, codified at 42 U.S.C. 7409(d)(2), to review air quality criteria and national ambient air quality standards (NAAQS) and recommend to the EPA Administrator any new NAAQS and revisions of existing criteria and NAAQS as may be appropriate. The CASAC shall also: Advise the EPA Administrator of areas in which additional knowledge is required to appraise the adequacy and basis of existing, new, or revised NAAQS; describe the research efforts necessary to provide the required information; advise the EPA Administrator on the relative contribution to air pollution concentrations of natural as well as anthropogenic activity; and advise the EPA Administrator of any adverse public health, welfare, social, economic, or energy effects which may result from various strategies for attainment and maintenance of such NAAQS. As

amended, 5 U.S.C., App. Section 109(d)(1) of the CAA requires that EPA carry out a periodic review and revision, as appropriate, of the air quality criteria and the NAAQS for the six "criteria" air pollutants, including lead (Pb).

The CASAC is a Federal Advisory Committee chartered under the Federal Advisory Committee Act (FACA), 5 U.S.C., App. 2, and conducts business in accordance with FACA and related regulations. The CASAC and the CASAC Lead Review Panel will comply with the provisions of FACA and all appropriate SAB Staff Office procedural policies. Pursuant to FACA and EPA policy, notice is hereby given that CASAC Lead Review Panel will hold a public meeting to provide a consultation on Volume 2 of the Agency's *Integrated Review Plan for the Lead National Ambient Air Quality Standards* (IRP). This document identifies policy-relevant issues in the review and serves as the planning document for the Integrated Science Assessment (ISA) for lead, describing key considerations and the process for its development. Volume 1 of the IRP contains contextual background material and the anticipated schedule for the current review of the air quality criteria and NAAQS for Pb.

*Technical Contacts:* Any technical questions concerning EPA's IRP for lead should be directed to Dr. Deirdre Murphy ([murphy.deirdre@epa.gov](mailto:murphy.deirdre@epa.gov)).

*Availability of Meeting Materials:*

Prior to the meeting, the review documents, agenda and other materials will be accessible on the CASAC website: <https://casac.epa.gov>.

*Procedures for Providing Public Input:* Public comment for consideration by EPA's federal advisory committees and panels has a different purpose from public comment provided to EPA program offices. Therefore, the process for submitting comments to a federal advisory committee is different from the process used to submit comments to an EPA program office. Federal advisory committees and panels, including scientific advisory committees, provide independent advice to EPA. Members of the public can submit relevant comments on the topic of this advisory activity, including the charge to the CASAC and the EPA review documents, and/or the group conducting the activity, for the CASAC to consider as it develops advice for EPA. Input from the public to the CASAC will have the most impact if it provides specific scientific or technical information or analysis for CASAC to consider or if it relates to the clarity or accuracy of the technical information. Members of the public wishing to provide comment

should follow the instructions below to submit comments.

*Oral Statements:* Individuals or groups requesting an oral presentation during the public meeting will be limited to three minutes. Each person making an oral statement should consider providing written comments as well as their oral statement so that the points presented orally can be expanded upon in writing. Interested parties should contact Mr. Aaron Yeow, DFO, in writing (preferably via email) at the contact information noted above by April 1, 2022, to be placed on the list of public speakers.

*Written Statements:* Written statements will be accepted throughout the advisory process; however, for timely consideration by CASAC members, statements should be supplied to the DFO (preferably via email) at the contact information noted above by April 1, 2022. It is the SAB Staff Office general policy to post written comments on the web page for the advisory meeting or teleconference. Submitters are requested to provide an unsigned version of each document because the SAB Staff Office does not publish documents with signatures on its websites. Members of the public should be aware that their personal contact information, if included in any written comments, may be posted to the CASAC website. Copyrighted material will not be posted without explicit permission of the copyright holder.

*Accessibility:* For information on access or services for individuals with disabilities, please contact Mr. Aaron Yeow at (202) 564-2050 or [yeow.aaron@epa.gov](mailto:yeow.aaron@epa.gov). To request accommodation of a disability, please contact the DFO, at the contact information noted above, preferably at least ten days prior to each meeting, to give EPA as much time as possible to process your request.

**Thomas H. Brennan,***Director, Science Advisory Board Staff Office.*

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[EPA-HQ-OAR-2020-0659; FRL-9676-01-OMS]

**Information Collection Request Submitted to OMB for Review and Approval; Comment Request; NSPS for Coal Preparation and Processing Plants (Renewal)****AGENCY:** Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) has submitted an information collection request (ICR), NSPS for Coal Preparation and Processing Plants (EPA ICR Number 1062.16, OMB Control Number 2060–0122), to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and approval in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act. This is a proposed extension of the ICR, which is currently approved through May 31, 2022. Public comments were previously requested via the **Federal Register** on February 8, 2021 during a 60-day comment period. This notice allows for an additional 30 days for public comments. A fuller description of the ICR is given below, including its estimated burden and cost to the public. An agency may neither conduct nor sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to, a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number.

**DATES:** Additional comments may be submitted on or before April 20, 2022.

**ADDRESSES:** Submit your comments, referencing Docket ID Number EPA–HQ–OAR–2020–0659, online using [www.regulations.gov](http://www.regulations.gov) (our preferred method) or by mail to: EPA Docket Center, Environmental Protection Agency, Mail Code 2821T, 1200 Pennsylvania Ave. NW, Washington, DC 20460. EPA’s policy is that all comments received will be included in the public docket without change including any personal information provided, unless the comment includes profanity, threats, information claimed to be Confidential Business Information (CBI), or other information whose disclosure is restricted by statute.

Submit written comments and recommendations to OMB for the proposed information collection within 30 days of publication of this notice to [www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAMain](http://www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAMain). Find this particular information collection by selecting “Currently under 30-day Review—Open for Public Comments” or by using the search function.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

Muntasir Ali, Sector Policies and Program Division (D243–05), Office of Air Quality Planning and Standards, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Research Triangle Park, North Carolina 27711; telephone number: (919) 541–0833; email address: [ali.muntasir@epa.gov](mailto:ali.muntasir@epa.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

Supporting documents, which explain in detail the information that the EPA will be collecting, are available in the public docket for this ICR. The docket

can be viewed online at <https://www.regulations.gov>, or in person, at the EPA Docket Center, WJC West Building, Room 3334, 1301 Constitution Ave. NW, Washington, DC. The telephone number for the Docket Center is 202–566–1744. For additional information about EPA’s public docket, visit <http://www.epa.gov/dockets>.

**Abstract:** The New Source Performance Standards (NSPS) for Coal Preparation and Processing Plants (40 CFR part 60, subpart Y) regulations apply to existing facilities and new facilities that perform coal preparation and processing with limits more than 181 megagrams (Mg) (200 tons) of coal per day. In general, all NSPS standards require initial notifications, performance tests, and periodic reports by the owners/operators of the affected facilities. They are also required to maintain records of the occurrence and duration of any startup, shutdown, or malfunction in the operation of an affected facility, or any period during which the monitoring system is inoperative. These notifications, reports, and records are essential in determining compliance, and are required of all affected facilities subject to NSPS.

**Form Numbers:** None.

**Respondents/affected entities:**

Owners and operators of coal preparation and processing plants.

**Respondent’s obligation to respond:** Mandatory (40 CFR part 60, subpart Y).

**Estimated number of respondents:** 377 (total).

**Frequency of response:** Initially, biannually, annually, semiannually, and quarterly.

**Total estimated burden:** 22,300 hours (per year). Burden is defined at 5 CFR 1320.3(b).

**Total estimated cost:** \$2,720,000 (per year), which includes \$79,300 in annualized capital/startup and/or operation & maintenance costs.

**Changes in the Estimates:** There is an adjustment decrease in the total estimated burden as currently identified in the OMB Inventory of Approved Burdens; this decrease is not due to any program changes. The decrease in burden is due to more accurate estimates of existing sources, based on information gathered by EPA and confirmed by industry. The burden in this ICR reflects a decrease in the number of coal mines across the industry and a number of coal plants being either shut down or converted to natural gas. The decrease in the number of respondents also results in a decrease in responses. The operation and maintenance costs have increased from the previous ICR due to an incorrect entry of information in the previous

ICR. Finally, this ICR corrects the number of occurrences of repeat performance tests for Method 5 and Method 9 per respondent per year from the previous ICR. However, the overall burden still decreased.

**Courtney Kerwin,**

*Director, Regulatory Support Division.*

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**Proposed Settlement Agreement, Clean Water Act**

**AGENCY:** Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

**ACTION:** Notice of proposed settlement agreement; request for public comment.

**SUMMARY:** In accordance with the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Administrator’s October 16, 2017 Directive Promoting Transparency and Public Participation in Consent Decrees and Settlement Agreements, the agency is providing notice of a proposed settlement agreement in a lawsuit filed by Diné Citizens Against Ruining the Environment, Amigos Bravos, San Juan Citizens Alliance, and Center for Biological Diversity (“Petitioners”), in the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit. On January 22, 2021 the Petitioners filed a lawsuit seeking review of the 2020 National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) permit issued by U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Region 9 to the Arizona Public Service Company for discharges from the Four Corners Power Plant. Under the proposed settlement agreement, the parties would seek to stay the associated case for at least 15 months.

**DATES:** Written comments on the proposed settlement agreements must be received by April 20, 2022.

**ADDRESSES:** Submit your comments, identified by Docket ID number EPA–HQ–OGC–2022–0292, online at [www.regulations.gov](http://www.regulations.gov) (EPA’s preferred method). For comments submitted at [www.regulations.gov](http://www.regulations.gov), please follow the online instructions for submitting comments. Once submitted, comments cannot be edited or removed from [www.regulations.gov](http://www.regulations.gov). 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