

Sackett providing that “temporary interruptions in surface connection may sometimes occur because of phenomena like low tides or dry spells.”¹⁰

- Under the Amended 2023 Rule, the agencies have defined adjacent as “having a continuous surface connection” and the continuous surface connection requirement applies to both adjacent wetlands and relatively permanent lakes and ponds assessed under paragraph (a)(5). The agencies seek input on the definition of “adjacent” as well as which are the appropriate categories to properly assess using the continuous surface connection requirement.

- The agencies are interested in developing an approach for continuous surface connection that provides for clarity and implementability, including whether there are factors to limit continuous surface connection and whether there are certain characteristics that could provide clear distinctions to meet the continuous surface connection requirement. The agencies are also interested in recommendations for implementation approaches to address continuous surface connection.

- *The scope of jurisdictional ditches.* In practice, different types of ditches have generally been considered non-jurisdictional in different regulatory regimes. The 2015 Clean Water Rule, the 2020 NWPR, and the Amended 2023 Rule excluded certain types of ditches explicitly in rule language. Currently, ditches (including roadside ditches) excavated wholly in and draining only uplands and that do not carry a relatively permanent flow of water are considered to be generally non-jurisdictional under the pre-2015 regulatory regime, while similarly, ditches (including roadside ditches) excavated wholly in and draining only dry land and that do not carry a relatively permanent flow of water are excluded by rule in the Amended 2023 Rule.

- The agencies solicit feedback on whether flow regime (e.g., relatively permanent status or perennial or intermittent flow regimes), physical features, excavation in aquatic resources versus uplands, type or use of the ditch (e.g., irrigation and drainage), biological indicators like presence of fish, or other characteristics could provide clear and implementable distinctions between jurisdictional and non-jurisdictional ditches.

- The agencies also seek input on whether a definition of ditch, as was provided in the 2020 NWPR, which defined ditch to mean a constructed or

excavated channel used to convey water,¹¹ would provide additional clarity.

IV. Public Listening Sessions

The agencies will hold a series of listening sessions intended to solicit recommendations as the agencies seek to pursue further administrative action. During these sessions, the agencies intend to present brief background information and provide an opportunity for stakeholders to share input, with regard to the topics above. The agencies will hold at least six listening sessions, with two open to all stakeholders, one open to States, one open to Tribes, one open to industry and agricultural stakeholders, and one open to environmental and conservation stakeholders.

The listening sessions will be held as web and in-person conferences in April–May 2025. Registration instructions and dates will be forthcoming at the following website: <https://www.epa.gov/wotus/public-outreach-and-stakeholder-engagement-activities>. Persons or organizations wishing to provide verbal recommendations during the listening sessions will be selected on a first-come, first-serve basis. Due to the expected number of participants, individuals will be asked to limit their spoken presentation to three minutes. Once the speaking slots are filled, participants may be placed on a standby list to speak or continue to register to listen to the recommendations. The listening sessions will be recorded and posted on EPA’s website. Supporting materials and written feedback from those who do not have an opportunity to speak can be submitted to the docket as described above.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

40 CFR Part 52

[EPA–R10–OAR–2024–0595; FRL–12391–05–R10]

Air Plan Approval; AK, Fairbanks North Star Borough; 2006 24-Hour PM_{2.5} Serious Area and 189(d) Plan

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Proposed rule; reopening of comment period.

SUMMARY: The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is reopening the public comment period on the proposed rule entitled “Air Plan Approval; AK, Fairbanks North Star Borough; 2006 24-hour PM_{2.5} Serious Area and 189(d) Plan” published on January 8, 2025. Commenters requested more time to review the proposal and prepare comments. In response, the EPA is providing an additional 30 days for the public to provide comment on all aspects of the proposed rule. The January 8, 2025, notice of proposed rulemaking also started the EPA’s adequacy process for the motor vehicle emissions budgets and began the public comment period for that process. The EPA is not reopening the public comment period for the adequacy process, and it intends to proceed with the adequacy process outside of this rulemaking.

DATES: The comment period for the proposed rule published on January 8, 2025, at 90 FR 1600, is reopened to allow more time to review the proposal and prepare comments. The EPA is reopening the comment period and the comments must be received on or before April 23, 2025.

ADDRESSES: Submit your comments, identified by Docket ID No. EPA–R10–OAR–2024–0595, at <https://www.regulations.gov>. Follow the online instructions for submitting comments. Once submitted, comments cannot be edited or removed from *Regulations.gov*. The 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 the disclosure of which 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. The EPA will generally not consider comments or comment

¹⁰ 598 U.S. at 678.

¹¹ 85 FR 22250, 22338 (Apr. 21, 2020).

contents located outside of the primary submission (*i.e.*, on the web, cloud, or other file sharing system). For additional submission methods, the full EPA public comment policy, information about CBI or multimedia submissions, and general guidance on making effective comments, please visit <https://www.epa.gov/dockets/commenting-epa-dockets>.

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

On January 8, 2025, the EPA published a notice of proposed rulemaking to approve changes to the Alaska State Implementation Plan (90 FR 1600). The changes, submitted by the State of Alaska on December 4, 2024, address Clean Air Act requirements for the 2006 24-hour fine particulate matter (PM_{2.5}) national ambient air quality standards in the Fairbanks North Star Borough Serious PM_{2.5} nonattainment area. Alaska's submission includes State Implementation Plan (SIP) revisions to meet nonattainment planning requirements for emissions inventories, modeling and sulfur dioxide precursor demonstration for major stationary sources, control measures, attainment projections and progress to attainment and associated motor vehicle emissions budgets, and contingency measures. The public comment period closed on February 7, 2025. Commenters requested more time to review the proposal and prepare comments with respect to the energy efficiency and weatherization measures discussed in the January 8, 2025, notice of proposed rulemaking.¹ In response to this request, the EPA is reopening the public comment period on the proposed rule and providing an additional 30 days for the public to provide comments on all aspects of the proposed rule.

The January 8, 2025, notice of proposed rulemaking also started the transportation conformity adequacy process for the motor vehicle emissions budgets in Alaska's submitted SIP. As noted in the proposal, the EPA may find budgets adequate before the SIP submission is approved in a final rule, once the public has been provided with a comment period of at least 30 days. The EPA is not reopening the public comment period for the adequacy process, and it intends to proceed with the adequacy process outside of this rulemaking, as described in 40 CFR 93.118(f).

List of Subjects in 40 CFR Part 52

Environmental protection, Air pollution control, Carbon monoxide, Incorporation by reference, Intergovernmental relations, Lead, Nitrogen dioxide, Ozone, Particulate matter, Reporting and recordkeeping requirements, Sulfur oxides, Volatile organic compounds.

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FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

47 CFR Parts 1, 73, 74, and 76

[MB Docket No. 24-626; FCC 24-126; FR ID 280968]

Broadcast Station Rule Updates

AGENCY: Federal Communications Commission.

ACTION: Proposed rule.

SUMMARY: In this document, the Federal Communications Commission (Commission or FCC) seeks comment on several proposed updates to broadcast radio and TV rules to better reflect current application processing requirements, clarify ambiguity, and remove references to outdated procedures and legacy filing systems. Such action ensures that the Commission's rules are accurate, reducing potential confusion among the public, applicants, licensees, and practitioners, and alleviating unnecessary burdens.

DATES: Comments due on or before April 23, 2025; reply comments due on or before May 8, 2025.

ADDRESSES: Pursuant to §§ 1.415 and 1.419, interested parties may file comments and reply comments on or before the dates indicated on the first page of this document. Comments may be filed using the Commission's Electronic Comment Filing System (ECFS). See Electronic Filing of Documents in Rulemaking Proceedings, 63 FR 24121 (1998). You may submit comments, identified by MB Docket No. 24-626, by any of the following methods:

- *Electronic Filers:* Comments may be filed electronically using the internet by accessing the ECFS: <https://apps.fcc.gov/ecfs/>.
- *Paper Filers:* Parties who choose to file by paper must file an original and one copy of each filing.

- Filings can be sent by hand or messenger delivery, by commercial courier, or by the U.S. Postal Service. All filings must be addressed to the Secretary, Federal Communications Commission.

- Hand-delivered or messenger-delivered paper filings for the Commission's Secretary are accepted between 8:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. by the FCC's mailing contractor at 9050 Junction Drive, Annapolis Junction, MD 20701. All hand deliveries must be held together with rubber bands or fasteners. Any envelopes and boxes must be disposed of before entering the building.

- Commercial courier deliveries (any deliveries not by the U.S. Postal Service) must be sent to 9050 Junction Drive, Annapolis Junction, MD 20701. Filings sent by U.S. Postal Service First-Class Mail, Priority Mail, and Priority Mail Express must be sent to 45 L Street NE, Washington, DC 20554.

- *People With Disabilities:* To request materials in accessible formats for people with disabilities (braille, large print, electronic files, audio format), send an email to fcc504@fcc.gov or call the Consumer & Governmental Affairs Bureau at 202-418-0530 (voice), 202-418-0432 (TTY).

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For additional information on this proceeding, contact Ariane Rangel, Audio Division, Media Bureau at Ariane.Rangel@fcc.gov or (202) 418-4036, or Lisa Scanlan, Audio Division, Media Bureau at Lisa.Scanlan@fcc.gov or (202) 418-2704.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This is a summary of the Commission's Notice of Proposed Rulemaking (NPRM), in MB Docket No. 24-626; FCC 24-126, adopted December 11, 2024, and released December 13, 2024. The full text of this document is available by downloading the text from the Commission's website at: <https://docs.fcc.gov/public/attachments/FCC-24-126A1.pdf>.

Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 Analysis: This document contains possible new or modified information collection requirements. The Commission, as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork burdens, invites the general public and the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) to comment on the information collection requirements contained in this document, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Public Law 104-13. In addition, pursuant to the Small Business Paperwork Relief Act of 2002, Public Law 107-198, see 44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(4), we seek specific comment on how we might further reduce the

¹ 90 FR 1600, January 8, 2025, section II.C.3.a.iv.