

ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

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Environmental Impact Statements and Regulations; Availability of EPA Comments

Availability of EPA comments prepared pursuant to the Environmental Review Process (ERP), under section 309 of the Clean Air Act and Section 102(2)(c) of the National Environmental Policy Act as amended. Requests for copies of EPA comments can be directed to the Office of Federal Activities at 202-564-7146.

An explanation of the ratings assigned to draft environmental impact statements (EISs) was published in FR dated April 6, 2008 (73 FR 19833).

Draft EISs

EIS No. 20080415, ERP No. D-FHW-L40235-ID, I-90 Post Falls Access Improvements Project, Transportation Improve from Spokane Street Interchange through the State Highway 41 (SH-41) Interchange, Kootenai County, ID

Summary: EPA has no objections to the proposed project. Rating LO.

EIS No. 20080389, ERP No. DA-AFS-L65369-00, Southwest Idaho Ecogroup Land and Resource Management Plan, Provide Additional Information to Reanalyzes the Effects of Current and Proposed Management on Rock Mountain Bighorn Sheep Viability in the Payette National Forest 2003 FEIS, Boise National Forest, Payette National Forest and Sawtooth National Forest, Forest Plan Revision, Implementation, Several Counties, ID; Malheur County, OR and Box Elder County, UT.

Summary: EPA expressed environmental concerns about disease transmission between bighorn sheep and domestic sheep, the uncertainty in modeling, and monitoring details. Rating EC2.

EIS No. 20080442, ERP No. DS-AFS-J65469-CO, White River National Forest Travel Management Plan, Updated Information for the Preferred Alternative, To Accommodate and Balance Transportation Needs, Implementation, Eagle, Garfield, Gunnison, Mesa, Moffat, Pitkin, Rio Blanco, Routt and Summit Counties, CO.

Summary: EPA's previous concerns were resolved, therefore EPA has no objections to the proposed action. Rating LO.

Final EISs

EIS No. 20080487, ERP No. F-AFS-F65035-WA, Cayuga Project, Proposed Vegetation and Transportation Management Activities northeast of Clam Lake, Preferred Alternative Selected Alternative 7, Great Divide Ranger District, Chequamegon-Nicolet National Forest, Ashland County, WI.

Summary: EPA's concerns about marten habitat have been addressed. Therefore, EPA has no objections to the project.

EIS No. 20080488, ERP No. F-FHW-F40442-MI, Detroit River International Crossing Study, Propose Border Crossing System between the International Border Cities of Detroit, Michigan and Windsor, Ontario, Wayne County, MI.

Summary: EPA has no objections to the proposed project.

EIS No. 20080495, ERP No. F-USN-K10011-CA, Southern California (SOCAL) Range Complex, To Organize, Train, Equip, and Maintain Combat-Ready Naval Forces, San Diego, Orange and Los Angeles Counties, CA.

Summary: EPA continues to have environmental concerns about impacts to marine resources and ocean water quality from munitions.

EIS No. 20080501, ERP No. F-AFS-J65500-00, Wild and Scenic River Suitability Study for National Forest System Lands on the Ashley, Dixie, Fishlake, Manti-La Sal, Uinta and Wasatch-Cache National Forests in UT and Portion of National Forests extend into Colorado and Wyoming, several counties, UT, Montrose County, CO and Uinta County, WY.

Summary: No formal comment letter was sent to the preparing agency.

Dated: January 16, 2009.

Ken Mittelholtz,

Environmental Protection Specialist, Office of Federal Activities.

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[FRL-8765-5]

Science Advisory Board Staff Office; Clean Air Scientific Advisory Committee (CASAC); Notification of Public Teleconferences; of the Ambient Air Monitoring & Methods (AAMM) Subcommittee

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA or Agency) Science Advisory Board (SAB) Staff Office announces two public teleconferences of the Clean Air Scientific Advisory Committee (CASAC) Ambient Air Monitoring & Methods Subcommittee (AAMMS or Subcommittee) to conduct consultations concerning ambient air monitoring issues related to the National Ambient Air Quality Standards (NAAQS) for ozone and particulate matter.

DATES: The meeting dates are Tuesday, February 10, 2009, from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. (Eastern Time) and Wednesday, February 11, 2009, from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. (Eastern Time).

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Any member of the public who wishes to obtain further information concerning this public teleconference may contact: Ms. Kyndall Barry, Designated Federal Officer (DFO), EPA Science Advisory Board (1400F), U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, 1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20460; via telephone/voice mail: (202) 343-9868; fax: (202) 233-0643; or e-mail at barry.kyndall@epa.gov. General information concerning the CASAC can be found on the EPA Web site at <http://www.epa.gov/casac/>.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background: The Clean Air Scientific Advisory Committee (CASAC) was established under section 109(d)(2) of the Clean Air Act (CAA or Act) (42 U.S.C. 7409) as an independent scientific advisory committee. CASAC provides advice, information and recommendations on the scientific and technical aspects of air quality criteria and NAAQS under sections 108 and 109 of the Act. The CASAC is a Federal advisory committee chartered under the Federal Advisory Committee Act (FACA), as amended, 5 U.S.C., App. The CASAC Ambient Air Monitoring & Methods Subcommittee (AAMMS) was established in 2004 as a standing subcommittee of CASAC to provide advice and recommendations to the EPA Administrator on topics specific to ambient air monitoring, methods and networks. The Subcommittee will comply with the provisions of FACA and all appropriate SAB Staff Office procedural policies. Section 109(d)(1) of the CAA requires that the Agency periodically review and revise, as appropriate, the air quality criteria and the NAAQS for the six "criteria" air pollutants, including both ozone (O₃) and particulate matter (PM).

a. AAMMS Teleconference, February 10, 2009—Ozone Network Design

In March 2008, the final rule for the Ozone NAAQS was published (73 FR 16436). The rule revised both the primary and secondary standards and set identical, 8-hour standards of 0.075 ppm expressed to three decimal places for both public health and welfare. In the March 2008 rule, EPA committed to develop separate rulemaking to support changes in the monitoring network requirements based on the revisions of the primary and secondary O₃ NAAQS. EPA is also considering changes to the required O₃ monitoring season. EPA's Office of Air and Radiation (OAR) requested the consultative advice of the AAMMS on the options for network design and O₃ monitoring season to guide the development of potential monitoring requirements. Additional information on the O₃ monitoring issues is available on the OAR Web page at http://www.epa.gov/ttn/naaqs/standards/ozone/s_o3_index.html.

b. AAMMS Teleconference, February 11, 2009—Coarse Particle Speciation

In October 2006, EPA issued the final rule to revise both the primary and secondary NAAQS for PM (71 FR 61144). The Agency decided to retain PM₁₀ as the indicator for thoracic coarse particles as promulgated in July 1997 (62 FR 38652). The final rule establishes ambient air monitoring requirements for a PM_{10-2.5} indicator of thoracic coarse particles to support research on particle distribution, sources, and health effects. A new Federal Reference Method (FRM) was also promulgated in the rule for measuring the mass concentration of PM_{10-2.5} in ambient air. As part of the revisions to the Ambient Air Monitoring Regulations, PM_{10-2.5} speciation monitoring will be required at National Core (NCore) multi-pollutant monitoring stations by January 1, 2011. EPA OAR requested AAMMS consultative advice on the issues related to PM_{10-2.5} speciation and monitoring. Additional information on the monitoring issues specific to coarse particles is available on the OAR Web page at http://www.epa.gov/ttn/naaqs/standards/pm/s_pm_index.html.

Technical Contacts: Any technical questions concerning the indicator and ambient air monitoring issues related to the O₃ or PM NAAQS can be directed Mr. Lewis Weinstock, OAQPS, at phone: (919) 541-3661, or e-mail weinstock.lewis@epa.gov.

Availability of Meeting Materials: The Agency documents for both consultations will be posted on the EPA

Technology Transfer Network (TTN) Web site on the respective pages for the Ozone and PM NAAQS at <http://www.epa.gov/ttn/naaqs/>. Prior to the meetings, the agendas and other materials for these AAMMS teleconferences will be accessible through the calendar link on the blue navigation bar at <http://www.epa.gov/casac/>.

Procedures for Providing Public Input: Interested members of the public may submit relevant written or oral information for consideration on the topics included in this advisory activity. *Oral Statements:* In general, individuals or groups requesting an oral presentation at a public teleconference will be limited to three minutes per speaker, with no more than a total of 30 minutes for all speakers. Interested parties should contact Ms. Barry, DFO, in writing (preferably via e-mail), by February 6, 2009, at the contact information noted above, to be placed on the list of public speakers for this meeting.

Written Statements: Written statements should be received in the SAB Staff Office by the same date, so that the information may be made available to the CASAC Panel for its consideration prior to this teleconference. Written statements should be supplied to the DFO in the following formats: one hard copy with original signature and one electronic copy via e-mail (acceptable file formats: Adobe Acrobat PDF, MS Word, WordPerfect, MS PowerPoint, or Rich Text files in IBM-PC/Windows 98/2000/XP format).

Submitters are asked to provide versions of each document submitted with and without signatures, because the SAB Staff Office does not publish documents with signatures on its Web sites.

Accessibility: For information on access or services for individuals with disabilities, please contact Ms. Barry at the phone number or e-mail address noted above, preferably at least ten days prior to the meeting, to give EPA as much time as possible to process your request.

Dated: January 15, 2009.

Anthony F. Maciorowski,
Deputy Director, EPA Science Advisory Board Staff Office.

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FEDERAL DEPOSIT INSURANCE CORPORATION**Notice of Agency Meeting**

Pursuant to the provisions of the "Government in the Sunshine Act" (5 U.S.C. 552b), notice is hereby given that at 10:03 p.m. on Thursday, January 15, 2009, the Board of Directors of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation met in closed session to consider matters relating to an open bank assistance transaction.

In calling the meeting, the Board determined, on motion of Vice Chairman Martin J. Gruenberg, seconded by Director John C. Dugan (Director, Comptroller of the Currency), and concurred in by Director Thomas J. Curry (Appointive), Director John M. Reich (Director, Office of Thrift Supervision), and Chairman Sheila C. Bair, that Corporation business required its consideration of the matters which were to be the subject of this meeting on less than seven days' notice to the public; that no earlier notice of the meeting was practicable; that the public interest did not require consideration of the matters in a meeting open to public observation; and that the matters could be considered in a closed meeting by authority of subsections (c)(4), (c)(8), (c)(9)(A)(ii), and (c)(9)(B) of the "Government in the Sunshine Act" (5 U.S.C. 552b(c)(4), (c)(8), (c)(9)(A)(ii), and (c)(9)(B)).

The meeting was held in the Board Room of the FDIC Building located at 550-17th Street, NW., Washington, DC.

Dated: January 15, 2009.

Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation.

Valerie J. Best,

Assistant Executive Secretary.

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FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

[Notice 2009-2]

Agency Procedures

AGENCY: Federal Election Commission.

ACTION: Reopening of comment period.

SUMMARY: This notice reopens the comment period for a Notice of public hearing on the policies and procedures of the Federal Election Commission. The comment period will be open until February 18, 2009. The Notice of public hearing addresses Federal Election Commission policies and procedures including, but not limited to, policy statements, advisory opinions, and public information, as well as various