

## Notice of Intent to Revise the State Implementation Plan for Air Quality:

## PM2.5 Maintenance Plan for New Haven and Fairfield Counties

The Commissioner of the Department of Energy and Environmental Protection (DEEP) hereby gives notice of intent to revise the State Implementation Plan (SIP) to comply with the National Ambient Air Quality Standards for fine particulate matter (PM2.5). This plan revision is necessary to fulfill the requirements under section 175A of the Clean Air Act (CAA) for areas that have been redesignated from nonattainment to attainment (i.e., maintenance areas). This revision addresses the second maintenance plan for the Connecticut portion of the New York-New Jersey-Connecticut (NY-NJ-CT) maintenance area which includes Fairfield and New Haven counties. DEEP concludes that existing measures will assure continued compliance with the PM2.5 NAAQS within the maintenance area.

This SIP revision will be submitted to EPA for review and approval.

The authority to adopt this SIP revision is granted by section 22a-174 of the Connecticut General Statutes (CGS). This notice is required pursuant to 40 Code of the Federal Regulations 51.102.

Written comments. Interested persons are invited to comment on the proposal. Comments should be submitted no later than 4:00 PM on February 22, 2023, via electronic mail to Daniella Lopez at Daniella.lopez@ct.gov.

Public hearing. In addition to accepting written comments, DEEP will also hold a public online hearing, only upon request, at 2:00 PM on February 22, 2023. A request to hold the hearing may be made by any person by electronic mail to Daniella.lopez@ct.gov. Such a request must be made by 4:00 PM on February 15, 2023. If no request for a hearing is received on or before February 15, 2023, the hearing will be cancelled. Information on the status of the hearing, and details concerning the hearing formatting and timing, if it is not cancelled, will be posted on DEEP's website at Public Notices: Proposed State Implementation Plan Revisions as of February 17, 2023. Questions concerning the cancellation of the public hearing may be directed to Daniella.Lopez@ct.gov or (860) 424-3383.



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<u>Additional information.</u> The SIP revision described above is posted on the DEEP website at <u>Public Notices: Proposed State Implementation Plan Revisions</u>. For further information, contact Daniella Lopez of the Bureau of Air Management by electronic mail to <u>Daniella.lopez@ct.gov</u>.

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January 9, 2023

Date

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**Acting Deputy Commissioner**