

State of Oregon
DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY

Relationship to Federal Requirements

Adoption of the Eugene-Springfield PM₁₀ Maintenance Plan

Answers to the following questions identify how the proposed rulemaking relates to federal requirements and potential justification for differing from, or adding to, federal requirements. This statement is required by OAR 340-011-0029(1).

1. Is the proposed rulemaking different from, or in addition to, applicable federal requirements? If so, what are the differences or additions?

The proposed rulemaking is not different from, or in addition to, applicable federal requirements. They are intended to meet the requirements of the federal Clean Air Act to redesignate an area from nonattainment to attainment and provide a maintenance plan.

There are no new regulations being proposed. Existing regulations will be adequate to maintain attainment with federal PM₁₀ air quality standards.

The Eugene-Springfield PM₁₀ Nonattainment Area has not exceeded the federal public health standards for particulate matter ten microns and less (PM₁₀) since 1987. The proposed rulemaking would officially change the status of this area from a PM₁₀ nonattainment area to a PM₁₀ maintenance area, and adopt PM₁₀ maintenance plan that will ensure continued attainment with the standard. Under this plan, industrial emissions growth will be controlled through existing New Source Review regulations, which for maintenance areas reduces the stringency and costs of emission control requirements for new sources, from the Lowest Achievable Emission Rate (LAER) to the Best Available Control Technology (BACT). All other requirements on sources will remain the same.

2. If the proposal differs from, or is in addition to, applicable federal requirements, explain the reasons for the difference or addition (including as appropriate, the public health, environmental, scientific, economic, technological, administrative or other reasons).

Not applicable

3. If the proposal differs from, or is in addition to, applicable federal requirements, did the Department consider alternatives to the difference or addition? If so, describe the alternatives and the reason(s) they were not pursued.

Not applicable