BEFORE THE
DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES

Notice of Public Hearing
Draft Redesignation Request and Maintenance Plan for the
Wisconsin portion (Kenosha County – partial)
of the Chicago-Naperville (IL-IN-WI) 2008 8-Hour Ozone Nonattainment Area

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to ss. 285.11(5) and (6) and 285.23(1), (2) and (4), *Wis. Stats.*, and ch. NR 401, *Wis. Adm. Code*, the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources (WDNR) will hold a public hearing on its draft redesignation request and maintenance plan for the Wisconsin portion (eastern Kenosha County) of the Chicago-Naperville (IL-IN-WI) nonattainment area for the 2008 ozone National Ambient Air Quality Standard (NAAQS). Once finalized, this request will be submitted to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) for its approval. In the draft request and maintenance plan, WDNR requests that EPA redesignate the eastern portion of Kenosha County from nonattainment to attainment for the 2008 ozone NAAQS.

Date and Time
Tuesday, June 28, 2016
9:00 AM

Location
Southwest Neighborhood Library
Activities Room A
7979 38th Ave
Kenosha, Wisconsin 53142

Reasonable accommodations or informational material in an alternative format will be provided for qualified individuals with disabilities upon request. To do so, make a request to Angela Dickens using the contact information provided below. A request must include specific information and be received at least 10 days before the date of the scheduled hearing.

Availability of the Draft Redesignation Request and Maintenance Plan State Implementation Plan (SIP) Documents
Background information and technical support documents related to the draft redesignation request and maintenance plan for the Wisconsin portion (eastern Kenosha County) of the Chicago-Naperville (IL-IN-WI) 2008 8-Hour Ozone Marginal Nonattainment Area can be downloaded at http://dnr.wi.gov/topic/AirQuality/Input.html, and hard copies are available, free of charge, by contacting Angela Dickens below.

Background

In March 2008, EPA finalized a revision to the 8-hour ozone NAAQS based upon available health studies (73 FR 16436). The level of the 2008 ozone NAAQS (0.075 parts per million (ppm)) was more restrictive than the previous 1997 ozone NAAQS (0.08 ppm). In June 2012, EPA published a final rulemaking that designated all or part of 11 counties in the Chicago-Naperville, IL-IN-WI, Combined Statistical Area (CSA) as nonattainment for the 2008 ozone NAAQS (77 FR 34221). This rulemaking was based upon EPA's review of ozone monitoring data collected during the years 2008-2011.

The federal Clean Air Act (CAA) requires an area not meeting a NAAQS for a specified criteria pollutant to develop or revise its SIP to expeditiously attain and maintain the NAAQS in that nonattainment area. When attainment of a NAAQS in a nonattainment area has been achieved, Section 107(d)(3)(D) of the CAA allows states to request the nonattainment area to be redesignated to attainment provided that certain criteria are met.

Ozone monitoring data for the most recent three years, 2013 through 2015, demonstrate that the air quality meets the 2008 ozone NAAQS in the Chicago nonattainment area. In addition, total summer NOx and VOC emissions have decreased and are projected to continue to decline from both eastern Kenosha

County and the total nonattainment area. As a result, WDNR expects maintenance of the standard, justifying a redesignation to attainment for Wisconsin's portion of the nonattainment area based on Section 107(d)(3)(E) of the CAA.

Action Subject to Comment

The Department is soliciting comment on all elements regarding the draft redesignation request and maintenance plan for the Wisconsin portion (Kenosha County – partial) of the Chicago-Naperville (IL-IN-WI) 2008 8-Hour Ozone Nonattainment Area.

Agency Contact and Submitting Comment

Comments on this draft redesignation request and maintenance plan should be received on or before July 11, 2016. Written comments may be submitted by U.S. mail, fax, or email and will have the same weight and effect as oral statements presented at the public hearing.

Questions or requests related to the hearing and written comments or questions on the draft redesignation and maintenance plan SIP should be submitted to:

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