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**Subject:** PM2.5 New Source Review/Prevention of Significant Deterioration: The EQC amended rules to establish PM2.5 New Source Review/Prevention of Significant Deterioration (NSR/PSD) for fine particles (PM2.5 or particulate matter less than 2.5 microns in diameter.) The rules help DEQ and businesses implement NSR/PSD as the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) intended.

Greenhouse Gas (GHG) Prevention of Significant Deterioration: The EQC amended Prevention of Significant Deterioration (PSD) rules to include greenhouse gases in response to EPA regulations and clarified NSR/PSD rules to allow DEQ to continue implementing the PSD program in Oregon.

Small Scale Renewable Energy Sources: EPA requires states to have minor source construction approval programs but gives states flexibility in how to do this. Oregon’s minor source construction approval program basically applies major source NSR/PSD requirements to any source with emissions over the significant emission rate (SER) including some areas where the Oregon SER is lower than the federal SER. HB 2952 revised how the minor source construction approval program works for small scale local energy projects. The EQC amended NSR/PSD rules to incorporate changes to ORS 468A.040 for small scale local energy projects.

Permitting Rule Updates: Oregon’s permitting rule incorporates the federal acid rain program rules by reference. The EQC amended the permitting rules to reference the federal acid rain rules updated July 2, 2010.

DEQ will submit these rules to the EPA as a revision to the State Implementation Plan, which is a requirement of the Clean Air Act.