**Notice of Intent to Adopt Rules and Amendments to Oregon’s Air Quality Implementation Plan**

The Oregon Department of Environmental Quality and the Lane Regional Air Protection Agency rely upon local air quality stakeholders in developing key aspects of air quality plans to assure that community needs are met. Feedback from the public is a crucial part of plan development.

DEQ and LRAPA are proposing to adopt amendments to Oregon’s State Implementation Plan. These rules were previously amended and adopted by the LRAPA Board of Directors and have been in effect in Lane County since their adoption.

This rulemaking proposes adoption of four different rulemakings adopted by the LRAPA Board of Directors and effective at the dates adopted which include: March 14, 2008 – Open Burning (LRAPA Title 47); October 14, 2008 – Industrial Streamlining Rules (LRAPA Titles 12, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, 40, 41, 42, 44, 46, 48, 49, and 50); January 12, 2010 – Industrial Streamlining Rules Updates and Corrections (LRAPA Titles 12, 13, 30, 31, 34, 37, 38, 40, and 44); and April 25, 2011 – New Source Review, Particulate Matter and Greenhouse Gas Permitting Requirements (LRAPA Titles 13, 32, 34, 36, 37, 38, 40, 46, and 50). The submission is for SIP purposes so the rules can be adopted at the state level and entered into the State Implementation Plan. Hearings and public comment periods were held during the rulemaking process at the time each of the packets were adopted by the LRAPA Board.

In December 2012, the Oakridge-Westfir PM2.5 attainment plan was adopted by the EQC and submitted to the EPA as an amendment to the SIP. Before EPA can approve the plan, the backlog of rules described above need to be adopted by the EQC and submitted to the EPA. The need to bundle these rules and proceed through the state and federal adoption process required a streamlined expedited approach since the rules effect the Oakridge-Westfir communities and must be adopted prior to DEQ revising and EPA approving the SIP for the Oakridge-Westfir PM2.5 Attainment Plan .

LRAPA requests public comment for the submission of the adopted and effective rules to amend Oregon’s State Implementation Plan. These amendments and changes will be presented to the Environmental Quality Commission for approval. If the EQC adopts the rule, it will be submitted by DEQ to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency as a revision to the State Implementation Plan under OAR 340-200-0040 as a requirement of the Clean Air Act.

If written requests from 10 persons, or an organization representing at least 10 persons, are received on any portion of these rulemakings, LRAPA will provide a public hearing. **Requests for hearing must be in writing and must be received no later than 5:00 pm, February 16, 2013 and clearly identify the air quality concerns about the specific rulemaking.**

Copies of the proposed rules, as well as Statements of Need and Fiscal Impact, are available for review at the LRAPA office located at 1010 Main Street, Springfield, Oregon until February 16, 2013. The public may comment on the proposed rules amendments. To submit comments or request additional information, please contact Robbye Lanier at the Lane Regional Air Protection Agency, 1010 Main Street, Springfield, Oregon 97474, toll free in Oregon at 877-285-7272 or (541) 736-1056 ext 214, or at [robbye@lrapa.org](mailto:robbye@lrapa.org) or by fax 541-726-1205, or visit LRAPA's website: <http://www.lrapa.org>.