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**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON PROPOSED AIR QUALITY RULE AMENDMENTS**

The Oregon Department of Environmental Quality is seeking comments on the adoption of two Limited Maintenance Plans for the Grants Pass area - one for Particulate Matter 10 microns and smaller (PM10), and one for Carbon Monoxide (CO). DEQ is proposing to adopt these plans into the Oregon Clean Air Act State Implementation Plan, as a revision to OAR 340-200-0040. These plans are the second maintenance plans, and are designed to maintain compliance with the PM10 and CO National Ambient Air Quality Standards for the next 10 years. If approved by the Oregon Environmental Quality Commission, DEQ would submit these plans to the US Environmental Protection Agency for approval and as a revision to the State Implementation Plan, as the Clean Air Act requires.

DEQ will hold a public hearing on this proposal on Thursday, January 22, 2015 at 6 p.m. at the City Council Chambers, 101 NW ‘A’ Street, Grants Pass OR, 97526. The hearings Officer will accept oral and written comments at the hearing. Copies of the proposed rulemaking may be obtained online at <http://www.oregon.gov/deq/RulesandRegulations/Pages/proposedrule.aspx> or from DEQ Headquarters, Air Quality Division, 11th Floor, 811 SW 6th Avenue, Portland, OR 97204, or by contacting Brian Finneran at (503) 229-6278. Written comments may be submitted anytime to the above address or online at <http://www.oregon.gov/deq/RulesandRegulations/Pages/comments/CODENAME.aspx>. DEQ must receive public comments no later than Monday, January 26, 2015 by 5 p.m.