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Subject:           RM-GPLMP Draft Public Notice Preview

 Closes Dec. 3, 2014

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The Grants Pass Limited Maintenance Plans public notice is ready for preview before we open the public comment period on Dec. 16, 2014. Though no action is required on your part, we will consider your input on the packet if we receive it by close of business on Dec. 3, 2014. To offer input, contact Brian Finneran at Finneran.Brian@deq.state.or.us, 503 229-6278.

The packet has had the required reviews that included EPA and DOJ.

Title **Grants Pass Carbon Monoxide and Particulate Matter (PM10) Limited Maintenance Plans**

Notice Packet Open the folder 4-Public Notice at <http://deqsps/programs/rulemaking/aq/gplimited/docs/Forms/byCategory.aspx> for the materials:

Invitation to Comment – 2-page fact sheet

2 Proposed Limited Maintenance Plans – one for PM10, one for CO

Notice – information and analysis required by APA; Model Rules; DEQ statutes, rules and best practices; and federal regulations.

Proposal DEQ 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.

Need These plans are the second maintenance plans for the Grants Pass area. EPA requires Oregon to adopt these plans to ensure compliance with the PM10 and CO National Ambient Air Quality Standards for the next 10 years.

Affected parties The proposed rules affect the Middle Rogue Metropolitan Planning Organization. As limited maintenance plans, plan requirements are simplified, and costly computer modeling requirements for transportation conformity analysis are eliminted. The general public in Grants Pass is also affected, however, being limited maintenance plans, no new control measures are required.

Staff engagement DEQ air quality staff in Portland developed these limited maintenance plans, in coordination with the Middle Rogue Metropolitan Planning Organization, and EPA Region 10.

Authority Under the Clean Air Act, communities that exceed health standards must adopt plans to achieve and maintain good air quality. Historically, Grants Pass exceeded the CO and PM10 standards, and DEQ developed attainment plans which resulted in Grants Pass achieving these standards. Subsequently, the first maintenance plans for Grants Pass were adopted. EPA is now requiring DEQ to adopt the second maintenance plans to ensure continued compliance with health standards for the next 10 years.

Public comment Starts Tuesday, December 16, 2014 Ends Monday, January 26, 2015

EQC meeting March 2015

The rulemaking public notice packet is a major external deliverable in DEQ’s rulemaking process. On behalf of the rule design team, I thank all DEQ contributors to the notice packet.

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