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Subject:	DEQ Rulemaking - Infrastructure SIP PM 2.5 standards - ORS 183.335(15) notification
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Dear Chair Chris Edwards, Senate Committee on Environment and Natural Resources and Chair Jessica Vega Pederson, House Committee on Energy and Environment,

The Department of Environmental Quality has opened public comment for proposed permanent changes to chapter 340 of the Oregon Administrative Rules for PM 2.5 Infrastructure State Implementation Plan rules.

The proposed rules would:

- Amend OAR 340-200-004 to update the Oregon Clean Air Act State Implementation Plan
- Amend OAR 340-202-0060(3) to incorporate the annual primary ambient air quality standard for PM 2.5
- Amend OAR 340-250-0030(22) to include PM 2.5 in the definition of National Ambient Air Quality Standard (NAAQS)

The proposal is online at DEQ Rules. The Web page includes these documents:

Invitation to Comment – 2-page fact sheet that outlines the proposal and opportunities to comment

Proposed Rules – redline/strikethrough of the affected Oregon Administrative Rules

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

Crosswalk – explanation of how Oregon's air quality rules meet federal Clean Air Act requirements

Infrastructure SIP Submittal – describes DEQ's review of and conclusions about whether Oregon is taking adequate steps to prevent air contaminants generated in Oregon from affecting the air quality in neighboring states

The comment period closes on Monday, July 20, 2015, at 4:00 p.m. DEQ plans to take the final proposal, including any modifications made in response to public comments, to the Environmental Quality Commission for decision at its October 14, 2015 meeting in Portland.

If you have questions or comments, please contact Nancy Cardwell at Nancy Cardwell or 503-229-6610.

Sincerely,

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