

VOCs in Consumer Products and Architectural and Industrial Maintenance Coatings

Proposed Rulemaking Committee Meeting 4

DEQ Air Quality Planning

Oregon Department of Environmental Quality

Date: April 8, 2025

Location: virtual

Agenda

Time	
1:30 p.m. PT	Icebreaker and expectations (led by Megan D.)
1:40 p.m.	Overview of meeting purpose/recap of previous rulemaking advisory committee meetings (Farrah)
1:50 p.m.	Discuss rulemaking plan to adopt OTC phase 5 model rules Overview of rule structure, content Round-robin w/committee members (everyone)
2:20 p.m.	5-minute break
2:25 p.m.	Developing fiscal impact assessment
2:50 p.m - 3 p.m	Wrap-up and identify next steps

Welcome and introductions

- Hello and welcome
- Introductions
 - DEQ staff and Facilitator
 - Rulemaking Advisory Committee members
 - **Name, pronouns and affiliation**
- Icebreaker activity

What is your favorite part of the spring season?

Expectations and conduct

- Prepares for and sets aside time for the meetings
- Provides DEQ staff with copies of relevant research and documentation cited during the meeting
- Stays focused on the specific agenda topics for each meeting
- Comments constructively and in good faith
- Consults regularly with constituencies to inform them on the process and gather their input
- Treats everyone and their opinions with respect
- Allows one person to speak at a time
- Is courteous by not engaging in sidebar discussions
- Avoids representing to the public or media the views of any other committee member or the committee as a whole

Meeting process and procedures

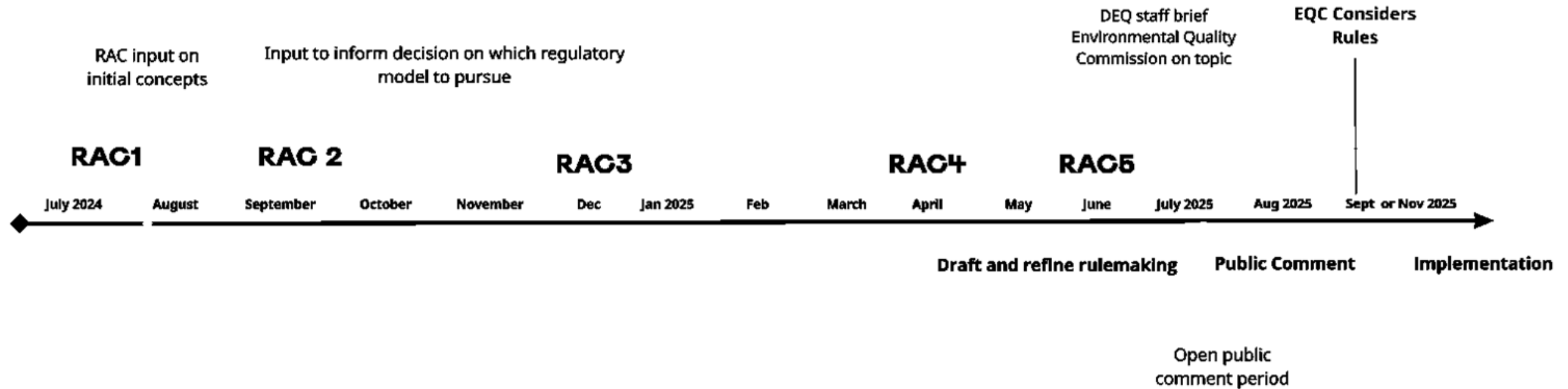
How RAC members can participate in this meeting:

- Please stay muted until called on
- If you want to contribute to the meeting, please raise your hand using the raise hand function
- Please feel free to include resources in the chat, they will be added to the official minutes
- Meeting is recorded for public record

Resources

[Department of Environmental Quality : Volatile Organic Compounds 2025 : Rulemaking at DEQ : State of Oregon](#)

Rulemaking timeline



Primary rulemaking goal

To instate a pro-active regulation that helps DEQ meet air quality standards, particularly for ozone and protects public health.



Recap from last RAC Meeting

- Ideal is for regulation that does not promote reformulations with more toxic substances in consumer products and coatings
- Two exemptions that California uses (+ OTC model rules) that allow for some flexibility for industry to meet the standards
 - innovative product exemption
 - alternative control plan
- Overview of history of CARB and OTC regulations, highlighting some of the differences and similarities that exist between CARB rules and OTC rules

Rulemaking Plan:

Option A
CARB Rules
(CP + AIM)

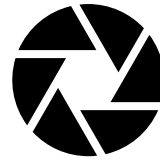


Option B
OTC Rules
phase 5 for CP
phase 2 for AIM

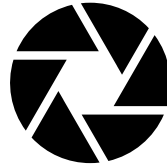
Option C
OTC Rules
phase 4 for CP
phase 2 for AIM



Why OTC Phase 5 for CP?



Many product categories standards align with current CARB standards but are not more stringent than CA



Allow for clean industry standard, and alignment once other jurisdictions/States adopt rules



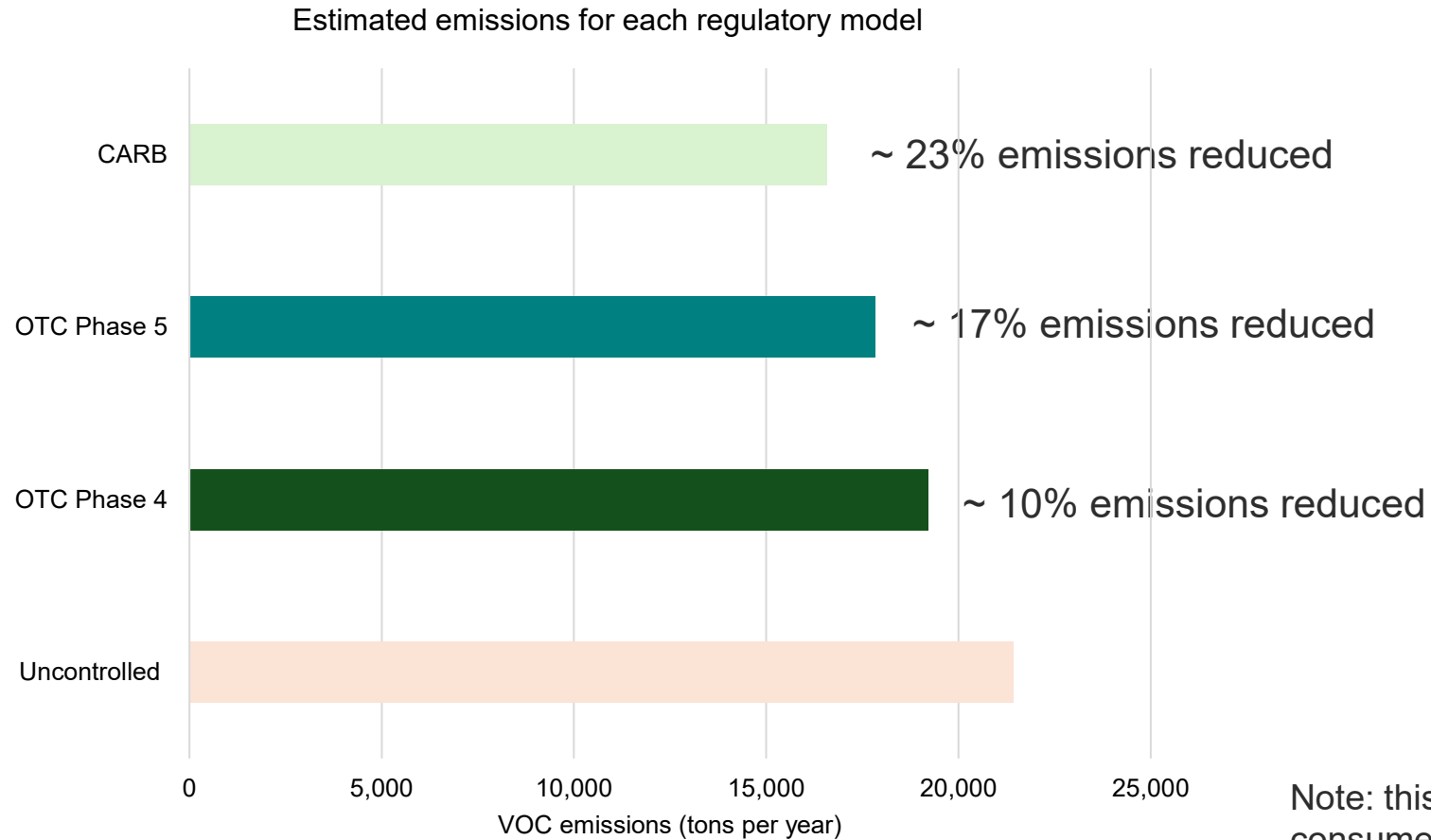
Provide public health benefits of limiting ozone forming compound emissions from these product categories



Manageable model in terms of implementation, enforcement and number of times rule revisions may be needed

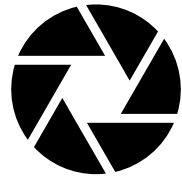
Link to: [OTC phase V model rules](#)

Potential emissions benefits

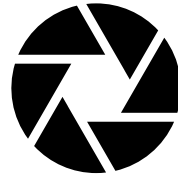


Note: this only includes an estimate for consumer products and not AIM coatings

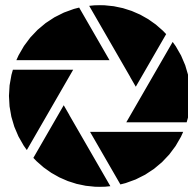
Why OTC Phase 2 for AIM?



Standards for many product categories standards align with the SCM used in California



Will be aligned with 10-12 other states/local air districts that have phase 2 rules



Protect Oregonians from the harmful impacts of high VOCs in paints and other compounds

Link to: [OTC phase II model rules](#)

Specifications for Oregon

- Compliance dates
- Any sell-through provisions that need to be added/specified
- Any additional exemptions that may need to be considered for unique situations or products

Round robin

- Using the OTC model rules as our base for rules in Oregon, **what are some considerations you would like to see addressed as we tailor the model rules?**
 - discuss up to 3 considerations with the committee
 - put any additional considerations into the meeting chat

We will take a few minutes to brainstorm before we start sharing.

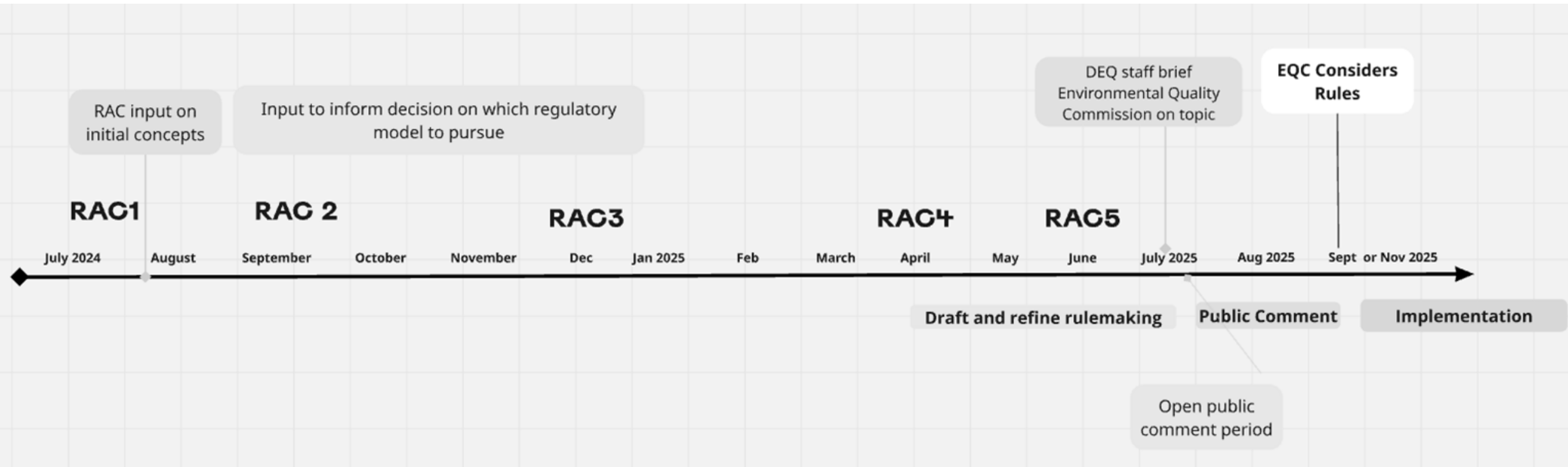
Open discussion

Committee input on:

How to develop an effective fiscal impact analysis, including impacts on small businesses/manufacturers and environmental justice or equity considerations.

- What needs to be considered
- What data sets are available?
- What provisions can be included in the rules to help mitigate fiscal impacts?

Rulemaking Timeline



Next Steps

- Rule writing and development
- Develop fiscal impact analysis

Will hold one or two additional RAC meetings to finalize the rules and analysis of rule impacts.

Plan is to bring to Environmental Quality Commission for a vote in Fall of 2025.

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