NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON PROPOSED REVISION
TO THE STATE IMPLEMENTATION PLAN

The Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ or commission) will offer a public hearing on December 8, 2020 at 2:00 p.m. Central Standard Time.

The hearing is offered to receive testimony regarding the proposed 2021 Regional Haze State Implementation Plan (SIP) Revision (Project No. 2019-112-SIP-NR). The proposed SIP revision would implement the regional haze requirements of the Federal Clean Air Act, §169A and the United States Environmental Protection Agency’s (EPA) Regional Haze Rule for the second regional haze planning period. The proposed SIP revision addresses regional haze in Big Bend and Guadalupe National Parks in Texas and Class I areas located outside Texas that may be affected by emissions from within the state. The hearing for the proposed SIP revision is required by 40 Code of Federal Regulations §51.102 concerning SIPs.

The virtual hearing is structured for the receipt of oral comments only. Individuals may present oral statements when called upon in order of registration. Open discussion will not be permitted during the hearing; however, commission staff members will be available to discuss the proposal 30 minutes prior to the hearing. The hearing will be conducted remotely using an internet meeting service. Individuals who plan to attend the hearing must register by December 1, 2020. To register for the hearing, please email SIPRules@tceq.texas.gov and provide the following information: your name, your affiliation, your email address, and whether or not you plan to provide oral comments during the hearing. Instructions for participating in the hearing will be sent on December 4, 2020 to those who registered for the hearing.

Persons who do not have internet access or who have special communication or other accommodation needs who plan to attend the hearing should contact Jamie Zech, Air Quality Division at (512) 239-3935 or 1-800-RELAY-TX (TDD) to register. Accommodation requests should be made as far in advance as possible.

The comment period for this SIP revision (Project No. 2019-112-SIP-NR) closes December 9, 2020. Written comments will be accepted through the eComments system at https://www6.tceq.texas.gov/rules/ecomments/. For additional submission methods, please contact Margaret Earnest at margaret.earnest@tceq.texas.gov.