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TEXAS COMMISSION ON ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY

Protecting Texas by Reducing and Preventing Pollution

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARINGS ON PROPOSED REVISIONS TO 30 TAC

CHAPTER 112 AND TO THE STATE IMPLEMENTATION PLAN

The Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (commission) will conduct public hearings to receive testimony regarding proposed revisions to 30 Texas Administrative Code (TAC) Chapter 112, Control of Air Pollution from Sulfur Compounds, and three corresponding revisions to the state implementation plan (SIP) under the requirements of Texas Health and Safety Code, §382.017; Texas Government Code, Chapter 2001, Subchapter B; and 40 Code of Federal Regulations §51.102 of the United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) concerning SIPs.

The proposed 30 TAC Chapter 112 rules (**Project Number 2021-035-112-AI**) would set requirements for controlling SO₂ emissions, including monitoring, testing, recordkeeping, and reporting for emissions sources identified in the 2010 Sulfur Dioxide (SO₂) nonattainment areas located in Howard, Hutchinson, and Navarro Counties. Each of the three proposed SIP revisions provides an attainment demonstration and other required SIP elements for the applicable SO₂ nonattainment area: Howard County (**Project Number 2021-010-SIP-NR**); Hutchinson County (**Project Number 2021-011-SIP-NR**); and Navarro County (**Project Number 2021-012-SIP-NR**).

The commission will offer three public hearings on these proposals. The first hearing will be offered in Big Spring on May 18, 2022 at 6:00 p.m. CDT in the Ballroom at Dora Roberts Community Center located at 100 Whipkey Drive. The second hearing will be offered in Borger on May 19, 2022 at 6:00 p.m. CDT in the City Council Room at Borger City Hall located at 600 N. Main St. The third hearing will be offered in Corsicana on May 23, 2022 at 6:00 p.m. CDT in the Cook Education Center at Navarro College located at 3100 West Collin Street. The hearings are structured for the receipt of oral or written comments by interested persons. 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 in English. Language interpretation services may be requested. Persons who have communication or other accommodation needs who are planning to attend the hearing should contact Sandy Wong, Office of Legal Services at (512) 239-1802 or 1-800-RELAY-TX (TDD). Requests should be made as far in advance as possible.

The comment period for these proposals closes June 2, 2022. Written comments will be accepted through the *eComments* system at <u>https://www6.tceq.texas.gov/rules/ecomments/</u>. File size restrictions may apply to comments submitted via the *eComments* system. For additional submission methods for the rules, please contact Joseph Thomas at (512) 239-3934 or *joseph.thomas@tceq.texas.gov*. For additional submission methods for the SIP revisions, please contact Mary Ann Cook at (512) 239-6739 or *maryann.cook@tceq.texas.gov*.

Rulemaking comments should reference **Rule Project Number 2021-035-112-AI**. Comments for the Attainment Demonstration SIP Revisions for the 2010 Sulfur Dioxide (SO₂) National Ambient Air Quality Standard (NAAQS) should reference **Project Number 2021-010-SIP-NR** regarding Howard County, **Project Number 2021-011-SIP-NR** regarding Hutchinson County, and/or **Project Number 2021-012-SIP-NR** regarding Navarro County.

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Copies of the proposed rulemaking can be obtained from the commission's website at <u>https://www.tceq.texas.gov/rules/propose_adopt.html</u>. Copies of the Howard, Hutchinson and Navarro County Attainment Demonstration SIP revisions for the 2010 SO₂ NAAQS can be obtained from the commission's website at <u>https://www.tceq.texas.gov/airquality/sip/sipplans.html#prosips</u>.