

FAIRBANKS STATE IMPLEMENTATION PLAN AND EPA PROPOSED ACTION

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OVERVIEW GOALS: HEALTHY AIR, STRONG ECONOMY, USE OF WOOD STOVES, APPROVABLE SIP

- What is in EPA's Proposed Action?
 - Proposed Approval of SIP elements
 - Proposed Disapproval of SIP elements
- Next steps
 - Comment on EPA's proposed action
 - Prepare SIP Amendment
- Potential timeline
- What actions can FNSB Assembly take?

WHAT IS IN THE ACTION? ELEMENTS FOR PROPOSED APPROVAL

- Base year emission inventory
- NOx precursor determination
- VOC precursor determination
- NH3 BACM/BACT and control strategy analysis
- Solid fuel BACM
 - Curtailment program
 - Opacity limits
 - Date certain removal of uncertified devices

- Incinerator BACM
- Mobile source controls
 - CARB standards
 - School bus retrofits
 - Road paving
- Contingency measures as SIP strengthening



WHAT IS IN THE ACTION? ELEMENTS FOR PROPOSED DISAPPROVAL

- Point source SO2 controls
 - Did not meet BACM for highest control
- Point source PM controls
 - Lack of MRR and permit conditions not incorporated in SIP
- Contingency measures
 - Not sufficient to meet 1-year Reasonable Further Progress

- BACM
 - ULSD requirement
 - Requirements for wood sellers
 - Residential coal fired heating devices
 - Coffee roasters
 - Char broilers
 - Used oil burners
 - Weatherization
 - Vehicle idling
 - Other transportation measures

- Attainment year inventory
- Attainment demonstration
- Reasonable Further Progress
- Motor Vehicle Emission Budgets
- Quantitative Milestones

NEXT STEPS IS THERE A PATH TO MEET ALL THE GOALS?

- Healthy Air
 Strong Economy
 Maintain Use of Wood Stoves
 Approvable SIP
- Large gaps between Alaska SIP and EPA proposal:
 - Point source SO2 control strategy
 - Solution: New modeling platform supporting SO2 Precursor demonstration
 - ULSD Mandate
 - Solution: New compelling information supporting economic infeasibility



NEXT STEPS HOW DO WE GET THERE?

Healthy Air
 Strong Economy
 Maintain Use of Wood Stoves
 Approvable SIP



Two Separate Actions

- Provide comments during comment period
 - Short time frame, due March 31
 - Can't resolve all issues in disapproval during comment period
- SIP Amendment
 - Longer time frame
 - Required for regulatory changes and modeling updates

SUMMARY OF STATE STRATEGY – COMMENT PERIOD

- Comments from community the more the better
- ADEC Comments
 - Provide compelling new information that will inform agency decision making
 - New information for economic analysis of ULSD vs #1 Heating Oil
 - SO2 Precursor: Explain how EPA should not base decisions on obsolete modeling platform
 - Explain where new regulations will address EPA concerns





SUMMARY OF STATE STRATEGY – SIP AMENDMENT

- SIP Amendment elements to an approvable SIP
 - SO2 Precursor demonstration
 - New regulations
 - Updated components: Modeling, Attainment demonstration, MVEB, Inventory, QMs, etc.

SUMMARY OF STATE COMMENTS

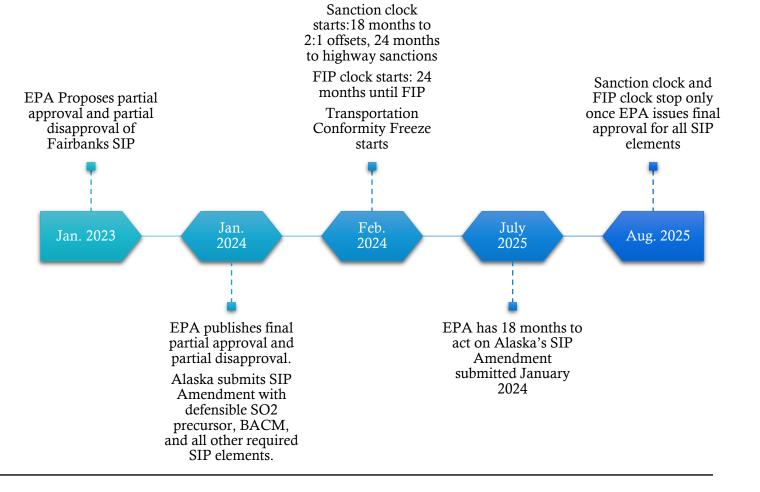
- USLD New information for economic dismissal
- Coffee Roasters Modify regulation
- Char broilers Updated information for technical/economic dismissal to address EPA concern
- Transportation Control Measures (TCMs) New information for economic dismissal
- Used Oil Updated information for technical/economic dismissal to address EPA concern
- Weatherization New regulation
- Wood seller requirements Modify regulation
- Residential coal heating appliances Modify regulation

SUMMARY OF COMMENTS CONTINUED

- Point Source BACT
 - SO2 Precursor to address EPA concerns regarding SO2 control strategy
 - Modify permits to address MRR
 - Add permits to SIP

POTENTIAL TIMELINE







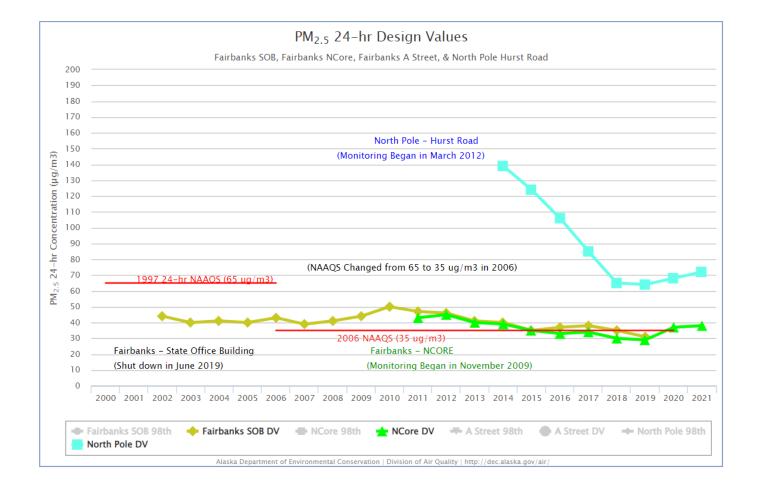
WHAT ACTIONS CAN YOU TAKE?

- Support Collaborative ADEC & FNSB Staff Comments w/Resolution
- Provide comments independently
- Encourage members of community to comment
- 2 ways to comment
 - Written comment due March 13, 2023
 - EPA to host public hearing in Fairbanks, TBD likely early March
- DEC is available to explain what is in EPA's proposed action so that entities can form their own position

NEW STANDARD

- EPA proposed new lower PM_{2.5} standards on January 6, 2023
- Encourage members of community to comment

https://www.epa.gov/pmpollution/national-ambient-airquality-standards-naaqs-pm



QUESTIONS?

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