Notice is hereby given that the Vermont Air Quality and Climate Division (AQCD) is providing the opportunity for interested persons to request a public hearing and provide comment on a proposed State Implementation Plan (SIP) elements that will be submitted to the US Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

The Vermont AQCD is proposing revisions to the Vermont SIP for Motor Vehicle Inspection and Maintenance to address federal requirements of the Clean Air Act (CAA) Section 182(c)(3)(A) and ensure that amendments to Vermont’s vehicle inspection and maintenance (I/M) program are fully incorporated into Vermont’s SIP. Vermont is required to adopt and implement an enhanced I/M program pursuant to CAA Section 184(b)(1)(A), which requires that any state located within an ozone transport region, which has a metropolitan statistical area with a population of more than 100,000, implement an enhanced vehicle I/M program and comply with the provisions of CAA Section 182(c)(3). Vermont is included in the Ozone Transport Region established in CAA Section 184(a) and has one Metropolitan Statistical Area (MSA): Burlington with a population of more than 100,000.

The proposed SIP, which will supersede the July 1, 1996 submittal, is available on the AQCD’s website at https://dec.vermont.gov/air-quality/planning/sip, on Vermont DEC’s Environmental Notice Bulletin at enb.vermont.gov, and at the AQCD offices located in the Davis Building, Fourth Floor, 1 National Life Drive, Montpelier, VT. You may also request a copy of the proposed SIP using the contact information listed below.

A hearing will be held on Wednesday, June 1, 2022 at 10:00am in the Catamount Room at the Vermont Agency of Natural Resources at 1 National Life Drive, Davis Building, 2nd Floor, Montpelier, VT. Attendance at the hearing is not necessary to submit written comments on the proposed SIP. Written comments on the proposed SIP must be received by the AQCD by 5:00pm EST on June 8, 2022.

All written comments must be mailed or emailed to:

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Davis Building – 4th Floor  
1 National Life Drive  
Montpelier, Vermont 05620

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If you speak a non-English language, we offer free language assistance services. Please reach out to ANR at 802-636-7827 for more information.