

U.S. EPA Fact Sheet

Proposed: Nevada Regional Haze Progress Report

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Summary of Action:

EPA is proposing to approve the Nevada Division of Environmental Protection's determination that the existing Nevada Regional Haze (RH) State Implementation Plan (SIP) is making adequate progress to achieve the visibility goals for 2018 in the State's single Class I area.

Nevada's RH Progress Report addresses the Regional Haze Rule requirements under the Clean Air Act to submit a report describing progress in achieving reasonable progress goals to improve visibility in the Federally designated Class I area in Nevada and in nearby states that may be affected by emissions from sources in Nevada.

EPA's proposal to approve the State's Progress Report and determination that the existing RH SIP is sufficient to make adequate progress means that no substantive revisions to the plan are required at this time.

EPA approved the Nevada RH SIP in a final rule on April 25, 2012.

Background:

The Clean Air Act establishes as a national goal the prevention of any future and the remedying of any existing man-made impairment of visibility in 156 national parks and wilderness areas designated as Class I areas.

States are required to submit reports every five years evaluating progress toward achieving its reasonable progress goals.

Next Steps:

The Federal Register notice will be published in approximately 2 – 3 weeks.

There will be a 30 day public comment period on this action.

More Information: <http://www.epa.gov/region9/air/actions/nv.html>