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## Notice of Meeting and Agenda Air Quality Control Commission

February 21, 2013

Colorado Department of Public Health & Environment  
4300 Cherry Creek Drive South, Sabin Room  
Denver, Colorado

**NOTE THE LATER START TIME: 10:00 a.m.**

- Call to Order:** Determination of a Quorum
- Approval of Minutes:** Review/Approval of the December 20, 2012 meeting minutes of the Air Quality Control Commission.
- Public Comment:** The public is invited to comment on any air pollution issue not on the agenda. The Commission will not take action on issues discussed under this item today; however, items may be scheduled for further discussion or action.

### CONSENT AGENDA

*The Commission will vote on Item Numbers 1 through 4 as part of a Consent Agenda. Adoption of a Consent Agenda allows the Commission to consolidate voting on agenda items that do not need to be discussed individually and for which presentation of additional information is not required.*

### REQUEST FOR RULEMAKING HEARING – MAY 16, 2013

#### 1. Regulation Number 2, Part B

CDPHE's Environmental Agriculture Program will request that the Commission set a rulemaking hearing to consider proposed changes to Regulation 2, Part B, including Section X.D., specific to reporting requirements. The Program also proposes to remove obsolete dates throughout the regulation and to delete an experimental cover requirement applicable to housed commercial swine feeding operations in Section IV.A.3.f.

REQUEST FOR WRITTEN COMMENT ONLY RULEMAKING HEARINGS – MAY 16, 2013

**2. Regulation Number 6, Part A**

The Division will request the Commission set a rulemaking hearing to consider proposed changes to Regulation Number 6, Part A, incorporating by reference new and amended federal New Source Performance Standards in full.

**3. Regulation Number 8, Parts A and E**

The Division will request the Commission set a rulemaking hearing to consider proposed changes to Regulation Number 8 Parts A and E, incorporating by reference new and amended federal National Emission Standards for Hazardous Air Pollutants in full.

PUBLIC HEARING

**4. Regulation Number 9: Open Burning, Prescribed Fire and Permitting**

The National Park Service requests approval of its revised significant user prescribed fire planning document.

**REGULAR AGENDA**

PUBLIC HEARING

**5. Denver Regional Council of Governments (DRCOG) Conformity Determination**

(5 minutes presentation, 5 minutes discussion)

The Division and DRCOG request approval of the transportation conformity determinations for DRCOG's 2035 Regional Transportation Plan and Transportation Improvement Program. These conformity determinations are deemed to be "non-routine" because there are several regional transit projects proposed for removal from the 2035 Plan, and revisions of high occupancy vehicle lane usage rules are being proposed.

BRIEFINGS, DISCUSSIONS AND REPORTS

**6. Rocky Mountain National Park Initiative**

(30 minutes presentation, 30 minutes discussion)

The Air Pollution Control Division, National Park Service, and Environmental Protection Agency are working together on the RMNP Initiative, a collaborative effort to reduce nitrogen deposition in Rocky Mountain National Park. The agencies will brief the Commission on the Initiative tasks over the past year and lessons learned since 2006, with an emphasis on the approach for determining whether or not the 2012 milestone goal was achieved.

**7. University of Colorado – Oil and Gas Study**

(30 minutes presentation, 30 minutes discussion)

Professors Jana Milford and Michael Hannigan from the University of Colorado at Boulder will brief the Commission on a new CU-led research project to study effects of natural gas development in the Rocky Mountain region. The five-year, multi-institution project is funded by the National Science Foundation's Sustainability Research Networks program, and includes research on water use, water quality, air quality, human health and socio-economic effects. The briefing will focus on the research questions to be addressed by the study's air quality team.

**8. Overview of the Garfield County Gas Emissions Study**

(30 minutes presentation, 30 minutes discussion)

Professor Jeff Collett from Colorado State University's Atmospheric Science Department will brief the Commission on a study of emissions from gas well development in the region Garfield County. This 3-yr study, sponsored by Garfield County and local industry, will quantify emissions of air toxics, ozone precursors, and methane from well drilling, hydraulic fracturing, and flowback. The study will also examine near-field dispersion of emissions and the ability of dispersion models to reproduce measured concentration fields.

**9. CDPHE Oil and Gas Emissions Study**

(10 minutes presentation, 10 minutes discussion)

The Air Pollution Control Division will update the Commission on the State's efforts to initiate a two to three year study of oil and gas emissions in the North Front Range area. Pending approval of a transfer of funds by the Colorado Legislature, CDPHE will partner with Colorado State University to conduct an emissions and dispersion study similar in concept to the Garfield County study. Sources and locations to be monitored will be determined by a technical panel, but may include development, production and processing activities related to oil and gas. The study will commence during the next fiscal year.

**10. Western Colorado Regional Air Quality Collaboration**

(30 minutes presentation, 30 minutes discussion)

In order to promote consistency and collaboration regarding air quality issues in local communities, cities, and counties, the Division formed the Regional Air Quality Collaboration in January 2012. The Collaboration started with four counties: Delta, Montrose, Garfield, and Mesa, and now includes eleven counties and two cities. The Division will provide an overview of the Collaboration's activities and overall objectives.

**11. Commissioner Informational Items**

Commissioners will discuss among themselves activities that they have participated in over the past month that they believe other Commissioners and/or members of the public may be interested in hearing about.

**12. Division Director's Report – Will Allison**

- Monthly activities report
- Legislative update

**13. Attorney General's Report – Andrea Gelfuso-Goetz**

- Update of any recent court actions on air quality issues

**14. Administrator's Report – Mike Silverstein**

- Review March 2013 agenda items
- Review of Action Items from today's Commission meeting

Adjourn