

**KENTUCKY DIVISION FOR AIR QUALITY
PUBLIC NOTICE FOR
Revision to Kentucky Regional Haze SIP for the Second Planning Period**

The Kentucky Energy and Environment Cabinet (Cabinet) hereby gives notice regarding its pre-hearing draft of the Regional Haze State Implementation Plan (SIP) for Kentucky's Class I area (Mammoth Cave National Park) for the Second Planning Period (2019-2028). This pre-hearing draft SIP was prepared in accordance with the Federal Regional Haze Rule provisions specified in 40 CFR 51.308(f) and the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's guidance for implementing the rule to comply with Section 169 of the Clean Air Act, as amended in 1990. On August 9, 2022, the Cabinet submitted the draft plan to Federal Land Managers (FLMs) from the U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service, National Park Service, and U.S. Forest Service. Comments from the U.S. Forest Service and National Park Service were received on October 10, 2022 and October 11, 2022, respectively. These comments are being made available to the public as part of the prehearing submittal. The FLM's comments and the Cabinet's responses are located in Appendix H.

In accordance with 40 CFR 51.102, the Cabinet is making this proposed plan available for public inspection and provides the opportunity for public comment. The proposed plan can be found at <https://eec.ky.gov/Environmental-Protection/Air/Pages/Public-Notices.aspx>. The public comment period will be open from June 4, 2024 through July 11, 2024. Comments should be submitted in writing to the contact person by either mail or email.

The Cabinet will conduct a virtual public hearing on July 11, 2024, at 10:00 a.m. (Eastern Time). This hearing will be held to receive comments on the proposed SIP revision. This hearing is open to the public and all interested persons will be given the opportunity to present testimony. To assure that all comments are accurately recorded, the Division requests that oral comments presented at the hearing are also provided in written form, if possible. It is not necessary that the hearing be held or attended in order for persons to comment on the proposed submittal to EPA. If no request for a public hearing is received by July 5, 2024, the hearing will be cancelled, and notice of the cancellation will be posted at <https://eec.ky.gov/Environmental-Protection/Air/Pages/Public-Notices.aspx>. Written comments should be sent to the contact person and must be received by close of business on July 11, 2024, to be considered part of the public record.

Please note that registration is required to participate in this hearing. You must either email your name and mailing address to lesliem.poff@ky.gov or mail this information to Leslie Poff, Division for Air Quality, 300 Sower Building, 2nd Floor, Frankfort, KY 40601. Please put "Registration for Kentucky Regional Haze Public Hearing" as the subject line, and state in the body of the message if you plan to speak during the hearing.

CONTACT PERSON: Leslie Poff, Environmental Scientist Consultant, Program Planning & Administrative Branch, Division for Air Quality, 300 Sower Boulevard, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601. Phone: (502) 782-6735; Email: lesliem.poff@ky.gov.

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