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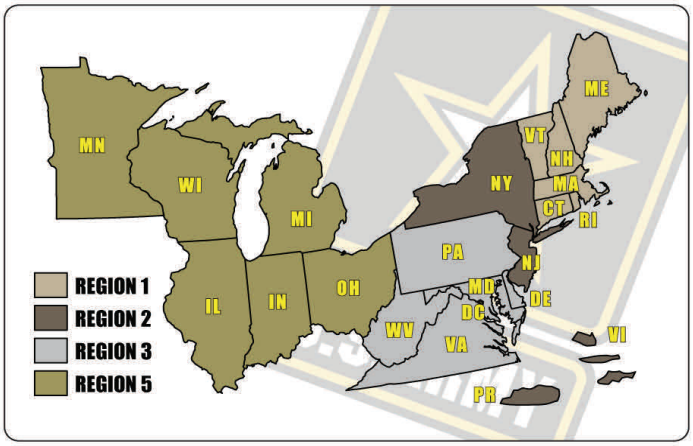
The Northern Review provides current information on state and local environmental, energy, land use, and related legislative and regulatory activities relevant to Department of Defense interests in the 22 states and territories in Federal Regions 1, 2, 3 and 5. The Review is intended to be a tool useful to DOD and Army leaders, planners, and program managers in carrying out their responsibilities including meeting legal criteria of ISO 14001. The Northern Review monitors and targets proposed and final regulations and legislation that may affect Army or DOD operations. Click here for information on the **Army's Regional Environmental and Energy Offices**.



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Region 2
In NJ, proposed legislation for wind energy zones and energy partnership agreements. In NY, a new law extending authority to manage Atlantic and Shortnose Sturgeon and proposed legislation covering cultural heritage resources and coastal risk management.

Region 3
In DC, a new law establishing a construction and demolition waste recycling certification program and a proposed Clean Rivers Impervious Surface Area Charge Incentive Program. In MD, new laws concerning forest preservation, NSPS permits, "Waters of the State," and pesticide reporting. In VA, newly adopted regulations governing solid waste fees and hazardous materials regulations. In WV, a new law revising the state water quality standard for selenium; approval of new and updated regulations governing air pollution, electronic recycling, hazardous waste, and water quality standards.

Region 5
In IL, final SIP revisions concerning AIM rules and NAAQS. In IN, multiple final actions regarding SIP revisions and a new law establishing notification requirements for IDEM determinations and orders. In MI, a proposed rule revising permit-to-install air regulations. In OH, proposed amendments to the NO_x RACT rules. In WI, proposed SIP revisions at the federal and state level, and governor approvals for statements of scope concerning the incorporation of the federal Lead Reduction Rule and Total Coliform Rule.

DOD Activity
2013 Federal Green Challenge Award winners include DOD/Service recipients; Army plans on expanding the Net Zero Initiative across all installations.

Federal Activity
USEPA promulgates NSPS for HMIWI, and proposes to amend the technology-based effluent limitations guidelines/standards for the steam electric power generating point source category. DOI has finalized revisions to the NAGPRA.

Region 1

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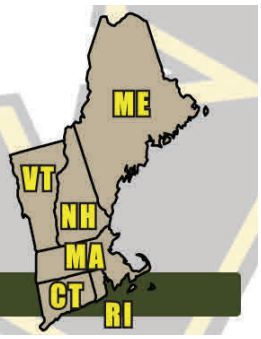

Connecticut

Legislature convened 9 JAN 13 and adjourned sine die 5 JUN 13.

FEDERAL ACTIVITY

SIP Revision for Ozone Attainment Demonstrations USEPA has issued a proposed rule to approve a State Implementation Plan (SIP) revision submitted by the state of Connecticut regarding ozone attainment demonstrations (**78 FR 27161**). The SIP revision would allow the state to meet Clean Air Act (CAA) requirements for attaining the 1997 8-hour ozone national ambient air quality standard (NAAQS). USEPA has proposed to approve Connecticut's demonstrations of attainment of the 1997 8-hour ozone standard for Connecticut's portion of the New York-Northern New Jersey-Long Island, NY-NJ-CT 1997 moderate ozone nonattainment area and for the Greater Connecticut moderate ozone nonattainment area. USEPA has also proposed to approve the reasonably available control measures (RACM) analyses for these same areas. The comment period closed on 10 JUN 13.

SIP Revision for RACT Update to Address CTGs USEPA has issued a proposed rule to approve a SIP revision submitted by the state of Connecticut amending the state sections for control of organic compound emissions, consumer products, and adhesives and sealants (**78 FR 31459**). The revision addresses Reasonably Available Control Technology (RACT) for the volatile organic compound (VOC) source categories covered by Control Technique Guidelines (CTGs) issued by USEPA in 2006, 2007, and 2008. Comments are due by 24 JUN 13.

Maine

Legislature convened 5 DEC 12 and adjourns sine die 19 JUN 13.

PROPOSED LEGISLATION

LD 1497 Multiple Updates to Statutes Administered by MDEP LD 1497 makes minor changes to the laws administered by the Maine Department of Environmental Protection (MDEP) to remove inconsistencies and inefficiencies. The changes: (1) remove redundant reporting requirements; (2) expand the scope of projects that qualify for general permits and reduce permit fees; (3) establish reporting dates for industry that are consistent with those of other New England states; and (4) provide more effective means of notification of various proceedings. The bill was referred to the Environment and Natural Resources Committees within both the House and the Senate.

LD 1501 Use of the Precautionary Principle in the Decision-Making Process LD 1501 requires the Maine Public Utilities Commission and MDEP to employ the precautionary principle in their decision-making process in matters of environmental safety and public health. In cases where the precautionary principle must be used, the burden of proof is placed on the proponent of the proposed action to show that the action presents no appreciable risk of harm. The bill was referred to the Energy, Utilities, and Technology Committees within both the House and Senate.

LD 1507 "Useful Thermal Energy" Included as a Renewable Energy Source LD 1507 amends state statutes to include "Useful Thermal Energy" as a renewable energy source. The bill defines "Useful Thermal Energy" as renewable energy derived from geothermal, solar thermal, or biomass thermal sources that can be metered. It is delivered to an end user in the form of direct heat, steam, hot water, or other thermal form and is used for heating, cooling, humidity control, process use, or other thermal end use. The bill was referred to the Energy, Utilities, and Technology Committees within both the House and Senate.

PROPOSED RULES

REMOVAL AND WRITTEN REPORTING REQUIREMENTS FOR THE DISCHARGE OF HAZARDOUS MATTER MDEP has **proposed** amendments to the Ch. 801 rule, Discharge of Hazardous Matter: Removal and Written Reporting Requirements. The amendments align the discharge reporting requirements with Maine and federal law, and require reporting a discharge of hazardous matter to the MDEP Commissioner within 15 days. MDEP has also proposed clarifying the information required in these reports. A public hearing is scheduled for 18 JUN 13 and comments are due by 28 JUN 13.

IDENTIFICATION OF HAZARDOUS MATTER MDEP has **proposed** amendments to the Ch. 800 rule, Identification of Hazardous Matter. The amendments incorporate the definition of hazardous matter as defined by the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act of 1980 (CERCLA). The amendments also: (1) provide consistency between Maine law and current federal requirements; (2) provide a more comprehensive list of substances designated as hazardous matter; and (3) eliminate the requirement that spill prevention and clean-up plans be approved by MDEP. A public hearing is scheduled for 18 JUN 13 and comments are due by 28 JUN 13.

STANDARDS FOR GENERATORS OF HAZARDOUS WASTE MDEP has **proposed** amendments to Ch. 851, Standards for Generators of Hazardous Waste. The amendments replace the existing daily hazardous waste container inspection requirement with a weekly inspection requirement. The weekly inspection requirement would also apply to satellite accumulation areas. The proposed amendments align inspection requirements for wastes stored in central accumulation areas with those contained in federal accumulation time regulations at 40 CFR 262.34(a). A public hearing is scheduled for 18 JUN 13 and comments are due by 28 JUN 13.

OTHER REGULATORY ACTIVITY

GUIDANCE FOR MAINE LAKE WATERSHED-BASED PROTECTION PLANS MDEP has **proposed** guidance for Maine Lake Watershed-Based Protection (WBP) Plans. MDEP administers a pass-through grants program that awards and monitors subgrants of federal funds for projects to abate nonpoint source (NPS) water pollution. A WBP plan accepted by MDEP is a prerequisite for an entity to apply for a NPS grant for an implementation project. The proposed new guidance for Maine Lake WBP plans describes minimum elements needed so that a WBP effectively guides actions to protect an unimpaired lake. MDEP will use the guidance to evaluate whether or not a plan is acceptable.

Massachusetts

Legislature convened 2 JAN 13 and adjourns sine die 31 DEC 13.

PROPOSED RULES

MUNICIPAL WASTE COMBUSTOR AND NAAQS AMENDMENTS The Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection (MassDEP) has **proposed** amendments to the emission standards for large municipal waste combustors (MWCs) at 310 CMR 7.08(2), and small MWCs at 310 CMR 7.19(9). The amendments incorporate revised nitrogen oxides (NO_x) and toxic pollutant limits. In addition, MassDEP has proposed adding a definition for NAAQS and deleting outdated regulations. A public hearing is scheduled for 1 JUL 13 and comments are due by 11 JUL 13.

OTHER REGULATORY ACTIVITY

FINAL SOLID WASTE MASTER PLAN MassDEP has **announced** that the Patrick-Murray Administration issued the final Solid Waste Master Plan for the 10-year period ending in 2020. The master plan announces a goal of reducing waste by 30 percent of 2008 levels by 2020 and 80 percent by 2050. The plan features a diverse strategy that will: (1) increase commercial and residential recycling and materials re-use; (2) tighten waste ban enforcement across the commonwealth; (3) increase the diversion of organics and food waste; (4) encourage the growth of anaerobic digestion and composting capacity; (5) extend producer responsibility for a variety of products; and (6) provide funding to municipalities to support recycling and re-use efforts.

New Hampshire

Legislature convened 2 JAN 13 and adjourns sine die 30 JUN 13. Crossover Deadlines: House - 4 APR 13; Senate - 28 MAR 13.

PROPOSED RULES

AMENDMENTS TO THE ABOVEGROUND PETROLEUM STORAGE FACILITY REGULATIONS The New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services (NHDES) has **proposed** to readopt, with amendments, the aboveground petroleum storage facility regulations at Env-Wm 1402. The regulations were set to expire on 28 MAY 13. The amendments include: (1) redesignating the rules into the Env-Or (Oil and Remediation Programs) subtitle; and (2) exempting any small (330 gallons or less) aboveground storage tank (AST) system, used only for on-premise heating, located at an AST facility that falls within certain criteria; and (3) revising Spill Prevention Control and Countermeasure (SPCC) Plan requirements to conform with the statute that exempts "qualified facilities" from having to have a SPCC Plan prepared or approved by a professional engineer. A public hearing is scheduled for 17 JUL 13 and comments are due by 26 JUL 13.

Rhode Island

Legislature convened 1 JAN 13 and adjourns sine die 30 JUN 13.

PROPOSED LEGISLATION

SB 901 THE ENERGY REFORM ACT OF 2013 SB 901 amends the general laws in Chapter 39-26 titled, "Renewable Energy Standard." The amendments facilitate, promote, and support the development of newly available renewable energy resources. SB 901 also extends the distributed generation contracts program. The bill was referred to the Environment and Agriculture Committee, which recommended the measure be held for further study.

Vermont

Legislature convened 9 JAN 13 and adjourned sine die 10 MAY 13.

OTHER REGULATORY ACTIVITY

DRAFT WHITE RIVER BASIN TACTICAL WATER QUALITY MANAGEMENT PLAN The Vermont Department of Environmental Conservation (VDEC) has **requested** feedback on the draft White River Basin Tactical Water Quality Management Plan. The plan was prepared in accordance with the Vermont Surface Water Management Strategy and provides a health overview of the White River Basin and a description of the ongoing steps recommended to restore and protect its surface waters. Comments are due by 14 JUN 13.

Region 2

For more information on any state issues in Region 2, contact Bob Muhly, Army Regional Environmental Coordinator, Regions 1 & 2, (410) 278-6140.

New Jersey

Legislature convened 8 JAN 13 and adjourns sine die 31 DEC 13.

PROPOSED LEGISLATION

SB 2757 **Proposed Definition Expansion for Wind Energy Zones** SB 2757 amends P.L.2010, c.57, known as the "Offshore Wind Economic Development Act," to expand the definition of a wind energy zone. The definition is expanded to include property located in the Portfields Initiative area. The property is required to be designated as a portfield site by the Port Authority of New York and New Jersey and the New Jersey Economic Development Authority (EDA). The expanded definition allows EDA to provide tax credits for qualified wind energy facilities located in this area. The bill was referred to the Environment and Energy Committee.

AB 4082 **Governmental Energy Reliability and Savings Public-Private Partnership Act** AB 4082 permits private entities to propose to governmental entities a broad spectrum of energy-related projects at governmental facilities through a Public-Private Partnership (P3) agreement. A P3 agreement allows a private entity to develop, design, build, operate, or maintain one or more energy-related projects, and to assume financial, operational, and administrative responsibility for one or more energy-related projects, in partnership with a governmental entity. The bill was referred to the Telecommunications and Utilities Committee.

New York

Legislature convened 9 JAN 13 and adjourns sine die 31 DEC 13.

FINAL LEGISLATION

AB 6910 (**SB 4250**) **Authority to Manage Atlantic and Shortnose Sturgeon** AB 6910 extends the expiration of the New York Department of Environmental Conservation's authority to manage Atlantic and Shortnose Sturgeon until 31 DEC 15. The bill, along with the companion bill, was signed by the governor on 22 MAY 13 and they both became effective upon signature.

PROPOSED LEGISLATION

AB 6226 (**SB 4883**) **Cultural and Heritage Resources Law** AB 6226 enacts the Cultural and Heritage Resources Law as a new consolidated law to preserve, enhance and promote the state's cultural and heritage assets through a single state office. The bill was referred to the Governmental Operations Committee.

AB 6425 (**SB 5310**) **Coastal Risk Management Zone Protection Act** AB 6425 enacts the "Coastal Risk Management Zone Protection Act." The bill amends various sections of the Executive Law, Environmental Conservation Law, Town Law, Village Law, and Public Service Law to enhance the protection of coastlines against coastal hazards, such as sea level rise and coastal flooding from storm surge. The bill was amended and recommitted to the Environmental Conservation Committee.

Puerto Rico

Legislature convened 14 JAN 13 and adjourns sine die 31 DEC 16.

PROPOSED LEGISLATION

PC 1077 **Proper Management of Used Oil** PC 1077 amends the "Act for the Proper Management of Used Oil." The bill states that when disposing of oil used by government agencies preference will be given to companies engaged in re-refining the used oil in Puerto Rico. The bill was referred to the Agriculture, Natural Resources and Environmental Affairs Committee.

RKC0035 **Cleanup of Vieques Island** RKC0035 requests that the United States Government urgently address the cleaning and total decontamination of the land formerly occupied by the Navy on Vieques Island. The bill has passed the House and has been referred to the Senate Rules, Calendar and Internal Affairs Committee.

Region 3

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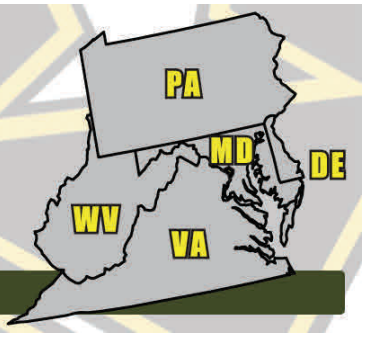


Delaware

Legislature convened 8 JAN 13 and adjourns sine die 30 JUN 13.

PROPOSED LEGISLATION

HB 94 **Criteria for Issuing Permits to Handle Protected Wildlife** HB 94 improves and clarifies the Delaware Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Control's (DDNREC) process and criteria for issuing permits to handle or possess protected wildlife, finfish, or shellfish for scientific, education, or propagation purposes. Process improvements and clarifications include: (1) eliminating uncertainty regarding the requirement for a permit; (2) allowing issuance of permits for education purposes; (3) establishing the ability to require increased permit holder accountability and reporting; (4) providing permit revocation authority; and (5) providing clarification of the applicability of existing penalty provisions. The bill passed the House and has been referred to the Senate Natural Resources & Environmental Control Committee.

District of Columbia

Legislature convened 2 JAN 13 and adjourns sine die 31 DEC 14.

FINAL LEGISLATION

Bill 1032 **Construction and Demolition Waste Recycling** Bill 1032 (Public Act: A19-0662) has been adopted by the Council of the District of Columbia (CDC). The act establishes a certification program to ensure the accuracy of reported recycling rates for construction and demolition projects seeking credit under the terms of the Green Building Act of 2006, a similar certification system, or the Construction Code. The act also: (1) delegates certification authority to the District Department of the Environment (DDOE); (2) authorizes DDOE to assess fees; (3) grants rulemaking authority over the certification program to the mayor; (4) grants certification revocation authority to the mayor; (5) directs DDOE to set penalties for noncompliance with the act and rules promulgated by the mayor; and (6) directs DDOE to create a Construction and Demolition Waste Recycling Fund. The act was approved by Congress and became effective on 27 APR 13.

PROPOSED RULES

Clean Rivers Impervious Surface Area Charge Incentive Program The District of Columbia (DC) Water and Sewer Authority has **proposed** a rule regarding the implementation of the DC Clean Rivers Impervious Surface Area Charge (IAC) Incentive Program. The establishment of a three year pilot credit/discount program for the DC Clean Rivers IAC has been authorized with a four percent maximum incentive credit/discount, not to exceed an annual established budget allowance. The costs for the credits/discounts will be applied to the rate of the associated customer category. The effective date for the DC Clean Rivers IAC Incentive Program will be the effective date of the DDOE stormwater credit/discount program (RiverSmart Rewards), but not earlier than 1 OCT 13. The comment period closed on 2 JUN 13.

OTHER REGULATORY ACTIVITY

Draft 2013 Ambient Air Monitoring Network Assessment and Network Plan DDOE has **invited comment** on the DC 2013 Ambient Air Monitoring Network Assessment and Network Plan. USEPA monitoring regulations require DC to adopt and to submit an annual monitoring network plan that provides for establishing and/or maintaining an air quality surveillance system. Comments are due by 13 JUN 13.

Maryland

Legislature convened 9 JAN 13 and adjourned sine die 8 APR 13.

FINAL LEGISLATION

HB 706 Forest Preservation Act of 2013 HB 706 establishes that it is the policy of the state to achieve no net loss of forest. "No net loss of forest" means 40 percent of all public and private land in Maryland is covered by tree canopy. The bill also: (1) requires the Maryland Department of Natural Resources (MDNR) to provide a statewide forest resource inventory to local jurisdictions at least every five years; (2) expands the Reforestation Fund to include financing tree planting on private land and financing the prevention of and response to forest health emergencies; and (3) extends the time frame within which MDNR must accomplish certain reforestation requirements. The bill was signed by the governor on 2 MAY 13 and will become effective on 1 OCT 13. ***NOTE:*** *The Region 3 DoD REC submitted comments on the bill seeking clarification on the applicability to DoD maintained forests.*

HB 95 Public Participation Requirements for Issuance of NSPS Permits HB 95 alters the public participation requirements associated with the issuance of an air pollution permit to sources that must comply with federal New Source Performance Standards (NSPS). Prior to issuing a permit, the Maryland Department of the Environment (MDE) may provide notice either through the current public participation process or by: (1) electronically posting a notice of the permit application on MDE's website; (2) giving notice to the chief executive of any local government in which a portion of the source is located or proposed to be located; and (3) receiving comments from the public. The bill was signed by the governor on 16 MAY 13 and will become effective on 1 OCT 13.

HB 561 (SB 748) Altering the Definition of "Waters of the State" HB 561 alters the definition of "Waters of the State" related to certain requirements for the nutrient management program administered by the Maryland Department of Agriculture (MDA). The bill clarifies that specified nutrient management provisions of the Agriculture Article apply only to state surface waters, the Chesapeake Bay and its tributaries, ponds, lakes, rivers, streams, public and tax ditches, and specified public drainage systems. The bill, along with the companion bill, was signed by the governor on 2 MAY 13 and they both will become effective on 1 OCT 13.

HB 775 (SB 675) Maryland Pesticide Reporting and Information Workgroup HB 775 establishes the Maryland Pesticide Reporting and Information Workgroup. The bill: (1) provides for the composition, duties, and powers of the workgroup; (2) requires the workgroup to study and make recommendations regarding the establishment of a pesticide use database; and (3) requires the workgroup to report its findings and recommendations to the General Assembly by 1 JUL 14. The bill, along with the companion bill, was signed by the governor on 16 MAY 13 and they both will become effective on 1 JUL 13.

PROPOSED LEGISLATION

CB-45-2013 WATERSHED PROTECTION AND RESTORATION PROGRAM The Prince George's County Council has introduced CB-45-2013, an Act Concerning Stormwater Management - Watershed Protection and Restoration Program. The act establishes a Watershed Protection and Restoration Program, as required by state law. The act also: (1) provides for the setting, collection, and deposit of a Clean Water Act (CWA) Fee into a Local Watershed Protection and Restoration (LWPR) Fund; (2) identifies the purposes for which money in the LWPR Fund may be used; (3) provides for biannual reporting on the operation of the LWPR Fund; and (4) requires the County Department of Environmental Resources to establish policies and procedures for the reduction of the CWA Fee.

PROPOSED RULES

RADIATION PROTECTION REGULATIONS MDE has **proposed** a rule to update COMAR 26.12.01.01, Regulations for the Control of Ionizing Radiation. The update incorporates by reference Supplement 23, which includes: (1) U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission rules relating to radioactive material licensee decommissioning planning, and construction relative to radioactive material licensees; (2) the requirement for a decommissioning funding plan for certain radioactive material licensees; (3) the deletion of any use of a C-arm fluoroscope by an untrained user; and (4) documentation requirements for radiation machine preventive maintenance reports. Comments are due by 17 JUN 13.

Pennsylvania

Legislature convened 1 JAN 13 and adjourns sine die 31 DEC 13.

OTHER REGULATORY ACTIVITY

2014 AMBIENT AIR MONITORING NETWORK PLAN The Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection (PDEP) has **invited comment** on the state's 2014 Ambient Air Monitoring Network Plan. USEPA monitoring regulations require PDEP to adopt and submit an annual monitoring network plan that provides for establishing and/or maintaining an air quality surveillance system. The plan, which is due 1 JUL 13, must include a statement of purpose for each monitor and evidence that siting and operation of each monitor meets federal requirements. PDEP has also **released** the Annual Monitoring Network Plan for Philadelphia. The comment periods for both plans have closed.

Virginia

Legislature convened 9 JAN 13 and adjourned sine die 23 FEB 13.

FINAL RULES

FINANCIAL SOLID WASTE PERMIT ACTION FEES AND ANNUAL FEES The Virginia Department of Environmental Quality (VDEQ) has proposed a **fast track regulation** to amend the financial solid waste permit action fees and annual fees under 9VAC20-90. Currently the fee for a corrective action at a solid waste landfill is $22,860. This fee has been evaluated and deemed to be burdensome with the streamlining that is being proposed for the corrective action program. The new fee for this permit action will be $3,000 which is more in line with other fees for permit amendment actions. The fast track regulations will become effective on 1 AUG 13.

ANNUAL UPDATE OF THE STATE HAZARDOUS MATERIALS REGULATIONS VDEQ has **adopted** an exempt action regulation to amend the state transportation of hazardous materials regulations at 9VAC20-110. The amendment incorporates, by reference, certain federal regulations from Title 49 of the Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) and brings the state regulations up to date with the latest CFR Title 49 update as published on 1 OCT 12. The amendments will become effective on 17 JUL 13.

REPEAL OF PROCEDURAL RULE NO. 3 VDEQ's State Water Control Board (SWCB) has proposed a **fast-track regulation** to repeal Procedural Rule No. 3, "Procedures for Applications, for Issuance, and for Requests for Modification or Revocation" (9VAC25-240-10 through 9VAC25-240-70). Rule No. 3 provides for the issuance of a certification, by SWCB, that a proposed activity that may result in a discharge to state waters meets the requirements of the CWA. This

regulation has been superseded by the Virginia Water Protection Permit Regulation (9VAC25-210) and is therefore no longer necessary. Comments are due by 19 JUN 13. Barring adverse comment the repeal will become effective on 4 JUL 13.

PROPOSED RULES

SIP Revision for PM2.5 NAAQS VDEQ has **announced** an opportunity for public comment on a proposed SIP revision. On 15 JAN 13 USEPA revised the NAAQS for fine particulate (PM2.5). The annual arithmetic mean concentration has been set at 12 Âµg/m3, and the standard for the 24-hour concentration is being retained at 35 Âµg/m3. The proposed SIP revision will amend the state regulation to implement the new USEPA requirements. Comments are due by 17 JUL 13.

West Virginia

Legislature convened 9 JAN 13 and adjourned sine die 14 APR 13.

FEDERAL ACTIVITY

Disapproval of SIP revisions regarding NSR and PSD USEPA has issued a final rule disapproving a narrow portion of a SIP revision submitted by the state of West Virginia regarding the Prevention of Significant Deterioration (PSD) (**78 FR 27062**). USEPA determined the revisions did not satisfy the federal requirement for inclusion of condensable emissions of particulate matter (condensables) within the definition of "regulated new source review (NSR) pollutant" PM2.5 and particulate matter emissions less than or equal to ten micrometers in diameter (PM10). Due to this determination, USEPA has also disapproved specific PSD portions of related infrastructure SIP submissions required by CAA to implement, maintain, and enforce the 1997 PM2.5 and ozone NAAQS, the 2006 PM2.5 NAAQS, and the 2008 lead and ozone NAAQS. The final rule became effective on 10 JUN 13.

FINAL LEGISLATION

HB 2579 Water Quality Standard for Selenium HB 2579 revises the state water quality standard for selenium. The bill also requires the Secretary of the West Virginia Department of Environmental Protection (WVDEP) to: (1) develop an implementation plan within a certain time period for selenium discharges in certain situations; (2) promulgate a legislative rule within a certain time period that establishes a state-specific selenium standard; (3) submit a state-specific selenium standard to the USEPA administrator; and (4) consult with and solicit research and data from certain groups in developing selenium standard. The bill was signed by the governor on 29 APR 13 and will become effective on 12 JUL 13.

SB 243 Authorization of WVDEP to Promulgate Legislative Rules SB 243 amends and reenacts article 3, chapter 64 of the Code of West Virginia, authorizing WVDEP, among other executive agencies, to promulgate legislative rules. The bill is a legislative mandate or authorization for WVDEP to promulgate legislative rules on a variety of specified air, water, and hazardous waste subjects. The bill was signed by the governor on 30 APR 13 and it became retroactively effective 12 APR 13.

FINAL RULES

Control of Air Pollution from Combustion of Solid Waste WVDEP has **adopted** a rule that is necessary for the state to fulfill its responsibilities under the CAA. The rule incorporates by reference the standards of performance for new commercial and industrial solid waste incinerators and sets the emission guidelines for existing commercial and industrial solid waste incinerators. The rule became effective on 1 JUN 13.

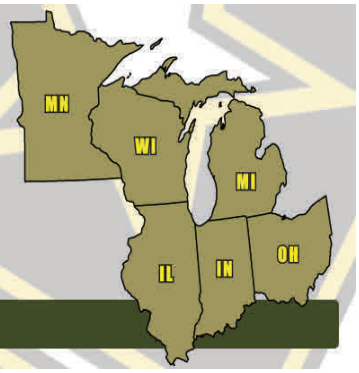
Control of Air Pollution from Hazardous Waste Treatment, Storage and Disposal Facilities WVDEP has **adopted** a rule that enables the department to maintain primary enforcement authority for the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA) Hazardous Waste Management System in the state. The rule includes: (1) the annual incorporation by reference updates with 33CSR20; (2) minor miscellaneous stylistic revisions; and (3) incorporation by reference of the provisions of 40 CFR Parts 260, 261, 262, 264, 265, 266, 270, and 279 promulgated as of 1 JUN 12. The rule became effective on 1 JUN 13.

COVERED ELECTRONIC DEVICE RECYCLING RULE WVDEP has **adopted** a rule to prohibit the disposal of covered electronic devices (i.e., a television, computer, or video display with a screen >4" diagonally) in state landfills. The rule also establishes requirements for commercial solid waste facilities and commercial recycling facilities' handling and recycling of covered electronic devices. The adoption will become effective on 1 JUL 13.

HAZARDOUS WASTE ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEEDINGS AND CIVIL PENALTY ASSESSMENT WVDEP has **adopted** a new rule that was necessitated by the passage of HB 4320 on 10 MAR 12. The bill amended and reenacted W. Va. Code Â§ 22-18 -17 to grant the WVDEP authority to enter into consent agreements settling violations of the Hazardous Waste Management Act. The new rule provides a mechanism for the consent agreements to include appropriate penalty calculations and corrective action orders, which will allow for the timely and effective administrative settlement of hazardous waste violations in the state while lessening the burden on the circuit courts. The adoption became effective on 1 JUN 13.

REQUIREMENTS GOVERNING WATER QUALITY STANDARDS WVDEP has **adopted** a rule to address the aquatic life category B dissolved aluminum criteria and human health category A beryllium criterion in the state water quality standards rule. The rule had previously been adopted as an emergency rule but has now been adopted as a permanent rule. The rule became effective on 12 MAR 13. A notice of the emergency rule was published in the March 2013 edition of the *Northern Review*.

Region 5



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Illinois

Legislature convened 9 JAN 13 and adjourned 31 MAY 13.

FEDERAL ACTIVITY

SIP REVISION INCORPORATING CONSUMER PRODUCTS AND AIM RULES USEPA has issued a direct final rule approving a SIP revision submitted by the state of Illinois regarding consumer products and architectural and industrial maintenance (AIM) rules (**78 FR 26258**). The revision incorporates VOC content limits and associated provisions for additional consumer products categories into the state's SIP. The rule also approves language that clarifies VOC limit applicability for AIM coatings into the SIP. Finally, the direct final rule resolves issues raised in the previously issued (7 JUN 12) conditional approval of Illinois' rules. Barring adverse comment the direct final rule will become effective on 5 JUL 13.

SIP REVISION INCORPORATING PROVISIONS OF THE OZONE, LEAD, AND PM NAAQS USEPA has issued a direct final rule approving a SIP revision submitted by the state of Illinois to reflect current ozone and PM NAAQS (**78 FR 30770**). The revision incorporates, by reference, provisions associated with current ozone, lead, and PM NAAQS into the Illinois SIP. Barring adverse comment the direct final rule will become effective 22 JUL 13.

PROPOSED RULES

TECHNICAL CORRECTIONS FOR GROUNDWATER QUALITY REGULATIONS The Illinois Pollution Control Board (IPCB) has **proposed** a rule to provide technical corrections to the groundwater quality standards (GQS) amendments that were adopted in OCT 12. The technical corrections proposed are needed due to scriveners' errors that occurred during the OCT 12 rulemaking. The proposed corrections amend the lists of organic chemicals and corresponding concentrations and provide that the concentrations must not be exceeded in Class II general resource groundwater. Comments are due by 24 JUN 13.

OTHER REGULATORY ACTIVITY

Listing of Derived Water Quality Criteria The Illinois Environmental Protection Agency (IEPA) has issued a **notice** of public information regarding a listing of derived water quality criteria. The listing updates revisions to existing criteria for the period of 1 JAN 13 through 31 MAR 13.

Indiana

Legislature convened 7 JAN 13 and adjourned sine die 29 APR 13.

FEDERAL ACTIVITY

Withdrawal of SIP Revision Approval for Consent Decree Requirements Due to the receipt of an adverse comment, USEPA has withdrawn the 15 MAR 13, direct final rule approving an Indiana SIP revision (**78 FR 26258**). The **March 2013 direct final rule** authorized the state to incorporate terms from federal consent decrees or federal district court orders into construction permits. USEPA will address the comment in a subsequent final action based upon the proposed rulemaking action, also published on 15 MAR 13. USEPA will not institute a second comment period on this action. A notice of the 15 MAR 13 direct final rule was published in the April 2013 edition of the *Northern Review*. The rule was withdrawn as of 6 MAY 13.

SIP Revisions Incorporating NO_2 and SO_2 NAAQS Requirements USEPA has issued a direct final rule approving a SIP revision submitted by the state of Indiana regarding nitrogen dioxide (NO_2) and sulfur dioxide (SO_2) (**78 FR 28143**). The SIP revision consists of changes to the Indiana Administrative Code (IAC) that amend the NAAQS for NO_2 and SO_2 to be consistent with the NAAQS that USEPA promulgated in 2010. Barring adverse comment the direct final rule will become effective on 15 JUL 13.

Approved Revisions to the Lake and Porter Counties' SIPs USEPA has issued a direct final rule approving SIP revisions submitted by the state of Indiana (**78 FR 28503**). The revisions update the Lake and Porter counties' SIPs for the 1997 8-hour ozone standard, and the 1997 annual PM2.5 standard to replace the previously approved motor vehicle emissions budgets (MVEBs) with budgets developed using USEPA's Motor Vehicle Emissions Simulator (MOVES) 2010a emissions model. Barring adverse comment the direct final rule will become effective on 15 JUL 13.

FINAL LEGISLATION

SB 586 Notification Requirements for Determination and Orders SB 586 allows a person to request that the Indiana Department of Environmental Management (IDEM) provide notice of an order or a determination issued by the IDEM commissioner in an alternate manner that is reasonably available to the department. The original requirement was for IDEM to send a notice only via certified mail. The bill also makes some conforming amendments. The bill was signed by the governor on 11 MAY 13 and will become effective on 1 JUL 13.

PROPOSED RULES

Federal Designations for Air Standards IDEM has **drafted** a rule to amend the air pollution control division regulations at 326 IAC 1-4. The amendments add federal designations for the 1997 annual standard for PM2.5, the 2006 24-hour PM2.5 standard, and the 2008 8-hour ozone standard. The comment period closed on 31 MAY 13.

Michigan

Legislature convened 9 JAN 13 and adjourns sine die 31 DEC 13.

PROPOSED RULES

Revisions to the Permit to Install Air Regulations The Michigan Department of Environmental Quality (MDEQ) has **proposed revisions** to the permit-to-install regulations at R 336.1201 (Rule 201(4)) and R 336.1206 (Rule 206). The proposed revisions to Rule 201(4) put a hold on the 18-month construction window if the permit issuance has been

appealed. The proposed revisions to Rule 206 require the Air Quality Division to act on all permit-to-install application within 180 days of receipt, unless public participation is required, in which case a 240-day deadline will be required. Comments are due by 13 JUN 13.

OTHER REGULATORY ACTIVITY

2014 Annual Ambient Air Monitoring Network Review MDEQ has invited comment on the state **2014 Annual Ambient Air Monitoring Network Review**. The document outlines: (1) the ambient air monitoring network; (2) how the network meets USEPA's monitoring regulations; (3) the public comment procedure; and (4) recent changes to the network. All discussions of air monitors reference a unique nine-digit site identification code to remove all ambiguity regarding the monitor location. Comments are due by 19 JUN 13.

SIP Revisions Regarding Open Burning Restrictions MDEQ has **announced** a public comment period seeking input on revising the SIP to reflect recently promulgated changes to the Air Pollution Control Rules (ORR 2012-136 EQ Part 3), specifically R 336.1310, R 336.1330 and R 336.1349. The revisions include the addition of open burning restrictions into the SIP as well as the withdrawal of obsolescent rules regarding electrostatic precipitators and coke oven compliance dates. The comment period closed on 5 JUN 13.

Minnesota

Legislature convened 8 JAN 13 and adjourned sine die 20 MAY 13.

OTHER REGULATORY ACTIVITY

Draft Phosphorus TMDL Assessment for the Byllesby Reservoir The Minnesota Pollution Control Agency (MPCA) has **invited comment** on the phosphorus Total Maximum Daily Load (TMDL) assessment for the Byllesby Reservoir. The Byllesby Reservoir lies in southeastern Minnesota, and has a large watershed of 730,000 acres. The TMDL is being developed by a collaboration of state agencies, watershed stakeholders and the Cannon River Watershed Partnership. Comments are due by 14 JUN 13.

Ohio

Legislature convened 7 JAN 13 and adjourns 31 DEC 13.

FEDERAL ACTIVITY

Approved Revisions for the Canton-Massillon, Ohio, 1997 8-hour Ozone Maintenance SIP USEPA has issued a direct final rule approving a SIP revision submitted by the state of Ohio to update the Canton-Massillon 1997 8-hour ozone maintenance plan (**78 FR 28497**). The revision replaces the previously approved MVEBs with budgets developed using USEPA's MOVES emissions model. Barring adverse comment the direct final rule will become effective on 15 JUL 13.

PROPOSED RULES

Amendments to the NOx RACT Regulations The Ohio Environmental Protection Agency (OEPA) has **proposed** amendments to the NO_x RACT rules at **3745-110-01**, **-02**, **-03**, **-04**, and **-05**. The amendments: (1) bring the rules in line with federal requirements; (2) correct minor typographical errors; (3) fulfill formatting requirements of the Legislative Services Commission (LSC); and (4) add and update citation information on referenced materials. The comment period closed on 11 JUN 13.

Wisconsin

Legislature convened 7 JAN 13 and adjourns 31 DEC 13.

FEDERAL ACTIVITY

APPROVAL OF PSD AND GHG TAILORING AND BIOMASS DEFERRAL RULE SIP REVISIONS USEPA has issued a final rule approving SIP revisions submitted by the state of Wisconsin (**78 FR 30208**). The revisions modify Wisconsin's PSD program to establish appropriate emission thresholds for determining which new stationary sources and modification projects become subject to state PSD permitting requirements for their greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions. Additionally, the revisions defer until 21 JUL 14 the application of the PSD permitting requirements to biogenic carbon dioxide (CO_2) emissions from bioenergy and other biogenic stationary sources in the state. The final rule becomes effective on 21 JUN 13.

SIP REVISIONS FOR THE CONSTRUCTION PERMIT EXEMPTION RULE USEPA has issued a proposed rule to approve SIP revisions submitted by the state of Wisconsin (**78 FR 28547**). The revisions exempt sources of air pollution whose actual emissions are: (1) under 10 tons per year (tpy) of each criteria pollutant, PM10, SO_2, NO_X, carbon monoxide (CO) and VOC; (2) less than 0.5 tpy of lead; and (3) not subject to federal air pollution requirements for hazardous air pollutants (HAPs) to obtain a construction permit. The revisions are consistent with federal regulations governing state permit programs. Comments are due by 14 JUN 13.

PROPOSED LEGISLATION

SB 189 USE OF ELECTRONIC METHODS TO REPORT VIOLATIONS SB 189 provides that the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources (WDNR) may establish electronic methods to receive reports of violations. Current law requires WDNR to maintain a toll-free telephone number for receiving reports of violations. The bill also allows WDNR to use the citation procedure to enforce laws that regulate the discharge of certain materials into wetlands. Under current law, WDNR may recover forfeitures imposed for the violation of certain natural resource and environmental laws using a citation procedure. The bill was referred to the Natural Resources Committee.

PROPOSED RULES

PROPOSED INFRASTRUCTURE SIP FOR THE 2008 OZONE NAAQS AND THE 2010 NO_2 AND SO_2 NAAQS WDNR has **released** a proposed infrastructure SIP for the 2008 ozone NAAQS and the 2010 NO_2 and SO_2 NAAQS. The state is required by the CAA to submit a SIP to provide for the implementation, maintenance, and enforcement of a revised NAAQS (i.e., an infrastructure SIP). As such, WDNR has developed a draft infrastructure SIP for these three revised NAAQS. Comments are due by 14 JUN 13.

PROPOSED SIP REVISION REPEALING THE STATE TSP AIR QUALITY STANDARD WDNR has **released** a proposed SIP submittal regarding repeal of the state's total suspended particulate (TSP) air quality standard. The Wisconsin Natural Resources Board (NRB) adopted a rule change to repeal the state's TSP air quality standard on 22 JUN 11. This rule change became effective on 1 DEC 11. WDNR pursued this rule change to align the state's air quality standards with the federal NAAQS. WDNR has proposed to formally incorporate this rule change into Wisconsin's SIP. Comments are due by 14 JUN 13.

OTHER REGULATORY ACTIVITY

STATEMENT OF SCOPE FOR THE ADOPTION OF THE USEPA LEAD REDUCTION RULE The governor of Wisconsin has **approved** the statement of scope proposed by the Wisconsin Department of Safety and Professional Services (WDSPS) to revise portions of the state plumbing code at chapters SPS 381 to 384. The revisions conform state code to the federal Safe Drinking Water Act of 2011 (SDWA), which becomes effective on 4 JAN 14. The proposed revisions update the definition for "lead-free" and adopt by reference an updated standard, ANSI/NSF-61, that reflects the SDWA. Due to the approval, WDSPS can now draft and formally propose the revisions.

STATEMENT OF SCOPE FOR THE INCORPORATION OF FEDERAL TOTAL COLIFORM RULE AMENDMENTS The governor of Wisconsin has **approved** the statement of scope proposed by WDNR to revise Chapter NR 809 to incorporate recently promulgated amendments made by USEPA to the Total Coliform Rule (TCR). The proposed revisions adopt changes to

other rules made by USEPA that were not addressed during the last revision of the chapter, and make corrections that will improve its utility and concordance with counterpart federal regulations. WDNR needs to update Chapter NR 809 to maintain primacy to administer the provisions of the SDWA. Due to the approval, WDNR can now draft and formally propose the revisions.

Department of Defense Activity

2013 Federal Green Challenge Award Winners Include DoD/Service Recipients Recognition is a key element of USEPA's Sustainable Materials Management Program and the Federal Green Challenge Initiative. Federal Green Challenge (FGC) awards are offered in two categories – data driven and narrative. Data driven awards are in the target areas of Waste, Electronics, Purchasing, Energy, Water, and Transportation. Narrative awards are given in the categories of Innovation, Education & Outreach, and Leadership. Visit the **FGC site** to see a list of award winners. ***NOTE:*** *Within the REEO-N area of responsibility winners include a National Award in Energy for the Vermont Air National Guard, South Burlington, VT, and Regional Awards for: (1) Energy: Hanscom Air Force Base, MA; (2) Water: Massachusetts (Barnes) Air National Guard, 104th Fighter Wing; and (3) Waste: Naval Station, Great Lakes, IL.*

Defense Environmental Restoration Program Instruction Updated DOD updated **DOD Instruction 4715.07**, Defense Environmental Restoration Program (DERP). The DOD Instruction establishes policy, assigns responsibilities, and provides procedures for implementing the DERP. The instruction incorporates DOD's new policies to improve managing risk prior to construction of final cleanup actions, considers green and sustainable cleanup opportunities, and maximizes transparency of DOD's cleanup efforts.

Army to Expand Net Zero Initiative Across All Installations The Army is planning to extend the **Net Zero Initiative**, a pilot effort to reduce the net consumption of energy and water, and the generation of waste to an effective rate of zero, to all permanent Army posts. A new policy will be issued by 30 SEP 13. The announcement came on 22 MAY 13 with the release of the **2012 Net Zero Progress Report** for the initiative. The report includes a summary of achievements to date, best practices at the 18 pilot installations and the service's plans for rolling out the initiative Army-wide.

Federal Activity

AIR

Requirements for Hospital/Medical/Infectious Waste Incinerators USEPA has issued a final rule promulgating amendments to the federal plan and the new source performance standards for **hospital/medical/infectious waste incinerators** (HMIWI) (**78 FR 28051**). The final federal plan applies to existing HMIWI in locations not already subject to an USEPA-approved and effective state plan implementing the 6 OCT 09 revised emissions guidelines. New HMIWI in such locations may be covered by the final amended new source performance standard. "New" HMIWI are those that commenced construction after 1 DEC 08, or commenced modification after 6 APR 10. The final amended federal plan requires that all HMIWI, including small rural units, conduct initial performance tests for all nine pollutants and opacity to demonstrate initial compliance. Sources may use results of their previous emissions tests to demonstrate initial compliance with the revised emissions limits as long as the sources certify that the previous test results are representative of current operations. The final rule became effective on 12 JUN 13.

Ozone Depleting Substance Substitute for Fire Suppression USEPA has issued a final rule that adds a new fire suppression agent to the list of approved substitutes for ozone depleting substances (**78 FR 24997**). The final rule adds C7 Fluoroketone as an acceptable substitute for Halon 1211, subject to narrowed use limits, for use as a streaming agent in portable fire extinguishers in nonresidential applications. The final rule became effective on 29 MAY 13.

Ozone-Depleting Substances Substitutes for Multiple Sectors USEPA has made a Determination of Acceptability that expands the list of acceptable substitutes for ozone-depleting substances under the Significant New Alternatives

Policy (SNAP) program (**78 FR 29034**). The determinations concern new substitutes for use in the refrigeration and air conditioning; foam blowing; solvent cleaning; adhesives, coatings and inks; and fire suppression sectors. The determination became effective on 17 MAY 13.

STEAM ELECTRIC POWER GENERATING POINT SOURCE CATEGORY USEPA has issued a proposed rule to amend the technology-based effluent limitations guidelines and standards for the steam electric power generating point source category (**78 FR 34431**). The proposed rule would reduce the amount of toxic metals and other pollutants that are discharged to surface waters from power plants. The proposed rule contains several regulatory options and offers four preferred alternatives for regulation of discharges from existing sources. The four preferred alternatives differ in the: (1) number of waste streams covered; such as fly ash handling systems, treatment of air pollution control waste, and bottom ash; (2) size of the units controlled; and (3) stringency of the treatment controls to be imposed. Comments are due by 6 AUG 13.

DRAFT PLAN FOR DEVELOPMENT OF THE INTEGRATED SCIENCE ASSESSMENT FOR NITROGEN OXIDES - HEALTH CRITERIA USEPA has released a "**Draft Plan for Development of the Integrated Science Assessment for Nitrogen Oxides - Health Criteria**" prepared as part of the review of the primary health-based NAAQS for nitrogen dioxide (NO2) (**78 FR 26026**). USEPA considers the term NOx to refer to all forms of oxidized nitrogen including multiple gaseous and particulate species. However, the current review of the NO2 NAAQS will focus only on the gaseous species of NOx. In addition, evidence will be considered on the possible influence of atmospheric pollutants other than NOx (e.g., sulfur oxides, carbon monoxide, ozone, particulate matter) on the role of NOx in health effects. The comment period closed on 31 MAY 13.

CULTURAL RESOURCES

NATIVE AMERICAN GRAVES PROTECTION AND REPATRIATION ACT REVISIONS The U.S. Department of the Interior (DOI) has issued a final rule revising regulations implementing the Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Act (NAGPRA) for accuracy and consistency (**78 FR 27078**). Since 1995, numerous inaccuracies or inconsistencies in **NAGPRA** have been identified by or brought to the attention of DOI. Among the more substantive changes are: (1) clarification of notification requirements to linear descendants; and (2) clarification with respect to recoveries from federal lands, where the priority of right of control of human remains and associated funerary objects defaults to a culturally affiliated Indian tribe or Native Hawaiian organization only where the lineal descendants of the deceased Native American cannot be ascertained. The final rule became effective on 10 JUN 13.

ENERGY

GREEN BUTTON ENERGY DATA INDUSTRY STANDARD The **Council on Environmental Quality Blog** has posted an updated **article** on use of the industry-standard Green Button format for metered energy data. In addition to providing smart meter data for download by utility customers, utilities in California and the Mid-Atlantic area are beginning to implement Green Button Connect My Data functionality making it easier for their customers to securely transfer their own energy usage data to authorized third parties, based on affirmative (opt-in) customer consent and control. Availability of this smart meter data is spawning third party initiatives offering targeted energy saving opportunities, improved load management, assessment of solar renewable potential, and other services.

NATURAL RESOURCES

EAGLE CONSERVATION PLAN GUIDANCE FOR LAND-BASED WIND ENERGY The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (FWS) released **Eagle Conservation Plan Guidance Module 1 – Land-based Wind Energy Version 2** (ECPG) to help wind energy facilities assess the potential threat to eagles from their operations and develop comprehensive avoidance, mitigation, and compensation strategies (**78 FR 25758**). The ECPG promotes compliance with the Migratory Bird Treaty Act and Bald and Golden Eagle Protection Act with respect to eagles and wind development.

HAZARDOUS MATERIALS

CUMULATIVE RISK ASSESSMENT USEPA has issued a notice soliciting information and citations pertaining to approaches and methods that can be used to plan and conduct cumulative risk assessments (CRA), both to human populations and the environment (**78 FR 25440**). Cumulative risk assessments consider combined risks from multiple agents or

stressors and/or toxicity pathways. USEPA is developing guidelines for the assessment of cumulative risk as defined and characterized in the 2003 USEPA publication "**Framework for Cumulative Risk Assessment**," which was USEPA's first step toward development of CRA guidelines. USEPA indicates they are open to extending consideration of stressors and vulnerable populations to include non-chemical stressors such as socio-economic stressors. Comments and information are due by 28 JUN 13.

LEAD PAINT - RENOVATION, REPAIR, AND PAINTING OF PUBLIC AND COMMERCIAL BUILDINGS USEPA has issued a notice reopening the comment period on an advance notice of proposed rulemaking addressing renovation, repair, and painting activities in public and commercial buildings (**78 FR 27906**). USEPA is determining whether interior or exterior renovation, repair, and painting activities in public and commercial buildings may create lead-based paint hazards; and, for those that do, developing certification, training, and work practice requirements. Under the terms of a settlement agreement, USEPA has agreed to issue a proposed rule covering renovation, repair, and painting activities in public and commercial buildings, or make a determination that these activities do not create lead-based paint hazards, by 1 JUL 15. Comments are due by 12 JUL 13.

OTHER

MODERNIZING FEDERAL INFRASTRUCTURE REVIEW AND PERMITTING REGULATIONS AND POLICIES The President has issued a memorandum titled, "**Modernizing Federal Infrastructure Review and Permitting Regulations, Policies, and Procedures**" which advances the goal of cutting aggregate timelines for major infrastructure projects in half (**78 FR 30733**). The memorandum encourages the development of innovative mitigation tools to improve environmental outcomes; development of more targeted and relevant environmental reviews; provision of more opportunities for public input; and improvement in collaboration with state, local, and tribal governments.

Professional Development

For a full listing of Professional Development opportunities please visit the REEO-N website.
Please note: Listing of commercial sponsored training and conferences should not be interpreted as a government endorsement of those training or conferences.

NATIONAL CONFERENCES

5-6 AUG 13, WASHINGTON, DC **THE AMERICAN ENERGY SECURITY SUMMIT** Hosted by the **United States Leadership Forum**, the conference features top government and industry leaders, providing the latest details on federal energy priorities, programs, and contracts, featuring the Departments of Defense, Energy, Agriculture, Veterans Affairs, and other federal agencies. Topics include state government and local government energy priorities, programs, and contracts; energy efficiency priorities, including achieving net zero installations and advanced lighting solutions; and clean energy priorities, including biofuels for jets and electric and natural gas-powered ground transportation.

TRAINING—ONLINE

(NEW) **25 JUL 13, GENERAL SERVICES ADMINISTRATION (GSA) CARBON FOOTPRINT TOOL** **-** Live Demonstration of New Features This presentation will highlight GSA Carbon Footprint Tool basics as well as the new Energy Star Portfolio Manager Import functionality.

(NEW) **FEDERAL FACILITIES ENVIRONMENTAL STEWARDSHIP AND COMPLIANCE ASSISTANCE CENTER** - FedCenter.gov is the federal government's home for comprehensive environmental stewardship, compliance assistance, and professional development information. FedCenter.gov provides a wide variety of information in the following areas: program development; federal and state regulatory requirements for various facility activities; regulatory watch for information on new or changed laws or regulations; P2 opportunities and best management practices; USEPA enforcement notices; links to state environmental programs; access to environmental assistance; environmental conferences, meetings, training, and workshop information; applicable laws and Executive Orders; and industry sector-specific newsletters.

National Conference of State Legislatures (NCSL) e-Learning NCSL e-Learning features experts on public policy issues and provides professional development opportunities for its members, state legislators, state legislative staff, and the public. Visit the **Multimedia Library** for a collection of video and audio files from previous NCSL meetings and webinars.

Military Munitions Support Services Series This new series of monthly webinars sponsored by EPA's Contaminated Sites Clean-Up Information (CLU-IN) program supports the Military Munitions Support Services (M2S2) community.

Defense and Federal Environmental Training/Awareness The U.S. Army offers numerous environmental training courses. Information on training providers and fiscal year class schedules is provided by the US Army Environmental Command.

USACE PROSPECT Training USACE announces its FY13 PROSPECT training program. Please see the **Course Catalog (a.k.a. Purple Book)** and **List of Classes and schedule** for details. Courses are open to all federal employees, state, county and city employees and contractors. There are different registration processes for each entity.

Army Podcast Service The Army offers free podcasts on a wide variety of topics, including an environmental series, an Army Corps of Engineers series, and many more. The podcasts are available through a free subscription service. (It is not necessary to own an iPod in order to view or listen to a podcast.)

Navy and ISEERB Environmental Training FY13 The Navy and the Interservice Environmental Education Review Board (ISEERB) Environmental Training schedule for FY13 is available. Course topics include environmental overview and management; law planning and sustainability; pollution prevention; restoration; conservation; supplemental and Internet/computer-based training, and more.

Air Force Civil Engineering School Training FY13 The Air Force Civil Engineering School offers a variety of environmental management courses and seminars, including ISEERB offerings. Courses offered by the Civil Engineer School are available to all military and civilian employees of the U.S. government. Fees vary according to personnel status (i.e., active duty Air Force/civilian, other U.S. government employee, contractor).

NPDES Training Courses and Workshops Training courses, workshops, and webcasts explain the regulatory framework and technical considerations of the NPDES Permit program. They are designed for permit writers, dischargers, USEPA officials and other interested parties.

Readiness and Environmental Protection Initiative – Webinar Series The REPI Webinar Series is presented by DOD in partnership with the **Land Trust Alliance**. This online series covers best practices, tutorials and knowledge sharing on REPI partnerships that support military mission and accelerate the pace and rate of conservation. All webinars begin at 1:00 p.m. Eastern unless otherwise noted. For detailed webinar descriptions please visit the **REPI website**.

USEPA Sustainable Materials Management Academy Learn about key issues, successful projects, and a variety of best management practices for creating waste management programs. Hear from experts around the country on how to make your program more successful. The format is a formal presentation followed by a question and answer session.

USEPA Watershed Academy Webcast Series USEPA's Watershed Academy is sponsoring free webcast seminars for local watershed organizations, municipal leaders, and others. To access a webcast, simultaneously log on to the web and/or participate by phone conference lines in live training conducted by expert instructors. Archived training sessions are also available by streaming audio.

Training for Federal GHG Inventories A component of FedCenter's broader Greenhouse Gas Inventory Reporting site is available. The DOE Federal Energy Management Program (FEMP)-developed training offers three types of training that can help in understanding the processes needed to develop an agency's GHG inventory under EO 13514 section 9. These trainings include online interactive courses, archived webinar videos and PowerPoint files from training courses.

How the Regional Offices Work for You

The U.S. Army Regional Environmental and Energy Office-Northern (REEO-N) monitors the following actions on your behalf. If a proposed state legislative or regulatory action has: (1) critical mission impact; (2) conflicts with a federal requirement; and/or (3) a disproportionate effect on the Army or DOD, we coordinate with the potentially affected installations, commands, and/or other military Services to further assess the potential impact. If action is needed on a proposed measure, we work with Army or Service regulatory experts to communicate DA/DOD position, coordinating with the affected installations and commands. Comments are combined from all parties in a single DOD/Army package and formally submitted to the state.

For further information visit the **Army's Regional Environmental and Energy Offices' website.**

Do you want to comment on a rule or bill in the Review? Please contact your Regional Environmental Coordinator listed in each respective regional section of the Northern Review.

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