

RAQPAC Notes – EPA Update

3/31/2022 Meeting

Reconsideration of the Decision to Retain 2012 Particulate Matter (PM) National Ambient Air Quality Standards (NAAQS)

On March 18, 2022, the Chartered Clean Air Scientific Advisory Committee (CASAC) PM Panel transmitted two reports to the EPA Administrator. The two reports provide the CASAC PM Panel's advice on EPA's scientific and technical documents supporting the Agency's reconsideration of the PM NAAQS.

For more information, see CASAC Review of the EPA's *Supplement to the 2019 Integrated Science Assessment for Particulate Matter (External Review Draft – October 2021)* [ISA Supplement report](#), and CASAC Review of the EPA's *Policy Assessment for the Reconsideration of the National Ambient Air Quality Standards for Particulate Matter (External Review Draft – October 2021)* [PA report](#)

For more information on EPA's reconsideration of the Decision to Retain the 2012 PM NAAQS, please visit <https://casac.epa.gov>.

Reconsideration of the Decision to Retain 2015 Ground-level Ozone NAAQS

On October 29, 2021, EPA announced it will reconsider the 2020 decision to retain the 2015 ozone NAAQS. EPA is targeting December 2023 to complete the reconsideration.

A virtual public meeting will be held for the CASAC Ozone Panel to receive a briefing from EPA on the draft policy assessment that will support the agency's reconsideration of the 2020 Ozone National Ambient Air Quality Standards (NAAQS). A second virtual public meeting will be held for the panel to peer review the agency's draft policy assessment for the reconsideration.

The virtual public meeting for the panel to receive the briefing from EPA will be held on April 29, 2022, from 11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m., Eastern Time.

The virtual public meeting for the panel to peer review the draft policy assessment document will be held on Wednesday, June 8, 2022, from 11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.; Friday, June 10, 2022, from 11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.; Monday, June 13, 2022, from 11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.; and Friday, June 17, 2022, from 11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. All times listed are in Eastern Time.

Please refer to the CASAC website at <https://casac.epa.gov> for details on how to access the meetings. For more information regarding these meetings, please refer to the April 4, 2022 Federal Register announcement: <https://www.govinfo.gov/content/pkg/FR-2022-04-04/pdf/2022-07014.pdf>