EASE Collaborative

Stakeholder/Public Engagement Process
Collaborative Overview
Collaborative Purpose

• Provide ADEQ with recommendations on our regulatory streamlining effort including opportunities for:
  – Consolidation of regulatory provisions,
  – Clarification of language, and
  – Updates

• Provide ADEQ with recommendations for topics to address in a new permitting guidance
Collaborative Organization

- The collaborative is a consensus-driven group representing diverse interests and the public.
- Two smaller workgroups are being formed to take a deep dive into issues and report on potential solutions to the Collaborative.
Workgroups

Selected from and report to Collaborative Participants

**Regulatory Workgroup**
Brainstorms solutions to streamline and clarify Arkansas Air Quality Regulations

**Permitting Workgroup**
Brainstorms solutions to clarify and document the Department’s interpretation of air quality regulations for permitting
Collaborative Participation

Membership:
Open to anyone impacted by Arkansas’s air quality regulations and air permitting program

Time Commitment:
Quarterly meetings
ADEQ will work to make remote participation an option
Workgroup Participation

**Membership**
- No more than ten participants plus ADEQ staff in each group
- Representation of diverse interests desired
- Selected from among Collaborative participants

**Time Commitment**
- In-person two-hour meetings twice per month, and
- Quarterly Collaborative meetings
Relationship between Collaborative and Workgroups

1. Collaborative suggests priority issues for workgroups
2. Workgroups meet to brainstorm solutions to issues
3. Workgroups report potential solutions to Collaborative
4. Collaborative provides recommendations to ADEQ
Timing and Deliverables
Proposed Timeline for EASE, Rulemaking, and State Implementation Plan (SIP)

Q1 Workgroup Meetings
Q1 2019

Pre-Proposal Drafts Feedback Period
September – October 2019

Q2 Workgroup Meetings
Q2 2019

Collaborative Kick-Off Meeting
Tue 1/22/19

Collaborative Meeting
April 2019

Collaborative Meeting
July 2019

Collaborative Meeting
October 2019

Regulation Initiation and SIP Proposal
January 2020

Public Comment Period for Regulation(s) and SIP
January – March 2020

Adoption of Final Regulation(s)
December 2020

SIP Submission to EPA
December 2020
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Regulatory Streamlining Initial Suggested Topics List For Q1 and Q2 Meetings

- Feasibility of consolidation of overlapping provisions from Regulations No. 18 and No. 19
- Consistency of defined-term usage
- Continued relevance of grandfathering provisions
- Updates to Incorporation by Reference dates on a case-by-case basis
- Disposition of outdated nonattainment new source review requirements from Regulation No. 31
- Inclusion of new State Statutory Requirements
- Simplification of Prevention of Significant Deterioration provisions
Permitting Initial Suggested Topics List for Q1 and Q2 Meetings

• Guidance Design and Scope
• Arkansas’s one-permit system versus EPA assumptions based on two-permit systems
• Terms used in Arkansas regulations versus Part 70
ADEQ Deliverables

• Preparation of supporting materials for meetings
• Preparation of pre-proposal strawman draft regulation(s) and pre-proposal SIP
• Preparation of Petition to Arkansas Pollution Control and Ecology Commission (APC&EC) to initiate rulemaking
• Support to APC&EC during administrative rulemaking process
• Submission of SIP to EPA based on changes made in rulemaking
Questions on the Process?

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Next Steps
Workgroup Volunteers?

- Name and organization represented recorded on workgroup flip charts
- Ten selected for each workgroup, representing diverse interests
Q1 Workgroup Priority Topics?

Priority topics listed on flip chart for each workgroup
Thank You

ADEQ would like to thank you for your current and future participation in this effort!