

information concerning the SAB can be found on the EPA Web site at <http://www.epa.gov/sab>.

#### **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

*Background:* The SAB was established pursuant to the Environmental Research, Development, and Demonstration Authorization Act (ERDAA), codified at 42 U.S.C. 4365, to provide independent scientific and technical advice to the Administrator on the technical basis for Agency positions and regulations. The SAB is a Federal Advisory Committee chartered under the Federal Advisory Committee Act (FACA), 5 U.S.C., App. 2. The SAB will comply with the provisions of FACA and all appropriate SAB Staff Office procedural policies. Pursuant to FACA and EPA policy, notice is hereby given that the SAB will hold a public meeting to discuss and deliberate on the topics below.

#### **Draft Report on the President's Requested FY 2013 Research Budget for EPA**

The chartered SAB will conduct a quality review of an SAB draft report on the President's requested FY 2013 EPA research budget. Information about this advisory activity can be found on the Web at: [http://yosemite.epa.gov/sab/sabproduct.nsf/fedrgstr\\_activites/Science%20Integration?OpenDocument](http://yosemite.epa.gov/sab/sabproduct.nsf/fedrgstr_activites/Science%20Integration?OpenDocument).

#### **Draft SAB Report on Science Integration at EPA**

The chartered SAB will conduct a quality review of a draft report providing recommendations to strengthen science integration for EPA's environmental decisions. Information about this advisory activity can be found on the Web at: [http://yosemite.epa.gov/sab/sabproduct.nsf/fedrgstr\\_activites/Science%20Integration?OpenDocument](http://yosemite.epa.gov/sab/sabproduct.nsf/fedrgstr_activites/Science%20Integration?OpenDocument).

#### **ORD Research: Future Strategic Directions and Current Sustainability Research**

The SAB and ORD's BOSC provided a joint report to the Administrator in October 2012 entitled *Office of Research and Development (ORD) New Strategic Research Directions: A Joint Report of the Science Advisory Board (SAB) and ORD Board of Scientific Councilors (BOSC) EPA-SAB-12-001*. The SAB will discuss plans for a follow up joint meeting with the BOSC to provide additional advice on ORD strategic research directions. The SAB will also receive a briefing on recent ORD activities responding to the National Academy of Science report *Sustainability and the U.S. EPA*.

#### **Discussion of the Scientific and Technical Bases for Four Proposed Agency Actions**

EPA has recently underscored the need to routinely inform the SAB about proposed Agency actions that have a scientific or technical basis. Recently, EPA's Office of Air and Radiation has informed the SAB about several proposed regulations [Commercial and Industrial Solid Waste Incineration (CISWI) Units: Reconsideration and Proposed Amendments; Non-Hazardous Secondary Materials That Are Solid Waste (76 FR 80452-80530); National Emission Standards for HAPs for Area Sources: Industrial, Commercial, and Institutional Boilers (76 FR 80532-805520); National Emission Standards for Hazardous Air Pollutants for Major Sources: Industrial, Commercial, and Institutional Boilers and Process Heaters (76 FR 80598-80672); and EPA and DOT's Proposed Light-duty GHG and CAFE Vehicle Standard (76 FR 74854-75420)]. The SAB will discuss the proposed regulations to determine whether there are any scientific or technical issues that may merit future SAB attention.

*Availability of Meeting Materials:* A meeting agenda and other materials for the meeting will be placed on the SAB Web site at <http://epa.gov/sab>.

*Procedures for Providing Public Input:* Federal advisory committees and panels, including scientific advisory committees, provide independent advice to EPA. Members of the public can submit relevant comments pertaining to EPA's charge, meeting materials, or the group providing advice. Input from the public to the SAB will have the most impact if it provides specific scientific or technical information or analysis for the SAB to consider or if it relates to the clarity or accuracy of the technical information. Members of the public wishing to provide comment should contact the DFO directly.

*Oral Statements:* In general, individuals or groups requesting an oral presentation at a public meeting will be limited to five minutes. Persons interested in providing oral statements at the March 22-23, 2012 meeting should contact Dr. Angela Nugent, DFO, in writing (preferably via email) at the contact information noted above.

*Written Statements:* Written statements for the March 22-23, 2012 meeting should be received in the SAB Staff Office by no later than March 16, 2012, so that the information may be made available to the SAB for its consideration prior to this meeting. Written statements should be supplied

to the DFO in the following formats: One hard copy with original signature and one electronic copy via email (acceptable file format: Adobe Acrobat PDF, MS Word, WordPerfect, MS PowerPoint, or Rich Text files in IBM-PC/Windows 98/2000/XP format). Submitters are asked to provide electronic versions of each document submitted with *and* without signatures, because the SAB Staff Office does not publish documents with signatures on its Web sites.

*Accessibility:* For information on access or services for individuals with disabilities, please contact Dr. Nugent at the phone number or email address noted above, preferably at least ten days prior to the meeting, to give EPA as much time as possible to process your request.

Dated: February 24, 2012.

**Thomas H. Brennan,**

*Deputy Director, EPA Science Advisory Board Staff Office.*

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#### **ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY**

[FRL-9641-7]

#### **Public Water System Supervision Program Revision for the State of Colorado**

**AGENCY:** Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** In accordance with the provisions of section 1413 of the Safe Drinking Water Act (SDWA), 42 U.S.C. 300g-2, and 40 CFR 142.13, public notice is hereby given that the state of Colorado has revised its Public Water System Supervision (PWSS) Program by adopting federal regulations for the Ground Water Rule that correspond to the National Primary Drinking Water Regulations (NPDWR) in 40 CFR parts 141 and 142. The EPA has completed its review of this revision in accordance with the SDWA and proposes to approve Colorado's primacy revision for the Ground Water Rule.

Today's approval action does not extend to public water systems in Indian country as defined in 18 U.S.C. 1151. Please see **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION**, Item B.

**DATES:** Any member of the public is invited to submit written comments and/or request a public hearing on this determination by April 2, 2012. Please see **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION**, Item C, for details. Should no timely and

appropriate request for a hearing be received, and the Regional Administrator (RA) does not elect to hold a hearing on his own motion, this determination shall become effective April 2, 2012. If a public hearing is requested and granted, then this determination shall not become effective until such time following the hearing as the RA issues an order affirming or rescinding this action.

**ADDRESSES:** Written comments and requests for a public hearing should be addressed to: James B. Martin, Regional Administrator, c/o Robert Clement, Drinking Water Unit (8P-W-DW), U.S. EPA, Region 8, 1595 Wynkoop Street, Denver, CO 80202-1129.

All documents relating to this determination are available for inspection at the following locations: (1) U.S. EPA, Region 8, Drinking Water Unit (7th floor), 1595 Wynkoop Street, Denver, CO 80202-1129; (2) Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment (CDPHE), Drinking Water Section, 4300 Cherry Creek Drive South, Denver, CO.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Robert Clement, Drinking Water Unit (8P-W-DW), U.S. EPA, Region 8, 1595 Wynkoop Street, Denver, CO 80202-1129, 303-312-6653.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** EPA approved Colorado's application for assuming primary enforcement authority for the PWSS Program, pursuant to section 1413 of the SDWA, 42 U.S.C. 300g-2, and 40 CFR part 142. Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment administers Colorado's PWSS Program.

#### A. Why are revisions to state programs necessary?

States with primary PWSS enforcement authority must comply with the requirements of 40 CFR part 142 for maintaining primacy. They must adopt regulations that are at least as stringent as the NPDWRs at 40 CFR parts 141 and 142, as well as adopt all new and revised NPDWRs in order to retain primacy (40 CFR 142.12(a)).

#### B. How does today's action affect Indian country (18 U.S.C. 1151) in Colorado?

Colorado is not authorized to carry out its PWSS Program in Indian country, as that term is defined at 18 U.S.C. 1151. Indian country includes, but is not limited to, land within the formal Indian Reservations located within or abutting the state of Colorado, including the Southern Ute Indian Reservation and the Ute Mountain Ute Indian Reservation, any land held in

trust by the United States for an Indian Tribe, and any other areas which are "Indian Country" within the meaning of 18 U.S.C. 1151.

#### C. Requesting a Hearing

Any request for a public hearing shall include: (1) The name, address, and telephone number of the individual, organization, or other entity requesting a hearing; (2) a brief statement of the requester's interest in the RA's determination and of information that he/she intends to submit at such hearing; and (3) the signature of the requester or responsible official, if made on behalf of an organization or other entity.

Notice of any hearing shall be given not less than fifteen (15) days prior to the time scheduled for the hearing and will be made by the RA in the **Federal Register** and in a newspaper of general circulation in the state. A notice will also be sent to both the person(s) requesting the hearing and the state. The hearing notice will include a statement of purpose, information regarding time and location, and the address and telephone number where interested persons may obtain further information. The RA will issue a final determination upon review of the hearing record.

Frivolous or insubstantial requests for a hearing may be denied by the RA. However, if a substantial request is made within thirty (30) days after this notice, a public hearing will be held.

Please bring this notice to the attention of any persons known by you to have an interest in this determination.

Dated: November 3, 2011.

**James B. Martin,**

*Regional Administrator, Region 8.*

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### ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[FRL-9641-5]

#### Public Water System Supervision Program Revision for the State of Montana

**AGENCY:** Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** In accordance with the provisions of section 1413 of the Safe Drinking Water Act (SDWA), 42 U.S.C. 300g-2, and 40 CFR 142.13, public notice is hereby given that the state of Montana has revised its Public Water System Supervision (PWSS) Program by

adopting federal regulations for the Long Term 2 Enhanced Surface Water Treatment Rule, Stage 2 Disinfectants and Disinfection Byproducts Rule and Ground Water Rule that correspond to the National Primary Drinking Water Regulations (NPDWR) in 40 CFR part 141 and 142. The EPA has completed its review of these revisions in accordance with the SDWA and proposes to approve Montana's primacy revisions for the above stated rules.

Today's approval action does not extend to public water systems in Indian country, as defined in 18 U.S.C. 1151. Please see **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION**, Item B.

**DATES:** Any member of the public is invited to submit written comments and/or request a public hearing on this determination by April 2, 2012. Please see **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION**, Item C, for details. Should no timely and appropriate request for a hearing be received, and the Regional Administrator (RA) does not elect to hold a hearing on his own motion, this determination shall become effective April 2, 2012. If a public hearing is requested and granted, then this determination shall not become effective until such time following the hearing as the RA issues an order affirming or rescinding this action.

**ADDRESSES:** Written comments and requests for a public hearing should be addressed to: James B. Martin, Regional Administrator, c/o Robert Clement, Drinking Water Unit (8P-W-DW), U.S. EPA, Region 8, 1595 Wynkoop Street, Denver, CO 80202-1129.

All documents relating to this determination are available for inspection at the following locations: (1) U.S. EPA, Region 8, Drinking Water Unit (7th floor), 1595 Wynkoop Street, Denver, CO 80202-1129, (2) Montana Department of Environmental Quality, Public Water Supply, 1520 East 6th Avenue, Helena, MT 59620-0901.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Robert Clement, Drinking Water Unit (8P-W-DW), U.S. EPA, Region 8, 1595 Wynkoop Street, Denver, CO 80202-1129, 303-312-6653.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** EPA approved Montana's application for assuming primary enforcement authority for the PWSS Program, pursuant to section 1413 of the SDWA, 42 U.S.C. 300g-2, and 40 CFR part 142. Montana Department of Environmental Quality administers Montana's PWSS Program.