



**Enhanced Regulatory Outreach Program
Maricopa County Air Quality Department**

**AQ-2013-005-New Source Review (NSR)
30-Day Comment Period
July 31, 2015 – August 31, 2015**

The Board of Health during a public meeting on April 27, 2015 approved the initiation of regulatory changes to the Maricopa County Air Quality Department's (department's) New Source Review (NSR) rules. These regulatory changes will proceed with a 30-day comment period anticipated to begin July 31, 2015 and to close at 5:00 pm on August 31, 2015. The regulatory changes are described below.

AQ-2013-005-New Source Review (NSR): The purpose of this rulemaking is to update the department's NSR rules in order to secure their approval as part of the state implementation plan (SIP) under the federal Clean Air Act. The update will be consistent with revisions the Arizona Department of Environmental Quality (ADEQ) and the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) made to the NSR Program required by the federal Clean Air Act (CAA). The proposed amendments included in the rulemaking consist of extensive revisions to the county's major NSR program as well as new NSR requirements for minor sources and minor modifications designed to protect the national ambient air quality standards (NAAQS). (Whether a source or modification is major or minor depends on the level of emissions.) In addition, there is currently a significant discrepancy, known as the "SIP gap," between the NSR rules as set forth in the Maricopa County Air Pollution Control Regulations and the rules that have been approved by the EPA into the Maricopa County portion of the Arizona SIP. Once approved, the amended rules will eliminate the SIP gap. This rulemaking also includes proposed conforming and technical changes to rules related to NSR, such as requirements for the general permit program.

Additional information about this rulemaking will be available at:
http://apps.azsos.gov/public_services/register/2015/contents.htm. In addition, you can submit comments about this rulemaking and the rulemaking process at: <http://www.maricopa.gov/regulations/comments.aspx>.

Thank you for participating in the rulemaking process.