

**Air Quality Management Division
Staff Report
Board Meeting Date: October 23, 2025**

DATE: October 16, 2025

TO: District Board of Health

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SUBJECT: Adoption of the “Rescinding General Provisions (020.005 to 020.095), Source Registration and Operation (030.000 to 030.3104), and Emergency Episode Plan (060.010 to 060.025) of the EPA-Approved Air District Regulations in the Nevada State Implementation Plan (SIP) for Washoe County”

SUMMARY

The Air Quality Management Division (AQMD) mission is to protect air quality and safeguard public health for all. AQMD does this by enforcing local and federal rules and regulations. AQMD is requesting to rescind the General Provisions (020.005 to 020.095), Source Registration and Operation (030.000 to 030.3104), and Emergency Episode Plan (060.010 to 060.025) of the EPA-Approved Air District Regulations in the Nevada State Implementation Plan (SIP) for Washoe County. This action is to address the EPA’s conditional approval ([88 FR 10044](#)) of the Washoe County portion of the Nevada Infrastructure SIP addressing Clean Air Act Section 110(a)(2)(J) related to the public notification of National Ambient Air Quality Standards exceedances and addresses longstanding “SIP Gaps.”

NNPH Strategic Priorities supported by this item:

2. Healthy Environment: Create a healthier environment that allows people to safely enjoy everything Washoe County has to offer.

PREVIOUS ACTION

The DBOH previously adopted:

- CHAPTER 050.001 – Emergency Episode Plan on August 17, 2022,
- CHAPTER 020 – General Provisions on October 26, 2023, and
- CHAPTER 030 – Source Permitting, Operation on September 26, 2024

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BACKGROUND

SIP Gaps are discrepancies between the revision to the SIP that have been submitted to EPA for approval and the existing SIP regulations as codified in the CFR. The EPA-Approved Air District Regulations of Washoe County's portion of the Nevada SIP do not match the current DBOH-adopted regulations. The EPA-Approved Air District Regulations have been incorporated into the [Quality Assurance Project Plan](#) and current versions of District Board of Health (DBOH) approved Chapters [020](#), [030](#), [050](#) while other regulations have been permanently rescinded. For the EPA to act on the current DBOH regulations including the last three that were adopted since 2022, EPA must first approve this rescission.

The details of this rescission are found in the attached letter "Rescinding General Provisions, Source Registration and Operation, and Emergency Episode Plan of the EPA-Approved Air District Regulations in the Nevada SIP" letter addressed to the Nevada Department of Environmental Protection (NDEP)

A 30-day public comment and request for a public hearing regarding this action was publicly noticed on August 28, 2025 in accordance with [40 CFR 51.102](#) (see attached media release). There were no comments that met the requirements for inclusion as set by AQMD and a request for a public hearing was not received within the 30-day period ending on September 27, 2025.

FISCAL IMPACT

There is no fiscal impact resulting from the Board adopting this SIP action of rescinding these regulations in the Nevada SIP for Washoe County. The currently adopted DBOH regulations are unchanged with this action.

RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends that the DBOH adopt the "rescinding General Provisions (020.005 to 020.095), Source Registration and Operation (030.000 to 030.3104), and Emergency Episode Plan (060.010 to 060.025) of the EPA-Approved Air District Regulations in the Nevada State Implementation Plan (SIP) for Washoe County"

POSSIBLE MOTION

Should the DBOH concur with staff's recommendation, a possible motion would be "Move to adopt the "Rescinding General Provisions (020.005 to 020.095), Source Registration and Operation (030.000 to 030.3104), and Emergency Episode Plan (060.010 to 060.025) of the EPA-Approved Air District Regulations in the Nevada State Implementation Plan (SIP) for Washoe County."
