Iowa Ambient Air Monitoring
2020 Network Plan

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Introduction

States and other agencies delegated to perform air monitoring under the Clean Air Act are required to examine their networks annually to verify that they meet federal requirements (Appendix A). These requirements\(^1\) include the number and type of monitors operated and the frequency of sampling. Certain monitors in the network, known as State and Local Air Monitoring Stations (SLAMS), are required by federal regulations and discontinuing a SLAMS monitor requires concurrence from the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) (Appendix B). Special Purpose Monitors (SPMs) provide important additional air quality information (such as background concentrations for permitting activities\(^2,3\)), but changes to the SPM network do not require concurrence from EPA.

One of the requirements of the annual network plan is to provide specific information for monitors that produce data that may be compared with federal air standards. This information, along with information concerning various types of monitors operated in the Iowa air monitoring network, is contained in Appendix C and Appendix D.

Ozone Monitoring Network Analysis

EPA’s population-based monitoring requirements for ozone are reproduced in Appendix E. These requirements apply to metropolitan statistical areas (MSAs)—more recently denoted as core based statistical areas (CBSAs) by the Census Bureau—and depend on the population of the MSA (Appendix F) and the ozone levels monitored in or downwind of the MSA over the past three years (Appendix G). Based on this information, the minimum number of population-based SLAMS ozone monitoring sites is indicated below:

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<td>Cedar Rapids, IA</td>
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<td>Waterloo-Cedar Falls, IA</td>
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<td>Sioux City, IA-NE-SD</td>
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In Iowa, there is one SLAMS monitoring site operated in the Omaha-Council Bluffs MSA, two SLAMS monitoring sites operated in the Des Moines MSA, two SLAMS monitoring sites

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\(^1\) For the convenience of the reader, relevant CFR sections are included in the appendices of this document. The CFR is updated continuously, for the latest version of the CFR see: CFR Title 40

\(^2\) For examples of the way monitoring data is used to develop background concentrations for permitting activities, see the discussions of PM\(_{2.5}\), NO\(_2\) and SO\(_2\) at: Modeling Memos

\(^3\) The federal statute that requires baseline ambient air quality data in an area before initiating construction of a new “major source” of air pollution is a download here: US Code 2010
operated in the Davenport-Moline-Rock Island MSA, one SLAMS monitoring site operated in the Cedar Rapids MSA, and one SLAMS monitoring site operated in the Waterloo-Cedar Falls MSA that fulfill the ozone monitoring requirements. The state of Iowa shares the responsibility for ozone monitoring in the Omaha-Council Bluffs MSA with Nebraska agencies, in the Sioux City MSA with South Dakota and Nebraska agencies, and in the Davenport-Moline-Rock Island MSA with Illinois agencies (Appendix H). Currently Nebraska agencies operate three SLAMS ozone sites in the Omaha, Nebraska MSA. Illinois agencies operate one SLAMS ozone site in Rock Island, Illinois in the Davenport-Moline-Rock Island, IA-IL MSA. South Dakota operates one SLAMS site in the Sioux City, IA-NE-SD MSA.

In addition to population-based requirements, each state is required to operate one multi-pollutant NCore site. Year-round ozone monitoring is required at an NCore site. Iowa monitors for ozone at its NCore site in Davenport to meet this requirement.

EPA’s AQI reporting requirements for ozone are reproduced in Appendix I. AQI reporting for ozone is required in MSAs with populations over 350,000. MSAs in this category include Omaha-Council Bluffs, Des Moines-West Des Moines, and Davenport-Moline-Rock Island (Appendix F). All Iowa ozone monitoring data, including data from each of these MSAs, is uploaded to EPA’s AirNow4 Real-Time Reporting System and included in the national ozone and AQI maps. Historical concentration data and AQI values are publicly available on EPA’s AirData5 web site a few days after the data is uploaded to EPA. The DNR regularly updates a list of dates when monitoring sites record AQIs greater than 100 on its web site.6 AQI and real-time information is also available on the Polk County7, Linn County8 and State Hygienic Laboratory9 websites.

EPA’s collocated monitoring requirements are indicated in Appendix J. A comprehensive comparison of Iowa’s monitoring network to these requirements is located in Appendix K. There are no EPA requirements for collocated ozone monitoring.

The total number of ozone monitoring sites needed to support the basic monitoring objectives of public data reporting, air quality mapping, compliance, and understanding ozone related atmospheric processes includes more sites than these minimum numbers. All Iowa ozone monitors are listed in Appendix D and displayed in Appendix L.

Changes to the ozone network that are expected to occur before the submission of the next network plan are indicated in Appendix M. Iowa’s current ozone monitoring network meets federal requirements and will continue to meet the requirements after the changes described in Appendix M occur.

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4 EPA AirNow
5 EPA Air Data
6 Iowa DNR Air Monitoring
7 Polk County Air Monitoring
8 Linn County Air Monitoring
9 SHL Real Time Data
**PM$_{2.5}$ Monitoring Network Analysis**

EPA’s population-based monitoring requirements for PM$_{2.5}$ are contained in 40 CFR Part 58, Appendix D (reproduced in Appendix E). These requirements apply to metropolitan statistical areas (MSAs) and depend on the population of the MSA (Appendix F) and the PM$_{2.5}$ levels monitored in the MSA over the past three years (Appendix N). Based on this information, the minimum number of required population-based SLAMS PM$_{2.5}$ monitoring sites is indicated below:

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Iowa operates filter samplers at a SLAMS PM$_{2.5}$ monitoring site in Des Moines. Iowa shares the responsibility for PM$_{2.5}$ monitoring in the Omaha-Council Bluffs MSA with Nebraska agencies and four SLAMS PM$_{2.5}$ monitoring sites are operated by Nebraska in the Omaha-Council Bluffs MSA (Appendix H).

In addition to population-based minimum requirements, 40 CFR Part 58 also specifies that each state operate at least one PM$_{2.5}$ monitoring site to measure background concentrations, and at least one site to measure regional transport of PM$_{2.5}$. A SLAMS background monitoring site is located at Emmetsburg in Northwest Iowa, and SLAMS transport monitoring sites are located at Lake Sugema in Southeast Iowa and Viking Lake in Southwest Iowa.

In addition to these PM$_{2.5}$ monitoring requirements, EPA requires that each state operate at least one multi-pollutant NCore site (Appendix O). Continuous and filter-based PM$_{2.5}$ monitors as well as PM$_{2.5}$ chemical speciation samplers are required at each NCore site. Iowa operates these three types of PM$_{2.5}$ samplers at its NCore site in Davenport to meet this requirement.

40 CFR Part 58 indicates that population-oriented monitoring sites near industrial sources produce data that may be compared to the 24-hour PM$_{2.5}$ NAAQS, but not to the annual PM$_{2.5}$ NAAQS. The PM$_{2.5}$ monitoring sites near Chancy Park in Clinton, and Musser Park in Muscatine, are adjacent to industrial sources and are not comparable to the annual PM$_{2.5}$ NAAQS.

EPA’s AQI reporting requirements for PM$_{2.5}$ are reproduced in Appendix I. AQI reporting is required in MSAs with required PM$_{2.5}$ monitors and populations over 350,000. MSA’s in this population category include Omaha-Council Bluffs, Des Moines-West Des Moines, and Davenport-Moline-Rock Island (Appendix F). Nebraska provides real-time PM$_{2.5}$ data for the Omaha-Council Bluffs MSA; Iowa provides real-time PM$_{2.5}$ monitoring data for the Des Moines-West Des Moines, and Davenport-Moline-Rock Island MSAs.
Real-time data is uploaded to EPA’s AirNow\textsuperscript{10} Real-Time Reporting System and included in the national AQI maps. Historical data and AQI values from continuous and filter samplers are publicly available on EPA’s AirData\textsuperscript{11} web site a few days after the data is uploaded to EPA. The DNR regularly updates a list of dates when monitoring sites record AQIs greater than 100 on its web site.\textsuperscript{12} AQI and real-time information is also available on the Polk County,\textsuperscript{13} Linn County\textsuperscript{14} and State Hygienic Laboratory\textsuperscript{15} websites.

EPA’s collocated monitoring requirements for PM\textsubscript{2.5} are indicated in Appendix J. Iowa’s monitoring network meets these requirements (Appendix K).

40 CFR Part 58 specifies that the minimum frequency for manual PM\textsubscript{2.5} sampling at required SLAMS sites is one sample every three days. Required SLAMS sites with a 24-hour design value within 5\% of the 24-hour PM\textsubscript{2.5} NAAQS (34 µg/m\textsuperscript{3} to 36 µg/m\textsuperscript{3}) must assume a daily sampling schedule until the design value no longer meets the criteria for three consecutive years. The maximum 24-hour PM\textsubscript{2.5} design values recorded in the Iowa Network for the past three years are: 2017 (i.e. 2015-2017): 23 µg/m\textsuperscript{3}, 2018: 21 µg/m\textsuperscript{3}, and 2019: 22 µg/m\textsuperscript{3}.\textsuperscript{16} No PM\textsubscript{2.5} samplers recorded design values from 34-36 µg/m\textsuperscript{3} for the past three years.

EPA also requires CBSAs with a population of 1,000,000 or more persons to collocate at least one PM\textsubscript{2.5} monitor at a near-road NO\textsubscript{2} station (Appendix P). Iowa does not contain or share any MSAs with populations this large, so additional near-road monitors are not required.

The total number of PM\textsubscript{2.5} monitoring sites needed to support the basic monitoring objectives of public data reporting, air quality mapping, compliance, and understanding PM\textsubscript{2.5}-related atmospheric processes includes more sites than these minimum numbers. Iowa’s complete PM\textsubscript{2.5} monitoring network is listed in Appendix D and displayed in Appendix L. Note: The map of speciation sites in Appendix L includes sites where the full suite of PM\textsubscript{2.5} speciation measurements (metals, ions and carbon) are performed on filter samples. Changes to monitors in the SLAMS and SPM PM\textsubscript{2.5} network that are expected to occur before the submission of the next network plan are detailed in Appendix M. Iowa’s current PM\textsubscript{2.5} monitoring network meets federal requirements and will continue to meet the requirements after the changes described in Appendix M occur.

\textsuperscript{10} EPA AirNow
\textsuperscript{11} EPA Air Data
\textsuperscript{12} Iowa DNR Air Monitoring
\textsuperscript{13} Polk County Air Monitoring
\textsuperscript{14} Linn County Air Monitoring
\textsuperscript{15} SHL Real Time Data
\textsuperscript{16} See: Iowa PM\textsubscript{2.5} Design Values for 2017, 2018, 2019
**PM$_{10}$ Monitoring Network Analysis**

EPA’s population-based monitoring requirements for PM$_{10}$ are reproduced in Appendix E. These requirements apply to metropolitan statistical areas (MSAs) and depend on the population of the MSA (Appendix F) and PM$_{10}$ levels in the MSA (Appendix Q). Based on this information, the minimum numbers of population-based SLAMS PM$_{10}$ monitoring sites is indicated below:

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Iowa operates one SLAMS PM$_{10}$ monitoring site in the Des Moines-West Des Moines MSA, two in the Davenport-Moline-Rock Island MSA, and one in the Cedar Rapids MSA. Iowa shares the responsibility for PM$_{10}$ monitoring in the Omaha-Council Bluffs MSA with Nebraska agencies, and in the Davenport-Moline-Rock Island MSA with Illinois agencies (Appendix H). Currently four SLAMS PM$_{10}$ sites are operated by Nebraska in the Omaha MSA, but one site in Cass County is source oriented and Nebraska does not consider it representative of the MSA. No SLAMS PM$_{10}$ monitors are operated by Illinois in the Davenport-Moline-Rock Island MSA.

In addition to population-oriented PM$_{10}$ monitoring requirements, EPA requires that each State operate at least one multi-pollutant NCore site (Appendix O). PM$_{10}$ samplers are required at each NCore site. Iowa operates a PM$_{10}$ sampler at its NCore site in Davenport to meet this requirement.

EPA’s AQI reporting requirements for PM$_{10}$ are reproduced in Appendix I. AQI reporting is required in MSAs with required PM$_{10}$ monitors and populations over 350,000. MSA’s in this category include Omaha-Council Bluffs, Des Moines-West Des Moines, and Davenport-Moline-Rock Island (Appendix F). Nebraska provides real-time PM$_{10}$ data for the Omaha-Council Bluffs MSA. Iowa has only one site that produces real-time PM$_{10}$ monitoring data. It is located near Buffalo inside the Davenport-Moline-Rock Island MSA. A graph of the real-time data from this site is publicly available on the SHL website.\textsuperscript{17} The AQI associated with PM$_{10}$ data from all filter samplers, including data from monitoring sites in each of the three MSA’s, is publicly available on EPA’s Air Data\textsuperscript{18} web site a few days after the data is uploaded to EPA. The DNR regularly updates a list of dates when monitoring sites recorded AQIs greater than 100 on its web site.\textsuperscript{19}

EPA’s collocated monitoring requirements for PM$_{10}$ are indicated in Appendix J. Iowa’s monitoring network meets these requirements (Appendix K).

\textsuperscript{17} SHL Real Time Data
\textsuperscript{18} EPA Air Data
\textsuperscript{19} Iowa DNR Air Monitoring
Iowa’s complete PM$_{10}$ monitoring network is listed in Appendix D and displayed in Appendix L. Changes to monitors in the SLAMS and SPM PM$_{10}$ network that are expected to occur before the submission of the next network plan are detailed in Appendix M. Iowa’s current PM$_{10}$ monitoring network meets federal requirements and will continue to meet the requirements after the changes described in Appendix M occur.

**Sulfur Dioxide Monitoring Network Analysis**

Federal requirements for SO$_2$ monitoring are reproduced in Appendix R and Appendix S. These rules require monitors in populated areas with high SO$_2$ emissions as well as characterizing the SO$_2$ levels around large sources (>2,000 tons per year) with either monitoring or modeling data.

To implement the populated area requirements EPA uses the population weighted emissions index (PWEI) to determine if SO$_2$ monitoring is required in an MSA. The PWEI is calculated by multiplying the population of the MSA by the total tons of SO$_2$ emissions in the MSA and dividing by 1,000,000. The PWEI for Iowa Metropolitan Statistical Areas is computed in Appendix T. Based on this information, the minimum number of SLAMS SO$_2$ monitoring sites for Iowa MSAs where monitoring is required are indicated below:

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Nebraska’s NCORE site (AQS ID 310550019) is located in Omaha and the required SO$_2$ monitor at this location fulfills this PWEI requirement.

In addition to the PWEI-based and large source monitoring requirements, sulfur dioxide is included in the suite of pollutants to be monitored at EPA National Core (NCore) monitoring sites. Iowa operates a sulfur dioxide analyzer at its NCore site in Davenport to meet this requirement.

After a new NAAQS is promulgated, states are required to designate the attainment status of the counties of their state relative to the new NAAQS. In the case of the 1-hour SO$_2$ NAAQS finalized on 6/22/2010, the size of the national SO$_2$ monitoring network was deemed too small to establish whether ambient SO$_2$ levels near large SO$_2$ emitters would meet the new more stringent 1-hour standard. On 8/21/2015, EPA finalised a rule (known as the Data Requirements Rule or “DRR”) to clarify states responsibilities in establishing the NAAQS attainment near large SO$_2$ emitters (Appendix S). As defined in this rule, a large SO$_2$ emitter is defined as one that emits more than 2,000 tons per year (tpy) of SO$_2$. Under the provisions of the DRR, these large sources must either take permit limits to reduce their emissions below the 2,000 tpy threshold, or establish the attainment status near the source by performing ambient air monitoring or dispersion modeling.
According to deadlines of the DRR, the State was required to send its list of facilities that emit over 2,000 tpy to EPA by January 15, 2016 and indicate whether monitoring, modeling or emissions limits will be used to comply with the rule by July 1, 2016. Monitoring required under the rule needed to be initiated by January 1, 2017. Emissions limits reducing facility emissions below the 2,000 tpy threshold needed to be in place by January 13, 2017. Dispersion modeling required under the rule needed to be submitted to EPA by January 13, 2017.

DNR sent its list of affected facilities to EPA on December 15, 2015, and indicated its choice of compliance method for each affected facility in a letter to EPA on June 20, 2016. No Iowa facilities opted to use monitoring to comply with the DRR. In the Omaha-Council Bluffs MSA, there was a facility subject to the DRR on the Nebraska side that opted for monitoring. The Nebraska DEQ/Douglas County Health Department sited a monitor to establish the attainment status near this facility (OPPD North Omaha Power station), and began operation of a SLAMs SO₂ site (AQS ID 310550057) near the facility in 2017. The Iowa DNR and EPA exchanged technical analyses, and EPA posted designations under the DRR rule in December 2017.

The DRR also requires annual documentation of the SO₂ emissions of each affected facility in cases where modeling of actual emissions served as the basis for designating that area to be in attainment with the NAAQS. These annual requirements are fulfilled in a reports posted to the DNR’s Air Quality Implementation Plans website, in the “Designation Recommendations” section, under the “2010 SO₂ (Includes Muscatine 1-hour SO₂ Nonattainment Area)” subsection.

EPA’s AQI reporting requirements for SO₂ are reproduced in Appendix I. AQI reporting is required in MSAs with required SO₂ monitors and populations over 350,000. MSAs in this population category include Omaha-Council Bluffs, Des Moines-West Des Moines, and Davenport-Moline-Rock Island (Appendix F). As indicated above, there are requirements for SO₂ monitors in Omaha and Davenport, but not in Des Moines. Nebraska provides real-time SO₂ data for the Omaha-Council Bluffs MSA; Iowa provides real-time SO₂ monitoring data for the Davenport-Moline-Rock Island MSA.

Real-time data is uploaded to EPA’s AirNow Real-Time Reporting System. Historical concentration data and AQI values are publicly available on EPA’s AirData web site a few days after the data is uploaded to EPA. The DNR regularly updates a list of dates when monitoring

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20 Iowa Source Characterization
21 Iowa Technical Support
22 EPA Round 3 Designations
23 EPA Final Sulfur Dioxide Designations
24 DNR Air Quality Implementation Plans
25 EPA AirNow
26 EPA Air Data
sites recorded AQIs greater than 100 on its web site. EPA and real-time information is also available on the Polk County, Linn County and State Hygienic Laboratory websites.

EPA’s collocated monitoring requirements are indicated in Appendix J. A comprehensive comparison of Iowa’s monitoring network to these requirements is located in Appendix K. There are no EPA requirements for collocated SO₂ monitoring.

Existing SO₂ monitors are listed in Appendix D and displayed in Appendix L. There are no planned reductions to the SLAMS monitoring network for sulfur dioxide scheduled before submission of the next network plan. Changes to SPM monitors in the SO₂ network that are anticipated before the submission of the next network plan are indicated in Appendix M. Iowa’s current SO₂ monitoring network meets federal requirements and will continue to meet the requirements after the changes described in Appendix M occur.

**Nitrogen Dioxide Monitoring Network Analysis**

On January 22, 2010, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency revised the nitrogen dioxide (NO₂) NAAQS. The new NAAQS included population-based monitoring requirements and traffic-based (near-road) monitoring requirements.

EPA’s population-based NO₂ monitoring requirements are reproduced in Appendix E. EPA requires one monitor in any CBSA with a population of more than 1 million in order to measure community-wide concentrations. Iowa does not contain or share any MSAs with populations this large and these monitors are not required.

EPA’s updated near-road based NO₂ monitoring requirements are reproduced in Appendix P. There are no near-road monitors required in Iowa based on the updated federal requirements. At NCore sites, EPA requires NOₓ instead of NO₂ monitoring in order to quantify more of the oxidation products of NO. These additional oxidation products are relevant to secondary formation of ozone and PM₂.₅.

There are currently no minimum federal requirements for NO₂ monitors applicable to Iowa, and there are no monitors designated as SLAMS monitors in the Iowa network. SPM NO₂ monitors are operated to provide a general knowledge of pollutant levels and to support permitting activities.

EPA’s AQI reporting requirements for NO₂ are reproduced in Appendix I. As indicated above, Iowa does not contain or share any MSAs that require NO₂ monitoring. AQI reporting is required in MSAs with required NO₂ monitors and populations over 350,000. Iowa provides

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27 [Iowa DNR Air Monitoring](#)
28 [Polk County Air Monitoring](#)
29 [Linn County Air Monitoring](#)
30 [SHL Real Time Data](#)
real-time NO₂ monitoring data for the Des Moines-West Des Moines MSA and at a background site near Lake Sugema in the southeast corner of the state.

Real-time data is uploaded to EPA’s AirNow 31 Real-Time Reporting System. Historical concentration data and the AQI are publicly available on EPA’s AirData 32 web site a few days after the data is uploaded to EPA. The DNR regularly updates a list of dates and locations of recorded AQIs greater than 100 on its web site. 33 AQI information is also available on the Polk County, 34 Linn County 35 and State Hygienic Laboratory 36 websites.

EPA’s collocated monitoring requirements are indicated in Appendix J. A comprehensive comparison of Iowa’s monitoring network to these requirements is located in Appendix K. There are no EPA requirements for collocated NO₂ monitoring.

NO₂ monitors are listed in Appendix D and displayed in Appendix L. Changes to SPM monitors that are anticipated before the submission of the next network plan are indicated in Appendix M. Iowa’s current NO₂ monitoring network meets federal requirements and will continue to meet the requirements after the changes described in Appendix M occur.

**Carbon Monoxide Monitoring Network Analysis**

EPA requires that each State operate at least one multi-pollutant NCore site (Appendix O). Carbon monoxide monitoring is required at each NCore site. Iowa operates a carbon monoxide monitor at its NCore site in Davenport to meet this requirement.

EPA also requires CBSA’s with a population of 1,000,000 or more persons to collocate at least one CO monitor at a near-road NO₂ station (Appendix P). Iowa does not contain or share any MSAs with populations this large, so these near-road CO monitors are not required.

EPA’s AQI reporting requirements for CO are reproduced in Appendix I. AQI reporting is required in MSAs with required CO monitors and populations over 350,000. MSAs in this population category include Omaha-Council Bluffs, Des Moines-West Des Moines, and Davenport-Moline-Rock Island (Appendix F). Nebraska provides real-time CO data for the Omaha-Council Bluffs MSA. There is no monitoring requirement for the Des Moines-West Des Moines MSA, and Iowa provides real-time monitoring for the Davenport-Moline-Rock Island MSA.

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31 EPA AirNow
32 EPA Air Data
33 Iowa DNR Air Monitoring
34 Polk County Air Monitoring
35 Linn County Air Monitoring
36 SHL Real Time Data
Real-time data is uploaded to EPA’s AirNow\textsuperscript{37} Real-Time Reporting System. Historical data and the AQI are publicly available on EPA’s AirData\textsuperscript{38} web site a few days after the data is uploaded to EPA. The DNR regularly updates a list of dates when monitoring sites recorded AQIs greater than 100 on its web site.\textsuperscript{39} AQI information is also available on the Polk County,\textsuperscript{40} Linn County\textsuperscript{41} and State Hygienic Laboratory\textsuperscript{42} websites.

EPA’s collocated monitoring requirements are indicated in Appendix J. A comprehensive comparison of Iowa’s monitoring network to these requirements is located in Appendix K. There are no EPA requirements for collocated CO monitoring.

Iowa’s carbon monoxide monitor is listed in Appendix D and displayed in Appendix L. There are no planned reductions to the SLAMS monitoring network for carbon monoxide scheduled before submission of the next network plan. Changes to SPM monitors in the CO network that are anticipated before the submission of the next network plan are indicated in Appendix M. Iowa’s current carbon monoxide monitoring network meets federal requirements and will continue to meet the requirements after the changes described in Appendix M occur.

**Toxics Monitoring Network Analysis**

There are no federal requirements for minimum numbers of air toxics sites contained in 40 CFR Part 58.

Iowa currently operates five SPM air toxics sites. Details concerning Iowa’s air toxics network are contained in Appendix D and displayed in Appendix L. Changes to SPM monitors in the toxics network that are anticipated before the submission of the next network plan are indicated in Appendix M.

**NCORE Monitoring Network Analysis**

Requirements for a multi-pollutant “NCORE” site are contained in 40 CFR Part 58, and reproduced in Appendix O. The Department operates an NCore site at Jefferson School in Davenport (AQS ID 191630015) to meet this requirement.

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\textsuperscript{37} EPA AirNow
\textsuperscript{38} EPA Air Data
\textsuperscript{39} Iowa DNR Air Monitoring
\textsuperscript{40} Polk County Air Monitoring
\textsuperscript{41} Linn County Air Monitoring
\textsuperscript{42} SHL Real Time Data
Lead Monitoring Network Analysis

EPA requires source-oriented SLAMS lead monitoring near industries that emit over 0.5 tons per year (tpy) of lead. The rule allows for a waiver of monitoring requirements if air dispersion modeling predicts ambient air concentrations less than half the NAAQS. These waivers must be renewed as an element of each State’s five-year network assessment. Current federal lead monitoring rules are reproduced in Appendix U.

According to the Department’s latest (2018 NEI) emissions estimates (Appendix V), there are no facilities in Iowa with lead emissions of 0.5 tpy or greater.

Historically the lead emissions from MidAmerican Energy Company - Walter Scott Jr Energy Center have been close to the 0.5 tpy threshold. Based on dispersion modeling results, EPA granted a waiver of monitoring requirements for this facility in Iowa’s 2012 Network Plan and in its 2015 5-Year Network Assessment.43 The most recent 2018 emissions estimate for the facility is 0.309 tpy (Appendix V), so the waiver of monitoring requirements is no longer needed.

The Department sited a SLAMS lead monitoring site in Council Bluffs near Griffin Pipe in 2009. The site recorded levels over the National Ambient Air Quality Standard (NAAQS) for lead in 2010 and 2012. The area around Griffin Pipe was declared a non-attainment area by EPA late in 2011.44 The Griffin Pipe Plant was closed indefinitely in May of 2014, after acquisition of Griffin Pipe by American Pipe.45 The DNR submitted a State Implementation Plan (SIP) in January 2015 that provides for ongoing attainment of the lead NAAQS by establishing federally enforceable permit limits at Griffin Pipe (should it reopen46) and a nearby facility, Alter Metal Recycling.47 The most recent lead data from the site indicates attainment with the NAAQS for the 2017-2019 period, with a monitored level for the period that is about 53% of the NAAQS. EPA redesignated the area as attainment on 10/4/2018.48

EPA’s collocated monitoring requirements for lead are indicated in Appendix J. Iowa’s monitoring network meets these requirements (Appendix K).

The location of Iowa’s lead monitor is listed in Appendix D and displayed in Appendix L. There are no planned reductions to the SLAMS monitoring network for lead scheduled before submission of the next network plan. Iowa’s current lead monitoring network meets federal requirements and will continue to meet the requirements after the changes described in Appendix M occur.

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43 Iowa DNR Air Monitoring
44 Federal Register Lead Designations
45 Foundry Magazine Article Griffin Pipe
46 NonPareil Article 1/30/2016
47 Iowa Lead SIP
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Appendix A: Federal Requirements for Annual Network Plans and Completion


(a)(1) Beginning July 1, 2007, the state, or where applicable local, agency shall submit to the Regional Administrator an annual monitoring network plan which shall provide for the documentation of the establishment and maintenance of an air quality surveillance system that consists of a network of SLAMS monitoring stations that can include FRM, FEM, and ARM monitors that are part of SLAMS, NCore, CSN, PAMS, and SPM stations. The plan shall include a statement of whether the operation of each monitor meets the requirements of appendices A, B, C, D, and E of this part, where applicable. The Regional Administrator may require additional information in support of this statement. The annual monitoring network plan must be made available for public inspection and comment for at least 30 days prior to submission to the EPA and the submitted plan shall include and address, as appropriate, any received comments.

(2) Any annual monitoring network plan that proposes network modifications (including new or discontinued monitoring sites, new determinations that data are not of sufficient quality to be compared to the NAAQS, and changes in identification of monitors as suitable or not suitable for comparison against the annual PM2.5 NAAQS) to SLAMS networks is subject to the approval of the EPA Regional Administrator, who shall approve or disapprove the plan within 120 days of submission of a complete plan to the EPA.

(3) The plan for establishing required NCore multipollutant stations shall be submitted to the Administrator not later than July 1, 2009. The plan shall provide for all required stations to be operational by January 1, 2011.

(4) A plan for establishing source-oriented Pb monitoring sites in accordance with the requirements of appendix D to this part for Pb sources emitting 1.0 tpy or greater shall be submitted to the EPA Regional Administrator no later than July 1, 2009, as part of the annual network plan required in paragraph (a)(1) of this section. The plan shall provide for the required source-oriented Pb monitoring sites for Pb sources emitting 1.0 tpy or greater to be operational by January 1, 2010. A plan for establishing source-oriented Pb monitoring sites in accordance with the requirements of appendix D to this part for Pb sources emitting equal to or greater than 0.50 tpy but less than 1.0 tpy shall be submitted to the EPA Regional Administrator no later than July 1, 2011. The plan shall provide for the required source-oriented Pb monitoring sites for Pb sources emitting equal to or greater than 0.50 tpy but less than 1.0 tpy to be operational by December 27, 2011.

(5)(i) A plan for establishing or identifying an area-wide NO2 monitor, in accordance with the requirements of Appendix D, section 4.3.3 to this part, shall be submitted as part of the Annual Monitoring Network Plan to the EPA Regional Administrator by July 1, 2012. The plan shall provide for these required monitors to be operational by January 1, 2013.

(ii) A plan for establishing or identifying any NO2 monitor intended to characterize vulnerable and susceptible populations, as required in Appendix D, section 4.3.4 to this part, shall be submitted as part of the Annual Monitoring Network Plan to the EPA Regional Administrator by July 1, 2012. The plan shall provide for these required monitors to be operational by January 1, 2013.

(iii) A plan for establishing a single near-road NO2 monitor in CBSAs having 1,000,000 or more persons, in accordance with the requirements of Appendix D, section 4.3.2 to this part, shall be submitted as part of the Annual Monitoring Network Plan to the EPA Regional Administrator by July 1, 2013. The plan shall provide for these required monitors to be operational by January 1, 2014.

(iv) A plan for establishing a second near-road NO2 monitor in any CBSA with a population of 2,500,000 persons or more, or a second monitor in any CBSA with a population of 1,000,000 or more persons that has one or more roadway segments with 250,000 or greater AADT counts, in accordance with the requirements of appendix D, section 4.3.2 to this part, shall be submitted as part of the Annual Monitoring Network Plan to the EPA Regional Administrator by July 1, 2014. The plan shall provide for these required monitors to be operational by January 1, 2015.

(6) A plan for establishing SO2 monitoring sites in accordance with the requirements of appendix D to this part shall be submitted to the EPA Regional Administrator by July 1, 2011 as part of the annual network plan required in paragraph (a)(1). The plan shall provide for all required SO2 monitoring sites to be operational by January 1, 2013.

(7) A plan for establishing CO monitoring sites in accordance with the requirements of appendix D to this part shall be submitted to the EPA Regional Administrator. Plans for required CO monitors shall be submitted at least six months prior to the date such monitors must be established as required by section 58.13.
(8)(i) A plan for establishing near-road PM2.5 monitoring sites in CBSAs having 2.5 million or more persons, in accordance with the requirements of appendix D to this part, shall be submitted as part of the annual monitoring network plan to the EPA Regional Administrator by July 1, 2014. The plan shall provide for these required monitoring stations to be operational by January 1, 2015.

(ii) A plan for establishing near-road PM2.5 monitoring sites in CBSAs having 1 million or more persons, but less than 2.5 million persons, in accordance with the requirements of appendix D to this part, shall be submitted as part of the annual monitoring network plan to the EPA Regional Administrator by July 1, 2016. The plan shall provide for these required monitoring stations to be operational by January 1, 2017.

(9) The annual monitoring network plan shall provide for the required O3 sites to be operating on the first day of the applicable required O3 monitoring season in effect on January 1, 2017 as listed in Table D-3 of appendix D of this part.

(10) A plan for making Photochemical Assessment Monitoring Stations (PAMS) measurements, if applicable, in accordance with the requirements of appendix D paragraph 5(a) of this part shall be submitted to the EPA Regional Administrator no later than July 1, 2018. The plan shall provide for the required PAMS measurements to begin by June 1, 2019.

(11) An Enhanced Monitoring Plan for O3, if applicable, in accordance with the requirements of appendix D paragraph 5(h) of this part shall be submitted to the EPA Regional Administrator no later than October 1, 2019 or two years following the effective date of a designation to a classification of Moderate or above O3 nonattainment, whichever is later.

(12) A detailed description of the PAMS network being operated in accordance with the requirements of appendix D to this part shall be submitted as part of the annual monitoring network plan for review by the EPA Administrator. The PAMS Network Description described in section 5 of appendix D may be used to meet this requirement.

(b) The annual monitoring network plan must contain the following information for each existing and proposed site:

(1) The AQS site identification number.

(2) The location, including street address and geographical coordinates.

(3) The sampling and analysis method(s) for each measured parameter.

(4) The operating schedules for each monitor.

(5) Any proposals to remove or move a monitoring station within a period of 18 months following plan submittal.

(6) The monitoring objective and spatial scale of representativeness for each monitor as defined in appendix D to this part.

(7) The identification of any sites that are suitable and sites that are not suitable for comparison against the annual PM2.5 NAAQS as described in §58.30.

(8) The MSA, CBSA, CSA or other area represented by the monitor.

(9) The designation of any Pb monitors as either source-oriented or non-source-oriented according to Appendix D to 40 CFR part 58.

(10) Any source-oriented monitors for which a waiver has been requested or granted by the EPA Regional Administrator as allowed for under paragraph 4.5(a)(ii) of Appendix D to 40 CFR part 58.

(11) Any source-oriented or non-source-oriented site for which a waiver has been requested or granted by the EPA Regional Administrator for the use of Pb-PM10 monitoring in lieu of Pb-TSP monitoring as allowed for under paragraph 2.10 of Appendix C to 40 CFR part 58.

(12) The identification of required NO2 monitors as near-road, area-wide, or vulnerable and susceptible population monitors in accordance with Appendix D, section 4.3 of this part.
(13) The identification of any PM2.5 FEMs and/or ARMs used in the monitoring agency's network where the data are not of sufficient quality such that data are not to be compared to the NAAQS. For required SLAMS where the agency identifies that the PM2.5 Class III FEM or ARM does not produce data of sufficient quality for comparison to the NAAQS, the monitoring agency must ensure that an operating FRM or filter-based FEM meeting the sample frequency requirements described in §58.12 or other Class III PM2.5 FEM or ARM with data of sufficient quality is operating and reporting data to meet the network design criteria described in appendix D to this part.

(c) The annual monitoring network plan must document how state and local agencies provide for the review of changes to a PM2.5 monitoring network that impact the location of a violating PM2.5 monitor. The affected state or local agency must document the process for obtaining public comment and include any comments received through the public notification process within their submitted plan.

(d) The state, or where applicable local, agency shall perform and submit to the EPA Regional Administrator an assessment of the air quality surveillance system every 5 years to determine, at a minimum, if the network meets the monitoring objectives defined in appendix D to this part, whether new sites are needed, whether existing sites are no longer needed and can be terminated, and whether new technologies are appropriate for incorporation into the ambient air monitoring network. The network assessment must consider the ability of existing and proposed sites to support air quality characterization for areas with relatively high populations of susceptible individuals (e.g., children with asthma), and, for any sites that are being proposed for discontinuance, the effect on data users other than the agency itself, such as nearby states and tribes or health effects studies. The state, or where applicable local, agency must submit a copy of this 5-year assessment, along with a revised annual network plan, to the Regional Administrator. The assessments are due every five years beginning July 1, 2010.

(e) All proposed additions and discontinuations of SLAMS monitors in annual monitoring network plans and periodic network assessments are subject to approval according to §58.14.


§58.11 Network technical requirements.

(a)(1) State and local governments shall follow the applicable quality assurance criteria contained in appendix A to this part when operating the SLAMS networks.

(2) Beginning January 1, 2009, State and local governments shall follow the quality assurance criteria contained in appendix A to this part that apply to SPM sites when operating any SPM site which uses a FRM, FEM, or ARM and meets the requirements of appendix E to this part, unless the Regional Administrator approves an alternative to the requirements of appendix A with respect to such SPM sites because meeting those requirements would be physically and/or financially impractical due to physical conditions at the monitoring site and the requirements are not essential to achieving the intended data objectives of the SPM site. Alternatives to the requirements of appendix A may be approved for an SPM site as part of the approval of the annual monitoring plan, or separately.

(3) The owner or operator of an existing or a proposed source shall follow the quality assurance criteria in appendix B to this part that apply to PSD monitoring when operating a PSD site.

(b) State and local governments must follow the criteria in appendix C to this part to determine acceptable monitoring methods or instruments for use in SLAMS networks. Appendix C criteria are optional at SPM stations.

(c) State and local governments must follow the network design criteria contained in appendix D to this part in designing and maintaining the SLAMS stations. The final network design and all changes in design are subject to approval of the Regional Administrator. NCore and STN network design and changes are also subject to approval of the Administrator. Changes in SPM stations do not require approvals, but a change in the designation of a monitoring site from SLAMS to SPM requires approval of the Regional Administrator.

(d) State and local governments must follow the criteria contained in appendix E to this part for siting monitor inlets, paths or probes at SLAMS stations. Appendix E adherence is optional for SPM stations.
(e) State and local governments must assess data from Class III PM$_{2.5}$ FEM and ARM monitors operated within their network using the performance criteria described in table C-4 to subpart C of part 53 of this chapter, for cases where the data are identified as not of sufficient comparability to a collocated FRM, and the monitoring agency requests that the FEM or ARM data should not be used in comparison to the NAAQS. These assessments are required in the monitoring agency’s annual monitoring network plan described in §58.10(b) for cases where the FEM or ARM is identified as not of sufficient comparability to a collocated FRM. For these collocated PM$_{2.5}$ monitors the performance criteria apply with the following additional provisions:

1. The acceptable concentration range (Rj), µg/m$^3$ may include values down to 0 µg/m$^3$.
2. The minimum number of test sites shall be at least one; however, the number of test sites will generally include all locations within an agency’s network with collocated FRMs and FEMs or ARMs.
3. The minimum number of methods shall include at least one FRM and at least one FEM or ARM.
4. Since multiple FRMs and FEMs may not be present at each site; the precision statistic requirement does not apply, even if precision data are available.
5. All seasons must be covered with no more than thirty-six consecutive months of data in total aggregated together.
6. The key statistical metric to include in an assessment is the bias (both additive and multiplicative) of the PM$_{2.5}$ continuous FEM(s) compared to a collocated FRM(s). Correlation is required to be reported in the assessment, but failure to meet the correlation criteria, by itself, is not cause to exclude data from a continuous FEM monitor.


(a) The network of NCore multipollutant sites must be physically established no later than January 1, 2011, and at that time, operating under all of the requirements of this part, including the requirements of appendices A, C, D, E, and G to this part. NCore sites required to conduct Pb monitoring as required under 40 CFR part 58 appendix D paragraph 3(b), or approved alternative non-source-oriented Pb monitoring sites, shall begin Pb monitoring in accordance with all of the requirements of this part, including the requirements of appendices A, C, D, E, and G to this part no later than December 27, 2011.

(b) Notwithstanding specific dates included in this part, beginning January 1, 2008, when existing networks are not in conformance with the minimum number of required monitors specified in this part, additional required monitors must be identified in the next applicable annual monitoring network plan, with monitoring operation beginning by January 1 of the following year. To allow sufficient time to prepare and comment on Annual Monitoring Network Plans, only monitoring requirements effective 120 days prior to the required submission date of the plan (i.e., 120 days prior to July 1 of each year) shall be included in that year’s annual monitoring network plan.

(c) The NO$_2$ monitors required under Appendix D, section 4.3 of this part must be physically established and operating under all of the requirements of this part, including the requirements of appendices A, C, D, and E to this part, no later than:

1. January 1, 2013, for area-wide NO$_2$ monitors required in Appendix D, section 4.3.3;
2. January 1, 2013, for NO$_2$ monitors intended to characterize vulnerable and susceptible populations that are required in Appendix D, section 4.3.4;
3. January 1, 2014, for an initial near-road NO$_2$ monitor in CBSAs having 1,000,000 million or more persons that is required in Appendix D, section 4.3.2;
(4) January 1, 2015, for a second near-road NO$_2$ monitor in CBSAs that have a population of 2,500,000 or more persons or a second monitor in any CBSA with a population of 1,000,000 or more persons that has one or more roadway segments with 250,000 or greater AADT counts that is required in appendix D, section 4.3.2.

(d) The network of SO$_2$ monitors must be physically established no later than January 1, 2013, and at that time, must be operating under all of the requirements of this part, including the requirements of appendices A, C, D, and E to this part.

(e) The CO monitors required under Appendix D, section 4.2 of this part must be physically established and operating under all of the requirements of this part, including the requirements of appendices A, C, D, and E to this part, no later than:

1. January 1, 2015 for CO monitors in CBSAs having 2.5 million persons or more; or

(f) PM$_{2.5}$ monitors required in near-road environments as described in appendix D to this part, must be physically established and operating under all of the requirements of this part, including the requirements of appendices A, C, D, and E to this part, no later than:

1. January 1, 2015 for PM$_{2.5}$ monitors in CBSAs having 2.5 million persons or more; or
2. January 1, 2017 for PM$_{2.5}$ monitors in CBSAs having 1 million or more, but less than 2.5 million persons.

(g) The O$_3$ monitors required under appendix D, section 4.1 of this part must operate on the first day of the applicable required O$_3$ monitoring season in effect January 1, 2017.

(h) The Photochemical Assessment Monitoring sites required under appendix D of this part, section 5(a), must be physically established and operating under all of the requirements of this part, including the requirements of appendix A, C, D, and E of this part, no later than June 1, 2021.


Appendix B: SLAMS Network Modification


(a) The state, or where appropriate local, agency shall develop a network modification plan and schedule to modify the ambient air quality monitoring network that addresses the findings of the network assessment required every 5 years by §58.10(d). The network modification plan shall be submitted as part of the Annual Monitoring Network Plan that is due no later than the year after submittal of the network assessment.

(b) Nothing in this section shall preclude the State, or where appropriate local, agency from making modifications to the SLAMS network for reasons other than those resulting from the periodic network assessments. These modifications must be reviewed and approved by the Regional Administrator. Each monitoring network may make or be required to make changes between the 5-year assessment periods, including for example, site relocations or the addition of PAMS networks in bumped-up ozone nonattainment areas. These modifications must address changes invoked by a new census and changes due to changing air quality levels. The State, or where appropriate local, agency shall provide written communication describing the network changes to the Regional Administrator for review and approval as these changes are identified.

(c) State, or where appropriate, local agency requests for SLAMS monitor station discontinuation, subject to the review of the Regional Administrator, will be approved if any of the following criteria are met and if the requirements of appendix D to this part, if any, continue to be met. Other requests for discontinuation may also be approved on a case-by-case basis if discontinuance does not compromise data collection needed for implementation of a NAAQS and if the requirements of appendix D to this part, if any, continue to be met.

(1) Any PM2.5, O3, CO, PM10, SO2, Pb, or NO2 SLAMS monitor which has shown attainment during the previous five years, that has a probability of less than 10 percent of exceeding 80 percent of the applicable NAAQS during the next three years based on the levels, trends, and variability observed in the past, and which is not specifically required by an attainment plan or maintenance plan. In a nonattainment or maintenance area, if the most recent attainment or maintenance plan adopted by the State and approved by EPA contains a contingency measure to be triggered by an air quality concentration and the monitor to be discontinued is the only SLAMS monitor operating in the nonattainment or maintenance area, the monitor may not be discontinued.

(2) Any SLAMS monitor for CO, PM10, SO2, or NO2 which has consistently measured lower concentrations than another monitor for the same pollutant in the same county (or portion of a county within a distinct attainment area, nonattainment area, or maintenance area, as applicable) during the previous five years, and which is not specifically required by an attainment plan or maintenance plan, if control measures scheduled to be implemented or discontinued during the next five years would apply to the areas around both monitors and have similar effects on measured concentrations, such that the retained monitor would remain the higher reading of the two monitors being compared.

(3) For any pollutant, any SLAMS monitor in a county (or portion of a county within a distinct attainment, nonattainment, or maintenance area, as applicable) provided the monitor has not measured violations of the applicable NAAQS in the previous five years, and the approved SIP provides for a specific, reproducible approach to representing the air quality of the affected county in the absence of actual monitoring data.

(4) A PM2.5 SLAMS monitor which EPA has determined cannot be compared to the relevant NAAQS because of the siting of the monitor, in accordance with §58.30.

(5) A SLAMS monitor that is designed to measure concentrations upwind of an urban area for purposes of characterizing transport into the area and that has not recorded violations of the relevant NAAQS in the previous five years, if discontinuation of the monitor is tied to start-up of another station also characterizing transport.

(6) A SLAMS monitor not eligible for removal under any of the criteria in paragraphs (c)(1) through (c)(5) of this section may be moved to a nearby location with the same scale of representation if logistical problems beyond the State’s control make it impossible to continue operation at its current site.

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## Appendix C: 2019 Iowa Ambient Air Monitoring Sites

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Site Table Definitions:

**City** – the city closest to the monitor location.

**Site** – the name of the monitoring site.

**Address** – an intersection or street address close to the monitoring site.

**County** – the county where the monitoring site resides.

**MSA** – Metropolitan Statistical Area. Iowa’s Metropolitan Statistical Areas (MSAs) according to the U.S. Census Bureau:

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Source for Counties: [US Census MSA Delineation](#)

Maximum ozone concentrations are typically measured 10-30 miles downwind of an MSA. The site intended to record the maximum ozone concentration resulting from a given MSA may be located outside the MSA boundaries. Sites intended to measure background levels of pollutants for an MSA may also be located upwind and outside of that particular MSA.

**Latitude** – the latitude of a monitoring site, given in decimal degrees using the WGS (World Geodetic System) 84 datum.

**Longitude** – the longitude of a monitoring site, given in decimal degrees using the WGS (World Geodetic System) 84 datum.

**AQS Site ID** – The identifier of a monitoring site used in the US EPA Air Quality System (AQS) database. It has the form XX-XXX-XXXX where the first two digits specify the state (19 for Iowa), the next set of three digits the county, and the last four digits the site.

**Responsible Agency** – The agency responsible for performing ambient air monitoring at a monitoring site. The Polk County Local Program operates sites in or near Polk County. The Linn County Local Program operates sites in or near Linn County. The Department of Natural Resources (DNR) contracts with the State Hygienic Laboratory at the University of Iowa (SHL) to operate monitoring sites not operated by the Polk or Linn County Local Programs.
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Monitor Table Definitions:

**Site Name** – a combination of the city and site name from the previous table

**Pollutant** – indicates the pollutant, or set of pollutants, measured by each monitor
- CO – carbon monoxide.
- CSN Speciation – a speciation monitor and suite of lab analysis procedures developed by the CSN program to identify and quantify the chemical components of PM$_{2.5}$.
- IMPROVE Speciation – a speciation monitor and suite of lab analysis procedures developed by the IMPROVE program to identify and quantify the chemical components of PM$_{2.5}$ in order to establish changes in visibility.
- Lead—lead (Pb).
- NO$_2$ – nitrogen dioxide.
- NO$_x$ – the sum of all reactive oxides of nitrogen: NO, NO$_2$, NO$_3$, N$_2$O$_5$, HNO$_2$, HNO$_3$, PAN, organic nitrates and aerosol nitrates.
- Ozone – an unstable molecule consisting of three oxygen atoms.
- PM$_{10}$ – particles with a diameter of 10 micrometers or less.
- PM$_{2.5}$ – particles with a diameter of 2.5 micrometers or less, also known as “fine particles”.
- SO$_2$ – sulfur dioxide.
- Toxics – monitoring for a pollutant identified on EPA’s Urban Air Toxics list.

**POC** – “Parameter Occurrence Code” an integer in the AQS database that labels monitors at a monitoring site. If there are multiple monitors for a given pollutant at a monitoring site, each monitor will have its own POC.

**Monitor Type** – This column indicates how the monitor is classified in the AQS database.
- IMPROVE – a speciation monitor developed by the IMPROVE program to identify and quantify the chemical components of PM$_{2.5}$. An IMPROVE monitor is a type of special purpose monitor (SPM) – see below.
- NCore – monitors operated at a site that has been accepted into EPA’s national network of long term multi-pollutant sites.
- SLAMS – State and Local Air Monitoring Stations. SLAMS make up the ambient air quality monitoring sites that are primarily needed for NAAQS comparisons, but may serve other data purposes. SLAMS exclude special purpose monitor (SPM) stations and include NCore, and all other State or locally operated stations that have not been designated as SPM stations.
- SPM – means a monitor that is designated as a special purpose monitor in the monitoring network plan and in EPA’s AQS database. SPM monitors do not count when showing compliance with minimum SLAMS requirements for monitor numbers and siting, unless a SPM designation is required for documenting a NAAQS exclusion for a poorly performing FEM PM$_{2.5}$ monitor.

**Design Value** – A design value is a number computed from monitoring data (see 40 CFR Part 50, Appendix N) that is used for comparisons to the National Ambient Air Quality Standards (NAAQS). For PM$_{2.5}$ and ozone, the monitoring requirements depend on these design values. For PM$_{2.5}$, there are two design values—a 24-hour design value (in μg/m$^3$) and an annual design value (also in μg/m$^3$). For
PM$_{2.5}$ monitors in the table, the 24-hour design value is listed first and an annual design value is listed second, i.e. 27/10.3. For ozone, there is a single design value; the 8-hour design value (in ppb) is indicated in the table.

**High Design Value?** – A “Yes” in this column indicates that the design value is within 85% of the NAAQS. For PM$_{2.5}$, 24-hour design values of 30 µg/m$^3$ or greater are considered greater than or equal to 85% of the 24-hour NAAQS (35 µg/m$^3$) and values of 10.2 µg/m$^3$ or greater are considered greater than or equal to the 85% of the annual NAAQS (12.0 µg/m$^3$). For ozone, 8-hour design values of 60 ppb or greater are considered greater than or equal to 85% of the 8-hour NAAQS (70 ppb).

**Sampling Method** – Indicates how the sample is collected. This column also shows how the sample is analyzed, if it is analyzed on site at the time of collection.

- Beta Attenuation—a type of continuous PM$_{2.5}$ monitor that reports data in real time. Continuous PM$_{2.5}$ monitors typically have three components: a size selective inlet (cyclone) that knocks out all but the fine particles, a conditioning system that rapidly dries the fine particles, and a mass measurement system that determines the mass of the conditioned sample. One type of continuous PM$_{2.5}$ monitor currently used in the Iowa Network is the BAM (BAM=Beta Attenuation Monitor). This monitor conditions particles using an inlet heater to reduce particle-bound water. Mass measurements are made by measuring the attenuation of beta particles caused by fine particles collected on a sampling tape during the sampling period.
- Cartridge – A 2,4-Dinitrophenylhydrazine (DNPH) cartridge is used to collect toxics that contain a carbonyl group.
- Chemiluminescence – When a nitric oxide (NO) molecule collides with an ozone molecule, a nitrogen dioxide (NO$_2$) molecule and an oxygen (O$_2$) molecule result. The NO$_2$ molecule is in an excited state, and subsequently emits infrared light that can be measured by a photomultiplier tube.
- High Volume FRM – a sampler that utilizes a flow of ~ 80 cubic meters per hour or about 80 times that of a low volume FRM.
- IMPROVE Sampler – See IMPROVE in the “Pollutant” section above.
- Light Scattering – a type of continuous PM sampler that utilizes scattered light to determine the number, diameter and concentration of particles in ambient air. These instruments typically condition the sample by lowering the relative humidity of the air stream (via a heater or Nafion dryer) to eliminate interferences due to particle bound water.
- Low Volume – a sampler that uses a flow of 16.67 liters per minute.
- Low Volume FRM – a sampler that uses a flow of 16.67 liters per minute, which has been designated as a Federal Reference Method.
- Non-Dispersive Infrared – Carbon Monoxide absorbs infrared radiation; this property is the basis of the analytical method used by continuous CO monitors to quantify CO concentrations.
- CSN Sampler – a speciation monitor to identify and quantify the chemical components of PM$_{2.5}$ via CSN protocol.
- UV Absorption – Ozone absorbs ultraviolet light; this property is the basis of the analytical method used by continuous ozone monitors to quantify ozone concentrations.
• UV Fluorescent – When excited by ultraviolet light, SO₂ molecules emit light at a lower frequency that may be detected by a photomultiplier tube. This property is the basis for the analytical method used for continuous SO₂ gas analyzers.

Analysis – indicates the method of analysis that is done either in situ or in a lab environment.
• Gravimetric – A filter is weighed before and after collecting a particulate sample.
• ICP-MS – Inductively Coupled Plasma Mass Spectrometry is a highly sensitive analytical technique capable of determining a range of metals. The metal sample is atomized and ionized by argon plasma, and the ions are separated and quantified via a mass spectrometer.
• IMPROVE Protocol – This protocol uses a suite of analytical procedures (X-Ray Fluorescence, Ion Chromatography, and Thermal Optical Reflectance) to identify and quantify the components of PM₂.₅. See IMPROVE for further details.
• CSN Protocol – refers to EPA’s chemical speciation network protocol. This protocol utilizes X-Ray Fluorescence, Ion Chromatography, and Thermal Optical Reflectance to identify and quantify the components of PM₂.₅.
• Met One BAM—See Beta Attenuation above. This category includes Met One models 1020 and 1022. The 1020 measurement unit resides an air-conditioned shelter, while the 1022 measurement unit is outdoors. The 1022 reduces the chances of condensation in the inlet line of the sampler in humid weather.
• TO-11A – an EPA protocol in which carbonyl cartridge extracts are analyzed using High Performance Liquid Chromatography and an ultraviolet detector.
• T640 – A Teledyne T640 analyzer that uses scattered light to measure PM₂.₅.

Operating Schedule – Continuous monitors run constantly and measure hourly average concentrations in real time. Manual samplers, such as PM filter samplers or toxics samplers, collect a single 24-hour sample from midnight to midnight on a particular day, which is quantified later in an analytical laboratory. A fractional (e.g. 1/2, 1/3, 1/6, and 1/12) schedule for a manual sampler refers to collecting a sample every second, third, sixth, and twelfth day, respectively. Ozone monitors in Iowa (except at the NCORE site) are operated only during ozone season (March to October) when higher temperatures favor ozone formation. Cartridges for toxic carbonyl compounds are normally collected every twelfth day, but the schedule is accelerated to 1/6 days during ozone season.

Primary Monitoring Objective – the primary reason a monitor is operated at a particular location.
• General Background – The objective is to establish the background levels of a pollutant.
• Max. Ozone Conc. – The objective is to record the maximum ozone concentration. Because ozone is a secondary pollutant, ozone concentrations are typically highest 10-30 miles downwind of an urban area.
• Population Exposure – The objective is to monitor the exposure of individuals in the area represented by the monitor.
• Regional Transport – The objective is to assess the extent to which pollutants are transported between two regions that are separated by tens to hundreds of kilometers.
• Source Oriented – The objective is to determine the impact of a nearby source.
**Spatial Scale** – The scale of representativeness is described in terms of the physical dimensions of the air parcel nearest to a monitoring site throughout which actual pollutant concentrations are reasonably similar. Monitors are classified according to the largest applicable scale below:

- Microscale - defines the concentrations in air volumes associated with area dimensions ranging from several meters up to about 100 meters.
- Middle scale - defines the concentration typical of areas up to several city blocks in size with dimensions ranging from about 100 meters to 0.5 kilometer.
- Neighborhood scale - defines concentrations within some extended area of the city that has relatively uniform land use with dimensions in the 0.5 to 4.0 kilometers range. The neighborhood and urban scales listed below have the potential to overlap in applications that concern secondarily formed or homogeneously distributed air pollutants.
- Urban scale - defines concentrations within an area of city-like dimensions, on the order of 4 to 50 kilometers. Within a city, the geographic placement of sources may result in there being no single site that can be said to represent air quality on an urban scale.
- Regional scale – usually defines a rural area of reasonably homogeneous geography without large sources, and extends from tens to hundreds of kilometers.

**NAAQS Comparable?** – This column shows whether the data from the monitor can be compared to the National Ambient Air Quality Standards (NAAQS). Entries under this column are Yes, No, and 24-hour Only. For a monitor’s data to be eligible for comparison against the NAAQS, the type of monitor used must be defined as a federal reference method or federal equivalent method by EPA.

EPA has designated the Met One BAM as a Federal Equivalent Method (FEM) for PM$_{2.5}$ when configured and operated as prescribed in the federal equivalence designation. Iowa operates several Met One BAM analyzers, but most are not configured in accordance with the designation, and the data cannot be compared with the NAAQS.

For PM$_{2.5}$, there is both an annual and a 24-hour NAAQS. To be comparable to either PM$_{2.5}$ NAAQS a site must be population-oriented. In 40 CFR Part 58, EPA defines a population-oriented monitoring site as follows:

*Population-oriented monitoring (or sites) means residential areas, commercial areas, recreational areas, industrial areas where workers from more than one company are located and other areas where a substantial number of people may spend a significant fraction of their day.*

Following this definition, all PM$_{2.5}$ monitoring sites in Iowa are population-oriented.

In a populated area near an industrial source, monitoring data may only be comparable to the 24-hour PM$_{2.5}$ NAAQS. According to Subpart D of 40 CFR Part 58:

*PM$_{2.5}$ measurement data from monitors that are not representative of area-wide air quality but rather of relatively unique micro-scale, or localized hot spot, or unique middle-scale impact sites are not eligible for comparison to the annual PM$_{2.5}$ NAAQS. PM$_{2.5}$ measurement data from these monitors are eligible for comparison to the 24-hour PM$_{2.5}$ NAAQS. For example, if a micro- or middle-scale PM$_{2.5}$
monitoring site is adjacent to a unique dominating local PM$_{2.5}$ source, then the PM$_{2.5}$ measurement data from such a site would only be eligible for comparison to the 24-hour PM$_{2.5}$ NAAQS.

A “No” entry in the “NAAQS Comparable” column also includes situations where there is more than one monitor measuring the same pollutant at a particular site. The data from the secondary sampler(s) is not NAAQS Comparable in the sense that it is never used to determine NAAQS attainment unless the primary sampler is down or malfunctioning. In the event that the data from the primary sampler is missing, data from the secondary sampler(s) may be substituted for primary monitor data to determine NAAQS compliance.

A “No” entry in the “NAAQS Comparable” column may also designate the initial two year trial period where comparability of PM$_{2.5}$ continuous samplers in “FEM” configuration to the FRM method is yet to be determined. See EPA’s Technical Note - PM$_{2.5}$ Continuous Monitoring Comparability Assessment, particularly row 1 of Table 2, quoted below:

“All PM$_{2.5}$ continuous FEMs are to use this parameter code [88101]. Data are eligible for use in NAAQS calculations, unless labeled as “SPM” and “non-regulatory” for first 24 months of operation.”

FRM/FEM – “Federal Reference Method/Federal Equivalent Method” EPA specifies that only these types of monitors or monitoring methods may be used to establish attainment with the NAAQS. The first method that EPA declares to have sufficient accuracy and repeatability for ambient measurements is the reference method. Once the reference method is defined, other methods or equipment may be used for NAAQS comparisons, provided the candidate method passes tests that demonstrate comparability to the reference method. A criteria pollutant monitor that is not a FRM/FEM may not be used for NAAQS comparisons, but may still be useful for other purposes, such as real time reporting.

FRM/FEM Purpose – When more than one FRM/FEM is operated at a monitoring site at the same time (i.e. multiple POCs for the same pollutant), there is the potential for ambiguity in the attainment status at a monitoring site. To avoid this ambiguity, we declare one of the monitors to be the NAAQS compliance (primary) monitor at the monitoring site and indicate the purpose for the other monitors at the site.

- NAAQS Compliance – denotes a monitor that is the primary monitor used to establish attainment with the NAAQS.
- QA NAAQS Compliance – denotes a monitor that is used to satisfy a federal requirement to provide quality assurance data for the primary NAAQS monitor. Addition of an asterisk, i.e. QA NAAQS Compliance* means that data from this monitor may be substituted for the primary monitor data when the primary monitor data is missing.
- Real-time AQI Reporting – Denotes a monitor used for real-time reporting. Addition of an asterisk, i.e. Real-time AQI Reporting* means that data from this monitor may be substituted for the primary monitor data when the primary monitor data is missing.

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50 For substitution rules for PM$_{2.5}$, Lead, and PM$_{10}$ see EPA POC Technical Note
51 For AQS Guidelines for Reporting Collocated PM$_{2.5}$ and Lead Data see EPA Collocated Guidelines
• QA Real-Time AQI Reporting – Denotes a monitor that is used to provide real-time QA of a continuous monitor used for real-time reporting. Addition of an asterisk, i.e. QA Real-time AQI Reporting* means that data from this monitor may be substituted for the primary monitor data when the primary monitor data is missing.
Appendix E: Population-Based Minimum Monitoring Requirements

Ozone
40 CFR Part 58 Appendix D, Table D-2 specifies the minimum number of SLAMS (State and Local Air Monitoring Stations) ozone monitors required based on population and the most recent three years of monitoring data (design value).

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¹Minimum monitoring requirements apply to the Metropolitan statistical area (MSA).
²Population based on latest available census figures.
³The ozone (O₃) National Ambient Air Quality Standards (NAAQS) levels and forms are defined in 40 CFR part 50.
⁴These minimum monitoring requirements apply in the absence of a design value.
⁵Metropolitan statistical areas (MSA) must contain an urbanized area of 50,000 or more population.

PM₂.₅
40 CFR Part 58 Appendix D, Table D-5 specifies the minimum number of SLAMS PM₂.₅ monitors required based on population and 3-year design values.

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<td>500,000–1,000,000</td>
<td>2</td>
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<tr>
<td>50,000–&lt;500,000⁵</td>
<td>1</td>
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¹Minimum monitoring requirements apply to the Metropolitan statistical area (MSA).
²Population based on latest available census figures.
³The PM₂.₅ National Ambient Air Quality Standards (NAAQS) levels and forms are defined in 40 CFR part 50.
⁴These minimum monitoring requirements apply in the absence of a design value.
⁵Metropolitan statistical areas (MSA) must contain an urbanized area of 50,000 or more population.
PM₁₀
40 CFR Part 58 Appendix D, Table D-4 lists the minimum requirements for the number of PM₁₀ stations per MSA based on population and measured levels:

**Table D-4 of Appendix D to Part 58—PM₁₀ Minimum Monitoring Requirements (Approximate Number of Stations Per MSA)**¹

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Population category</th>
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<th>Medium concentration³</th>
<th>Low concentration⁴⁵</th>
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<td>&gt;1,000,000</td>
<td>6-10</td>
<td>4-8</td>
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<td>1-2</td>
<td>0-1</td>
<td>0</td>
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</table>

¹Selection of urban areas and actual numbers of stations per area will be jointly determined by EPA and the State agency.
²High concentration areas are those for which ambient PM₁₀ data show ambient concentrations exceeding the PM₁₀ NAAQS by 20 percent or more.
³Medium concentration areas are those for which ambient PM₁₀ data show ambient concentrations exceeding 80 percent of the PM₁₀ NAAQS.
⁴Low concentration areas are those for which ambient PM₁₀ data show ambient concentrations less than 80 percent of the PM₁₀ NAAQS.
⁵These minimum monitoring requirements apply in the absence of a design value.

**Nitrogen Dioxide**
40 CFR Part 58 Appendix D, section 4.3.2 and 4.3.3 contain the minimum requirement for population-based NO₂ Monitoring:

... 
(a) Within the NO₂ network, there must be one microscale near-road NO₂ monitoring station in each CBSA with a population of 1,000,000 or more persons to monitor a location of expected maximum hourly concentrations sited near a major road with high AADT counts as specified in paragraph 4.3.2(a)(1) of this appendix. An additional near-road NO₂ monitoring station is required for any CBSA with a population of 2,500,000 persons or more, or in any CBSA with a population of 1,000,000 or more persons that has one or more roadway segments with 250,000 or greater AADT counts to monitor a second location of expected maximum hourly concentrations. CBSA populations shall be based on the latest available census figures.

... 
4.3.3 Requirement for Area-wide NO₂ Monitoring
(a) Within the NO₂ network, there must be one monitoring station in each CBSA with a population of 1,000,000 or more persons to monitor a location of expected highest NO₂ concentrations representing the neighborhood or larger spatial scales. PAMS sites collecting NO₂ data that are situated in an area of expected high NO₂ concentrations at the neighborhood or larger spatial scale may be used to satisfy this minimum monitoring requirement when the NO₂ monitor is operated year round. Emission inventories and meteorological analysis should be used to identify the appropriate locations within a CBSA for locating required area-wide NO₂ monitoring stations. CBSA populations shall be based on the latest available census figures.
## Appendix F: Census Bureau Estimates for Iowa MSAs

<table>
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<tr>
<th>US Census Geographic Area</th>
<th>Counties in MSA</th>
<th>Population</th>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Omaha-Council Bluffs, NE-IA</td>
<td>IA: Harrison, Mills, Pottawattamie</td>
<td>949,442</td>
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<tr>
<td></td>
<td>NE: Cass, Douglas, Sarpy, Saunders, Washington</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Des Moines-West Des Moines, IA</td>
<td>Dallas, Guthrie, Madison, Polk, Warren</td>
<td>699,292</td>
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<tr>
<td>Davenport-Moline-Rock Island, IA-IL</td>
<td>IA: Scott</td>
<td>379,172</td>
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<td></td>
<td>IL: Henry, Mercer, Rock Island</td>
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</tr>
<tr>
<td>Cedar Rapids, IA</td>
<td>Benton, Jones, Linn</td>
<td>273,032</td>
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<td>Iowa City, IA</td>
<td>Johnson, Washington</td>
<td>173,105</td>
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<tr>
<td>Waterloo-Cedar Falls, IA</td>
<td>Black Hawk, Bremer, Grundy</td>
<td>168,522</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Sioux City, IA-NE-SD</td>
<td>IA: Plymouth, Woodbury</td>
<td>144,701</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>NE: Dakota, Dixon</td>
<td></td>
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<tr>
<td></td>
<td>SD: Union</td>
<td></td>
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<tr>
<td>Ames, IA</td>
<td>Story</td>
<td>123,351</td>
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<tr>
<td>Dubuque, IA</td>
<td>Dubuque</td>
<td>97,311</td>
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Source for Counties: [US Census MSA Delineation](https://www.census.gov/metro areas/metro-maps/)

Appendix G: 2019 Design Value Map for Ozone

2017-2019 Ozone Design Values (ppb)
Appendix H: Maps of SLAMS Monitoring Sites in MSAs on the State Border

Iowa includes portions of three MSAs that it shares with other states: Davenport-Moline-Rock Island, IA-IL; Omaha-Council Bluffs, NE-IA; and Sioux City, NE-IA-SD. To estimate the SLAMS sites operating at the time of this review, Air Quality System (AQS) reports (AMP390 and AMP600) and Network Plans from adjacent states were examined. The following maps show the locations of SLAMS monitoring sites for ozone, PM$_{2.5}$, SO$_2$, and PM$_{10}$ in these MSA’s.
Omaha - Council Bluffs, NE-IA Ozone SLAMS Monitoring Sites
Omaha-Council Bluffs, NE-I A SO₂ SLAMS Monitoring Sites
Omaha-Council Bluffs, NE-IA PM$_{10}$ SLAMS Monitoring Sites (Cass County site is not considered representative of the Omaha MSA)
Sioux City, IA-NE-SD SO₂ SLAMS Monitoring Site
Sioux City, IA-NE-SD PM$_{10}$ SLAMS Monitoring Site
Davenport-Moline-Rock Island, IA-IL Ozone SLAMS Monitoring Sites
Davenport-Moline-Rock Island, IA-IL SO$_2$ SLAMS Monitoring Site
Appendix I: Uniform Air Quality Index (AQI) and Daily Reporting

Appendix G to Part 58—Uniform Air Quality Index (AQI) and Daily Reporting

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General Requirements
1. What Is the AQI?

The AQI is a tool that simplifies reporting air quality to the general public. The AQI incorporates into a single index concentrations of 5 criteria pollutants: ozone (O3), particulate matter (PM), carbon monoxide (CO), sulfur dioxide (SO2), and nitrogen dioxide (NO2). The scale of the index is divided into general categories that are associated with health messages.

2. Why Report the AQI?

The AQI offers various advantages:

a. It is simple to create and understand.
b. It conveys the health implications of air quality.
c. It promotes uniform use throughout the country.
3. Must I Report the AQI?

You must report the AQI daily if yours is a metropolitan statistical area (MSA) with a population over 350,000.

4. What Goes Into My AQI Report?

i. Your AQI report must contain the following:
   a. The reporting area(s) (the MSA or subdivision of the MSA).
   b. The reporting period (the day for which the AQI is reported).
   c. The critical pollutant (the pollutant with the highest index value).
   d. The AQI (the highest index value).
   e. The category descriptor and index value associated with the AQI and, if you choose to report in a color format, the associated color. Use only the following descriptors and colors for the six AQI categories:

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>For this AQI</th>
<th>Use this descriptor</th>
<th>And this color¹</th>
</tr>
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<tr>
<td>0 to 50</td>
<td>“Good”</td>
<td>Green.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>51 to 100</td>
<td>“Moderate”</td>
<td>Yellow.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>101 to 150</td>
<td>“Unhealthy for Sensitive Groups”</td>
<td>Orange.</td>
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<tr>
<td>151 to 200</td>
<td>“Unhealthy”</td>
<td>Red.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>201 to 300</td>
<td>“Very Unhealthy”</td>
<td>Purple.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>301 and above</td>
<td>“Hazardous”</td>
<td>Maroon.¹</td>
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¹Specific colors can be found in the most recent reporting guidance (Guideline for Public Reporting of Daily Air Quality—Air Quality Index (AQI)).

f. The pollutant specific sensitive groups for any reported index value greater than 100. Use the following sensitive groups for each pollutant:

<table>
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<tr>
<th>When this pollutant has an index value above 100 * * *</th>
<th>Report these sensitive groups * * *</th>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Ozone</td>
<td>Children and people with asthma are the groups most at risk.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>PM$_{2.5}$</td>
<td>People with respiratory or heart disease, the elderly and children are the groups most at risk.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>When this pollutant has an index value above 100 * * *</td>
<td>Report these sensitive groups * * *</td>
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<td>-----------------------------------------------------</td>
<td>-------------------------------------</td>
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<tr>
<td>PM\textsubscript{10}</td>
<td>People with respiratory disease are the group most at risk.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>CO</td>
<td>People with heart disease are the group most at risk.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>SO\textsubscript{2}</td>
<td>People with asthma are the group most at risk.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>NO\textsubscript{2}</td>
<td>Children and people with respiratory disease are the groups most at risk.</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

ii. When appropriate, your AQI report may also contain the following:
   a. Appropriate health and cautionary statements.
   b. The name and index value for other pollutants, particularly those with an index value greater than 100.
   c. The index values for sub-areas of your MSA.
   d. Causes for unusual AQI values.
   e. Actual pollutant concentrations.

5. Is My AQI Report for My MSA Only?

Generally, your AQI report applies to your MSA only. However, if a significant air quality problem exists (AQI greater than 100) in areas significantly impacted by your MSA but not in it (for example, O\textsubscript{3} concentrations are often highest downwind and outside an urban area), you should identify these areas and report the AQI for these areas as well.

6. How Do I Get My AQI Report to the Public?

You must furnish the daily report to the appropriate news media (radio, television, and newspapers). You must make the daily report publicly available at one or more places of public access, or by any other means, including a recorded phone message, a public Internet site, or facsimile transmission. When the AQI value is greater than 100, it is particularly critical that the reporting to the various news media be as extensive as possible. At a minimum, it should include notification to the media with the largest market coverages for the area in question.

7. How Often Must I Report the AQI?

You must report the AQI at least 5 days per week. Exceptions to this requirement are in section 8 of this appendix.

8. May I Make Exceptions to These Reporting Requirements?

   i. If the index value for a particular pollutant remains below 50 for a season or year, then you may exclude the pollutant from your calculation of the AQI in section 12.
ii. If all index values remain below 50 for a year, then you may report the AQI at your discretion. In subsequent years, if pollutant levels rise to where the AQI would be above 50, then the AQI must be reported as required in sections 3, 4, 6, and 7 of this appendix.

Calculation

9. How does the AQI relate to air pollution levels?

For each pollutant, the AQI transforms ambient concentrations to a scale from 0 to 500. The AQI is keyed as appropriate to the national ambient air quality standards (NAAQS) for each pollutant. In most cases, the index value of 100 is associated with the numerical level of the short-term standard (i.e., averaging time of 24-hours or less) for each pollutant. The index value of 50 is associated with the numerical level of the annual standard for a pollutant, if there is one, at one-half the level of the short-term standard for the pollutant, or at the level at which it is appropriate to begin to provide guidance on cautionary language. Higher categories of the index are based on increasingly serious health effects and increasing proportions of the population that are likely to be affected. The index is related to other air pollution concentrations through linear interpolation based on these levels. The AQI is equal to the highest of the numbers corresponding to each pollutant. For the purposes of reporting the AQI, the sub-indexes for PM10 and PM2.5 are to be considered separately. The pollutant responsible for the highest index value (the reported AQI) is called the “critical” pollutant.

10. What monitors should I use to get the pollutant concentrations for calculating the AQI?

You must use concentration data from State/Local Air Monitoring Station (SLAMS) or parts of the SLAMS required by 40 CFR 58.10 for each pollutant except PM. For PM, calculate and report the AQI on days for which you have measured air quality data (e.g., from continuous PM2.5 monitors required in Appendix D to this part). You may use PM measurements from monitors that are not reference or equivalent methods (for example, continuous PM10 or PM2.5 monitors). Detailed guidance for relating non-approved measurements to approved methods by statistical linear regression is referenced in section 13 below.

11. Do I Have to Forecast the AQI?

You should forecast the AQI to provide timely air quality information to the public, but this is not required. If you choose to forecast the AQI, then you may consider both long-term and short-term forecasts. You can forecast the AQI at least 24-hours in advance using the most accurate and reasonable procedures considering meteorology, topography, availability of data, and forecasting expertise. The document “Guideline for Developing an Ozone Forecasting Program” (the Forecasting Guidance) will help you start a forecasting program. You can also issue short-term forecasts by predicting 8-hour ozone values from 1-hour ozone values using methods suggested in the Reporting Guidance, “Guideline for Public Reporting of Daily Air Quality.”

12. How do I calculate the AQI?

i. The AQI is the highest value calculated for each pollutant as follows:

a. Identify the highest concentration among all of the monitors within each reporting area and truncate as follows:
(1) Ozone—truncate to 3 decimal places
PM$_{2.5}$—truncate to 1 decimal place
PM$_{10}$—truncate to integer
CO—truncate to 1 decimal place
SO$_2$—truncate to integer
NO$_2$—truncate to integer

(2) [Reserved]

b. Using Table 2, find the two breakpoints that contain the concentration.
c. Using Equation 1, calculate the index.
d. Round the index to the nearest integer.

Table 2—Breakpoints for the AQI

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<tr>
<td>$O_3 (ppm)$ 8-hour</td>
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<tr>
<td>0.000-0.054</td>
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<td>0.055-0.070</td>
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<td>0.071-0.085</td>
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<td>0.106-0.200</td>
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<td>201-($^{2}$)</td>
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Areas are generally required to report the AQI based on 8-hour ozone values. However, there are a small number of areas where an AQI based on 1-hour ozone values would be more precautionary. In these cases, in addition to calculating the 8-hour ozone index value, the 1-hour ozone index value may be calculated, and the maximum of the two values reported.

8-hour O3 values do not define higher AQI values (≥301). AQI values of 301 or greater are calculated with 1-hour O3 concentrations.

If a different SHL for PM2.5 is promulgated, these numbers will change accordingly.

1-hour SO2 values do not define higher AQI values (≥200). AQI values of 200 or greater are calculated with 24-hour SO2 concentrations.

ii. If the concentration is equal to a breakpoint, then the index is equal to the corresponding index value in Table 2. However, Equation 1 can still be used. The results will be equal. If the concentration is between two breakpoints, then calculate the index of that pollutant with Equation 1. You must also note that in some areas, the AQI based on 1-hour O3 will be more precautionary than using 8-hour values (see footnote 1 to Table 2). In these cases, you may use 1-hour values as well as 8-hour values to calculate index values and then use the maximum index value as the AQI for O3.

\[ I_p = \frac{I_{Hi} - I_{Lo}}{BP_{Hi} - BP_{Lo}} \cdot (C_p - BP_{Lo}) + I_{Lo} \] (Equation 1)

Where:
\( I_p \) = the index value for pollutant \( p \)
\( C_p \) = the truncated concentration of pollutant \( p \)
\( BP_{Hi} \) = the breakpoint that is greater than or equal to \( C_p \)
\( BP_{Lo} \) = the breakpoint that is less than or equal to \( C_p \)
\( I_{Hi} \) = the AQI value corresponding to \( BP_{Hi} \)
\( I_{Lo} \) = the AQI value corresponding to \( BP_{Lo} \).

iii. If the concentration is larger than the highest breakpoint in Table 2 then you may use the last two breakpoints in Table 2 when you apply Equation 1.

Example

iv. Using Table 2 and Equation 1, calculate the index value for each of the pollutants measured and select the one that produces the highest index value for the AQI. For example, if you observe a PM10 value of 210 µg/m³, a 1-hour O3 value of 0.156 ppm, and an 8-hour O3 value of 0.130 ppm, then do this:

a. Find the breakpoints for PM10 at 210 µg/m³ as 155 µg/m³ and 254 µg/m³, corresponding to index values 101 and 150;

b. Find the breakpoints for 1-hour O3 at 0.156 ppm as 0.125 ppm and 0.164 ppm, corresponding to index values 101 and 150;

c. Find the breakpoints for 8-hour O3 at 0.130 ppm as 0.116 ppm and 0.374 ppm, corresponding to index values 201 and 300;

d. Apply Equation 1 for 210 µg/m³, PM10:
\[
\frac{150 - 101}{254 - 155} \times \frac{210 - 155}{101} = 128
\]

e. Apply Equation 1 for 0.156 ppm, 1-hour O₃:
\[
\frac{150 - 101}{0.164 - 0.125} \times (0.156 - 0.125) + 101 = 140
\]

f. Apply Equation 1 for 0.130 ppm, 8-hour O₃:
\[
\frac{300 - 201}{0.374 - 0.116} \times (0.130 - 0.116) + 201 = 206
\]

g. Find the maximum, 206. This is the AQI. The minimal AQI report would read:

v. Today, the AQI for my city is 206 which is Very Unhealthy, due to ozone. Children and people with asthma are the groups most at risk.

13. What additional information should I know?

The EPA has developed a computer program to calculate the AQI for you. The program prompts for inputs, and it displays all the pertinent information for the AQI (the index value, color, category, sensitive group, health effects, and cautionary language). The EPA has also prepared a brochure on the AQI that explains the index in detail (The Air Quality Index), Reporting Guidance (Technical Assistance Document for the Reporting of Daily Air Quality—the Air Quality Index (AQI)) that provides associated health effects and cautionary statements, and Forecasting Guidance (Guideline for Developing an Ozone Forecasting Program) that explains the steps necessary to start an air pollution forecasting program. You can download the program and the guidance documents at www.airnow.gov. Reference for relating non-approved PM measurements to approved methods (Eberly, S., T. Fitz-Simons, T. Hanley, L. Weinstock., T. Tamanini, G. Denniston, B. Lambeth, E. Michel, S. Bortnick. Data Quality Objectives (DQOs) For Relating Federal Reference Method (FRM) and Continuous PM2.5 Measurements to Report an Air Quality Index (AQI). U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Research Triangle Park, NC. EPA-454/B-02-002, November 2002) can be found on the Ambient Monitoring Technology Information Center (AMTIC) Web site, http://www.epa.gov/ttnamti1/.

Appendix J: Federal Collocation Requirements and Operating Schedules

Unless otherwise indicated, all the following is quoted from Appendix A to 40 CFR Part 58.

Collocation Requirements for PM$_{2.5}$:

3.2.3 Collocated Quality Control Sampling Procedures for PM$_{2.5}$. For each pair of collocated monitors, designate one sampler as the primary monitor whose concentrations will be used to report air quality for the site, and designate the other as the quality control monitor. There can be only one primary monitor at a monitoring site for a given time period.

3.2.3.1 For each distinct monitoring method designation (FRM or FEM) that a PQAO is using for a primary monitor, the PQAO must have 15 percent of the primary monitors of each method designation collocated (values of 0.5 and greater round up); and have at least one collocated quality control monitor (if the total number of monitors is less than three). The first collocated monitor must be a designated FRM monitor.

3.2.3.2 In addition, monitors selected for collocation must also meet the following requirements:

(a) A primary monitor designated as an EPA FRM shall be collocated with a quality control monitor having the same EPA FRM method designation.

(b) For each primary monitor designated as an EPA FEM used by the PQAO, 50 percent of the monitors designated for collocation, or the first if only one collocation is necessary, shall be collocated with a FRM quality control monitor and 50 percent of the monitors shall be collocated with a monitor having the same method designation as the FEM primary monitor. If an odd number of collocated monitors is required, the additional monitor shall be a FRM quality control monitor. An example of the distribution of collocated monitors for each unique FEM is provided below. Table A-2 of this appendix demonstrates the collocation procedure with a PQAO having one type of primary FRM and multiple primary FEMS.

<table>
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<th>#Primary FEMS of a unique method designation</th>
<th>#Collocated</th>
<th>#Collocated with an FRM</th>
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<tr>
<td>37-43</td>
<td>6</td>
<td>3</td>
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</table>
3.2.3.3 Since the collocation requirements are used to assess precision of the primary monitors and there can only be one primary monitor at a monitoring site, a site can only count for the collocation of the method designation of the primary monitor at that site.

3.2.3.4 The collocated monitors should be deployed according to the following protocol:

(a) Fifty percent of the collocated quality control monitors should be deployed at sites with annual average or daily concentrations estimated to be within plus or minus 20 percent of either the annual or 24-hour NAAQS and the remainder at the PQAOs discretion;

(b) If an organization has no sites with annual average or daily concentrations within ±20 percent of the annual NAAQS or 24-hour NAAQS, 50 percent of the collocated quality control monitors should be deployed at those sites with the annual mean concentrations or 24-hour concentrations among the highest for all sites in the network and the remainder at the PQAOs discretion.

(c) The two collocated monitors must be within 4 meters (inlet to inlet) of each other and at least 2 meters apart for flow rates greater than 200 liters/min or at least 1 meter apart for samplers having flow rates less than 200 liters/min to preclude airflow interference. A waiver allowing up to 10 meters horizontal distance and up to 3 meters vertical distance (inlet to inlet) between a primary and collocated sampler may be approved by the Regional Administrator for sites at a neighborhood or larger scale of representation during the annual network plan approval process. Sampling and analytical methodologies must be the consistently implemented for both primary and collocated quality control samplers and for all other samplers in the network.

(d) Sample the collocated quality control monitor on a 1-in-12 day schedule. Report the measurements from both primary and collocated quality control monitors at each collocated sampling site to AQS. The calculations for evaluating precision between the two collocated monitors are described in section 4.2.1 of this appendix.

4.7.2 Requirement for Continuous PM2.5 Monitoring. The State, or where appropriate, local agencies must operate continuous PM2.5 analyzers equal to at least one-half (round up) the minimum required sites listed in Table D-5 of this appendix. At least one required continuous analyzer in each MSA must be collocated with one of the required FRM/FEM/ARM monitors, unless at least one of the required FRM/FEM/ARM monitors is itself a continuous FEM or ARM monitor in which case no collocation requirement applies. State and local air monitoring agencies must use methodologies and quality assurance/quality control (QA/QC) procedures approved by the EPA Regional Administrator for these required continuous analyzers. [This paragraph is from Appendix D to 40 CFR Part 58.]

Collocation Requirements for Manual PM10:

3.3.4 Collocated Quality Control Sampling Procedures for Manual PM10. Collocated sampling for PM10 is only required for manual samplers. For each pair of collocated monitors, designate one sampler as the primary monitor whose concentrations will be used to report air quality for the site and designate the other as the quality control monitor.

3.3.4.1 For manual PM10 samplers, a PQAO must:
(a) Have 15 percent of the primary monitors collocated (values of 0.5 and greater round up); and

(b) Have at least one collocated quality control monitor (if the total number of monitors is less than three).

3.4.4.2 The collocated quality control monitors should be deployed according to the following protocol:

(a) Fifty percent of the collocated quality control monitors should be deployed at sites with daily concentrations estimated to be within plus or minus 20 percent of the applicable NAAQS and the remainder at the PQAOs discretion;

(b) If an organization has no sites with daily concentrations within plus or minus 20 percent of the NAAQS, 50 percent of the collocated quality control monitors should be deployed at those sites with the daily mean concentrations among the highest for all sites in the network and the remainder at the PQAOs discretion.

(c) The two collocated monitors must be within 4 meters (inlet to inlet) of each other and at least 2 meters apart for flow rates greater than 200 liters/min or at least 1 meter apart for samplers having flow rates less than 200 liters/min to preclude airflow interference. A waiver allowing up to 10 meters horizontal distance and up to 3 meters vertical distance (inlet to inlet) between a primary and collocated sampler may be approved by the Regional Administrator for sites at a neighborhood or larger scale of representation. This waiver may be approved during the annual network plan approval process. Sampling and analytical methodologies must be the consistently implemented for both collocated samplers and for all other samplers in the network.

(d) Sample the collocated quality control monitor on a 1-in-12 day schedule. Report the measurements from both primary and collocated quality control monitors at each collocated sampling site to AQS. The calculations for evaluating precision between the two collocated monitors are described in section 4.2.1 of this appendix.

**Collocated Quality Control Sampling for TSP Pb:**

3.4.4 Collocated Quality Control Sampling for TSP Pb for monitoring sites other than non-source oriented NCore. For each pair of collocated monitors for manual TSP Pb samplers, designate one sampler as the primary monitor whose concentrations will be used to report air quality for the site, and designate the other as the quality control monitor.

3.4.4.1 A PQAO must:

(a) Have 15 percent of the primary monitors (not counting non-source oriented NCore sites in PQAO) collocated. Values of 0.5 and greater round up; and

(b) Have at least one collocated quality control monitor (if the total number of monitors is less than three).

3.4.4.2 The collocated quality control monitors should be deployed according to the following protocol:
(a) The first collocated Pb site selected must be the site measuring the highest Pb concentrations in the network. If the site is impractical, alternative sites, approved by the EPA Regional Administrator, may be selected. If additional collocated sites are necessary, collocated sites may be chosen that reflect average ambient air Pb concentrations in the network.

(b) The two collocated monitors must be within 4 meters (inlet to inlet) of each other and at least 2 meters apart for flow rates greater than 200 liters/min or at least 1 meter apart for samplers having flow rates less than 200 liters/min to preclude airflow interference.

(c) Sample the collocated quality control monitor on a 1-in-12 day schedule. Report the measurements from both primary and collocated quality control monitors at each collocated sampling site to AQS. The calculations for evaluating precision between the two collocated monitors are described in section 4.2.1 of this appendix.


State and local governments shall collect ambient air quality data at any SLAMS station on the following operational schedules:

(a) For continuous analyzers, consecutive hourly averages must be collected except during:

1. Periods of routine maintenance,
2. Periods of instrument calibration, or
3. Periods or monitoring seasons exempted by the Regional Administrator.

(b) For Pb manual methods, at least one 24-hour sample must be collected every 6 days except during periods or seasons exempted by the Regional Administrator.

(c) For PAMS VOC samplers, samples must be collected as specified in section 5 of appendix D to this part. Area-specific PAMS operating schedules must be included as part of the PAMS network description and must be approved by the Regional Administrator.

(d) For manual PM2.5 samplers:

1. (i) Manual PM2.5 samplers at required SLAMS stations without a collocated continuously operating PM2.5 monitor must operate on at least a 1-in-3 day schedule unless a waiver for an alternative schedule has been approved per paragraph (d)(1)(ii) of this section.

(ii) For SLAMS PM2.5 sites with both manual and continuous PM2.5 monitors operating, the monitoring agency may request approval for a reduction to 1-in-6 day PM2.5 sampling or for seasonal sampling from the EPA Regional Administrator. Other requests for a reduction to 1-in-6 day PM2.5 sampling or for seasonal sampling may be approved on a case-by-case basis. The EPA Regional Administrator may grant sampling frequency reductions after consideration of factors (including but not limited to the historical PM2.5 data quality assessments, the location of current PM2.5 design value sites, and their regulatory data needs) if
the Regional Administrator determines that the reduction in sampling frequency will not compromise data needed for implementation of the NAAQS. Required SLAMS stations whose measurements determine the design value for their area and that are within ±10 percent of the annual NAAQS, and all required sites where one or more 24-hour values have exceeded the 24-hour NAAQS each year for a consecutive period of at least 3 years are required to maintain at least a 1-in-3 day sampling frequency until the design value no longer meets these criteria for 3 consecutive years. A continuously operating FEM or ARM PM2.5 monitor satisfies this requirement unless it is identified in the monitoring agency's annual monitoring network plan as not appropriate for comparison to the NAAQS and the EPA Regional Administrator has approved that the data from that monitor may be excluded from comparison to the NAAQS.

(iii) Required SLAMS stations whose measurements determine the 24-hour design value for their area and whose data are within ±5 percent of the level of the 24-hour PM2.5 NAAQS must have an FRM or FEM operate on a daily schedule if that area's design value for the annual NAAQS is less than the level of the annual PM2.5 standard. A continuously operating FEM or ARM PM2.5 monitor satisfies this requirement unless it is identified in the monitoring agency's annual monitoring network plan as not appropriate for comparison to the NAAQS and the EPA Regional Administrator has approved that the data from that monitor may be excluded from comparison to the NAAQS. The daily schedule must be maintained until the referenced design value no longer meets these criteria for 3 consecutive years.

(iv) Changes in sampling frequency attributable to changes in design values shall be implemented no later than January 1 of the calendar year following the certification of such data as described in §58.15.

(2) Manual PM2.5 samplers at NCore stations and required regional background and regional transport sites must operate on at least a 1-in-3 day sampling frequency.

(3) Manual PM2.5 speciation samplers at STN stations must operate on at least a 1-in-3 day sampling frequency unless a reduction in sampling frequency has been approved by the EPA Administrator based on factors such as area's design value, the role of the particular site in national health studies, the correlation of the site's species data with nearby sites, and presence of other leveraged measurements.

(e) For PM10 samplers, a 24-hour sample must be taken from midnight to midnight (local standard time) to ensure national consistency. The minimum monitoring schedule for the site in the area of expected maximum concentration shall be based on the relative level of that monitoring site concentration with respect to the 24-hour standard as illustrated in Figure 1. If the operating agency demonstrates by monitoring data that during certain periods of the year conditions preclude violation of the PM10 24-hour standard, the increased sampling frequency for those periods or seasons may be exempted by the Regional Administrator and permitted to revert back to once in six days. The minimum sampling schedule for all other sites in the area remains once every six days. No less frequently than as part of each 5-year network assessment, the most recent year of data must be considered to estimate the air quality status at the site near the area of maximum concentration. Statistical models such as analysis of concentration frequency distributions as described in “Guideline for the Interpretation of Ozone Air Quality Standards,” EPA-450/479-003, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Research Triangle Park, NC, January 1979, should be used. Adjustments to the monitoring schedule must be made on the basis of the 5-year network assessment. The site having the highest concentration in the most current year must be given first consideration when selecting the site for the more frequent sampling schedule. Other factors such as major change in sources of PM10 emissions or in sampling site characteristics could influence the location of the expected maximum concentration site. Also, the use of the most recent 3 years of data might, in some cases, be justified in order to provide a more representative database from which to estimate current air quality status and to provide stability to the network. This multiyear consideration reduces the possibility of an anomalous year biasing a site selected for accelerated sampling. If the maximum concentration site based on the most current year is not selected for the more frequent operating schedule, documentation of the
justification for selection of an alternative site must be submitted to the Regional Office for approval during the 5-year network assessment process. Minimum data completeness criteria, number of years of data and sampling frequency for judging attainment of the NAAQS are discussed in appendix K of part 50 of this chapter.

![Figure 1 – Ratio to Standard](image)

(f) For manual PM10-2.5 samplers:

(1) Manual PM10-2.5 samplers at NCore stations must operate on at least a 1-in-3 day schedule at sites without a collocated continuously operating federal equivalent PM10-2.5 method that has been designated in accordance with part 53 of this chapter.

(2) [Reserved]

(g) For continuous SO2 analyzers, the maximum 5-minute block average concentration of the twelve 5-minute blocks in each hour must be collected except as noted in §58.12 (a).

Appendix K: Collocated Monitoring Network Analysis

For some criteria pollutants, EPA regulations require that multiple monitors be operated at the same site for the purpose of quality assurance (Appendix I) or public reporting (Appendix I). This Appendix compares the Iowa network to these requirements.

Ozone Network Analysis

There are no federal requirements for collocated ozone monitoring. In the Iowa network, continuous ozone data is generated at twelve sites. The data is used for real-time and AQI reporting and uploaded to the EPA’s AirNow Real-Time Reporting System, where it is consolidated to produce the national ozone and AQI maps. At each of the twelve sites, pairs of ozone monitors are operated to allow for a real-time check on the quality of the data. These are FEM monitors, and the data they produce is acceptable for NAAQS compliance and AQI reporting. When two FEM monitors are operated simultaneously at a monitoring site, data from the secondary ozone monitor is substituted for missing values from the primary monitor. The combined dataset is then used to calculate a design value for the site.

PM$_{2.5}$ Network Analysis

To meet EPA QA requirements, the Iowa network contains pairs of PM$_{2.5}$ monitors (collocated monitors) at some sites. EPA regulations (Appendix I) require that 15 percent of the sites be collocated (values of 0.5 and greater round up), and a minimum of one collocated monitor within each monitoring group or primary quality assurance organization (PQAO). The Iowa network contains three PQAO’s, corresponding to the Polk, Linn and SHL networks. Since the SHL network contains 15 FRM sites, 2.25 (rounding to 2) collocated sites are required. The Polk network (2 FRM sites) and Linn network (1 FRM site), each meet minimum collocation requirements by operation of a single collocated FRM site.

Linn County operates a collocated monitor at its Public Health site. Polk County operates its collocated monitor at its Health Department site. SHL uses two groups of field operators to run its PM$_{2.5}$ samplers. Members of the SHL staff collect filters in the eastern part of the state where levels are typically higher. Contract operators collect filters in the western half of the state where levels are typically lower. SHL operates a collocated pair of filter samplers at its NCORE site. SHL also operates a collocated pair of filter samplers at Muscatine High School (with third highest 24-hour and fourth highest annual design values in the state). A contract operator collects filters at a collocated site at Franklin School in Council Bluffs.
EPA regulations indicate that “50 percent of the collocated quality control monitors should be deployed at sites with annual average or daily concentrations estimated to be within ±20 percent of either the annual or 24-hour NAAQS and the remainder at the PQAOs discretion”.

EPA also indicates that “If an organization has no sites with annual average or daily concentrations within ±20 percent of the annual NAAQS or 24-hour NAAQS, 50 percent of the collocated quality control monitors should be deployed at those sites with the annual mean concentrations or 24-hour concentrations among the highest for all sites in the network and the remainder at the PQAOs discretion”. This requirement is met automatically in the Linn PQAO since they have only one PM\textsubscript{2.5} site. It is also met in the Polk PQAO.

Iowa has no sites within 20% of either PM\textsubscript{2.5} NAAQS. SHL currently operates three sites in Iowa that have collocated PM\textsubscript{2.5} monitors; Muscatine High School, Davenport, Jefferson School, and Council Bluffs, Franklin School. (See Figure K.1.) The Muscatine High School site is among the highest sites in the SHL network. The Department feels that the value of having a collocated PM\textsubscript{10-2.5} pair at Davenport, Jefferson School argues against relocating the collocated PM\textsubscript{2.5} pair. The Department also feels that there is value in having a collocated PM\textsubscript{2.5} monitor at the Council Bluffs site in order to provide additional quality assurance data for a monitor that could impact the attainment status of the large Omaha-Council Bluffs MSA.
Figure K.1  SHL 2019 PM$_{2.5}$ Design Values as a percentage of the NAAQS. Collocated Monitors are shown in black.
Continuous PM$_{2.5}$ Monitoring Requirements

In MSAs where a single PM$_{2.5}$ monitor is required and with populations over 350,000 (i.e. the Omaha-Council Bluffs, NE-IA and Des Moines-West Des Moines, IA MSA’s$^{52}$), 40 CFR Part 58 requires that an additional continuous PM$_{2.5}$ monitor is operated at the same monitoring location ($\text{Appendix E}$ and $\text{Appendix I}$). A continuous PM$_{2.5}$ monitor for the Omaha-Council Bluffs MSA is operated by a Nebraska agency, and a continuous PM$_{2.5}$ monitor is currently operated in Des Moines to meet this requirement. NCore sites ($\text{Appendix O}$) also require a continuous PM$_{2.5}$ monitor. The Department operates a continuous PM$_{2.5}$ sampler at its Jefferson School site in Davenport (AQS ID 191630015) to meet this requirement.

In the Iowa PM$_{2.5}$ network, continuous PM$_{2.5}$ data is generated at ten sites. At each of these sites, pairs of continuous monitors are operated. The secondary monitor allows for a real-time check on the quality of the data from the primary monitor. The data from all ten sites is uploaded to the EPA’s AirNow$^{53}$ system where it is consolidated along with data from other states to produce the national PM$_{2.5}$ and AQI maps.

If the data from a FEM continuous monitor can be determined to be NAAQS comparable, it can substitute for FRM data for establishing attainment with the NAAQS.$^{54}$

In 2019, four Iowa sites were operated with FEM monitors, the Health Department site (AQS ID 191530030) in Des Moines with collocated BAM 1022 analyzers, the Jefferson School site (AQS ID 191630015) in Davenport with collocated T640 analyzers, the Hoover School site (AQS ID 191032001) in Iowa City also with collocated T640 analyzers and the Public Health site (AQS ID 191130040) in Cedar Rapids with collocated BAM 1020 analyzers, one of which was replaced with a T640 analyzer.

The remaining six sites were operated with non-FEM monitors (BAM1020 analyzers with SCC separators). In the comparability analysis below, we include all continuous monitors (both FEM and non-FEM) for the sake of completeness.

To establish NAAQS comparability of continuous and FRM data at a monitoring site requires that one perform a linear regression of the 24-hour average continuous data against the FRM data for the period of interest.$^{55}$ The slope (S), intercept (I) and coefficient of correlation (R) resulting from this analysis are compared to the PM$_{2.5}$ Class III Acceptance Criteria contained in

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$^{52}$ See: PM$_{2.5}$ Monitoring Network Analysis
$^{53}$ EPA’s AirNow
$^{54}$ 40 CFR Part 50 Appendix N
$^{55}$ EPA memo on Comparability Assessments
Table C-4 of 40 CFR Part 53. According to this table, when the FRM data has a concentration coefficient of variation (CCV) ≥ 0.5, R from the regression analysis is required to be ≥ 0.95. However, 40 CFR Part 58 indicates that failure to meet the correlation criteria, by itself, is not cause to exclude data from a continuous monitor. Therefore the essential elements of the PM$_{2.5}$ Class III Acceptance Criteria for the purpose of establishing comparability of continuous and FRM data at a site are that the Slope and Intercept from the regression analysis must lie inside a particular region specified in Table C-4 of Part 53, which are indicated with red lines in Figure K.2 below.

For the 2019 Iowa data, the CCV's of the FRM data at all sites with collocated FRM and continuous data were greater than 0.5, and so the criterion for the coefficient of correlation for the FEM vs FRM from Part 53 is R ≥ 0.95.

The results of the regression analysis are compared to the acceptance criteria in Table K.1.

Thirteen continuous monitors satisfied the (non-essential) criterion R ≥ 0.95. Nine monitors meet the slope and intercept criteria; these are indicated in green on the chart (Figure K.2) and in the table (Table K.1). Eight monitors met all criteria for S, R, and I.

Four of the nine FEM monitors met the met the slope and intercept criteria for 2019. The collocated T640-analyzers at the Jefferson School in Davenport, the T640 analyzer at the Public Health site in Cedar Rapids and the POC3 BAM1022 analyzer at the Health Department site in Des Moines each met the criteria.

The DNR requests exclusion from use in NAAQS determination for the remaining FEM PM$_{2.5}$ monitors. These include the two FEM BAM 1020 PM$_{2.5}$ monitors at the Cedar Rapids, Public Health site, the two T640 PM$_{2.5}$ monitors at the Iowa City, Hoover School site, and the POC4 BAM1022 PM$_{2.5}$ monitor at the Des Moines Health Department site. In the event that there are FEM monitors that do not a do not meet the PM$_{2.5}$ comparability requirements for data collected in 2020, NAAQS exclusion flags will be added at SPM monitors, and the data will be coded as 88502 (Acceptable for AQI only) at SLAMs monitors.

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56 40 CFR Part 53
57 EPA Air Data. In the lower right corner of the webpage (under “Generate Technical Reports”) see “PM$_{2.5}$ Continuous Monitor Comparability Assessments”.
58 EPA AMTIC Site. See bullet item “Spreadsheet with example data included (xls file) (410K)”.
59 See: §58.11 e (6) in Appendix A
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Table K.1 2019 Continuous PM$_{2.5}$ Monitor Performance Relative to the PM$_{2.5}$ Class III Criteria.
Figure K.2 2019 Continuous PM$_{2.5}$ Monitor Performance Relative to the Slope and Intercept Criteria in Part 53.
**PM$_{10-2.5}$ Network Analysis**

There are currently no PQAO collocation requirements for PM$_{10-2.5}$. The Iowa network contains three PQAO’s, corresponding to the Polk, Linn, and SHL networks and the networks operate 1, 1, and 4 sites respectively. Each of the PQAO’s operates one collocated PM$_{10-2.5}$ site.

**PM$_{10}$ Network Analysis**

EPA regulations require collocation at 15 percent (or at least one) of the monitoring sites within a PQAO. The Iowa network contains three PQAO’s, corresponding to the Polk, Linn and SHL networks. Since the SHL network contains 6 FRM sites, 0.9 (rounding to 1) collocated site is required. For the Polk network (1 FRM site) and Linn network (1 FRM site), one collocated site meets the requirement.

Linn County operates a collocated monitor at its Public Health site. Polk County operates its collocated monitor at its Health Department site. SHL operates a collocated pair of filter samplers at its NCORE site as well as the Holcim Cement site in Mason City.

According to EPA regulations, “Fifty percent of the collocated quality control monitors should be deployed at sites with daily concentrations estimated to be within plus or minus 20 percent of the applicable NAAQS and the remainder at the PQAOs discretion”. Based on data from the most recent 5 years, the only site in Iowa measuring levels within 20 percent of the NAAQS (120 μg/m$^3$ or more) is the Linwood Mining site in Buffalo, Iowa (see Table K.2) and it is currently collocated.
Table K.2 Annual Daily Maximum Values for Iowa PM$_{10}$ Sites. All units are µg/m$^3$. Shaded rows indicate that the site has collocated monitors.

EPA also indicates that “If an organization has no sites with daily concentrations within plus or minus 20 percent of the NAAQS, 50 percent of the collocated quality control monitors should be deployed at those sites with the daily mean concentrations among the highest for all sites in the network and the remainder at the PQAOs discretion.”

The Polk and Linn County PQAOs each operate one PM$_{10}$ site and both of these sites are collocated to meet EPA collocation requirements.

When multiple FRM/FEM monitors are operated simultaneously at a monitoring site, in the absence of EPA rules describing the how the monitor data is to be aggregated to establish the site data, there is potential ambiguity in establishing the data capture and NAAQS attainment status at the site (Figure K.3). Owing to comparability issues between filter-based and continuous methods, the Department considers the FRM method (filter data) to be more suitable for making PM$_{10}$ attainment decisions than continuous methods. At Linwood Mining near Buffalo, SHL collects filters from the primary filter sampler (POC 2) to establish NAAQS attainment, and operates a collocated BAM (POC 3) for quality assurance purposes and an additional BAM (POC 5) for real-time AQI reporting. A comparison of each BAM relative to the FRM is displayed in Figure K.3.
SO₂, NO₂, CO Network Analysis

There are no federal requirements for collocated SO₂, NO₂ or CO monitoring, and there are no collocated monitors in the Iowa network for these criteria pollutants.

Lead Network Analysis

Iowa has only one Lead site and meets CFR requirements by having a one collocated monitor at this site.
Appendix L: Iowa Ambient Air Monitoring Network Maps

The following maps show the locations for the criteria pollutant monitors in the state of Iowa, which are current as of January 1, 2020. Non-criteria pollutant maps are also included for the continuous PM$_{2.5}$ monitoring network and the Toxics and Speciation monitoring networks.

Manual PM$_{2.5}$ (FRM) Monitoring Sites
Continuous PM$_{2.5}$ (non-FRM) Monitoring Sites

Ozone Monitoring Sites
PM$_{10}$ Monitoring Sites

SO$_2$ Monitoring Sites
NO₂ Monitoring Sites

CO Monitoring Site
Lead (Pb) Monitoring Site

Speciation Monitoring Sites; CSN Speciation site is located at the red dot, IMPROVE speciation sites are located at the green dots.
Toxics Monitoring Sites
Appendix M: Network Changes

SLAMs Network Changes

The DNR proposes to reclassify its collocated PM₁₀ monitors at a site at 17th and Washington in Mason City from SLAMs to SPM.

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<th>Analysis</th>
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<th>Primary Monitoring Objective</th>
<th>Spatial Scale</th>
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<th>FRM/FEM Purpose</th>
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<td>QA NAAQS Compliance*</td>
<td>Convert SLAMs to SPM</td>
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Table M.1 SLAMs monitors proposed for conversion to SPM monitors

As demonstrated in the Introduction and Appendix K, there are no federal requirements for these PM₁₀ SLAMs monitors in Mason City. However, once classified as SLAMs, discontinuation of a SLAMs monitor requires EPA approval, as described in paragraph 58.14 of 40 CFR Part 58. In particular, 58.14(c)(1) provides additional conditions under which the approval of the Regional Administrator is assured, given that the monitor:

1. is not specifically required by an attainment plan or maintenance plan
2. has shown attainment during the previous five years
3. has a probability of less than 10 percent of exceeding 80 percent of the applicable NAAQS during the next three years based on the levels, trends, and variability observed in the past.

The DNR believes that each of these conditions is satisfied for the Mason City PM₁₀ monitoring site at 17th and Washington, AQS ID 190330018. A discussion of the first criterion is contained in the background section below, and the calculations required for the second and third criteria are treated in Appendix W and Appendix X.
Figure M.1 Mason City: Lehigh and Holcim Cement Plants and the current DNR PM$_{10}$ site at 17th Street and Washington Avenue

*Imagery Date: 3/20/2015 from Google Earth*
**Background.** Since 1912, there have been two cement plants located on the north side of Mason City, Iowa. These plants are currently known as Lehigh Cement and Holcim Cement. Fugitive dust issues in the neighborhoods south of the two cement plants led the DNR to operate its first near-source PM$_{10}$ monitor at 17th Street and Quincy Avenue (AQS ID 190330014) in 1985. Six exceedances of the PM$_{10}$ NAAQS (24-hr concentrations greater than 154 µg/m$^3$) were recorded at this site from 1993 to 1996. In 1997, the EPA Regional Administrator sent a letter to Iowa’s Governor warning that a portion of northern Mason City near the cement plants would be formally declared a PM$_{10}$ non-attainment area unless Iowa amended its State Implementation Plan (SIP) to insure attainment with the PM$_{10}$ NAAQS in the area. In 1999, Iowa submitted the required SIP amendment. This revision included administrative consent orders (ACOs) and federally enforceable permits at Lehigh Cement and Holcim (Holnam) Cement. Ambient monitoring provisions from this SIP amendment were as follows:

*The State of Iowa shall continue to provide for the operation of appropriate devices, methods, systems, and procedures necessary to monitor, compile, and analyze data on ambient air quality, and upon request, make such data available to the Administrator.*

In order to address siting, sampling methodology, and accessibility issues at the 17th and Quincy monitoring site, the DNR initiated monitoring at a new near-source PM$_{10}$ monitoring site at 17th Street and Washington Avenue (AQS ID 190330018) in 1997, and discontinued monitoring at 17th and Quincy in 1998. The new PM$_{10}$ site at 17th and Washington recorded one exceedance of the PM$_{10}$ NAAQS per year in 1999, 2000, 2002, 2004, 2005, and 2007. After production was suspended at Holcim in 2009, no additional NAAQS exceedances were recorded. In July of 2019, the DNR was informed by the owner of the property at 17th and Washington that he had placed the property up for sale, and that DNR should be prepared to close the monitoring site upon the sale of the property. The DNR proposes to reclassify its collocated PM$_{10}$ monitors at 17th and Washington in Mason City from SLAMs to SPM in anticipation of this action. In view of the ambient levels currently monitored at this location (see Figure M.2 below and Appendix X), the DNR does not intend to establish a new Mason City PM$_{10}$ monitoring location after closure of this site.

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60 The cement plant farthest from Mason City is Lehigh Cement, which has been in operation since it opened in 1912. North Iowa Today article on history of Lehigh Cement.

61 The cement plant closest to Mason City was known as Northwestern States Cement Plant from its opening in 1908 until 1990, when it was purchased by a Swiss company named Holnam. Holnam changed its name to Holcim in 2001. Operations at the Mason City Holcim cement plant in were suspended in 2009. Sioux City Journal Article on history of Holcim Cement

62 A non-attainment area is an area designated by EPA to be in violation of a national air quality standard.

63 Background information on State Implementation Plans (SIPS)

64 Federal register notice accepting DNR’s Mason City SIP revision

65 Lehigh ACO and construction permits

66 Holnam ACO and construction permits

67 Iowa State Implementation Plan for PM$_{10}$ in Mason City, Iowa. Iowa Department of Natural Resources, Air Quality Bureau, September, 1999

68 Mason City Globe Gazette article “Holcim plant still in mothballs” - (2/26/2013)
Figure M.2 Historical Maximum Values at Sites in Iowa's 2019 PM$_{10}$ Network. PM$_{10}$ levels for the Mason City monitor are indicated with blue triangles.
Appendix N: 2019 Design Value Maps for PM$_{2.5}$

2017-2019 PM$_{2.5}$ 24-hr Design Values ($\mu g/m^3$)
2017-2019 PM$_{2.5}$ Annual Design Values (µg/m$^3$)

Note: Asterisks indicate source-oriented sites where the annual NAAQS does not apply.
Appendix O: Federal Requirements for NCore Sites


(a) Each State (i.e. the fifty States, District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, and the Virgin Islands) is required to operate at least one NCore site. States may delegate this requirement to a local agency. States with many MSAs often also have multiple air sheds with unique characteristics and, often, elevated air pollution. These States include, at a minimum, California, Florida, Illinois, Michigan, New York, North Carolina, Ohio, Pennsylvania, and Texas. These States are required to identify one to two additional NCore sites in order to account for their unique situations. These additional sites shall be located to avoid proximity to large emission sources. Any State or local agency can propose additional candidate NCore sites or modifications to these requirements for approval by the Administrator. The NCore locations should be leveraged with other multipollutant air monitoring sites including PAMS sites, National Air Toxics Trends Stations (NATTS) sites, CASTNET sites, and STN sites. Site leveraging includes using the same monitoring platform and equipment to meet the objectives of the variety of programs where possible and advantageous.

(b) The NCore sites must measure, at a minimum, PM2.5 particle mass using continuous and integrated/filter-based samplers, speciated PM2.5, PM10-2.5 particle mass, O3, SO2, CO, NO/NOY, wind speed, wind direction, relative humidity, and ambient temperature.

(1) Although the measurement of NOY is required in support of a number of monitoring objectives, available commercial instruments may indicate little difference in their measurement of NOY compared to the conventional measurement of NOX, particularly in areas with relatively fresh sources of nitrogen emissions. Therefore, in areas with negligible expected difference between NOY and NOX measured concentrations, the Administrator may allow for waivers that permit NOX monitoring to be substituted for the required NOY monitoring at applicable NCore sites.

(2) The EPA recognizes that, in some cases, the physical location of the NCore site may not be suitable for representative meteorological measurements due to the site’s physical surroundings. It is also possible that nearby meteorological measurements may be able to fulfill this data need. In these cases, the requirement for meteorological monitoring can be waived by the Administrator.

(c) [Reserved]

(d) Siting criteria are provided for urban and rural locations. Sites with significant historical records that do not meet siting criteria may be approved as NCore by the Administrator. Sites with the suite of NCore measurements that are explicitly designed for other monitoring objectives are exempt from these siting criteria (e.g., a near-roadway site).

(1) Urban NCore stations are to be generally located at urban or neighborhood scale to provide representative concentrations of exposure expected throughout the metropolitan area; however, a middle-scale site may be acceptable in cases where the site can represent many such locations throughout a metropolitan area.

(2) Rural NCore stations are to be located to the maximum extent practicable at a regional or larger scale away from any large local emission source, so that they represent ambient concentrations over an extensive area.
Appendix P: Federal Requirements for Near-Road Sites

40 CFR Part 58 Appendix D—Network Design Criteria for Ambient Air Quality Monitoring

4.2 Carbon Monoxide (CO) Design Criteria

4.2.1 General Requirements. (a) Except as provided in subsection (b), one CO monitor is required to operate collocated with one required near-road NO2 monitor, as required in Section 4.3.2 of this part, in CBSAs having a population of 1,000,000 or more persons. If a CBSA has more than one required near-road NO2 monitor, only one CO monitor is required to be collocated with a near-road NO2 monitor within that CBSA.

(b) If a state provides quantitative evidence demonstrating that peak ambient CO concentrations would occur in a near-road location which meets microscale siting criteria in Appendix E of this part but is not a near-road NO2 monitoring site, then the EPA Regional Administrator may approve a request by a state to use such an alternate near-road location for a CO monitor in place of collocating a monitor at near-road NO2 monitoring site.

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4.3 Nitrogen Dioxide (NO2) Design Criteria

4.3.1 General Requirements

(a) State and, where appropriate, local agencies must operate a minimum number of required NO2 monitoring sites as described below.

4.3.2 Requirement for Near-road NO2 Monitors

(a) Within the NO2 network, there must be one microscale near-road NO2 monitoring station in each CBSA with a population of 1,000,000 or more persons to monitor a location of expected maximum hourly concentrations sited near a major road with high AADT counts as specified in paragraph 4.3.2(a)(1) of this appendix. An additional near-road NO2 monitoring station is required for any CBSA with a population of 2,500,000 persons or more, or in any CBSA with a population of 1,000,000 or more persons that has one or more roadway segments with 250,000 or greater AADT counts to monitor a second location of expected maximum hourly concentrations. CBSA populations shall be based on the latest available census figures.

(1) The near-road NO2 monitoring sites shall be selected by ranking all road segments within a CBSA by AADT and then identifying a location or locations adjacent to those highest ranked road segments, considering fleet mix, roadway design, congestion patterns, terrain, and meteorology, where maximum hourly NO2 concentrations are expected to occur and siting criteria can be met in accordance with appendix E of this part. Where a state or local air monitoring agency identifies multiple acceptable candidate sites where maximum hourly NO2 concentrations are expected to occur, the monitoring agency shall consider the potential for population exposure in the criteria utilized to select the final site location. Where one CBSA is required to have two near-road NO2 monitoring stations, the sites shall be differentiated from each other by one or more of the following factors: fleet mix; congestion patterns; terrain; geographic area within the CBSA; or different route, interstate, or freeway designation.

(b) Measurements at required near-road NO2 monitor sites utilizing chemiluminescence FRMs must include at a minimum: NO, NO2, and NOx.
4.3.3 Requirement for Area-wide NO₂ Monitoring

(a) Within the NO₂ network, there must be one monitoring station in each CBSA with a population of 1,000,000 or more persons to monitor a location of expected highest NO₂ concentrations representing the neighborhood or larger spatial scales. PAMS sites collecting NO₂ data that are situated in an area of expected high NO₂ concentrations at the neighborhood or larger spatial scale may be used to satisfy this minimum monitoring requirement when the NO₂ monitor is operated year round. Emission inventories and meteorological analysis should be used to identify the appropriate locations within a CBSA for locating required area-wide NO₂ monitoring stations. CBSA populations shall be based on the latest available census figures.

4.3.4 Regional Administrator Required Monitoring

(a) The Regional Administrators, in collaboration with States, must require a minimum of forty additional NO₂ monitoring stations nationwide in any area, inside or outside of CBSAs, above the minimum monitoring requirements, with a primary focus on siting these monitors in locations to protect susceptible and vulnerable populations. The Regional Administrators, working with States, may also consider additional factors described in paragraph (b) below to require monitors beyond the minimum network requirement.

(b) The Regional Administrators may require monitors to be sited inside or outside of CBSAs in which:

(i) The required near-road monitors do not represent all locations of expected maximum hourly NO₂ concentrations in an area and NO₂ concentrations may be approaching or exceeding the NAAQS in that area;

(ii) Areas that are not required to have a monitor in accordance with the monitoring requirements and NO₂ concentrations may be approaching or exceeding the NAAQS; or

(iii) The minimum monitoring requirements for area-wide monitors are not sufficient to meet monitoring objectives.

(c) The Regional Administrator and the responsible State or local air monitoring agency should work together to design and/or maintain the most appropriate NO₂ network to address the data needs for an area, and include all monitors under this provision in the annual monitoring network plan.

4.3.5 NO₂ Monitoring Spatial Scales

(a) The most important spatial scale for near-road NO₂ monitoring stations to effectively characterize the maximum expected hourly NO₂ concentration due to mobile source emissions on major roadways is the microscale. The most important spatial scales for other monitoring stations characterizing maximum
expected hourly NO₂ concentrations are the microscale and middle scale. The most important spatial scale for area-wide monitoring of high NO₂ concentrations is the neighborhood scale.

(1) Microscale—This scale represents areas in close proximity to major roadways or point and area sources. Emissions from roadways result in high ground level NO₂ concentrations at the microscale, where concentration gradients generally exhibit a marked decrease with increasing downwind distance from major roads. As noted in appendix E of this part, near-road NO₂ monitoring stations are required to be within 50 meters of target road segments in order to measure expected peak concentrations. Emissions from stationary point and area sources, and non-road sources may, under certain plume conditions, result in high ground level concentrations at the microscale. The microscale typically represents an area impacted by the plume with dimensions extending up to approximately 100 meters.

(2) Middle scale—This scale generally represents air quality levels in areas up to several city blocks in size with dimensions on the order of approximately 100 meters to 500 meters. The middle scale may include locations of expected maximum hourly concentrations due to proximity to major NO₂ point, area, and/or non-road sources.

(3) Neighborhood scale—The neighborhood scale represents air quality conditions throughout some relatively uniform land use areas with dimensions in the 0.5 to 4.0 kilometer range. Emissions from stationary point and area sources may, under certain plume conditions, result in high NO₂ concentrations at the neighborhood scale. Where a neighborhood site is located away from immediate NO₂ sources, the site may be useful in representing typical air quality values for a larger residential area, and therefore suitable for population exposure and trends analyses.

(4) Urban scale—Measurements in this scale would be used to estimate concentrations over large portions of an urban area with dimensions from 4 to 50 kilometers. Such measurements would be useful for assessing trends in area-wide air quality, and hence, the effectiveness of large scale air pollution control strategies. Urban scale sites may also support other monitoring objectives of the NO₂ monitoring network identified in paragraph 4.3.4 above.

4.3.6 NOₓ Monitoring

(a) NO/NOₓ measurements are included within the NCore multi-pollutant site requirements and the PAMS program. These NO/NOₓ measurements will produce conservative estimates for NO₂ that can be used to ensure tracking continued compliance with the NO₂ NAAQS. NO/NOₓ monitors are used at these sites because it is important to collect data on total reactive nitrogen species for understanding O₃ photochemistry.

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4.7 Fine Particulate Matter (PM₂.₅) Design Criteria.

4.7.1 General Requirements.

... (b)(2) For CBSAs with a population of 1,000,000 or more persons, at least one PM2.5 monitor is to be collocated at a near-road NO₂ station required in section 4.3.2(a) of this appendix.
Appendix Q: Highest PM$_{10}$ Values in Iowa MSAs 2017-2019

The following table shows the highest values recorded by PM$_{10}$ monitors in Iowa Metropolitan Statistical Areas, including those shared with Illinois, South Dakota and Nebraska.

Table D-4 of Appendix D to Part 58 of the Code of Federal Regulations, specifies different minimum monitoring requirements for PM$_{10}$, depending on whether the concentrations are high, medium, or low. High concentrations are defined as exceeding the PM$_{10}$ NAAQS by 20% or more (186 µg/m$^3$ or greater). Medium levels are defined as concentrations exceeding 80% of the NAAQS (between 124 and 186 µg/m$^3$). If ambient concentrations are less than 80% of the PM$_{10}$ NAAQS, the levels are characterized as low. These categories are reflected in the last column of the following table.

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<td>131</td>
<td>56</td>
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PM$_{10}$ Values in MSAs (3 year maximum). Notes: POC2 FRM values are used for the Buffalo, IA monitoring site. This site records the highest PM$_{10}$ values in the Davenport-Moline-Rock Island, IA-IL MSA. See discussion in Appendix K. Maximum value data from source-oriented monitors in Cass County Nebraska were not used for determination of the classification of the Omaha-Council Bluffs MSA as Nebraska indicates the data is not representative of the levels in the Omaha MSA as a whole.

Source: EPA Monitor Values Report
Appendix R: Federal Requirements for SO₂ Sites

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4.4 Sulfur Dioxide (SO₂) Design Criteria.
4.4.1 General Requirements. (a) State and, where appropriate, local agencies must operate a minimum number of required SO₂ monitoring sites as described below.

4.4.2 Requirement for Monitoring by the Population Weighted Emissions Index. (a) The population weighted emissions index (PWEI) shall be calculated by States for each core based statistical area (CBSA) they contain or share with another State or States for use in the implementation of or adjustment to the SO₂ monitoring network. The PWEI shall be calculated by multiplying the population of each CBSA, using the most current census data or estimates, and the total amount of SO₂ in tons per year emitted within the CBSA area, using an aggregate of the most recent county level emissions data available in the National Emissions Inventory for each county in each CBSA. The resulting product shall be divided by one million, providing a PWEI value, the units of which are million persons-tons per year. For any CBSA with a calculated PWEI value equal to or greater than 1,000,000, a minimum of three SO₂ monitors are required within that CBSA. For any CBSA with a calculated PWEI value equal to or greater than 100,000, but less than 1,000,000, a minimum of two SO₂ monitors are required within that CBSA. For any CBSA with a calculated PWEI value equal to or greater than 5,000, but less than 100,000, a minimum of one SO₂ monitor is required within that CBSA.

(1) The SO₂ monitoring site(s) required as a result of the calculated PWEI in each CBSA shall satisfy minimum monitoring requirements if the monitor is sited within the boundaries of the parent CBSA and is one of the following site types (as defined in section 1.1.1 of this appendix): population exposure, highest concentration, source impacts, general background, or regional transport. SO₂ monitors at NCore stations may satisfy minimum monitoring requirements if that monitor is located within a CBSA with minimally required monitors under this part. Any monitor that is sited outside of a CBSA with minimum monitoring requirements to assess the highest concentration resulting from the impact of significant sources or source categories existing within that CBSA shall be allowed to count towards minimum monitoring requirements for that CBSA.

4.4.3 Regional Administrator Required Monitoring. (a) The Regional Administrator may require additional SO₂ monitoring stations above the minimum number of monitors required in 4.4.2 of this part, where the minimum monitoring requirements are not sufficient to meet monitoring objectives. The Regional Administrator may require, at his/her discretion, additional monitors in situations where an area has the potential to have concentrations that may violate or contribute to the violation of the NAAQS, in areas impacted by sources which are not conducive to modeling, or in locations with susceptible and vulnerable populations, which are not monitored under the minimum monitoring provisions described above. The Regional Administrator and the responsible State or local air monitoring agency shall work together to design and/or maintain the most appropriate SO₂ network to provide sufficient data to meet monitoring objectives.

4.4.4 SO₂ Monitoring Spatial Scales. (a) The appropriate spatial scales for SO₂ SLAMS monitors are the microscale, middle, neighborhood, and urban scales. Monitors sited at the microscale, middle, and neighborhood scales are suitable for determining maximum hourly concentrations for SO₂. Monitors sited at urban scales are useful for identifying SO₂ transport, trends, and, if sited upwind of local sources, background concentrations.

(1) Microscale—This scale would typify areas in close proximity to SO₂ point and area sources. Emissions from stationary point and area sources, and non-road sources may, under certain plume conditions, result in high ground level concentrations at the microscale. The microscale typically represents an area impacted by the plume with dimensions extending up to approximately 100 meters.

(2) Middle scale—This scale generally represents air quality levels in areas up to several city blocks in size with dimensions on the order of approximately 100 meters to 500 meters. The middle scale may include locations of
expected maximum short-term concentrations due to proximity to major SO2 point, area, and/or non-road sources.

(3) Neighborhood scale—The neighborhood scale would characterize air quality conditions throughout some relatively uniform land use areas with dimensions in the 0.5 to 4.0 kilometer range. Emissions from stationary point and area sources may, under certain plume conditions, result in high SO2 concentrations at the neighborhood scale. Where a neighborhood site is located away from immediate SO2 sources, the site may be useful in representing typical air quality values for a larger residential area, and therefore suitable for population exposure and trends analyses.

(4) Urban scale—Measurements in this scale would be used to estimate concentrations over large portions of an urban area with dimensions from 4 to 50 kilometers. Such measurements would be useful for assessing trends in area-wide air quality, and hence, the effectiveness of large scale air pollution control strategies. Urban scale sites may also support other monitoring objectives of the SO2 monitoring network such as identifying trends, and when monitors are sited upwind of local sources, background concentrations.

4.4.5 NCore Monitoring. (a) SO2 measurements are included within the NCore multipollutant site requirements as described in paragraph (3)(b) of this appendix. NCore-based SO2 measurements are primarily used to characterize SO2 trends and assist in understanding SO2 transport across representative areas in urban or rural locations and are also used for comparison with the SO2 NAAQS. SO2 monitors at NCore sites that exist in CBSAs with minimum monitoring requirements per section 4.4.2 above shall be allowed to count towards those minimum monitoring requirements.

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Appendix S: SO\textsubscript{2} Data Requirements Rule

Section I. 40 CFR Part 51, Subpart BB

Subpart BB—Data Requirements for Characterizing Air Quality for the Primary SO\textsubscript{2} NAAQS

Source: 80 FR 51087, Aug. 21, 2015, unless otherwise noted.

§51.1200 Definitions.

The following definitions apply for the purposes of this subpart. All terms not defined herein will have the meaning given them in §51.100 or in the Clean Air Act (CAA). Air agency means the agency or organization responsible for air quality management within a state, local governmental jurisdiction, territory or area subject to tribal government. Annual SO\textsubscript{2} emissions data means the quality-assured annual SO\textsubscript{2} emissions data for a stationary source. Such data may have been required to be reported to the EPA in accordance with an existing regulatory requirement (such as the Air Emissions Reporting Rule or the Acid Rain Program); however, annual SO\textsubscript{2} emissions data may be obtained or determined through other reliable means as well.

Applicable source means a stationary source that is:

(1) Not located in a designated nonattainment area, and

(2) Has actual annual SO\textsubscript{2} emissions data of 2,000 tons or more, or has been identified by an air agency or by the EPA Regional Administrator as requiring further air quality characterization. 2010 SO\textsubscript{2} NAAQS means the primary National Ambient Air Quality Standard for sulfur oxides (sulfur dioxide) as codified at 40 CFR 50.17, as effective August 23, 2010.

§51.1201 Purpose.

The purpose of this subpart is to require air agencies to develop and submit air quality data characterizing maximum 1-hour ambient concentrations of SO\textsubscript{2} across the United States through either ambient air quality monitoring or air quality modeling analysis at the air agency’s election. These monitoring and modeling data may be used in future determinations by the EPA regarding areas' SO\textsubscript{2} NAAQS attainment status, or for other actions designed to ensure attainment of the 2010 SO\textsubscript{2} NAAQS and provide protection to the public from the short-term health effects associated with exposure to SO\textsubscript{2} concentrations that exceed the NAAQS.

§51.1202 Applicability.

This subpart applies to any air agency in whose jurisdiction is located one or more applicable sources of SO\textsubscript{2} emissions that have annual actual SO\textsubscript{2} emissions of 2,000 tons or more; or in whose jurisdiction is located one or more sources of SO\textsubscript{2} emissions that have been identified by the air agency or by the EPA Regional Administrator as requiring further air quality characterization. For the purposes of this subpart, the subject air agency shall identify applicable sources of SO\textsubscript{2} based on the most recently available annual SO\textsubscript{2} emissions data for such sources.

§51.1203 Air agency requirements.

(a) The air agency shall submit a list of applicable SO\textsubscript{2} sources identified pursuant to §51.1202 located in its jurisdiction to the EPA by January 15, 2016. This list may be revised by the Regional Administrator after review based on available SO\textsubscript{2} emissions data.

(b) For each source area subject to requirements for air quality characterization, the air agency shall notify the EPA by July 1, 2016, whether it has chosen to characterize peak 1-hour SO\textsubscript{2} concentrations in such area through
ambient air quality monitoring; characterize peak 1-hour SO2 concentrations in such area through air quality modeling techniques; or provide federally enforceable emission limitations by January 13, 2017 that limit emissions of applicable sources to less than 2,000 tpy, in accordance with paragraph (e) of this section, or provide documentation that the applicable source has permanently shut down. Emission limits in accordance with paragraph (e) of this section may be established in lieu of conducting monitoring or modeling unless, in the judgment of the air agency or the EPA Regional Administrator, the area warrants further air quality characterization even with the establishment of any new emission limit(s). If the air agency has chosen to establish requirements to limit emissions for applicable sources in an area, the notification from the air agency shall describe the requirements and emission limits the air agency intends to apply. For any area with multiple applicable sources, the air agency (or air agencies if a multi-state area) shall use the same technique (monitoring, modeling, or emissions limitation) for all applicable sources in the area. If multiple air agencies have applicable sources in an area, the air agencies must consult with each other to employ a common technique for the area.

(c) Monitoring. For each area identified in the notification submitted pursuant to paragraph (b) of this section as an area for which SO2 concentrations will be characterized through ambient monitoring, the required monitors shall be sited and operated either as SLAMS or in a manner equivalent to SLAMS. In either case, monitors shall meet applicable criteria in 40 CFR part 58, appendices A, C, and E and their data shall be subject to data certification and reporting requirements as prescribed in 40 CFR 58.15 and 58.16. These requirements include quarterly reporting of monitoring data to the Air Quality System, and the annual certification of data by May 1 of the following year.

(1) The air agency shall include relevant information about monitors used to meet the requirements of this paragraph (c) in the air agency’s Annual Monitoring Network Plan required by 40 CFR 58.10 due July 1, 2016. The air agency shall consult with the appropriate EPA Regional Office in the development of plans to install, supplement, or maintain an appropriate ambient SO2 monitoring network pursuant to the requirements of 40 CFR part 58 and of this subpart.

(2) All existing, new, or relocated ambient monitors intended to meet the requirements of this paragraph (c) must be operational by January 1, 2017 and must be operated continually until approved for shut down by EPA.

(3) Any SO2 monitor identified by an air agency in its approved Annual Monitoring Network Plan as having the purpose of meeting the requirements of this paragraph (c) that: Is not located in an area designated as nonattainment as the 2010 SO2 NAAQS is not also being used to satisfy other ambient SO2 minimum monitoring requirements listed in 40 CFR part 58, appendix D, section 4.4; and is not otherwise required as part of a SIP, permit, attainment plan or maintenance plan, may be eligible for shut down upon EPA approval if it produces a design value no greater than 50 percent of the 2010 SO2 NAAQS from data collected in either its first or second 3-year period of operation. The air agency must receive EPA Regional Administrator approval of a request to cease operation of the monitor as part of the EPA’s action on the Annual Monitoring Network Plan under 40 CFR 58.10 prior to shutting down any qualifying monitor under this paragraph (c).

(d) Modeling. For each area identified in the notification submitted pursuant to paragraph (b) of this section as an area for which SO2 concentrations will be characterized through air quality modeling, the air agency shall submit by July 1, 2016, a technical protocol for conducting such modeling to the Regional Administrator for review. The air agency shall consult with the appropriate EPA Regional Office in developing these modeling protocols.

(1) The modeling protocol shall include information about the modeling approach to be followed, including but not limited to the model to be used, modeling domain, receptor grid, emissions dataset, meteorological dataset and how the air agency will account for background SO2 concentrations.

(2) Modeling analyses shall characterize air quality based on either actual SO2 emissions from the most recent 3 years, or on any federally enforceable allowable emission limit or limits established by the air agency or the EPA and that are effective and require compliance by January 13, 2017.
(3) Except as provided by §51.1204, the air agency shall conduct the modeling analysis for any applicable source identified by the air agency pursuant to paragraph (a) of this section, and for its associated area and any nearby area, as applicable, and submit the modeling analysis to the EPA Regional Office by January 13, 2017.

(e) Federally enforceable requirement to limit SO2 emissions to under 2,000 tons per year. For each area identified in the notification submitted pursuant to paragraph (b) of this section as an area for which the air agency will adopt federally enforceable requirements in lieu of characterizing air quality through monitoring or modeling, the air agency shall submit documentation to the EPA by January 13, 2017, showing that such requirements have been adopted, are in effect, and been made federally enforceable by January 13, 2017, through an appropriate legal mechanism, and the provisions either:

(1) Require the applicable sources in the area to emit less than 2,000 tons of SO2 per year for calendar year 2017 and thereafter; or

(2) Document that the applicable sources in the area have permanently shut down by January 13, 2017.
Appendix T: Sulfur Dioxide Population Weighted Emissions Index

This SO$_2$ rule requires monitoring in or near Core Based Statistical Areas (CBSA’s) based on the population weighted emissions index (PWEI). The PWEI is calculated using the most recent census data or estimates, and the most recent county level emissions data available in the National Emissions Inventory.

The PWEI is calculated by multiplying the population of the CBSA by the total tons of SO$_2$ emissions from counties that make up the CBSA and dividing that product by one million. The PWEI is expressed in units of million person-tons per year.

The final monitoring regulations require monitors to be placed in Core Based Statistical Areas (CBSA’s) based on the PWEI for the area. The final rule requires:

- 3 monitors in CBSAs with index values of 1,000,000 or more;
- 2 monitors in CBSAs with index values less than 1,000,000 but greater than 100,000; and
- 1 monitor in CBSAs with index values greater than 5,000 but less than 100,000.

Iowa has chosen the 2014 National Emissions Inventory (NEI) data as the most complete and accessible data to use for SO$_2$ emissions information available for Iowa and neighboring States. U.S. Census Bureau population estimates from Appendix F have been used for population data. The PWEI for Iowa MSAs are listed in the table below.

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<td>Dubuque, IA</td>
<td>97,311</td>
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**Appendix U: Federal Requirements for Lead Sites**

40 CFR Part 58 Appendix D — Network Design Criteria for Ambient Air Quality Monitoring

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4.5 Lead (Pb) Design Criteria.

(a) State and, where appropriate, local agencies are required to conduct ambient air Pb monitoring near Pb sources which are expected to or have been shown to contribute to a maximum Pb concentration in ambient air in excess of the NAAQS, taking into account the logistics and potential for population exposure. At a minimum, there must be one source-oriented SLAMS site located to measure the maximum Pb concentration in ambient air resulting from each non-airport Pb source which emits 0.50 or more tons per year and from each airport which emits 1.0 or more tons per year based on either the most recent National Emission Inventory (http://www.epa.gov/ttn/chief/eiinformation.html) or other scientifically justifiable methods and data (such as improved emissions factors or site-specific data) taking into account logistics and the potential for population exposure.

(i) One monitor may be used to meet the requirement in paragraph 4.5(a) for all sources involved when the location of the maximum Pb concentration due to one Pb source is expected to also be impacted by Pb emissions from a nearby source (or multiple sources). This monitor must be sited, taking into account logistics and the potential for population exposure, where the Pb concentration from all sources combined is expected to be at its maximum.

(ii) The Regional Administrator may waive the requirement in paragraph 4.5(a) for monitoring near Pb sources if the State or, where appropriate, local agency can demonstrate the Pb source will not contribute to a maximum Pb concentration in ambient air in excess of 50 percent of the NAAQS (based on historical monitoring data, modeling, or other means). The waiver must be renewed once every 5 years as part of the network assessment required under §58.10(d).

(iii) State and, where appropriate, local agencies are required to conduct ambient air Pb monitoring near each of the airports listed in Table D-3A for a period of 12 consecutive months commencing no later than December 27, 2011. Monitors shall be sited to measure the maximum Pb concentration in ambient air, taking into account logistics and the potential for population exposure, and shall use an approved Pb-TSP Federal Reference Method or Federal Equivalent Method. Any monitor that exceeds 50 percent of the Pb NAAQS on a rolling 3-month average (as determined according to 40 CFR part 50, Appendix R) shall become a required monitor under paragraph 4.5(c) of this Appendix, and shall continue to monitor for Pb unless a waiver is granted allowing it to stop operating as allowed by the provisions in paragraph 4.5(a)(ii) of this appendix. Data collected shall be submitted to the Air Quality System database according to the requirements of 40 CFR part 58.16.

<table>
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<tr>
<th>Airport</th>
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<tr>
<td>Merrill Field</td>
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<td>Pryor Field Regional</td>
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<td>Reid-Hillview</td>
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(b) [Reserved]

(c) The EPA Regional Administrator may require additional monitoring beyond the minimum monitoring requirements contained in paragraph 4.5(a) of this appendix where the likelihood of Pb air quality violations is significant or where the emissions density, topography, or population locations are complex and varied. The EPA Regional Administrators may require additional monitoring at locations including, but not limited to, those near existing additional industrial sources of Pb, recently closed industrial sources of Pb, airports where piston-engine aircraft emit Pb, and other sources of re-entrained Pb dust.
Appendix V: Lead (Pb) Emissions Inventory Memo

Memo

To: Sean Fitzsimmons
From: Nick Page
CC: Pete Zayulis, Brad Ashton, Lori Hanson, Brian Hutchins, Jim McGraw
Date: 1/13/2020
Re: Lead Emissions Inventory Narrative for 2020 Ambient Monitoring Network Plan

Purpose of this Document

To identify facilities that reported actual lead emissions of greater than or equal to 0.25 tons of lead (Pb) per year for calendar year 2018. The actual lead emissions estimates, as estimated by DNR, are estimated using the most recent and best available set of facility-specific data that includes, but is not limited to, actual throughput, valid stack test data, dust analyses, engineering estimates, operating schedules, and control efficiencies.

Introduction

The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) finalized a revised standard for Pb on November 12, 2008. The standard was revised from 1.5 micrograms per cubic meter (µg/m³) of air, to 0.15 µg/m³. In conjunction with strengthening the lead NAAQS, EPA identified the need for states to improve existing lead monitoring networks by requiring monitors to be placed in areas with sources that have actual Pb emissions of 1.0 ton or more per year (tpy) and in urban areas with more than 500,000 people. States will base their specific siting decisions regarding Pb monitoring on dispersion modeling results and reviews of the existing emission inventories for Pb. On December 14, 2010, EPA signed an amendment to the lead ambient air monitoring requirement to expand the lead monitoring network. This amendment reduces the actual lead emissions threshold for the site specific monitoring requirement to 0.5 tons or more per year.

Table 1: Facilities included in the 2018 NEI submittal with actual emissions estimates of 0.25 tpy or greater.

<table>
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<th>Facility Name</th>
<th>Facility ID</th>
<th>2018 Actual Emissions (Tons)</th>
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<td>MidAmerican Energy Company – Walter Scott Jr Energy Center</td>
<td>78-01-026</td>
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<td>MidAmerican Energy Company – Louisa Station</td>
<td>58-07-001</td>
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Appendix W: Calculation of 90th Percentile Upper Confidence Limit

In order to calculate the 90th Percentile upper confidence limit concentration (90% UCL), an average concentration ($\bar{C}$) is calculated. A standard deviation ($s$) is then obtained using the formula below in which $C_i$ is each individual concentration and $n$ is the number of samples.

$$s = \sqrt{\frac{1}{n-1} \sum_{i=1}^{n} (C_i - \bar{C})^2}$$

A table of Students t-Values ($t_{0.90,n-1}$) are appended below. (In Excel, the expression TINV(0.10, n-1) is used to generate these values.)

### Two-Tailed t Distribution Values

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<th>Degrees of Freedom</th>
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The standard error ($SE$) is then calculated by using

$$SE = \frac{s}{\sqrt{n}}$$

The 90th percentile upper confidence limit (90% UCL) concentration was then found by multiplying the Student’s t-Value by the standard error and adding the product to the mean concentration.

$$90\% \text{ UCL} = \bar{C} + SE \times t_{(0.90,n-1)}$$
Appendix X: Tests for Discontinuation of the Mason City PM$_{10}$ SLAMs Monitor

To comply with EPA guidance for discontinuance of SLAMS sites, at least 5 years of site data are required for analysis. Each year the annual maximum must be less than or equal to the NAAQS (154 $\mu$g/m$^3$) and the 90% UCL (computed as described in Appendix W) must be less than or equal to 80% of the NAAQS (123 $\mu$g/m$^3$). A comparison of the most recent 10 years of Mason City PM$_{10}$ data to these criteria is indicated in the tables and figures below. The highest annual average over the past ten years was 55% of the NAAQS and the ten-year 90% UCL was 51% of the NAAQS. Both tests pass, and the monitor is eligible for removal.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Date</th>
<th>Annual Maximum ($\mu$g/m$^3$)</th>
<th>Annual Maximum/NAAQS (%)</th>
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<td>2019</td>
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Table X.1 Comparison of Annual Maximum PM$_{10}$ values from 2010-2019 to the NAAQS

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<th>Ten-Year Period</th>
<th>90% UCL ($\mu$g/m$^3$)</th>
<th>90% UCL /NAAQS (%)</th>
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<tr>
<td>2010-2019</td>
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<td>51%</td>
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Table X.2 Comparison of the 10-year (2010-2019) 90% UCL to the NAAQS

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Figure X.1 Comparison 2010-2019 Mason City PM$_{10}$ Data to SLAMs Removal Criteria