Air Pollution Control Permitting in Wisconsin

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Topics

- Clean Air Act
- Air permitting
- Permit requirements for Foxconn
- Public process for permits
- Ozone

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Clean Air Act

- Set National Ambient Air Quality Standards
- Requires ambient air monitoring
- Requires states to submit plans:
 - For areas attaining standards plan to maintain attainment
 - For areas not attaining standards plan to get area into attainment
- Set technology-based standards to reduce emissions of criteria pollutants and hazardous air pollutants
- Requires air permitting

Air Permitting

- Clean Air Act permitting in attainment areas:
 - Prevention of Significant Deterioration (PSD)
 - Best available control technology (BACT)
 - Effects on air quality analyzed
 - Air dispersion modeling analyses
 - For pollutants with regional effects such as ozone, qualitative assessment of the impact of precursor pollutants on potential concentrations of ozone

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Permit Requirements for Foxconn

- Four separate applications are being reviewed and four separate permits have been drafted
- These projects are all considered a single major source of air pollution
- PSD requirements apply
 - BACT level controls are required
 - Detailed air quality analysis is required

Permit Process

 Clean Air Act provides for public participation and opportunity for review of all air pollution control permits

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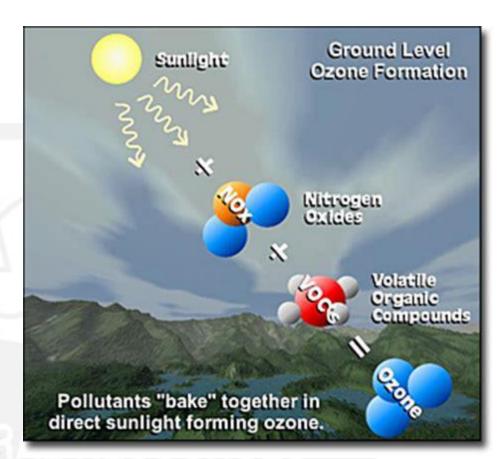
- Available for public review until April 16, 2018
 - Applications
 - Draft air permits
 - Analysis documents

Permit Process

- The DNR must issue a permit if the source, considering the draft permit requirements, meets the criteria for permit approval
- Public comments:
 - Adequacy of technical review
 - Accuracy of emission calculations
 - Appropriateness of controls
 - Adequacy of compliance requirements

Ozone

- Ground level ozone is formed when volatile organic compounds (VOC) and nitrogen oxides react in the presence of sunlight
- Precursor pollutants can travel long distances from their emission points before conditions will be right to form ozone

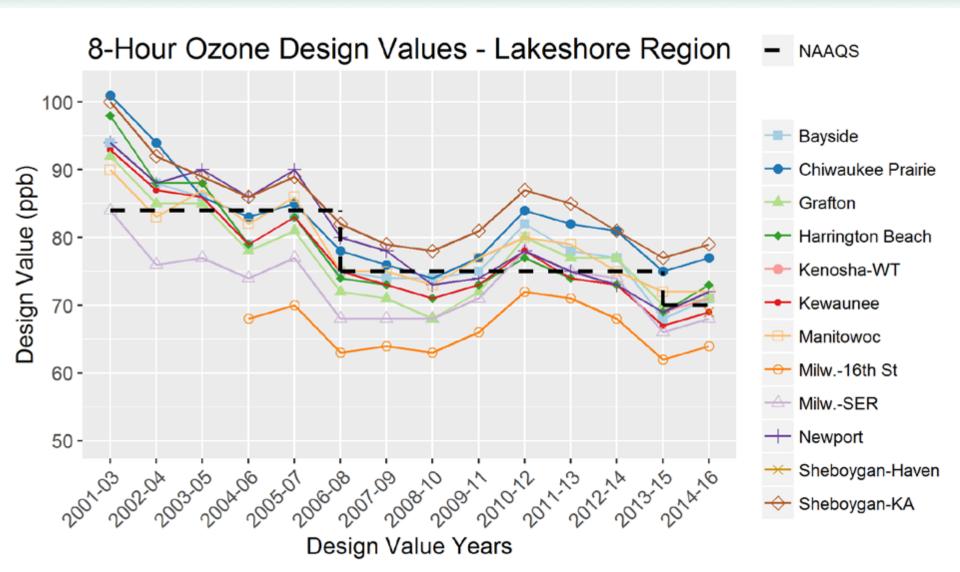


Ozone Monitoring



- UV light is passed through the sample cell, where it is absorbed proportionally to the amount of ozone present
- Switching valve
 alternates measurement
 between the sample
 stream and a sample
 that has been scrubbed
 of ozone





EPA's Intended 2015 Ozone NAAQS Nonattainment Area Designations

All areas of Wisconsin

WISCONSIN DEPT. OF NATUR Menominee Oconto Kewaunee Manitowoc 70 ppb contour from WDNR submittal EPA proposed NAA boundaries Interstate HWY →45 U.S. Route HWY _____State Route HWY County Route HWY County boundary MCD boundary Ozone Monitor Locations and 2014-2016 DVs

Data from EPA's 120-day letter of 12/20/17 and DNR submittal to EPA of 4/20/17

Permitting impact of Non-Attainment

- Clean Air Act permitting in nonattainment areas:
 - Nonattainment area new source review (NNSR)
 - Lower Major Source Threshold
 - Application of Lowest achievable emission rate (LAER)
 - Offset emissions of VOCs and NOx by a ratio of 1:1.1

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Thank you

Public comments can be submitted through April 16, 2018. Send comments to:

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