

FINAL RULES – OZONE & PM NAAQS

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Final Rule - PM NAAQS

- December 18, 2020 - EPA finalized its decision to retain the current NAAQS for particulate matter (PM) without revision.
- Decision to retain the current standards applies to the primary and secondary NAAQS for PM2.5 and PM10.
- Annual primary PM2.5 standard - 12 µg/m³
- Annual secondary PM2.5 standard - 15 µg/m³
- 24-hour primary and secondary PM2.5 standards - 35 µg/m³
- Primary PM2.5 standards - Decision not in line with recommendations made by EPA staff and a minority of current CASAC members though it is consistent with the majority of current CASAC members.



Final Rule - OZONE NAAQS

- December 31, 2020 - EPA finalized its decision to retain the current NAAQS (70 ppb) for ozone without revision.
- EPA also retained the form (3-year average of the annual 4th-highest daily maximum 8-hour average ozone concentrations) of the NAAQS.
- With regard to the primary standard, while one part of CASAC concluded that the primary standard should be retained, another part expressed support for a lower standard.
- With regard to the secondary standard, all CASAC members agreed that the current evidence supported retaining the current standard without revision.

