

DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES
ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION DIVISION

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING AND PROPOSED AMENDMENT
TO GEORGIA'S RULES FOR AIR QUALITY CONTROL
CHAPTER 391-3-1

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS AND PARTIES:

Notice is hereby given that, pursuant to the authority set forth below, the Environmental Protection Division (hereinafter, "EPD") of the Georgia Department of Natural Resources proposes an Amendment to Georgia's Rules for Air Quality Control, Chapter 391-3-1 (hereinafter, "the proposed Air Rule Amendment"). The Director of EPD certifies that the addition of Rule 391-3-1-.15 is required to comply with Section 176(c)(4)(E) of the Clean Air Act. The proposed Air rule amendment is described below:

Rule 391-3-1-.15, "Transportation Conformity," is being added to implement the requirements of Section 176(c)(4)(E) of the Clean Air Act, with respect to the conformity of transportation plans, programs, and projects developed, funded or approved under Title 23 United States Code or the Federal Transit Laws to the State's air quality implementation plan.

This notice, together with an exact copy of the proposed Air rule amendment, a synopsis, and a statement of rationale of the rule revision, is being provided to all persons who have requested in writing that they be placed on a notification list. These documents may be viewed at <http://gaepd.org/environet/1> or during normal business hours of 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. at the Georgia Environmental Protection Division, Air Protection Branch, 4244 International Parkway, Suite 120, Atlanta, Georgia 30354. Copies may also be requested by contacting the Air Protection Branch at 404/363-7000 or the Environmental Protection Division Director's Office at 1-888-373-5947. The Transportation Conformity Manual dated April 15, 2010, may also be viewed at <http://gaepd.org/environet/1> or at the address and phone numbers listed above.

To provide the public an opportunity to comment upon and provide input into the proposed Air rule amendment, a public hearing will be held at 3:30 p.m. on July 6, 2010, in the EPD Training Center located at 4244 International Parkway, Suite 116, Atlanta, Georgia 30354. At the hearing, anyone may present data, make a statement, comment, or offer a viewpoint or argument either orally or in writing. Lengthy statements or statements of a considerable technical or economic nature, as well as previously-recorded messages, must be submitted in writing for the official record. Oral statements should be concise.

Written comments are welcomed. To insure their inclusion in EPD's package for the Board of Natural Resources, written comments should be received by close of business on July 20, 2010. Written comments may be emailed to EPDComments@dnr.state.ga.us or sent via regular mail addressed to: Branch Chief, Air Protection Branch, 4244 International Parkway, Suite 120, Atlanta, Georgia, 30354.

The proposed Air rule amendment will be considered for adoption by the Board of Natural Resources at its meeting at 9:00 a.m. on August 25, 2010, in the DNR Board Room located at 2 Martin Luther King, Jr. Drive, Suite 1252, East Tower, Atlanta, Georgia 30334. The meeting is open to the public.

The proposed Air rule amendment is proposed for adoption pursuant to authority contained in Georgia Air Quality Act (O.C.G.A. Section 12-9-1 et. seq.). For further information, contact the Air Protection Branch at 404/363-7000.