NOTICE OF OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC HEARING AND COMMENT ON THE DRAFT MAG 2026 REDESIGNATION REQUEST AND MAINTENANCE PLAN FOR THE WEST CENTRAL PINAL PM-2.5 NONATTAINMENT AREA

The Maricopa Association of Governments (MAG) announces an opportunity to comment on and/or request a public hearing on the Draft MAG 2026 Redesignation Request and Maintenance Plan for the West Central Pinal PM-2.5 Nonattainment Area. The purpose of this notice is to receive public comments.

In accordance with Clean Air Act requirements, MAG is requesting that the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) redesignate the West Central Pinal PM-2.5 Nonattainment Area to attainment for the 2006 24-hour PM-2.5 particulate matter National Ambient Air Quality Standards (NAAQS). In 2019, EPA determined the nonattainment area attained the PM-2.5 NAAQS by the December 31, 2017, attainment date and there have been no violations of the standard since 2022. Modeling in the MAG 2026 Redesignation Request and Maintenance Plan demonstrates that the standard will continue to be met through 2038 with existing federal, state, and local control measures. The plan also includes a comprehensive emissions inventory, contingency provisions, and motor vehicle emission budgets for transportation conformity.

The draft document is available for a 30-day public review period on the MAG website at www.azmag.gov. For reasonable accommodations based on language or disability, contact Lesa Young at lyoung@azmag.gov as early as possible. Para asistencia razonable por idioma o discapacidad, comuníquese con Lesa Young por correo electrónico a lyoung@azmag.gov lo antes posible. Public comments may be submitted in writing by 5:30 p.m. on November 30, 2026, to Lesa Young at the address below or online by visiting www.azmag.gov/comment. Comments may also be received at the public hearing if a public hearing is conducted. After considering the public comments, the MAG Regional Council may take action on the plan on January 27, 2027. The Arizona Department of Environmental Quality may then adopt the plan for submittal to the EPA.

A public hearing concerning the draft document will be conducted only if a request is received during the 30-day public review period. A request for a public hearing may be submitted to MAG by email or mail at the address shown below. If no request for a public hearing is received by 5:30 p.m. on November 30, 2026, the hearing will be cancelled by a notice posted on the MAG website at www.azmag.gov. If a public hearing is requested, it will be held on:

December 3, 2026, at 5:30 p.m.
MAG Offices, Chaparral Room
302 North 1st Avenue, Second Floor
Phoenix, Arizona 85003

The public hearing (if requested) will include an option to attend virtually. Check the MAG website prior to the public hearing to confirm.

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