

The South Carolina Department of Health and Environmental Control (DHEC) has sought and is awaiting approval of two waivers from the Environmental Protection Agency – Region 4. This includes a 40 CFR Part 58, Appendix E – Probe Siting waiver for the Congaree Bluff (45-079-0021) Site and a reissuance of a waiver for the Greenville ESC (45-045-0015) Site.

State of South Carolina Network Description and Ambient Air Network Monitoring Plan

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Certification

This document contains the planned changes and final description of the sites and monitors of the South Carolina Ambient Air Monitoring Network (Monitoring Network) for criteria pollutants and related parameters for calendar year 2017. The South Carolina Department of Health and Environmental Control (DHEC) certifies that the network described herein meets or exceeds the minimum requirements needed to support the State Implementation Plan, national air quality assessments, and policy decisions as required in 40 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) Part 58, Ambient Air Quality Surveillance, at the time of submittal to the United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), Region 4. Due to circumstances that may arise during the implementation of the plan in 2016 and during the 2017 monitoring year, some elements of the network may require modification. A notification of modifications will be posted on the DHEC website and provided to the EPA Region 4 office. Where necessary, a request for approval of deviations from this plan and supporting documentation will be submitted to the EPA Region 4 office.

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Acronyms

AQI – Air Quality Index	NO _x – Nitrogen Oxides
AQS – Air Quality System	NO _y – NO _x and other oxidized species
BAQ – Bureau of Air Quality	NPAP – National Performance Audit Program
BC – Black Carbon	OMB – Office of Management and Budget
CBSA – Core-Based Statistical Area	PEP – Performance Evaluation Program
CFR – Code of Federal Regulation	PM _{2.5} – Particulate Matter < 2.5 microns
CO – Carbon Monoxide	PM ₁₀ – Particulate Matter < 10 microns
CSA – Combined Statistical Area	PPB – Parts Per Billion
CSN – Chemical Speciation Network	PPM – Parts Per Million
CMS – Continuous Monitoring Site	PSD – Prevention of Significant Deterioration
DAQA – Division of Air Quality Analysis	PTFE – Polytetrafluoroethylene
DHEC – South Carolina Department of Health and Environmental Control	PUF – Polyurethane Foam
DNPH – Analysis method using 2,4-dinitrophenylhydrazine	QA – Quality Assurance
EPA – Environmental Protection Agency	QAPP – Quality Assurance Project Plan
FEM – Federal Equivalent Method	QC – Quality Control
FRM – Federal Reference Method	SLAMS – State and Local Air Monitoring Station
GC/MS – Gas Chromatography / Mass Spectroscopy	SO ₂ – Sulfur Dioxide
GFAA – Graphite Furnace Atomic Absorption Spectrometry	SPM – Special Purpose Monitor
HPLC – High Performance Liquid Chromatography	STN – Speciation Trends Network
IC – Ion Chromatography	SVOC – Semi-volatile Organic Compound
IMPROVE – Interagency Monitoring of Protected Visual Environments	TEOM – Tapered Element Oscillating Microbalance
ICP/MS – Inductively Coupled Plasma Mass Spectroscopy	TPY – Tons Per Year
MET – Meteorology	TSP – Total Suspended Particulate
MOA – Memorandum of Agreement	UV – Ultraviolet
MSA – Metropolitan Statistical Area	VOC – Volatile Organic Compound
mSA – Micropolitan Statistical Area	WGS84 – World Geodetic System of 1984 revised in 2004
µg/m ³ – Micrograms per cubic meter	
NAAQS – National Ambient Air Quality Standards	
NATTS – National Air Toxics Trends Site	
NADP-MDN – National Atmospheric Deposition Program Mercury Deposition Network	
NCore – National Core Monitoring Network	
NO – Nitric oxide	
NO ₂ – Nitrogen Dioxide	

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Introduction

The DHEC or its predecessors have operated an air quality monitoring network in South Carolina since 1959. During that time, the network has continually evolved to meet the requirements and needs of the DHEC's Air Program and to comply with federal requirements. In 2017, the network will be comprised of 94 monitors and samplers at 30 sites.

In October, 2006, the EPA published revisions to the ambient monitoring regulations (71 FR 61236, October 17, 2006) requiring quality assurance (QA), monitor designations, minimum requirements for both number and distribution of monitors among metropolitan statistical areas (MSAs), and probe siting changes. The regulation also included the requirement for an annual monitoring network plan and periodic network assessments.

This plan covers the eighteen month period from July 1, 2016 through December 31, 2017. This period includes a 6 month implementation period during which sites indicated as 'New' will be identified, secured, and prepared for the installation of monitoring equipment. It is expected that any monitoring indicated as 'New' or 'To be established' will be installed, calibrated, and operating in 2017 with the exception of some Ozone monitors which may begin operation at the start of the South Carolina Ozone Monitoring Season (March 1-October 31). The annual Network Description and Ambient Air Monitoring Plan, as required and described in 40 CFR Part 58.10, and Periodic Network Assessment, must contain the following information for each monitoring station in the network:

- The Air Quality System (AQS) site identification number (ID) for existing stations
- The location, including street address and geographical coordinates, for each monitoring station
- The sampling and analysis method used for each measured parameter
- The operating schedule for each monitor
- Any proposal to remove or relocate a monitoring station within a period of eighteen months following the plan submittal
- The monitoring objective and spatial scale of representativeness for each monitor
- The identification of any sites that are suitable for comparison against the Particulate Matter < 2.5 microns (PM_{2.5}) National Ambient Air Quality Standard (NAAQS), and
- The MSA, Core-Based Statistical Area (CBSA), Combined Statistical Area (CSA), or other area represented by the monitor

This document constitutes the 2017 South Carolina Air Monitoring Network Plan. The site pages are organized into two main parts:

- Air Monitoring Station Descriptions: An outline of the designations, parameters, monitoring methods, and the purpose for each monitor at the site, and
- Network Summaries: A table which presents the total number of sites and monitors for the State, including a list of all proposed changes to the current network.

The Monitoring Network is reviewed annually. Planned changes are described in this 2017 Monitoring Plan and provided for public review and comment prior to submission to the EPA Region 4 Administrator.

Public Participation Opportunities

In response to public interest and the potential impact of the monitoring regulation changes, the DHEC's Air Program solicits involvement from both internal (to the DHEC) and external workgroups.

Individuals who had expressed interest in the development of the ambient air monitoring network were notified of the availability of the 2017 Monitoring Plan and were invited to provide comments. This group consists of representatives from the business, environmental, and health communities, and concerned citizens.

Other opportunities for public involvement include:

- A webpage maintained for publication and access to current and draft monitoring plan reference documents and announcements¹.
- Availability of the proposed 2017 Monitoring Plan for public review and comment ran from May 11, 2016 through June 9, 2016. All recorded participants who registered in the outreach and discussion activities were notified when the 2017 Monitoring Plan became available for review. All public comments received will be summarized and addressed in Appendix A before submitting the final plan to the EPA.

The DHEC is committed to continuing the opportunities for input and participation in the development of the annual revisions of the Network Description and Ambient Air Network Monitoring Plan and the periodic assessments of the air quality surveillance system.

Network Operation

The primary responsibility for the operation of the Monitoring Network is assigned to the Division of Air Quality Analysis (DAQA) in the Bureau of Environmental Health Services (Division). The Division establishes, maintains, and operates the sites and instruments that make up the network and performs the analysis of samples collected as part of routine monitoring or special projects. Data generated by the network for comparison to the NAAQS is verified to be accurate and reported by the Division to the national AQS database for storage and public access.

Criteria pollutant monitoring for the purpose of comparison to the NAAQS is performed using the EPA designated Federal Reference Methods (FRM) or Federal Equivalent Methods (FEM) to ensure the precision and accuracy of the measurements across the air quality surveillance system.

Regular calibration and audits of the measurement systems are performed to verify that the instruments are operating correctly and data being collected is accurate. The QA activities supporting the Monitoring Network meet or exceed the QA requirements defined in 40 CFR Part 58 Appendix A (Quality Assurance Requirements for SLAMS, SPMs, and Prevention of Significant Deterioration (PSD) Air Monitoring).

Raw data is collected hourly from sites across the state and provided to internal data users (forecasters and data analysts) and to the AIRNow database for presentation to the public. Before the data is submitted to AQS, it is verified to be accurate through review of the instrument Quality Control (QC) and QA performance documentation.

Instrument QA/QC alone is not sufficient to assure monitoring data quality. In addition to periodic site assessments, the DHEC conducts additional visits of monitoring sites to document comparison with applicable siting criteria.

It is the DHEC's intent that all criteria pollutant monitors and samplers be sited and operated in accordance with the requirements of 40 CFR Part 58. As required in 40 CFR Part 58 Appendix A, the Division of Air Quality Analysis (DAQA) in the Bureau of Environmental Health Services (Division) establishes, maintains, and operates the sites and instruments and performs the analysis of samples collected. Data generated by the network for comparison to the NAAQS is verified to be accurate and reported by the Division to the national AQS database for storage and public access. Regular calibration

¹<http://www.scdhec.gov/HomeAndEnvironment/Air/AmbientAir/>

and audits are performed to verify that the instruments are operating correctly and data being collected is accurate. As required in 40 CFR Part 58 Appendix C, all criteria pollutant monitoring in the South Carolina Monitoring Network for the purpose of comparison to the NAAQS is performed using the EPA designated Federal Reference Methods (FRM) or Federal Equivalent Methods (FEM). Also, all criteria pollutant monitoring in the South Carolina Monitoring Network meets the monitoring objectives, spatial scales, and design criteria as described in 40 CFR Part 58 Appendix D. Finally, in this document, each site page contains a statement addressing compliance to 40 CFR Part 58 Appendix E. If the site is not in compliance, a plan is presented to address the deficiency.

An element of the Quality System² employed by the Division is periodic assessments of systems and monitor performance. As the primary QA organization for ambient air monitoring activities, the Division operates under the approved Environmental Quality Control Quality Assurance Management Plan, the Ambient Air Quality Monitoring Quality Assurance Project Plan, and approved plans for specific projects. The EPA Region 4 office may conduct audits of any component of the operation of the network or quality management system. The Division also participates in the National Performance Audit Program (NPAP) and the Performance Evaluation Program (PEP) administered by the EPA to provide independent audits.

Station Description Content

Specific siting information for each site and monitor is stored in the EPA's AQS, the national ambient air database. The AQS Site Description includes the exact location of the site, local, and regional population, and description of the site location, monitor types, and monitoring objectives. This site and monitor information is routinely updated whenever there is a change in site characteristics or pollutants monitored.

The AQS is used as the primary repository for all South Carolina ambient air monitoring information, including site descriptions. All ambient air monitoring data is stored in AQS, including non-NAAQS parameters, ambient air toxics, total suspended particulate (TSP), and supporting QA data.

Each network station description contained in this document includes a Site Description and Monitor Details. An explanation of the information in each station description is presented below.

Site Description – The site description includes specific information about each ambient air monitoring site. The site description header includes the following:

- 1) Site Name – The name given to the site.
- 2) CSA/MSA – Area where site is located as defined by the United States Census. (July, 2015).³
- 3) AQS Site ID – The unique site ID used in AQS in the form of 45-cc-ssss where:
 - a) 45 is the federal identification code for South Carolina
 - b) ccc is the county identification code, and
 - c) ssss is the site identification code within the county
- 4) Location – Typically, the street address of the site where available.
- 5) County – County in which the site is located.
- 6) Coordinates – Latitude (N), then Longitude (W) listed in decimal degrees using WGS84 projection.

² The Quality System is the means by which DHEC implements the quality management process through the Quality Assurance Management Plan for SC DHEC, March, 2014.

³ The US Census Bureau periodically adjusts CBSA names and boundaries. This plan uses the latest available revision.

- 7) Date Established – The date when each existing monitoring station was established is shown in the description. For new stations proposed in this Monitoring Plan, a date is provided when it is expected for the station to be in operation. Individual monitors at a site may have differing start and stop dates.
- 8) Site Evaluation (most recent date visited) – Each monitoring station in the network is periodically visited to determine whether all required probe exposure criteria for monitors are met. If necessary, corrective action is scheduled to address deficiencies. If a new monitoring site has not yet been evaluated, it will be denoted with the word “PENDING”.

Monitor Details – Each station description has a table that lists the parameter(s) and the descriptive information associated with that particular parameter. An explanation of the information in the tables is presented below.

- 1) Parameter – Criteria (compounds for which a NAAQS has been established), non criteria, and/or supporting parameters (primarily meteorological measurements) measured at the site are listed.
- 2) Scale – Each monitor or sampler in the monitoring network is described in terms of the approximate physical dimensions of the air parcel nearest the monitoring station throughout which pollutant concentrations are expected to be reasonably similar. This is most often referred to as the *Scale* of the monitor. Different pollutants monitored at the same location may represent different scales depending on the characteristics of the pollutant. Area dimensions or scales of representativeness used in the network description are:
 - a) Microscale – Air volumes associated with area dimensions ranging from several meters up to about 100 meters.
 - b) Middle scale – Areas up to several city blocks in size with dimensions ranging from approximately 100 meters to 0.5 kilometers.
 - c) Neighborhood scale – Extended areas of a city that have relatively uniform land use with dimensions ranging from 0.5 to 4.0 kilometers.
 - d) Urban scale – Citywide or equivalent rural areas with dimensions ranging from 4 to 50 kilometers.
 - e) Regional scale – Areas ranging from 50 to hundreds of kilometers in diameter.

The true representative area may best be described by an irregular shape of the approximate dimensions indicated above to account for local sources, topography and differing land use.

The representative scale of a monitor is closely associated with the monitoring objective.

- 3) Objective – The ambient air monitoring network is designed to meet three primary objectives:
 - a) Provide air pollution data to the public in a timely manner. Near real-time data is made available on the internet through AIRNow and Air Quality Index (AQI) reporting and forecasting in the major metropolitan areas.
 - b) Support compliance with ambient air quality standards and emissions strategy development. Monitors are operated to measure concentrations for comparison to NAAQS and to provide information to aid in the development of strategies to improve air quality.
 - c) Support air pollution research studies. Data from the monitoring network support greater understanding of the impacts and effects of ambient air pollution.

Individual monitors within a monitoring network that support these basic objectives generally serve one or more of the following purposes:

- Determine highest concentrations of pollutants

- Determine representative concentrations in areas of high population density
- Determine impact on air quality of significant sources or source categories
- Determine general background concentrations
- Determine extent of regional pollutant transport
- Determine welfare-related impacts in more rural and remote areas (ex. visibility impairment and impacts to vegetation)

The design intent in siting stations is to correctly match the area represented by the sample of monitored air with the scale most appropriate to meet the monitoring objective of the monitor. The relationship of appropriate scale to the six basic purposes as follows:

Monitoring Purpose	Siting Scale
Highest concentration	Micro, Middle, Neighborhood
Population exposure	Neighborhood, Urban
Source impact	Micro, Middle, Neighborhood
General/background	Neighborhood, Urban, Regional
Regional transport	Urban, Regional
Welfare-related impacts	Urban, Regional

Monitor and sampler data is regularly reviewed to assure the assigned scale is correct and appropriate for the intended objective.

- 4) Designation – Monitor designations that may be found in the tables include the State and Local Air Monitoring Station (SLAMS), special purpose monitor (SPM), National Core Monitoring Network (NCORE), non-regulatory, QA collocated, and National Atmospheric Deposition Program Mercury Deposition Network (NADP-MDN) monitoring. Definitions of these designations are:
 - a) SLAMS – Monitors for which NAAQS have been established. These stations must meet requirements that relate to four major areas: QA, monitoring methodology, sampling interval, and siting of instruments and instrument probes.
 - b) SPM – Monitors which support investigations addressing complaints, areas and pollutants of concern, network refinement, modeling verification, and compliance. These monitors are committed to investigation and projects as described in the associated Quality Assurance Project Plan (QAPP). They may be located as separate monitoring stations or be included at existing monitoring locations. The SPM may also monitor for air toxics, particulate, Mercury, criteria pollutants, precipitation, and meteorology. Supplemental speciation is a type of SPM monitor that operates according to CSN protocols, but is not contained in the STN Network. This monitoring data will be reported to AQS where possible. Siting and probe exposure will conform to all requirements for SLAMS monitors whenever possible.

- c) NCore – NCore is a national multi-pollutant network that utilizes advanced measurement systems for particles, pollutant gases, and meteorology. It provides data for long-term trends of criteria and non-criteria pollutants and supports air quality model evaluation, scientific studies, and ecosystem assessments. Most NCore monitors are SLAMS.
- d) Non-regulatory Monitor – A monitor that measures data on a pollutant that will not be used for regulatory purposes.
- e) Collocated QA Sampler – A particulate matter sampler that is paired with but operated independent of a similar sampler. It is used to indicate measurement accuracy.
- f) NADP-MDN – Monitors for the NADP-MDN provide data on the geographic distributions and trends of mercury in precipitation. These monitors are operated in the State of South Carolina in cooperation with the federal government, but are not included in the Site Tables.
- g) IMPROVE – The Interagency Monitoring of Protected Visual Environments (IMPROVE) network collects visibility related data. These monitors are operated in the State of South Carolina in cooperation with the federal government, but are not included in the Site Tables.

The SLAMS and SPM data may be used in the reporting of an area's AQI. The AQI is a method of reporting that converts concentration levels of pollution to a simple number scale of 0-500. Index reporting is required for all urban areas with a population exceeding 350,000. Intervals on the AQI scale are related to potential health effects of the daily measured concentration of the measured pollutants. All stations in a metropolitan area provide data for daily index reporting. Data collected from continuous Ozone and PM_{2.5} monitors is collected hourly and reported as AQI maps on the EPA's AIRNow website. A daily AQI is provided for the areas in and around Aiken, Charleston, Columbia, Florence/Darlington, Greenville-Spartanburg, Myrtle Beach, and York/Chester/Lancaster.

- 5) Probe Height – The monitor or sampler probe is the point where ambient air enters the analytical or sample collection system. Ideally, air would be sampled approximately at nose height, but due to operational, exposure, and security considerations, air may be sampled further from ground level. Proper probe height is specified in the monitoring regulations (typically between 2 and 15 meters) and is checked as part of the periodic site evaluations.
- 6) Analysis Methods – All sampling and analytical procedures used to determine ambient concentrations of criteria pollutants for comparison to the NAAQS will use either Federal Reference or Equivalent Methods (FRM or FEM). For the reactive gases, borosilicate glass or FEP Teflon are used in the sampling train. Where appropriate for specific monitoring objectives, well characterized non-equivalent methods may be used. The analysis method for the parameters most commonly measured and listed in the station descriptions are described below.
 - a) Particulate Matter less than 10 microns (PM₁₀) – PM₁₀ samplers operated by the DHEC are designated as either FRM or FEM and are operated consistent with the requirements in 40 CFR Part 50 Appendix J and 40 CFR Part 58. Intermittent samplers collect a 24-hour sample no less than every sixth day on a filter. The filter is conditioned and weighed before and after the sample run. The weight of material collected on the filter and the volume of air sampled is used to calculate the average concentration, expressed as micrograms per cubic meter (µg/m³) for the sample period. The filters are equilibrated before each weighing for a minimum of 24 hours at a mean temperature between 15 and -30°C and a mean relative humidity between 25 and 45 percent.

Continuous PM₁₀ samplers provide 24-hour concentration measurements every day. During sampling, ambient air passes through an inlet designed to pass only particles smaller than 10 microns in diameter. The flow rate, critical to precise particle size separation, is monitored and

controlled constantly. Particulate in the sample stream is collected on a Teflon-coated glass fiber filter. The mass collected on the filter is also continuously monitored. The difference between the current filter weight and the previous weight gives the total mass of the collected particulate for that period. The mass concentration is calculated by dividing the mass gained by the flow through the filter for the period. The concentration measurements are averaged over 1-hour and 24-hour periods. Data is stored locally on redundant data acquisition systems and recovered hourly by an automated central data acquisition system. Only 24-hour daily averages are used for comparison to the ambient standards.

- b) Particulate Matter less than 2.5 microns ($PM_{2.5}$) – All $PM_{2.5}$ samplers operated by the DHEC for comparison to the NAAQS are designated FRM samplers. Manual samplers are operated consistent with the requirements in 40 CFR Part 50, Appendix L. Samples are collected on 46.2 millimeter polytetrafluoroethylene (PTFE) filters over a 24-hour sampling period. Air flow through the filter is maintained at 16.7 liters per minute at local ambient temperature and pressure. The flow rate must be maintained within ± 5 percent during throughout the sample period. Samples filters are collected within 96 hours of the end of the sample run and are kept cooled during transit to minimize potential sample loss.

The PTFE filters are equilibrated before each weighing for a minimum of 24 hours at a mean temperature between 20 and 23°C and 30 to 40 percent mean relative humidity. Filters are weighed before and after the sample period. Filters are used within thirty days of initial weighing. Collected samples are typically weighed within two weeks of sampling. If the samples are maintained below 4°C after collection, they can be held for up to thirty days from the end of the sample period. The mass collected and the volume sampled are used to calculate the concentration, expressed in $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$.

Unless designated FEM, continuous $PM_{2.5}$ monitors do not provide concentration data suitable for comparison to the NAAQS. Non-FEM continuous monitors that provide reasonably comparable measurements may be used to provide data for calculation of an area Air Quality Index (AQI). Continuous $PM_{2.5}$ samplers provide 24-hour concentration measurements every day. During sampling, ambient air passes through an inlet system designed to pass only particles smaller than 2.5 microns in diameter. The flow rate, critical to precise particle size separation, is monitored and controlled constantly. Particulate in the sample stream is collected on a Teflon-coated glass fiber filter. The mass collected on the filter is also continuously monitored. The difference between the current filter weight and the previous weight gives the total mass of the collected particulate for that period. The mass concentration is calculated by dividing the mass gained by the flow through the filter for the period. The concentration measurements are averaged over 1-hour and 24-hour periods. Data is stored locally on redundant data acquisition systems and recovered hourly by an automated central data acquisition system. Only 24-hour daily averages from FEM monitors are used for comparison to the ambient standards.

- c) $PM_{2.5}$ Speciation sampling and analysis – In addition to operating $PM_{2.5}$ samplers that provide measurement of only the $PM_{2.5}$ mass concentration, the DHEC also operates $PM_{2.5}$ speciation samplers to collect samples for analysis to determine the chemical makeup of the particulate. Speciation sample collections are part of the national Chemical Speciation Network. Samples are collected on a set of two cartridges on the Met-One SASS sampler for nitrates, sulfates, and metals and a on a single cartridge in the URG 3000N sampler for carbon containing material. The samples are collected over a 24-hour sampling period. The individual cartridges contain denuders and filters designed to efficiently capture the major components of $PM_{2.5}$.

After collection, the samples are shipped cold to the EPA contract laboratory for analysis. At the laboratory, the samples are analyzed using thermal optical analysis (for carbon), ion

chromatography (IC) for nitrates and sulfates and x-ray fluorescence for metals to determine the presence and concentration of specific compounds. Sample results are available the EPA website.

- d) Sulfur Dioxide (SO₂) – Instruments used to continuously monitor SO₂ concentrations in the atmosphere use the Ultraviolet (UV) Fluorescence Federal Reference Method. The continuous data output from the instrument is stored locally on redundant data acquisition systems and recovered hourly by an automated central data acquisition system.

Calibration of these instruments and audits of their performance are done using the EPA protocol gas mixtures containing a certified concentration of SO₂ in nitrogen. This gas is diluted to provide known concentrations of SO₂. These known concentrations are supplied to the instrument, which is adjusted so the instrument output corresponds with the specific concentrations. Calibration curves are prepared for each instrument and each measurement is automatically compared to this curve before entry into the data acquisition system.

- e) Carbon Monoxide (CO) – Continuous monitoring for CO is performed using of the FRM non-dispersive infrared correlation method. Data is stored locally on redundant data acquisition systems and recovered hourly by the DAQA automated central data acquisition system.

Calibration of the instrument and audits of its performance are done using the EPA Protocol gas mixtures containing a certified concentration of CO in air. The gas is diluted to provide known concentrations of CO. Known concentrations are supplied to the instrument, which is adjusted so the instrument output corresponds with the specific concentrations. Calibration curves are prepared for each instrument which are used to calculate concentration measurements for storage in the data acquisition system.

- f) Ozone – Ozone is monitored using the FEM UV photometry method. The continuous data output from the instrument is stored locally on redundant data acquisition systems and recovered hourly by the automated central data acquisition system.

Monitors are routinely calibrated and performance audited using portable ozone transfer standards. Calibration curves are prepared for each instrument which are used to calculate the concentration measurements stored in the data acquisition system.

- g) Nitrogen Dioxide (NO₂) – The FRM UV chemiluminescence method is used for measurement of NO₂ concentration in the ambient air. The continuous data output from the instrument is stored locally on redundant data acquisition systems and recovered hourly by an automated central data acquisition system.

Calibration of the instrument and audits of their performance is done using the EPA protocol gas mixtures containing a known concentration of nitric oxide (NO) and Nitrogen Oxides (NO_x) in nitrogen. The gas is diluted to present several known concentrations of the oxides. A converter is used to convert NO_x to NO for reaction with internally generated ozone and measurement of the light produced by the reaction of NO and Ozone. Known concentrations are supplied to the instrument, which is adjusted so the instrument output corresponds with the supplied concentrations. Calibration curves are prepared for each instrument which are used to provide concentration measurements for storage in the data acquisition system.

- h) Lead – Lead concentrations are determined by the analysis of TSP collected using high volume particulate samplers as described in 40 CFR Part 50 Appendix G. Particulate samples are acid extracted from a portion of the filter to dissolve metals from the collected materials. The lead content is determined using Flameless (Graphite Furnace) Atomic Absorption Spectrometry or

may be analyzed by the EPA national contract laboratory using Inductively Coupled Plasma Mass Spectroscopy (ICP/MS).

- i) Meteorology – Meteorology consists of wind direction, wind speed, precipitation, temperature and pressure. Collection and/or analysis methods are discussed below.
 - Wind Direction and Speed – Wind data is collected using systems that incorporate high precision ‘Air Quality’ systems. The systems use separate or combined wind vanes and anemometers mounted 10 meters above ground. The systems provide supporting information about the local meteorology.
 - Precipitation – Precipitation is measured by tipping bucket gauges that provide a signal indicating the occurrence, rate, and amount of precipitation. The gauges are not heated, so they may not accurately provide the time and rate for frozen precipitation events. The monitors are checked periodically for operation and accuracy using a known volume of water and compared with actual volumes of collected precipitation where there are collocated samplers.
 - Ambient Temperature and Pressure – Ambient temperature is available from sensors that are part of the sampling systems for the FRM PM_{2.5} samplers. Ambient temperature measurement is necessary for the systems to maintain the required flow rate required to reproducibly separate the desired particulate size fractions as conditions change. Although the primary use of the measurement is for sampler flow control, the sensors are accurate and regularly audited. Temperature and pressure sensors are compared to reference systems at least once per month.
- j) Volatile Organic Compounds – Volatile organic compounds (VOCs) are collected into passivated or silica lined stainless steel canisters. The canisters are cleaned, tested, and evacuated at the laboratory prior to installation at the sampling site. At the sampling location, the canisters are filled and pressurized with ambient air throughout the sampling period (typically 24 hours). Measured portions of the captured air are concentrated at low temperature and analyzed using gas chromatography with a mass spectrometer detector (GC/MS) to identify and quantitate target compounds. The collection and analysis method is based on the EPA Method TO-15.
- k) Semi-volatile Organic Compounds – Semi-volatile organic compounds (SVOCs) are collected using polyurethane foam (PUF) and a solid adsorbant to trap the compounds from air pulled through the material by a high volume sampler. The SVOCs are extracted from the collection cartridge using a solvent, and the rinses are concentrated for analysis. Measured portions of the extract are analyzed using GC/MS to identify and quantitate the collected compounds. The collection and analysis method is based on the EPA Method TO-13.
- l) Carbonyls – Carbonyls (including aldehydes and ketones) are extracted from ambient air by reaction with a compound that stabilizes them enough to capture and hold. The reaction of the target compounds with Dinitrophenylhydrazine (DNPH) removes them from the sampled air and concentrates them in the sample cartridge. Solvent extraction of the DNPH derivatives from the cartridge is followed by analysis using High Pressure Liquid Chromatograph to identify and quantitate the collected Carbonyls. The collection and analysis method is based on the EPA Method TO-11.
- m) Metals – Metals in particulate are collected on filters using the TSP or PM₁₀ High Volume samplers. Metals are extracted from a portion of the filter using sonication in an acid solution. Detection, identification and quantitation of the target metals use Graphite Furnace AA or inductively coupled plasma with a mass spectrometer (ICP/MS). The collection and analysis method is based on the EPA Method IO-3.

- n) Precipitation Chemistry – A portion of the precipitation sample collected each week is analyzed for pH and conductivity. To determine concentrations of dissolved material that contributes to acid rain, the collected material is analyzed for cations and anions using ion chromatography (IC).
- o) Sulfate – Sulfate in particulate can be measured in both samples and continuous monitoring. The continuous method thermally reduces Sulfate in ambient particulate to SO₂ for detection in a dedicated SO₂ monitor. Particulate samples collected on the species-specific denuders used in the Chemical Speciation Networks (CSN) are analyzed for anions (SO₄⁻ and NO₃⁻) using ion chromatography for separation and quantification of the species.
- p) Light Absorbing Carbon (Black Carbon) – Light absorbing carbon is measured continuously by the use of an aethalometer. The transmittance of infrared light through a filter is measured as particulate is captured to determine the amount of Black Carbon collected.
- q) Mercury – Mercury is analyzed in ambient air and in weekly precipitation samples. Ambient concentrations are monitored using by collecting the Mercury vapor on an adsorbent followed by thermal desorption and analysis using cold vapor atomic fluorescence spectroscopy.

Mercury in precipitation is sampled and analyzed as part of the National Atmospheric Deposition Program, Mercury Deposition Network (NADP/MDN). Details of the sampling and analysis are available on the NADP website at <http://nadp.sws.uiuc.edu/NADP/>.

Sampling frequency indicates how often a measurement is made. Sampling typically involves collection of a sample over a period (typically 24 hours, midnight to midnight EST) and the delivery of the sample to the laboratory for preparation and analysis. Samples are collected every day (1:1), every third day (1:3), every sixth day (1:6), every twelfth day (1:12) or weekly, depending on the data quality objectives of the project. Results are reported as averages for the sample period. The EPA publishes the 1:3 and 1:6 day sampling schedules used by the South Carolina Ambient Air Monitoring Network and nationwide.⁴ Monitoring typically uses on-site analyzers that continuously sample the air and measure the pollutant of interest. Results of the analysis are reported as hourly averages. Five minute averages are also reported for SO₂ concentrations. One minute averages are collected from many of the continuously monitored parameters for use in verification and validation of the reported monitoring data.

Changes for 2017

Any planned changes in parameters monitored, the configuration, or operations at the site planned for 2017 are described herein and summarized in the Summary of 2017 Network Changes. Unless otherwise indicated, changes at a site including the beginning of new monitoring activity will be effective January 1, 2017. Ozone monitoring for 2017 at new or special project sites may start at the beginning of the Ozone monitoring season (March 1-October 31).

⁴ <http://www.epa.gov/ttn/amtic/calendar.html>

Network Summary

Network Summary: Calendar Year 2017 Air Monitoring Stations																			
Region	Sites	PM _{2.5}	PM _{2.5} Cont.	Speciation	PM ₁₀	TSP/Lead	Ozone	SO ₂	NO ₂ /NO/NO _y	CO	Sulfate	BC	Carbonyls	SVOC	VOC	Mercury	Precip Chem.	Precip.	*MET
Augusta-Richmond County, GA-SC MSA	2	1	1	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Charleston-N. Charleston MSA	5	3	2	0	1	0	2	2	2	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Charlotte-Concord-Gastonia, NC-SC MSA	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Columbia MSA	6	3	2	1	2	1	3	3	2	1	0	1	2	3	0	1	2	2	2
Florence MSA	5	1	1	0	0	4	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Greenville-Anderson-Mauldin MSA	4	3	1	0	1	0	3	1	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Myrtle Beach-Conway-North Myrtle Beach, SC-NC MSA	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Spartanburg MSA	2	1	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Remainder of State	4	1	3	1	3	0	3	1	0	0	0	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	1
TOTALS	30	13	11	2	7	5	17	8	5	1	1	4	3	4	1	1	2	2	7

This summary table presents the elements of the 2017 Monitoring Plan after implementation of changes described in this plan.

*MET data includes wind speed and wind direction.

2015 Criteria Pollutant Design Values

This section presents the 2015 design values for the South Carolina criteria pollutant monitoring network.

Site ID	County	Site Name	Ozone (ppm)	PM _{2.5} Annual (µg/m ³)	PM _{2.5} 24-hour (µg/m ³)	PM ₁₀ (# Expected Exceedances)	SO ₂ 1-hour (ppb)	NO ₂ 1-hour (ppb)	NO ₂ Annual (ppb)	CO 8-hour (ppm)	CO 1-hour (ppm)	Lead (µg/m ³) (2015-NOT 3 yrs DV)
001-0001	Abbeville	Due West	0.056									
003-0003	Aiken	Jackson Middle School	0.060									
007-0005	Anderson	Big Creek	0.060									
015-0002	Berkeley	Bushy Park	0.057									
019-0003	Charleston	Jenkins Avenue				*0	11	35	6			
019-0046	Charleston	Cape Romain	0.057				*4	*9	*2			
019-0048	Charleston	FAA		7.9	17							
019-0049	Charleston	Charleston Public Works		7.2	15							
021-0002	Cherokee	Cowpens	0.063									
025-0001	Chesterfield	Chesterfield	0.058	7.9	16	*0						
029-0002	Colleton	Ashton	0.054									
031-0003	Darlington	Pee Dee	0.061									
037-0001	Edgefield	Trenton	0.054	8.4	17							
041-0003	Florence	Williams		8.7	17							
041-8001	Florence	JCI Railroad										*
041-8002	Florence	JCI Entrance										*
041-8003	Florence	JCI River										*
043-0006	Georgetown	Georgetown CMS										
043-0011	Georgetown	Howard High #3				*0						
045-0015	Greenville	Greenville ESC		8.9	20	*0	4	*	*			
045-0016	Greenville	Hillcrest	0.064	8.8	19							

Site ID	County	Site Name	Ozone (ppm)	PM _{2.5} Annual (µg/m ³)	PM _{2.5} 24-hour (µg/m ³)	PM ₁₀ (# Expected Exceedances)	SO ₂ 1-hour (ppb)	NO ₂ 1-hour (ppb)	NO ₂ Annual (ppb)	CO 8-hour (ppm)	CO 1-hour (ppm)	Lead (µg/m ³) (2015-NOT 3 yrs DV)
045-1003	Greenville	Famoda Farms	0.062									
063-0008	Lexington	Irmo		9.2	19		38					
063-0009	Lexington	Cayce CMS										
063-0010	Lexington	Cayce City Hall				0						
073-0001	Oconee	Long Creek	0.059	*6.0	*16		3					
077-0002	Pickens	Clemson	0.062									
077-0003	Pickens	Wolf Creek	0.059									
079-0007	Richland	Parklane	0.055	8.7	18	*	10			1	1	
079-0019	Richland	Bates House		9.0	18	*0						
079-0021	Richland	Congaree Bluff	0.055				*18					
079-1001	Richland	Sandhill	0.062									
083-0009	Spartanburg	North Spartanburg	*0.065									
083-0011	Spartanburg	T.K. Gregg		8.8	19							
091-0006	York	York CMS	0.059				*4					

* denotes design values that did not meet completeness requirements.

Required Monitoring

The EPA regulation 40 CFR Part 58 Appendix D requires that each State maintain a minimum number of monitors to properly characterize air quality and to meet any required objectives of the monitoring network⁵. In general, these minimum requirements are based on the MSA population and current ambient air monitoring design values. The following sections discuss the minimum monitoring criteria for each of the criteria pollutants (Ozone, Particulate Matter (PM_{2.5} and PM₁₀), Lead, SO₂, NO₂ and CO), the CBSAs, and the MSA population. The final section shows the current South Carolina minimum monitoring requirements.

Minimum Monitoring for Ozone – The Ozone minimum monitoring criteria has two requirements:

- 1) Required Ozone SLAMS sites – A minimum number of required Ozone SLAMS sites for each CBSA that is determined by CBSA population and the peak Ozone concentrations.
- 2) NCore Requirement – Each NCore site must include an Ozone monitor.

Minimum Monitoring for PM_{2.5} – The PM_{2.5} minimum monitoring criteria has six requirements:

- 1) Required PM_{2.5} SLAMS sites – A minimum number of required PM_{2.5} SLAMS sites for each CBSA.
- 2) Continuous Requirement – A continuous PM_{2.5} monitoring requirement which is equal to at least one-half (round up) the minimum required PM_{2.5} SLAMS sites. Also, at least one required continuous analyzer in each CBSA must be collocated with one of the required Federal Reference Method (FRM) or Federal Equivalent Method (FEM) monitors, unless at least one of the required FRM/FEM monitors is itself a continuous FEM monitor, in which case, no collocation requirement applies.
- 3) Regional Background and Transport – At least one PM_{2.5} site must be established in each state to monitor for regional background and at least one PM_{2.5} site to monitor regional transport.
- 4) NCore Requirement – Each state is required to operate at least one NCore site which measures PM_{2.5} using both continuous and integrated/filter-based samplers.
- 5) Near-road PM_{2.5} Monitoring – The EPA requires the collocation of one PM_{2.5} monitor with a near-road NO₂ monitor in urban areas having populations of 1,000,000 or more by January 1, 2017. The Charlotte-Concord-Gastonia, NC-SC MSA is the only MSA in South Carolina that meets the population requirement for a collocated PM_{2.5} monitor. The near-road monitoring requirement for the Charlotte-Concord-Gastonia, NC-SC MSA will be fulfilled by the Mecklenburg County Air Quality Commission.
- 6) Speciation Monitoring – Chemical speciation monitoring and analyses at sites designated and funded as part of the PM_{2.5} Speciation Trends Network (STN).

Minimum Monitoring for PM₁₀ – The PM₁₀ minimum monitoring criteria has one requirement that is based on the CBSA population, the number of exceedances of the NAAQS, and the percentage of PM₁₀ concentrations over or under the NAAQS. Unlike other criteria pollutants, the minimum monitoring requirements for PM₁₀ is given as a range of required monitoring sites for a CBSA.

Minimum Monitoring for Lead – The Lead minimum monitoring criteria has two requirements:

- 1) Facility Requirement – Any facility with annual Lead emissions exceeding 0.5 tpy will be required to have a Lead sampler.
- 2) NCore Requirement – NCore sites in CBSA with a population of 500,000 (as determined in the latest Census) or greater shall also measure Lead either as Pb-TSP or Pb-PM10.

⁵ 40 CFR Part 58.11 paragraph (a)(3)(c) and Appendix D to 40 CFR Part 58.

Based on the state-submitted 2011 National Emissions Inventory, there are no facilities in South Carolina with Lead emissions greater than 0.5 tpy.

On May 7, 2010, the DHEC issued an air synthetic minor construction permit to Johnson Controls Battery Group for the Florence Recycling Center (Permit No. 1040-0129-CA). Under a settlement agreement⁶ with several petitioners, the Florence Recycling Center supports source-oriented ambient Lead monitoring being conducted by the DHEC at several sites around the facility. Additional details of the monitoring of this facility can be found in the Florence MSA section of this Monitoring Plan under the site name “Johnson Controls.”

Minimum Monitoring for SO₂ – The SO₂ minimum monitoring criteria has three requirements:

- 1) Requirement for Monitoring by the Population Weighted Emissions Index – The population weighted emissions index (PWEI) is determined using the most current population of each CBSA and the most recent level of SO₂ emissions for each county within the CBSA. The emissions data is available from the National Emissions Inventory. For any CBSA with a calculated PWEI value equal to or greater than 1,000,000, a minimum of three SO₂ monitors are required. 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. 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.

The following table presents each CBSA’s 2014 population, 2011 SO₂ emissions, calculated index, and minimum monitoring requirements. The process for calculating the index can be found at the bottom of the table.

CBSA	2014 CBSA Population	2011 CBSA SO₂ Emissions (Tons)	PWEI	SO₂ Minimum Monitors Required
*Charlotte-Concord-Gastonia, NC-SC MSA	2,380,314	19735	46975.78	1
Greenville-Anderson-Mauldin MSA	862,463	7199	6209.05	1
Columbia MSA	800,495	17192	13762.39	1
Charleston-North Charleston MSA	727,689	26443	19242.15	1
*Augusta-Richmond County, GA-SC MSA	583,632	9567	5583.71	1
*Myrtle Beach-Conway-North Myrtle Beach, SC-NC MSA	417,668	8914	3723.24	0
Spartanburg MSA	321,418	708	227.57	0
Florence MSA	207,030	8400	1739.08	0
Hilton Head Island-Bluffton-Beaufort MSA	203,022	586	119.06	0
Sumter MSA	107,919	183	19.73	0
<p>The PWEI is calculated using US Census population data and state emission inventory data at the CBSA level. The population for each CBSA (based on the most recent US Census or Census estimate) is multiplied by the CBSA total SO₂ emissions (reported in tons using the latest National Emissions Inventory data). This product is divided by 1,000,000 to derive the index.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CBSA with index greater than 1,000,000 will require 3 monitors. • CBSA with index less than 1,000,000 but greater than 100,000 will require 2 monitors. • CBSA with index less than 100,000 but greater than 5,000 will require 1 monitor. • CBSA with index less than 5,000 will require no monitors. <p>*Monitors may be operated in the non-South Carolina portion of the CBSA.</p>				

⁶ http://www.scdhec.gov/environment/JCI/docs/JCI-Settlement%20Agreement_07142010.pdf

- 2) Regional Administrator Required Monitoring – The Regional Administrator may require additional SO₂ monitoring sites above the minimum number of monitors required by the PWEI in areas that have the potential to have high SO₂ concentrations, in areas impacted by sources which are not conducive to modeling, or in locations with susceptible and vulnerable populations that are not otherwise being monitored. South Carolina does not have any SO₂ Regional Administrator Required Monitoring.
- 3) NCore Requirement – Each NCore site must include a SO₂ monitor.

Minimum Monitoring for NO₂ – The NO₂ minimum monitoring criteria has four requirements:

- 1) Near-road NO₂ Monitors – Each state must have one microscale near-road NO₂ monitoring site in each CBSA with a population of 500,000 or more persons. An additional near-road NO₂ monitoring site is required for any CBSA with a population of 2,500,000 or more, or in any CBSA with a population of 500,000 or more that has one or more roadway segments with 250,000 or greater Annual Average Daily Traffic (AADT) counts.

On March 7, 2013, the EPA established staggered deadlines (phased deployment) for the establishment and operation of the required near-road NO₂ monitors. The phased deployment deadlines are as follows:

- a) One required near-road NO₂ monitor shall be operational in any CBSA with 1,000,000 or more by January 1, 2014 (phase 1).
- b) If a CBSA is required to have two near-road NO₂ monitors, the second monitor shall be operational by January 1, 2015 (phase 2).
- c) All remaining CBSAs having at least 500,000 or more, but less than 1,000,000 shall have their single near - road NO₂ monitor operational by January 1, 2017 (phase 3).

All areas in South Carolina except the Charlotte-Concord-Gastonia, NC-SC MSA are part of the phase 3 deployment to be operational by 2017. The near-road monitoring requirement for the Charlotte-Concord-Gastonia, NC-SA MSA has been fulfilled by the Mecklenburg County Air Quality Commission.

Adequate funding is necessary to ensure operation of this network. To date, the EPA has not been able to guarantee that funding will necessarily be available for the third phase of the deployment. Also, EPA has indicated that phase 3 may be revoked in a future rulemaking, but has not yet proposed regulations to do so. The DHEC will not be able to establish near-road monitoring without adequate funding from the EPA.

- 2) Requirements for Area-wide NO₂ Monitoring – Each state must have one monitoring site in each CBSA with a population of 1,000,000 or more persons which will monitor a location of expected highest NO₂ concentrations representing the neighborhood or larger spatial scales.
- 3) Regional Administrator Required Monitoring – The Regional Administrators, in collaboration with states, require a minimum of forty additional NO₂ monitoring sites above the minimum monitoring requirements (nationwide) in any area, with a primary focus on siting these monitors in locations to protect susceptible and vulnerable populations. The Greenville ESC site is a Regional Administrator Required Monitoring site.
- 4) NCore Requirement (NO_v Monitoring) – Each NCore site must include a NO/NO_v monitor that will collect data to be used to produce conservative estimates for NO₂ and further Ozone research.

Minimum Monitoring for CO – The CO minimum monitoring criteria has two requirements:

- 1) Near-road CO Monitors – Each state with CBSAs having a population of 1,000,000 or more people must have one CO monitor collocated with one required near-road NO₂ monitor to be operational by January 1, 2017. The Charlotte-Concord-Gastonia, NC-SC MSA is the only CBSA in South Carolina that meets the population requirement for a collocated CO monitor.
- 2) NCore Requirement – Each NCore site in a CBSA with a population of 500,000 or more must include a CO monitor. The Parklane (45-079-0007) monitoring site in the Columbia, SC MSA is the NCore site for South Carolina and supports one CO monitor. The Garinger (37-119-0041) monitoring site in Mecklenburg County is also an NCore site and supports a CO monitor.

Minimum Monitoring for the Photochemical Assessment Monitoring Stations (PAMS) – South Carolina does not meet and is not subject to the PAMS requirement.

The CBSAs and the Minimum Monitoring Requirements – The term CBSA is a collective term for the defined MSAs and Micropolitan Statistical Areas (mSA). A MSA area contains a core urban area of 50,000 or more population, and a mSA contains an urban core of at least 10,000 (but less than 50,000) population. Each metropolitan or micropolitan area consists of one or more counties and includes the counties containing the core urban area, as well as any adjacent counties that have a high degree of social and economic integration (as measured by commuting to work) with the urban core⁷.

A MSA or mSA geographic composition, or list of geographic components at a particular point in time, is referred to as its "delineation". The MSA or mSA are delineated by the U.S. Office of Management and Budget (OMB) and are the result of the application of published standards based on Census Bureau data. The standards for delineating the areas are reviewed and revised once every ten years, prior to each decennial census. Generally, the areas are delineated using the most recent set of standards following each decennial census. Between censuses, the delineations are updated annually to reflect the most recent Census Bureau population estimates. Areas based on the 2010 standards and Census Bureau data were delineated in July of 2015.^{8,9}

While the DHEC understands the need for establishing minimum monitoring requirements, the EPA appropriately has mechanisms within the monitoring plan approval and network assessment process to allow states the flexibility to implement a monitoring network that meets the three basic monitoring objectives and addresses National and State needs. The recent changes in the MSA definitions are an example of the reason for the incorporation of flexibility in the regulations and illustrates necessity that the EPA use the discretion available in the monitoring regulations to afford states flexibility and regulatory certainty.

Per 40 CFR Part 58 Appendix D paragraph 2 (e), minimum monitoring requirements in multi-state MSAs can be met through a cooperative agreement. In the absence of an agreement between states, the minimum monitoring requirements must be met independently in each portion of the MSA. South Carolina has established a memorandum of agreement (MOA) with the States of Georgia¹⁰, North Carolina, and Mecklenburg County, North Carolina¹¹ which specifies the responsibilities of each party to develop a monitoring network that meets the appropriate monitoring objectives for the MSA.

⁷ <http://www.census.gov/population/metro/>

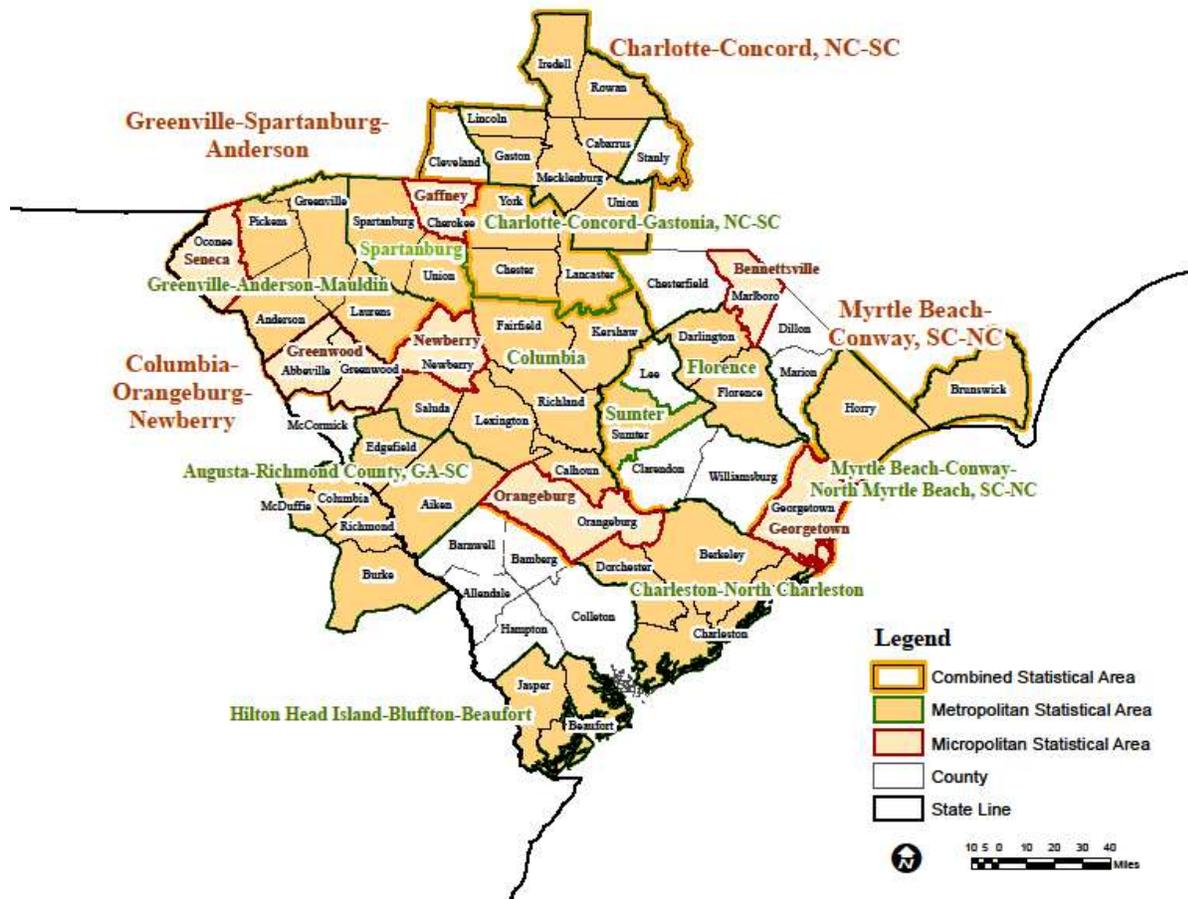
⁸ <http://www.census.gov/population/metro/data/>

⁹ OMB Bulletin No. 15-01-"Revised Delineations of Metropolitan Statistical Areas, Micropolitan Statistical Areas, and Combined Statistical Areas, and Guidance on Uses of the Delineations of These Areas", July 15, 2015.

¹⁰ The Memorandum of Agreement on Air Quality Monitoring for Criteria Pollutants for the Augusta-Richmond County Metropolitan Statistical Area (MSA) was signed on October 9, 2007 by the South Carolina DHEC Bureau of Air Quality and the Georgia Environmental Protection Division-Air Protection Branch.

¹¹ The Memorandum of Agreement on Air Quality Monitoring for Criteria Pollutants for the Charlotte-Gastonia-Concord Metropolitan Statistical Area (MSA) was signed on January 12, 2006 by the South Carolina DHEC Bureau

The map below presents South Carolina's CBSAs based on the definitions published in July, 2015.



Population and the Minimum Monitoring Requirements – The minimum monitoring criteria only applies to MSAs. The table below presents the latest (2014)* population estimates for each MSA in South Carolina and the total population of MSAs shared with North Carolina and Georgia.

MSA	2014 Population
Charlotte-Concord-Gastonia, NC-SC MSA	2,380,314
Greenville-Anderson-Mauldin MSA	862,463
Columbia MSA	800,495
Charleston-North Charleston MSA	727,689
Augusta-Richmond County, GA-SC MSA	583,632
Myrtle Beach-Conway-North Myrtle Beach, SC-NC MSA	417,668
Spartanburg MSA	321,418
Florence MSA	207,030
Hilton Head Island-Bluffton-Beaufort MSA	203,022

of Air Quality, the North Carolina Department of Environmental and Natural Resources-Division of Air Quality and the Mecklenburg County, North Carolina Land Use and Environmental Service Agency-Air Quality.

Sumter MSA	107,919
*United States Census Bureau http://www.census.gov/population/metro/data/def.html and CFR 40 Part 58 Table D	

South Carolina Minimum Monitoring Requirements – Based on the *latest available United States Census population estimates and the 2015 ambient air quality design values (page 12), the minimum monitoring requirements for each MSA are:

MSA	Ozone	PM _{2.5}	PM _{2.5} Cont.	PM ₁₀	Lead	SO ₂	NO ₂	CO
**Augusta-Richmond County, GA-SC MSA	2	1	1	1-2	0	1	1	0
Charleston-North Charleston, MSA	1	1	1	1-2	0	1	1	0
**Charlotte-Concord-Gastonia, NC-SC MSA	2	2	1	2-4	0	1	2	1
Columbia MSA (NCore)	2	1	1	1-2	1	1	1	1
Florence MSA	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Greenville-Anderson-Mauldin MSA	2	1	1	1-2	0	1	2	0
Hilton Head Island-Bluffton-Beaufort MSA	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Myrtle Beach-Conway-North Myrtle Beach, SC-NC MSA	1	0	0	0-1	0	0	0	0
Spartanburg MSA	1	0	0	0-1	0	0	0	0
Sumter MSA	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
*United States Census Bureau http://www.census.gov/population/metro/data/def.html and CFR 40 Part 58 Table D.								
** Minimum ambient air monitoring requirements are met cooperatively with the States of Georgia and North Carolina.								

Summary of 2017 Network Changes

Augusta-Richmond County, GA-SC MSA (South Carolina portion includes Aiken and Edgefield Counties)

No changes planned for 2017.

Charleston-North Charleston MSA

Bushy Park (45-015-0002) - Site will be terminated when a suitable replacement site has been established.

Charlotte-Concord-Gastonia, NC-SC MSA

York County (45-091-0007) - This new will be established to replace the York CMS (45-091-0006) site.

Columbia MSA

Parklane (45-079-0007) - PM_{2.5} sampling was added to fulfill 40 CFR Part 58 Appendix A collocation requirement.

Congaree Bluff (45-079-0021) - Scale for Ozone and Sulfur Dioxide was changed from Urban to Neighborhood to meet Site Waiver commitments.

Florence MSA

No changes planned for 2017.

Greenville-Anderson-Mauldin MSA

Clemson CMS (45-077-0002) - Site will be terminated at the conclusion of the 2016 Ozone season.

Hilton Head Island-Bluffton-Beaufort MSA

No changes planned for 2017.

Myrtle Beach-Conway-North Myrtle Beach SC-NC MSA

Coastal Carolina (45-051-0008) - An Ozone monitor will be established and become operational during the summer of 2016.

Spartanburg MSA

No changes planned for 2017.

Sumter MSA

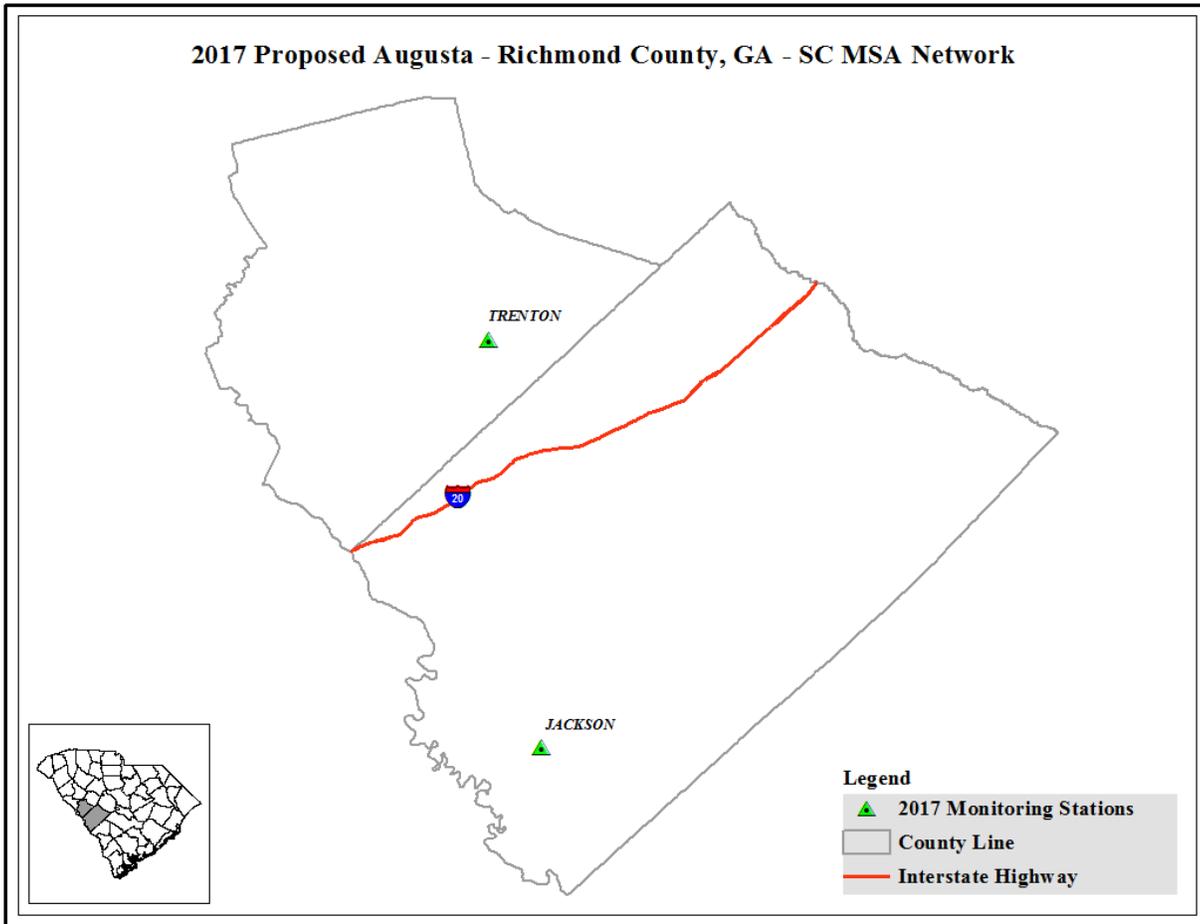
No changes planned for 2017.

Remainder of State

Due West (45-001-0001) - Site will be terminated at the conclusion of the 2016 Ozone season.

Site Descriptions

Augusta-Richmond County, GA-SC MSA (part)



Classification of Monitoring Type by Site

Site ID	Site Name	PM _{2.5}	PM _{2.5} Cont.	Speciation	PM ₁₀	Lead / TSP	Ozone	SO ₂	NO ₂	CO	Sulfate	BC	Carbonyls	SVOC	VOC's	Mercury	Precip. Chem.	Precip.	MET
45-003-0003	Jackson Middle School						●												
45-037-0001	Trenton	○	○				●												
	TOTAL	1	1	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
○ SPM / Other ● SLAMS ●●/○○ indicates duplicate / QA monitors																			

Jackson Middle School

CSA/MSA: none/Augusta-Richmond County MSA

AQS Site ID: 45-003-0003

Location: 8217 Atomic Road

County: Aiken

Coordinates: +33.34219, -81.78872

Date Established: October 24, 1985

Site Evaluation: September 20, 2015



The Jackson Middle School site is located in southwestern Aiken County, within the town limits of Jackson at the Jackson Middle School. Jackson is located in a suburban setting to monitor concentrations upwind of the Augusta urbanized area. The Jackson site monitors for Ozone. The sample inlet is 153 meters from the nearest road.

This site meets all 40 CFR Part 58 Appendix E requirements.

Changes for 2017:

There are no changes planned for 2017.

Monitors:

Parameter	Scale	Objective	Designation	Probe Height (m)	Analysis Method	Sampling Frequency
Ozone	Urban	Upwind Background	SLAMS	3.38	FEM Ultraviolet Photometry	Continuous

Trenton**CSA/MSA:** none/Augusta-Richmond County MSA**AQS Site ID:** 45-037-0001**Location:** 660 Woodyard Road (Hwy 121)**County:** Edgefield**Coordinates:** +33.73993, -81.85362**Date Established:** March 28, 1980**Site Evaluation:** September 20, 2015

The Trenton site is located in southeastern Edgefield County. Trenton was originally established to monitor for Ozone crossing into South Carolina from Georgia. The Trenton site has both FRM and continuous monitoring for PM_{2.5}. The sample inlets are 39 meters from the nearest road.

This site meets all 40 CFR Part 58 Appendix E requirements.

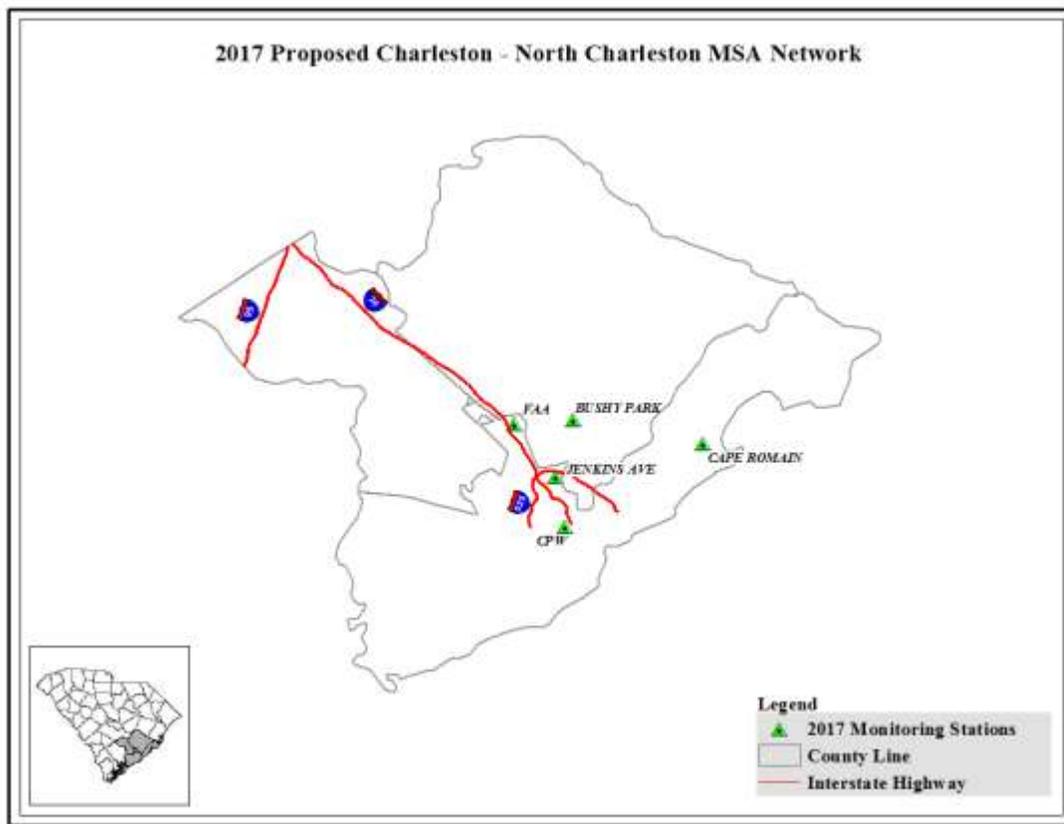
Changes for 2017:

There are no changes planned for 2017.

Monitors:

Parameter	Scale	Objective	Designation	Probe Height (m)	Analysis Method	Sampling Frequency
PM _{2.5}	Urban	Extreme Downwind	SPM	4.5	FRM Gravimetric	1:3
Continuous PM _{2.5}	Urban	Extreme Downwind	SPM	4.5	TEOM 50°C	Continuous
Ozone	Urban	Maximum Ozone Concentration / Extreme Downwind	SLAMS	3.5	FEM Ultraviolet Photometry	Continuous

Charleston-North Charleston MSA



Classification of Monitoring Type by Site

Site ID	Site Name	PM _{2.5}	PM _{2.5} Cont.	Speciation	PM ₁₀	Lead / TSP	Ozone	SO ₂	NO ₂	CO	Sulfate	BC	Carbonyls	SVOC	VOCs	Mercury	Precip Chem.	Precip.	MET
45-015-0002	Bushy Park Pump Station						●												
45-019-0003	Jenkins Ave. Fire Station				●			●	○										
45-019-0046	Cape Romain		○				●	○	○		○	○							○
45-019-0048	FAA	○○																	
45-019-0049	CPW	●	○																
	TOTAL	3	2	0	1	0	2	2	2	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1

○ SPM / Other
 ● SLAMS
 ●●/○○ indicates duplicate / QA monitors

Bushy Park Pump Station**CSA/MSA:** none/Charleston-North Charleston MSA**AQS Site ID:** 45-015-0002**Location:** River Oak Drive (Goose Creek)**County:** Berkeley**Coordinates:** +32.98724, -79.93671**Date Established:** June 20, 1978**Site Evaluation:** March 23, 2016

The Bushy Park Pump Station site is located in southeastern Berkeley County downwind from the Charleston urban area. This site monitors for Ozone, and the monitoring objective is maximum Ozone concentration. The sample inlets are 11 meters from the nearest road.

This site does not meet 40 CFR Part 58 Appendix E site obstruction requirements due to tree encroachment from the North, South, and East. It is not feasible to cut or trim the trees. Currently, a suitable replacement site is being sought. Once an appropriate site has been located and established, the Bushy Park

Pump Station site will be terminated.

Changes for 2017:

Due to tree encroachment, this site will be terminated when a suitable replacement site is established.

Monitors:

Parameter	Scale	Objective	Designation	Probe Height (m)	Analysis Method	Sampling Frequency
Ozone	Urban	Max Ozone Concentration	SLAMS	3.12	FEM Ultraviolet Photometry	Continuous

Jenkins Ave. Fire Station

CSA/MSA: none/Charleston-North Charleston MSA

AQS Site ID: 45-019-0003

Location: 4830 Jenkins Ave.

County: Charleston

Coordinates: +32.88228, -79.97755

Date Established: February 14, 1969

Site Evaluation: March 23, 2016



The Jenkins Ave. Fire Station site is located in the city of North Charleston behind a fire station in an urban and central city setting. The Jenkins Ave. Fire Station site supports monitors for PM₁₀, SO₂, and NO₂. The sample inlets are 9 meters from the nearest road.

This site meets all 40 CFR Part 58 Appendix E requirements.

Changes for 2017:

There are no changes planned for 2017.

Monitors:

Parameter	Scale	Objective	Designation	Probe Height (m)	Analysis Method	Sampling Frequency
PM ₁₀	Neighborhood	Highest Concentration	SLAMS	3.84	FEM TEOM	Continuous
Sulfur Dioxide	Neighborhood	Population Exposure	SLAMS	4.18	FEM UV Fluorescence	Continuous
Nitrogen Dioxide	Neighborhood	Highest Concentration Source Oriented	SPM	4.18	FRM Chemiluminescence	Continuous

Cape Romain

CSA/MSA: none/Charleston-North Charleston MSA

AQS Site ID: 45-019-0046

Location: 390 Bulls Island Road (Awendaw)

County: Charleston

Coordinates: +32.94101, -79.65719

Date Established: July 11, 1983

Site Evaluation: October 23, 2015



The Cape Romain site is located in Charleston County at the Cape Romain National Wildlife Refuge (NWR) near Moore's Landing. The Cape Romain NWR is a Class I area about 20 miles northeast of Charleston. The majority of the Refuge area is offshore, extending from Bull Island 20 miles northeast to Cape Romain. The Refuge is bordered on the west by the Intracoastal Waterway. Inland are large tracts of forests with scattered residences. Several miles inland, a primary coastal route, US Highway (Hwy) 17, parallels the coast, with some development along the section of highway that is closest to the Refuge.

The Cape Romain site has continuous monitors for SO₂, NO₂, Ozone, BC, Sulfate, PM_{2.5}, and meteorological parameters. The sample inlets are 18 meters from the nearest road.

All of the monitoring conducted by the DHEC meets 40 CFR Part 58 Appendix E requirements.

The IMPROVE sampler does not meet distance from obstructions criteria. This has been raised to the IMPROVE program, and they are working to either trim the trees or relocate their samplers.

Changes for 2017:

There are no changes planned for 2017.

Monitors:

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Parameter	Scale	Objective	Designation	Probe Height (m)	Analysis Method	Sampling Frequency
PM _{2.5}	Urban	General Background	SPM	4.70	TEOM 30°C	Continuous
Ozone	Regional	General Background	SLAMS	4.51	FEM Ultraviolet Photometry	Continuous
Sulfur Dioxide	Regional	Source Oriented	SPM	4.51	FEM UV Fluorescence	Continuous
Nitrogen Dioxide	Regional	General Background	SPM	4.51	FRM Chemiluminescence	Continuous
Sulfate	Regional	General Background	Non-regulatory	4.00	Catalytic thermal reduction / Pulsed	Continuous

Parameter	Scale	Objective	Designation	Probe Height (m)	Analysis Method	Sampling Frequency
					fluorescence	
Black Carbon	Regional	General Background	Non-regulatory	4.00	Optical absorption	Continuous
Wind Speed / Direction	Neighborhood	Local Conditions	Non-regulatory	10.00	Instruments for wind speed and direction, and precipitation	Continuous

FAA

CSA/MSA: none/Charleston-North Charleston MSA

AQS Site ID: 45-019-0048

Location: 2670 Elms Plantation Blvd

County: Charleston

Coordinates: +32.98024, -80.06502

Date Established: April 9, 1999

Site Evaluation: December 17, 2015



The Charleston FAA Beacon site is located in Charleston County approximately five miles northwest of the Charleston International Airport near Charleston Southern University. This site has collocated PM_{2.5} samplers. The sample inlets are 50 meters from the nearest road.

This site does not meet 40 CFR Part 58 Appendix E site obstruction requirements. The DHEC is currently working with the land owners to have the trees obstructions removed or trimmed.

Changes for 2017:

The obstructions will be corrected and brought into compliance with 40 CFR Part 58 Appendix E or the site will be terminated.

Monitors:

Parameter	Scale	Objective	Designation	Probe Height (m)	Analysis Method	Sampling Frequency
PM _{2.5}	Neighborhood	Population Exposure	SPM	2.35	FRM Gravimetric	1:1
Collocated PM _{2.5}	Neighborhood	Population Exposure	QA Collocated	2.38	FRM Gravimetric	1:6

Charleston Public Works (CPW)

CSA/MSA: none/Charleston-North Charleston MSA

AQS Site ID: 45-019-0049

Location: 360 Fishburne Street

County: Charleston

Coordinates: +32.79097, -79.95871

Date Established: November 20, 1998

Site Evaluation: December 17, 2015



The CPW site is located on the western side of the Charleston peninsula near downtown Charleston. The CPW site supports the required PM_{2.5} monitors for the MSA. The sample inlets are 28 meters from the nearest road.

This site does not meet 40 CFR Part 58 Appendix E site obstruction requirements. The DHEC is currently working with the land owners to have the trees obstructions removed or trimmed.

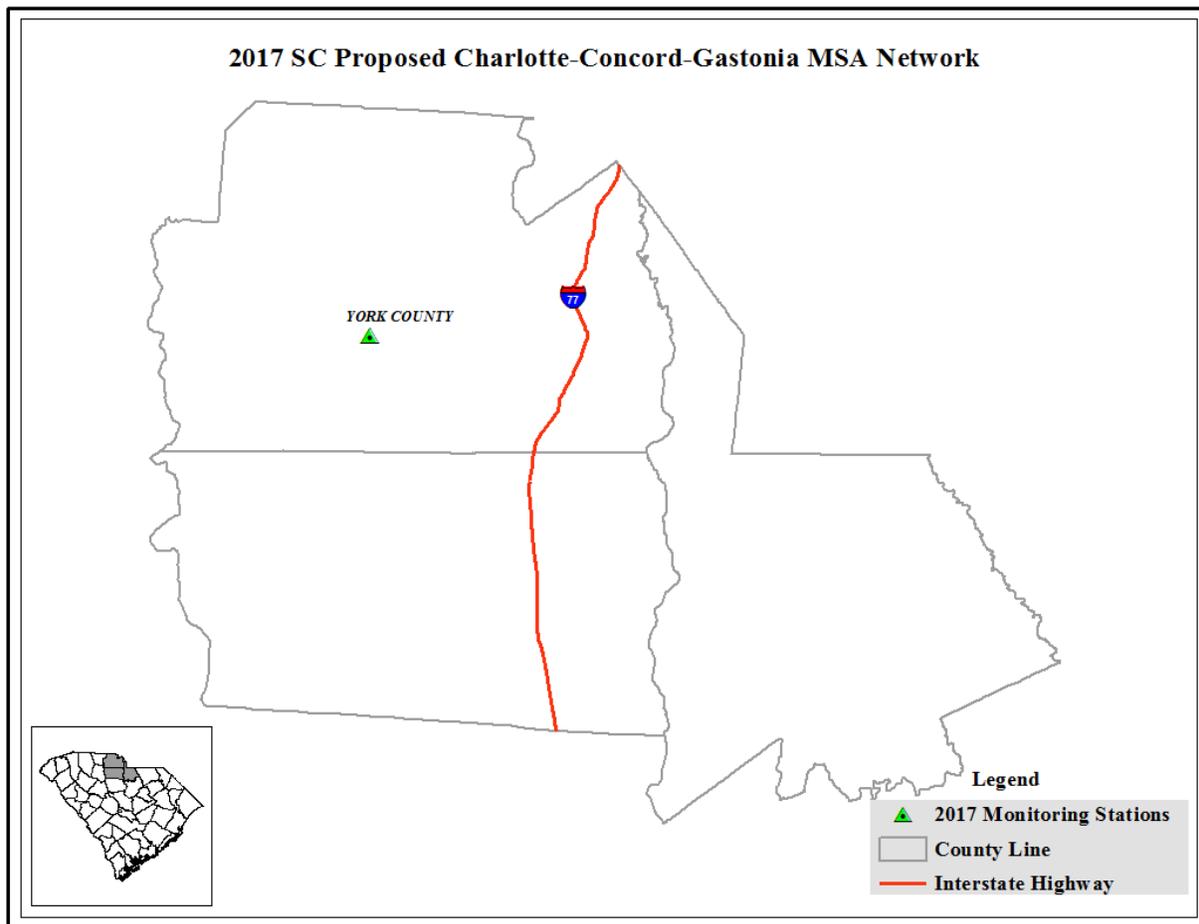
Changes for 2017:

There are no changes planned for 2017.

Monitors:

Parameter	Scale	Objective	Designation	Probe Height (m)	Analysis Method	Sampling Frequency
PM _{2.5}	Neighborhood	Population Exposure	SLAMS	2.25	FRM Gravimetric	1:1
PM _{2.5}	Neighborhood	Population Exposure	SPM	2.77	TEOM	Continuous

Charlotte-Concord-Gastonia MSA



Classification of Monitoring Type by Site

Site ID	Site Name	PM _{2.5}	PM _{2.5} Cont.	Speciation	PM ₁₀	Lead / TSP	Ozone	SO ₂	NO ₂	CO	Sulfate	BC	Carbonyls	SVOC	VOCs	Mercury	Precip. Chem.	Precip.	MET
45-091-0007	York County Site						●	○											○
	TOTAL	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
○ SPM / Other ● SLAMS																			
●●/○○ indicates duplicate / QA monitors																			

York County Site**CSA/MSA:** Charlotte-Concord CSA / Charlotte-Concord-Gastonia MSA**AQS Site ID:** 45-091-0007**Location:** Langrum Branch Rd.**County:** York**Coordinates:** +34.9776, -81.2074**Date Established:** PENDING**Site Evaluation:** PENDING

The York County site is located in south central York County in a rural setting. This site was established to replace the York Continuous Monitoring Site (45-091-0006) and represents background levels near the Charlotte urban area. The York County site has monitors for Ozone and SO₂, as well as a wind tower.

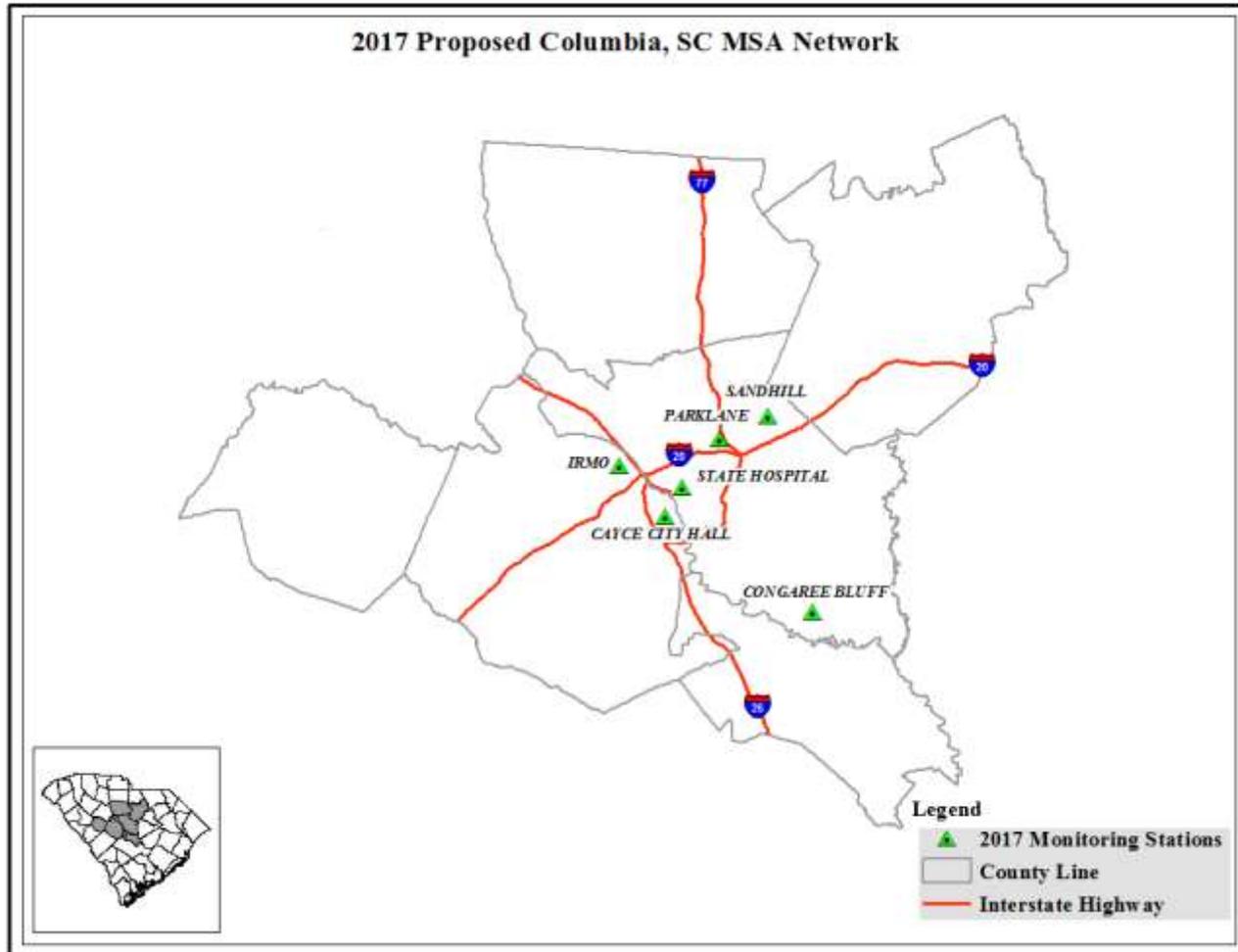
Changes for 2017:

This site is a replacement for the York Continuous Monitoring Site (45-091-0006).

Monitors:

Parameter	Scale	Objective	Designation	Probe Height (m)	Analysis Method	Sampling Frequency
Ozone	Urban	Upwind Background	SLAMS		FEM Ultraviolet Photometry	Continuous
Sulfur Dioxide	Urban	Upwind Background	SPM		FEM UV fluorescence	Continuous
Wind Speed / Direction	Neighborhood	Local Conditions	Non-regulatory		Instruments for wind speed, wind direction	Continuous

Columbia MSA



Classification of Monitoring Type by Site

Site ID	Site Name	PM _{2.5}	PM _{2.5} Cont.	Speciation	PM ₁₀	Lead /TSP	Ozone	SO ₂	NO ₂ /NO/NO _y	CO	Sulfate	BC	Carbonyls	SVOC	VOC	Mercury	Precip Chem.	Precip.	MET
45-063-0008	Irmo	●	○					○				○	○	○					
45-063-0010	Cayce City Hall				●														
45-079-0007	Parklane (NCore)	●●	○	●	○	●	●	●	●*	●				○			○	○	○
45-079-0020	State Hospital												○	○					
45-079-0021	Congaree Bluff						○	○								○	○	○	
45-079-1001	Sandhill						●												○
	TOTAL	3	2	1	2	1	3	3	2	1	0	1	2	3	0	1	2	2	2
<p>○ SPM / Other ●●/○○ indicates duplicate / QA samplers ● SLAMS/NCore *NO and NO_y are being monitored</p>																			

Irmo

CSA/MSA: Columbia-Orangeburg-Newberry CSA / Columbia MSA

AQS Site ID: 45-063-0008

Location: 200 Leisure Lane

County: Lexington

Coordinates: +34.051017, -81.15492

Date Established: April 7, 1989

Site Evaluation: April 4, 2016



The Irmo site is located in Lexington County near the Town of Irmo. This site has a sampler for PM_{2.5} and continuous monitors for SO₂, BC, and PM_{2.5}. Additionally, this site has samplers collecting Carbonyl and SVOC samples on a 1:6 schedule. The sample inlets are 43 meters from the nearest road.

This site meets all 40 CFR Part 58 Appendix E requirements.

Changes for 2017:

There are no changes planned for 2017, but changes in the property use by the land owner may require relocation of the monitors on or near the property.

Monitors:

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Parameter	Scale	Objective	Designation	Probe Height (m)	Analysis Method	Sampling Frequency
PM _{2.5}	Neighborhood	Population Exposure	SLAMS	4.95	FRM Gravimetric	1:1
PM _{2.5}	Neighborhood	Population Exposure	SPM	4.55	TEOM 30°C	Continuous
Sulfur Dioxide	Neighborhood	Source-Oriented	SPM	3.23	FEM UV fluorescence	Continuous
Black Carbon	Urban	Population Exposure / General Background	Non-regulatory	4.0	Optical absorption	Continuous
Carbonyls	Neighborhood	Population Exposure/ General Background	Non-regulatory	3.9	HPLC Ultraviolet Absorption	1:6
SVOC	Neighborhood	Population Exposure/	Non-regulatory	3.9	PUF/GCMS	1:6

Parameter	Scale	Objective	Designation	Probe Height (m)	Analysis Method	Sampling Frequency
		General Background				

Cayce City Hall

CSA/MSA: Columbia-Orangeburg-Newberry CSA / Columbia MSA

AQS Site ID: 45-063-0010

Location: 1830 Morlaine Rd.

County: Lexington

Coordinates: +33.96914, -81.06629

Date Established: December 6, 2007

Site Evaluation: December 12, 2015



The Cayce City Hall site is located in the City of Cayce and measures PM_{10} . This site was established to measure PM_{10} concentrations in populated areas and to determine the potential impact of occasional high concentrations on neighborhoods surrounding the industrialized area. The sample inlet is 32 meters from the nearest road.

This site meets all 40 CFR Part 58 Appendix E requirements.

Changes for 2017:

There are no changes planned for 2017.

Monitors:

Parameter	Scale	Objective	Designation	Probe Height (m)	Analysis Method	Sampling Frequency
PM_{10}	Neighborhood	Population Exposure	SLAMS	2.4	TEOM	Continuous

Parklane (NCore)

CSA/MSA: Columbia-Orangeburg-Newberry CSA / Columbia MSA

AQS Site ID: 45-079-0007

Location: 8311 Parklane Road

County: Richland

Coordinates: +34.09398, -80.96230

Date Established: April 3, 1980

Site Evaluation: November 3, 2015



The Parklane site is located in north central Richland County within the city limits of Columbia. Parklane was originally sited to provide downwind population exposure measurements at the edge of the Columbia urban area population and has been expanded to support the full complement of NCore parameters. The suite of samplers measure $PM_{2.5}$, speciated $PM_{2.5}$, Lead, precipitation chemistry, precipitation, and SVOC. The suite of continuous monitors measure $PM_{2.5}$, Ozone, SO_2 , CO, NO, and nitrogen oxides (NO_x). The site also provides support for demonstration, training, and equipment evaluation convenient to the DHEC's Columbia air

laboratory. The sample inlets are 57 meters from the nearest road.

This site meets all 40 CFR Part 58 Appendix E requirements

Changes for 2017:

There are no changes planned for 2017. In 2016, the Bates House (45-079-0019) site, which operated the required collocated $PM_{2.5}$ sampling, was terminated. The collocated $PM_{2.5}$ sampling was moved to Parklane to fulfill minimum monitoring requirements for the Columbia MSA.

Monitors:

*Bolded parameters are a NCore requirement.

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Parameter *Required	Scale	Objective	Designation	Probe Height (m)	Analysis Method	Sampling Frequency
$PM_{2.5}$	Neighbor-hood	Population Exposure	NCore	4.82	FRM Gravimetric	1:3
$PM_{2.5}$	Neighbor-hood	Population Exposure	SPM	4.90	TEOM	Continuous
Collocated $PM_{2.5}$	Neighbor hood	Population Exposure	QA Collocated		FRM Gravimetric	1:6
Speciated $PM_{2.5}$	Neighbor-hood	Population Exposure	NCore	2.50	CSN Protocol	1:3
PM_{10}	Neighbor-hood	Population Exposure	NCore	4.4	TEOM	Continuous
$PM_{10-2.5}$	Neighbor hood	Population Exposure	NCore	4.4	Gravimetric FRM Pair	1:3

Parameter *Required	Scale	Objective	Designation	Probe Height (m)	Analysis Method	Sampling Frequency
Lead	Neighbor -hood	Population Exposure	NCore	2.5	GFAA	1:6
Ozone	Urban	Max Ozone Concentration	NCore	4.13	FEM Ultraviolet Photometry	Continuous
Sulfur Dioxide	Neighbor -hood	Population Exposure	NCore	4.13	Pulsed Florescence	Continuous
Nitric Oxide	Neighbor -hood	Population Exposure	NCore	10	Chemi- luminesence	Continuous
NO_y	Neighbor -hood	Population Exposure	NCore	10	Chemi- luminesence	Continuous
Carbon Monoxide	Neighbor -hood	Population Exposure	NCore	4.13	Gas filter Correlation	Continuous
SVOC	Neighbor -hood	Population Exposure	SPM	2.5	PUF- GC/MS	1:6
Precipitation chemistry	Neighbor -hood	Regional Transport	Non- regulatory	1.4	Not applicable	Weekly- Tues-Tues
Precipitation	Neighbor -hood	General/ Background	Non- regulatory	1.1	Tipping bucket	Continuous and Sample
Wind Speed / Direction	Neighbor -hood	Local Conditions	Non- regulatory	10.0	Instruments for wind speed, wind direction	Continuous

State Hospital**CSA/MSA:** Columbia-Orangeburg-Newberry CSA / Columbia MSA**AQS Site ID:** 45-079-0020**Location:** 2100 Bull Street**County:** Richland**Coordinates:** +34.01549, -81.03418**Date Established:** January 7, 1999**Site Evaluation:** April 4, 2016

The State Hospital site is located in Columbia near the intersection of Elmwood Avenue and Bull Street on the grounds of the South Carolina State Hospital. State Hospital has samplers for Carbonyls and SVOC. The sample inlets are 10 meters from the nearest road.

This site meets all 40 CFR Part 58 Appendix E requirements.

Changes for 2017:

There are no changes planned for 2017. Access to this site may be lost due to recent sale and expected redevelopment of the property.

Monitors:

Parameter	Scale	Objective	Designation	Probe Height (m)	Analysis Method	Sampling Frequency
Carbonyls	Middle Scale	Highest Concentration	Non-regulatory	4.23	HPLC Ultraviolet Absorption	1:6
SVOC	Neighborhood	General / Background	Non-regulatory	2.87	PUF-GC/MS	1:6

Congaree Bluff

CSA/MSA: Columbia-Orangeburg-Newberry CSA / Columbia MSA

AQS Site ID: 45-079-0021

Location: 1850 South Cedar Creek Road

County: Richland

Coordinates: +33.81467, -80.78113

Date Established: December 27, 1999

Site Evaluation: December 15, 2015



The Congaree Bluff site is located in southern Richland County. The site is located in a rural setting within the boundaries of the Congaree National Park. The Congaree Bluff monitoring continues a data record begun in 1981 with the establishment of the Congaree Swamp site (45-079-1006). The original site was established in cooperation with the Department of the Interior and the support of the General Assembly to provide long term monitoring in this unique area. The Congaree Swamp site was located in the flood plain and had to be relocated to the current Congaree Bluff site in 2001. Monitoring activities at this site are intended to represent conditions found in the National Park only.

The Congaree Bluff site has monitors for Ozone, SO₂, Mercury (vapor), precipitation and precipitation chemistry. The sample inlets are 191 meters from the nearest road.

This site does not meet 40 CFR Part 58 Appendix E requirements due to tree encroachment, but a waiver has been granted by EPA for these site obstructions.

Changes for 2017:

Scale for Ozone and Sulfur Dioxide was changed from Urban to Neighborhood to meet Site Waiver requirements.

Monitors:

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Parameter	Scale	Objective	Designation	Probe Height (m)	Analysis Method	Sampling Frequency
Ozone	Neighborhood	General / Background	SPM	4.23	FEM Ultraviolet Photometry	Continuous
Sulfur Dioxide	Neighborhood	General / Background	SPM	4.23	FEM UV Fluorescence	Continuous
Mercury (vapor)	Urban	Source Oriented	Non-regulatory	4.23	Cold Vapor Atomic Fluorescence	Continuous

Parameter	Scale	Objective	Designation	Probe Height (m)	Analysis Method	Sampling Frequency
Precipitation chemistry	Regional	Regional Transport	Non-regulatory	1.5	IC	Weekly-Tue-Tue
Precipitation	Neighborhood	General/Background	Non-regulatory	1.73	Tipping Bucket	Continuous and Sample

Sandhill Experimental Station

CSA/MSA: Columbia-Orangeburg-Newberry CSA / Columbia MSA

AQS Site ID: 45-079-1001

Location: 900 Clemson Road

County: Richland

Coordinates: +34.13126, -80.86832

Date Established: January 1, 1959

Site Evaluation: November 10, 2015



The Sandhill Experimental Station site is located in northeastern Richland County, downwind from the Columbia metropolitan area. This site is located in a rapidly urbanizing portion of the city of Columbia. The Sandhill site measures Ozone, wind direction, and wind speed. The sample inlets are 33 meters from the nearest road.

This site meets all 40 CFR Part 58 Appendix E requirements.

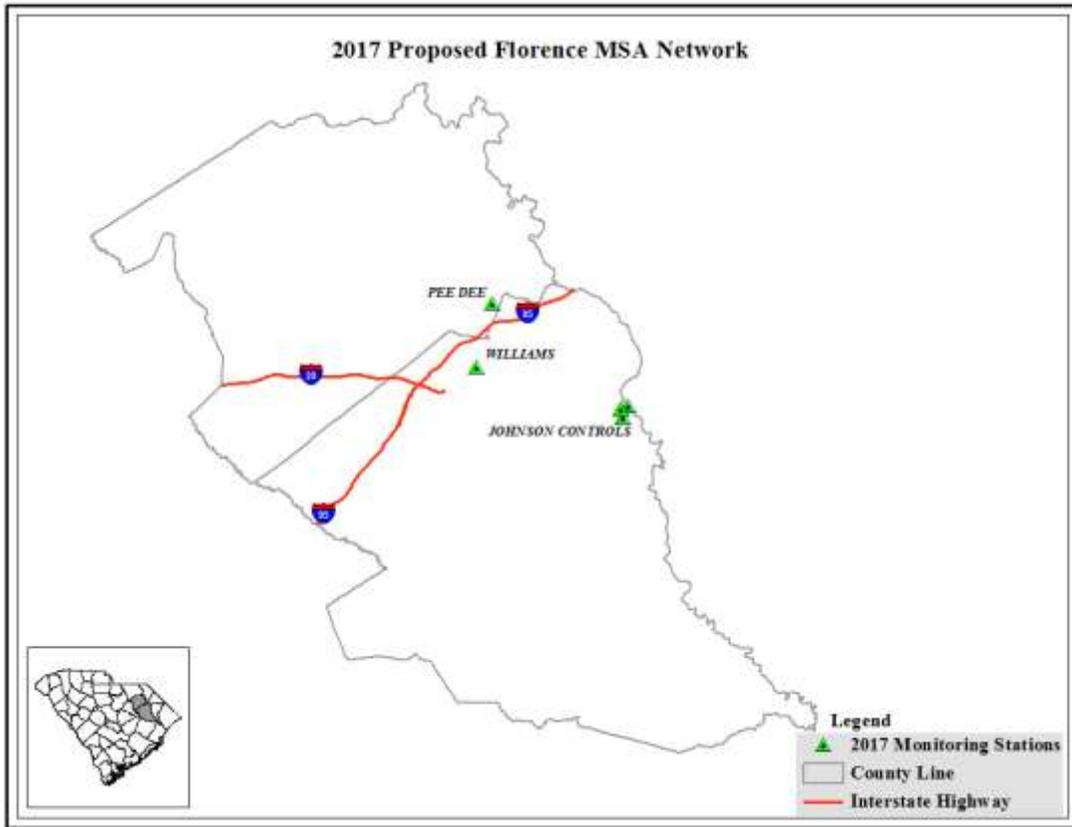
Changes for 2017:

There are no changes planned for 2017.

Monitors:

Parameter	Scale	Objective	Designation	Probe Height (m)	Analysis Method	Sampling Frequency
Ozone	Urban	Max Ozone Concentration	SLAMS	4.15	FEM Ultraviolet Photometry	Continuous
Wind Speed / Direction	Neighborhood	Local Conditions	Non-regulatory	10.0	Instruments for wind speed and wind direction	Continuous

Florence MSA



Classification of Monitoring Type by Site

Site ID	Site Name	PM _{2.5}	PM _{2.5} Cont.	Speciation	PM ₁₀	Lead / TSP	Ozone	SO ₂	NO ₂	CO	Sulfate	BC	Carbonyls	SVOC	VOCs	Mercury	Precip Chem.	Precip.	MET
45-031-0003	Pee Dee Exp. Station						●												
45-041-0003	Williams Middle School	●	○																
45-041-8001, 8002, 8003	Johnson Controls					○*													
	TOTAL	1	1	0	0	4	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

○ SPM / Other
 ● SLAMS
 ●●/○○ indicates duplicate / QA monitors
 * See details on page for number of samplers

Pee Dee Experimental Station

CSA/MSA: none/Florence MSA

AQS Site ID: 45-031-0003

Location: 2200 Pocket Road (Darlington)

County: Darlington

Coordinates: +34.28569, -79.74485

Date Established: February 25, 1993

Site Evaluation: March 29, 2016



The Pee Dee Experimental Station site is located in northeastern Darlington County. This site serves as the required Ozone monitor in the Florence MSA. The sample inlets are 91 meters from the nearest road.

This site meets all 40 CFR Part 58 Appendix E requirements.

Changes for 2017:

There are no changes planned for 2017.

Monitors:

Parameter	Scale	Objective	Designation	Probe Height (m)	Analysis Method	Sampling Frequency
Ozone	Urban	Max Ozone Concentration/ General Background	SLAMS	3.92	FEM Ultraviolet Photometry	Continuous

Williams Middle School**CSA/MSA:** none/Florence MSA**AQS Site ID:** 45-041-0003**Location:** 1119 N. Irby Street**County:** Florence**Coordinates:** +34.21427, -79.76735**Date Established:** August 4, 2008**Site Evaluation:** May 29, 2015

The Williams Middle School site is located in Florence County. The DHEC established the Williams site to meet the 40 CFR Part 58 Appendix D requirements for objective and collocated continuous monitoring and reporting.

The Florence MSA has one PM_{2.5} sampler. A collocated continuous monitor is also required to provide timely reporting of concentrations to the public. The sample inlets are 91 meters from the nearest road.

This site meets all 40 CFR Part 58 Appendix E requirements.

Changes for 2017:

There are no changes planned for 2017.

Monitors:

Parameter	Scale	Objective	Designation	Probe Height (m)	Analysis Method	Sampling Frequency
PM _{2.5}	Neighborhood	Population Exposure Highest Concentration	SLAMS	2.70	FRM Gravimetric	1:3
PM _{2.5}	Neighborhood	Population Exposure Highest Concentration	SPM	3.04	TEOM	Continuous

Johnson Controls (3 Sites-JCI Railroad, JCI Entrance, JCI Woods)

CSA/MSA: none/Florence MSA

AQS Site ID: 45-041-8001, 8002, 8003

Location: Liberty Chapel @ Bethel Rd., Liberty Chapel @ Paper Mill Rd., Liberty Chapel @ Paper Mill Rd.

County: Florence

Coordinates: +34.15567, -79.56981; +34.16413, -79.572330; +34.16747, -79.56266

Dates Established: January 4-10, 2012

Site Evaluation: April 9, 2015



Johnson Controls Incorporated (JCI) is located in Florence County. On May 7, 2010, the DHEC issued an air synthetic minor construction permit to Johnson Controls Battery Group for the Florence Recycling Center (Permit No. 1040-0129-CA). Under a settlement agreement⁷ with several petitioners, the Florence Recycling Center will conduct source-oriented ambient Lead monitoring at three locations around the facility.

Sampling frequency may be increased if needed for special investigations.

The JCI Railroad (45-041-0001) site meets all 40 CFR Part 58 Appendix E requirements.

The JCI Entrance (45-041-0002) site does not meet 40 CFR Part 58 Appendix E site obstruction requirements due to tree encroachment. The DHEC is working with land owner to have the trees trimmed or removed.

The JCI Woods (45-041-0003) site does not meet 40 CFR Part 58 Appendix E site obstruction requirements due to tree encroachment. The DHEC is working with land owner to have the trees trimmed or removed.

Changes for 2017:

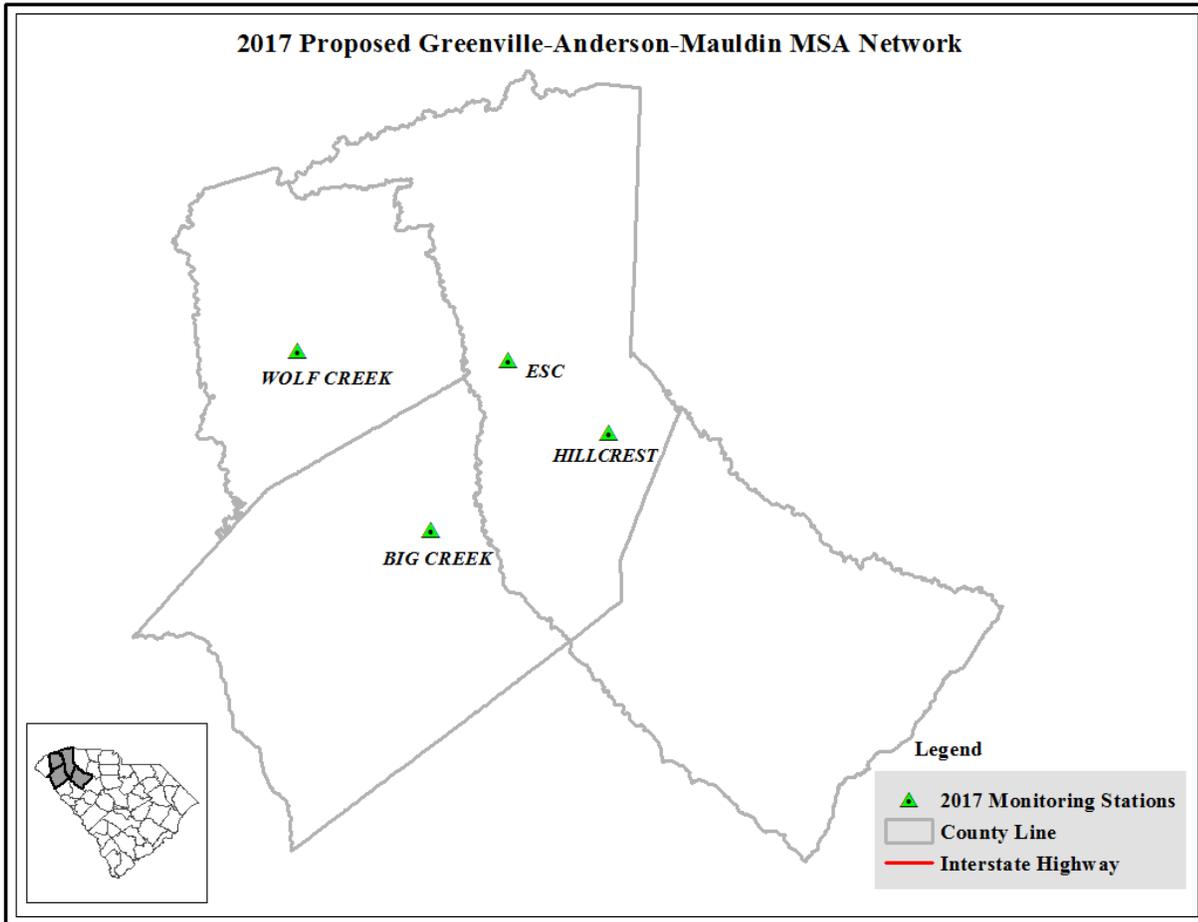
There are no changes planned for 2017.

Monitors:

Site ID	Parameter	Scale	Objective	Designation	Probe Height (m)	Analysis Method	Sampling Frequency*
041-8001	Lead	Middle	Source oriented	SPM	2.4	GFAA or ICP/MS	1:6
041-8002	Lead	Middle	Source oriented	SPM	2.5	GFAA or ICP/MS	1:6
041-8002	Collocated Lead	Middle	Source oriented	SPM	2.5	GFAA or ICP/MS	1:6
041-8003	Lead	Middle	Source oriented	SPM	2.5	GFAA or ICP/MS	1:6

*Sampling frequency no less than 1:6

Greenville-Anderson-Mauldin MSA



Classification of Monitoring Type by Site

Site ID	Site Name	PM _{2.5}	PM _{2.5} Cont.	Speciation	PM ₁₀	Lead /TSP	Ozone	SO ₂	NO ₂	CO	Sulfate	BC	Carbonyls	SVOC	VOCs	Mercury	Precip Chem.	Precip.	MET
45-007-0005	Big Creek						●												
45-045-0015	Greenville ESC	●	○		●			●	●			○							○
45-045-0016	Hillcrest	●●					●												
45-077-0003	Wolf Creek						○												
	TOTAL	3	1	0	1	0	3	1	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
○ SPM / Other ● SLAMS ●●/○○ indicates duplicate / QA samplers																			

Big Creek**CSA/MSA:** Greenville-Spartanburg-Anderson CSA / Greenville-Anderson-Mauldin MSA**AQS Site ID:** 45-007-0005**Location:** 215 McAlister Road**County:** Anderson**Coordinates:** +34.62324, -82.53206**Date Established:** June 4, 2008**Site Evaluation:** December 4, 2012

The Big Creek site is located northeast of the City of Anderson. The site was established to represent maximum Ozone concentrations in the Anderson MSA, downwind of Anderson and upwind background for the Greenville MSA. In February 2013, the MSA definitions were changed, and this site is now contained within the Greenville-Anderson-Mauldin MSA. The sample inlet is 49 feet from the nearest road.

This site meets all 40 CFR Part 58 Appendix E requirements.

Changes for 2017:

There are no changes planned for 2017.

Monitors:

Parameter	Scale	Objective	Designation	Probe Height (m)	Analysis Method	Sampling Frequency
Ozone	Urban	Max Ozone Concentration / Upwind Background	SLAMS	4.24	FEM Ultraviolet Photometry	Continuous

Greenville Employment Security Commission (ESC)

CSA/MSA: Greenville-Spartanburg-Anderson CSA / Greenville-Anderson-Mauldin MSA

AQS Site ID: 45-045-0015

Location: 133 Perry Avenue

County: Greenville

Coordinates: +34.84389, -82.41458

Date Established: April 11, 2008

Site Evaluation: April 25, 2016



The Greenville ESC site is located in the city of Greenville and was established on April 11, 2008. This site supports a FRM PM_{2.5} sampler and a continuous FEM TEOM monitoring for PM_{2.5}. It also supports PM₁₀, SO₂, NO₂, Sulfate, BC, and measurements for wind speed and wind direction. The sample inlets are 15 meters from the nearest road.

The EPA Region 4 has selected this site as one of the locations for a Regional Administrator required NO₂ monitor to help protect susceptible and vulnerable populations as required by 40 CFR, Part 58, Appendix D, Section 4.3.4.

This site does not meet 40 CFR Part 58 Appendix E requirements due to tree encroachment, but a reissuance of a Site Waiver has been requested from EPA.

Changes for 2017:

There are no changes planned for 2017.

Monitors:

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Parameter	Scale	Objective	Designation	Probe Height (m)	Analysis Method	Sampling Frequency
PM _{2.5}	Neighborhood	Population Exposure / Welfare Related Impacts	SLAMS	3.39	FRM Gravimetric	1:1
PM _{2.5}	Neighborhood	Population Exposure Required FEM Collocation	SPM	4.40	FEM TEOM	Continuous
PM ₁₀	Neighborhood	Population Exposure	SLAMS	4.35	FEM TEOM	Continuous
Sulfur Dioxide	Neighborhood	Population Exposure	SLAMS	4.51	FEM UV fluorescence	Continuous

Parameter	Scale	Objective	Designation	Probe Height (m)	Analysis Method	Sampling Frequency
Nitrogen Dioxide	Neighborhood	Population Exposure	SLAMS	4.51	FRM Chemiluminescence	Continuous
Black Carbon	Neighborhood	Population Exposure / General Background	Non-regulatory	4.44	Optical absorption	Continuous
Wind Speed / Direction	Neighborhood	Local Conditions	Non-regulatory	10.00	Instruments for wind speed and wind direction	Continuous

Hillcrest Middle School

CSA/MSA: Greenville-Spartanburg-Anderson CSA / Greenville-Anderson-Mauldin MSA

AQS Site ID: 45-045-0016

Location: 510 Garrison Road

County: Greenville

Coordinates: +34.75185, -82.25670

Date Established: February 17, 2009

Site Evaluation: April 18, 2016



The Hillcrest Middle School site represents suburban areas near the interstate corridors in the Greenville MSA. Initiated in 2008, this site was selected as a monitoring location based on results of the Greenville MSA Ozone study. This site supports an Ozone monitor, a FRM PM_{2.5} sampler, and a collocated PM_{2.5} sampler. The sample inlets are 61 meters from the nearest road.

This site meets all 40 CFR Part 58 Appendix E requirements.

Changes for 2017:

There are no changes planned for 2017.

Monitors:

Parameter	Scale	Objective	Designation	Probe Height (m)	Analysis Method	Sampling Frequency
PM _{2.5}	Urban	Population Exposure	SLAMS	3.48	FRM Gravimetric	1:3
Collocated PM _{2.5}	Urban	Population Exposure	QA Collocated	3.48	FRM Gravimetric	1:3
Ozone	Urban	Population Exposure	SLAMS	3.81	FEM Ultraviolet Photometry	Continuous

Wolf Creek

CSA/MSA: Greenville-Spartanburg-Anderson CSA / Greenville-Anderson-Mauldin MSA

AQS Site ID: 45-077-0003

Location: 901 Allgood Bridge Road

County: Pickens

Coordinates: +34.85154, -82.74458

Date Established: August 10, 2010

Site Evaluation: April 25, 2016



The Wolf Creek site is located in central Pickens County and was established to gain an understanding of ambient Ozone concentrations in this area.

In 2013, Anderson County was reincorporated into a Greenville-Anderson-Mauldin MSA. The DHEC will continue to evaluate the Greenville-Spartanburg-Anderson CSA network to determine the configuration of Ozone monitors that most appropriately represents Ozone concentrations in the area. The sample inlet is 71 meters from the nearest road.

This site meets all 40 CFR Part 58 Appendix E requirements.

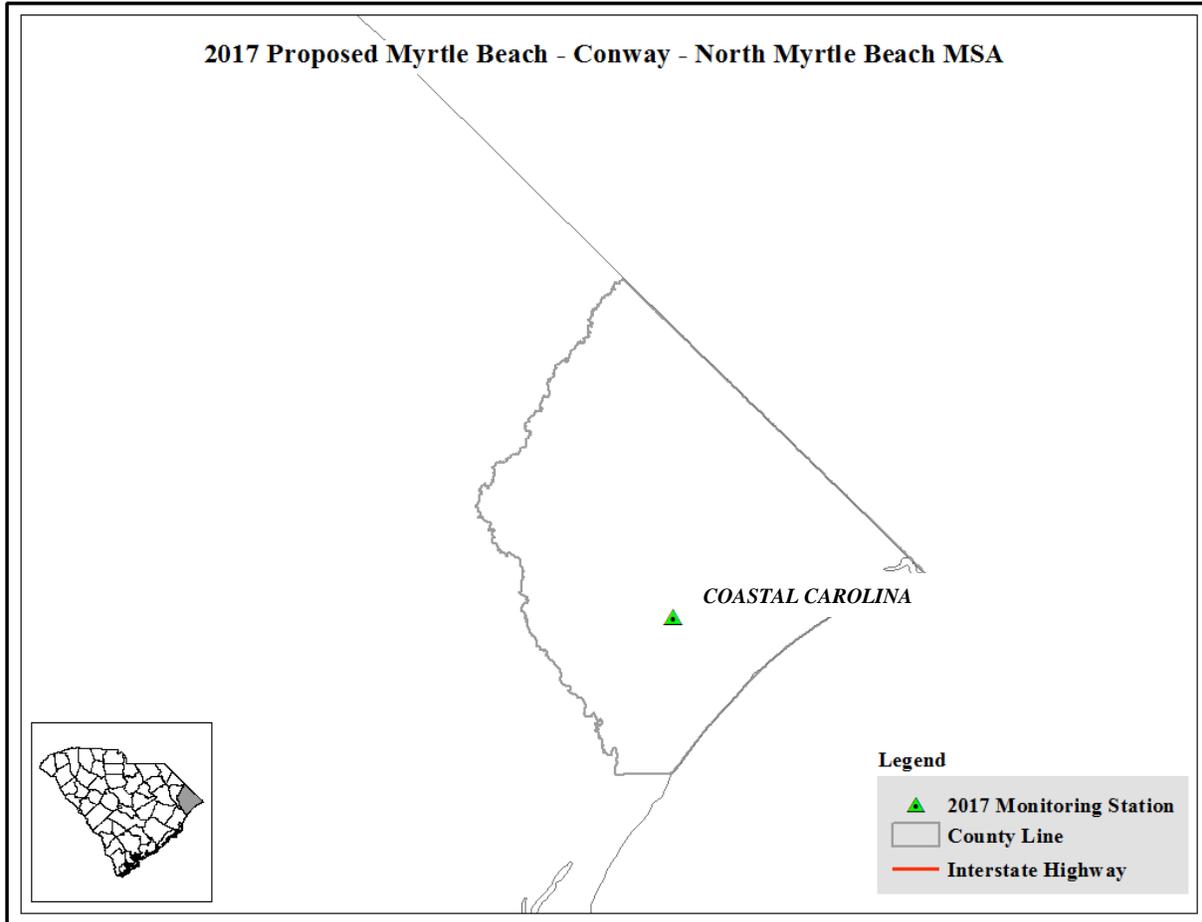
Changes for 2017:

There are no changes planned for 2017. The DHEC continues to evaluate the Greenville MSA Ozone network to determine the configuration of Ozone monitors that most appropriately represent Ozone concentrations across the area.

Monitors:

Parameter	Scale	Objective	Designation	Probe Height (m)	Analysis Method	Sampling Frequency
Ozone	Urban	General / Background	SPM	2.77	FEM Ultraviolet Photometry	Continuous

Myrtle Beach-Conway-North Myrtle Beach, SC-NC MSA



Classification of Monitoring Type by Site

Site ID	Site Name	PM _{2.5}	PM _{2.5} Cont.	Speciation	PM ₁₀	Lead / TSP	Ozone	SO ₂	NO ₂	CO	Sulfate	BC	Carbonyls	SVOC	VOCs	Mercury	Precip Chem.	Precip.	MET	
45-051-0008	Coastal Carolina						●													○
	TOTAL	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
○ SPM / Other ● SLAMS ●●/○○ indicates duplicate / QA monitors																				

Coastal Carolina**CSA/MSA:** Myrtle Beach-Conway-North Myrtle Beach, SC-NC MSA**AQS Site ID:** 45-051-0008**Location:** Century Circle**County:** Horry**Coordinates:** 33.8007, -78.9939**Date Established:** 2016**Site Evaluation:** PENDING

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In February 2013, OMB combined Horry County with Brunswick County, NC to establish the Myrtle Beach-Conway-North Myrtle Beach, SC-NC MSA. In order to meet the minimum monitoring criteria in 40 CFR Part 58 Appendix D, at least one Ozone monitor is required in the MSA. In conjunction with the State of North Carolina, local government, and stakeholders, DHEC established the Horry County Ozone site in the summer of 2016 to be representative of expected maximum Ozone concentrations in northeast South Carolina.

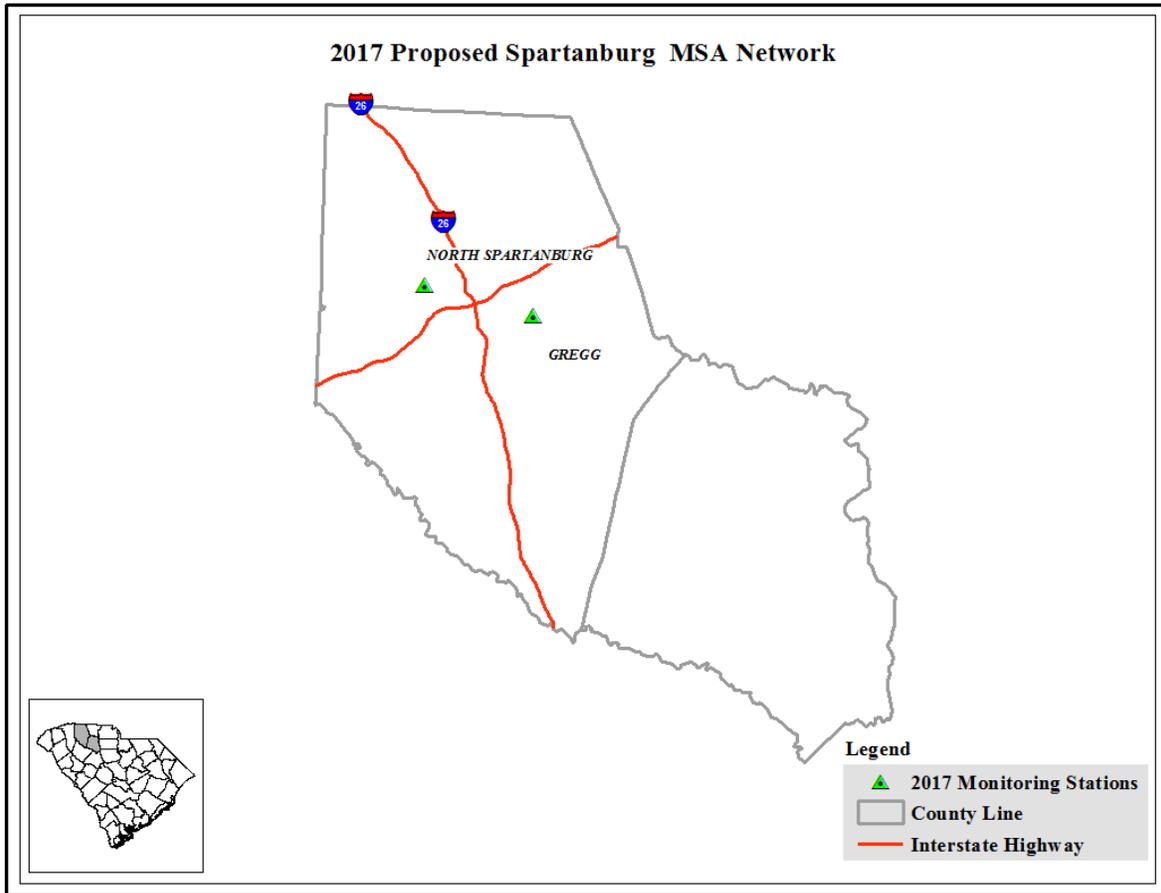
Changes for 2017:

There are no changes planned for 2017.

Monitors:

Parameter	Scale	Objective	Designation	Probe Height (m)	Analysis Method	Sampling Frequency
Ozone	Urban	Max Concentration	SLAMS		FEM Ultraviolet Photometry	Continuous
Wind Speed / Direction	Neighborhood	Local Conditions	Non-regulatory		Instruments for wind speed and wind direction	Continuous

Spartanburg MSA



Classification of Monitoring Type by Site

Site ID	Site Name	PM _{2.5}	PM _{2.5} Cont.	Speciation	PM ₁₀	Lead /TSP	Ozone	SO ₂	NO ₂	CO	Sulfate	BC	Carbonyls	SVOC	VOCs	Mercury	Precip Chem.	Precip.	MET
45-083-0009	North Spartanburg Fire Station #2						●												
45-083-0011	T.K. Gregg	●	○																
	TOTAL	1	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
○ SPM / Other ● SLAMS ●●/○○ indicates duplicate / QA samplers																			

North Spartanburg Fire Station #2

CSA/MSA: Greenville-Spartanburg-Anderson CSA / Spartanburg MSA

AQS Site ID: 45-083-0009

Location: 1556 John Dodd Road

County: Spartanburg

Coordinates: +34.98874, -82.07573

Date Established: April 4, 1990

Site Evaluation: February 29, 2016



The North Spartanburg Fire Station #2 site is located in rural Spartanburg County, northwest of the City of Spartanburg. This site supports an Ozone monitor and was established as a maximum Ozone concentration monitor for the Greenville-Spartanburg-Anderson urban area on April 4, 1990. This monitor is designated SLAMS and fulfills the requirement for a maximum concentration site for the Spartanburg MSA. The sample inlet is 85 meters from the nearest road.

This site meets all 40 CFR Part 58 Appendix E requirements.

Changes for 2017:

There are no changes planned for 2017.

Monitors:

Parameter	Scale	Objective	Designation	Probe Height (m)	Analysis Method	Sampling Frequency
Ozone	Urban	Max Ozone Concentration	SLAMS	3.9	FEM Ultraviolet Photometry	Continuous

T.K. Gregg Recreation Center

CSA/MSA: Greenville-Spartanburg-Anderson CSA / Spartanburg MSA

AQS Site ID: 45-083-0011

Location: 267 Northview Street

County: Spartanburg

Coordinates: +34.95557, -81.92480

Date Established: December 29, 2008

Site Evaluation: February 29, 2016



The T. K Gregg Recreation Center site is located in Spartanburg County. With the cooperation of local government and stakeholders, the DHEC established this PM_{2.5} site in the downtown Spartanburg area to meet the 40 CFR Part 58 Appendix D requirements for monitoring objective and collocated continuous monitoring and reporting. This site also supports a collocated PM_{2.5} continuous monitor for the Spartanburg MSA. The sample inlets are 49 meters from the nearest road.

This site meets all 40 CFR Part 58 Appendix E requirements.

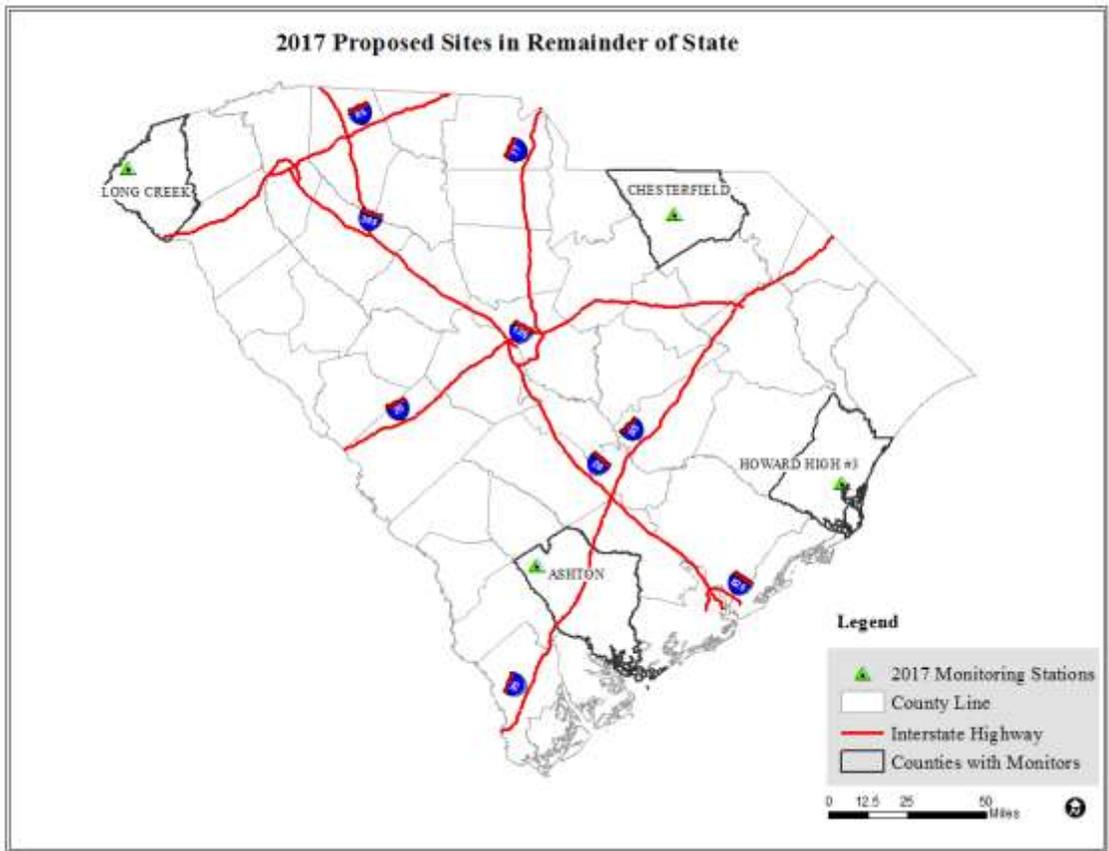
Changes for 2017:

There are no changes planned for 2017.

Monitors:

Parameter	Scale	Objective	Designation	Probe Height (m)	Analysis Method	Sampling Frequency
PM _{2.5}	Neighborhood	Highest Concentration	SLAMS	2.5	FRM Gravimetric	1:1
PM _{2.5}	Neighborhood	Highest Concentration	SPM	2.5	TEOM	Continuous

Remainder of State



Classification of Monitoring Type by Site

Site ID	Site Name	PM _{2.5}	PM _{2.5} Cont.	Speciation	PM ₁₀	Lead	Ozone	SO ₂	NO ₂	CO	Sulfate	BC	Carbonyls	SVOC	VOCs	Mercury	Precip Chem.	Precip.	MET	
45-025-0001	Chesterfield	●	○	○	○○		○					○	○	○	○					○
45-029-0002	Ashton		●				○													
45-043-0011	Howard High School #3				○															
45-073-0001	Long Creek		○				○	○												
	TOTAL	1	3	1	3	0	3	1	0	0	0	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	1
○ SPM / Other ● SLAMS ●●/○○ indicates duplicate QA monitors																				

Chesterfield (NATTS)**CSA/MSA:** none/none**AQS Site ID:** 45-025-0001**Location:** SC Hwy 145, McBee (Route 2 Box 100)**County:** Chesterfield**Coordinates:** +34.61538, -80.19878**Date Established:** January 6, 2000**Site Evaluation:** March 29, 2016

The Chesterfield site is located in central Chesterfield County. The Chesterfield site has continuous monitors for BC, PM_{2.5}, Ozone, and meteorological parameters. Sampling is done for PM_{2.5} and PM₁₀. This site also serves as the required regional transport site for PM_{2.5}. In addition to the CSN protocol PM_{2.5} speciation sampling, this site is a precision site with collocated FRM samplers for PM_{2.5} and PM₁₀. The sample inlets are 45 meters from the nearest road. The Chesterfield site is also a rural National Air Toxics Trends Site (NATTS) which includes Carbonyls, VOC, SVOC, and metals sampling.

This site meets all 40 CFR Part 58 Appendix E requirements.

Changes for 2017:

There are no changes planned for 2017.

Federal funding for speciation sampling at this site was eliminated in 2015. Speciation sampling will continue as long as state resources are available.

Monitors:

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Parameter	Scale	Objective	Designation	Probe Height (m)	Analysis Method	Sampling Frequency
PM _{2.5}	Regional	Regional Transport	SLAMS	4.83	FRM Gravimetric	1:3
PM _{2.5}	Regional	Regional Transport	SPM	3.86	TEOM - 50° C	Continuous
Speciated PM _{2.5}	Regional	Regional Transport	Supplimental Speciation	3.96	CSN Protocol	1:6
PM ₁₀	Regional	General / Background	SPM	2.43	Gravimetric ICP/MS	1:6
Collocated PM ₁₀	Regional	General / Background	QA Collocated	2.43	Gravimetric	1:6

Parameter	Scale	Objective	Designation	Probe Height (m)	Analysis Method	Sampling Frequency
Ozone	Regional	General / Background	SPM	4.64	FEM Ultraviolet Photometry	Continuous
Black Carbon	Neighborhood	General / Background	Non-regulatory	3.92	Optical absorption	Continuous
Carbonyls	Urban	NATTS	Non-regulatory	3.00	DNPH/IC	1:6
SVOC	Urban	NATTS	SPM	3.00	PUF/GCMS	1:6
Volatile Organic Compounds	Urban	NATTS	Non-regulatory	3.00	Canister/GCMS	1:6
Wind speed / direction	Neighborhood	Local Conditions	Non-regulatory	10.00	Instruments for wind speed and direction	Continuous

Ashton**CSA/MSA:** none/none**AQS Site ID:** 45-029-0002**Location:** Ashton Road (S-13-18) Islandton**County:** Colleton**Coordinates:** +33.00784 -80.96504**Date Established:** March 7, 1990**Site Evaluation:** October 22, 2015

The Ashton site is located in northwestern Colleton County and was established on March 7, 1990. The site serves as a required regional background for PM_{2.5}, representing one of two major and different physiographic regions in South Carolina. It also monitors Ozone concentrations. The sample inlets are 8 meters from the nearest road.

This site does not meet 40 CFR Part 58 Appendix E site obstruction requirements. The DHEC is working with the land owners to remove or trim the trees.

Changes for 2017:

There are no changes planned for 2017.

Monitors:

Parameter	Scale	Objective	Designation	Probe Height (m)	Analysis Method	Sampling Frequency
PM _{2.5}	Regional	General / Background	SLAMS	4.40	TEOM 50°C	Continuous
Ozone	Urban	General / Background	SPM	4.70	FEM Ultraviolet Photometry	Continuous

Howard High School #3**CSA/MSA:** Myrtle Beach-Conway SC, NC CSA/none**AQS Site ID:** 45-043-0011**Location:** 594 Gilbert Street**County:** Georgetown**Coordinates:** +33.36892, -79.29662**Date Established:** July, 15 2008**Site Evaluation:** July 28, 2015

The Howard High #3 site is located in Georgetown County on the grounds of Howard High School and supports a PM₁₀ monitor. PM₁₀ monitoring in this area of Georgetown has been ongoing since 1970, when the original Howard High site was established. The sample inlet is 55 meters from the nearest road.

This site meets all 40 CFR Part 58 Appendix E requirements.

Changes for 2017:

There are no changes planned for 2017.

Monitors:

Parameter	Scale	Objective	Designation	Probe Height (m)	Analysis Method	Sampling Frequency
PM ₁₀	Neighborhood	Population Exposure/ Highest Concentration	SPM	2.23	TEOM	Continuous

Long Creek**CSA/MSA:** Greenville-Spartanburg-Anderson CSA/ none**AQS Site ID:** 45-073-0001**Location:** Round Mt. Tower Rd.**County:** Oconee**Coordinates:** +34.80524, -83.23779**Date Established:** August 1, 1983**Site Evaluation:** April 8, 2016

The Long Creek site is located on Round Mountain in northwest Oconee County. The Long Creek site was also established as part of the Southern Oxidant Study. It provides a unique vantage point for monitoring the impacts of transported pollutants. Long Creek has continuous monitors for Ozone, SO₂, and PM_{2.5}. The sample inlets are 11 meters from the nearest road.

Due to the importance of measuring region-wide SO₂, PM_{2.5}, and Ozone concentrations, the unique location, and collocated monitoring activity, the DHEC has determined that current monitoring at this site should be continued.

This site meets all 40 CFR Part 58 Appendix E requirements.

Changes for 2017:

There are no changes planned for 2017.

Monitors:

Parameter	Scale	Objective	Designation	Probe Height (m)	Analysis Method	Sampling Frequency
PM _{2.5}	Urban	General / Background	SPM	4.14	FEM TEOM	Continuous
Ozone	Regional	General / Background	SPM	4.22	FEM Ultraviolet Photometry	Continuous
Sulfur Dioxide	Regional	Regional Transport	SPM	4.22	FEM UV fluorescence	Continuous

Network Development

The Monitoring Network provides data to support an array of decisions ranging from development of emissions strategies to protect and improve air quality to the level of activity appropriate for individuals in sensitive populations. To support these varied data users, the network must provide both stable, long-term measures to document trends and rapid reporting of conditions to the public. In response to land use, population, and urban areas growth, the network must be evaluated and adjusted to meet the changing conditions and needs.

The Monitoring Network described in this plan continues to build upon a significant transition from the network that has evolved over the last thirty-five years. It reflects the successes in reducing ambient concentrations of TSP, Lead, CO, NO₂, and SO₂, and the increasing concern about the impact of fine particles and Ozone on public health and the environment.

A series of studies are planned for the major urban areas, as resources permit, to gain better understanding of the air quality, and provide information to improve the monitoring network. In addition to the intensive studies that provide a detailed ‘snapshot,’ it is intended that SPM sites be established and monitored in rotation to provide regular checks and long term tracking of the trends in air quality in all areas of the state including smaller cities, towns, and rural areas. The implementation of this long term strategy is contingent on sufficient federal funding to support the core-required monitoring and will be developed and evaluated as resources become available. Project plans will be developed for the monitoring and data analysis activity to better define the scope of these strategies prior to implementation. These studies are long term needs the DHEC has identified and are important tools for evaluating and improving the representativeness of the ambient air monitoring network and our knowledge of air quality in the State.

Areas where long term strategies are being considered include:

- Near road NO₂ Monitoring Network Implementation – the 2010 Primary National Ambient Air Quality Standards for Nitrogen Dioxide and the 2013 Revision to Ambient Nitrogen Dioxide Monitoring Requirements requires each CBSA having 1,000,000 or more persons to have one near-road NO₂ monitor operational by January 1, 2014 and each CBSA having 500,000 or more persons (but less than 1,000,000), to have one near-road NO₂ monitor operational by January 1, 2017. The DHEC, in conjunction with local stakeholders, will apply the methodology found in The Near Road NO₂ Monitoring Technical Assistance Document, identify an appropriate list of road segments, and propose these sites to the EPA.
- Charleston Port Monitoring – the Charleston Port Expansion project has a projected completion date of 2017-2019. At that time, the DHEC will work with local stakeholders to identify and establish an appropriate PM_{2.5} site.
- Columbia MSA Ozone Study – an addition of supplementary SPM Ozone sites may be added to investigate variability and refine the monitoring network to meet monitoring objectives.

APPENDIX A: Summary of Public Comments Received

Below is a summary of the comments received and the DHEC's response. A copy of the comments received will be submitted with this Monitoring Plan.

APPENDIX B: Termination Requests

The Table below contains information on the monitoring sites the DHEC has scheduled for discontinuance.

Site	ID	Date Established	Notes
Due West	45-001-0001	04/02/1991	The DHEC has determined that the Ozone monitoring at this site provides little value in supporting Ozone reduction strategies in the western part of the state.
Clemson CMS	45-077-0002	07/14/1979	The DHEC has determined that the Ozone monitoring at this site is duplicative and will be discontinued at the conclusion of the 2016 Ozone season.

Termination requests

The Department requests approval for termination of the Due West Site in Abbeville County, South Carolina. Basic site and monitor information is contained in the table below.

Due West

CSA/MSA: Greenville-Spartanburg-Anderson CSA/ None

AQS Site ID: 45-001-0001

Location: 59 Jim Scott Lane

County: Abbeville

Coordinates: +34.32527, -82.38653

Date Established: April 2, 1991

Site Evaluation: May 7, 2013



The Due West site is located in northeastern Abbeville County. In addition to monitoring for Ozone, Due West has a gauge for precipitation and a sampler for precipitation chemistry. The sample inlets are 76 meters from the nearest road.

Changes for 2017:

This site will be terminated.

Monitors:

Parameter	Scale	Objective	Designation	Probe Height (m)	Analysis Method	Sampling Frequency
Ozone	Urban	General / Background	SLAMS	4.2	FEM Ultraviolet Photometry	Continuous
Precipitation Chemistry	Regional	Regional Transport	Non-regulatory	1.5	IC	Weekly-Tue-Tue
Precipitation	Neighborhood	General/ Background	Non-regulatory	3.0	Tipping bucket	Continuous and Sample

Item	Description
AQS ID	45-001-0001
Street Address	59 Jim Scott Lane
Geographic coordinates	+34.32527, -82.38653
<i>OZONE</i>	
Designation	SLAMS
Analysis method	FEM Ultraviolet Photometry
Operating schedule	Continuous
Monitoring objective	General / Background
Monitoring scale	Urban
<i>PRECIPITATION CHEMISTRY</i>	
Designation	Non-regulatory
Analysis method	IC
Operating schedule	Weekly (Tuesday -Tuesday)
Monitoring objective	Regional Transport
Monitoring scale	Regional
<i>PRECIPITATION</i>	
Designation	Non-regulatory
Analysis method	Tipping bucket
Operating schedule	Continuous
Monitoring objective	General / Background
Monitoring scale	Neighborhood
MSA represented	None

Justification for request

The Due West site, located in Abbeville County is located in the Greenwood micropolitan area (mSA). The Greenwood mSA does not have minimum monitoring requirement for Ozone. The site was established as part of the Southeast Regional Oxidant Network- Spatial Ozone Network in 1991 and has since served to document transport of Ozone entering the state from the west. The Due West monitoring site has had only one 8-hour average exceeding the current Ozone standard since 2009 (Figure 1). Based on significantly decreased concentrations, the area-wide decreasing trend in Ozone design values, and the low design value at this location (Figure 2), the Department believes that the data collected at the Due West monitoring site is providing little value in supporting Ozone reduction strategies in the western part of the state.

**Figure 1:
Due West Exceedances Over 70 ppb**

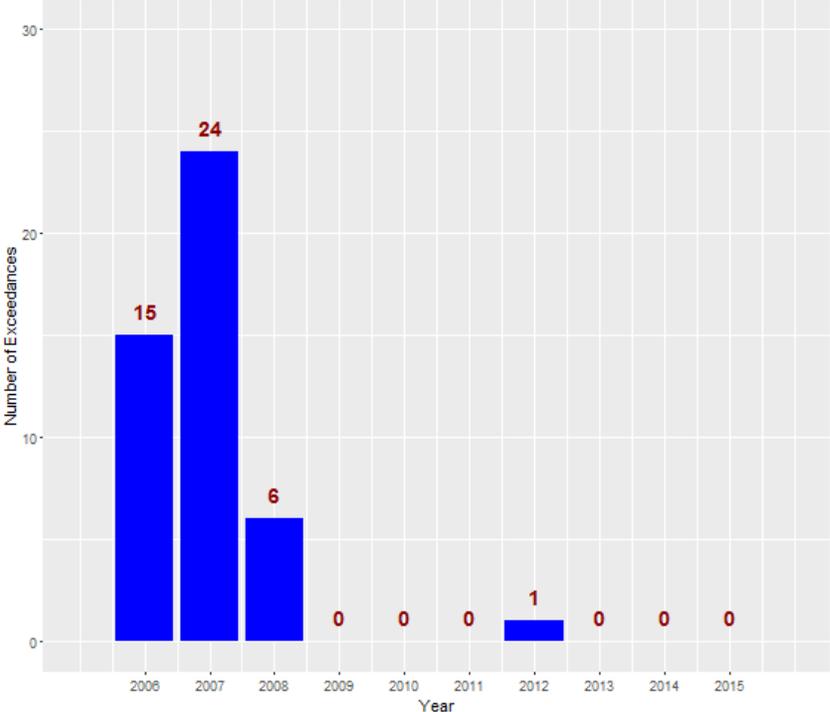
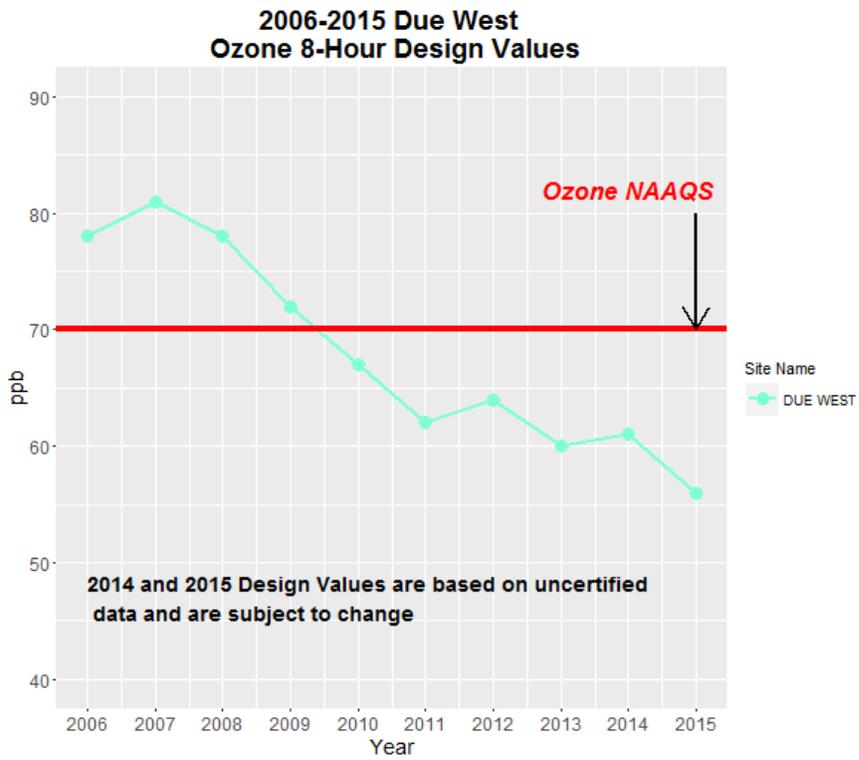


Figure 2:



The Department requests approval for termination of the Clemson CMS Site in Pickens County, South Carolina.

Clemson CMS

CSA/MSA: Greenville-Spartanburg-Anderson CSA / Greenville-Anderson-Mauldin MSA

AQS Site ID: 45-077-0002

Location: 106 Hope Well Road

County: Pickens

Coordinates: +34.65366, -82.83865

Date Established: July 14, 1979

Site Evaluation: October 15, 2015



The Clemson CMS site is located on the grounds of Clemson University near the western border of Pickens County. This monitor measures Ozone concentrations upwind of the Greenville-Spartanburg urbanized area.

This site was part of the Greenville MSA Ozone study, initiated in 2008 and designed to investigate Ozone concentration variability across the Upstate and provide information to help refine the monitoring network to better meet monitoring objectives. The sample inlets are 27 meters from the nearest road.

Changes for 2017:

This site will be terminated at the end of the 2016 Ozone season.

Monitors:

Parameter	Scale	Objective	Designation	Probe Height (m)	Analysis Method	Sampling Frequency
Ozone	Urban	General background	SLAMS	4.59	FEM Ultraviolet Photometry	Continuous