



EPA's Supplemental Proposal to Reduce Climate- and Health-Harming Pollution from Oil and Natural Gas Operations: How to Comment

- November 11, 2022-- EPA is proposing to update, strengthen and expand its November 2021 proposal to secure major climate and health benefits for all Americans by reducing emissions of methane and other harmful air pollution from both new and existing sources in the oil and natural gas industry.
- There are two ways to comment on EPA's supplemental proposed rule:
 1. **Comment in writing:** Once the proposal publishes in the Federal Register, the public will have until February 13, 2023, to submit written comments to EPA in writing (see the end of this fact sheet for instructions).
 2. **Comment at the public hearing.** EPA will hold a virtual public hearing January 10 and 11, 2023. You will need to register to speak in advance.
 - Information on registering to speak will be posted on [EPA's website](#) after the proposal is published in the Federal Register. Each speaker will have four minutes to speak.
 - **NOTE:** If you need language translation or other reasonable accommodation, please notify EPA within seven days after the proposal is published, so that the Agency may provide this service. Information on requesting reasonable will be available in the instructions for registering to speak at the hearing.
 - Your comments may address any aspect of the proposal, including impacts you are experiencing related to pollution from the oil and gas industry; how you would like EPA to address your concerns; how EPA is addressing those concerns in the proposed rulemaking; and technical aspects of the proposal. Comments EPA receives in writing get the same weight as comments received at the public hearing.

Instructions for submitting written comments on EPA's proposed rule:

- When you send EPA comments on the supplemental proposal, it is critical that you label your comments with the docket number. That's how EPA knows which comments go with which proposed rule. The docket number for the proposed regulations for the oil and natural gas industry is **Docket ID No. EPA-HQ-OAR-2021-0317**
- EPA prefers that you submit comments online through the [Federal eRulemaking Portal](#). When you get to the portal, type **EPA-HQ-OAR-2021-0317** in the search box. That will take

you to a link to the docket for the proposed rule. When you get to that page, click the box on the left that says, “Only show documents open for comment.” Once you click that, you should see a box that says “comment,” under a link to the proposed rule. Alternatively, you can click on the link to the proposed rule, and select the blue comment box that appears on the upper left of the page.

- You also may send your comments the following ways:
 - Email: a-and-r-docket@epa.gov. Include Docket ID No. EPA-HQ-OAR-2021-0317 in the subject line of the message.
 - Fax: (202) 566-9744. Label your fax: Attention Docket ID No. EPA-HQ-OAR-2021-0317.
 - Mail: U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, EPA Docket Center, Docket ID No. EPA-HQ-OAR-2021-0317, Mail Code 28221T, 1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20460.
 - Express Mail/Courier Delivery/Hand Delivery: EPA Docket Center, WJC West Building, Room 3334, 1301 Constitution Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20004. The Docket Center’s hours of operation are 8:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays.
 - Note: William Jefferson Clinton (WJC) West, like most other federal office buildings, is governed by strict security requirements for visitors. To ensure that you will be permitted entry, [please familiarize yourself with these requirements](#) before you visit.
 - See additional information about the EPA Docket Center, including instructions for visiting the [Docket Center Reading Room](#).