

Public Notice
DENR Seeks Public Input
Draft Volkswagen Beneficiary Mitigation Plan

On Wednesday, June 6, 2018, the South Dakota Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR) will hold a meeting at the Best Western Ramkota Hotel & Conference Center, 2111 B N. LaCrosse, Rapid City, SD, from 6:00 PM MT to 9:00 PM MT. DENR will hold a second meeting on Tuesday, June 12, 2018, at the Ramada Hotel & Suites, 1301 W. Russell, Sioux Falls, SD, from 6:00 PM CT to 9:00 PM CT. The meetings provide an opportunity for individuals to submit public input on how DENR should develop and implement South Dakota's Volkswagen Beneficiary Mitigation Plan to comply with the Volkswagen State Environmental Mitigation Trust Agreement. The meetings will continue until those present are given an opportunity to provide public input or 9:00 PM whichever comes first.

South Dakota expects to receive \$8.125 million dollars from the Volkswagen State Environmental Mitigation Trust Agreement. The Volkswagen Beneficiary Mitigation Plan must be developed that summarizes how the funds from the Trust will be distributed among the ten eligible options available for reducing nitrogen oxide emissions. Please visit DENR's website at <http://denr.sd.gov/des/aq/aaVW.aspx> to review the draft Volkswagen Beneficiary Mitigation Plan and for more information. A short presentation will be provided about the draft Volkswagen Beneficiary Mitigation Plan followed by an opportunity for public input from individuals attending the meeting. DENR representatives will also be available to answer questions.

If you are unable to attend one of these meetings, you may submit your public input at the website listed above or by sending comments by mail to Barb Regynski, Air Quality Program, 523 East Capitol, Pierre, SD, 57501. Comments will be accepted through June 15, 2018. Thank you for your assistance in helping DENR develop a Volkswagen Beneficiary Mitigation Plan that best meets the needs of South Dakota.