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Comment Requested on 2014 Air Monitoring Network Review
Offers Detailed Description of How and Where Air Pollution is Monitored

PITTSBURGH – The Allegheny County Health Department is requesting public comment on its 2014 Air Monitoring Network Review, an annual report which provides a detailed description of how and where air pollution is monitored in Allegheny County.

The report, a 78-page document required by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, provides the specific location of each monitoring station, siting criteria, monitoring methods and objectives, frequency of sampling, pollutants measured at each station and aerial photographs showing their proximity to pollution sources.

The network includes monitoring stations in 18 locations: Lawrenceville, Liberty, North Braddock, South Fayette, Clairton, Avalon, Flag Plaza Downtown Pittsburgh, Glassport, Lincoln, Manchester, Harrison, City-County Building Downtown Pittsburgh, North Park, Bridgeville, Natrona, West Allegheny, Monroeville and a new monitoring site near the Parkway East in Wilkinsburg.

One or more of the following pollutants is measured at each site: sulfur dioxide, carbon monoxide, nitrogen oxides, total reactive nitrogen, ozone, total suspended particulate matter, PM 10, PM 2.5, lead, hydrogen sulfide, air toxics and metals.

The complete report is posted on the Air Quality Program's section of the Health Department's web site, www.achd.net/air. Comments may be submitted until 1 p.m., Monday, June 20, to Darrel Stern, Chief of Air Monitoring, at dstern@achd.net.

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