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September 30, 2016

Dennis McLerran, Regional Administrator  
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Region 10  
1200 6<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Suite 900  
Seattle, WA 98101

RE: Washington State Designation Recommendations for the 2015 National Ambient Air  
Quality Standard for Ozone

Dear Mr. McLerran:

As the Governor's designee for Washington's State Implementation Plan (SIP), I am submitting recommended designations for the eight-hour ozone National Ambient Air Quality Standard (NAAQS) adopted by the United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) on October 1, 2015. EPA changed the primary and secondary eight-hour ozone NAAQS from 75 to 70 parts per billion (ppb) ([80 FR 65292, October 26, 2015](#)).

The federal Clean Air Act provides each state with an opportunity to recommend designations of attainment (meets the NAAQS), nonattainment (does not meet the NAAQS), or unclassifiable (insufficient information) for all areas of the state.

The Department of Ecology (Ecology) reviewed Washington's ozone monitoring data, and all regulatory monitors in the state are meeting the 2015 ozone standard based on 2013-2015 design values. Ecology installed an ozone monitor in Kennewick in 2015, and there is not enough information for a 3-year design value. Therefore, I recommend the designations listed in Table 1 below.

**Table 1: Ozone Designation Recommendations for Washington State**

Benton, Franklin, and Walla Walla Counties	Unclassifiable
Remainder of Washington State	Attainment/unclassifiable

I have enclosed a spreadsheet with the monitoring data supporting these designation recommendations.

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Ecology met all state and federal procedural requirements. Ecology posted a notice for public comment and a hearing notice. Copies of public involvement notices are enclosed. Ecology opened the public comment period from August 16, 2016 to September 16, 2016. We did not hold a hearing because we did not receive a request for one. We received one written comment. The enclosed Response to Comments includes a copy of the public comment we received and our response.

If you have any questions, please contact Joanna Ekrem at (360) 407-6826 or [Joanna.Ekrem@ecy.wa.gov](mailto:Joanna.Ekrem@ecy.wa.gov).

Sincerely,



Maia D. Bellon  
Director

Enclosures

cc: Karl Pepple, EPA Region 10  
Jeff Hunt, EPA Region 10  
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### Ozone Design Values by Monitor

<b>Monitoring Site</b>	<b>2013-2015 Design Value (ppb)</b>
Enumclaw - Mud Mtn.	66
Cheney - Turnbull	62
Spokane - Greenbluff	61
Spokane – Augusta Ave	61
Mt.Rainier - Jackson Visitors Ctr	60
North Bend – North Bend Way	59
Vancouver – Blairmont Dr	58
Yelm – Northern Pacific	54
Issaquah – Lake Sammamish	53
Cheeka Peak	52
Custer - Loomis	45
Seattle - Beacon Hill	45
Anacortes - 202 Avenue	42
Kennewick - S Clodfelter	Insufficient information

