Health Department Seeks Comment on Annual Air Monitoring Network Plan

PITTSBURGH – The Allegheny County Health Department (ACHD) is requesting public comment on its 2019 Air Monitoring Network Plan, an annual report which provides a detailed description of how and where air pollution is monitored in Allegheny County.

The 2019 Air Monitoring Network Plan is a document required by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency. It 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 physical location.

The network includes the following 13 locations: Avalon, Clairton, Glassport, Harrison, Liberty, Lincoln, North Braddock, South Fayette; three locations within the City of Pittsburgh (Flag Plaza in downtown Pittsburgh, Lawrenceville and Manchester) as well as sites in North Park and near the Parkway East (I-376) in Wilkinsburg. Additional special study projects are also described.

One or more of the following pollutants is measured at each site; sulfur dioxide, carbon monoxide, nitrogen oxides, total reactive nitrogen, ozone, PM10, PM2.5 and air toxics.

The complete report is posted in the Air Quality Program’s section of the Health Department’s website.

All correspondence must include first and last name and a complete mailing address. Comments will be accepted until 4:30 p.m. on Tuesday, June 5.

Comments may be submitted via e-mail to darrell.stern@alleghenycounty.us or by mail to:

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