



New Source Review (NSR)

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Announcements

Congress established the New Source Review (NSR) permitting program as part of the 1977 Clean Air Act Amendments. NSR is a preconstruction permitting program that serves two important purposes.

- First, it ensures that air quality is not significantly degraded from the addition of new and modified factories, industrial boilers and power plants. In areas with unhealthy air, NSR assures that new emissions do not slow progress toward cleaner air. In areas with clean air, especially pristine areas like national parks, NSR assures that new emissions do not significantly worsen air quality.
- Second, the NSR program assures people that any large new or modified industrial source in their neighborhoods will be as clean as possible, and that advances in pollution control occur concurrently with industrial expansion.

May 8, 2008 - EPA issues final rules governing the implementation of NSR for fine particulate matter.

April 24, 2008 - EPA denies petition for reconsideration and request for stay with regard to certain ethanol production facilities.

April 18, 2008 - Redesignation of the Forest County Potawatomi Community Reservation to a PSD Class I Area

NSR permits are legal documents that the facility owners/operators must abide by. The permit specifies what construction is allowed, what emission limits must be met, and often how the emissions source must be operated.

[Basic Information](#) - Learn the basics about NSR and the terms associated with NSR. What are permits and who issues them?

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