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MEMORANDUM

TO: Air Quality Board

THROUGH: Bryce C. Bird, Executive Secretary

FROM: Colleen Delaney, Environmental Scientist

DATE: February 19, 2015

SUBJECT: PROPOSE FOR PUBLIC COMMENT: Amend Utah State Implementation Plan Section XX.D.6. Regional Haze. Long-Term Strategy for Stationary Sources. Best Available Retrofit Technology (BART) Assessment for NO_x and PM; add new Utah State Implementation Plan Subsections IX.H.21 and 22. General Requirements: Control Measures for Area and Point Sources, Emission Limits and Operating Practices, Regional Haze Requirements; and Source Specific Emission Limitations: Regional Haze Requirements, Best Available Retrofit Technology.

On October 1, 2014, the Air Quality Board proposed a revision to Utah's Regional Haze State Implementation Plan (SIP) to address the Environmental Protection Agency's partial disapproval of the Best Available Retrofit Technology (BART) provisions for nitrogen oxides (NO_x) and particulate matter (PM). The proposed change to the SIP maintained the BART determination that had been established in 2008 and also made enforceable the planned closure of the PacifiCorp Carbon plant this spring due to the substantial reduction in visibility impairing pollutants that would be achieved. The proposal was based on a 5-factor analysis of available control technologies for NO_x and PM and visibility modeling that had been completed by PacifiCorp in 2012. The Division of Air Quality (DAQ) analysis concluded that the most stringent PM controls were already required and the NO_x controls established in the 2008 SIP were cost-effective and met the presumptive BART requirements established by EPA. Additional NO_x controls were not warranted due to the very high cost of control and uncertainty regarding the visibility improvement that would occur. The significant NO_x reductions required by the 2008 SIP did not result in improvements in nitrate values during the winter months as expected and the benefit of further NO_x reductions is therefore uncertain. Sulfur dioxide (SO₂) reductions have resulted in improvements in sulfate values throughout the year. DAQ completed additional visibility modeling after the proposal to evaluate the visibility improvement due to all of the reductions, including the closure of the Carbon Plant, and the results of this modeling were added to the technical support documentation for the proposal in November for public review.

A public comment period was held from November 1 through December 22, 2014, and a number of public comments were received. After reviewing the comments and consulting with EPA, DAQ staff determined that the additional emission reductions due to the expected closure of the Carbon Plant would be better addressed as an alternative to BART under 40 CFR 51.308(e)(2) rather than through the case-by-case analysis under 40 CFR 51.308(1). In addition, commenters identified several issues with DAQ's visibility modeling that have been addressed. For these reasons, DAQ staff prepared a new proposal to ensure adequate public review of these changes.

1. The SIP has been revised to explicitly identify an alternative to BART for NO_x that keeps in place the current NO_x emission limits for PacifiCorp Hunter 1 and 2 and PacifiCorp Huntington 1 and 2 that are more stringent than EPA's presumptive BART limits; makes enforceable the expected closure of PacifiCorp Carbon 1 and 2; and takes credit for the installation of low-NO_x burners at PacifiCorp Hunter 3 in 2008.
2. A demonstration that the alternative to BART will achieve greater reasonable progress than BART is attached and will be included in the technical support documentation for the SIP. Combined emissions of NO_x, SO₂ and PM will be 2,856 tons/yr lower under the alternative program than would be achieved by the most stringent technology available to reduce NO_x from the sources subject to BART. Visibility modeling shows that the alternative will provide visibility improvement on a greater number of days, greater average improvement, and greater improvement on the 90th percentile day. Reductions under the alternative were also achieved earlier than was required by the rule.
3. Enforceable emission limits for the alternative to BART have been added to SIP Section IX, Part H.21 and H.22.

Staff Recommendation: Staff recommends that the Board propose the revision to SIP Section XX, Part D.6 and new SIP Sections IX, Part H.21 and H.22 for public comment.

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Utah State Implementation Plan

Section XX

Regional Haze

Addressing Regional Haze Visibility Protection for the Mandatory Federal Class I Areas Required Under 40 CFR 51.309

Adopted by the Air Quality Board
~~[April 6, 2011]~~ June 3, 2015

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9 **6. Best Available [~~Control~~]Retrofit Technology (BART)**
10 **Assessment for NO_x and PM.**

11 **a. Regional Haze Rule BART Requirements**

12 Pursuant to 40 CFR 51.309(d)(4)(vii), certain major stationary sources are required to
13 evaluate, install, operate and maintain BART technology or an approved BART
14 alternative for NO_x and PM emissions. [~~BART requirements can be addressed through a~~
15 ~~case-by-case review under 40 CFR 51.308(e)(1) or through an alternative program under~~
16 ~~40 CFR 51.308(e)(2).~~]The State of Utah has chosen to evaluate BART for [~~NO_x and~~
17 ~~]PM under the case-by-case provisions of 40 CFR 51.308(e)(1) and BART for NO_x
18 through alternative measures under 40 CFR 51.308(e)(2). BART for SO₂ is addressed
19 through an alternative program under 40 CFR 51.309 that is described in Part E of this
20 plan.
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22 **b. BART for Particulate Matter**

23 EPA issued guidelines for case-by-case BART determinations on July 6, 2005 that are
24 codified in Appendix Y to 40 CFR Part 51. These guidelines establish a three step
25 process.

- 26 • States identify sources which meet the definition of BART eligible
27 • States determine which BART eligible sources are “subject to BART”
28 • For each source subject to BART States identify the appropriate control
29 technology.
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31 [~~The determination of NO_x limits for fossil fuel fired power plants having a total~~
32 ~~generating capacity greater than 750 megawatts must be made pursuant to the guidelines~~
33 ~~in 40 CFR 51 Appendix Y, Section E.5.¹]~~

[CFR Part 51 Appendix Y Guidelines for BART Determinations under the Regional Haze Rule (70 FR 39158)]

1 (1) *BART-Eligible Sources.*

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3 BART-eligible sources are those sources that fall within one of 26 specific source
4 categories, were built during the 15-year window of time from 1962 to 1977, and have
5 potential emissions of at least 250 tons per year of any visibility impairing air pollutant
6 (40 CFR 51.301). Pursuant to 40 CFR 51.308 (e)(1)(i) a State is required to list all
7 BART-eligible sources within the State.

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9 Four BART-eligible electric generating units have been identified in the State of Utah:
10 PacifiCorp's Hunter Units 1 and 2 and Huntington Units 1 and 2. The units are located at
11 fossil-fuel fired steam electric plants of more than 250 million Btu per hour heat input,
12 one of the 26 specific BART source categories. The units have potential emissions greater
13 than 250 tons per year of a visibility impairing pollutant. The units had commenced
14 construction within the BART time frame of August 7, 1962 to August 7, 1977.

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16 **Table 3. BART-Eligible Sources in Utah.**

SOURCE	UNIT ID	SERVICE DATE	NET DEPENDABLE CAPACITY (MWn)	BART CATEGORY	COAL TYPE	BOILER TYPE
Hunter	1	1978	430	Fossil fuel fired	Bituminous	Tangential
Hunter	2	1980	430	Fossil fuel fired	Bituminous	Tangential
Huntington	1	1977	430	Fossil fuel fired	Bituminous	Tangential
Huntington	2	1974	430	Fossil fuel fired	Bituminous	Tangential

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18 Note: Hunter Unit 3 commenced construction after 1977 and is therefore not BART-eligible.

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20 (2) *Sources Subject to BART*

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22 Pursuant to 40 CFR 51.308(e)(1)(ii) the State is required to determine which BART-
23 eligible sources are also "subject to BART." BART-eligible sources are subject to BART
24 if they emit any air pollutant that may reasonably be anticipated to cause or contribute to
25 any impairment of visibility in any mandatory Class I Federal area.

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27 PacifiCorp's Hunter Units 1 and 2 and Huntington Units 1 and 2 were determined by the
28 State to be subject to BART. The State utilized the technical modeling services of the
29 WRAP Regional Modeling Center (RMC). Modeling was performed according to the
30 RMC modeling protocols². For the WRAP BART exemption screening modeling, the
31 RMC followed the EPA BART Guidelines in 40 CFR 51, Appendix Y and the applicable
32 CALMET/CALPUFF modeling guidance (e.g., IWAQM, 1998; FLAG, 2000; EPA,

² CALMET/CALPUFF Protocol for BART Exemption Screening Analysis for Class I Areas in the Western United States

1 2003c) including EPA’s March 16, 2006 memorandum: “Dispersion Coefficients for
2 Regulatory Air Quality Modeling in CALPUFF”.³

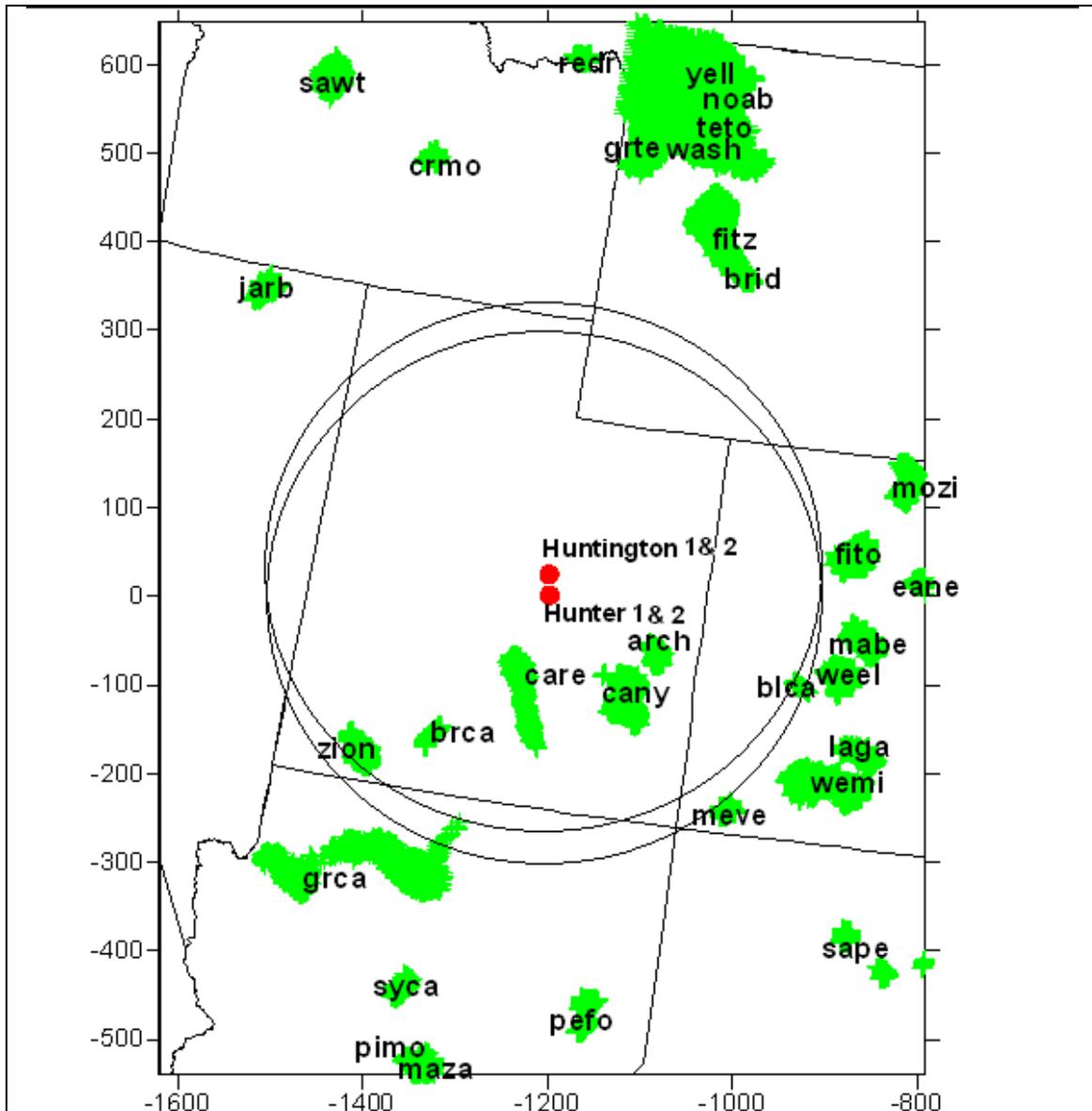
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4 The basic assumptions of the WRAP BART CALMET/CALPUFF modeling protocols
5 are as follows:

- 6 • Three years of modeling (2001, 2002 and 2003) were used.
- 7 • Visibility impacts due to emissions of SO₂, NO_x and primary PM emissions were
8 calculated
- 9 • Visibility was calculated using the Original IMPROVE equation and Annual
10 Average Natural Conditions.
- 11 • The effective range of CALPUFF modeling was set at 300km from the sources
- 12 • For pre-control modeling, maximum 24-hour average actual emissions from the
13 Acid Rain database were used in CALPUFF model.
- 14 • ~~[For post-control modeling, expected New Source Review (NSR) permitted limits
15 were used in the CALPUFF model.]~~

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17 According to 40 CFR Part 51, Appendix Y, a BART-eligible source is considered to
18 “contribute” to visibility impairment in a Class I area if the modeled 98th percentile
19 change in deciviews is equal to or greater than the “contribution threshold.” The State of
20 Utah evaluated BART exemption screening modeling results at the EPA-suggested
21 contribution threshold of 0.5 deciviews within a 300 Km radius of the BART-eligible
22 sources.⁴ BART-eligible sources Hunter Unit 1, Hunter Unit 2, Huntington Unit 1, and
23 Huntington Unit 2 had a modeled impact greater than the threshold level of 0.5 change in
24 deciviews in at least one of the seven Class I areas within a 300 km radius of the sources.
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³ Atkinson and Fox, 2006

⁴ WRAP RMC BART Modeling for Utah Draft #6 April 21, 2007



1 **Figure 4. Relationship between Utah potential BART-eligible sources and Class I**
 2 **areas. Hunter Units 1 and 2 and Huntington Units 1 and 2 modeled separately at**
 3 **maximum 300 km.**

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 6 **Table 4. Subject to BART Modeling**

	Subject to BART Modeling - 98th Percentile 3 year average Delta Deciview							
	Capitol Reef	Canyonlands	Arches	Bryce Canyon	Zion	Grand Canyon	Black Canyon Gunnison	Mesa Verde
Hunter 1	2.13	1.87	1.53	0.55	0.46	0.59	0.60	0.53
Hunter 2	1.89	1.62	1.36	0.47	0.41	0.52	0.53	0.47
Huntington 1	1.92	1.64	1.39	0.48	0.43	0.55	0.56	0.48
Huntington 2	2.43	2.26	1.89	.091	.078	.099	1.14	0.91

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(3) *BART [~~Determination~~Analysis]*

As required under 51.308 (e)(1)(A) the determination of BART must be based on an analysis of the best system of continuous emission control technology available. In the analysis the State must take in to account five factors:

- Available technology
- Costs of compliance
- Energy and non-air quality environmental impacts
- Existing control equipment and the remaining useful life of the facility
- The degree of improvement in visibility reasonably anticipated to result from the use of such technology

In 2008, Utah determined that BART for PM was the replacement of existing electrostatic precipitators with pulse-jet fabric filter baghouses with a PM emission rate of 0.015 lb/MMBtu at all four EGUs that were subject-to-BART. PacifiCorp installed the control technology, as required, and significant emission reductions of PM were achieved. On December 12, 2012, the EPA disapproved Utah’s BART determination for PM after concluding that Utah did not submit an adequate 5-factor analysis as required by the BART Rule. In June 2012, PacifiCorp provided a new 5-factor analysis for each of the four subject to BART EGUs. On August 4, 2014, PacifiCorp provided additional information to supplement that analysis. DAQ reviewed the analysis, and determined that the required controls for PM were the most stringent controls available.

(4) *BART Determination for PM*

Appendix Y allows a streamlined 5-factor analysis when the most stringent controls are already required.

“If you find that a BART source has controls already in place which are the most stringent controls available (note that this means that all possible improvements to any control devices have been made), then it is not necessary to comprehensively complete each following step of the BART analysis in this section. As long as these most stringent controls available are made federally enforceable for the purpose of implementing BART for that source, you may skip the remaining analyses in this section, including the visibility analysis in step 5. Likewise, if a source commits to a BART determination that consists of the most stringent controls available, then there is no need to complete the remaining analyses in this section.” (40 CFR Part 51, Appendix Y, Section D.9)

Because the most stringent technology is in place and the PM emission rates have been made enforceable in SIP Section IX Part H.21 and H.22, no further analysis is required.

1 **c. BART for NOx**

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3 BART for NOx is addressed through alternative measures as provided under 40 CFR
4 51.308(e)(2). The following emission reduction measures are required, and are made
5 enforceable through emission limits established in Section IX, Part H.21 and H.22 of the
6 State Implementation Plan.

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8 • PacifiCorp Hunter Units 1 and 2 and Huntington Units 1 and 2: The replacement
9 of existing, first generation low-NO_x burners with Alstom TSF 2000TM low-NO_x
10 firing system and installation of two elevations of separated overfire air with an
11 emission limit of 0.26 lb/MMBtu.
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13 • PacifiCorp Hunter Unit 3: The replacement of existing, first generation low-NO_x
14 burners with improved low-NO_x burners with overfire air with an emission limit
15 of 0.34 lb/MMBtu.
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17 • PacifiCorp Carbon Units 1 and 2: PacifiCorp shall permanently retire Carbon
18 Units 1 and 2 by August 15, 2015.

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20 40 CFR 51.308(e)(2) requires an analysis to demonstrate that the alternative measures
21 achieve greater reasonable progress than would be achieved through the installation and
22 operation of BART. This demonstration is included in the TSD⁵. Combined emissions
23 of NO_x, SO₂, and PM₁₀ will be 2,876 tons/yr lower under the alternative than the most-
24 stringent BART scenario for NO_x, visibility will improve on a greater number of days
25 under the alternative, and the average deciview impairment and 90th percentile deciview
26 impairment will be better under the alternative.

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28 **d. BART Summary**

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30 The BART emission rates for NO_x and PM are summarized in Table 5. While Utah has
31 chosen to meet the NO_x BART requirement through alternative measures established in
32 Section XX Part D.6 of the SIP, and the SO₂ BART requirement through an alternative to
33 BART program established in Section XX Part E of the SIP, the enforceable emission
34 rates for both NO_x and SO₂ established in the approval orders and in the SIP for the four
35 EGUs also meet the presumptive emission rates for both NO_x and SO₂ established in
36 Appendix Y independently of the alternative programs.

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⁵ Review of 2008 BART Determination and Recommended Alternative to BART for NO_x, Utah Division of Air Quality, February 13, 2015.

1 **Table 5. Emission Rates for the Retrofitted Hunter and Huntington Units**

Units	Utah Permitted Rates ⁶			Presumptive BART Limits ⁷	
	SO ₂ lb/MMBtu	NO _x lb/MMBtu	PM lb/MMBtu	SO ₂ lb/MMBtu	NO _x lb/MMBtu
Hunter 1	0.12	0.26	0.015	0.15	0.28
Hunter 2	0.12	0.26	0.015	0.15	0.28
Hunter 3		0.34			
Huntington 1	0.12	0.26	0.015	0.15	0.28
Huntington 2	0.12	0.26	0.015	0.15	0.28

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3 [PacifiCorp has installed or has received permits to install the following retrofit control
4 equipment at the Hunter Unit 1, Hunter Unit 2, Huntington Unit 1, and Huntington Unit 2
5 fossil fuel fired electric generating units (EGU):]

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7 **Hunter Units 1 and 2:**

- 8 • Conversion of existing electrostatic precipitators to pulse jet fabric filter bag-
- 9 houses
- 10 • The replacement of existing, first generation low NO_x burners with Alstom TSF
- 11 2000TM low NO_x firing system and installation of two elevations of separated
- 12 overfire air.
- 13 • Upgrade of existing flue gas desulfurization system to > 90% sulfur dioxide
- 14 removal.

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16 **Huntington Units 1 and 2:**

- 17 • Conversion of existing electrostatic precipitators to pulse jet fabric filter bag-
- 18 houses
- 19 • The replacement of existing, first generation low NO_x burners with Alstom TSF
- 20 2000TM low NO_x firing system and installation of two elevations of separated
- 21 overfire air.
- 22 • Installation of a new wet lime, flue gas de-sulfurization system at Unit 2 (FGD).
- 23 • Upgrade of existing flue gas desulfurization system to > 90% sulfur dioxide
- 24 removal at Unit 1.]

⁶ Utah Division of Air Quality Approval Orders: Huntington Unit 2 - AN0238012-05, Huntington Unit 1 - DAQE-AN0102380019-09 (note – on January 19, 2010 an administrative amendment was made to the 2009 AO), Hunter Units I and 2 - DAQE-AN0102370012-08, and Section IX Part H.21 and H.22 of the SIP.

⁷ 40 CFR Part 51 Appendix Y Guidelines for BART Determinations under the Regional Haze Rule (70 Federal Register 39135)

1 **Table 5. Emissions Rates (lb/MMBtu) for the Retrofitted Hunter and Huntington**
 2 **Units**

Units Rate: lb/MMBtu	Utah [Permitted Rates] BART Emission Rate ⁸			Presumptive BART Limits ⁹	
	SO ₂ lb/MMBtu	NO _x lb/MMBtu	PM lb/MMBtu	SO ₂ lb/MMBtu	NO _x lb/MMBtu
Hunter 1	0.12	0.26	0.05	0.15	0.28
Hunter 2	0.12	0.26	0.05	0.15	0.28
Huntington 1	0.12	0.26	0.05	0.15	0.28
Huntington 2	0.12	0.26	0.05	0.15	0.28

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Table 6. Change in Emissions (tons/yr) for Retrofitted BART Units

Unit	Pre-Control SO ₂	Pre-Control NO _x	Pre-Control PM ₁₀	Post-Control SO ₂	Post-Control NO _x	Post-Control PM ₁₀	Delta SO ₂	Delta NO _x	Delta PM ₁₀
Hunter 1	2741	6833	533	2239	4851	280	-502	-1981	-253
Hunter 2	2425	5922	533	2185	4734	273	-240	-1187	-260
Huntington 1	2538	5676	444	2052	4445	256	-486	-1231	-188
Huntington 2	13703	5582	443	1743	3776	218	-11960	-1806	-225
TOTALS	21,407	24,013	1,953	8,219	17,807	1,027	-13,189	-6,206	-926

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e. Schedule for Installation of Controls

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10 Pursuant to 51.308(e)(1)(C)(iv) each source subject to BART is required to install and
 11 operate BART no later than 5 years after approval of the implementation plan, and
 12 pursuant to 51.308(e)(2)(E)(3) all alternative measures must take place within the first
 13 planning period. Table 6 shows that the required schedule will be met for all units. [The
 14 PacifiCorp schedule for the four EGUs at Huntington and Hunter sources is as follows.]

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Table 6. Installation Schedule

Source	Notice of Intent Submitted	Permit Issued	[Estimated] In Service Date
Hunter 1	June 2006	March 2008	Spring 2014
Hunter 2	June 2006	March 2008	Spring 2011
Hunter 3			Summer 2008
Huntington 1	April 2008	August 2009	Fall 2010
Huntington 2	October 2004	April 2005	Dec 2006

⁴⁰ Ibid. (70 Federal Register 39131).

⁴⁰ Ibid. (70 Federal Register 39131).

<u>Carbon 1</u>			<u>Shut down August 2015</u>
<u>Carbon 2</u>			<u>Shut down August 2015</u>

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2 [EPA under the BART Rule requires coal-fired electric generating plants of greater than
3 750 MW to meet BART presumptive limits. While EPA considers presumptive limits to
4 be appropriate for all coal-fired power plants greater than 750 MW, the State may
5 establish different requirements if the State can demonstrate that an alternative is justified
6 based on a consideration of the five BART factors.

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8 “States, as a general matter, must require owners and operators of greater than 750
9 MW power plants to meet these BART emission limits... a State may establish
10 different requirements if the State can demonstrate that an alternative
11 determination is justified based on a consideration of the five statutory factors.”¹⁰

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13 “For Coal-fired EGU’s greater than 200 MW located at greater than 750 MW
14 power plants and operating without post-combustion controls (i.e. SCR or
15 SNCR), we have provided presumptive NO_x limits, differentiated by boiler design
16 and type of coal burned. You may determine that an alternative control level is
17 appropriate based on careful consideration of the statutory factors.” (Appendix Y
18 Part 51—IV (E)(5).¹¹

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20 EPA determined presumptive limits for SO₂ and NO_x for EGUs based on a methodology
21 equivalent to that required in 50 CFR 51 Appendix Y for BART Rule. The EPA
22 determination of presumptive limits included:

- 23 • Identification of all potential BART-eligible EGUs (all BART-eligible
24 EGU’s were assumed to be Subject to BART)
- 25 • Technical analyses and industry research to determine applicable and
26 appropriate SO₂ and NO_x control options;
- 27 • Economic analysis to determine cost effectiveness for each potentially
28 BART-eligible EGU
- 29 • Evaluation of historical emissions and forecast emission reductions for
30 each potentially BART-eligible EGU¹²;
- 31 • NO_x and SO₂ CALPUFF modeling of emission impacts at model Class I
32 area.

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34 The analysis included 491 potential BART EGUs including Hunter Units 1 and 2
35 and Huntington Units 1 and 2. The technical analysis conducted by EPA to

¹⁰ Ibid. (70 Federal Register 39134).

¹¹ 70 Federal Register 39174

¹² Ibid. (70 Federal Register 39134)

1 ~~determine presumptive BART limits for SO₂ and NO_x is in effect a BART~~
2 ~~determination analysis for 419 EGUs including Hunter Units 1 and 2 and~~
3 ~~Huntington Units 1 and 2.¹³~~
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5 ~~Section IV (E) (5) of Appendix Y Part 51 clearly requires the implementation of~~
6 ~~presumptive NO_x limits for coal fired EGU's greater than 200 MW located at greater~~
7 ~~than 750 MW power plants. Under Appendix Y, states are given the discretion to~~
8 ~~challenge presumptive limits through a five factor analysis, but presumptive limits were~~
9 ~~developed by EPA as a reasonable, equivalent and mandated substitution for a five factor~~
10 ~~analysis.¹⁴~~

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12 Utah's long-standing Prevention of Significant Deterioration (PSD) permitting program
13 (SIP Section VII and R307-405), New Source Review permitting program (SIP Section II
14 and R307-401) and Visibility program (SIP section XVII and R307-406) will continue to
15 protect Class I area visibility by ensuring that the BART emission rates established in Part
16 H.21 and H.22 of this plan are maintained, requiring best available control technology for
17 new sources, and assuring that there is not a significant degradation in visibility at Class I
18 areas due to new or modified major sources.

¹³ ~~“Methodology for Developing BART NO_x Presumptive Limits” EPA Clean Air Market Division June 15, 2005 HQ OAR 2002-0076-0445 and “Technical Support Document for BART NO_x Limits for Electric Generating Units Excel Spreadsheet, Memorandum April 15, 2005 HQ OAR 2002-0076-0369~~

¹⁴ ~~CFR Part 51 Appendix Y Guidelines for BART Determinations under the Regional Haze Rule (70 Federal Register 39171)~~

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Utah State Implementation Plan

Emission Limits and Operating Practices

Section IX, Part H

Adopted by the Air Quality Board ~~[December 3, 2014]~~ June 3, 2015

H.21. General Requirements: Control Measures for Area and Point Sources, Emission Limits and Operating Practices, Regional Haze Requirements

- a. Except as otherwise outlined in individual conditions of this Subsection IX.H.21 listed below, the terms and conditions of this Subsection IX.H.21 shall apply to all sources subsequently addressed in Subsection IX.H.22. Should any inconsistencies exist between these two subsections, the source specific conditions listed in IX.H.22 shall take precedence.
- b. The definitions contained in R307-101-2, Definitions and R307-170-4, Definitions, apply to Section IX, Part H. In addition, the following definition also applies to Section IX, Part H.21 and 22:

Boiler operating day means a 24-hour period between 12 midnight and the following midnight during which any fuel is combusted at any time in the boiler. It is not necessary for fuel to be combusted for the entire 24-hour period.
- c. The terms and conditions of R307-107-1 and R307-107-2 shall apply to all sources subsequently addressed in Subsection IX.H.22.
- d. Any information used to determine compliance shall be recorded for all periods when the source is in operation, and such records shall be kept for a minimum of five years. All records required by IX.H.21.c shall be kept for a minimum of five years. Any or all of these records shall be made available to the Director upon request.
- e. All emission limitations listed in Subsections IX.H.22 shall apply at all times, unless otherwise specified in the source specific conditions listed in IX.H.22.
- f. Stack Testing:
 - i. As applicable, stack testing to show compliance with the emission limitations for the sources in Subsection IX.H.22 shall be performed in accordance with the following:
 - A. Sample Location: The testing point shall be designed to conform to the requirements of 40 CFR 60, Appendix A, Method 1, or other EPA-approved methods acceptable to the Director.
 - B. Volumetric Flow Rate: 40 CFR 60, Appendix A, Method 2 or other EPA-approved testing methods acceptable to the Director.
 - C. Particulate (PM): 40 CFR 60, Appendix A, Method 5B, or other EPA approved testing methods acceptable to the Director. A test shall consist of three runs, with each run at least 120 minutes in duration and each run collecting a minimum sample of 60 dry standard cubic feet. The back half condensables shall also be tested using Method 202. The back half condensables shall not be used for compliance demonstration but shall be used for inventory purposes.
 - D. Calculations: To determine mass emission rates (lb/hr, etc.) the pollutant concentration as determined by the appropriate methods above shall be multiplied by the volumetric flow rate and any necessary conversion factors to give the results in the specified units of the emission limitation.
 - E. A stack test protocol shall be provided at least 30 days prior to the test. A pretest conference shall be held if directed by the Director.
- g. Continuous Emission and Opacity Monitoring.
 - i. For all continuous monitoring devices, the following shall apply:
 - A. Except for system breakdown, repairs, calibration checks, and zero and span adjustments required under paragraph (d) 40 CFR 60.13, the owner/operator of an affected source shall continuously operate all required continuous monitoring systems and shall meet minimum frequency of operation requirements as outlined in R307-170 and 40 CFR 60.13.
 - B. The monitoring system shall comply with all applicable sections of R307-170; 40 CFR 13; and 40 CFR 60, Appendix B – Performance Specifications.

- 1 C. For any hour in which fuel is combusted in the unit, the owner/operator of each unit
2 shall calculate the hourly average NO_x concentration in lb/MMBtu.
3 D. At the end of each boiler operating day, the owner/operator shall calculate and record a
4 new 30-day rolling average emission rate in lb/MMBtu from the arithmetic average of
5 all valid hourly emission rates from the CEMS for the current boiler operating day and
6 the previous 29 successive boiler operating days.
7 E. An hourly average NO_x emission rate in lb/MMBtu is valid only if the minimum
8 number of data points, as specified in R307-170, is acquired by the owner/operator for
9 both the pollutant concentration monitor (NO_x) and the diluent monitor (O₂ or CO₂).
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H.22. Source Specific Emission Limitations: Regional Haze Requirements, Best Available Retrofit Technology

a. PacifiCorp Hunter

i. Particulate Limitations on Units #1 and #2

- A. Emissions of particulate (PM) shall not exceed 0.015 lb/MMBtu heat input from each boiler based on a 3-run test average.
- B. Stack testing for the emission limitation shall be performed each year on each boiler.
- C. Monitoring for PM shall be conducted in accordance with the compliance assurance monitoring requirements of 40 CFR 64 as detailed in the source's operating permit.

ii. NOx Limitations on Units #1 and #2

- A. Emissions of NOx from each boiler shall not exceed 0.26 lb/MMBtu heat input for a 30-day rolling average.
- B. Measuring of all NOx emissions shall be performed by CEM.

b. PacifiCorp Huntingtoni. Particulate Limitations on Units #1 and #2

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ii. NOx Limitations on Units #1 and #2

- A. Emissions of NOx from each boiler shall not exceed 0.26 lb/MMBtu heat input for a 30-day rolling average.
- B. Measuring of all NOx emissions shall be performed by CEM.

c. PacifiCorp Carbon

i. Conditions on Units #1 and #2

- A. The owner/operator shall permanently close Carbon units #1 and #2 by August 15, 2015.
- B. The owner/operator shall rescind Operating Permit # 700002004 by no later than December 31, 2015.

Review of 2008 PM BART Determination and
Recommended Alternative to BART for NO_x

Utah Division of Air Quality

February 13, 2015

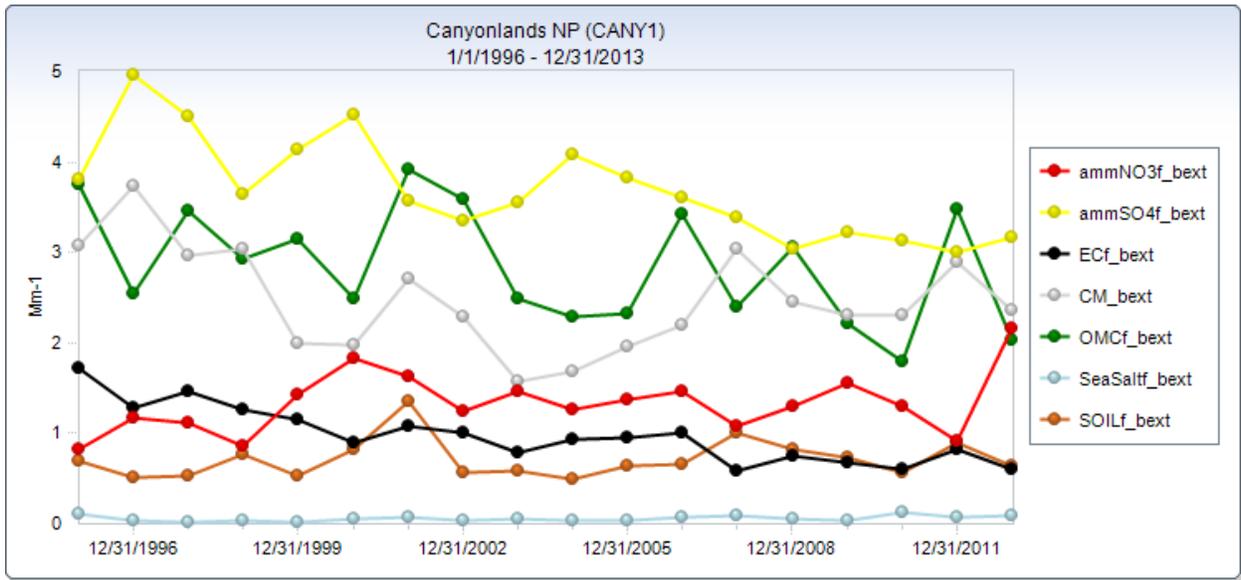
I. Purpose

On December 14, 2012, the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) disapproved the Best Available Retrofit Technology (BART) determination for nitrogen oxides (NO_x) and particulate matter (PM) that was adopted in Utah's 2008 Regional Haze State Implementation Plan (RH SIP). The purpose of this analysis is to provide additional documentation to support the 2008 BART determination for PM and to recommend an alternative to BART for NO_x that will provide greater visibility improvement than would be achieved through the installation of the most stringent NO_x controls on the four electrical generating units (EGU) that are subject to BART.

II. History

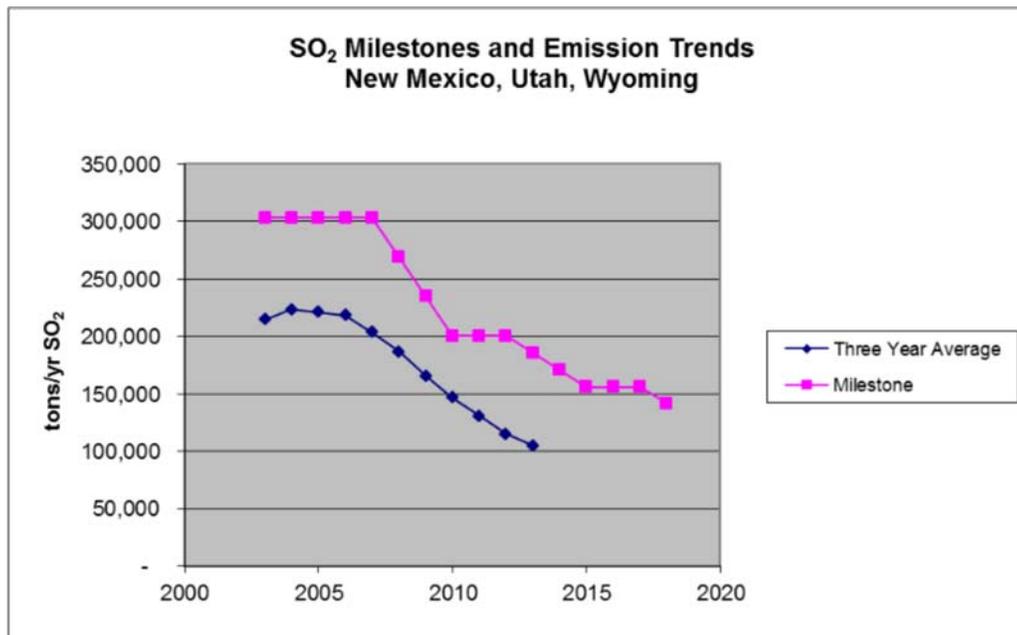
Utah's RH SIP, originally adopted in 2003, was based on the recommendations of the Grand Canyon Visibility Transport Commission (GCVTC). The GCVTC evaluated haze at Class I Areas on the Colorado Plateau, and determined that stationary source reductions should be focused on sulfur dioxide (SO₂) because it is the pollutant that has the most significant impact on haze on the Colorado Plateau. Utah's 2008 BART determination was developed within the context of the overall SIP and reflected this focus on SO₂. Figure 1 shows the contributions of various species to visibility impairment at Canyonlands National Park. As can be seen, sulfate (ammSO₄) is the most significant contributor to haze. Fire (OMC) and dust (CM) are also a significant components but the impact is variable from year to year.

Figure 1. Speciated Annual Average Light Extinction at Canyonlands.



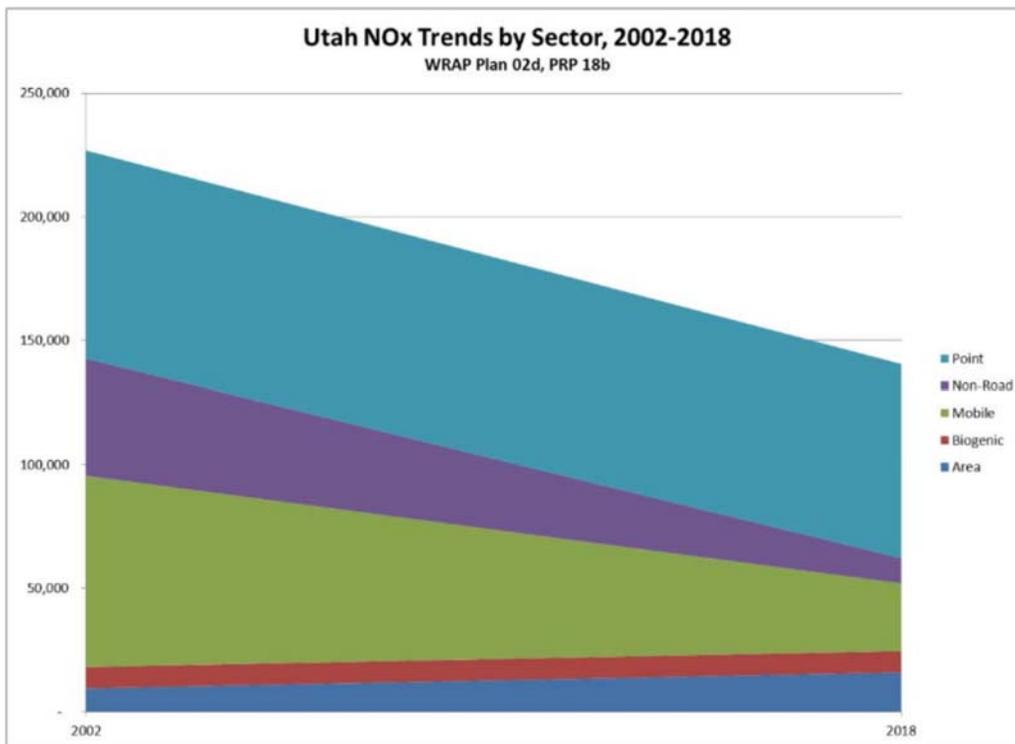
Utah’s 2003 RH SIP included SO₂ emission milestones with a backstop regulatory trading program to ensure that SO₂ emissions in the transport region decreased substantially between 2003 and 2018. The milestones were adjusted in 2008 and 2011 to reflect changes in the number of states participating in the regional program. Actual SO₂ emissions decreased by 51% between 2003 and 2013 in the current 3-state region, and in 2013 were significantly below the 2018 milestone in Utah’s RH SIP (See Figure 2).

Figure 2. SO₂ Milestones and Emission Trends



While Utah’s RH SIP is focused on achieving SO₂ reductions from stationary sources, substantial reductions in nitrogen oxide (NO_x) emissions will also occur from stationary sources as well as mobile and non-road sources. Figure 3 shows the projected decrease in NO_x emissions between 2002 and 2018 as documented in Section K of Utah’s 2008 RH SIP.¹

Figure 3. Utah RH SIP Expected NO_x Reductions 2002-2018.



A. BART Determination in 2008 RH SIP

On September 3, 2008, the Utah Air Quality Board adopted a revision to Utah’s RH SIP to include Best Available Retrofit Technology (BART) requirements for NO_x and particulate matter (PM) as required by 40 CFR 51.309(d)(4)(vii). PacifiCorp’s Hunter Unit 1, Hunter Unit 2, Huntington Unit 1, and Huntington Unit 2 fossil fuel fired electric generating units (EGUs) were determined to be subject to BART. The 2008 RH SIP required PacifiCorp to install the following BART controls at these EGUs:

Hunter Units 1 and 2:

- Conversion of existing electrostatic precipitators to pulse jet fabric filter bag-houses.
- The replacement of existing, first generation low-NO_x burners with Alstom TSF 2000TM low-NO_x firing system and installation of two elevations of separated overfire air.
- Upgrade of existing flue gas desulfurization system to > 90% sulfur dioxide removal.

¹ WRAP Plan 02d and PRP 18b inventory (PRP 18a mobile)
<http://vista.cira.colostate.edu/TSS/Results/Emissions.aspx>

Huntington Units 1 and 2:

- Conversion of existing electrostatic precipitators to pulse jet fabric filter bag-houses.
- The replacement of existing, first generation low-NO_x burners with Alstom TSF 2000™ low-NO_x firing system and installation of two elevations of separated overfire air.
- Installation of a new wet-lime, flue gas de-sulfurization system at Unit 2 (FGD).
- Upgrade of existing flue gas desulfurization system to > 90% sulfur dioxide removal at Unit 1.

The emission rates established in the 2008 RH SIP for Hunter Units 1 and 2 and Huntington Units 1 and 2 were more stringent than the presumptive BART emission rates for SO₂ and NO_x established in 40 CFR Part 51 Appendix Y, Guidelines for BART Determinations under the Regional Haze Rule as shown in Table 1. (Note, Table 1 corrects a typographical error in Table 5 of the RH SIP where the permitted rate for PM was listed as 0.05 lb/MMBtu when it should have been 0.015 lb/MMBtu, the limit established in the approval orders for each of the units.)

Table 1. BART Emission Rates in Utah's 2008 SIP

Units Rate: lb/MMBtu	Utah Permitted Rates ²			Presumptive BART Limits ³		Year of Installation
	SO ₂ ^a	NO _x ^a	PM	SO ₂	NO _x	
Hunter 1	0.12	0.26	0.015	0.15	0.28	2014
Hunter 2	0.12	0.26	0.015	0.15	0.28	2011
Huntington 1	0.12	0.26	0.015	0.15	0.28	2010
Huntington 2	0.12	0.26	0.015	0.15	0.28	2006

^a30-day rolling average

² Utah Division of Air Quality Approval Orders: Huntington Unit 2 - AN0238012-05, Huntington Unit 1 - DAQE-AN0102380019-09 (note – on January 19, 2010 an administrative amendment was made to the 2009 AO), Hunter Units 1 and 2 - DAQE-AN0102370012-08.

³ 40 CFR Part 51 Appendix Y Guidelines for BART Determinations under the Regional Haze Rule (70 Federal Register 39135)

B. Partial Approval, Partial Disapproval of Utah's Regional Haze SIP

On December 14, 2012, EPA approved the majority of Utah's Regional Haze SIP but disapproved Utah's BART determinations for NO_x and PM for PacifiCorp's Hunter Unit 1, Hunter Unit 2, Huntington Unit 1, and Huntington Unit 2⁴. EPA determined that the SIP did not contain a full 5-factor analysis as required by the rule. Prior to EPA's disapproval, Utah's BART determination was in place and enforceable under state law and state permits. The required controls were installed and operating on three of the four EGUs prior to EPA's proposed disapproval, and were installed on the 4th EGU in 2014 as required by Utah's SIP under state law.

III. BART for Particulate Matter

In June 2012, after EPA had proposed to disapprove Utah's BART determination, PacifiCorp prepared a new 5-factor BART analysis to satisfy the requirements of the BART rule. PacifiCorp submitted an update to that analysis on August 5, 2014 to address issues that EPA had raised with other regional haze SIPs.

PacifiCorp's 5-Factor analysis identified three available technologies: upgraded electrostatic precipitator (ESP) and flue gas conditioning (0.040 lb PM₁₀/MMBtu); polishing fabric filter (0.015 lb PM₁₀/MMBtu); and replacement fabric filter (0.015 lb PM₁₀/MMBtu). The 2008 BART determination had required PacifiCorp to install a fabric filter baghouse with a PM emission limit of 0.015 lb/MMBtu at Hunter Units 1 and 2 and Huntington Units 1 and 2⁵. DAQ staff have reviewed PacifiCorp's 2012 analysis and determined that the baghouse technology required in 2008 is still the most stringent technology available and 0.015 lb PM/MMBtu represents the most stringent emission limit. The PM emission limit has been added to SIP Section IX, Part H.21 and H.22 to ensure that it is federally enforceable.

40 CFR Part 51, Appendix Y, *Guidelines for BART Determinations Under the Regional Haze Rule*, allows a streamlined 5-factor analysis when the most stringent controls are already required.

"If you find that a BART source has controls already in place which are the most stringent controls available (note that this means that all possible improvements to any control devices have been made), then it is not necessary to comprehensively complete each following step of the BART analysis in this section. As long as these most stringent controls available are made federally enforceable for the purpose of implementing BART for that source, you may skip the remaining analyses in this section, including the visibility analysis in step 5. Likewise, if a source commits to a BART determination that consists of the most stringent controls available, then there is no need to complete the remaining analyses in this section." (40 CFR Part 51, Appendix Y, Section D.9)

⁴ 77 FR 74355

⁵ The AOs established a PM₁₀ emission limit of 74 lb/hr at Huntington Unit 1; and a PM emission limit of 70 lb/hr at Huntington Unit 2. The pound per hour emission limit for the Huntington units was based on a 0.015 lb/MMBtu emission rate and a maximum hourly heat input.

Because the most stringent technology is in place and the SIP contains a federally enforceable emission limit for PM of 0.015 lb/MMBtu, no further analysis is required.

IV. Alternative to BART for NO_x

40 CFR 51.308(e)(2) A State may opt to implement or require participation in an emissions trading program or other alternative measure rather than to require sources subject to BART to install, operate, and maintain BART. Such an emissions trading program or other alternative measure must achieve greater reasonable progress than would be achieved through the installation and operation of BART. For all such emission trading programs or other alternative measures, the State must submit an implementation plan containing the following plan elements and include documentation for all required analyses:

Utah has opted to establish an alternative measure for NO_x as provided in 40 CFR 51.308(e)(2). The alternative measure requires the installation of low-NO_x burners with overfire air with an emission limit more stringent than the presumptive BART emission limit at the four EGUs that are subject-to-BART, and additional reductions of visibility impairing pollutants from three EGUs that are not subject to BART: PacifiCorp Hunter Unit 3, PacifiCorp Carbon Unit 1, and PacifiCorp Carbon Unit 2.

PacifiCorp Hunter Units 1 and 2 and PacifiCorp Huntington Units 1 and 2: the replacement of existing, first generation low-NO_x burners with Alstom TSF 2000TM low-NO_x firing system and installation of two elevations of separated overfire air.

PacifiCorp Hunter Unit 3: the replacement of existing, first generation low-NO_x burners with upgraded low-NO_x burners with overfire air.

PacifiCorp Carbon Units 1 and 2: permanent closure of both units by August 15, 2015 and rescission of the plant's operating permit by December 31, 2015.

PacifiCorp has announced plans to shut down the Carbon Power Plant in 2015⁶ due to the high cost to control mercury to meet the requirements of EPA's Mercury and Air Toxics Standards (MATS). The MATS rule was finalized in 2011, well after the 2002 base year for Utah's RH SIP, and therefore any reductions required to meet the MATS rule may be considered as part of an alternative strategy under 40 CFR 51.308(e)(2)(vi). This plant is located about 30 miles northeast of the Huntington Plant and about 40

⁶ "PacifiCorp continues to plan for retirement of its Carbon facility in early 2015 as the least-cost alternative to comply with MATS and other environmental regulations. Implementation of the transmission system modifications necessary to maintain system reliability following disconnection of the Carbon facility generators from the grid are underway." 2013 Integrated Resource Plan Update Redacted, PacifiCorp, March 21, 2014, page 16.

miles northeast of the Hunter Plant and its emissions impact the same general area as the Hunter and Huntington Plants. Average SO₂ emissions from the Carbon Plant in 2012-13 were 8,005 tons/yr, and average NO_x emissions were 3,342 tons /yr. PacifiCorp and ultimately Utah rate payers must pay the cost to replace the electricity generated by this plant, but there will also be a visibility benefit due to the emission reductions. Overall emission reductions of SO₂ and NO_x due to the closure of this plant will be greater than the NO_x reductions that could be achieved by installing the most stringent NO_x control, SCR, on the four subject-to-BART EGUs and the emission reductions will occur close to the location of the Hunter and Huntington plants.

While PacifiCorp has announced plans to shut down the Carbon Plant, this decision is not enforceable, and PacifiCorp could choose to meet the MATS requirements through other measures. On November 25, 2014, the Supreme Court agreed to consider challenges to the MATS rule, so there is a possibility that the mercury control requirements could be overturned or delayed. An enforceable requirement in the RH SIP to permanently close the Carbon Plant as part of an alternative to BART would lock in substantial emission reductions.

V. BART-eligible Sources Covered by Alternative Measure for NO_x

40 CFR 51.308(e)(2)(i)(A) A list of all BART-eligible sources within the state.

40 CFR 51.308(e)(2)(i)(B) A list of all BART-eligible sources and all BART source categories covered by the alternative program. The state is not required to include every BART source category or every BART-eligible source with a BART source category in an alternative program, but each BART-eligible source in the state must be subject to the requirements of the alternative program, have a federally enforceable emission limitation determined by the state and approved by EPA as meeting BART in accordance with section 302(c) or paragraph (e)(1) of this section, or otherwise addressed under paragraphs (e)(1) or (e)(4) of this section.

Four EGUs were the only BART-eligible sources identified in Utah's 2008 RH SIP. All four of these EGUs are covered by the alternative program.

- PacifiCorp Hunter, Unit 1
- PacifiCorp Hunter, Unit 2
- PacifiCorp Huntington, Unit 1
- PacifiCorp Huntington, Unit 2

VI. NOx emission reductions achievable

40 CFR 51.308(e)(2)(i)(C) An analysis of the best system of continuous emission control technology available and associated emission reductions achievable for each source within the state subject to BART and covered by the alternative program. This analysis must be conducted by making a determination of BART for each source subject to BART and covered by the alternative program as provided for in paragraph (e)(1) of this section, unless the emissions trading program or other alternative measure has been designed to meet a requirement other than BART (such as the core requirement to have a long-term strategy to achieve the reasonable progress goals established by the states). In this case, the state may determine the best system of continuous emission control technology and associated emission reductions for similar types of sources within a source category based on both source-specific and category-wide information, as appropriate.

In June 2012, PacifiCorp prepared a new 5-factor BART analysis to satisfy the requirements of the BART rule. PacifiCorp submitted an update to that analysis on August 5, 2014 to address issues that EPA had raised with other regional haze SIPs. The technologies identified in the analysis range from the currently required low NOx burners with overfire air (presumptive BART) to the most-stringent NOx technology (SCR + low NOx burners with overfire air). DAQ reviewed PacifiCorp's analysis and agreed that SCR + low NOx burners with overfire air with an annual emission rate of 0.05 lb/MMBtu was the most stringent technology available to reduce NOx emissions from the four subject-to-BART EGUs. This technology is very expensive to install on the subject-to-BART EGUs considering their current configuration and the unique characteristics of Utah's coal and would require careful consideration through a case-by-case 5-factor analysis. However, this technology can be used as a stringent benchmark for comparison with an alternative program. DAQ's use of this technology as a benchmark is not a determination that this technology is BART, it is merely a conservative approach to evaluate the effectiveness of the alternative program (see Table 2).

VII. Projected Emission Reductions from Alternative Measures

40 CFR 51.308(e)(2)(i)(D) An analysis of the projected emissions reductions achievable through the trading program or other alternative measure.

Table 2 shows the estimated annual emissions for NO_x, SO₂, and PM₁₀ for the most stringent NO_x scenario and the alternative measure. As can be seen, NO_x emissions are higher under the alternative measure, but emissions of SO₂ and PM₁₀ are both lower under the alternative measure. Combined emissions of all three pollutants are 2,856 tons/yr lower under the alternative measure.

Table 2. Estimated emissions under the most stringent NO_x scenario and the alternative scenario

Units	NO _x emissions (tons/yr)		SO ₂ emissions (tons/yr)		PM ₁₀ emissions (tons/yr) ^d		Combined	
	Most Stringent NO _x ^b	Alternative ^c	Most Stringent NO _x ^b	Alternative ^c	Most Stringent NO _x	Alternative	Most Stringent NO _x	Alternative
Carbon 1	1,408	0	3,388	0	221	0	5,016	0
Carbon 2	1,940	0	4,617	0	352	0	6,909	0
Hunter 1 ^a	775	3,412	1,529	1,529	169	169	2,473	5,100
Hunter 2	843	3,412	1,529	1,529	169	169	2,541	5,110
Hunter 3	6,530	4,622	1,033	1,033	122	122	7,685	5,777
Huntington	809	3,593	1,168	1,168	176	176	2,153	4,937
Huntington	856	3,844	1,187	1,187	200	200	2,243	5,231
Total	13,161	18,882	14,451	6,446	1409	836	29,020	26,164

^a Hunter 1 controls were installed in the spring of 2014, therefore Hunter 2 actual emissions are used as a surrogate

^b Most stringent NO_x rate for BART-eligible units (see spreadsheet BART Analysis.pdf in the TSD), 2012-13 actual emissions Carbon, 2001-3 actual emissions Hunter 3 (EPA Acid Rain Program)

^c Average actual emissions 2012-13 for Hunter and Huntington units, EPA Acid Rain Program

^d Actual emissions for 2012, DAQ annual inventory

VIII. Greater Reasonable Progress than BART

40 CFR 51.308(e)(2)(i) Demonstration that the emissions trading program or other alternative measure will achieve greater reasonable progress than would have resulted from the installation and operation of BART at all sources subject to BART in the state and covered by the alternative program.

40 CFR 51.308(e)(2)(i)(E) A determination under paragraph (e)(3) if this section or otherwise based on the clear weight of evidence that the trading program or other alternative measure achieves greater reasonable progress than would be achieved through the installation and operation of BART at the covered sources.

The weight of evidence shows that the alternative program will provide greater reasonable progress than BART. DAQ used a number of different metrics to reach this conclusion. First, as outlined in section VI, combined emissions of NO_x, SO₂, and PM will be 2,856 tons/yr lower under the alternative scenario. The NO_x reductions at Huntington 1 and 2 and Hunter 2 and 3 occurred between 2006 and 2011, earlier than was required by the rule, providing a corresponding early and on-going visibility improvement. The alternative provides greater reductions of SO₂, the most significant anthropogenic pollutant affecting Class I Areas on the Colorado Plateau that affects visibility year-round, including the high visitation seasons of Spring, Summer, and Fall. Finally, visibility modeling shows that the alternative will provide greater visibility improvement.

DAQ conducted dispersion modeling using the CALPUFF model to compare the visibility improvement anticipated under the alternative measure with the visibility improvement under the most stringent NO_x technology for the four subject-to-BART EGUs. The seven EGUs shown in Table 3 were included in the modeling. Detailed information regarding the modeling inputs, emission scenarios, and methods are described in the February 13, 2014 modeling protocol.⁷

⁷ Air Quality Modeling Protocol: Utah Regional Haze State Implementation Plan, Utah Division of Air Quality, February 13, 2015

Table 3. Emission units and Class I areas modeled

Company Name	Plant Name	Units
PacifiCorp	Hunter	Boilers #1,2,3
PacifiCorp	Huntington	Boilers #1,2
PacifiCorp	Carbon	Boilers #1,2

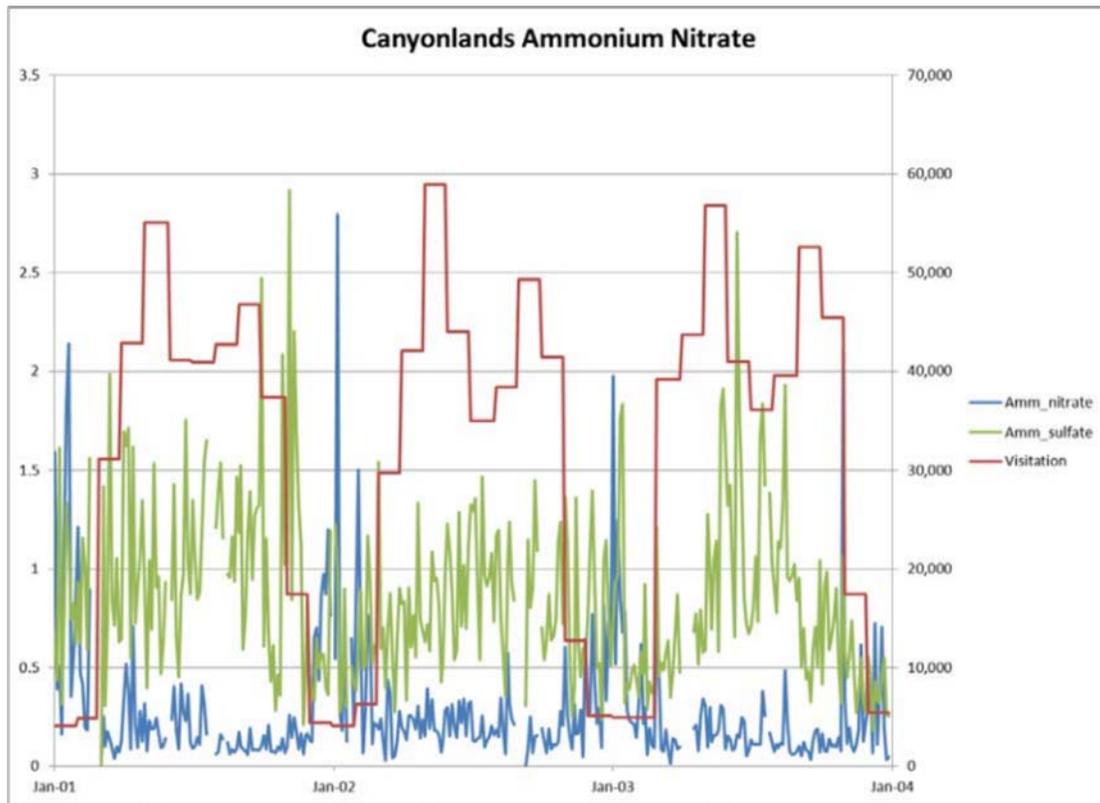
Source	Class I Areas to be Evaluated
PacifiCorp Hunter Plant, PacifiCorp Huntington Plant, PacifiCorp Carbon Plant	Arches National Park, Canyonlands National Park, Capitol Reef National Park, Bryce National Park, Zion National Park, Mesa Verde National Park, Black Canyon of the Gunnison National Park, Grand Canyon National Park, Flat Tops Wilderness

Because the emission reductions under the alternative included reductions of SO₂ in addition to reductions of NO_x, visibility improvement under the two scenarios could occur during different episodes and during different times of the year. For this reason, a number of different metrics were evaluated to compare the two scenarios.

A. Continued Focus on SO₂ Reductions

Utah’s 2003 RH SIP focused on SO₂ reductions because SO₂ has the greatest overall impact at Class I areas on the Colorado Plateau and revisions in 2008 and 2011 continued this focus. The alternative measures enhance that approach through additional, significant emission reductions of over 8,000 tons/yr SO₂ due to the closure of the Carbon Plant. Figure 1 shows that sulfates are the dominant visibility impairing pollutant at Canyonlands, the Class I area with the greatest overall impact from the four subject-to-BART sources. Figure 4 shows that sulfates affect visibility throughout the year and are the dominant visibility impairing pollutant from anthropogenic sources during the high visitation period of March through November. Similar results are seen at the other Class I areas and are documented in the TSD.

Figure 4. Canyonlands ammonium sulfate and ammonium nitrate



DAQ has confidence that SO_2 reductions will achieve meaningful visibility improvement. The visibility improvement during the winter months due to NO_x reductions is much more uncertain. Figure 5 shows the significant emission reductions of both SO_2 and NO_x that have occurred from the four subject-to-BART EGUs over the last 15 years. Figure 6 shows corresponding improvements in ammonium sulfate values at Canyonlands throughout the year. However, ammonium nitrate values do not show similar improvement in the winter months, despite a 50% reduction in NO_x over this time period. For this reason, DAQ has greater confidence that modeled improvements due to reductions in SO_2 will be reflected in improved visibility for visitors to the Class I areas over the next decade, while modeled improvements due to reductions in NO_x will have a more uncertain benefit.

Figure 5. SO₂ and NO_x Emission Trends

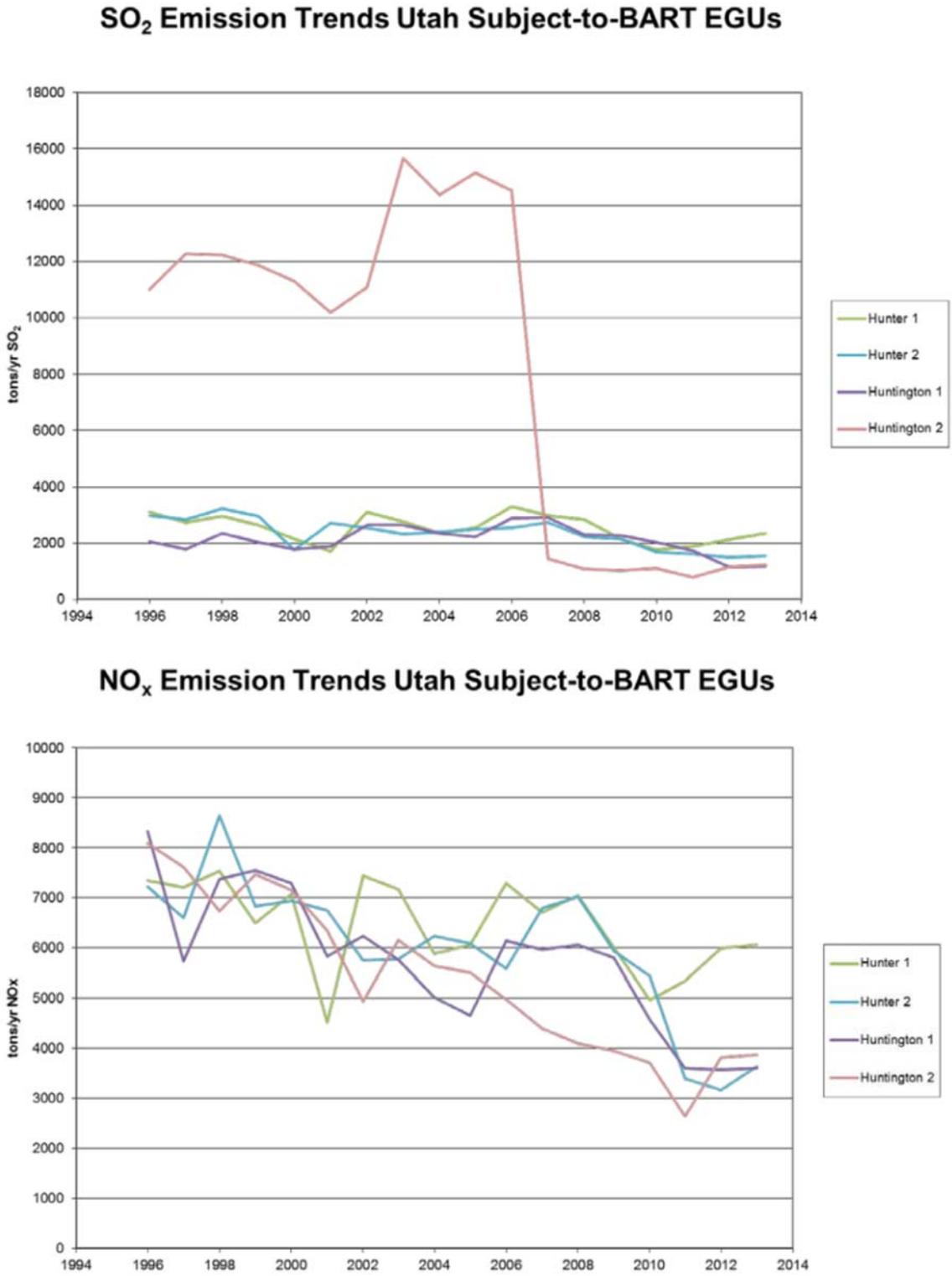
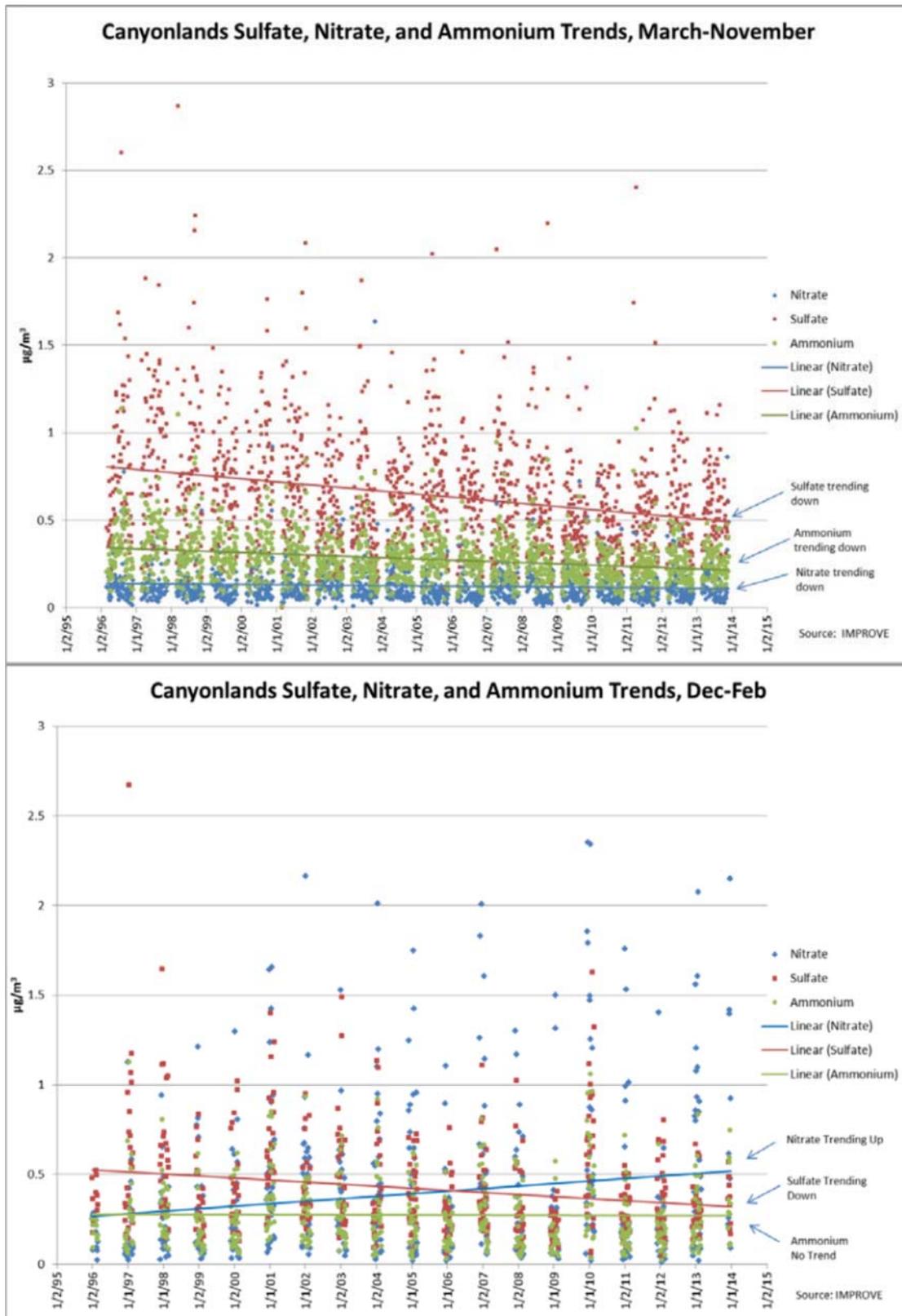


Figure 6. Sulfate and Nitrate Trends at Canyonlands



B. Comparison of Modeled Results

The visibility modeling demonstrated greater visibility improvement across all Class I areas. The results of this modeling are described in sections VIII.B.1 through 4. The detailed modeling results are included in the TSD.⁸

1. Improvement in number of days with significant visibility impairment.

Modeled visibility improved more often under the alternative scenario leading to an average of six fewer days with a deciview impact greater than 1.0 dV per year and 58 fewer days with a deciview impact greater than 0.5 dV per year.

Table 4. Average Number of Days > 1.0 dV Impact

	Basecase	Alternative	Most Stringent NOx Control
Arches	128	68	77
Black Canyon of the Gunnison	36	10	9
Bryce Canyon	19	9	8
Canyonlands	141	87	87
Capitol Reef	68	42	41
Flat Tops	46	13	15
Grand Canyon	22	11	10
Mesa Verde	40	13	12
Zion	11	6	6
Total	511	258	264

⁸ Technical Support Document for Regional Haze SIP

Table 5. Average Number of Days > 0.5 dV Impact

	Basecase	Alternative	Most Stringent NOx Control
Arches	176	109	130
Black Canyon of the Gunnison	75	27	34
Bryce Canyon	36	17	19
Canyonlands	178	131	140
Capitol Reef	96	63	65
Flat Tops	93	34	44
Grand Canyon	38	19	20
Mesa Verde	71	32	37
Zion	21	10	10
Total	784	441	499

2. Average deciview impact

The average deciview impact at all Class I areas is better or the same under the alternative at six of the nine Class I areas, and is better on average across all the Class I areas.

Table 6. Average Δ dV across all Class I Areas

	Basecase	Alternative	Most Stringent Nox
Arches	1.236	0.616	0.688
Black Canyon of the Gunnison	0.334	0.137	0.158
Bryce Canyon	0.192	0.089	0.090
Canyonlands	1.389	0.791	0.760
Capitol Reef	0.719	0.398	0.367
Flat Tops	0.427	0.167	0.210
Grand Canyon	0.211	0.102	0.100
Mesa Verde	0.338	0.148	0.154
Zion	0.119	0.056	0.056
Average	0.552	0.278	0.287

3. 90th percentile deciview impact

The 90th percentile deciview impact is better or the same under the alternative at seven of the nine Class I areas, and is slightly better on average across all Class I areas.

Table 7. 90th Percentile (110th highest) across all 3 years

	Basecase	Alternative	Most Stringent NOx
Arches	3.721	1.859	1.999
Black Canyon of the Gunnison	0.977	0.400	0.465
Bryce Canyon	0.495	0.189	0.227
Canyonlands	4.183	2.447	2.148
Capitol Reef	2.416	1.234	1.150
Flat Tops	1.221	0.466	0.555
Grand Canyon	0.559	0.222	0.241
Mesa Verde	1.124	0.430	0.501
Zion	0.183	0.067	0.089
Average	1.653	0.813	0.819

4. 98th percentile deciview impact

The only metric evaluated that showed greater improvement under the most stringent NOx scenario was the visibility impact on the most impaired days. Because high nitrate values occur primarily in the winter months, the most stringent NOx scenario achieved greater modeled visibility improvement on these high nitrate days. As discussed earlier, there is greater uncertainty regarding the effect of NOx reductions on wintertime nitrate values because past emission reductions have not resulted in corresponding reductions in monitored nitrate values during the winter months. DAQ has greater confidence in the visibility improvement due to reductions of SO₂ because past reductions have resulted in corresponding reductions in monitored sulfate values throughout the year.

Table 8. Average 98th Percentile (24th High) Across 3 Years

	Basecase	Alternative	Most Stringent NOx
Arches	7.167	4.282	4.469
Black Canyon of the Gunnison	2.366	1.123	1.053
Bryce Canyon	2.401	1.157	1.059
Canyonlands	8.328	5.728	5.057
Capitol Reef	6.364	4.125	3.662
Flat Tops	2.753	1.210	1.292
Grand Canyon	2.814	1.457	1.200
Mesa Verde	2.815	1.287	1.137
Zion	1.464	0.638	0.709
Average	4.052	2.334	2.182

Table 9. 98th Percentile (8th High) in Highest Year

	Alternative	Most Stringent NOx
Arches	4.92	4.87
Black Canyon of the Gunnison	1.32	1.36
Bryce Canyon	1.89	1.96
Canyonlands	6.32	5.56
Capitol Reef	4.78	3.39
Flat Tops	1.37	1.81
Grand Canyon	1.98	1.81
Mesa Verde	1.52	1.48
Zion	1.14	1.22
Average	2.81	2.61

5. Weight of Evidence

The weight of evidence shows that the alternative program will provide greater reasonable progress than BART. Combined emissions of NO_x, SO₂, and PM will be 2,856 tons/yr lower under the alternative scenario. Reductions were achieved earlier than was required by the rule, providing a corresponding early and on-going visibility improvement. The alternative program provides greater reductions of SO₂, the most significant anthropogenic pollutant affecting Class I Areas on the Colorado Plateau that affects visibility year-round, including the high visitation seasons of Spring, Summer, and Fall. Finally, visibility modeling shows that the alternative will provide visibility improvement on a greater number of days, greater average improvement, and greater improvement on the 90th percentile deciviews across all Class I areas.

C. Non-air quality benefits

There are additional non-air quality benefits under the alternative. The solid waste from the Carbon Plant would no longer be part of the waste stream. The alternative would avoid the energy penalty due to operating an SCR unit. PacifiCorp noted this energy penalty in their 5-factor analysis but did not quantify the results.

IX. Timing of NOx Emission Reductions under Alternative Measure and Monitoring, Recordkeeping, and Reporting

40 CFR 51.308(e)(2)(iii) A requirement that all necessary emission reductions take place during the period of the first long-term strategy for regional haze. To meet this requirement, the state must provide a detailed description of the emission trading program or other alternative measure, including schedules for implementation, the emission reductions required by the program, all necessary administrative and technical procedures for implementing the program, rules for accounting and monitoring emissions, and procedures for enforcement.

The schedule for installation of the NOx controls required by the alternative measure is shown in Table 10. The alternative measure will be fully implemented prior to 2018, the end of the first long term strategy for regional haze.

Table 10. Implementation Schedule

Unit	Year Installed or Required
PacifiCorp Hunter Unit 1	2014
PacifiCorp Hunter Unit 2	2011
PacifiCorp Hunter Unit 3	2008
PacifiCorp Huntington Unit 1	2010
PacifiCorp Huntington Unit 2	2006
PacifiCorp Carbon Unit 1	2015
PacifiCorp Carbon Unit 2	2015

The enforceable emission limits, administrative and technical procedures for implementing the program, rules for accounting and monitoring emissions, and procedures for enforcement are addressed in SIP Section IX, Parts H.21 and 22.

X. Emission Reductions are Surplus

40 CFR 51.308(e)(2)(vi) A demonstration that the emission reductions resulting from the emissions trading program or other alternative measure will be surplus to those reductions resulting from measures adopted to meet requirements of the CAA as of the baseline date of the SIP.

A. Baseline Date of the SIP

When the regional haze rule was promulgated in 1999, EPA explained that the “baseline date of the SIP” in this context means “the date of the emissions inventories on which the SIP relies.”⁹ The baseline inventory for the regional SO₂ milestones and backstop trading program in Utah’s 2003 SIP was 1990 while the inventory for the remaining elements in the 2003 SIP, including enhanced smoke management, mobile sources, and pollution prevention, was 1996. When the RH SIP was updated in 2008, a new baseline inventory of 2002 was established for regional modeling, evaluating the impact on Class I areas outside of the Colorado Plateau, and BART as outlined in EPA Guidance¹⁰ and the July 6, 2005 BART Rule.¹¹ For purposes of evaluating an alternative to BART, the later baseline date of 2002 is therefore most appropriate. 2002 is the baseline inventory that was used by other states throughout the country when evaluating BART under the provisions of 40 CFR 51.308. Any measure adopted after 2002 is considered “surplus” under 40 CFR 51.308(e)(2)(iv).

B. SO₂, NO_x, and PM Reductions from the Closure of the PacifiCorp Carbon Plant

Utah met the BART requirement for SO₂ as provided under 40 CFR 51.309(d)(4) through the establishment of SO₂ emission milestones with a backstop regulatory trading program to ensure that SO₂ emissions in the 3-state region of Utah, Wyoming, and New Mexico decreased substantially between 2003 and 2018. The final SO₂ milestone in 2018 was determined to provide greater reasonable progress than BART and the overall RH SIP was deemed to meet the reasonable progress requirements for Class I areas on the Colorado Plateau and for other Class I areas¹². The modeling supporting the RH SIP included regional SO₂ emissions based on the 2018 SO₂ milestone and also included NO_x and PM emissions from the Carbon Plant. Actual emissions in the 3-state region are calculated each year and compared to the milestones. As can be seen in Table 5, the 2018 milestone was met seven years early in 2011 and SO₂ emissions have continued to decline. The most recent milestone report for 2013 demonstrates that SO₂ emissions are currently 26% lower than the 2018 milestone. The Carbon Plant was fully operational in the years 2011-2013 when the 2018 milestone was initially achieved for those

⁹ 64 FR 35742, July 1, 1999

¹⁰ Memorandum from Lydia Wegman and Peter Tsigiotis, 2002 Base Year Emission Inventory SIP Planning: 8-hr Ozone, PM_{2.5}, and Regional Haze Programs, November 8, 2002.

¹¹ 70 FR 39143, July 6, 2005

¹² 77 FR 74355, December 14, 2012

years. Therefore the SO₂ emission reductions from the closure of the Carbon Plant are surplus to what is needed to meet the 2018 milestone established in Utah’s RH SIP.

The Carbon Plant was built in the 1950s and is therefore grandfathered under Utah’s permitting rules. The plant is equipped with an electrostatic precipitator for PM control and has no SO₂ or NO_x controls. PacifiCorp has announced plans to shut down the Carbon Power Plant in 2015 due to the high cost to control mercury to meet the requirements of EPA’s new Mercury and Air Toxics Standards (MATS) rule. The MATS rule was finalized in 2011, well after the 2002 base year for Utah’s RH SIP, and therefore any reductions required to meet the MATS rule may be considered as part of an alternative strategy under 40 CFR 51.308(e)(2)(vi). While PacifiCorp has announced plans to shut down the Carbon Plant, this decision is not enforceable, and PacifiCorp could choose to meet the MATS requirements through other measures. On November 25, 2014, the Supreme Court agreed to consider challenges to the MATS rule, so there is a possibility that the mercury control requirements could be overturned or delayed. An enforceable requirement in the RH SIP to permanently close the Carbon Plant as part of an alternative to BART would lock in substantial emission reductions.

Table 11. SO₂ Milestone Trends

	Milestone	Three Year Average SO₂ Emissions (tons/yr)	Carbon Plant SO₂ Emissions (tons/yr)
2003	303,264	214,780	5,488
2004	303,264	223,584	5,642
2005	303,264	220,987	5,410
2006	303,264	218,499	6,779
2007	303,264	203,569	6,511
2008	269,083	186,837	5,057
2009	234,903	165,633	5,494
2010	200,722	146,808	7,462
2011	200,722	130,935	7,740
2012	200,722	115,115	8,307
2013	185,795	105,084	7,702
2014	170,868		
2015	155,940		
2016	155,940		
2017	155,940		
2018	141,849		

C. PacifiCorp Hunter Unit 3

PacifiCorp upgraded the low-NOx burners on Hunter Unit 3 in 2008. This upgrade was not required under the requirements of the Clean Air Act as of the 2002 baseline date of the SIP. Prior to the 2008 upgrade, the emission rate for Hunter Unit 2 was 0.46 lb/MMBtu heat input for a 30-day rolling average as required by Phase II of the Acid Rain Program.

XI. Visibility Analysis

40 CFR 51.308(e)(3) A State which opts under 40 CFR 51.308(e)(2) to implement an emissions trading program or other alternative measure rather than to require sources subject to BART to install, operate, and maintain BART may satisfy the final step of the demonstration required by that section as follows: If the distribution of emissions is not substantially different than under BART, and the alternative measure results in greater emission reductions, then the alternative measure may be deemed to achieve greater reasonable progress. If the distribution of emissions is significantly different, the State must conduct dispersion modeling to determine differences in visibility between BART and the trading program for each impacted Class I area, for the worst and best 20% of days. The modeling would demonstrate “greater reasonable progress” if both of the following two criteria are met:

(i) Visibility does not decline in any Class I area, and

(ii) There is an overall improvement in visibility, determined by comparing the average differences between BART and the alternative over all affected Class I areas.

The Hunter, Huntington, and Carbon plants are all located within 40 miles of each other in Central Utah. Because of the close proximity of the three plants, the distribution of emissions will not be substantially different under the alternative program. As described in section VII, combined emissions of all three pollutants are 2,856 tons/yr lower under the alternative measure. Therefore, the alternative measure may be deemed to achieve greater reasonable progress than BART.