

comment rulemaking requirements unless the agency certifies that the rule, if finalized, will not have a significant economic impact on a substantial number of small entities. For the reasons described in the proposal, EPA certified that this action does not have a significant impact on a substantial number of small entities. See 67 FR 19148, 19151.

Under section 202 of the Unfunded Mandates Reform Act of 1995 ("Unfunded Mandates Act"), EPA must prepare a budgetary impact statement to accompany any proposed or final rule that includes a Federal mandate that may result in estimated costs to State, local, or tribal governments in the aggregate; or to private sector, of \$100 million or more in any one year. Under section 205, EPA must select the most cost-effective and least burdensome alternative that achieves the objectives of the rule and is consistent with statutory requirements for any rule requiring a budgetary impact statement. Section 203 requires EPA to establish a plan for informing and advising any small governments that may be significantly or uniquely impacted by the rule.

EPA has determined that this rule does not include a Federal mandate that may result in estimated costs of \$100 million or more in any one year to either State, local, or tribal governments in the aggregate, or to the private sector and has therefore not prepared a budgetary impact statement. This proposed rule, if finalized, will not significantly or uniquely impact any small governments.

Section 12 of the National Technology Transfer and Advancement Act (NTTAA) of 1995 requires Federal agencies to evaluate existing technical standards when developing a new regulation. To comply with NTTAA, EPA must consider and use "voluntary consensus standards" (VCS) if available and applicable when developing programs and policies unless doing so would be inconsistent with applicable law or otherwise impractical.

In making a finding of SIP deficiency, EPA's role is to review existing information against previously established standards (in this case, what constitutes a violation of the 24-hour PM-10 standard). In this context, there is no opportunity to use VCS. Thus, the requirements of NTTAA section 12(d) (15 U.S.C. 272 note) do not apply to this rule.

The Congressional Review Act, 5 U.S.C. 801 et seq., as added by the Small Business Regulatory Enforcement Fairness Act of 1996, generally provides that before a rule may take effect, the

agency promulgating the rule must submit a rule report, which includes a copy of the rule, to each House of the Congress and to the Comptroller General of the United States. EPA will submit a report containing this rule and other required information to the U.S. Senate, the U.S. House of Representatives, and the Comptroller General of the United States prior to publication of the rule in the **Federal Register**. A major rule cannot take effect until 60 days after it is published in the **Federal Register**. This action is not a "major rule" as defined by 5 U.S.C. 804(2).

Under section 307(b)(1) of the Clean Air Act, petitions for judicial review of this action must be filed in the United States Court of Appeals for the appropriate circuit by September 3, 2002. Filing a petition for reconsideration by the Administrator of this final rule does not affect the finality of this rule for the purposes of judicial review nor does it extend the time within which a petition for judicial review may be filed, and shall not postpone the effectiveness of such rule or action. This action may not be challenged later in proceedings to enforce its requirements. (See section 307(b)(2).)

#### List of Subjects in 40 CFR Part 52

Environmental protection, Air pollution control, Intergovernmental relations, particulate matter.

Dated: June 19, 2002.

**Keith Takata**,

*Acting Regional Administrator, Region IX.*

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## ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

### 40 CFR Part 63

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### National Emission Standards for Hazardous Air Pollutants From the Portland Cement Manufacturing Industry

**AGENCY:** Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

**ACTION:** Partial withdrawal of direct final rule.

**SUMMARY:** On April 5, 2002, the EPA promulgated amendments to the national emission standards for the portland cement manufacturing industry as a direct final rule with a parallel proposal if we received any adverse comments on the direct final

amendments. Because adverse comments were received on some of the provisions in the direct final rule, we are withdrawing the corresponding parts of that direct final rule. We will address the adverse comments in a subsequent final rule based on the parallel proposal published on April 5, 2002.

**DATES:** As of July 2, 2002, EPA withdraws amendments to §§ 63.1340(c), 63.1344(a)(3), 63.1349(e)(3), and 63.1350(a)(4), (c)(2)(i), (d)(2)(i), and (e) published at 67 FR 16614 on April 5, 2002. The remaining provisions published on April 5, 2002, will be effective July 5, 2002.

**ADDRESSES:** Docket number A-92-53, containing supporting information used in the development of this notice is available for public inspection and copying between 8:00 a.m. and 5:30 p.m., Monday through Friday (except for Federal holidays) at the following address: U.S. EPA, Air and Radiation Docket and Information Center (6102), 401 M Street, SW., Washington, DC 20460, or by calling (202) 260-7548. A reasonable fee may be charged for copying docket materials.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Mr. Joseph Wood, P.E., Minerals and Inorganic Chemicals Group, Emission Standards Division (C504-05), Office of Air Quality Planning and Standards, U.S. EPA, Research Triangle Park, North Carolina 27711, telephone number (919) 541-5446, facsimile number (919) 541-5600, electronic mail address: [wood.joe@epa.gov](mailto:wood.joe@epa.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** On April 5, 2002, we published a direct final rule (67 FR 16614) and a parallel proposal (67 FR 16625) amending the national emission standards for the portland cement manufacturing industry (40 CFR part 63, subpart LLL). The amendments made improvements for implementation of the standards, primarily in the areas of applicability, testing, and monitoring, to resolve issues and questions raised since promulgation of the rule on June 14, 1999.

We stated in the preamble to the direct final rule and parallel proposal that if we received significant material adverse comment by May 6, 2002, on one or more distinct provisions of the direct final rule, we would publish a timely withdrawal of those distinct provisions in the **Federal Register**. We subsequently received adverse comments on seven of the amendments:

- § 63.1340(c), related to applicability of the rule to crushers at portland cement plants with on-site nonmetallic mineral processing facilities;

- § 63.1344(a)(3), related to the temperature operating limit for an in-line kiln/raw mill equipped with an alkali bypass;
- § 63.1349(e)(3), related to requirements associated with preparation for, and conduct of, a new performance test if a source anticipates making an operational change that may adversely affect compliance with an applicable dioxin/furan (D/F) emission standard;
- § 63.1350(a)(4)(v) through (vii), related to visible emission monitoring of a totally enclosed conveying system transfer point; and
- § 63.1350(c)(2)(i), (d)(2)(i), and (e), related to operating conditions during daily visual opacity observations by Method 9 (40 CFR part 60, appendix A) and daily visual emissions observations by Method 22 (40 CFR part 60, appendix A).

Accordingly, these seven amendments are withdrawn as of July 2, 2002. We will take final action on the proposed rule after considering the comments received. We will not institute a second comment period on this action. The seventeen provisions for which we did not receive adverse comment will become effective on July 5, 2002, as provided in the preamble to the direct final rule.

#### List of Subjects in 40 CFR Part 63

Environmental protection, Administrative practice and procedure, Air pollution control, Reporting and recordkeeping requirements.

Dated: June 26, 2002.

**Robert Brenner,**

*Acting Assistant Administrator for Air and Radiation.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### Fish and Wildlife Service

#### 50 CFR Part 17

RIN 1018-AF86

#### Endangered and Threatened Wildlife and Plants; Determination of Endangered Status for *Ambrosia pumila* (San Diego Ambrosia) From Southern California

**AGENCY:** Fish and Wildlife Service, Interior.

**ACTION:** Final rule.

**SUMMARY:** We, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Service), determine endangered status for *Ambrosia pumila*

(San Diego ambrosia) pursuant to the Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended (Act). This plant species is restricted to 15 known occurrences in San Diego and Riverside Counties, CA, and also occurs in Estado de Baja California, Mexico. *Ambrosia pumila* primarily occurs on upper terraces of rivers and drainages as well as in open grasslands, openings in coastal sage scrub habitat, and occasionally in areas adjacent to vernal pools. This species is threatened by the following: present or threatened destruction, fragmentation, and degradation of habitat primarily by construction and maintenance of highways, maintenance of utility easements, development of recreational facilities, and residential and commercial development; inadequate regulatory mechanisms; potential competition, encroachment, and other negative impacts from non-native plants; mowing and discing for fuel modification; and trampling, as well as soil compaction by horses, humans, and vehicles. This rule implements the Federal protection and recovery provisions of the Act for *Ambrosia pumila*.

**DATES:** This rule is effective August 1, 2002.

**ADDRESSES:** The supporting record for this rule is available for inspection, by appointment, during normal business hours at the Carlsbad Fish and Wildlife Office, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, 2730 Loker Avenue West, Carlsbad, CA 92008.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Jim Bartel, Field Supervisor, at the above address; telephone 760/431-9440; facsimile 760/918-0638.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

**Background**

*Ambrosia* is a genus comprising 35 to 50 wind-pollinated annual and perennial plant species in the Asteraceae (sunflower) family. The perennial taxa range from woody shrubs to herbaceous plants with rhizome-like roots. Rhizomes are underground stems that produce leafy shoots. Self-pollination and self-fertility contribute to strong inbreeding among species of *Ambrosia* (Payne 1976). Members of the genus occur predominantly in the Western Hemisphere, especially North America. Species are generally found in arid or semiarid areas and some are weeds of cultivated fields or strand species of Pacific and Caribbean beaches.

*Ambrosia pumila* (San Diego ambrosia) was originally described as *Franseria pumila* by Thomas Nuttall (Nuttall 1840) based on a specimen he

collected near San Diego, California, in 1836. Asa Gray (Gray 1882), after seeing specimens of the plant with fruits, decided it was closely related to members of the genus *Ambrosia* and published the currently accepted combination, *Ambrosia pumila* (Nutt.) A. Gray. This classification has been recognized by current systematic and floristic treatments (Payne 1964, Munz 1935, Keck 1959, Ferris 1960, Munz 1974, Beauchamp 1986, and Payne 1993).

*Ambrosia pumila* is an herbaceous perennial plant species that spreads vegetatively by means of slender, branched, underground rhizome-like roots from which the aerial (above-ground) stems arise. Plants that spread in this way are referred to as clonal species. This clonal growth pattern results in groupings of aerial stems interconnected by their underground rhizome-like roots that represent genetically identical individuals. When these underground interconnections disintegrate, aerial stems that are genetically identical are physically separate. The aerial stems sprout in early spring after the winter rains. Dead aerial stems may persist or deteriorate after their growing season. Therefore, the plant may not be in evidence at some times of the year. The aerial stems sprout in early spring after the winter rains and deteriorate in late summer. Therefore, the plant may not be in evidence from late summer to early spring. The aerial stems are 5 to 30 centimeters (cm) (2 to 12 inches (in)) tall, but may grow to 50 cm (20 in), and are densely covered with short hairs. The leaves are two to four times pinnately divided into many small segments and are covered with short, soft, gray-white, appressed (lying flat on surface) hairs. This wind-pollinated species flowers from May through October with separate male and female flower clusters (heads) on the same plant. The male flowers are yellow to translucent and are borne in clusters on terminal racemes (flower stalks). The female flowers have no petals and are yellowish-white. Female flowers are in clusters in the axils of the leaves below the male flower clusters.

Although some species of *Ambrosia* have breeding systems that contribute to strong inbreeding (Payne 1976), the breeding system of *A. pumila* has not been studied. The fruiting heads are enclosed by involucre (composed of modified leaf-like structures fused together) to form cup-like structures that have no spines, although some reports note a few vestigial (remnant) spines. Few preserved museum specimens have fertile fruits, and field collections have