



EVALUATION OF MILESTONES

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MULTIPLE FACTORS CONTRIBUTE TO THE ASSESSMENT OF MILESTONE PROGRESS

- EPA intends to look at a number of factors in tandem when assessing milestone and WIP progress in Spring 2014
- One factor alone is unlikely to trigger Federal Actions
- Jurisdictions will have the opportunity to review draft EPA evaluations of progress and provide feedback before they are final

EVALUATION PROCESS FOR MILESTONES

- Assess whether and to what extent Programmatic Milestone commitments have been met
- Assess implementation rates of key BMPs compared to milestone and WIP commitments – from the input decks
- Load reduction progress based on BMP actions using the latest BMP efficiency information
 - Compared against the Pre-existing Load Reduction Trajectory required to meet the Phase II Planning Targets and 2017 (60% target)
- Are jurisdictions on pace to meet the 2017 and 2025 goals?
- Assess the adequacy of new commitments made in the 14/15 milestones to address shortfall areas

EPA'S ASSESSMENT

- This evaluation of milestone progress is included within our annual evaluation of WIP progress in EPA's Annual Assessment
- Annual Assessment includes:
 - 12/13 milestone progress, (programmatic & numeric)
 - 14/15 milestone commitment - on pace to 2017? (programmatic & numeric)
 - Quarterly call updates
 - WIP implementation progress

2012-2013 MILESTONES

- Look holistically across both programmatic and the numeric milestone results
- 2013 progress on 2010 land use to see if the overall load reductions for this milestone period were met.
- 2013 progress run on 2013 land use for informational purposes
- In each case, 2013 progress will utilize the most current BMP efficiency information
- Programmatic milestones – were they met?

MILESTONES NEXT STEPS

- Currently working with jurisdictions to finalize 2013 progress
- The Schedule EPA plans to use is:
 - Jan 15 – Receipt of Draft Milestones for FY 14/15 and final 12/13 programmatic milestones
 - Feb 15 – Target date for EPA comments on 14/15 input deck and programmatic MS and for 13 progress results
 - Mar 15 – Due date to revise 14/15 MS based on 13 progress results
 - March 2014 – EPA/Jurisdiction quarterly calls
 - May 15 – Final 14/15 milestones due to EPA
 - EPA Annual Assessment late spring
 - The opportunity exists in this schedule for Jurisdictions to review draft evaluation notes before EPA finalizes them and post for public viewing on the TMDL web site