

#### **ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION DIVISION**

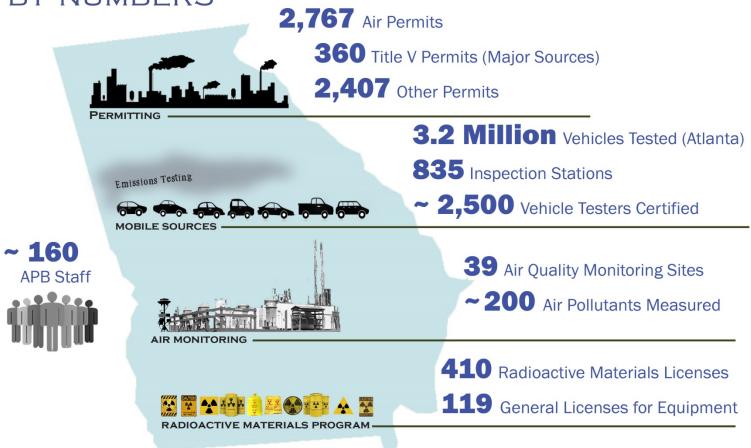
## Air Update, Georgia EPD

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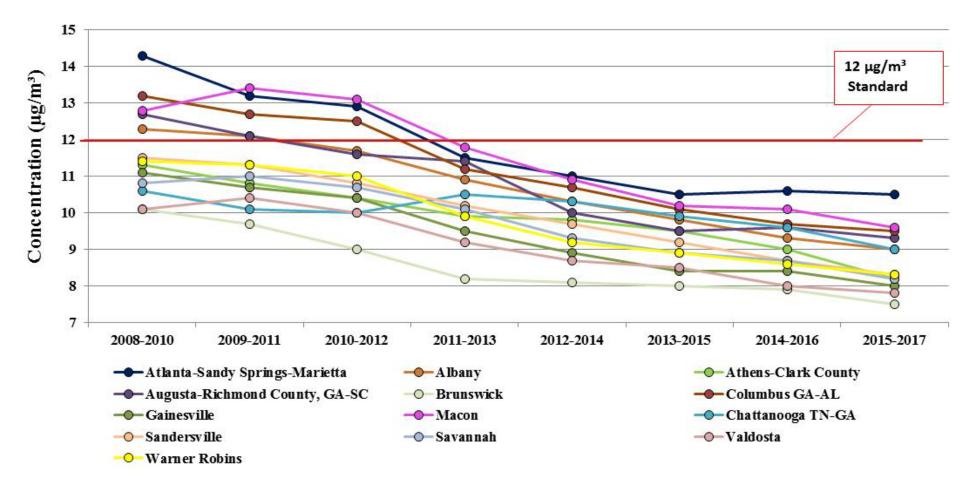
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# AIR QUALITY IN GEORGIA

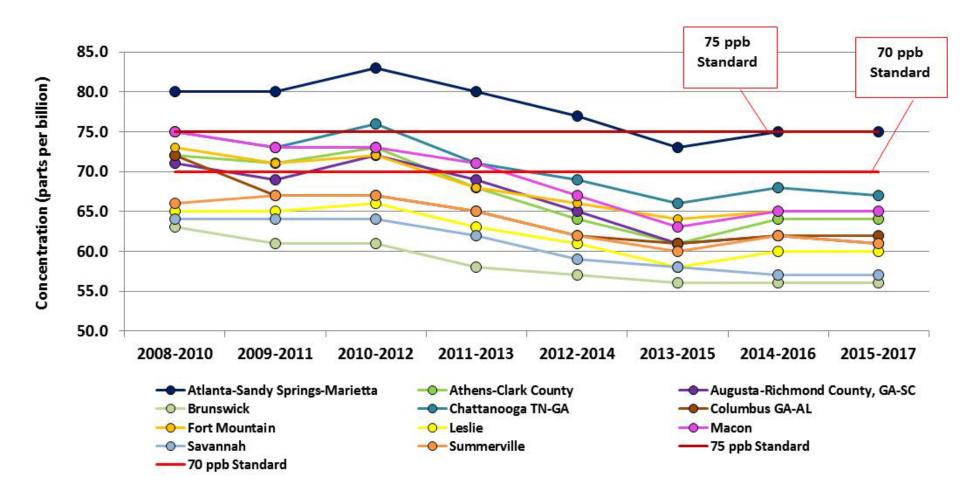


### ANNUAL $PM_{2.5}$ DESIGN VALUE TRENDS

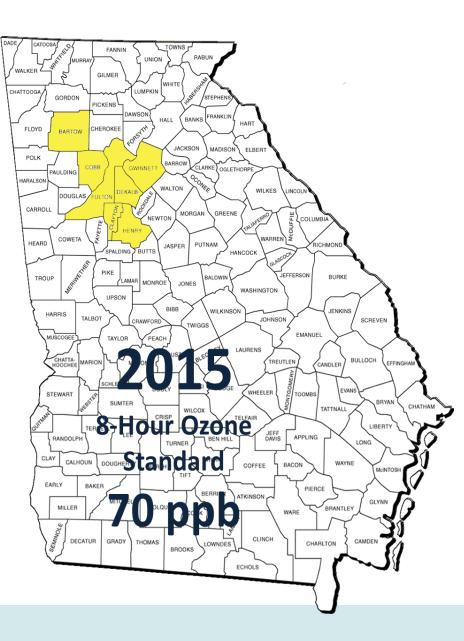




### **OZONE DESIGN VALUE TRENDS**







- 18 Route Automatica Converses
- Bibb County
- 1 Partial North Georgia County



# GEORGIA AIR QUALITY RULE UPDATES



# CHANGES TO PERMIT REQUIREMENTS IN ATLANTA METRO

- Since 2004, the major source threshold for sources of volatile organic compounds (VOCs) and oxides of nitrogen (NOx) was 25 tons per year in 13 Atlanta Metro Counties
- In May 2018, the DNR Board approved a rule revision, raising the major source threshold to 100 TPY ... like the rest of Georgia
- LAER and offsets still required at 100 TPY for 15 counties
- Does not affect emissions standards
- Does not affect permit exemption thresholds
- About 40 Title V sources, and 75 SM sources identified as potentially benefitting from this rule change; two permit applications submitted, to date (both issued)



### **PERMIT FEES IN GEORGIA**

Classification	Source	Fee
Title V	Coal-fired EGUs	\$37.34 per ton
Title V	Other Title V sources	\$35.50 per ton
Title V	Title V minimum fee	\$4,500 per year

DNR Board has approved adding permit application fees to begin March 1, 2019



#### **PROPOSED APPLICATION FEES**

	Application
Permit Type	Fees
Generic (Minor and Synthetic Minor) Permit, Title V	
(Major) Permit Renewal, Off-Permit Change, and No	
Permit Required Exemption	\$0
Minor Source Permit or Amendment	\$250
Name / Ownership Change	\$250
Permit-by-Rule	\$250
Synthetic Minor Source Permit or Amendment	\$1,000
Major Source Permit (not PSD or 112(g))	\$2,000
Title V Modifications (all types)	\$2,000
PSD, Nonattainment NSR, or 112(g) Permits	\$7,500



## PERMITTING



### EPA MEMOS IMPACTING PERMITTING ONCE IN, ALWAYS IN FOR MACT...

- Previous EPA policy (1995 Seitz memo)
  - A source that was subject to a major source MACT remained subject to that MACT and Title V even if their HAP emissions dropped well below major source levels
- EPA reversed this policy in January 2018, EPD is now following the new EPA policy
- Two permit applications submitted so far, both issued



### EXPEDITED PERMITTING UPDATE

FY 2018 Statistics		
Expedited Fees Collected	\$210,000	
Number of applicants accepted	40	
Number of PSD applications in program	4	
Number of Title V modifications in the program	15	
Number of synthetic minor permit applications in the program	15	
Number of true minor source permits application in the program	6	





- Wood Pellet Plants
  - Growing industry around the south
  - Public interest increasing
- Comments on Title V renewals for coal-fired power plants
- August 15, 2018 SIP revision request to relax the 7.8 RVP requirement for the Atlanta Metro Area
- Direct-fired continuous kilns at lumber mills