

How to Participate in the Public Comment Period



The NYS DEC is accepting public comments on the draft NYCI reporting rule **through July 1, 2025**. This is a key opportunity to ensure the rule reflects community priorities and strengthens climate accountability.



How to Submit Written Comments by July 1, 2025

1. **Complete** the public comment [form](#)
2. **Send comments** to air.regs@dec.ny.gov and use subject line: *"Comments on Part 252 Reporting Rule"*
3. **Mail to** : NYSDEC
Division of Air Resources
625 Broadway,
Albany, NY 12233-3250
Attn: Part 252 – Emissions Reporting



How to Attend a Public Hearing

Help show strong public support by attending and/or testifying at one of these hearings:

In-Person Hearings:

- **Tuesday, June 3**, at 1 p.m. at DEC's Region 7 Office located at *5786 Widewaters Parkway in Syracuse, NY 13214*
- **Wednesday, June 4**, at 1 p.m. at DEC's Central Office located at *625 Broadway in Albany, NY 12207*
- **Thursday, June 12**, at 1 p.m. at DEC's Region 2 Office located at *1 Hunters Point Plaza, 47-40 21st Street in Long Island City, NY 11101*

Virtual Hearings (via WebEx):



Wednesday, June 18 at 1 p.m.

Wednesday, June 18 at 6 p.m.

Registration is required for virtual hearings. Register [here](#).

Talking Points

These talking points can help to guide your written or spoken public comments on the NYCI reporting rule—feel free to personalize with your own experiences, local impacts, or community priorities.

Reporting Rule Talking Points

- At a time when Washington is dismantling pollution reporting and transparency, we are encouraged that, as promised in the State of the State, the Hochul Administration has released the greenhouse gas reporting rule.
- Right now, toxic pollution is being pumped unabated into our air. This regulation is necessary to ultimately hold polluters accountable and implement solutions that will improve the health and well-being of all New Yorkers.
- To hold polluters accountable, create jobs, clean our air, and deliver investments in transportation and other needed infrastructure, we need the Administration to advance the next two rules required for implementing New York's cap-and-invest program.
- There's still critical work ahead, and we need to advance a clean air program that delivers meaningful benefits for all New Yorkers.

Clean our air and build a safer, healthier, more prosperous New York

- Every New Yorker deserves to breathe clean air and live in a community free from harmful pollution.
- A cap and invest program will create new protections for our air and communities and help stop more air pollution.
- By investing to protect public health, we'll have cleaner air and water, healthier kids, and longer, healthier lives. The program will safeguard our future while improving our lives and creating thousands of family—sustaining jobs.

Help lower electric bills for most New Yorkers

- New Yorkers are facing rising energy costs while sending \$40 billion a year to out-of-state fossil fuel producers. Cap and invest would be a major commitment to local, clean, and affordable energy for New Yorkers.
- At least thirty percent of cap-and-invest revenue will be returned directly to New Yorkers in the form of rebates, helping families cover rising energy costs and ensuring affordability.

Cap pollution, hold corporations accountable

- Delaying the cap and invest program lets polluters off the hook while New Yorkers bear the consequences of higher healthcare costs, damaging air quality, and environmental degradation.
- Cap-and-invest will ensure that oil and gas companies cut harmful emissions while transitioning to cleaner, greener operations.

Invest in infrastructure to reduce pollution

- Cap-and-invest will generate billions of dollars to improve and repair New York's aging public transit systems and energy infrastructure. Modernizing our infrastructure is critical to cutting pollution and building a cleaner, healthier New York.
- It would improve our trains and buses, expand clean energy for our communities, advance energy efficiency in our homes and schools, and support thousands of good-paying jobs statewide.