

Protocol for Increments Analysis

Overview of Requirements for Increments Analysis

The federal Prevention of Significant Deterioration (PSD) program is intended to ensure that economic growth in areas with good air quality occurs without causing the deterioration of that air quality to unhealthful levels. The PSD program contains a number of requirements that apply to new or modified sources of air pollution that are located in clean air areas.

These PSD program requirements, applied on a pollutant-specific basis, include conducting an increments analysis to demonstrate that no increments will be exceeded as a result of the proposed new or modified source.

The GSEP project is **not** expected to trigger the requirements of the PSD program. Therefore, no increment analysis is proposed at this time.

Should a determination be made in the future that the PSD regulations apply, or emissions levels are such that PSD becomes applicable, a protocol will be submitted which will outline the required review, analyses, and methodologies to be used.