2022 Regulatory Emissions Modeling Platform Quarterly Update

National Emissions Collaborative

August 6, 2025



Agenda

- Summary of activities and accomplishments to date (Mary/Zac)
- Communication support update (Comms)
- Community Poll on analytic years and future modeling needs (Zac)
- Air quality modeling update (EPA)
- 2022v2 base year emissions updates (EPA)
- Comparison of the 2022v1 and 2022v2 base year emissions (EPA)
- Schedule check in (Comms, Mary, Zac)



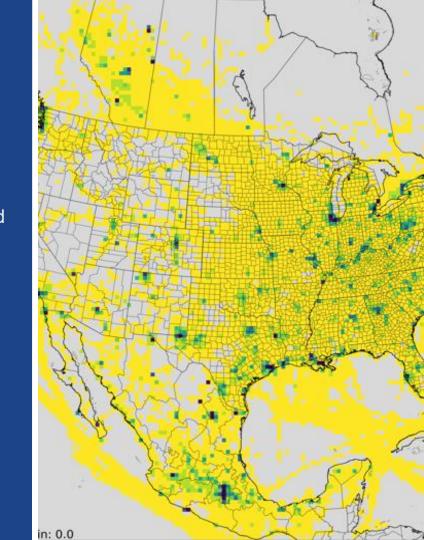
2022 EMP Collaborative

- Co-leads
 - Zac Adelman (LADCO), Mary Uhl (WESTAR), and EPA OAQPS
- Communication support
 - Rhonda Payne (WESTAR/WRAP), Tom Richardson (OK DEQ), Tom Moore (Denver/NFR RAQC)
- Coordination Committee
 - 28 members from MJOs, state agencies, and US EPA staff from OAQPS, OTAQ, and CAMD
 - Monthly calls
 - Quarterly outreach webinars
- Workgroups
 - Leverage existing national emissions workgroups
 - Some 2022-specific workgroups have been created,
 e.g., fires and projection



Summary of Activities and Accomplishments

- 2022v1 base year
 - Modeling platform package release including emissions and air quality model inputs
 - Model-ready emissions are available for 36km and 12km grids
- 2022v1 analytic year emissions for 2026
 - Modeling platform package released
 - Model-ready (CMAQ) and CAMx emissions are available for 12km grid (12US1)
- 2022v2 base year emissions
 - o Base year emissions released.
 - S/L/T comment period closed and EPA has released comments and responses.
 - Final work on base year emissions underway.



Communication Support Update



2022 EMP Communications Plan

Goals of Outreach:

- 2022v2 base year release
- Analytic years for v2 important for certain critical SIP obligations
 - Continue engaging with states and locals to share updates on the direction and timeline for v2 of the analytic years
 - Gather feedback from the community and communicate shared concerns with EMP leadership and EPA about continuing work on v2



Plans going forward

- Explore options for continued work
 - Document the work performed to date
 - Development of analytic year modeling platform components for the 2032 and 2038 analytic years
 - Request assistance from EPA to complete the work of the EMP collaborative
 - Provide technical tools and capacity building assistance!



Continued work on Analytic Years

The Projections Workgroup is evaluating different options and approaches.

- Looking at a de minimis control scenario approach
 - Include activity projections based on work already completed in v1
 - Re-evaluate analytic year controls, focusing on rules expected to remain OTB
 - States could apply additional controls as warranted.
 - Need to evaluate technical challenges.

Continued Collaboration with EPA would be immensely helpful due to EPA's technical abilities, past program experience, etc.



Request for Additional EPA Assistance

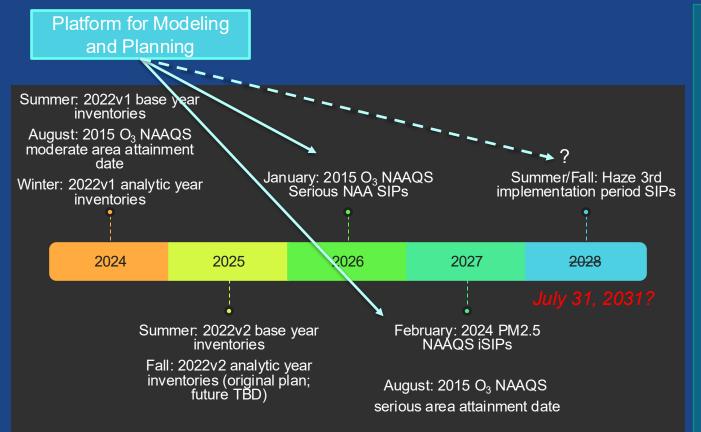
States need v2 of EMP for:

- Serious ozone SIPs States plan to use 2026v1 data, but would prefer v2 & need 2032 if not attaining standard by 2027
- 2032 for PM2.5 transport SIPs
- Regional Haze SIPs
- Specific AQ mgmt. agency needs examples:
 - Permitting actions that require analysis of project emissions' contributions to ozone or PM2.5
 - EPA Hemispheric CMAQ evaluation of international anthropogenic transport contributions - States may benefit if they are developing \$179(b) demonstrations

MJO letter to describe needs and relay importance of EMP to EPA leadership



Ongoing use of 2022 EMP for Planning Applications



Needs:

- RH Round 3 SIPs
- PM_{2.5} and Ozone
 NAA planning
- PM_{2.5} Transport
 SIPs
- Exceptional Events Analysis
- Rulemaking
- Regional Planning needs

Community Poll: What Are the Needs for a National Emissions Modeling Platform in 2025-26



Poll Purpose and Intent



MJO Letter to EPA

Formally request ongoing collaboration and engagement from the EPA through the EIC.

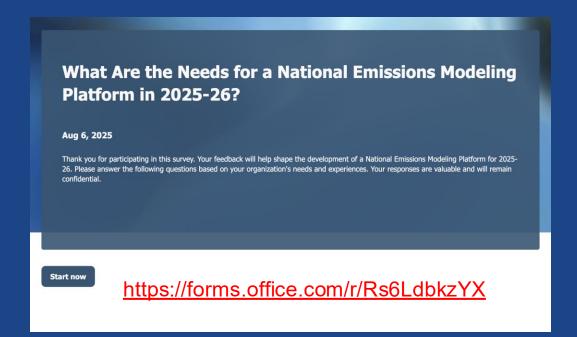
Proposing National EMPs

The letter will highlight the need for one or more analytic year national EMPs within the next one to two years.

Gathering Community Input

The poll collects feedback from the community to ensure your voices and needs are reflected in the MJO letter.

What Are the Needs for a National Emissions Modeling Platform in 2025-26?





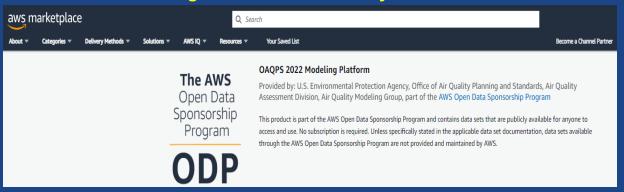
EPA's 2022v1 Air Quality Modeling

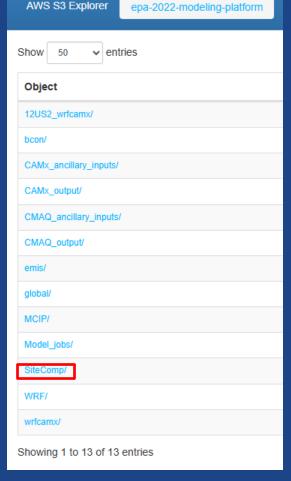


Data Sharing: EPA's 2022 Modeling Platform v1

Data are posted on <u>AWS</u> through EPA's participation in the AWS Open Data Program

- Meteorological data
- Global model outputs
- 36US3 and 12US2 initial and boundary conditions
- 36US3 and 12US2 CMAQ and CAMx reference output (one day model output for users to check their runs)
- Model ready emissions v1data for CMAQ and CAMx
- Site comparison* files of 12US2 2022 platform v1 preferred CMAQ and CAMx configurations were recently added





Data Sharing: EPA's 2022 Modeling Platform v1: Site comparison files

SiteComp/2022EMPv1_CMAQ/2022hc_cb6_HEMI_clean/

Version: CMAQv5.4

Domain: 2022 12US2 simulations

Chemical Mechanism: STAGE EM and CB6r5 AE7 AQ nvPOA

Biogenics: BEISv4, inline

Lightning: WWLLNs, inline

Bi-directional NH3, inline

Anthropogenic Emissions: Based on OAQPS 2022hc

Windblown Dust: Turned off

 Boundary Conditions (BCs): From 2022 CMAQ 36US3 HEMI-CMAQ BC clean run

SiteComp/2022EMPv1_CAMx/2022hc_cb6_HEMI_clean_NH3Rscal e0v2/

Version: CAMxv7.2.0

Domain: 2022 12US2 simulations

Chemical Mechanism: ZHANG03, CB6r5 CF2E

NH3: Rscale set to 0 (CAMx7.2.chemparam.CB6r5 CF2E)

Biogenics: BEISv4 (from offline data)

Lightning: WWLLNs (from offline data)

Bi-directional NH3 off

Anthropogenic Emissions: Based on OAQPS 2022hc

Dust: no

Boundary Conditions (BCs): From 2022 CMAQ 36US3 HEMI-CMAQ
 BC clean run

Next steps

- Complete Technical Support Document of air quality modeling for 2022 EMP v1 platform
- Run CMAQ and CAMx models using v2 emissions, update TSD

2022v2 Emissions Modeling Platform Base Year Emissions Updates



2022v2 Base Year Data Review

- The <u>2022 platform Sharepoint site</u> was used for states to submit comments
 - State-specific files of the emissions data were provided on the Sharepoint site for download
- 30 comments were received from 13 agencies:
 AZ, CT, Clark cty., DC, GA, ID, MI, NV, NJ, NC, OK, TX, UT
- Sectors that received comments
 - 6 on electric generating units
 - 7 on other point sources
 - 5 on fires
 - 4 on onroad mobile
 - 1 on aircraft
 - 1 on locomotives
 - 1 on residential wood combustion
 - 1 on nonpoint oil and gas
 - 4 on other nonpoint sources

The <u>2022v2 web page</u> provides relevant links for the 2022v2 platform including responses to comments

2022v2 Emissions Modeling Platform

The 2022v2 Emissions Modeling Platform is based on the 2020 National Emissions Inventory released in the spring of 2023, with updates to better represent the year 2022. It is being created as a product of the National Emissions Inventory Collaborative and will support multiple applications. The modeling platform contains emissions inventories for 2022, spatial surrogates, temporal profiles, and other ancillary files. The 2022 emissions in the 2022v2 platform have some updates from those in the 2022v1 platform.

- 2022v2 Data Files and Summaries
- 2022v2 Summary Documentation
- View responses to comments on the 2022v2 Platform
- 2022 National Emissions Collaborative Wiki [2]
- View and submit comments on the 2022v2 EMP 6

To view or submit comments on the EMP, permission must be granted. If you do not already have access and you would like to provide EPA with a comment on the 2022v2 EMP, please use the Contact Us link (include "2022v2 EMP Comment Access" and your email address in the "Comments" box). Following this request, you will receive an email with a link to the "Comments on the 2022v2 EMP" SharePoint site.



2022 EMP Sharepoint site shows data, comments, and responses



Comments on the 2022 EMP

Home

2022v2 EMP Base Year Co...

2022v1 EMP Analytic Year...

2022v1 EMP Base Year Co...

2022v1 Inventory

2022v2 Inventory

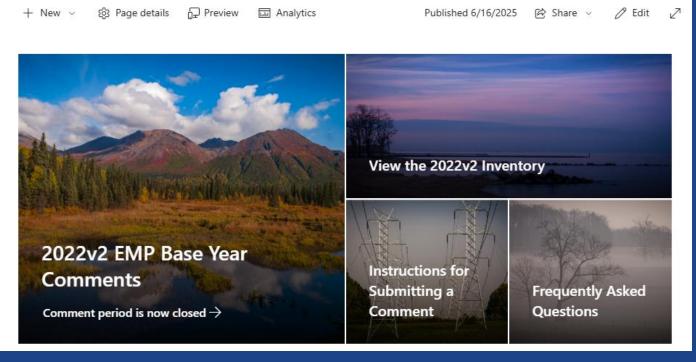
Instructions

FAQ

2022v1 EMP Website

2022v1 Wiki

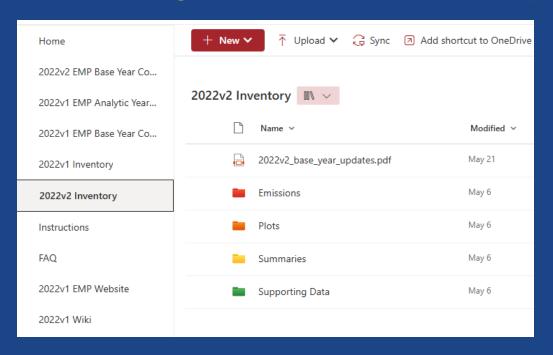
2022 EMP News

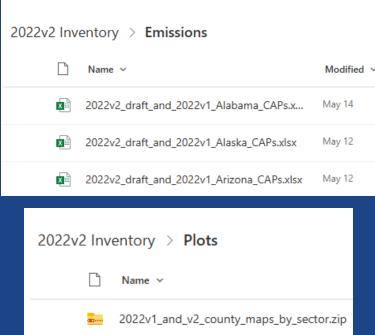


Each picture is a button that can be clicked

The data and pages related to the 2022v1 EMP are still available on the left

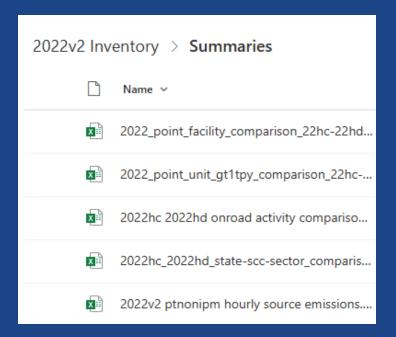
Accessing the Data on the Sharepoint Site

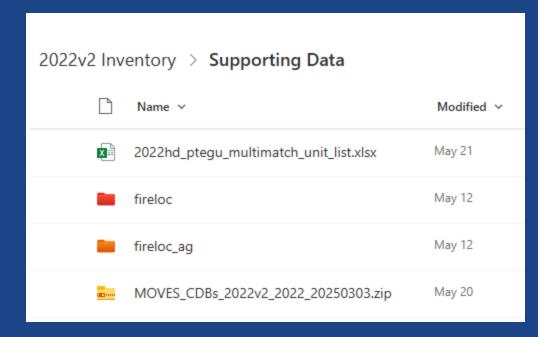




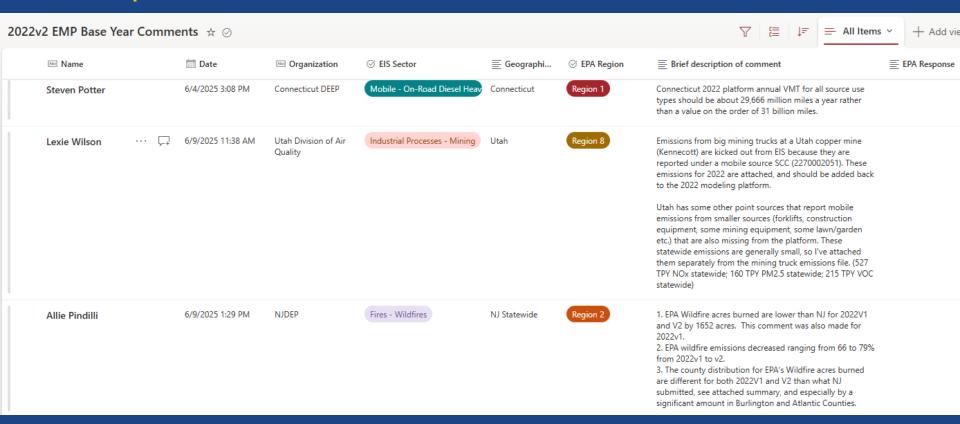
- Emission files for 2022v2 draft and 2022v1 were provided by state
- County maps and comparisons were provided for key pollutants for each sector

Summaries and Supporting Data Were Also Provided





Sharepoint Interface for Comments



Point Source Comments

- Point source emissions were included in county totals
 - This was requested by states so the county total emissions are complete
- Critical errors during some state submittals prevented some updated data from being incorporated into the inventory
- Merging of facilities resulting in double-counting of emissions because original facilities were not shut down
- Emissions for sources that were not shutdown in 2022 were pulled forward from 2020 or 2021
- Some mobile source emissions from a large mine in Utah were not included
- A typo in a submittal was corrected



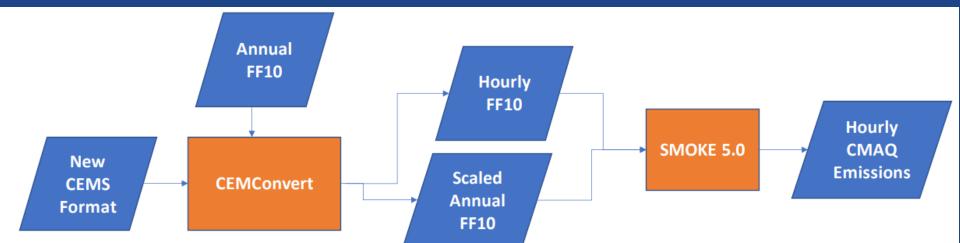
Point Source Comments (ctd.)

- Commenters noted additional pollutants were available in the inventories
- In addition to State/local/tribal-submitted data, the point inventory leverages other emissions datasets reported to EPA
 - If emissions are submitted to the Toxics
 Release Inventory (TRI) but not to EIS, TRI emissions are added to the final inventory
- EPA estimates Carbon Monoxide (CO) and Hazardous Air Pollutant (HAP) emissions from large landfills.
 - See Section 3.5 of the 2020 NEI TSD.
- Continuous Emissions Monitoring System (CEMS) data overrides NOx and SO₂



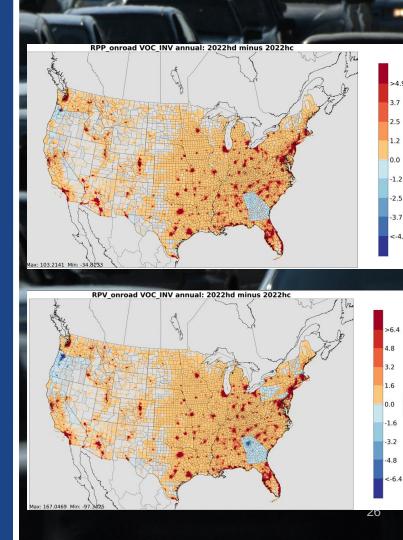
CEMS data and EGU Emissions in the Modeling Platform

- Some commenters noted that NOx/SO₂ EGU emissions in the platform did not match what was submitted to EIS.
- Some units in the EGU sector are matched to Continuous Emissions Monitoring System (CEMS) data via ORIS facility codes and boiler IDs.
- For the matched units, the annual emissions of NOx and SO2 in the flat file were replaced with the hourly CEMS emissions for 2022. Alterations are almost always < 1 tpy or only a few % change.



Mobile Source Comments

- Short-haul combination truck emissions increases throughout the country along with single unit long-haul truck emissions in some states
 - Long- vs. short-haul combination truck splits were updated in 2022v2 based on a new Vehicle In-Use Survey (VIUS)
 - For single unit trucks, new information became available from updated vehicle population data for 2022v2 / 2023 NEI
- Comment: Some states (GA, OR, PA) have decreases in vapor fuel venting and other evaporative emissions while other states showed increases.



Mobile Source Comments (ctd.)

- North Carolina Division of Air Quality requested that the activity data be released so that emissions rates vs activity changes could be reviewed
- Washington D.C. DOEE noticed emissions at a railyard were incorrect – this was fixed
- Washington D.C. DOEE provided heliport emissions, but there is no SCC for these yet so they could not be included
- Connecticut mentioned their VMT was incorrect. We found that their submitted data were used but had been converted to annual values.



Oil and Gas Comments

- Oklahoma DEQ mentioned the importance of drill rig emissions and the correction of the emissions factors for drill rigs that were applied in 2022v2
- Should consider performing additional investigations in the future to confirm the age of the drill rig engines and other factors driving emissions rates of the sources
- Currently, there is a lack of information on the age of these engines. Potentially investigate this for future NEIs.



Fire Sector Comments from New Jersey

- County distribution of 2022v2 prescribed and wildfire acres burned is different than acres burned submitted by New Jersey
- Multiple fire activity data sources are used including USFS and DOI databases
- Further investigation by EPA found two unconfirmed prescribed burns from a DOI database; the two burns will be removed
- some fires can occur along county boundaries or in multiple counties making accounting for acres burned by county complicated.
- Mullica River wildfire used updated CONSUME module in version 2 that reduced emissions



Fire Sector Comments from Georgia

- Many different summaries were provided for fires
- How come the emissions from one summary didn't match up with another summary for Georgia?
- This resulted in finding some duplicate fires in Georgia which will be removed in 2022v2
- How come there are pile burns in Georgia when our submitted activity did not have any pile burns?
- Pile burns in Georgia were actually submitted by Alabama and the coordinates put these burns in Georgia. These burns will be removed in 2022v2



Fire Sector Workgroup meeting

- Scheduled for September 3 at 2 PM Eastern
- Will summarize changes to fires in version 2



Nonpoint Sector Comments

- Idaho submitted an updated inventory for residential wood combustion using methods more similar to those used elsewhere in 2022v2
- One state requested some nonpoint emissions be removed due to being duplicative of emissions in the point source inventory

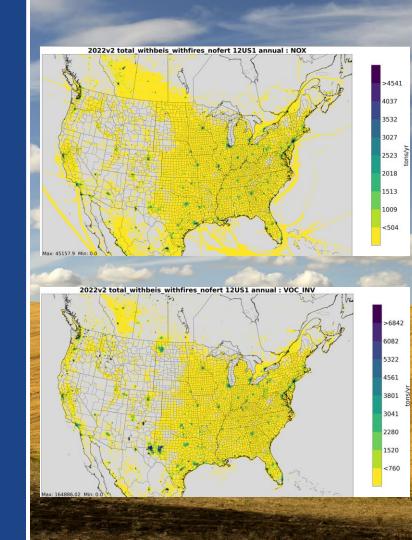


2022v2 vs 2022v1 Emissions Comparison



2022v2 Base Year Summary of Updates from 2022v1

- Emissions updated for various sectors based on residual comments received on 2022v1 and based on newly available data
- Sectors with significant updates include onroad and residential wood combustion
- Sectors with minor updates include nonroad, airports, point sources (including CEMS data for some non-EGUs), fugitive dust, livestock waste, oil and gas, fires and other nonpoint
- Some new data are incorporated for Mexico including new data from SEMARNAT in near-border states and new MOVES-Mexico

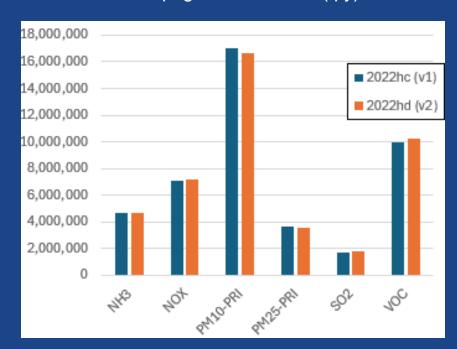


Continental U.S. Anthropogenic Emissions Totals for 2022v1 and 2022v2 Base Year

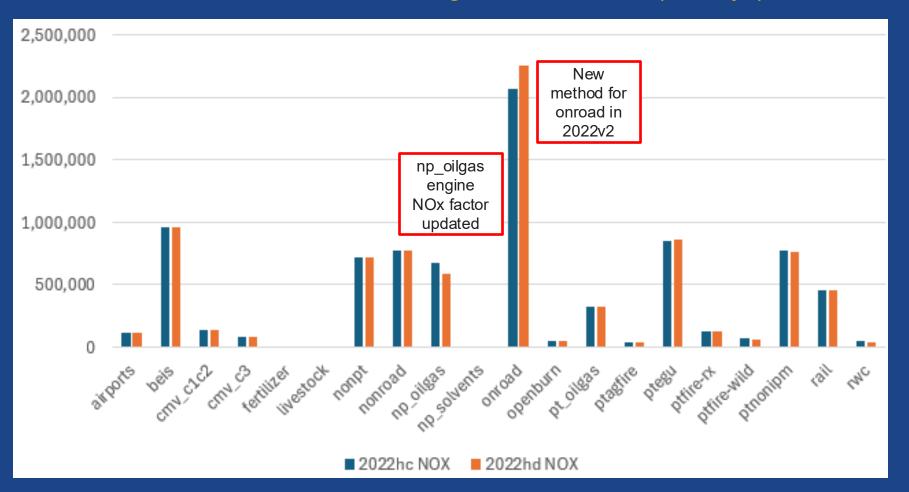
Case abbreviations: 2022hc (v1), 2022hd (v2)

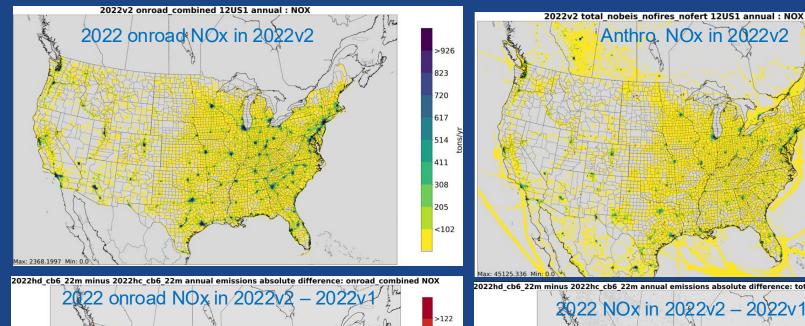
Pollutant	2022hc (v1)	2022hd (v2)	2022hd- 2022hc
CO	32,619,000	33,974,000	1,355,000
NH ₃	4,712,000	4,711,000	-1,000
NO _X	7,069,000	7,146,000	77,000
PM ₁₀	16,982,000	16,665,000	-317,000
PM _{2.5}	3,613,000	3,589,000	-24,000
SO ₂	1,753,000	1,755,000	2,000
VOC	9,992,000	10,216,000	224,000

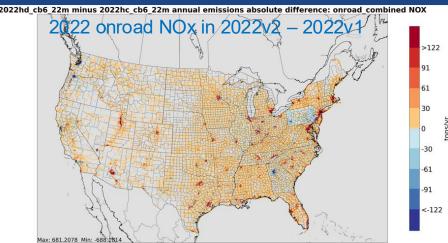
2022v1 and 2022v2 base year Anthropogenic Emissions (tpy)

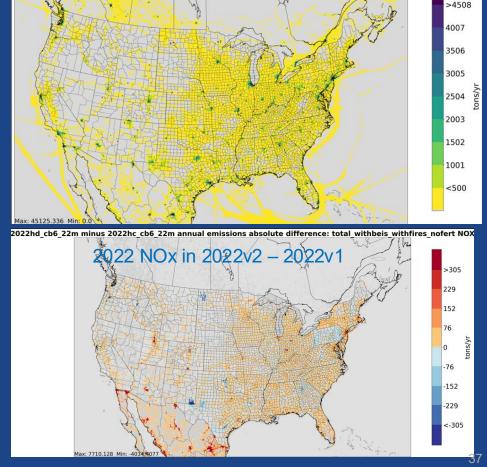


Continental U.S. Oxides of Nitrogen Emissions (tons/yr)



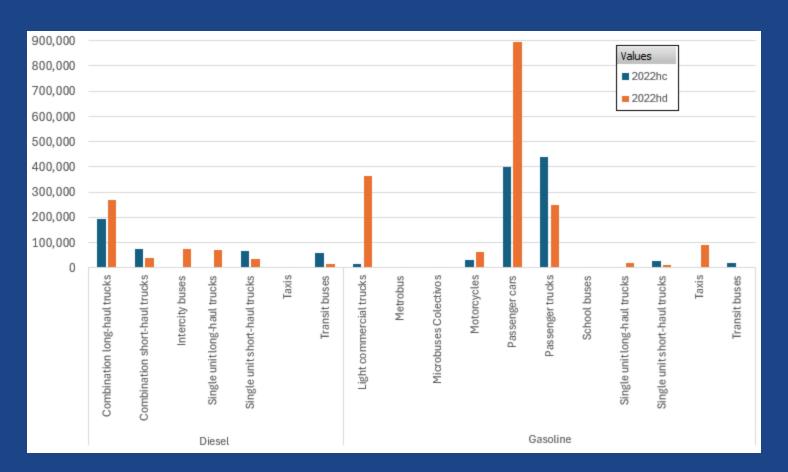




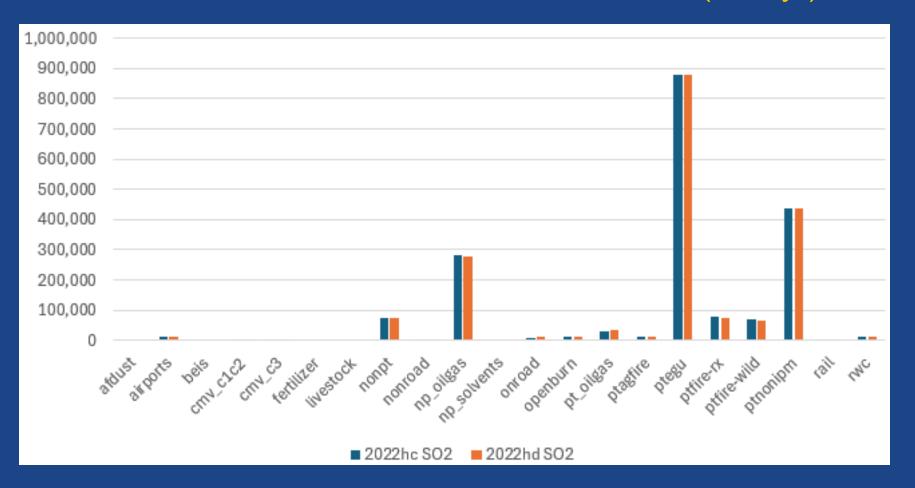


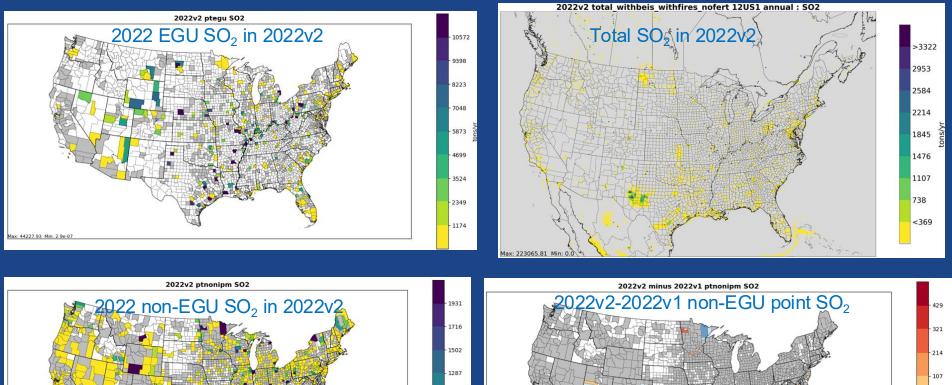
Increases in onroad, Mexico; decreases in np oilgas

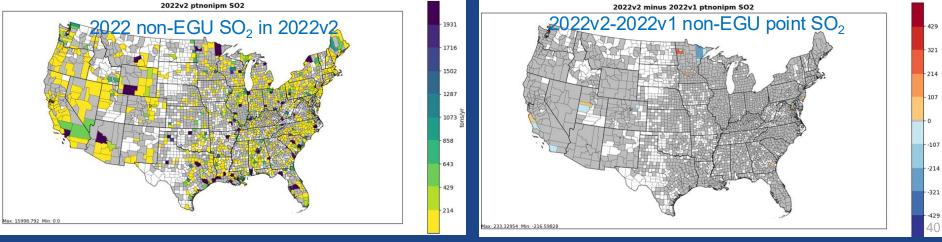
Mexico Onroad Oxides of Nitrogen Emissions (tons/yr)



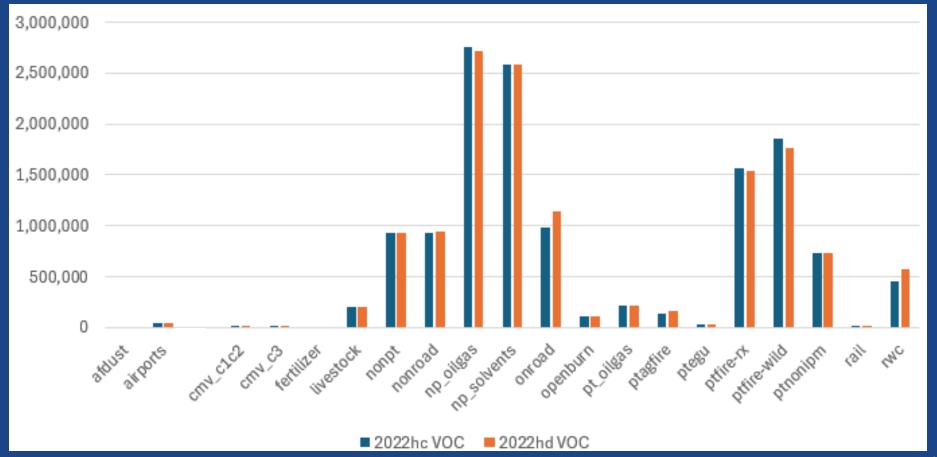
Continental U.S. Sulfur Dioxide Emissions (tons/yr)

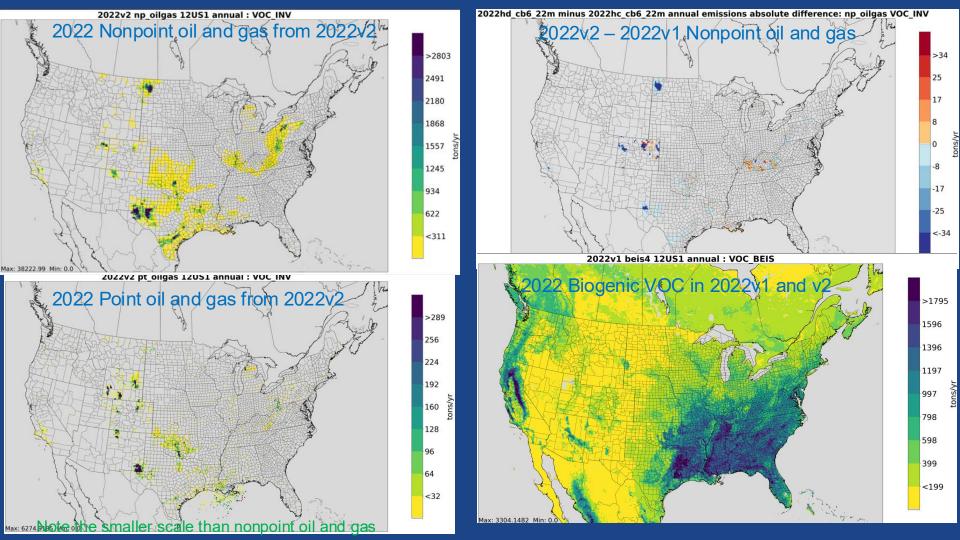


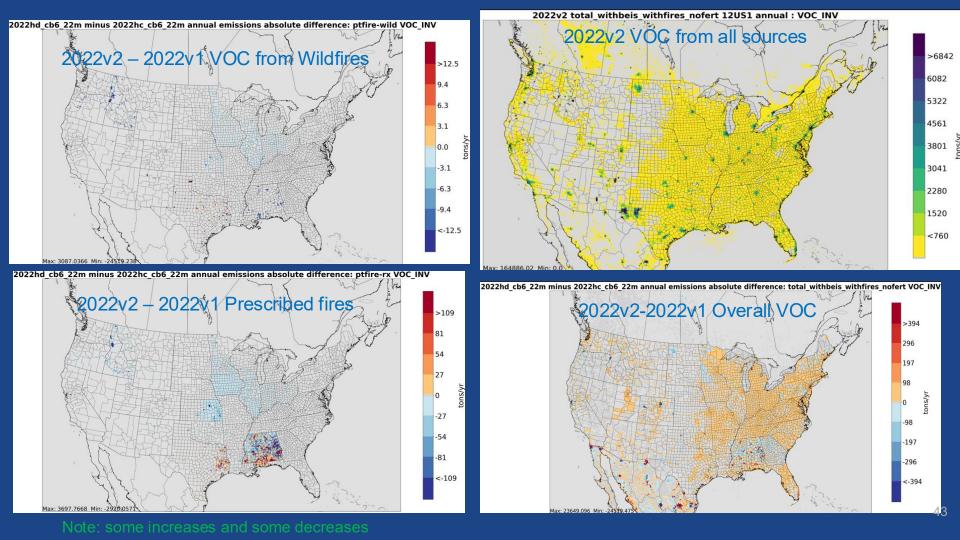




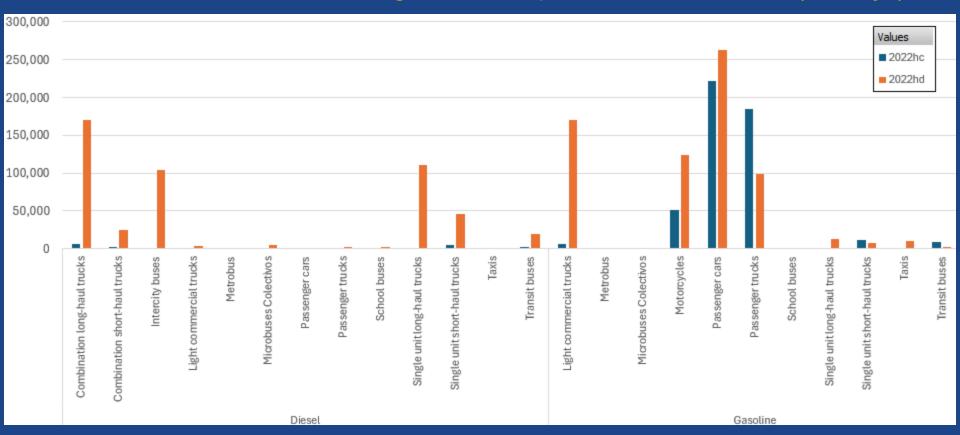
Continental U.S. Volatile Organic Compound Emissions* (tons/yr)



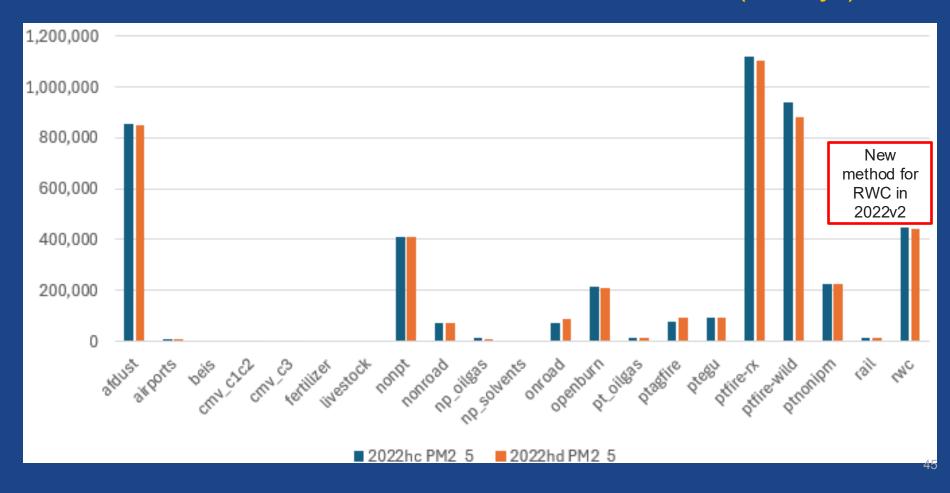


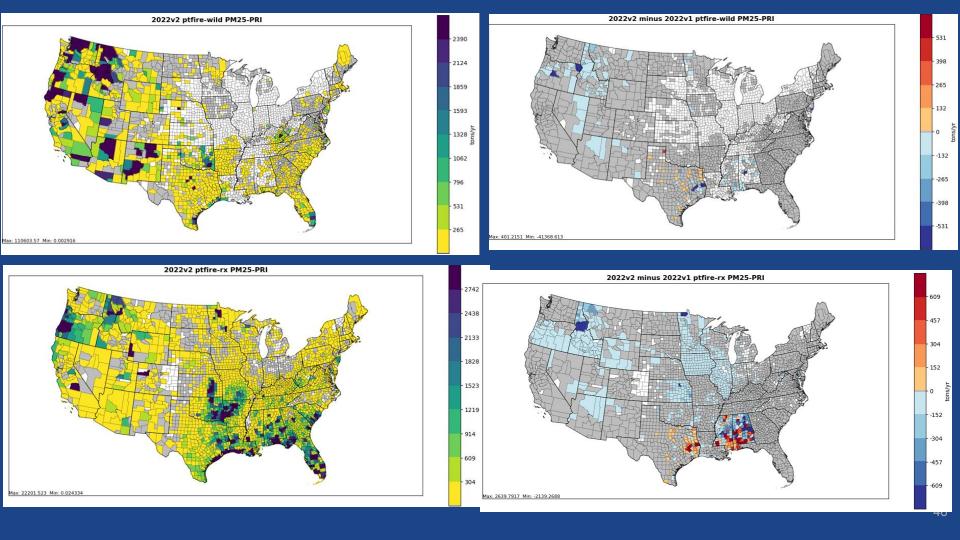


Mexico Onroad Volatile Organic Compounds Emissions (tons/yr)

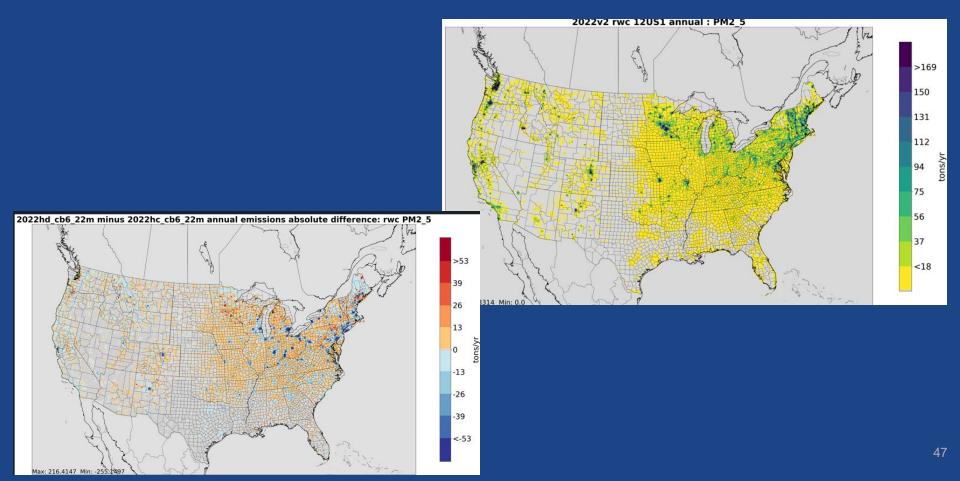


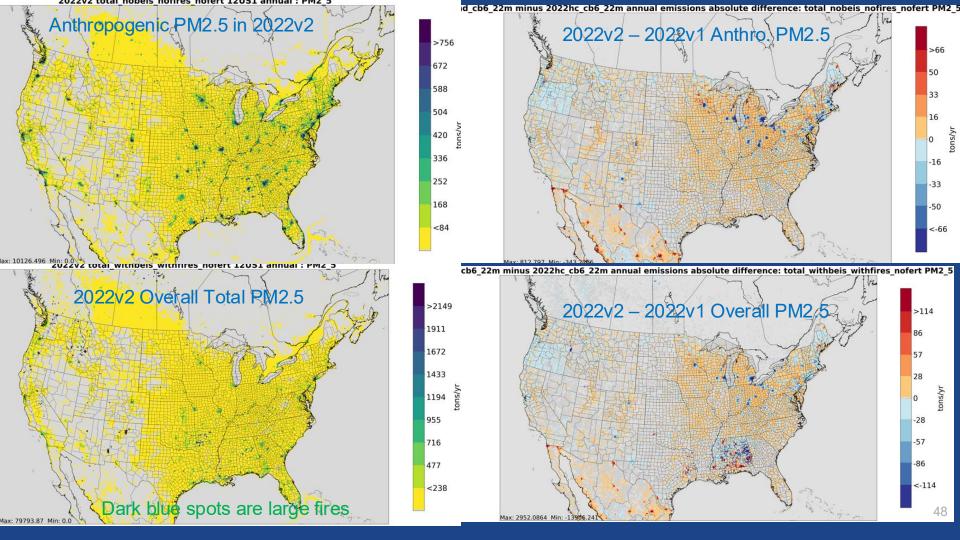
Continental U.S. Fine Particulate Emissions (tons/yr)



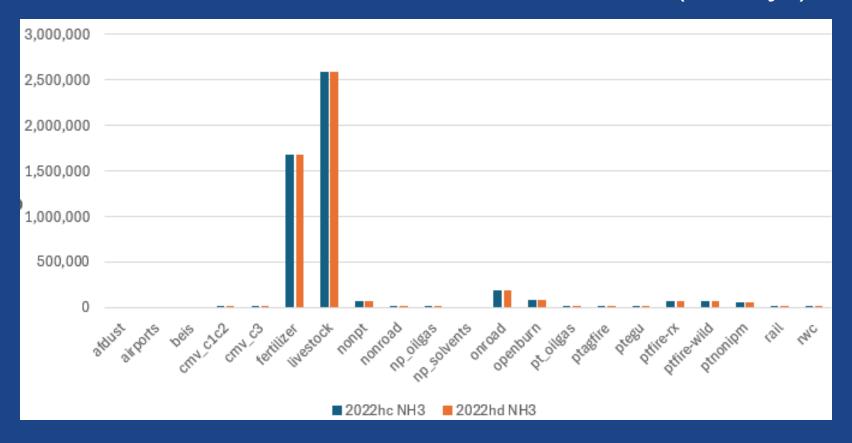


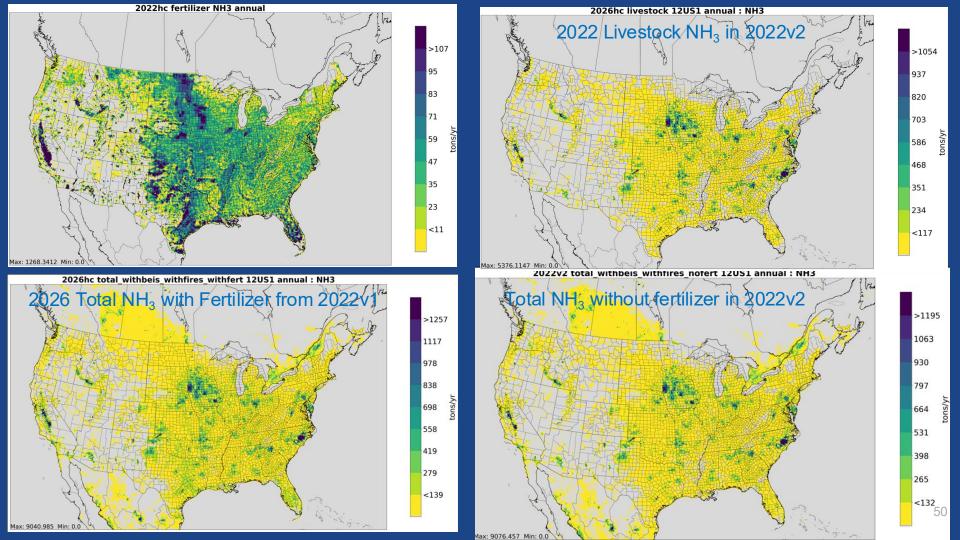
2022v2 Residential Wood Combustion PM2.5 and changes from v1





Continental U.S. Ammonia Emissions (tons/yr)

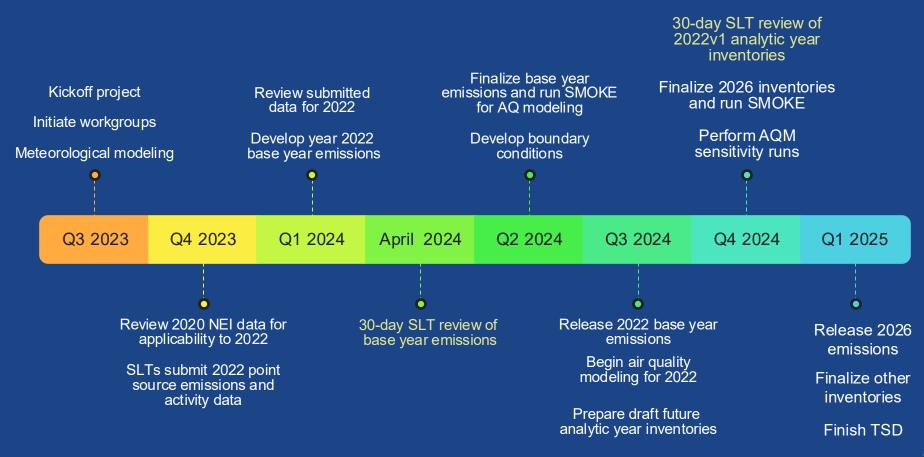




Timeline Review and Next Steps



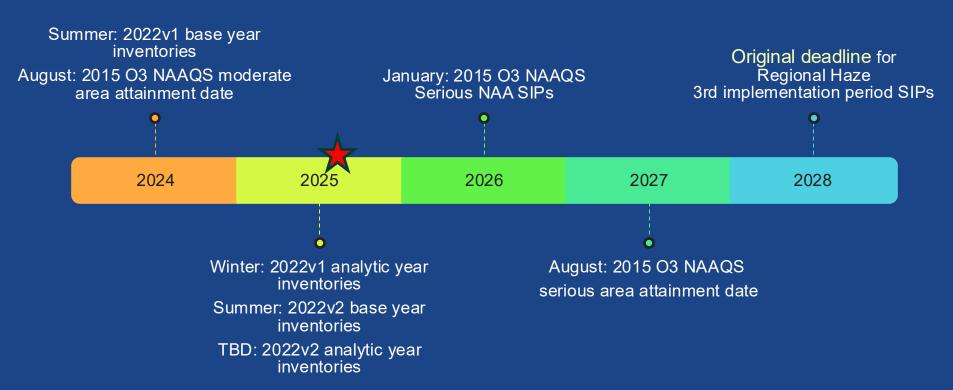
Historic Timeline for 2022v1 Platform Development



Timeline for 2022v2 Platform Development



2022 Platforms and Planning Timelines



Ongoing Engagement Opportunities

- S/L/T agencies can:
 - Participate in workgroup meetings
 - Work with other inventory contacts in your region to review the data
 - Explore the 2022v1 and 2022v2 data using the online Emissions Review Tools
 - Participate in the NEI process to improve future modeling platforms
- Next quarterly call: November 5, 2025 @
 2 PM Eastern
- Email Mary Uhl at WESTAR if you are not already on the email list and want to be added

