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## **Introduction**

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### ***Meetings -***

Meeting cancellations and date changes appear only in the Upcoming Meetings section; they are not re-entered in the Summary of Issues.

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# Summary of Issues

## 1. General

Science Advisory Board; Upcoming Meetings	<b>Date:</b> 11/25/2003
<b>Action Type:</b> Meeting Announcement	<b>Cite:</b> 68 FR 66095
<p><b>Summary:</b> EPA Science Advisory Board (SAB) Staff Office has announced the following meetings.</p> <p>1) Drinking Water Committee: December 10, 2003. Agenda items include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Water Offices' overall process for implementing the regulatory and risk assessment program for the Safe Drinking Water Act (SDWA);</li> <li>- discussion of the intersection between the Clean Water Act (CWA) and SDWA with regards to preserving and restoring drinking water sources;</li> <li>- overview of Office of Research and Development's Multi-Year Plan (MYP) for drinking water research.</li> </ul> <p>2) Cross-Agency Science and Technology Budget Review: December 10, 2003. Agenda items include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Receive presentations from EPA representatives on the science and technology programs conducted in support of two of EPA's strategic Goal areas, Goal 1 (Clean Air and Global Climate Change) and Goal 2 (Clean and Safe Water);</li> <li>- discuss these programs with Agency representatives and to clarify specific points of interest raised by the Panelists.</li> </ul> <p>3) Environmental Health Committee, and the Integrated Health and Exposure Committee: December 12, 2003. Agenda items:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- receive informational briefings from various offices within EPA concerning ongoing initiatives for improving risk assessment methodologies.</li> </ul> <p>4) The Advisory Council on Clean Air Compliance Analysis Special Council Panel for the Review of the Third 812 Analysis: Public teleconferences. December 19, 2003 and December 22, 2003. Agenda Items include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- to advise the Agency on its plan to develop the third in a series of statutorily mandated comprehensive analyses of the total costs and benefits of programs implemented pursuant to the Clean Air Act.</li> </ul> <p>5) Committee on Valuing the Protection of Ecological Systems and Services: Public teleconference. December 3, 2003. Agenda will be to plan future work.</p>	
<p><b>Potential Impact or Relevance:</b> Provided for information only.</p>	<p><b>CFR References:</b></p>
<p><b>Further Information:</b> EPA SAB Staff Office, EPA Science Advisory Board, Washington, DC, 202-564-4533, <a href="http://www.epa.gov/sab">http://www.epa.gov/sab</a></p>	
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## 2. General

Science Advisory Board: Workshop on Environmental Protection	<b>Date:</b> 11/25/2003
<b>Action Type:</b> Meeting Announcement	<b>Cite:</b> 68 FR 66094
<p><b>Summary:</b>  EPA Science Advisory Board (SAB) will hold a Science Workshop on Environmental Protection on December 11, 2003 in Washington, DC, to provide the SAB with an overview of selected emerging topics that may be of interest to the EPA.</p> <p>The agenda consists of five presentations on:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Air Pollution &amp; Control/Transboundary Air Pollutants;</li> <li>- Emerging Contaminants (Chemicals and Microbials);</li> <li>- Invasive Species;</li> <li>- Nanotechnology;</li> <li>- Genomics.</li> </ul> <p>Workshop agenda is at: <a href="http://www.epa.gov/sab/whatsnew.htm">http://www.epa.gov/sab/whatsnew.htm</a> (not posted at the time of publication)</p>	
<p><b>Potential Impact or Relevance:</b>  Provided for information only.</p>	<p><b>CFR References:</b></p>
<p><b>Further Information:</b>  Robert Flaak, EPA Science Advisory Board Staff Office, EPA, Washington, DC, 202-564-4546, <a href="mailto:flaak.robert@epa.gov">flaak.robert@epa.gov</a></p>	
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### 3. General

National Advisory Committee for Acute Exposure Guideline Levels	<b>Date:</b> 11/25/2003
<b>Action Type:</b> Meeting Announcement	<b>Cite:</b> 68 FR 66093
<p><b>Summary:</b>  EPA's National Advisory Committee for Acute Exposure Guideline Levels for Hazardous Substances will meet December 10-12, 2003, in San Antonio, TX. The Committee will address the development of Acute Exposure Guideline Levels (AEGLs) for:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- acetyl chloride,</li> <li>- acrylic acid,</li> <li>- ammonia,</li> <li>- benzonitrile,</li> <li>- bromine,</li> <li>- chloroacetyl chloride,</li> <li>- dichloroacetyl chloride,</li> <li>- disulfur dichloride,</li> <li>- hydrogen iodide,</li> <li>- methacrylonitrile,</li> <li>- methyl chloride,</li> <li>- <b>methyl ethyl ketone,</b></li> <li>- oleum,</li> <li>- sulfur dichloride,</li> <li>- sulfur trioxide,</li> <li>- sulfuric acid,</li> <li>- <b>tetrachloroethylene,</b></li> <li>- trichloroacetyl chloride,</li> <li>- uranium hexafluoride,</li> <li>- vinyl acetate monomer, and</li> <li>- <b>xlenes.</b></li> </ul>	
<p><b>Potential Impact or Relevance:</b>  Provided for information only.</p>	<p><b>CFR References:</b></p>
<p><b>Further Information:</b>  Paul S. Tobin, EPA Office of Pollution Prevention and Toxics, Washington, DC, (202) 564-8557, <a href="mailto:tobin.paul@epa.gov">tobin.paul@epa.gov</a></p>	
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#### 4. **Hazardous Material Transportation**

Pipeline Safety: Self-Assessment of Pipeline Operator Public Education Programs	<b>Date:</b> 11/25/2003
<b>Action Type:</b> Notice, Guidance	<b>Cite:</b> 68 FR 66155
<p><b>Summary:</b>            DOT's Research and Special Programs Administration (RSPA) is releasing an advisory bulletin that reminds pipeline owner and operators that they must complete and submit self-assessments of their public education programs to RSPA by December 17, 2003. The bulletin affects owners and operators of hazardous liquid pipelines, gas transmission pipelines, gas distribution pipeline systems and gathering pipeline systems.</p> <p>The Advisory Bulletin (ADB-03-08) is provided within the full text of the Federal Register announcement.</p> <p>In an advisory bulletin issued September 5, 2003 (68 FR 52816) RSPA noted that the Pipeline Safety Improvement Act of 2002 requires each owner or operator of a gas or hazardous liquid pipeline system to implement a continuous public education program on the use of one-call notification systems and other damage prevention activities, the indications of and hazards of an unintended release of product from a pipeline, the public safety steps required after a release, and how to report pipeline product releases.</p>	
<p><b>Potential Impact or Relevance:</b>            Provided for information only.</p>	<p><b>CFR References:</b></p>
<p><b>Further Information:</b>            Juan Carlos Martinez, 202-366-1933, <a href="mailto:juan.martinez@rspa.dot.gov">juan.martinez@rspa.dot.gov</a></p>	
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**5. Natural and Cultural Resources**

Amendment to the 1998 Final Revised Sonoran Pronghorn Recovery Plan--Recovery Criteria and Estimates of Time for Recovery Actions for the Sonoran Pronghorn	<b>Date:</b> 11/26/2003
<b>Action Type:</b> Notice	<b>Cite:</b> 68 FR 66477
<p><b>Summary:</b>          Fish and Wildlife Service is releasing a Final Supplement and Amendment to the 1998 Final Revised Sonoran Pronghorn Recovery Plan. The species is currently known to occur on Federal lands in Maricopa, Pima, and Yuma counties in southwestern Arizona. The Final Supplement and Amendment reassesses recovery criteria from the Recovery Plan, relates recovery actions to the five listing factors of the Endangered Species Act of 1973, and assigns a timeline to recovery actions.</p> <p>The Final Supplement and Amendment are at:  <a href="http://arizonaes.fws.gov/Documents/DocumentsBySpecies/SonoranPronghorn/SPPRFNLV5.pdf">http://arizonaes.fws.gov/Documents/DocumentsBySpecies/SonoranPronghorn/SPPRFNLV5.pdf</a></p>	
<p><b>Potential Impact or Relevance:</b>          Provided for information only.</p>	<p><b>CFR References:</b></p>
<p><b>Further Information:</b>          John Morgart, Cabeza Prieta National Wildlife Refuge, Fish and Wildlife Service, Ajo, AZ, 520-387-4989, <a href="mailto:john_morgart@fws.gov">john_morgart@fws.gov</a> e-mail</p>	
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## 6. OSHA

Joint American Heart Association and OSHA Program	<b>Date:</b> 11/20/2003
<b>Action Type:</b> Notice, Information	<b>Cite:</b> OSHA Trade News
<p><b>Summary:</b>            The American Heart Association (AHA) and the Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) have entered into an agreement that will focus on reducing death and disability from heart disease and stroke in the workplace.</p> <p>The agreement calls for OSHA and the AHA to develop training and education programs on automated external defibrillator (AED) program implementation. OSHA and the AHA will also develop information and guidance on employee wellness that can be incorporated into workplace safety and health education and training programs. Topics for discussion will include primary and secondary prevention of heart disease and stroke by recognition and management of related risk factors and warning signs, exercise, fitness, and weight management.</p>	
<p><b>Potential Impact or Relevance:</b>            Potential interest to health and safety professionals responsible for coordination of employee training.</p>	<p><b>CFR References:</b></p>
<p><b>Further Information:</b>            Bill Wright, OSHA, Washington, DC, (202) 693-1999.</p>	
<p><b>Full Text Document Location:</b>  <a href="http://www.osha.gov/pls/oshaweb/owadisp.show_document?p_table=NEWS_RELEASES&amp;p_id=10547">http://www.osha.gov/pls/oshaweb/owadisp.show_document?p_table=NEWS_RELEASES&amp;p_id=10547</a></p>	

## 7. SDWA

Market Enhancement Opportunities for Water-Efficient Products	<b>Date:</b> 11/25/2003
<b>Action Type:</b> Meeting Announcement	<b>Cite:</b> 68 FR 66094
<p><b>Summary:</b>  EPA is hosting a one-day public meeting to discuss market enhancement opportunities for water-efficient products, on January 15, 2004 in Austin, TX .</p> <p>The focus of the January meeting will be on activities and partnership building with utilities; state, regional, and local governments; and non-government organizations. The first meeting was held in Washington, DC on October 9, 2003. Two additional public meetings are being planned: one in Phoenix, AZ in February, and one in Seattle, WA in March.</p> <p>EPA has indicated their intent to explore a voluntary national water-efficient product labeling program similar to the joint DOE/EPA Energy Star Products program. The types of products EPA would consider evaluating could include plumbing products, appliances, and landscape irrigation devices. For more information, see EPA's Water Efficiency Web page at: <a href="http://www.epa.gov/owm/water-efficiency/index.htm">www.epa.gov/owm/water-efficiency/index.htm</a></p>	
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## Upcoming Meetings

### General

#### Science Advisory Board: Workshop on Environmental Protection

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Location	Start Date	Start Time	Duration	Details
Washington, DC	12/11/2003	8:30 AM	1 Day	

#### Science Advisory Board; Upcoming Meetings

Full Text

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Location	Start Date	Start Time	Duration	Details
Telephone Conference; Eastern Std. Time,	12/3/2003	1:00 PM	1 Day	Committee on Valuing
Telephone Conference; Eastern Std. Time,	12/19/2003	12:00 PM	1 Day	Council on Clean Air
Telephone Conference; Eastern Std. Time,	12/22/2003	12:00 PM	1 Day	Council on Clean Air
Washington, DC	12/10/2003	12:30 PM	1 Day	Cross-Agency Science
Washington, DC	12/10/2003	9:00 AM	1 Day	Drinking Water Committee
Washington, DC	12/12/2003	9:00 AM	1 Day	Environmental Health Committee

### General

#### EPA's Draft Report on the Environment, 2003

Full Text

<http://a257.g.akamaitech.net/7/257/2422/14mar20010800/edocket.access.gpo.gov/2003/03-26052.htm>

Location	Start Date	Start Time	Duration	Details
Dallas, TX	12/12/2003	9:00 AM	1 Day	

### CAA

#### Task Force on Agricultural Air Quality

Full Text

<http://a257.g.akamaitech.net/7/257/2422/14mar20010800/edocket.access.gpo.gov/2003/03-28967.htm>

Location	Start Date	Start Time	Duration	Details
Monterey, CA	12/3/2003	8:00 AM	2 Days	

### CBR and Security

#### Federal Radiological Preparedness Coordinating Committee Meeting

Full Text

<http://a257.g.akamaitech.net/7/257/2422/14mar20010800/edocket.access.gpo.gov/2003/03-27626.htm>

Location	Start Date	Start Time	Duration	Details
Rockville, MD	12/2/2003	9:00 AM	1 Day	

## Hazardous Material Transportation

### Pipeline Safety: Gas and Hazardous Liquid Stress Corrosion Cracking Workshop

Full Text

<http://a257.g.akamaitech.net/7/257/2422/14mar20010800/edocket.access.gpo.gov/2003/03-25894.htm>

Location	Start Date	Start Time	Duration	Details
Houston, TX	12/2/2003	8:00 AM	1 Day	

## OSHA

### Safety Standards for Cranes and Derricks

Full Text

<http://a257.g.akamaitech.net/7/257/2422/14mar20010800/edocket.access.gpo.gov/2003/03-28767.htm>

Location	Start Date	Start Time	Duration	Details
Washington, dc	12/3/2003	8:30 AM	3 Days	
Las Vegas, NV	1/5/2004	1:00 PM	3 Days	

### Assigned Protection Factors for Respiratory Protection

Full Text

<http://a257.g.akamaitech.net/7/257/2422/14mar20010800/edocket.access.gpo.gov/2003/03-28357.htm>

Location	Start Date	Start Time	Duration	Details
Washington, DC	1/28/2004	10:00 AM	1 Day	

## SDWA

### Market Enhancement Opportunities for Water-Efficient Products

Full Text

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Location	Start Date	Start Time	Duration	Details
Austin, TX	1/15/2004	9:00 AM	1 Day	