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Rulemaking Gateway Flagship Update

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Description of Flagship Project

- The Rulemaking Gateway falls under the “Expanding Public Awareness and Involvement in the Development of Rules and Regulations” Flagship Theme
- The Gateway gives the public continual updates about priority regulations that are under development and posts information earlier in the rulemaking process than previously provided
- To better help stakeholders understand which rules are likely to relate to them, the Gateway contains set filters/topics including children’s health, environmental justice, state and local governments, and tribal governments
- For additional information, go to: <http://www.epa.gov/rulemaking/>

Stakeholders

- Local governments
- State and Tribal governments
- Small businesses
- Environmental community
- Public

Milestones/Status

- Launch the Rulemaking Gateway (Complete)
- Make daily and monthly updates to the Gateway (Ongoing)
- Moderate discussion forums (Complete)

Highlights of Progress this Quarter

- Upgraded the Gateway based on public recommendations submitted via the online discussion forum (<http://yosemite.epa.gov/oepi/RuleGate.nsf/content/upgrades.html>)
- Highlighted upcoming public hearings on priority rulemakings (<http://yosemite.epa.gov/oepi/RuleGate.nsf/content/attendmeetings.html>)
- Began providing RSS feeds that alert stakeholders of rulemakings that pertain to certain areas of interest (e.g., children's health, environmental justice)

Planned Activity for Next Quarter

- Complete upgrades to the Gateway based on public recommendations
- Continue daily and monthly updates

Metrics

- Number of Actions: 92
- Number of Visitors: 6,000 per month average
- Average number of months Gateway information precedes publishing first regulatory document: 2.5 Months
- Average number of months Gateway information precedes first appearance in Regulatory Agenda: 4 Months