



Fact Sheet: Rulemaking Gateway

Introduction | The [Rulemaking Gateway](http://www.epa.gov/rulemaking/) (www.epa.gov/rulemaking/) is an EPA Web site that provides a transparent way to keep track of the Agency’s priority rulemakings. It provides users with earlier and more targeted information as well as special filters that allow users to find rules and related documents that interest them.

Key Features | The Rulemaking Gateway has five key features:



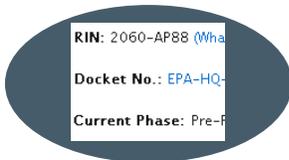
Priority rulemakings. The Gateway focuses on rules likely to be of most interest to the most number of people. They are selected by senior managers based on factors including environmental significance; impact on the economy; level of external interest; significance of policy or scientific issues; complexity; and the effect on other Agency programs.



Special filters. The Gateway allows the public to find in one place all the rules related to certain areas of interest. For example, the filters help users focus on rules likely to affect children’s health, environmental justice, state and tribal partnerships, and small businesses.



Earlier information. Prior to the Gateway, EPA updated regulatory information every six months in the [Regulatory Agenda](#). With the Gateway, EPA provides information as soon as work begins and provides updates on a monthly basis as new information becomes available.



Targeted information. The Gateway provides a snapshot of key rulemaking information, such as a brief abstract and ways the public can participate. It also serves as a portal to more detailed information found on [Regulations.gov](http://www.regulations.gov) and throughout [EPA.gov](http://www.epa.gov).



Simple timelines. The Gateway provides a simple timeline for each rulemaking; it describes where the rule falls within the rulemaking process as well as a history of what came before.

Share Ideas | We welcome your ideas for improving the Rulemaking Gateway. Please use the [Contact Us form](http://yosemite.epa.gov/oepi/RuleGate.nsf/ContactUs?OpenForm) (http://yosemite.epa.gov/oepi/RuleGate.nsf/ContactUs?OpenForm) to offer your suggestions.