# Congressional Clean Air Act Forum

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- What I Heard from Others
- What I Wrote in Follow-up

### **Background on RAPCA**

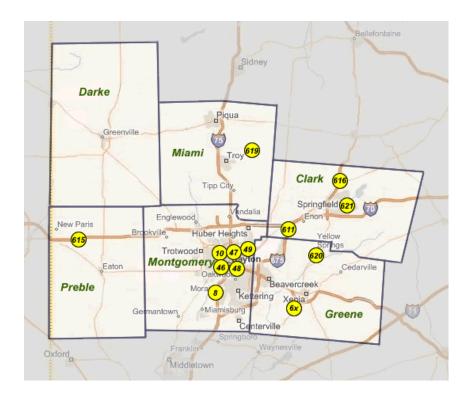
- Regional Air Pollution Control Agency
- Six-county local agency—Dayton, Ohio
  - Agency roots from the 1950's under the City
  - Health Department authority—Direct grant from USEPA and annual contract with Ohio EPA
  - One of nine local agencies in Ohio
- History of nonattainment for ozone and particulate matter and currently borderline air quality for both

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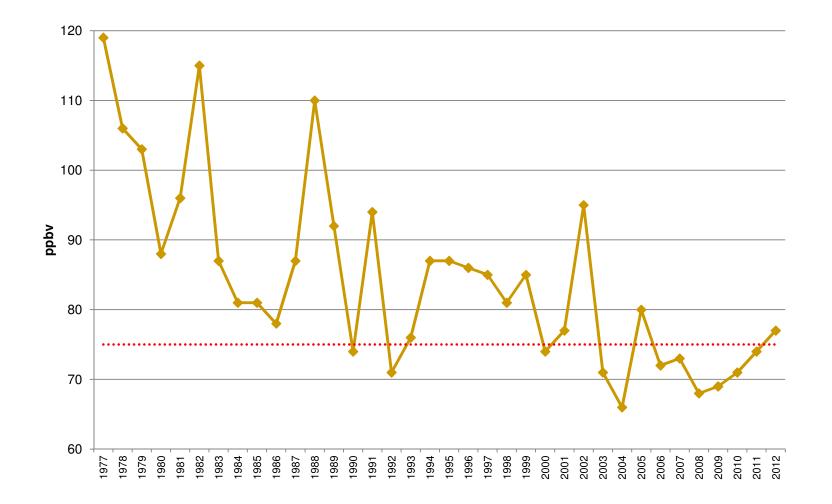
- At one time Dayton was a Major Manufacturing Area
- 15 Foundries
- 5 General Motors Plants
- National Cash Register
- Dayton Press (McCalls/Readers' Digest)
- Three Paper Mills
- Two Large Electric Generating Stations, Downtown Steam Stations
- Two Large Municipal Incinerators

#### **RAPCA - Ambient Air Quality Monitoring Program**

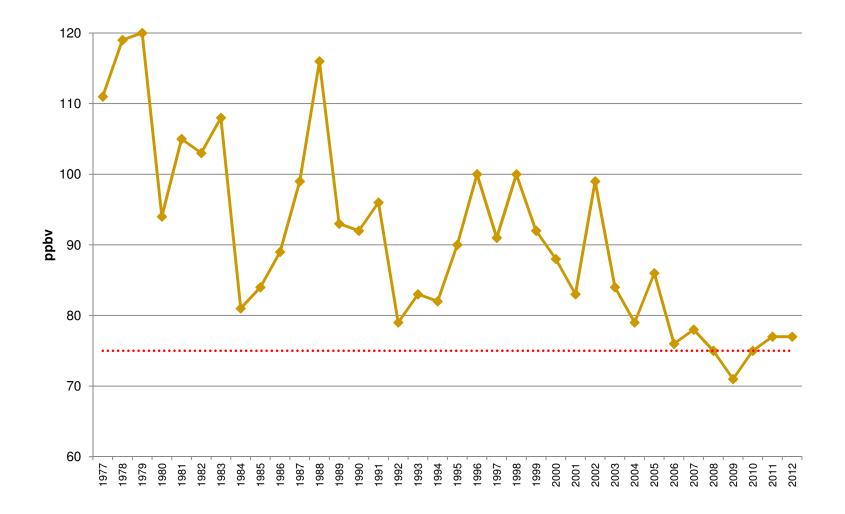
15 ambient air quality monitors at 12 locations:



#### Preble County, Ohio 4<sup>th</sup> max 8 hr Ozone



#### Clark County, Ohio 4<sup>th</sup> max 8 hr Ozone



#### **VOC** Emissions Inventory, tons per year

	Area	Mobile	Point	TOTAL
1977	15000	35000	23000	73000
1999 NEI	27000	27000	2000	56000
Current (2008 NEI)	16000	19000	1700	37000

#### NOx Emissions Inventory, tons per year

	Area	Mobile	Point	TOTAL
1977			18000	
1999 NEI	3000	40000	8000	51000
Current (2008 NEI)	3000	36000	5000	44000

#### What I Wrote

- Current EPA is doing their duty under the CAA
- Current NAAQS process is scientific and should be retained
- CAA is very detailed legislation
- NSR has a detailed history and is precedent driven—very complicated
- BACT is the bottom line for NSR
- Control of air pollution is our goal.

#### What I Said

- This is an approachable EPA that is responsive and good to work with
- Great working relationship with EPA through NACAA in coordination with other states and locals
- The importance of timeliness and certainty in regulation
- NAAQS—follow the science and set these standards at levels protective of public health

### What I Said

- National controls on EGUs, vehicles, fuels are essential
- Funding is needed
- Climate change should be addressed in legislation
- Multi-pollutant approach to control

### What I Heard

- The SIP process needs address
- Maintain state/local flexibility
- NAAQS promulgation and SIP guidance at the same time
- Integration of air quality, energy, and climate change
- Keep the NAAQS process, but extend the time to 10 years

#### What I Wrote in Follow-up

- NAAQS should remain science-based and not include costs
- Meeting the NAAQS is where costs are considered
- SIP process—look to NACAA/ECOS/EPA workgroup for recommendations
- National controls needed
- Resource and funding shortfalls are serious
- Climate change should be addressed in legislation