

SIP Reform Group

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- Former Ohio Commissioner wanted to see progress in this area – signed up for group through ECOS
- New Commissioner gave OK to continue participation.



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- General observations
- SIP processing varies by Region
- Not all SIPs are the same in terms of size, importance and complexity
- Some Regions have instituted measures to speed up processing, while others may have not



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- The Region VII Kaizen project appeared to provide a catalyst for a larger national effort
- ECOS became involved
- There appeared to be an alignment of the main parties all interested in improved processing.



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- Good to have process where states/locals have input on the various priorities
- EPA recognizing that there is an issue – and that something should be done about is critical.
- Getting an early win with reduced copies is important
- Having EPA recognize simplifications in public hearing/public notice requirements will help efficiency



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- Next steps are important
- Future reform will not be as easy as the reducing the number of copies being submitted for a SIP



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- Everyone needs to keep up the momentum/activity in order to accomplish significant reform.