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## **2021 EPA POLLUTION PREVENTION AWARDS PROGRAM**

### **Region VIII – Colorado, Utah, Wyoming, North Dakota, South Dakota and Montana.**

#### **PURPOSE:**

Pollution prevention (P2) has been a very successful, non-regulatory approach to conserve energy and water, reduce the use of toxic materials, and save money. The purpose of this awards program is to recognize successes and best practices and encourage other entities to consider implementing P2 approaches.

Consider applying for this non-monetary award to recognize businesses/facilities in **Region 8 (Colorado, Utah, Wyoming, North Dakota, South Dakota, and Montana)**.

#### **APPLICATION SUBMISSION WINDOW:**

**TBD**

**Awards will be presented at TBD.**



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### **What is pollution prevention (P2)?**

P2 is any practice that reduces environmental releases of hazardous substances, pollutants, or contaminants prior to entering a waste stream for recycling, treatment, or disposal. In other words, P2 is source reduction, the prevention of waste generation and environmental releases at the source. It is not treatment, minimization, or diversion of wastes. P2 conserves natural resources, including water and energy.

### **Who is eligible?**

Businesses/facilities located in **EPA Region 8 (Colorado, Utah, Wyoming, South Dakota, North Dakota and Montana)** \*\* are eligible for the 2021 EPA P2 Awards Program. These are non-monetary awards that recognize environmental excellence and innovation. To be eligible, entities must be currently compliant with all applicable environmental regulations. **EPA Region 8** will conduct a compliance screening for all award applicants.

EPA grantees, contractors, and cooperative agreement recipients are not eligible for this award program. However, businesses/facilities assisted by grantees may apply.

\*\* If you are a business/facility in another EPA Region, please contact your [Regional P2 Coordinator](#) to determine if your Region participates in the EPA P2 Awards Program.

### **What kinds of projects are eligible?**

Projects eligible for the awards must have taken place within the past three years (2018-2020) and meet the goals of the P2 program.

*The goals of P2 are to:*

- Eliminate or reduce waste generation
- Conserve natural resources and materials, including water and energy
- Prevent spills and accidental releases
- Prevent product losses
- Reduce hazardous materials use
- Promote the purchasing and use of less hazardous or more efficient products and equipment
- Implement green chemistry practices

*Examples of P2 activities or projects are:*

- Reducing chemical use
- Substituting hazardous chemicals with safer alternatives
- Conserving water and/or energy
- Improved process efficiencies



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- Additional examples of P2 activities are listed on EPA’s P2 webpage:  
<https://www.epa.gov/p2/pollution-prevention-case-studies>

**Presentation of awards:**

TBD

**EPA P2 Awards Application (uploaded on EPA’s website)**

**SCORING:** Award recipients will be selected based upon their responses to the questions below. Each response should be limited to 500 words. The weight of each question is listed (by percentage). P2 efforts must have taken place within the past three years (2018-2020). Including relevant photos or news articles is optional (see final question at bottom of page).

The deadline for submitting applications is TBD. To be eligible, EPA Region 8 must receive a completed online application, which includes responses to the five questions and completed form below, on or before TBD. EPA reserves the right to contact the applicant to clarify any questions regarding the application. Applicants will be notified by TBD if their submission won an award.

For helpful information about P2 **technical assistance providers** in the **Region 8 states of Colorado, Utah, Wyoming, North Dakota, South Dakota, and Montana**, please visit [EPA's P2 website](#).

If you have any questions or need additional information, please contact:  
**Melissa Payan – EPA Region 8 P2 Coordinator**  
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**APPLICATION PROCESS:** To apply for an award, please complete the form below and click "Submit." Applications will be accepted **between TBD and TBD**. Responses to all questions are required.

1) Description of business or organization (what does your business do and/or make?):

2) Describe your business or organization’s commitment and leadership in P2, both internally within the organization and externally (e.g. with suppliers, customers, and the community). Include applicable policies, projects, employee and community engagement, and training. As a reminder, P2 does not refer to forms of disposal such as recycling, composting, waste-to-energy, etc. (25 percent)



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3) Describe the P2 efforts your business or organization implemented between [YEARS xxxx-xxxx]. Please address: A) how the initiative was generated B) the significant or unique aspects of your P2 activities C) what company or facility needs were addressed D) what unintended benefits were realized (25 percent)

4) Describe how your P2 efforts support your business or organization's goals. Provide context for the P2 activities. We are looking for a "big picture" description. (10 percent)

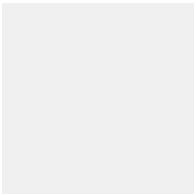
5) Describe the measurable results from your P2 efforts. Please include any cost savings, pounds of hazardous chemicals reduced, kilowatt hours of energy conserved, or gallons of water saved, if applicable. Please normalize results to show savings for similar production amounts, if applicable (e.g. installation of conductivity meters saved 600,000 gallons of water in 2017, based on the same production as in 2016). (25 percent)

6) Describe how your P2 efforts have benefited your business and the surrounding community. Describe how your business serves as a model for entities with similar processes or environmental challenges. (10 percent)

7) Describe your business or organization's specific, measurable P2 goals for the coming year (5 percent)



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**Business Details:**

8) Business or organization name:

9) Primary project contact name and phone number:

10) Contact title:

11) Email address:

12) Mailing address:

City

State

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ZIP Code

14) Size of business or organization

- Less than 100 people
- Between 100 and 1,000 people
- Greater than 1,000 people

15) Is your business or organization willing to be featured in publicly available newsletters, case studies, or webinars?

- Yes
- No

16) Is someone within your business or organization willing to present (about 15 minutes) on a webinar to other businesses considering P2 strategies?

- Yes



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No

17) Would you like to include any relevant photos, news articles, or other supplementary materials?

Yes

No

If you would like to send any relevant photos or news article text in electronic format, please attach them (in JPGs or PDFs) in an email to [payan.melissa@epa.gov](mailto:payan.melissa@epa.gov). Include your company or organization name, primary project contact name, and phone number in the email.

