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**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** If you have questions on this temporary deviation, call or email Steven Fischer, Thirteenth Coast Guard District Bridge Program Administrator; telephone 206-220-7282, *Steven.M.Fischer@uscg.mil*. If you have questions on viewing the docket, call Cheryl Collins, Program Manager, Docket Operations, telephone 202-366-9826.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The Coast Guard has been requested to issue this bridge deviation to allow BNSF to implement noise reduction operations near the Chambers Bay Golf Course during the 2015 U.S. Golf Association Championship being held there. This deviation allows the BNSF Chambers Creek Railway Bridge to open only upon 1 hour notice from 7 a.m. to 4 p.m. on June 14, 2015 and 7 a.m. to 5 p.m. each day from June 15, 2015 to June 22, 2015. At all other times the bridge will open on signal in accordance with its normal operating regulation. Doing so will minimize the number of trains required to idle while awaiting bridge openings.

The BNSF Chambers Creek Railway Bridge across Chambers Creek, mile 0.0, near Steilacoom, Washington provides 50 feet of vertical clearance in the raised position, 10 feet of vertical clearance in the closed position and 80 feet of horizontal clearance. Reference plan is mean high water elevation of 12.2 feet. The normal operation schedule falls under 33 CFR 117.5.

This deviation is effective from 7 a.m. on June 14, 2015 to 5 p.m. on June 22, 2015. The deviation allows the bridge to open only upon 1 hour notice from 7 a.m. to 4 p.m. on June 14, 2015 and 7 a.m. to 5 p.m. each day from June 15, 2015 to June 22, 2015. At all other times the bridge will open on signal in accordance with its normal operating regulation.

Vessels able to pass through the bridge in the closed positions may do so at anytime. The bridge will be able to open for emergencies and there is no immediate alternate route for vessels to pass. The Coast Guard will also inform the users of the waterway of the change in operating schedule for the bridge through Local and Broadcast Notices to

Mariners so that vessels can arrange their transits to minimize any impact caused by the temporary deviation.

In accordance with 33 CFR 117.35(e), the drawbridge must return to its regular operating schedule immediately at the end of the effective period of this temporary deviation. This deviation from the operating regulations is authorized under 33 CFR 117.35.

Dated: June 11, 2015.

**Steven M. Fischer,**

*Bridge Administrator, Thirteenth Coast Guard District.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

### 38 CFR Part 2

#### RIN 2900-AP47

### Delegations of Authority: Office of Regulation Policy and Management (ORPM)

**AGENCY:** Department of Veterans Affairs.

**ACTION:** Final rule.

**SUMMARY:** The Department of Veterans Affairs is amending its regulations delegating rulemaking authority within the Office of the General Counsel. The amendments reflect current management structure and titles.

**DATES:** *Effective Date:* June 18, 2015.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

William F. Russo, Acting Director, Office of Regulation Policy and Management, Office of the General Counsel, U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs, 810 Vermont Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20420, telephone (202) 461-4902. (This is not a toll-free number.)

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** In 2014, the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) Office of the General Counsel was restructured, which included changes in the titles of certain officials involved in VA's rulemaking process. Specifically, matters previously handled by the single Deputy General Counsel are now handled by a Principal Deputy General Counsel and two Deputy General Counsels. This final rule amends 38 CFR 2.6(e)(1) to reflect current management structure and titles.

### Administrative Procedure Act

This document's publication as a final rule is pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 553(b)(A), which exempts matters pertaining to agency organization, procedure and practice from notice and public

comment requirements. Also, because this notice concerns only such matters, VA finds pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 553(d)(3) good cause in this case to dispense with the delayed effective date requirement.

### Executive Order 12866

Under the exemption in section 3(d)(3) of Executive Order 12866 for regulations limited to agency organization, management, or personnel matters, this document is not subject to the Executive Order's review requirements.

### Unfunded Mandates

The Unfunded Mandates Reform Act of 1995 requires, at 2 U.S.C. 1532, that agencies prepare an assessment of anticipated costs and benefits before issuing any rule that may result in expenditure by State, local, and tribal governments, in the aggregate, or by the private sector, of \$100 million or more (adjusted annually for inflation) in any one year. This rule will have no such effect on State, local, and tribal governments, or on the private sector.

### Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995

This document contains no provisions constituting a collection of information under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 3501-3521).

### Regulatory Flexibility Act

The initial and final regulatory flexibility analysis requirements of sections 603 and 604 of the Regulatory Flexibility Act, 5 U.S.C. 601-612, are not applicable to this rule, because a notice of proposed rulemaking is not required for this rule. Even so, the Secretary hereby certifies that this regulatory amendment will not have a significant economic impact on a substantial number of small entities as they are defined in the Regulatory Flexibility Act. This amendment will not directly affect any small entities. Therefore, this amendment is also exempt pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 605(b), from the initial and final regulatory flexibility analysis requirements of sections 603 and 604.

### Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance

There are no Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance program numbers for this rule.

### Signing Authority

The Secretary of Veterans Affairs, or designee, approved this document and authorized the undersigned to sign and submit the document to the Office of the Federal Register for publication electronically as an official document of the Department of Veterans Affairs.

Robert L. Nabors II, Chief of Staff, approved this document on June 12, 2015, for publication.

### List of Subjects in 38 CFR Part 2

Authority delegations (Government agencies).

Dated: June 12, 2015.

**William F. Russo,**

*Acting Director, Office of Regulation Policy & Management, Office of the General Counsel.*

For the reasons set out in the preamble, 38 CFR part 2 is amended as follows:

### PART 2—DELEGATIONS OF AUTHORITY

■ 1. The authority citation for part 2 continues to read as follows:

**Authority:** 5 U.S.C. 302, 552a; 38 U.S.C. 501, 512, 515, 1729, 1729A, 5711; 44 U.S.C. 3702, and as noted in specific sections.

#### § 2.6 [Amended]

■ 2. Amend § 2.6(e)(1) by removing “Deputy General Counsel, and Director for Regulation Policy and Management” and adding in its place “the Principal Deputy General Counsel, the Deputy General Counsel, Central Office, and the Director of the Office of Regulation Policy and Management”.

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### ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

#### 40 CFR Part 52

[EPA–R06–OAR–2011–0938; FRL–9928–79–Region 6]

#### Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; New Mexico; Transportation Conformity and Conformity of General Federal Actions

**AGENCY:** Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

**ACTION:** Final rule.

**SUMMARY:** Under the Federal Clean Air Act (Act), the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is approving revisions to the New Mexico State Implementation Plan (SIP). These revisions update the transportation conformity rules and remove the general conformity provisions.

**DATES:** This rule is effective on July 20, 2015.

**ADDRESSES:** EPA has established a docket for this action under Docket ID No. EPA–R06–OAR–2011–0938. All documents in the docket are listed on

the <http://www.regulations.gov> Web site. Although listed in the index, some information is not publicly available, e.g., Confidential Business Information or other information whose disclosure is restricted by statute. Certain other material, such as copyrighted material, is not placed on the Internet and will be publicly available only in hard copy form. Publicly available docket materials are available either electronically through <http://www.regulations.gov> or in hard copy at EPA Region 6, 1445 Ross Avenue, Suite 700, Dallas, Texas 75202–2733.

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#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

##### I. Background

The background for this action is discussed in detail in our February 10, 2015 direct final rule and proposal (80 FR 7341). The rule and proposal stated that if any relevant adverse comments were received by the end of the public comment period, the direct final rule would be withdrawn and we would respond to the comments in a subsequent final action. A relevant adverse comment was received during the comment period, and the direct final rule was withdrawn on April 8, 2015 (80 FR 19020). Our proposal provides the basis for this final action. These revisions amend the transportation conformity SIP provisions and remove the general conformity provisions from the SIP, as allowed by the Act’s 2005 amendments. These revisions also address interagency consultation and enforceability of certain transportation-related control measures and mitigation measures.

We received one comment on the direct final rule by one commenter, Sierra Club. The comment and our response to the comment is below.

##### II. Response to Comments

Comment: “Acting regional administrator Sam Coleman cannot sign approvals, disapprovals, or any combination of approvals or disapproval, in whole or in part, due to the fact that agency actions on state implementation plans are required to be signed by the regional administrator, Ron Curry, not the current deputy regional administrator as stated in the agency’s delegations manual. The manual specifically states that SIP actions can’t be redelegated from the regional administrator.”

Response: As the Acting Regional Administrator, Deputy Regional Administrator Sam Coleman had

authority to sign the proposal and direct final action on the SIP revisions. On January 28, 2015, the day that the proposal and direct final action were signed, Sam Coleman was acting in the capacity of the Regional Administrator for Ron Curry, who was absent from Region 6 at the time. The following language is listed in the Region 6 Deputy Regional Administrator’s position description “In the absence of the Regional Administrator, the Deputy Regional Administrator will perform the duties of the Regional Administrator.” Further, EPA Region 6 Order 1110.11 establishes a line of succession to perform the duties of the Regional Administrator should the Regional Administrator be absent from the office. The Deputy Regional Administrator is the first person listed on that line of succession. Copies of the two documents are included in the docket for this rulemaking. Finally, the heads of administrative agencies are statutorily vested with the authority to delegate authorities to subordinate officials, 5 U.S.C. 302. Federal Courts have held that rules, including internal delegations and appointments of authority are effective regardless of publication in the **Federal Register** or the Code of Federal Regulations.

The comment only challenged the Deputy Regional Administrator’s authority to sign the Direct Final Action. EPA received no other comments or challenges as to the substance of the proposal or direct final. Therefore, we are finalizing our action to approve these SIP amendments.

##### III. Final Action

Pursuant to sections 110 and 176 of the Act, EPA is approving three revisions to the New Mexico SIP that were submitted on October 28, 2011, November 1, 2013, and August 8, 2014. We evaluated the state’s submittals and determined that they meet the applicable requirements of the CAA sections 110 and 176 and applicable EPA guidance. In accordance with CAA section 110(l), these revisions will not interfere with attainment of the NAAQS, reasonable further progress, or any other applicable requirement of the CAA.

##### IV. Incorporation by Reference

In this rule, we are finalizing regulatory text that includes incorporation by reference. In accordance with the requirements of 1 CFR 51.5, we are finalizing the incorporation by reference of the revisions to the New Mexico regulations as described in the Final Action section above. We have made, and will continue to make, these documents generally