

Petition to Save Air Monitors in Tonawanda

Petition Target: NYS DEC Commissioner Peter Grannis

Air monitoring in Tonawanda was initiated in July 2007 to evaluate air pollutant concentrations in the industrial area of Tonawanda. The monitoring found high levels of air toxins and identified the region's worst polluters, among them Tonawanda Coke. Air monitoring has been essential to identifying polluters in Tonawanda and ensuring regulatory action is taken to protect human health.

Funding for the air monitoring runs out in April. The NYS DEC intends to continue the monitoring but is uncertain how long they can support the initiative.

If we care about improving air quality and health in Tonawanda we must find funding to keep the air monitors running. Discontinuing monitoring would send a signal to polluters that they are no longer being watched and would mean regulatory agencies would have no way of measuring progress.

The DEC should commit to funding the air monitors in Tonawanda at least through 2012.

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