



GEORGIA
DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES

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**Air Updates - State
Georgia EPD
Air Protection Branch**

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TOPICS

- **GA EPD Air Protection Branch Updates**
- **Georgia Air Quality Act Changes**
- **Air Permit Fees**
- **Air Quality in Georgia**
- **Projects and Activities**



RECENT CHANGES – GEORGIA AIR QUALITY ACT

- **SB 426** – Requires sources with permits that allow the emissions of ethylene oxide to report all spills or unpermitted releases of ethylene oxide to EPD within 24 hours of discovery; also requires EPD to make the information publicly available on the EPD website
- **HB 857** - Prohibits burning railroad ties treated with creosote or naphthenate compounds in biomass boilers for the purposes of commercial electricity generation, unless the boiler also provides steam or electricity to any co-located forest products processing facility

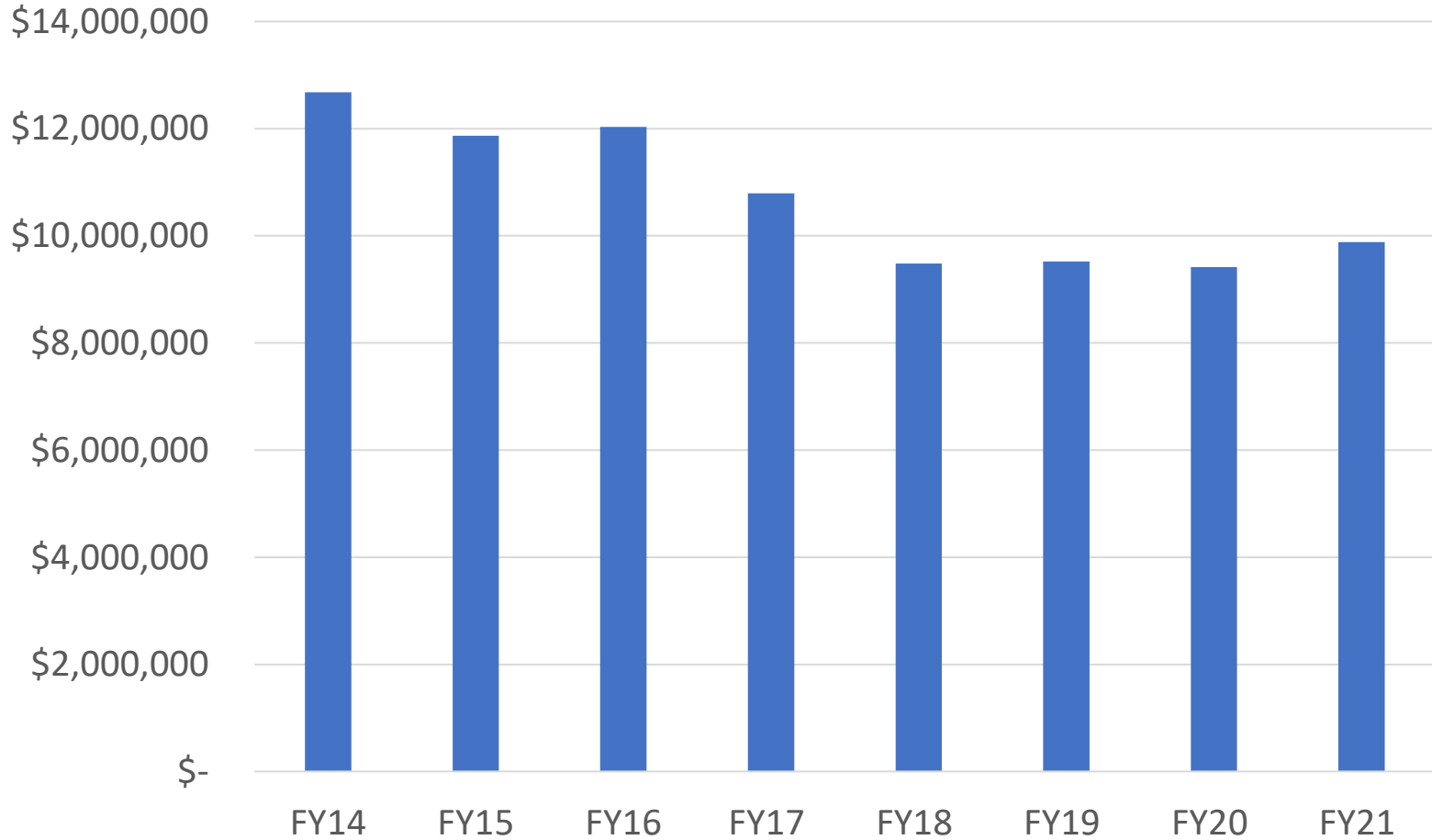


AIR PERMIT FEE CHANGES EFFECTIVE MARCH 1, 2021

Fee Type	Change
Annual synthetic minor permit fees	Increase from \$1,700 year to \$2,100 per year
Annual NSPS fee	Increase from \$1,500 to \$1,900
Annual maintenance fee for Title V sources	New fee of \$650/yr. for each Title V source
Permit application fees	Complete phase-in of permit application fees
Expedited permit fees	25% increase in expedited permit fees. <i>This fee is optional</i>
\$ per ton of emissions	No change (\$35.50 and \$37.34 for EGUs)
Title V minimum fee	No change (\$4,500)

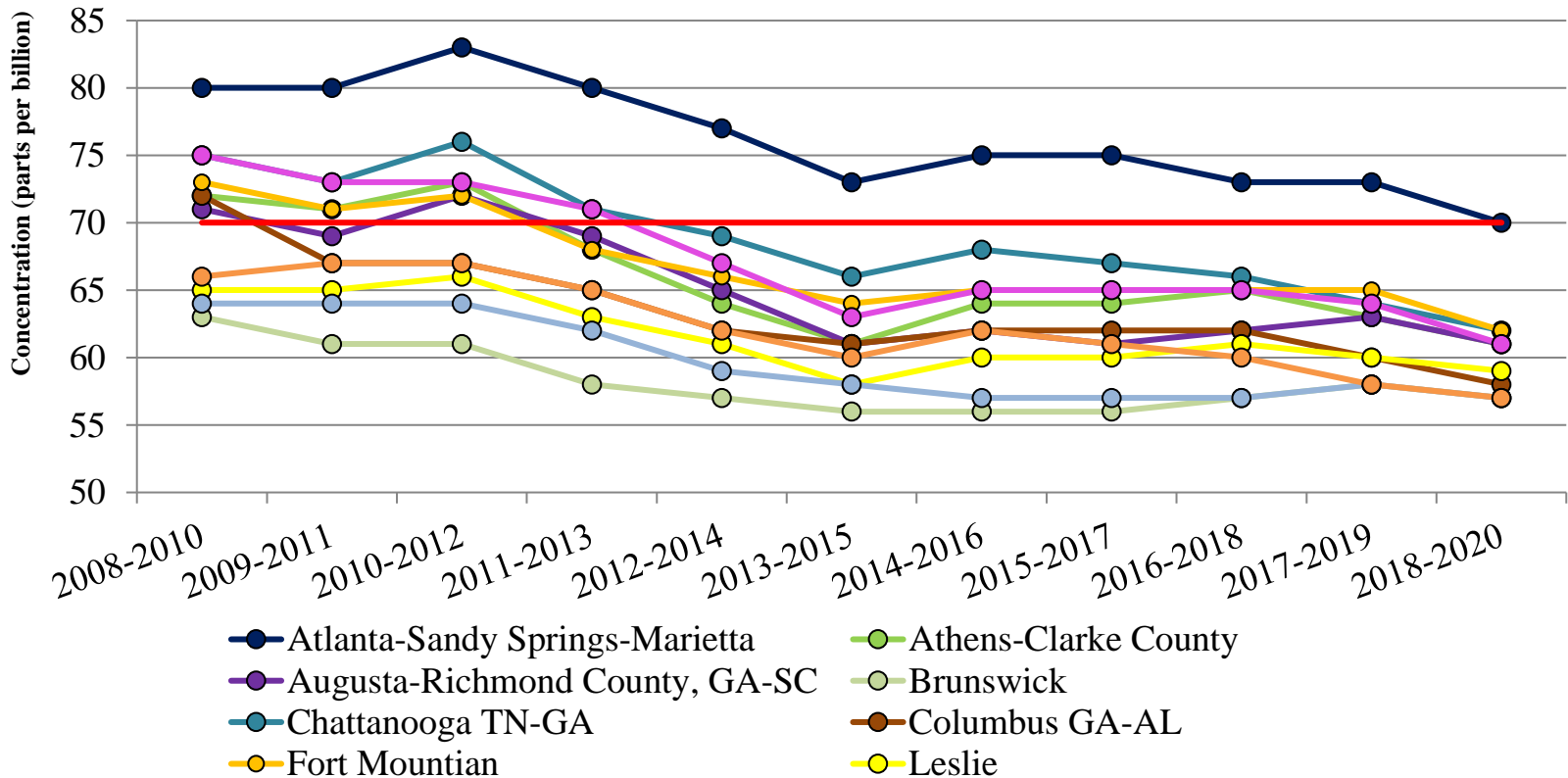


AIR PERMIT FEE COLLECTION



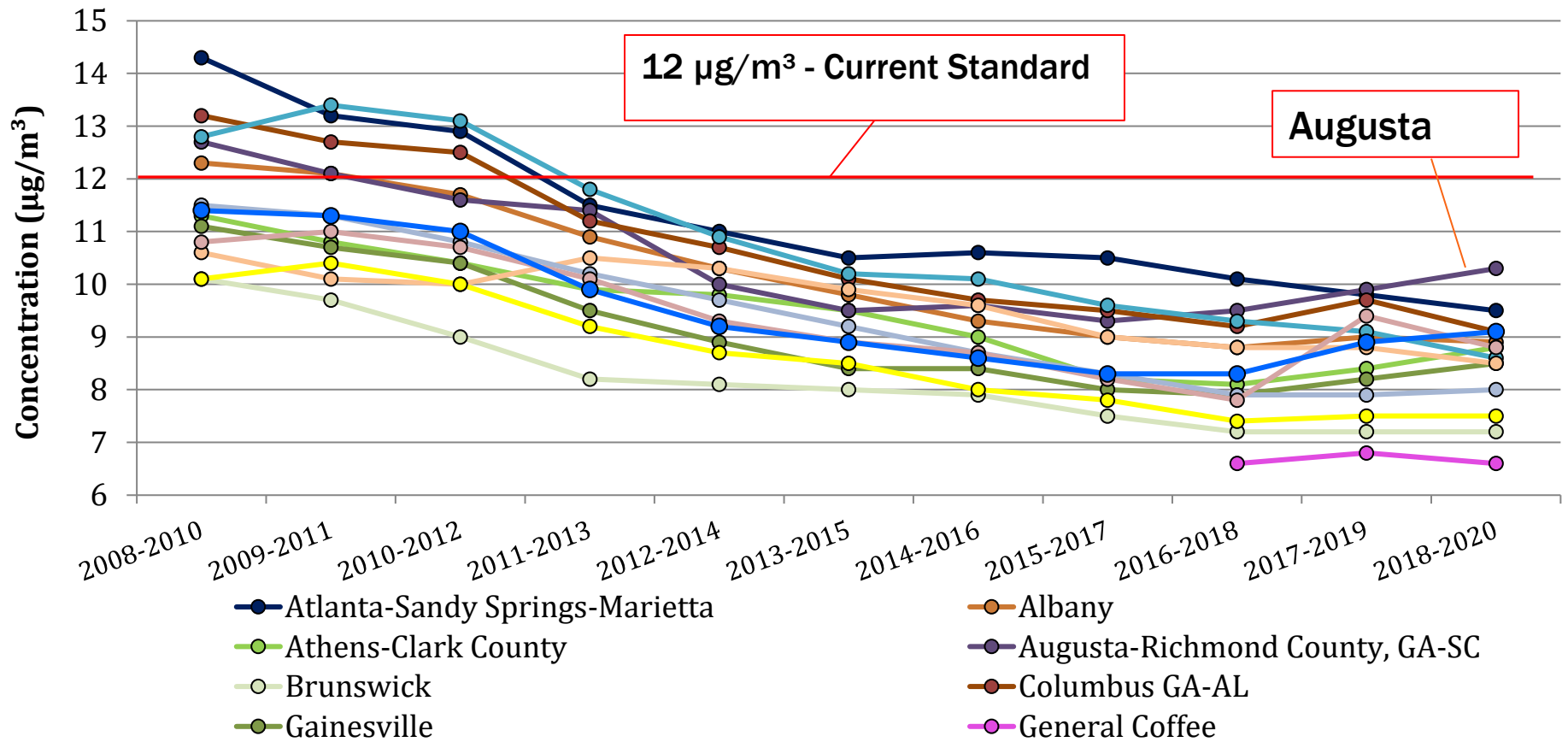


8-HR OZONE TRENDS, 3-YEAR ANNUAL AVERAGES





FINE PARTICULATE MATTER (PM_{2.5}), 3-YEAR ANNUAL AVERAGES





APB PROJECTS AND ACTIVITIES

- **2015 Ozone Maintenance Plan and Redesignation Request**
- **Reducing risk from emissions of ethylene oxide**
- **Petition to EPA on GA public comment process**
- **HAP emission inventory stakeholder process**
- **Regional Haze Round 2 SIP submittal**