
US SUPPORTS AIR QUALITY MONITORING IN CENTRAL ASIA

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On December 2-3, the United States Environmental Protection Agency (U.S. EPA), with support from the U.S. Embassies in Nur-Sultan and Bishkek, convened a regional workshop on air quality monitoring network development. Participants from the C5+1 countries of Kazakhstan, the Kyrgyz Republic, Tajikistan, Turkmenistan, and the United States joined the virtual workshop, which included government representatives for hydrometeorology and air quality monitoring, the U.S. Embassy in Kyrgyzstan reported.

During the event Lyudmila Nyshanbaeva, Head of Environmental Monitoring, Kyrgyz Hydromet under the Ministry of Emergency Situations remarked that From this workshop, we learned best practices from our U.S. colleagues on determining the goals of air quality monitoring, and the use of monitors and sensors. This workshop is a good platform for the exchange of knowledge and useful information so that the entire region can achieve goals in the field of air quality. In the future, we can think about the development of a regional monitoring network for Central Asia.

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