

Background Ozone

- ◆ EPA recognizes background ozone as a significant issue, especially in West
- ◆ Background ozone is ozone arising from natural events and non-U.S. anthropogenic sources
- ◆ Past studies have shown 60-80% of high ozone in NFR and Colorado due to background ozone
- ◆ EPA is developing a white paper on background ozone and will hold a workshop in coming months
- ◆ EPA is revising its Exceptional Events Rule to provide guidance for exceptional events demonstrations
- ◆ EPA offers provisions of CAA section 179B to address impact of non-U.S. sources on local areas

