

***Interactive comment on “Decreases in elemental  
carbon and fine particle mass in the United  
States” by D. M. Murphy et al.***

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Thank you for the review and the supportive comments.

Responses to specific comments are (referring to a revised manuscript): 1) A list of the sites is given in supplemental material and this is now mentioned in section 3. 2) The wording is changed as suggested by the reviewer. 3) As suggested, the concluding sentence reads better without the "also". The paragraph has also been rewritten for clarity. 4) References to congressional proposals have been added. 5) Thank you for noticing the extra dash in the URL.

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