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## **Why Does Gas Cost More in Allegheny County?**

The Petroleum Retailers and Auto Repair Association wants you to know why your gas prices **may be up to 40 cents per gallon higher** than surrounding counties between June 1, 2019 and September 15, 2019.

For the last 18 years, Allegheny and 6 additional Pennsylvania counties have been required by the EPA to switch to the higher priced RFG (summer blend gas) between June and September every year. It has been shown that there is no appreciable benefit to the environment by requiring the summer blend gasoline.

With the exception of Allegheny County, all of the other Pennsylvania counties received approval from the EPA to repeal this requirement on January 22, 2019.

Allegheny County has not received this repeal approval yet because they failed to file the necessary paperwork until after all of the other counties had already been approved.

County Executive, Rich Fitzgerald ignored repeated written requests from The Pennsylvania Petroleum Association and Local Gas Suppliers to address this time sensitive matter.

The EPA is aware of the now urgent repeal approval request by Allegheny County and is working diligently within the parameters of the law to expedite their part in the process.

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