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4. By Facsimile. Fax your comments to: (202) 566-1741, Attention Docket ID. No. OAR-2003-0046.

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D. What Should I Consider as I Prepare My Comments for EPA?

You may find the following suggestions helpful for preparing your comments:

1. Explain your views as clearly as possible.
2. Describe any assumptions that you used.
3. Provide any technical information and/or data you used that support your views.
4. If you estimate potential burden or costs, explain how you arrived at your estimate.
5. Provide specific examples to illustrate your concerns.
6. Offer alternatives.
7. Make sure to submit your comments by the comment period deadline identified.
8. To ensure proper receipt by EPA, identify the appropriate docket identification number in the subject line on the first page of your response. It would also be helpful if you provided the name, date, and **Federal Register** citation related to your comments.

II. Summary of Proposal

EPA is proposing to revise the definition of nonroad engines to include all diesel-powered engines used in agricultural operations in the State of California that are certified by the engine maker to meet the applicable nonroad emission standards. Under this proposed rule, such engines will be considered as nonroad engines without regard to whether these engines are portable or transportable or how long these engines remain in one fixed location at a farm.

However, in the "Rules and Regulations" section of today's **Federal Register**, we are promulgating these revisions as a direct final rule without a prior proposal. We have explained our reasons for this action. This proposal incorporates by reference all the reasoning, explanation and regulatory text from the direct final rule. For further information, including the regulatory text for this proposal, please refer to the direct final rule that is located in the "Rules and Regulations" section of this **Federal Register** publication. The direct final rule will be effective on May 14, 2003, without further notice unless we receive adverse comment by May 12, 2003, or receive a request for a public hearing by April 28,