



Request for Comments

April 9, 2026

TO: INTERESTED PARTIES
FROM: EXECUTIVE OFFICER / APCO
SUBJECT: **Request for Comments – Potential Concepts for Updating Socioeconomic Analysis of Air District Rulemaking**

The Bay Area Air District (Air District) is issuing a Request for Comments on potential concepts for updating the process for conducting socioeconomic analysis of Air District rulemaking.

BACKGROUND

The Air District Board of Directors adopts rules that control air pollution from many different sources, and in this process, the Air District must consider the economic impacts of the new or updated rules on residents, businesses, and the regional economy under California law (Health and Safety Code section 40728.5). The Air District sometimes provides additional information beyond what the law requires, providing useful information that may include modeling of health and equity benefits, expansive and detailed assessments of potential economic impacts, and deeper analysis of how rules may affect different groups and communities.

The Air District is working on a more formal socioeconomic impact analysis policy and has released potential concepts for public review and comment. These materials are available on the Air District's [Socioeconomic Impact Analysis web page](#).

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

Materials on the potential concepts can be found on the Air District's [Socioeconomic Impact Analysis web page](#) or at www.baaqmd.gov/ruledev. The Air District invites public feedback on these concepts and will consider all input received during the comment period toward further development of the socioeconomic impact analysis policy.

Deadline for public comments: Wednesday, May 13, 2026, at 5:00 p.m.

Comments on the potential concepts will be accepted through 5:00 PM on Wednesday, May 13, 2026, and should be directed to Air District Rule Development via email at ruledevelopment@baaqmd.gov or by mail to 375 Beale St., Suite 600, San Francisco, CA 94105.