Compliance and Enforcement

West Oakland Action Plan Steering Committee Meeting

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Bay Area Air Quality Management District
Regulating Air Pollution

Air District
• Established in 1955
• 9 counties
• Governing Board
  ➢ 24 elected officials
• Regulate Stationary Sources
• ~19,000 permitted sources
Regulating Stationary Sources

Air District Permitted Facilities & Operations:

• Oil Refineries
• Chemical plants
• Solid / Organic Waste facilities
• Wastewater treatment facilities
• Paint / coating operations
• Metal foundries
• Cement & asphalt plants
• Printing operations
• Gas stations
• Asbestos remediation
Regulating Mobile Sources

CARB Mobile Sources:

- Automobiles
- Commercial trucks
- Commercial harbor craft
- Off-road equipment
- Diesel powered portable equipment
- Locomotives*
Other Jurisdictions

Land Use

City of Oakland
➢ Responsible for planning, permitting, zoning, business licenses, etc.
➢ Adopts and enforces truck routes, idling limits, parking, street design, bike routes, etc.

Other Key Entities

Port of Oakland
➢ Seaport Plan, lease agreements, capital investments

Alameda County Public Health Dept.
➢ Public health programs (asthma, community health, lead abatement, etc.)

Metropolitan Transportation Commission
➢ Transportation planning and funding

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Pollutants Regulated

- Volatile Organic Compounds (VOCs)
- Hazardous & Toxic Air Pollutants
- Particulate Matter
- Carbon Monoxide
- Nitrogen Dioxide
- Hydrogen Sulfide
- Sulfur Dioxide
- Ozone
- Lead
- Green House Gasses (GHGs)
Inspection Staff

- ~70 Inspectors
  - Geographic areas
  - Specialty Groups:
    Refinery, Gas Stations,
    Dry Cleaning & Auto Body Facilities,
    Asbestos Projects and Air Toxics
Staff Responsibilities

- Compliance Inspections
- Compliance Assistance
- Complaint Response
- Incident Response
Compliance Inspections

• Verify compliance
  ➢ Local, State, and Federal Regulations
  ➢ Permit conditions

• Audit sources
• Audit records
• Document Violations
• Resolve Compliance Concerns
• Verify corrective actions
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Complaint Reporting

• Public Complaint Hotline:
  ➢ 1-800-334-ODOR
  ➢ 24/7, including weekends & holidays

• Online Complaint Portal

• Outside Agency Referrals

• Wood Smoke Complaints
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Online Complaint Portal:
https://permits.baaqmd.gov/PublicForms/ComplaintWizardSelection

AIR POLLUTION COMPLAINT FORM

COMPLAINT OVERVIEW
You may report complaints in these nine Bay Area counties: Alameda, Contra Costa, Marin, Napa, San Francisco, San Mateo, Santa Clara, south-western Solano and southern Sonoma. We investigate every single complaint. In order to be successful we need you to answer a few questions.

What type of complaint is it?
- Asbestos
- Dust/Particulates
- Excessive Idling
- Fire/Smoke (NOT residential Wood Smoke)
- Gas Station
- Odor
- Smoking Vehicle (or report using 1-800-EXHAUST)

For these complaints you will be directed to another site:
- Idling or Smoking Locomotive
- Wood Smoke

Listed below are types of complaints that may be outside of BAAQMD’s Jurisdiction:
- Aircraft Emissions
- Burning Incense
- Cigarette Smoke
- Contrails/Chem Trails
- Dumping into a Drain
- Insect Infestation
- Lead
- Leaf Blowers
- Manure Spreading for Agricultural Purposes
- Mold
- Mosquitoes
- Noise
- Odor or Dust associated with Crop Growing or Live Stock Raising
- Red Tide
- Residential Barbeque
- Restaurant Garbage Containers
- Stagnant Water
Incident Response

- Document Community Impacts
- Technical Service Support by Sampling where appropriate
- Support Public Safety Agencies
- Respond to Complaints
- Investigate
- Take Enforcement Action
Enforcement Actions and Outcomes

- Notice to Comply
- Notice of Violation
  - Public Nuisance
  - Excess Emissions
  - Records / Administrative
- Abatement Order
- Hearing Board
Enforcement Actions and Outcomes

- Legal Division - Settlement of Violations
- Violations Subject to Penalties
- Violations Must Be Corrected Immediately
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