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Fugitive Dust Regulatory Analysis and Recommendations

Stationary Source and Climate Impacts Committee April 12, 2023

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Presentation Outcome



To inform the committee on the findings of the Fugitive Dust White Paper and provide recommendations for future actions.

Presentation Outline



- Background on Fugitive Dust
- Current Rules
- Gap Analysis
- Recommendations
- Next Steps
- Feedback and Questions

Presentation for Information Only



None; informational item

Background



What is fugitive dust?

Fugitive dust is particulate matter generated by open air operations and does not pass through a stack or vent



How is it formed?

Dust becomes fugitive when suspended in the air by wind currents or mechanical forces (e.g., earth moving)



What challenges exist?

Often episodic, tend to be influenced by both wind conditions and human activities.

Sources are not as well-characterized as emissions from combustion sources

Sources of Fugitive Dust





Feedback



Community Perspectives

- Community Advisory Council
- Community Stakeholders
- AB 617 Committees

Scientific & Regulatory Perspectives

- Advisory Council
- Clean Air Act





Dust Concerns – Exposures and Health Impacts



- PM is a significant health concern
- Many fugitive dust sources located in impacted communities
- More localized reductions are needed

Overview of Current PM Rules for Fugitive Dust



Regulation 6: Common Definitions and test methods

General administrative requirements and standard procedures

Rule 6-1: General Requirements

• Emission rates, emission concentrations, and visible emissions limits

Rule 6-6: Prohibition of Trackout

Requirements for prohibition of trackout

Rule 6-4

Metal Recycling and Shredding

Rule 12-13

Foundry and Forging Operations

CARB NOA ATCM

Naturally Occurring Asbestos

Gap Analysis of Fugitive Dust Rules



Staff reviewed existing regulatory and programming measures used to control PM emissions, at the following jurisdictions due to their experience with dust suppression:

- California Air Resources Board (CARB)
- Clark County (NV) Department of Environment and Sustainability (DES)
- Imperial County Air Pollution Control District (ICAPCD)
- Maricopa County Air Quality Department (MCAQD)
- Sacramento Metropolitan Air Quality Management District (SMAQMD)
- South Coast Air Quality Management District (SCAQMD)

Recommendations



Amend Regulation 6: Particulate Matter

Burden of Proof and Locations

- Define fugitive dust as observable dust crossing the property line
- Improve stabilization, BACM/BMPs, and trackout requirements
- Requirements for large roadway or construction projects
- Dust control plans for specific high-risk projects or sites

Improve Enforceability

Permitted Facility Restrictions

- Reduce PM emissions limit
- Reduce PM process weight limits
- Permitting and/or registration requirements for large dust-generating operations

Strengthen Requirements

Monitoring and Data

- Dust control plans with fenceline monitoring
- Wind and vehicle speed monitoring, BACM, and recordkeeping
- Daily self-inspection reports, adequately wetted determinations

Explore Feasibility

Recommendations (cont.)



Fees

Pursue regulatory amendments for Rule 3: Fees

PM Methodologies *

 Pursue regulatory amendments for Rule 2-1: General Requirements

* Future regulatory item pending prioritization

Next Steps





Feedback Requested



Questions and Comments



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Updated 2023 Stationary Source and Climate Impacts Committee Work Plan

Stationary Source and Climate Impacts Committee April 12, 2023

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Presentation Outcome



- The Committee will review and discuss the updated work plan for meetings in 2023.
- This is an informational item for discussion.

2023 SSCI Work Plan



April - May

- Air District Statutory Authorities
- Fugitive Dust White Paper Recommendations
- Bay Area Healthy Homes Initiative
- Submitting Rules into the State Implementation Plan
- Discussion on Prescribed Burning in the Bay Area

2023 SSCI Work Plan (cont'd)



June - July

- Rules mid-year review
- Update on Incident Response Monitoring
- Refinery Community and Fenceline Monitoring
- Sources Causing Particulate Matter Exposure (InMAP Results)
- Overview of How the Air District Conducts Socioeconomic Analyses
- Overview of Permitting Timelines

2023 SSCI Work Plan (cont'd)



September - October

- Rule 8-8: Refinery Wastewater
- Rule 8-18: Refinery Heavy Liquid Leaks
- Metal Recycling and Shredding Operations

November - December

- Priority Control Measures in the Richmond-North Richmond-San Pablo CERP
- Health Impacts of Wood Smoke and Possible Policy Response

2023 SSCI Work Plan (cont'd)



Pending

- Indirect Source Rules (ISR)?
- Rule 11-18: Reduction of Risk from Air Toxic Emissions at Existing Facilities
- Rule Implementation
- Information on Just Transition



Questions?





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Update on the Bay Area Healthy Homes Initiative

Stationary Sources and Climate Impacts Committee April 12, 2023

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Presentation for Information Only



No action required

Outline



- Motivation
- Bay Area Healthy Homes Initiative
 - Program overview
 - Partners and roles
 - Pathways and services
- Implementation
 - Program infrastructure
 - Recruitment update
 - Case study
 - Tracking progress











Rising Asthma Rates are a Growing Health and Equity Issue

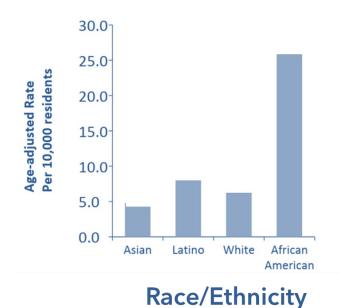
In the San Francisco Bay Area, asthma rates in communities overburdened by air pollution are disproportionately high and increasing.

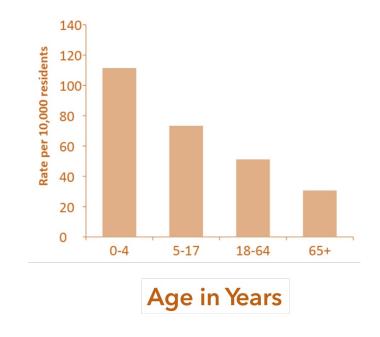
Asthma is more prevalent among people of color, children, and the poor.



Contra Costa County Asthma Hospitalizations





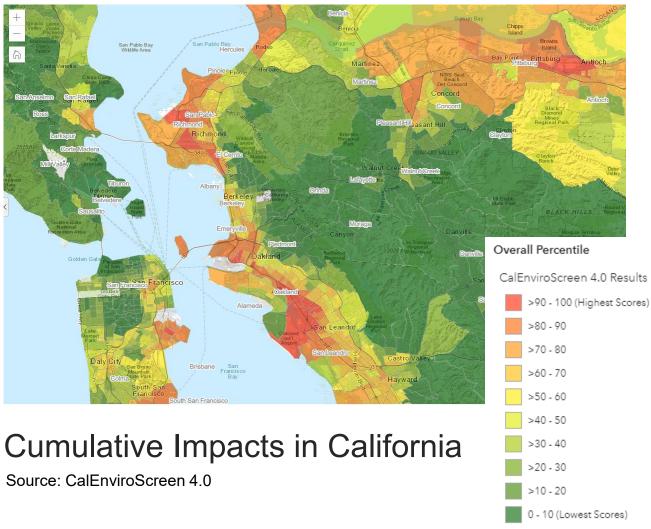


Source: Contra Costa Health Office

Overburdened communities are also more vulnerable to climate impacts











seeks to improve health outcomes and climate resilience in overburdened communities

Program integrates services through a partnership to serve clients most impacted by asthma and air pollution

Contra Costa County Asthma Mitigation Pilot (AMP Pilot) (2018)

- \$722k Total (Air District: 195k)
- asthma patients

Bay Area Healthy Homes Initiative (BAHHI) (2021)

- \$2M grant from VW Settlement
- focus on traffic-related air pollution
- asthma patients and residents

Partners and Roles



REGIONAL AGENCIES Bay Area Air Quality Management District (BAAQMD) secured \$2M grant and leads program coordination and oversight

Bay Area Regional Energy Network (BayREN) leverages network to conduct outreach and layer incentives

LOCAI GOV'T Contra Costa and Alameda County Health Departments lead the home asthma care, education, and trigger assessments

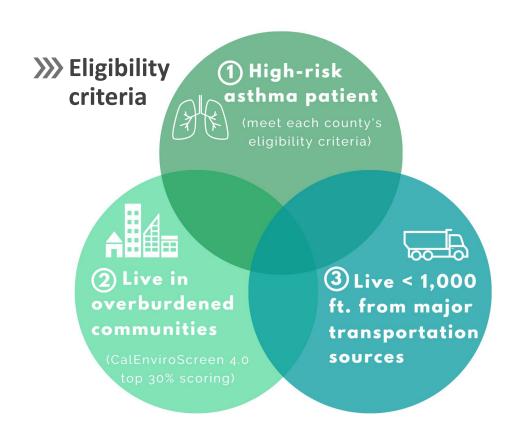
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Association for Energy Affordability (AEA) assesses and implements home retrofits for both counties; conducts indoor air quality monitoring

Participant Pathways



Asthma patients



Contra Costa County

- Medi-Cal patients with uncontrolled moderate to severe asthma
- ~1,500 adults and children eligible
- County Health Services target: 70 patients

Alameda County

- Patients 0 18 years old with uncontrolled asthma (Medi-Cal or Alliance)
- ~5,000 children eligible
- Asthma Start target: 35 patients



a healthier and more resilient person

- In-home asthma services are provided for high-risk asthma patients by a community health worker.
- Local health departments can provide expanded services using BAHHI funding.

>>> Asthma assessment

- Asthma action plan, in coordination with primary care provider
- Asthma condition evaluation, before and after program



Asthma consumer supplies

- Green cleaning supplies
- Non-toxic pest management
- Hypo-allergenic bedding
- Inhaler spacer





>>> Education

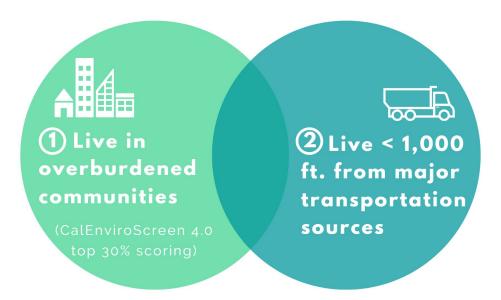
- Medication usage training
- Asthma trigger understanding
- Air pollution and asthma (e.g., protection against wildfire smoke)

Participant Pathways(cont.)



Residents

>>> Eligibility criteria



Contra Costa and Alameda County

- Multi-family buildings
- ~40,000 buildings eligible (~5,000 with 4+ units)
- AEA target:
 - 750 1,000 resident units
 - 5 15 buildings
- Indoor air quality monitoring at 20% of homes
 - Pollutants: particulate matter (PM), nitrogen oxides (NOx), carbon monoxide (CO), carbon dioxide (CO₂), ozone (O₃), formaldehyde and total volatile organic compounds (VOCs)





a healthy, efficient and climate resilient home

Home assessment determines home retrofits needed for patients and residents. Program matches clients' needs with eligible funding sources and uses BAHHI funds to complement.

>>> Remove Health Triggers

Address moisture (e.g., mold removal), allergens, and irritants



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Mitigate Pollution Exposure

e.g., window replacements, enhanced air filtration, building envelope improvements



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Increase Energy Efficiency

Home electrification (e.g., heat pump, induction stove) and insulation



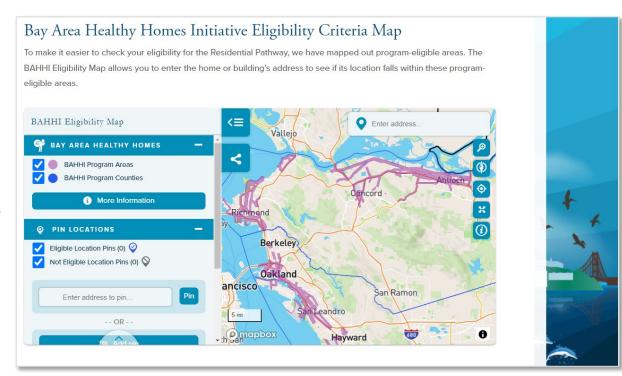
Implementation



Program infrastructure

- Program design and coordination
- Technical support
 - Eligibility Criteria Map
 - Staff training
- Education, outreach and resources
 - Educational materials (e.g., wildfires)
 - Clean Air Filtration program filters
 - BAHHI website
 - AB617 Communities

baaqmd.gov/bahhi



Implementation (cont.)



Program infrastructure

- Program staffing
 - Community health workers, technical staff and support staff hired
- Data protocols
- Targeted outreach
 - Eligible asthma patients (Health departments)
 - Building owners (BayREN / StopWaste)
- Challenges



Implementation (cont.)



Recruitment update

| Metrics | Asthma Patients | |
|--|------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| | AMP Pilot | ВАННІ |
| Enrolled in program (vs. target) | 120 enrolled patients (out of 150) | 34 enrolled patients (out of 105) |
| Invited to participate | 850 | 150 |
| Received one or more asthma visits | 120 | 30 |
| Home assessments (virtual) | 66 | 17 |
| Home assessments (on site) | 17 | 3 |
| Received or in-progress with retrofits | 4 | 0 |

Implementation (cont.)



Case study

- Adult female, East County
- All asthma visits completed
- Home retrofits (Cost: ~\$13,000)
 - Carpet removal / floor installation
 - Bathroom ventilation
 - Duct replacement and sealing
 - Attic insulation
 - Weatherstripping







Implementation (cont.)



Tracking progress

| Program goals | Ongoing metrics |
|--|--|
| Improve health outcomes for high- risk asthma patients | Patients who complete all asthma visits Initial vs. final Asthma Control Test results |
| Reduce cumulative air pollution exposure for all program participants | Home assessments Home retrofit measures (health-related) Pre- and post-retrofit indoor monitoring data |
| Improve participant homes' energy efficiency and reduce their energy costs | Home retrofit measures (energy efficiency) Energy bills savings |
| Determine program scalability | Cost effectivenessChallenges and potential solutions |

BlocPower & Bay Area Air Quality Management District



MISSION:

GREENER, HEALTHIER, SMARTER BUILDINGS

FOR ALL



Our Approach

COMMUNITY CENTERED APPROACH

TECHNOLOGY AND DATA



PROGRAM MANAGEMENT FOR CITY, STATE OR UTILITY

Building Electrification Program & Project Concierge







PROJECT MANAGEMENT FOR BUILDING OWNERS

INCLUSIVE FINANCING



Building electrification programs and projects powered by software and data



Phase 1



Phase 2

DATA-DRIVEN
PROGRAM
DESIGN



DATA-BACKED PROJECT INSTALLATION



HOW BLOCPOWER MAKES IT HAPPEN

BlocMaps software for data analysis, visualization, monitoring

Predictive machine learning models

Curated building & project database



Data-based project installation



Step One:
Property Owner
Outreach



Step Two: Individual Building Analysis



Step Three: Installation & Construction



Step Four: Monitoring & Maintenance



Series B Raise March 1st 2023

Equity Funding: \$24M

Debt Financing: \$130M



Goldman Sachs





Bay Area Partnerships



60 LMI Building Retrofits in 2023



10,000 Building Retrofits by 2030 + **Workforce Development**



250 Building Retrofits by 2025 + Workforce **Development**



2 LMI Home **Retrofits + Community Outreach**



Lawrence Berkeley **National Laboratory**

2 Oakland Church Retrofits



National Partnerships



\$150M Workforce
Development Program:
1,700 individuals
affected



City-wide building electrification by 2030



Software + Lead generation



Workforce **Development**



200 Building Retrofits by 2025 + Health Measurements

CITY OF CAMBRIDGE

Software + 15 building retrofits

Other Geographies

Atlanta, GA Augusta, GA Macon, GA Chicago, IL Rural America



Community based approach centers local needs

Community Advisory Board: A group of local community members who are trusted by building owners, decision-makers and property managers and can:

1

Provide feedback on existing outreach strategies

2

Conduct community engagement activities

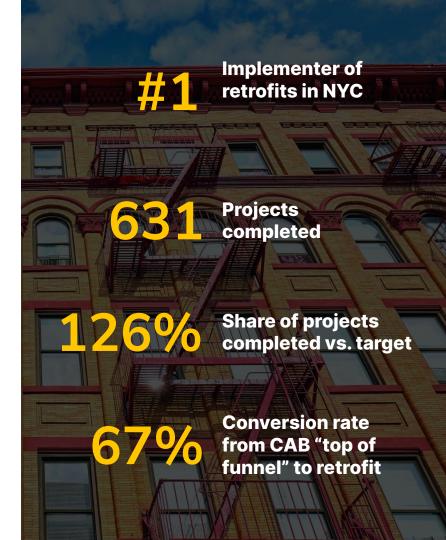
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Refer applicable building owners to the program



Case Study: BlocPower "Retrofit NYC" program





Thank You

