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Air District Hearing Board requires Green Sage Management, property owners & two cannabis cultivators to immediately shut down diesel generators at cannabis facilities in Oakland

SAN FRANCISCO – The Bay Area Air Quality Management District announced today that the agency's independent Hearing Board has granted an abatement order request to shut down nine diesel generators at the Green Sage cannabis facilities in East Oakland, effective immediately. This order applies to Green Sage Management, the property owners and two state-licensed cannabis cultivators within the complex.

The Air District issued a Notice of Violation to Green Sage on February 16, 2022, for operating without a permit. The Air District then sought to shut down Green Sage's diesel generators for ongoing violations at their Oakland Tinnery and Oakland Cannery facilities.

"The Air District has taken decisive action to stop unpermitted and harmful diesel emissions from Green Sage's generators in a community already disproportionately impacted by air pollution," said Veronica Eady, senior deputy executive officer of policy and equity at the Air District. "The public deserves assurance that facilities will be held accountable for air quality violations and this abatement order is a win for public health and the local community."

Abatement orders and cases brought before the Hearing Board allow for transparency as facts and evidence are presented in an open forum while providing an opportunity for public comment. The public can sign up for Hearing Board updates at <u>https://www.baaqmd.gov/contact-us/sign-up-for-information</u>.

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