# City of Irvine Ambient Air Sampling Presented By: Greg Wolffe, Yorke Engineering

South Coast Air Quality Management District
COMMUNITY MEETING
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# City's Air Sampling Program - Objectives

### **Purpose and Objectives:**

- Characterize pollutants near property and in community
  - Establish detailed chemical profile of ambient air
  - Include chemicals reported annually to SCAQMD (Facility ID 82207)
  - Include chemicals associated with Asphalt plant operations
- Compare fence-line and community air monitoring results
  - Compare results with regional (so-called "background") levels
- Odor nuisance Testing in response to Public complaints

### **Sampling Program Criteria:**

- Use SCAQMD and U.S. EPA standards & test methods
- Report analytical results in a manner that could be compared to test data collected by SCAQMD and health-based standards

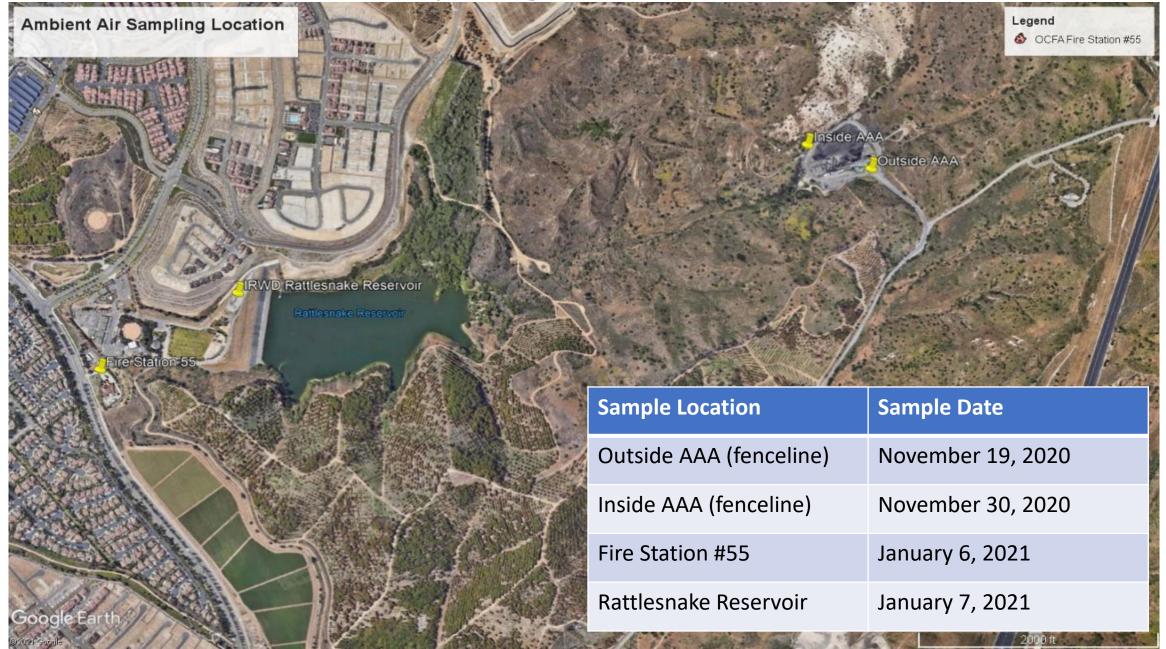
# City's Air Sampling Program - Framework

Chemical Compounds of Interest	Analytical Test Method	No. of Analytes Tested	Purpose of Analysis <sup>1</sup>	Integrated Sample Duration
Semi volatile organic compounds (SVOC)	U.S. EPA Method TO-15	83 chemicals	Health Impacts	24 hours
Sulfurous compounds	SCAQMD Method 307-91	21 chemicals	Odor Nuisance Health Impacts	24 hours
Polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbons (PAH)	U.S. EPA Method TO-13A	18 chemicals	Health Impacts	24 hours
Ambient metals	NIOSH Method 7300 Modified	26 chemicals	Health Impacts Odor Nuisance	24 hours
Odor	ASTM Method Euro E679-19	N/A	Odor Nuisance	1 Hour
Formaldehyde and Aldehydes <sup>2</sup>	U.S. EPA Method TO-11A	12 chemicals	Health Impacts Odor Nuisance	24 hours

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Listed in order of primary and secondary potential impact, if applicable

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Added for second sampling event forward, based on concerns expressed during Nov. 19 community meeting

# Ambient Air Sampling Locations



## Sampling Results - Summary

- Relatively consistent levels between fenceline and community sample locations
  - Some compounds showed higher results in the community than fenceline
    - o Common organics (ethanol, benzene, isopropyl alcohol), Sulfur compound
  - Total particulates at fenceline monitoring were higher than those in the community
- No chemical compounds were detected above general concentrations considered to be background for the region
- Benzene was measured slightly above 8-hour and chronic reference exposure level, no other pollutants were above any environmental health-based standard
- Some chemicals showed concentration above the odor detection thresholds, specifically sulfur compounds
- Results are posted on the City's website at: <a href="https://www.cityofirvine.org/community-development/all-american-asphalt-air-sample-summary-details">https://www.cityofirvine.org/community-development/all-american-asphalt-air-sample-summary-details</a>