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South Coast AQMD unveils online tool to track permit applications

First air agency in California to produce this type of digital tool

DIAMOND BAR – Today, the South Coast Air Quality Management District (South Coast AQMD) unveiled a new online Permit Application Status tool where businesses and organizations can now track submitted permit applications from start to finish. South Coast AQMD is the first air agency in California to provide an online tool that provides this type of information clearly and easily to the public.

"We are excited to launch this digital permitting tool to the public," said Wayne Nastri, Executive Officer of South Coast AQMD. "This improves our ability to be transparent and responsive to both businesses and the community by keeping them clearly informed on the status of permits."

Once a permit application is submitted, applicants and the public can check its current status as well as additional details including:

- A full timeline of the permit process from start to finish;
- If information or action is still needed from the facility such as data, reports, fees, or source tests; and,
- If the permit is being processed or has triggered additional evaluation steps from South Coast AQMD.

The new online tool will be integrated into South Coast AQMD's existing Facility Information Detail (<u>FIND</u>) system where the public can search for information about regulated facilities.





More information regarding the new online tool and instructions on its use can be accessed on the South Coast AQMD's Permits page at www.aqmd.gov/home/permits.

Application Status Progress



This is the latest action in South Coast AQMD's ongoing efforts to streamline its permitting process and reduce its permit application inventory. In 2016, over 7,000 permitting applications awaited processing. Since then, South Coast AQMD has slashed its inventory in half to the lowest levels in over three decades.

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