

BOARD MEETING DATE: August 1, 2025

AGENDA NO. 2

PROPOSAL: Set Public Hearings September 5, 2025 to Consider Adoption of and/or Amendments to South Coast AQMD Rules and Regulations:

A. Determine That Proposed Amended Rule 223 – Requirements for Confined Animal Facilities, Is Exempt from CEQA; Amend Rule 223; and Submit Rule 223 Into State Implementation Plan

Proposed Amended Rule 223 (PAR 223) will implement control measure BCM-08 – Emission Reductions from Livestock Waste at Confined Animal Facilities, from the South Coast Air Basin 2024 Attainment Plan for the 2012 Annual PM<sub>2.5</sub> National Ambient Air Quality Standard, and comply with the federal Clean Air Act requirements for Most Stringent Measures. The proposed amended rule will lower the applicability thresholds for large confined animal facilities that are required to obtain permits and implement emission reduction mitigation measures. This action is to adopt the Resolution: 1) Determining that PAR 223 – Requirements for Confined Animal Facilities, is exempt from the requirements of the California Environmental Quality Act; 2) Amending Rule 223; and 3) Directing staff to submit PAR 223 – Requirements for Confined Animal Facilities for inclusion into the State Implementation Plan. (Reviewed: Stationary Source Committee, June 20, 2025)

B. Determine That Proposed Amended Rule 445 – Wood-Burning Devices, Is Exempt from CEQA; Amend Rule 445; and Submit Rule 445 Into State Implementation Plan

Proposed Amended Rule 445 (PAR 445) will address federal Clean Air Act requirements for Most Stringent Measure and implement BCM-18: Further Emission Reductions from Wood-Burning Fireplaces and Wood Stoves of the South Coast Air Basin Attainment Plan for the 2012 Annual PM<sub>2.5</sub> National Ambient Air Quality Standard. The PM<sub>2.5</sub> curtailment threshold for calling a no-burn day will be lowered and the exemption of low-income households from a no-burn day will be removed. A new provision

is added to address rebuilds due to wildfires. This action is to adopt the Resolution: 1) Determining that PAR 445 – Wood-Burning Devices, is exempt from the requirements of the California Environmental Quality Act; 2) Amending Rule 445 – Wood-Burning Devices; and 3) Directing staff to submit PAR 445 – Wood-Burning Devices for inclusion into the State Implementation Plan. (Reviewed: Stationary Source Committee, June 20, 2025)

C. Determine That Proposed Amended Rules 1133, 1133.1, 1133.2, and 1133.3, Are Exempt from CEQA; Amend Rules 1133, 1133.1, 1133.2, and 1133.3; and Submit Rules 1133, 1133.1, 1133.2, and 1133.3 Into State Implementation Plan

Proposed Amended Rule (PAR) 1133, PAR 1133.1, PAR 1133.2, and PAR 1133.3, will further reduce VOC and ammonia emissions from chipping and grinding operations, co-composting operations, and composting operations by regulating the supply of uncomposted greenwaste for direct land application. Additionally, PAR 1133.2 will introduce composting best management practices for previously uncontrolled existing co-composting operations. This action is to adopt the Resolution: 1) Determining That PAR 1133 – Emission Reductions from Direct Land Application, PAR 1133.1 – Chipping and Grinding Operations, PAR 1133.2 – Emission Reductions from Co-composting Operations, and PAR 1133.3 – Emission Reductions from Composting Operations are exempt from the requirements of the California Environmental Quality Act; 2) Amending Rules 1133, 1133.1, 1133.2, and 1133.3; and 3) Directing staff to submit PARs 1133, 1133.1, 1133.2, and 1133.3 for inclusion into the State Implementation Plan. (Reviewed: Stationary Source Committee, June 20, 2025)

D. Determine That Proposed Amended Rule 1138 – Control of Emissions From Restaurant Operations, Is Exempt from CEQA; Amend Rule 1138; Submit Rule 1138 Into State Implementation Plan

Proposed Amended Rule 1138 (PAR 1138) will address federal Clean Air Act requirements for Most Stringent Measures and partially implement a control measure from the South Coast Air Basin Attainment Plan for the 2012 Annual PM<sub>2.5</sub> Standard. The current exemption threshold will be lowered, and an alternative exemption option will be added, to be consistent with similar but more stringent rules adopted by other air districts in California.

This action is to adopt the Resolution: 1) Determining that (PAR) 1138 – Control of Emissions From Restaurant Operations, is exempt from the requirements of the California Environmental Quality Act; 2) Amending Rule 1138– Control of Emissions From Restaurant Operations; and 3) Directing staff to submit (PAR) 1138 – Control of Emissions From Restaurant Operations, for inclusion into the State Implementation Plan (Reviewed: Stationary Source Committee, June 20, 2025)

The complete text of the proposed amended rules and other supporting documents will be made available from the South Coast AQMD's Public Information Center at (909) 396-2001, or Ms. Lisa Tanaka – Deputy Executive Officer/Public Advisor, South Coast AQMD, 21865 Copley Drive, Diamond Bar, CA 91765, (909) 396-3327, [ltanaka@aqmd.gov](mailto:ltanaka@aqmd.gov) and on the South Coast AQMD website at [www.aqmd.gov](http://www.aqmd.gov) as of August 5, 2025.

**RECOMMENDED ACTIONS:**

Set Public Hearings September 5, 2025 to: 1) Determine that PAR 223 is exempt from CEQA, Amend Rule 223, and Submit into the State Implementation Plan (SIP); 2) Determine that PAR 445 is exempt from CEQA, Amend Rule 445, and Submit into the SIP; 3) Determine that PARs 1133, 1133.1, 1133.2, and 1133.3 are exempt from CEQA, Amend Rules 1133, 1133.1, 1133.2, and Submit into the SIP; and 4) Determine that PAR 1138 is exempt from CEQA, Amend Rule 1138, and Submit into the SIP.

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