



South Coast Air Quality Management District

PERMITTING ADVISORY

ATTENTION: Owners and Operators of GASOLINE DISPENSING FACILITIES

June 25, 2025

Advisory No. 2025-01

Background

This advisory is for owners and operators of gasoline dispensing facilities (GDFs) who need to modify their active South Coast AQMD permits to comply with the State Water Resources Control Board (SWRCB) deadline of December 31, 2025 ([Permanent Closure Requirements for Underground Storage Tank with Single-Walled Components](#)). In anticipation of a large number of permit applications as the SWRCB deadline approaches, South Coast AQMD is providing guidance on our streamlined permitting process for qualifying projects to help you meet the deadline.

Permit Application Guidelines

To ensure your permit is processed in time, please note the following:

- **Submit your [complete permit application](#) by August 1, 2025.**
If your application is submitted by **August 1, 2025** and meets the streamlined criteria (see below), South Coast AQMD commits to acting on it before the **December 31, 2025** SWRCB deadline. Applications received after **August 1** will be processed in order of receipt and may not be completed by the deadline.
- **Streamlined Applications: To qualify as an administrative change and faster permit processing, your project:**
 - Must be a like-for-like replacement (e.g., identical tank configuration and size);
 - Must not have changes to other components (e.g., In-Station Diagnostics); and
 - Must not have changes to throughput limits.
- Dispenser replacements are allowed only if there are no changes to the dispenser type, location, or number of fueling positions. **Requests beyond the administrative change described above** (e.g., different tank type or system upgrades) must be submitted through a separate permit application and may take longer to process.
- **Expedited Processing (Optional):** You may request expedited permit processing **when you submit your [application](#)**. The fee for expedited permit processing is an additional fifty percent.
- **Permit Inactivation:** If you choose to deactivate your permit due to the SWRCB requirements, you must submit [Form 200-C](#).

Please call South Coast AQMD at 909-396-3396 if you have questions regarding this permitting advisory. For general GDF permitting information, please reference our [FAQs](#).

