PUBLIC ACCESS TO WAIRE PROGRAM DATA

WORKING GROUP #3





Rule 2305 - Warehouse Indirect Source Rule (ISR) South Coast AQMD

July 27, 2023

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AGENDA

- Housekeeping Remarks
- Introductions and WAIRE Program Background
- Summary of Past Working Group Meetings
- Proposed Information for Public Website Posting
- Open Discussion

BACKGROUND ON THE WAIRE PROGRAM

- Rule 2305 Warehouse Indirect Source Rule (ISR) Warehouse Actions and Investments to Reduce Emissions (WAIRE) Program adopted May 2021
 - To reduce emissions and facilitate emission reductions from warehouse activities
 - Many warehouses are newly regulated by South Coast AQMD under Rule 2305 (<u>www.aqmd.gov/WAIRE</u>)
- Rule 2305 includes reporting requirements for owners and operators of new and existing warehouses ≥100,000 sq ft
 - Warehouse Owners
 - Warehouse Operations Notification (WON) report
- Warehouse Operators
 - Initial Site Information Report (ISIR)
 - Annual WAIRE Report (AWR)
 - Actions taken and/or investments made to fulfill annual compliance obligations

OVERVIEW OF WAIRE PROGRAM REPORTING REQUIREMENTS

Warehouse Operations Notification (WON)

- Warehouse building
 - Address and size
- Warehouse owner name(s) and contact information
- Warehouse lessee contact info, lease start and end dates, and leased square footage
- Previous warehouse operator(s) information

Initial Site Information Report (ISIR)

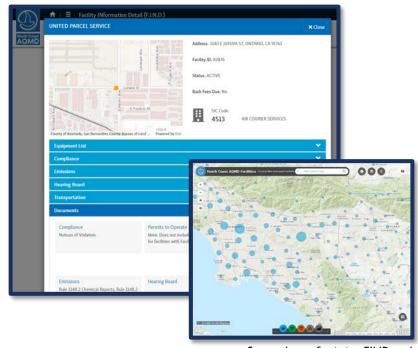
- Warehouse size
- Truck trip data
- Anticipated actions to meet compliance obligation from: WAIRE Menu items, Custom WAIRE Plan, transferred WAIRE Points, and/or pay mitigation fees
- Potential onsite equipment
 - Truck fleet data, yard trucks, alternative fueling stations, and energy generation/storage system

Annual WAIRE Report (AWR)

- Current warehouse operator contact information
- Warehouse address
- Warehouse size
- Number of actual truck trips
 - Used to calculate WAIRE
 Points Compliance
 Obligation (WPCO)
- WAIRE Points earned from: WAIRE Menu items, Custom WAIRE Plan, transferred WAIRE Points, and/or pay mitigation fees

PUBLIC ACCESS TO WAIRE PROGRAM INFORMATION

- Existing online Facility INformation Detail (F.I.N.D.)
 tool provides easy access to individual facility
 information from various South Coast AQMD
 records and data sources (www.aqmd.gov/find)
 - Draft proposal to include certain WAIRE Program data in F.I.N.D.
- Potential inclusion of WAIRE Program data as a bulk download on the website
- Public information may be requested from existing and identifiable records
 - California Public Records Act
 - Exemptions apply or potentially apply



Screenshots of existing FIND tool

SUMMARY OF PREVIOUS WORKING GROUP MEETINGS

WORKING GROUP MEETINGS: MAKING DATA PUBLICLY AVAILABLE

Working Group #1

Program data collected via WAIRE reports

Public access to WAIRE program data

F.I.N.D. overview

Presentation Link

Working Group #2

Treatment of program data marked as business confidential

Preliminary draft proposal of information release via F.I.N.D.

Presentation Link

Working Group #3 7/27/23

Draft proposal of information release via F.I.N.D.

Obtain feedback regarding data to make available via F.I.N.D.

Next steps to establish public access to WAIRE Program data

POTENTIAL WAIRE PROGRAM DATA OF INTEREST TO THE PUBLIC

Data Directly Related to Investments/Actions Used to Comply with Rule 2305

Compliance option(s)

- WAIRE Menu items
- Total WAIRE Points earned
- Custom WAIRE Plan
- Transferred WAIRE Points
- Mitigation Points purchased
- WAIRE Points Compliance Obligation (WPCO)

Other Data Related to WAIRE Program Outreach and Implementation

Facility information

- Warehouse size
- Regulated entity (business name)
- Ownership and lease info
- Business operations and throughput data, including truck trips by vehicle class

Contact information

 Warehouse operators and owners contact information (e.g., personnel name, phone number, email)

GENERAL CATEGORIES OF REPORTED INFORMATION

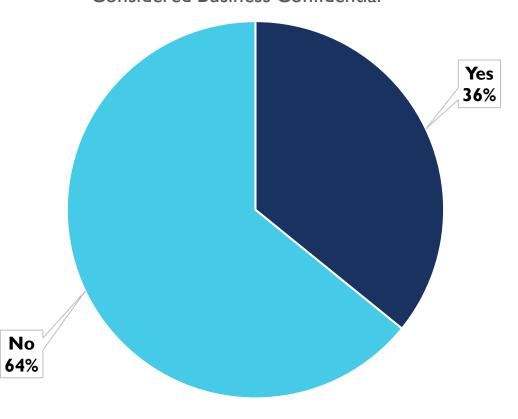
- Publicly Available Data
 - Information that may be publicly posted or is subject to release at a facility level
- Publicly Available Aggregated Data
 - Information that is only viewable in tiers/groups and as part of a summary, not per the individual data source
- Private/Business Confidential Data
 - Information that is potentially restricted from release to the public (e.g., fields explicitly marked in Rule 2305 report submittals that are potentially subject to business confidentiality claims)

REPORTED DATA CLAIMED TO BE BUSINESS CONFIDENTIAL

- Approximately 36% of submitters claimed business confidentiality for all or portions of their reports (ISIRs, Early Action AWRs, AWRs)
- Out of 1,367 records
 - 490 replied Yes
 - 877 replied No
- Staff's first proposal will focus on the 64% that marked "No" to business confidential information across all data entries

Miscellaneous Report Information:

"Indicate if Information in this Submittal is
Considered Business Confidential"



PROPOSED APPROACH TO PUBLIC WEBSITE POSTING

- Goal is that same data fields are made publicly available for both categories at same time
 - First category will include data from sources that did not claim business confidentiality
 - Second category would address those reports marked with business confidentiality claims
- Data will be posted online on F.I.N.D. at a facility-level and as a bulk data download elsewhere on South Coast AQMD website

Approach for 2nd category

- Release reported information as anonymized data (e.g., in aggregate form)
- Request additional information and/or justification for business confidentiality claims
 - Data with appropriate justification will be noted as 'claimed business confidential'
- Exercise authority to release emissions data pursuant to the law, where a claim of business confidentiality information is not justified

DETERMINATION OF BUSINESS CONFIDENTIALITY AFTER REPORT SUBMISSION

- South Coast AQMD determines whether reported data marked as "business confidential" qualifies for non-disclosure exemptions under California Public Records Act
 - South Coast AQMD Governing Board adopted
 Guidelines for Implementing California Public Records
 Act in 2013
 - Determination will be based on adopted Guidelines (http://www.aqmd.gov/docs/default-source/default-document-library/Guidelines/pra-guidelines.pdf)

GUIDELINES FOR IMPLEMENTING THE CALIFORNIA PUBLIC RECORDS ACT

Adopted by the Governing Board July 5, 2013.

I. DEFINITIONS

- A. "District" means the South Coast Air Quality Management District or any employee authorized to act on its behalf.
- B. "Person" includes any natural person, corporation, partnership, limited liability company, firm, or association.
- C. "Public Record" includes any writing containing information relating to the conduct of the public's business prepared, owned, used, or retained by the District, regardless of physical form or characteristics.
- D. "Writing" means handwriting, typewriting, printing, photostating, photographing, photocopying, transmitting by electronic mail or facsimile, and every other means of recording upon any tangible thing, form of communication or representation, including letters, words, pictures, sounds, or symbols, or combination thereof, and all papers, maps, magnetic or paper tapes, photographic films and prints, magnetic or punched cards, discs, drums, and any record thereby created, regardless of the manner in which the record has been stored.
- E. "Production Data" means information disclosing the actual quantity of material used to produce an article having commercial value, as well as information disclosing the actual quantity produced.
- F. "Emission Data" means measured or calculated concentrations or weights of air contaminants emitted into the ambient air. Data used to calculate emission data are not emission data.

II. PURPOSE

The purpose of these Guidelines is to implement the California Public Records Act, commencing at Section 6250 of the Government Code, and other applicable statutes and case law, by setting forth the procedures to be followed when making records available to the public. It is the policy of this District that public records are open to inspection at all times during the District's office hours. Any reasonably segregable portion of a record shall be made available for inspection

MAKING WAIRE PROGRAM DATA PUBLICLY ACCESSIBLE ONLINE

DRAFT PROPOSAL CONCEPT

WHAT INFORMATION MAY BE POSTED ONLINE?

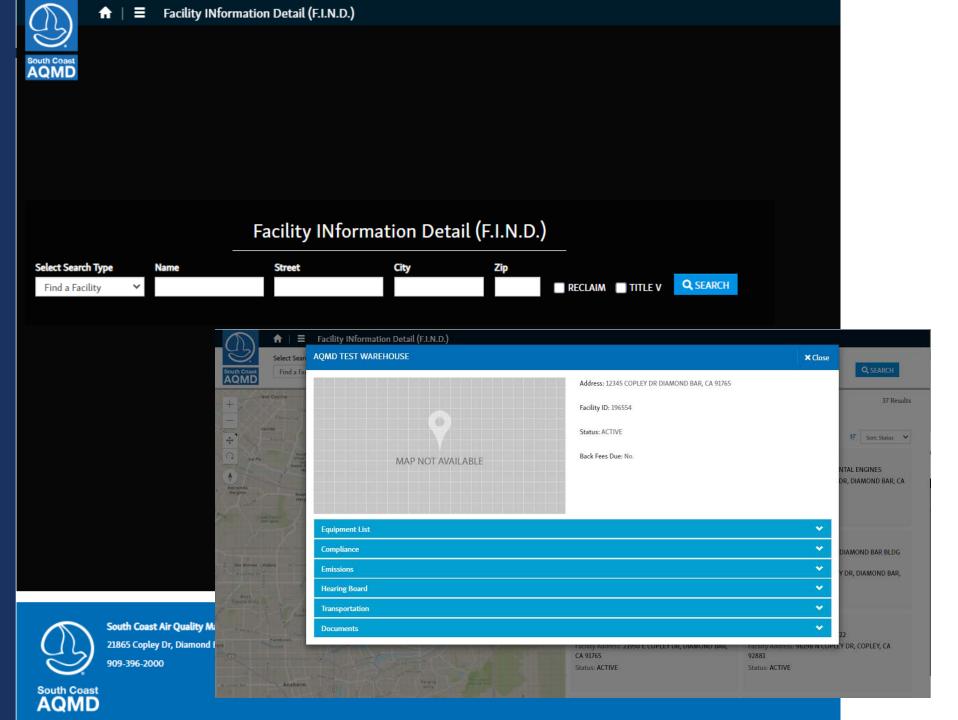
Included Information

- Facility information
 - Address, business name
- Data that may be associated with the warehouse compliance obligation
- Data indicating the completed compliance actions

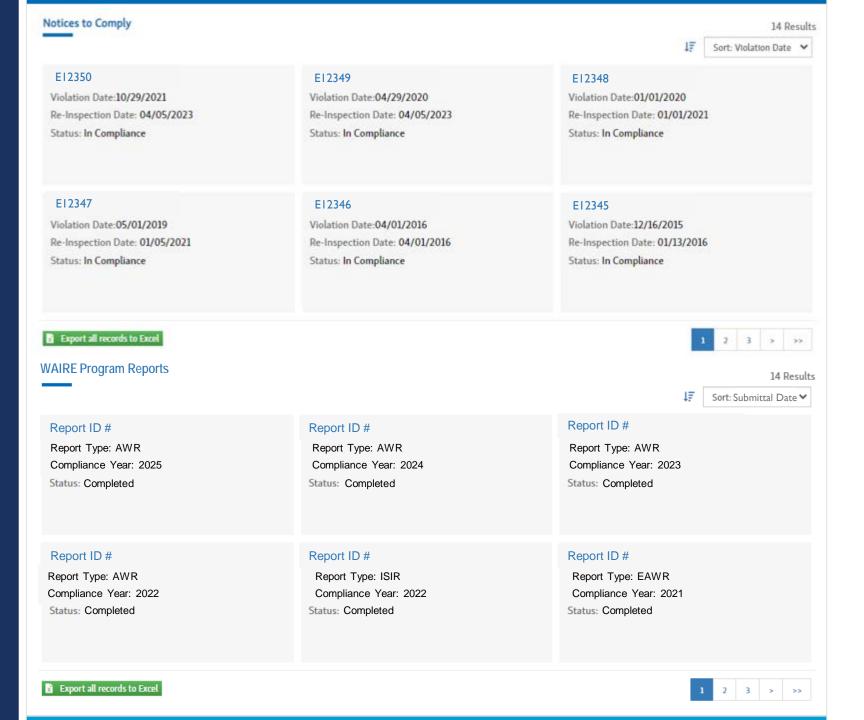
Excluded Information

- Contact information
 - Personnel name, phone number, and email
- Business confidential data qualifying for non-disclosure exemption

POTENTIAL F.I.N.D. MOCKUP



POTENTIAL F.I.N.D. COMPLIANCE SECTION MOCKUP



POTENTIAL F.I.N.D. MOCKUP OF WAIRE PROGRAM DETAIL VIEW

- Hypothetical example
- Please provide feedback to staff via email at <u>waire-</u> <u>program@aqmd.gov</u>

Facility Information

Facility ID Facility Name Address Phase

Facility ID Facility Name Address Phase I (≥250,000 sf)

Report Information

Report Submittal Date: [DATE]
Compliance Year: XXXX

WPCO Range: (Range of WPCO in increments of 10, if less then 10 then note rule exemption below and list

"WPCO<10")

Compliance Options Selected

- ✓ ZE Class 8 Truck Acquisition
- ✓ ZE Hostler Usage

Additional Information

Mitigation Fees: Yes/No
Earned Excess Points: Yes/No
Custom WAIRE Plan: Yes/No

Applied Banked WAIRE Points: Yes/No

Applied Transferred WAIRE Points: Yes/No

Rule Exemptions

List any potential rule exemptions used

PROPOSED BULK DATA POSTING

- Aggregated data would be available as part of a summary (not per the individual data source):
 - May be posted as a range or other grouping
 - May also be grouped geographically (e.g., zip code, Source Receptor Area, etc.)
- Aggregate data may include:
 - Warehouse data (Facility IDs, total WPCO by grouping, etc.)
 - Acquired equipment:
 - Total number of units per WAIRE Menu item, # of units by fuel type, etc.
 - Onsite charging/fueling infrastructure:
 - Number of charging stations or fueling stations
 - EV charging level (kW rating)
 - Transferred WAIRE Points
 - Number of points transferred into/out of an area
 - Mitigation fees paid

POTENTIAL TIMELINE AND NEXT STEPS

Q3 2023: Consider stakeholder feedback to finalize staff's proposal for posting WAIRE Program data to F.I.N.D. and for bulk download

Q3 & Q4 2023: Identify/implement enhancements needed for the WAIRE Program Online Portal (POP) and F.I.N.D. to support posting WAIRE Program data

Q1/Q2 2024: Schedule Working Group Meeting #4 to present beta versions of F.I.N.D. and bulk data

WAIRE POP user beta testing

Q2/Q3 2024: Anticipated final deployment of posting WAIRE Program data

OPEN DISCUSSION

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HOW TO RAISE YOUR HAND TO SPEAK

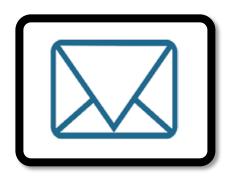
ZOOM: Click on the "Raise Hand" button at the bottom of your screen.



TELECONFERENCE: Dial *9 to "raise your hand"

Your name will be called when it is your turn to speak and the meeting host will unmute your line.

QUESTIONS?



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