

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

PROPOSED ADOPTION OF, OR AMENDMENT TO, THE RULES AND REGULATIONS OF THE SOUTH COAST AIR QUALITY MANAGEMENT DISTRICT

RE: Proposed Amended Rule 1401 – New Source Review of Toxic Air Contaminants

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a public hearing on the matter of adoption of rules and regulations for the South Coast Air Quality Management District (South Coast AQMD), or the amendments thereto, will be held on Friday, **August 7, 2026**, in the Dr. William A. Burke Auditorium at South Coast AQMD, 21865 Copley Drive, Diamond Bar, CA 91765, at **9:00 a.m.**, at which time evidence will be taken and all interested persons will be heard by the South Coast AQMD Governing Board. The meeting will be conducted through a hybrid format of in-person and/or virtual attendance via videoconferencing and by telephone with opportunities for public comment. Please refer to the instructions on South Coast AQMD's website for details on how to participate: <http://www.aqmd.gov/home/news-events/meeting-agendas-minutes>.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the South Coast AQMD is considering the adoption of Proposed Amended Rule 1401 – New Source Review of Toxic Air Contaminants (PAR 1401). The objective of PAR 1401 is to ensure health risks are evaluated for new toxic air contaminants and clarify the assessment procedure used during the South Coast AQMD permitting process. PAR 1401 adds new toxic air contaminants and 8-hour reference exposure levels to Table I. Also, proposed amendments will add an 8-hour hazard index and specify how to calculate the 8-hour hazard index. Additional minor changes to rule language will be made for consistency and clarity.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that PAR 1401 will not be submitted for inclusion into the State Implementation Plan.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that PAR 1401 will implement Section 112 of the federal Clean Air Act.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that a written analysis pursuant to Health and Safety Code Section 40727.2 has been prepared that identifies all existing state and federal air pollution control requirements, all existing and proposed South Coast AQMD rules and regulations, and all air pollution control requirements and guidelines that apply to the same equipment or source type as PAR 1401.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that pursuant to California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Guidelines Sections 15002(k) and 15061, since only minor construction activities associated with installing enhanced air pollution control technology at some facilities may be needed, it can be seen with certainty that the proposed project (PAR 1401) would not cause a significant adverse impact on the environment. Thus, the proposed project is exempt from CEQA pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15061(b)(3). A Notice of Exemption will be prepared pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15062, and if the proposed project is approved, the Notice of Exemption will be filed for posting with the county clerks of Los Angeles, Orange, Riverside and San Bernardino counties, and the State Clearinghouse of the Governor's Office of Land Use and Climate Innovation.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the South Coast AQMD staff will prepare and make available the following documents on or before July 7, 2026, for consideration by the South Coast AQMD Governing Board, including:

- Draft PAR 1401
- Draft Staff Report for PAR 1401, which includes the Comparative Analysis
- Draft Socioeconomic Impact Assessment for PAR 1401

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the above documents are available and may be obtained from the South Coast AQMD website at <https://www.aqmd.gov/home/rules-compliance/rules/scaqmd-rule-book/proposed-rules/rule-1401>, or by calling the Public Information Center at (909) 396-2001, or from: Lisa Tanaka – Deputy Executive Officer/Public Advisor, South Coast AQMD, 21865 Copley Drive, Diamond Bar, CA 91765, (909) 396-2432, PublicAdvisor@aqmd.gov

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that at the conclusion of the public hearing, consistent with Health and Safety Code Section 40726, the South Coast AQMD Governing Board may make other modifications to PAR 1401, which are justified by the evidence presented, or may decline to adopt some or all of the proposed amendments.

Please direct questions, comments, or requests for clarification regarding PAR 1401 to Tiffani To, tto@aqmd.gov, (909) 396-2738. Please direct CEQA inquiries to Farzaneh Khalaj, fkhalaj@aqmd.gov, (909) 396-3022, and Socioeconomic Impact Assessment inquires to Valerie Quezada, vquezada@aqmd.gov, (909) 396-3007. Comments and inquiries can also be submitted to the attention of the above person(s) to Planning, Rule Development, and Implementation, South Coast AQMD, 21865 Copley Drive, Diamond Bar, CA 91765.

Interested persons may provide oral and written statements at the Public Hearing. Twenty-Five (25) copies of all hard-copy written materials must be submitted to the Clerk of the Boards. Individuals who wish to submit written or electronic comments must submit such comments to the Clerk of the Boards, South Coast AQMD, 21865 Copley Drive, Diamond Bar, CA, 91765-4178, (909) 396-2500, or to cob@aqmd.gov, on or before 5:00 p.m. on Tuesday, August 4, 2026.

Please note that under California Public Records Act (Gov. Code Sections 7920.000 *et seq.*) your written and oral comments, attachments, and associated contact information (e.g., your address, phone, email, etc.) become part of the public record and can be released to the public on request or posted on the South Coast AQMD website.

Americans with Disabilities Act and Language Accessibility

Disability and language-related accommodations can be requested to allow participation in the Governing Board meeting. The agenda will be made available, upon request, in appropriate alternative formats to assist persons with a disability (Gov. Code Section 54954.2(a)). In addition, other documents may be requested in alternative formats and languages. Any disability or language-related accommodation must be requested as soon as practicable. Requests will be accommodated unless providing the accommodation would result in a fundamental alteration or undue burden to the South Coast AQMD. Please contact the Clerk of the Boards Office, South Coast AQMD, 21865 Copley Drive, Diamond Bar, CA, 91765-4178, at (909) 396-2500 (for TTY, 909-396-3560) from 7:00 a.m. to 5:30 p.m., Tuesday through Friday, or send the request to cob@aqmd.gov.

DATED: June 24, 2026

FAYE THOMAS
Clerk of the Boards