

South Coast Air Quality Management District
Notice of Public Workshop

**PROPOSED AMENDED RULE
1111 - REDUCTION OF NO_x EMISSIONS FROM NATURAL-GAS-FIRED,
FAN-TYPE CENTRAL FURNACES**

Wednesday, July 7, 2021
10:00 a.m.

Pursuant to Governor Newsom's Executive Order N-25-20 (March 12, 2020) and N-29-20 (March 17, 2020), this meeting will only be conducted via video conferencing and by telephone.

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Purpose of This Meeting

The South Coast Air Quality Management District (South Coast AQMD) has scheduled a public workshop to present and solicit information and suggestions from the public regarding Proposed Amended Rule 1111 – Reduction of NO_x Emissions from Natural-Gas-Fired, Fan-Type Central Furnaces (PAR 1111) which is scheduled for a Public Hearing before the South Coast AQMD Governing Board on September 3, 2021.

Rule Background

Rule 1111 was adopted in December 1978 to reduce emissions of nitrogen oxides (NO_x) from residential and commercial gas-fired fan-type space heating furnaces with a rated heat input capacity of less than 175,000 BTU per hour, applying to manufacturers, distributors, sellers, and installers of such furnaces. Rule 1111 was amended in 2009 to lower the NO_x emission limit from 40 to 14 ng/Joule (ng/J). On September 30, 2021, weatherized furnaces, mobile home furnaces, and furnaces installed in high-altitude areas must meet the 14 ng/J NO_x limit.

Proposed Rule Amendments and Objectives

Staff proposes to: (1) extend the existing mitigation fee period for mobile home furnaces until September 30, 2023; and (2) exempt high-altitude furnaces that are installed in a downflow configuration with recordkeeping requirements. This proposal does not change the mitigation fee and reporting requirements for mobile home furnaces. Staff will consider other exemptions for high-altitude furnaces to address remaining issues.

California Environmental Quality Act

Pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) and South Coast AQMD's certified regulatory program (Public Resources Code Section 21080.5, CEQA Guidelines Section 15251(l) and South Coast AQMD Rule 110), the South Coast AQMD, as lead agency, is reviewing the proposed project to determine if it will result in any potential adverse environmental impacts. Appropriate CEQA documentation will be prepared based on the analysis.

Available Supporting Documents

The following supporting documents will be available on or before June 18, 2021:

- Preliminary Draft Proposed Amended Rule 1111; and
- Preliminary Draft Staff Report for Proposed Amended Rule 1111.

To Obtain Copies of the Above Documents

Copies of the preliminary draft proposed amended rule and the preliminary draft staff report will be available on or before June 18, 2021 and may be obtained from:

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Dalatorre@aqmd.gov

The documents are also available for download from the South Coast AQMD website at:
<http://www.aqmd.gov/home/regulations/rules/proposed-rules>

Americans with Disabilities Act and Language Accessibility

Disability and language-related accommodations can be requested to allow participation in the public workshop. The agenda will be made available, upon request, in appropriate alternative formats to assist persons with a disability (Gov't 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 District. Please contact Michael Krause at (909) 396-2706 from 7:00 a.m. to 5:30 p.m., Tuesday through Friday, or send the request to mkrause@aqmd.gov.

Key Contact for Submitting Questions and Comments

Attendees are invited to ask questions and make comments during the Public Workshop. Questions, comments, documents, or other relevant information may also be directed to:

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Written comments on the preliminary draft proposed amended rule should be submitted by July 21, 2021.