

South Coast Air Quality Management District  
Notice of Public Workshop

**Proposed Amended Rule 1133 – Emission Reductions from Direct Land Application,  
Proposed Amended Rule 1133.1 – Chipping and Grinding Operations,  
Proposed Amended Rule 1133.2 – Emission Reductions from Co-Composting Operations, and  
Proposed Amended Rule 1133.3 – Emission Reductions from Composting Operations**

Wednesday July 9, 2025

Time: 10:00 am (PT)

Webinar Meeting Link: <https://scaqmd.zoom.us/j/96768220758>

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The Public Workshop will be conducted via video conferencing (Zoom) which can be accessed via personal computer or smart phone. Alternatively, stakeholders can phone-in to participate. We understand that this is not the same as an in-person public meeting; however, staff will take the time to listen to comments from all stakeholders. You are invited to attend the meeting electronically through Zoom or the phone. Instructions on how to participate can be found at the top of this notice.

### **Purpose of 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 on Proposed Amended Rule 1133 Series – Composting, Chipping and Grinding, and Related Operations (PAR 1133 Series), specifically Proposed Amended Rule 1133 – Emission Reductions from Direct Land Application (PAR 1133), Proposed Amended Rule 1133.1 – Chipping and Grinding Operations (PAR 1133.1), Proposed Amended Rule 1133.2 – Emission Reductions from Co-Composting Operations (PAR 1133.2), and Proposed Amended Rule 1133.3 – Emission Reductions from Composting Operations (PAR 1133.3), which is scheduled for a Public Hearing before the South Coast AQMD Governing Board on September 5, 2025 (subject to change).

### **Background**

Rule 1133 – Composting and Related Operations – General Administrative Requirements, Rule 1133.1 – Chipping and Grinding Activities, and Rule 1133.2 – Emission Reductions from Co-composting Operations were adopted in 2003. Rule 1133.3 – Emission Reductions from Greenwaste Composting Operations was adopted in 2011. The series of rules requires composting operations of biosolids or manure, known as co-composting operations, to be fully enclosed and vented. Facilities must use best management practices or vent emissions to air pollution control systems when conducting composting operations of greenwaste and other materials. Similarly, facilities must implement measures to prevent inadvertent decomposition when conducting chipping and grinding activities. These facilities also must complete registration and submit annual reports. Because the South Coast Air Basin has not met the 2012 Annual PM<sub>2.5</sub> National Ambient Air Quality Standard (NAAQS), additional reductions of PM<sub>2.5</sub> and its precursors are needed.

### **Proposed Amended Rules and Objectives**

The proposed amendments were developed to comply with federal Clean Air Act's Most Stringent Measure requirements and to implement a control measure (BCM-10 – Emission Reductions from Direct Land Application of Chipped and Ground Uncomposted Greenwaste) from the South Coast Air Basin Attainment Plan for the 2012 Annual PM<sub>2.5</sub> Standard. PAR 1133 restricts the supply of uncomposted greenwaste for direct land application to certain operations or with certain techniques to reduce emissions of volatile organic compounds (VOC) and ammonia. In addition, PAR 1133.2 requires certain legacy co-composting operations to begin to use best management practices at their operations. The proposed amendments also lower exemption limits, further

reducing potential VOC and ammonia emissions. The objective of PAR 1133 Series is to reduce ammonia emissions, a precursor to PM2.5, from direct land application.

### 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 currently reviewing the proposed project (PAR 1133 Series) 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 made available no later than June 20, 2025:

- Preliminary Draft PAR 1133;
- Preliminary Draft PAR 1133.1;
- Preliminary Draft PAR 1133.2;
- Preliminary Draft PAR 1133.3; and
- Preliminary Draft Staff Report for PAR 1133 Series

### To Obtain Copies of the Above Documents

Copies of the Preliminary Drafts of PAR 1133, PAR 1133.1, PAR 1133.2, and PAR 1133.3 and the associated Preliminary Draft Staff Report may be obtained from:

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The documents will also be available for download from the South Coast AQMD website at:  
<https://www.aqmd.gov/home/rules-compliance/rules/scaqmd-rule-book/proposed-rules/rule-1133-series>

### Americans with Disabilities Act and Language Accessibility

Disability and language-related accommodation 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 (Government 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 Michael Morris at (909) 396-3282 from 7:00 a.m. to 5:30 p.m., Tuesday through Friday, or send the request to [mmorris@aqmd.gov](mailto:mmorris@aqmd.gov).

### Key Contacts 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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Staff requests written comments on PAR 1133 Series be submitted no later than **July 23, 2025**.