

South Coast Air Quality Management District Notice of Public Workshop

Proposed Amended Rule 461 – Gasoline Transfer and Dispensing

Wednesday June 24, 2026

2:00 p.m.

Join Zoom Webinar Meeting

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The Public Workshop will be conducted via video conferencing (Zoom) which can be accessed via your computer or smart phone. Alternatively, stakeholders can phone-in to participate. Instructions on how to participate can be found at the top of this notice.

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 on Proposed Amended Rule 461 – Gasoline Transfer and Dispensing (PAR 461), which is scheduled for a Public Hearing before the South Coast AQMD Governing Board on September 4, 2026 (subject to change).

Background

Rule 461, adopted in 1976, controls volatile organic compound (VOC) and toxic air contaminant (TAC) emissions during the filling of storage tanks and when dispensing gasoline from gasoline dispensing facilities. In general, gasoline transfer and storage equipment must be certified by the California Air Resources Board (CARB), including Phase I and Phase II vapor recovery systems. Rule 461 currently has an alternative compliance option which allows the dispensing of gasoline into fleet vehicles without requiring the use of CARB-certified Phase II Enhanced Vapor Recovery (EVR) systems, provided that the motor vehicles are equipped with Onboard Refueling Vapor Recovery (ORVR) systems and owned or directly controlled by the facility operator. This compliance option includes additional recordkeeping requirements.

Objective of Proposed Amended Rule

PAR 461 will streamline recordkeeping requirements applicable to operators of fleets with only ORVR-equipped motor vehicles by allowing records of total daily aggregated fuel dispensed in lieu of fuel dispensed on a per-vehicle basis. The proposed amendments will also include an editorial correction and the removal of an outdated provision which has been superseded by state reporting requirements.

California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA)

Pursuant to 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 461) 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 no later than June 18, 2026:

- Preliminary Draft of PAR 461; and
- Preliminary Draft Staff Report for PAR 461

To Obtain Copies of the Above Documents

Copies of the Preliminary Draft PAR 461 and Preliminary Draft Staff Report may be accessed from the South Coast AQMD website at:

<https://www.aqmd.gov/home/rules-compliance/rules/scaqmd-rule-book/proposed-rules/rule-461>

or may be obtained from:

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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. 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 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 Contacts for Submitting Questions and Comments

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

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Staff requests written comments on PAR 461 be submitted no later than **July 15, 2026**.

Please note that under the California Public Records Act (Gov. Code Section 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.