

South Coast Air Quality Management District
Notice of Public Workshop

PROPOSED AMENDED RULE 1143 – CONSUMER PAINT THINNERS AND MULTI-PURPOSE SOLVENTS

Tuesday, August 4, 2026
10:30 a.m.

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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. 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 1143 – Consumer Paint Thinners and Multi-Purpose Solvents (PAR 1143) which is scheduled for a Public Hearing before the South Coast AQMD Governing Board on October 2, 2026 (subject to change).

Background

Rule 1143 – Consumer Paint Thinners & Multi-Purpose Solvents (Rule 1143) was originally adopted by the South Coast AQMD Governing Board in 2009 to reduce volatile organic compound (VOC) emissions from the use, storage, and disposal of consumer paint thinners and consumer multi-purpose solvents. Since its adoption, Rule 1143 has undergone three amendments, with the most recent amendment in 2010.

Objective of Proposed Amended Rule

The objective of PAR 1143 is to reduce the health risk from the use of two VOC-exempt, or partially exempt, solvents: *para*-chlorobenzotrifluoride (pCBtF) and *tert*-butyl acetate (t-BAc) which have been identified as having toxic endpoints by the Office of Environmental Health Hazard Assessment. PAR 1143 establishes a prohibition schedule to phase out the use of pCBtF and t-BAc, providing time for reformulation. In addition, PAR 1143 provides an optional equivalent product-weighted maximum incremental reactivity VOC limit to support reformulation. Staff does not anticipate that PAR 1143 will result in changes to VOC emissions or the ozone forming potential of consumer paint thinners and consumer multi-purpose solvents.

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 1143) 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 July 19, 2026:

- Preliminary Draft PAR 1143
- Preliminary Draft Staff Report for PAR 1143

To Obtain Copies of the Above Documents

Copies of the Preliminary Draft PAR 1143 and Preliminary Draft Staff Report may be obtained from:

Lisa Tanaka, Deputy Executive Officer/Public Advisor
 South Coast AQMD
 21865 Copley Drive, Diamond Bar, CA 91765
 Phone: (909) 396-3327
 Email: PublicAdvisor@aqmd.gov

The documents will also be available on the South Coast AQMD website at:

<https://www.aqmd.gov/home/rules-compliance/rules/scaqmd-rule-book/proposed-rules/rule-1143>

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 Marissa Poon at (909) 396-2119 from 7:00 a.m. to 5:30 p.m., Tuesday through Friday, or send the request to mpoon@aqmd.gov.

Key Contacts for Submitting Comments or Documents

Attendees are invited to ask questions and make comments during the Public Workshop. Comments, documents, studies, reports, or other relevant information may be submitted to the following contacts:

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Staff requests written comments on PAR 1143 be submitted no later than August 18, 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.