Do you have a diesel engine 50 hp or greater in use for your agricultural operations?

A new California law requires you to register your engine(s) with the local Air Pollution Control District.

On September 11, 2007, the Ventura County Air Pollution Control Board adopted Rule 250 that implements the state law. Owners/operators of non-vehicle diesel engines 50 hp and greater used in agricultural operations must register with the local Air Pollution Control District (APCD) by March 1, 2008.

There is a $200 registration fee. Registration in any of the tri-counties (San Luis Obispo, Santa Barbara and Ventura) will be valid in all three counties. Older engines must be replaced with newer, less polluting engines according to a schedule adopted by the California Air Resources Board. See the registration schedule below and detailed farm engine registration and replacement requirements at www.vcapcd.org.

Farm engine registration schedule:
✓ By March 1, 2008, all engines installed before September 11, 2007, must be registered.
✓ New engines installed after September 11, 2007, must be registered within 90 days after installation.

Facts about diesel engines:
Diesel engine emissions cause cancer. To protect public health, the California Air Resources Board has adopted regulations to reduce diesel emissions from industrial and agricultural operations. New statewide regulations require registration and replacement of certain farm engines.

Funding is available!
The Ventura County APCD has money available to help replace older, high polluting diesel engines. Talk to APCD staff before you buy a new diesel engine. We may be able to provide partial funding for you replacement.

For more information:
Funding for new cleaner engines ....... Chris Frank at 805/645-1409
Registration requirements .................. Ken Hall at 805/645-1401

For registration forms .......................... www.vcapcd.org