Air District’s Air Monitoring Network Plan Available for Review

Ventura County, CA (June 1, 2010) – The Ventura County Air Pollution Control District has released its 2010 Draft Ambient Air Monitoring Network Plan for public review and comment. Federal regulations require all air districts to prepare an annual plan describing the network of ambient air quality monitors and identifying needs for additions, relocations, or terminations of monitoring sites or instrumentation. The District’s draft Plan describes its network of air quality monitoring stations, and includes a review of actions taken during 2009 and plans for action in the year ahead. Potential reductions are being considered at monitoring sites that have not shown violations of air quality standards, and are reporting data lower than federal air quality standards. Reductions in the monitoring network will need to be approved by EPA; no monitors will be removed from service until EPA has given approval.

The District’s Plan is available for public comment until June 30, 2010. This 30-day period allows the public to provide comments before the plan is submitted to the U.S. EPA.

The District’s Plan is available on its website at www.vcapcd.org. Copies of the Plan are available at the Ventura County APCD office, 669 County Square Drive, 2nd floor, Ventura. If you have comments or questions about the plan, contact Keith Duval at keith@vcapcd.org, or 805/645-1410.

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