### Agricultural engines to get greener

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reen farming has come a long way since the screwball comedy series Green Acres in 1965. Now, growing crops or raising farm animals can be an air quality issue. Why? Because of in-use stationary diesel agricultural engines, mostly used to power irrigation pumps. They can also power agricultural wind machines and generate power for other agricultural purposes during electrical power failures or in remote locations. These engines, with estimates from 9.000 to 11.000 of them in California. emit about 480 tons of diesel particulate matter (PM) and 10,000 tons of nitrogen oxides (NOx) annually.

#### ARB steps in

To address this issue, the Air Resources Board (ARB) recently finalized amendments to the "Airborne Toxic Control Measure (ATCM) for **Stationary Compression** Ignition Engines" that imposes new requirements on existing diesel engines used in agricultural operations. In general, these new requirements will apply to nearly all diesel engines used to power irrigation water pumps. This new law has both administrative

requirements, and emission control requirements. In 1998, the ARB identified diesel particulate matter as a toxic air contaminant. Exposure to diesel fumes may result in both cancer and non-cancer health effects. Non-cancer health effects may include eve irritation, allergic reactions in the lungs, asthma exacerbation, blood toxicity, immune system dysfunction, and developmental disorders.



**APCD** ESTIMATES THERE ARE 150 AGRICULTURAL ENGINES IN VENTURA COUNTY.

NOx, a contributor to ozone or smog, has adverse health effects in humans including respiratory irritation, suppression of the immune system, and asthma exacerbation.

Here at the District, we estimate that 150 of these engines may be located in Ventura County. Prior to the adoption of these new requirements, these diesel

engines were not regulated by the ARB or local air pollution control districts.

The administrative requirements will include a diesel engine registration program with a fastapproaching deadline of March 1, 2008. This registration program is not a permitting program, but will require application forms and fees similar to a permitting program. These fees will be significantly less (continued on page 3)



**Commercial Leaf Blower Trade-In Events** 

A & M Lawnmower Shop, Santa Paula, June 20

> Green Thumb, Ventura, June 21

**Call APCD for reservations** 805/645-1408

#### AIR POLLUTION **CONTROL BOARD**

June 12, 2007 June 26, 2007

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See Rule Update section.

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Smoking Vehicle

800/559-SMOG Hotline Email address: info@vcapcd.org than permitting fees and will be determined in a new rule that the District will adopt to implement the ARB requirements. To begin the development of this rule, a workshop meeting will be held with the local agricultural community on Tuesday, June 5 at 2 p.m. at the APCD office.

As a part of the registration program, emission control requirements will be determined for each engine, pursuant to ARB's ATCM. Newer engines may already comply with the requirements, however, older engines may need to be retrofitted or replaced to comply with the new requirements. Any diesel pump engine replaced with an electric motor will not be required to register with the District.

Some compliance options may be eligible for incentive funds or special rates.
Southern California Edison has a program to replace diesel pump engines with electric motors that may be very attractive to some pump engine owners. In addition, grant money may be available from the District to help replace older diesel engines with newer, compliant diesel engines or electric motors.

# GRANT MONEY MAY BE AVAILABLE FROM THE DISTRICT TO HELP REPLACE OLDER DIESEL ENGINES

According to senior manager Keith Duval, "The District will be working closely with the agriculture community to help them receive grant funds to repower their engines. This can be a winwin situation for the County's agriculture community. They will have access to grant funds for new, clean burning engines and they will be making a significant improvement in our air quality."

For questions on the APCD's plans to implement these new requirements, please contact **Kerby E. Zozula** at **805/645-1421**. If you are interested in grant money to replace an older diesel engine, contact **Chris Frank** at **805/645-1409**.

More detailed information is available on the APCD web site (www.vcapcd.org) for those interested in these compliance options.

#### **AirLines**



Taking the prize. On April 18, the District presented special air quality awards at the 2007 Ventura County Science Fair.

1<sup>st</sup> Place – Philip Shao, Westlake High School, "A Correlation Study of Global Temperature Change."

**2<sup>nd</sup> Place – Michael Hassman**, Ojai Valley School, "Does Pressure Affect Global Warming?"

**3<sup>rd</sup> Place** – **Kirklann Lau**, Sequoia Middle School, "The Effects of Greenhouse Gases on Climates of the Earth."

District staff **Alicia Stratton**, **Keith Duval**, and **Travis Jones** served as judges. Stratton commented that most of the projects this year dealt with global climate change.

Smog season is here. May through October is smog season here in Ventura County. By not topping off your



tank when you pump gas, you are doing something that will help air quality. For other tips, call **645-1415**, and request a copy of our *7 Days to Cleaner Air* brochure series. Also, visit the District website to receive other publications.

#### Local manufacturer fined \$172,000.

In one of the District's largest settlements of an air pollution violation, **Republic Fastener Manufacturing Corporation**, of Newbury Park, has paid a penalty of \$172,000. Republic Fastener Manufacturing produces specialty fasteners that are coated with a material containing high levels of reactive organic compounds (ROC). Because of the high ROC content, the

company was required to use an afterburner to control its emissions.

During an inspection in December 2005, the District found that Republic Fastener's afterburner had failed and had not been operated as required during plant operations. The District and Republic Fastener Manufacturing entered into a Stipulated Abatement Order that allowed the company to continue operating while they installed a replacement emission control device. The District also cited Republic Fastener Manufacturing for failing to comply with several procedural conditions in the Stipulated Abatement Order.

Air quality ahoy! The public information division will host a booth at Seabee Days at the naval facility in Port Hueneme on June 23 – 24. This is the 21st annual event where the community is invited aboard for a first-hand look at the Navy's construction engineers. The event will feature demonstrations, static displays of construction equipment, hands-on activities, a parade, plus a wide variety of activities and lots of free entertainment throughout the weekend. The event is OPEN TO THE PUBLIC and admission and parking are free.

On the speaking circuit. Public Information Manager Barbara L. Page was invited to speak at two government communications conferences in April. On the 18th, she gave the luncheon address at the California Association of Public Information Officials. On April 26, she spoke at the National Association of Government Communicators, at their annual conference in Chicago. And if anyone would like an air quality speaker for their service organization or other group, call the District at 645-1400.

#### May 8th Board meeting highlights

At its May meeting, the following actions were taken.

- Appointment of **Manuel Ceja** to the **Clean Air Advisory Committee**. Mr. Ceja is the Site Health, Safety & Environmental Leader at **Procter & Gamble Paper Products Company** and currently serves on the District's Advisory Committee.
- Receive overview and status report on the Ventura County Air Quality Management Plan 2007. The plan must show how Ventura County will attain the federal 8-hour ozone standard. District supervisor **Chuck Thomas** gave a presentation on the background and status of the Plan. The Plan is being revised to incorporate new photochemical modeling. After that, it will need to go through the public review process again. It will be presented to the APCD Board for approval in September. For additional information, contact Chuck Thomas or Genie McGaugh at 645-1400.
- Authorize the Ventura County
  Community Foundation to add a new
  vendor, Country Home Products, to
  the existing Clean Air Fund Lawn
  Mower Exchange Program using funds
  from the 2006 Program. So far, the
  program has recycled 52 gasolinepowered lawn mowers and reduced
  about 1,700 pounds per year of ozone
  precursors. Currently, APCD is
  partnering with Lowe's Home
  Improvement stores in Ventura and
  Simi Valley to implement the program.
  Country Home Products will be added
  as an additional vendor and will work

- with APCD in a similar manner as Lowe's. However, since its mower is manufactured in Vermont, they have agreed to ship the mower from a west coast warehouse via Federal Express. For more specific information on the Lawn Mower Exchange Program, contact **Stan Cowen** at **645-1408**.
- Authorize the Ventura County
  Community Foundation and the Air
  Pollution Control Officer to amend and
  sign a grant agreement for the Lawn
  Mower Exchange Program to establish
  funding for a Commercial Leaf Blower
  Exchange Program. The main vendors
  for the program will be Pacific Stihl
  and Lowe's Home Improvement
  stores. For more information, contact
  Stan Cowen at 645-1408.
- Authorize the Air Pollution Control Officer to sign and execute a contract with **JT3 LLC**, **Inc**. to perform laboratory services for fine particulate monitoring at **Edwards Air Force Base**.
- Adopt the District's Injury and Illness Prevention Program.
- Receive and file Comprehensive Audit for Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2006.



## **Enforcement Update**

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Enforcement Activities APRIL 2007							
Inspections Month F/Y Violations Month F/Y							
Permit/Other Inspections	192	1,723	Notices of Violation Issued	15	150		
Complaints Received and Investigated	12	156	Cases Settled after Office Conference	11	192		
Breakdowns Received and Investigated	8	83					
Asbestos Inspections 2 32							
New Business	1	23	Settlement/Fines	19,650	259,633		

	Sources Operating Under Variance APRIL 2007							
No.	No. Facility/Location Source Rule End Date Status							
789	City of Thousand Oaks Hill Canyon Treatment Plant	Boiler Flare	29.C, Cond. 2	04/30/07	See 789-1			
789-1	City of Thousand Oaks Hill Canyon Treatment Plant	Boiler Flare	29.C, Cond. 2	07/02/07	On Schedule			
790	City of Simi Valley Water Quality Control Plant	Engine	29.C, Cond. 17	09/30/07	On Schedule			
793	Pacific Custom Materials, Inc.	CEMS	29.C	05/20/07	Emergency			

	Sources Operating Under Stipulated Conditional Order of Abatement APRIL 2007						
No.	No. Facility/Location Source Rule End Date Status						
782							

Notices of Violation Issued APRIL 2007					
NOV No.	Facility	City	Violation		
020625	Milgard Manufacturing Inc.	Simi Valley	Permit Condition Not Met - Exceed Solvent Usage		
021334	Offshore Gas	Oxnard	Operating Without A Permit - Gas Dispensing Facility		
021335	United Oil	Oxnard	Failure To Test By Anniversary Date - PHI/II Testing		
021392	Vintage Production California LLC	Simi Valley	Improper Storage Of Crude Oil - Well Cellar		
021393	Vintage Production California LLC	Simi Valley	Exceeding Leak Rate Threshold - Oilfield Components		
021394	Ojai Oil Company	Santa Paula	Improper Vapor Recovery System - Vapor Recovery System		
021395	Vintage Production California LLC	Piru	Improper Vapor Recovery System - Vapor Recovery System		
021396	Ojai Oil Company	Santa Paula	Operating Without A Permit - Crude Oil Tank		
021489	Dawson Carwash	Camarillo	Failure To Test By Anniversary Date - PHI/II Testing		
021490	Dawson Carwash	Camarillo	CARB Title 17 Defect-PHI - Vapor Dust Caps		
021491	Dawson Carwash	Camarillo	V.R. Testing Failure - Static Testing		
021579	Simi Valley Hospital	Simi Valley	Inadequate Recordkeeping - Boiler Tune-up Report		
021621	Saticoy Lemon Association/Plant #1	Ventura	Permit Condition Not Met - Boiler		
021677	South Mountain Resources, LLC	Santa Paula	Exceeding Leak Rate Threshold - Oilfield Components		
021711	Chevron #9-0576	Ventura	CARB Title 17 Defect-PHI - V.R. Testing Failure		



## **Engineering Update**

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Permit Activities APRIL 2007							
Authorities to Construct	Month	Permits to Operate	Month				
Permits Requested	5	Permits Requested	29				
Permits Issued	2	Permits Issued	19				
Applications Under Review	23	Applications Under Review	87				
Sources Holding Permits	59	Sources Holding Permits	1419				
Average Turnaround Time	4.1 Weeks	Average Turnaround Time	5.4 Weeks				

	Authority to Construct Applications Received APRIL 2007							
Permit	Facility	City	Project Description					
00330-220	Venoco, Inc.	Oxnard	Tank Replacement Project					
00997-360	Naval Base Ventura County	Point Mugu	Replace Spray Booth – B319					
06446-100	Costco Gasoline	Thousand Oaks	New Gasoline Station - Large Source					
07777-120	North Shore at Mandalay Bay	Oxnard	Install Groundwater Air Stripper					
07919-100	76 Station #1481 (VES)	Ventura	Vapor Extraction System					

	Authorities to Construct Issued APRIL 2007						
Permit	Permit Facility City Project Description						
01340-250	PTI Technologies Inc.	Oxnard	Replace Catalytic Oxidizer				
01412-120	01412-120 Republic Fastener Newbury Park Increase Consumption & Replace Oxidizer						

Permit to Operate Applications Received APRIL 2007						
Permit	Facility	City	Project Description			
00144-141	Los Robles Hospital	Thousand Oaks	New Emergency Engine			
00509-141	Ojai Valley Inn & Spa	Ojai	Increase Natural Gas Use - Exempt Equipment			
00564-T01	Amigos Auto Body	Oxnard	Transfer of Ownership - AAB			
00620-T01	Superior Collision Center	Oxnard	Transfer of Ownership - S.C.			
00757-T01	Biggs Customs	Camarillo	Transfer of Ownership - B.C.			
01046-151	Recycle Base Materials, Inc.	Ventura County	Replace Portable Crusher			
01256-T01	Teledyne Scientific Company	Thousand Oaks	Transfer of Ownership - TSC			
04081-101	One Hour Martinizing	Newbury Park	Relocate and Replace Dry Cleaning Machine			
05252-T01	USA Gasoline #68115	Camarillo	Transfer of Ownership - Tesoro			
05458-141	7-Eleven Store #33567	Camarillo	Phase II EVR with ISD			
05523-T01	USA Gasoline #68224	Thousand Oaks	Transfer of Ownership - Tesoro			
05710-T01	USA Gasoline #68233	Ventura	Transfer of Ownership - Tesoro			
05765-T01	USA Gasoline #68190	Fillmore	Transfer of Ownership - Tesoro			
05799-T01	USA Gasoline #68189	Port Hueneme	Transfer of Ownership - Tesoro			
05812-T01	USA Gasoline #68232	Ventura	Transfer of Ownership - Tesoro			
05820-T01	USA Gasoline #68182	Oxnard	Transfer of Ownership - Tesoro			
05866-T01	USA Gasoline #68183	Oxnard	Transfer of Ownership - Tesoro			
06116-T01	USA Gasoline #68174	Newbury Park	Transfer of Ownership - Tesoro			
06389-T01	USA Gasoline #68116	Camarillo	Transfer of Ownership - Tesoro			
07382-T02	Teledyne Imaging Sensors	Camarillo	Transfer of Ownership - TSC			
07806-T01	Saticoy Paint Booth Site #11	Saticoy	Transfer of Ownership – VC			
07842-101	Gabriels Imports	Ojai	Operate Vapor Extraction System			
07854-101	Hill Canyon Wastewater Plant	Camarillo	Operate Digester Gas Cogeneration Engine			
07858-101	University Village Thousand Oaks	Thousand Oaks	New Boilers and Emergency Engines			
07920-101	Original Mowbray's Tree Service	Ventura County	Existing Gasoline Wood Chipper Engines			
07921-101	Blending Station #5	Oxnard	New Emergency Engine			
07922-101	OST Trucks and Cranes, Inc.	Ventura County	Portable Crane Engine - OCS			
07923-101	Westlake Station #3	Westlake Village	New Emergency Engine			
07924-101	Westlake Station #4	Westlake Village	New Emergency Engine			

	Permits to Operate Issued APRIL 2007						
Permit	Facility	City	Project Description				
00232-381	Santa Susana Field Laboratory	Simi Valley	Shutdown Engine Testing - Request ERCs				
00365-141	Vaquero Energy, Inc.	Fillmore	Drill Replacement Oil Well				
00592-T02	Supercraft Auto Body	Oxnard	Transfer of Ownership - SC				
01256-T01	Teledyne Scientific Company	Thousand Oaks	Transfer of Ownership - TSC				
01493-341	Platform Grace	Offshore of Ventura	Crew Boat Changes				
04076-101	Westway Cleaners	Simi Valley	Replace Dry Cleaning Machine - Petroleum				
07142-161	Weyerhaeuser Company	Camarillo	Modify Corrugator				
07246-201	Special Devices Inc.	Moorpark	Add Research & Development Operation				
07292-131	GEM Mobile Treatment Services	Ventura County	Increase Operating Hours Limit (Revised)				
07382-T02	Teledyne Imaging Sensors	Camarillo	Transfer of Ownership - TSC				
07708-111	Specialty Merchandise Corporation	Simi Valley	New Emergency Engine				
07806-T01	Saticoy Paint Booth Site #11	Saticoy	Transfer of Ownership - VC				
07894-101	Former Al Sal Co. Station #22	Newbury Park	Vapor Extraction System				
07895-101	Tradewinds Market & Laundromat	Port Hueneme	Vapor Extraction System - Perchloroethylene				
07898-101	The Bonaventure	Ventura	Emergency Diesel Engine				
07899-101	West Coast Welding	Oxnard	Blasting and Metal Coating Facility				
07912-101	MGR Design	Oxnard	Potpourri Manufacturing Facility				
07914-101	Crockett Graphics, Inc.	Camarillo	New Graphic Arts Facility				
07918-101	Radial Drilling Services	Ventura County	Portable Oilfield Service Engine				

ERC Balances by Company (Units – Tons per Year)					
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Company Name	ROC	NOx	PM <sub>10</sub>	SOx	Limitation
Aera Energy LLC	0.02	0.49	0.45	0.04	No
Aera Energy LLC	245.09	11.41	1.24	0.40	Yes
Amgen, Inc.	0.00	5.28	0.00	0.00	No
Amgen, Inc.	0.11	0.00	0.07	0.01	Yes
Berry Petroleum Company	6.24	0.00	0.00	0.00	Yes
C. D. Lyon	0.70	0.00	0.00	0.00	Yes
Chevron Environmental Management	1.13	0.00	0.00	0.00	Yes
ChevronTexaco	0.44	1.67	0.09	0.03	No
ChevronTexaco	118.58	0.28	0.17	0.34	Yes
Compositair	0.00	0.06	0.00	0.00	No
Cook Composites & Polymers Co.	0.71	0.00	0.00	0.00	Yes
Dos Cuadras Offshore Resources	2.09	0.19	0.00	0.00	No
Dos Cuadras Offshore Resources	0.12	0.00	0.18	0.02	Yes
Equilon California Pipeline Co. LLC	6.93	0.00	0.00	0.00	No
GF Health Products, Inc.	0.54	0.51	0.03	0.01	Yes
Gilroy Foods, Inc.	0.00	0.09	0.01	0.00	Yes
Haas Automation	0.00	0.06	0.00	0.00	Yes
Halaco Engineering Company	0.64	0.00	0.00	0.02	Yes
Hanson Aggregates	0.00	0.00	0.69	0.00	Yes
Hunter Resources Development	0.09	0.01	0.01	0.00	No
KTI Engineers & Constructors	0.00	0.00	1.50	0.00	Yes
Mirada Petroleum, Inc.	0.05	0.00	0.00	0.00	Yes
Naval Base Ventura County	4.65	0.14	3.90	0.04	No
Naval Base Ventura County	0.29	6.10	0.45	0.54	Yes
Nestle Food Company	0.11	1.54	0.12	0.02	Yes
Northrop Grumman Corporation	9.48	0.01	0.01	0.01	Yes
Occidental Chemical Corporation	0.07	3.79	1.33	0.02	Yes
Oryx Energy Company	2.48	0.00	0.00	0.00	No
Oxnard Lemon Company	0.00	0.10	0.00	0.00	Yes
Pacific Custom Materials, Inc.	0.00	0.00	0.69	0.00	No
Pacific Operators Offshore LLC	0.30	1.77	0.09	0.02	No
Parker Advanced Filtration	7.67	0.00	0.00	0.00	No
Procter & Gamble Paper Products	45.84	22.17	19.71	0.00	No
Procter & Gamble Paper Products	0.00	0.00	3.44	0.00	Yes
PTI Technologies, Inc.	0.25	0.00	0.00	0.00	No
PTI Technologies Inc.	0.40	0.00	0.00	0.00	Yes
Reichhold Chemicals, Inc.	0.00	0.10	0.00	0.00	No
Reliant Energy Mandalay, Inc.	0.27	0.47	0.76	0.01	Yes
Royal Coatings	0.06	0.00	0.00	0.00	No
Santa Fe Energy Operating Partners	0.01	0.00	0.00	0.00	Yes
Santa Fe Minerals, Inc.	0.55	0.00	0.00	0.00	Yes
Seneca Resources Corporation	2.57	0.02	0.00	0.00	No

ERC Balances by Company (Units – Tons per Year)								
As of April 9, 2007								
Company Name	ROC	NOx	$PM_{10}$	SOx	Limitation			
Shell California Pipeline Co.	5.04	0.00	0.00	0.00	Yes			
Solar World Industries American LP	0.51	0.00	0.00	0.00	No			
Solar World Industries American LP	1.19	0.00	0.00	0.00	Yes			
Southern California Edison Co.	49.21	107.68	0.22	0.16	No			
St. John's Regional Medical Center	0.00	0.18	0.00	0.00	No			
Sully Miller Contracting Co.	0.36	1.51	3.33	0.02	Yes			
Technicolor Home Entertainment	0.01	0.00	0.00	0.00	Yes			
TEG Oil & Gas USA, Inc.	0.30	0.00	0.00	0.00	No			
Tenby, Inc.	43.27	0.00	0.00	0.00	No			
The Boeing Company	0.45	0.01	0.00	0.00	No			
The Boeing Company	0.24	2.44	0.61	0.57	Yes			
The Termo Company	0.02	0.00	0.00	0.00	Yes			
Unocal	4.45	0.00	0.00	0.00	Yes			
Vaquero Energy	0.54	0.79	0.00	0.00	No			
Venoco, Inc.	0.01	2.50	0.05	0.00	No			
Venoco, Inc.	16.91	5.76	0.79	0.14	Yes			
Ventura County APCD Board	55.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	No			
Vintage Production California LLC	0.44	4.02	0.14	0.01	No			
Vintage Production California LLC	3.21	95.62	0.65	0.07	Yes			
Waste Management Energy Solutions	0.00	0.74	0.00	0.00	No			

Each balance above represents one or more ERC Certificates. If there is a "Limitation" on a balance, no reactive organic compound or nitrogen oxide emission reduction credits in that balance may be used for emission offsets at a stationary source that has permitted emissions greater than 25 tons per year of that pollutant. (See Rule 26.4.D.3 for details).

A more detailed report is available on the forms page (under Forms-Permits-ERC Report) on the District website (<u>www.vcapcd.org</u>). If you have any questions, please contact Kerby E. Zozula of the Engineering Division at 805/645-1421.



## Rule Development Update

Visit www.vcapcd.org/rules\_division.htm

#### **Recent Board Actions**

**Permit Fees** (Rule 42 – Revised): On April 10, 2007, the Air Pollution Control Board held a public hearing and adopted revisions to Rule 42. This includes a 12.5 percent increase in permit renewal fee rates effective July 1, 2007. For permit holders paying the minimum fee, adoption of this proposal will result in a fee increase of \$52.50 per year.

District operations are funded by state and federal grants, automobile registration fees, and fees charged to sources of air pollution. The APCD receives no property tax revenue or general fund revenue. The fee increase is necessary to offset rising expenses and to maintain APCD reserve funds at a level of four to six months of operating expenses. Six staff positions were eliminated in fiscal year 06-07 to minimize rising expenses. The final rule and final staff report are available at the District website noted above. For additional information contact **Don Price** at **805/645-1407** or don@vcapcd.org.

New Source Review - Definitions; Biosolids Processing Facilities (Rule 26.1 - Revised.): On November 14, 2006, the Air Pollution Control Board held a public hearing and adopted revisions to Rule 26.1. The revision added "publicly owned biosolids processing facility" to the definition of "essential public service" (EPS). Biosolids processing is related to sewage treatment, which is already considered an essential public service. Although related, biosolids processing may not always occur at a sewage treatment facility. After approval of a June, 2006, voter initiative in Kern County to prohibit the land application of biosolids, it is possible that the construction of one or more biosolids processing facilities in Ventura County will be required. In addition to the above, definitions for "biosolids" and "biosolids production facility" were added to Rule 26.1. For additional information, contact Don Price at 805/645-1407 or don@vcapcd.org.

#### **Public Workshop**

Agricultural Diesel Engine Registration (Rules 250 and 48 – New): On June 5, 2007, the District will conduct a workshop to discuss new draft Rule 250, Agricultural Diesel Engine Registration, and accompanying Rule 48, Agricultural Engine Registration Fees. The District is preparing to implement new California Air Resources Board

(ARB) requirements for diesel engines used in agricultural operations. The new requirements will apply to nearly <u>all</u> diesel engines used to power irrigation, booster and well-lift pumps. It will <u>not</u> apply to diesel engines used to propel farm equipment like trucks and tractors.

The ARB rule requires local air districts to establish a diesel engine registration program, with a deadline for registration of March 1, 2008. The District is developing Rules 250 and 48 to implement this requirement. The draft rules appear on the District's website noted above. For additional information, contact **Don Price** at **805/645-1407** or don@vcapcd.org.

**District Indemnification** (Rule 15.2 – New): On May 8, 2007, the District held a workshop on proposed new Rule 15.2. It is possible for the District to be the subject of claims or litigation from third parties regarding permitting activities. In order to guard against district legal expenses for these actions, staff proposes new Rule 15.2. The rule will establish that permittees agree to hold the District harmless against certain actions involving their Permits to Operate. The draft rule appears on the District website noted above. For additional information, contact **Don Price** at **805/645-1407** or don@vcapcd.org.

Fugitive Dust (Rule 55 – New): On February 26, 2007, the District held a workshop on proposed new Rule 55, which would regulate fugitive dust emissions from construction operations, bulk material handling operations, off-field agricultural operations and truck-out onto paved roadways. An environmental impact report is being prepared. For additional information, contact Stan Cowen at 805/645-1408 or stan@vcapcd.org.

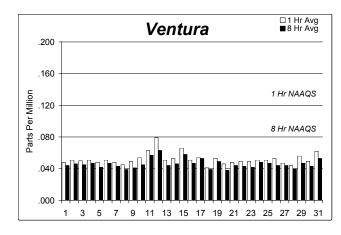
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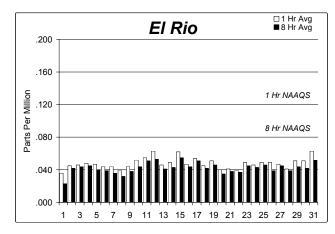
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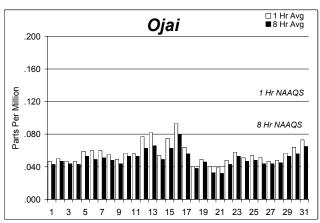
Wood Products Coatings (Rule 74.30): All reactive organic compound (ROC) solvents used for surface preparation and cleanup in commercial wood products manufacturing must meet a limit of 25 grams of ROC per liter of solvent. Water, acetone, and other low-ROC solvents are available for compliance with this requirement. For additional information, contact **Don Price** at **805/645-1407** or don@vcapcd.org.

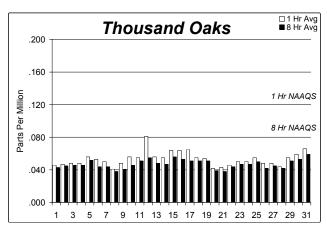
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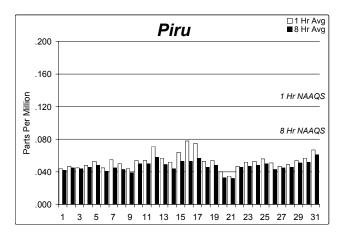
There were no exceedances of the Federal 1 Hour standard. The Federal 8 Hour standard was exceeded on 1 day at Simi Valley. The California 1 Hour standard was exceeded on 1 day at Simi Valley. The California 8 Hour standard was exceeded on 1 day at Ojai and Simi Valley. The maximum 8 hour average was .086 at Simi Valley; the maximum 1 hour average was .111 at Simi Valley.

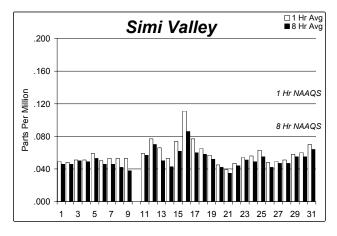












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.07 CALIFORNIA 8 HR AVG CLEAN AIR STANDARD

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  Avoid prolonged vigorous outdoor exercise.
  Sensitive individuals avoid all outdoor activity.