



March 1, 2019

NOTICE OF WORKSHOP

FOR DISCUSSION OF DRAFT PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO RULE 40 (PERMIT AND OTHER FEES) & RULE 42 (HEARING BOARD FEES)

The San Diego County Air Pollution Control District (APCD) will hold a public meeting to discuss and receive input regarding draft proposed amendments to Rule 40 (Permit and Other Fees) and Rule 42 (Hearing Board Fees). Comments and questions concerning the draft proposals may be submitted in writing before or made at the workshop, which is scheduled as follows:

DATE: Monday, March 18, 2019

TIME: 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.

PLACE: San Diego County Air Pollution Control District
10124 Old Grove Road, Main Conference Room
San Diego, CA 92131

Federal and State law require the APCD to establish fees to recover the costs to administer a mandated air pollution control program. The APCD's fees are specified in Rule 40 (Permit and Other Fees) – which includes fees for air quality permit applications, annual permit renewals, emission measurements ("source tests") and asbestos notifications – and in Rule 42 (Hearing Board Fees). Moreover, there are two types of fees – flat fees and those charged on an hourly (Time and Material or T&M) basis, as specified.

The APCD's fees were last updated in April 2018 to fully recover the costs for fee-supported services in Fiscal Year (FY) 2018-19. Similarly, the current proposal is designed to fully recover the APCD's costs for fee-supported services in FY 2019-20. A key cost driver is the County's 3% negotiated salary increases plus associated benefit increases that take effect in FY 2019-20. These labor cost increases are reflected in the current proposal which, if approved, is projected to increase annual fee revenue by approximately 3.3%.

The draft proposal is for discussion purposes and is subject to change; current fees remain in effect at this time. The fee proposal, if adopted, would take effect on July 1, 2019. No change is proposed to the Air Contaminant Emissions fee. Other fees are proposed to increase by the following amounts, on average:

- Permit Application fee by \$38 (1%)
- Permit Renewal fee by \$15 (5%)
- Emissions Test fee by \$18 (1%)
- Emissions Test-Witness fee by \$165 (18%)
- Asbestos Notification fee by \$45 (13%)
- Hearing Board fee by \$347 (37%)
- Hourly Rate (T&M fee) by \$14 (9%)

Copies of the draft proposed amendments to Rules 40 and 42 are available at http://www.sdapcd.org/content/sdc/apcd/en/Rule_Development/Workshops.html or by calling Janet McCue at (858) 586-2712. The APCD requests that workshop participants bring their own copies.

If you have any questions concerning the draft proposed rule amendments, please contact Israel Garza by phone at (858) 586-2607 or by e-mail at Israel.Garza@sdcounty.ca.gov.