

August 23, 2005

To the Residents of Sacramento County, California

The attached letter further refines the findings of the Air Pollution Control Officer regarding naturally occurring asbestos (NOA) in Sacramento County, originally outlined in my letter of September 24, 2004. In that letter I made a preliminary determination, subject to further information, that the Copper Hills volcanics unit in the eastern portion of Sacramento County was subject to the state Air Toxics Control Measure (ATCM) for NOA. Information gathered by the Sacramento Metropolitan Air Quality Management District (SMAQMD) staff has further confirmed the presence of NOA in the eastern portion of the county. Enforcement of asbestos regulations will be effective as of the date of this letter.

I would like to reiterate my appreciation to the City of Folsom and the County of Sacramento for your proactive approach to protecting public health. This final determination of the SMAQMD's jurisdiction to enforce the state ATCM is not intended to replace the cooperative efforts we have underway, but to clarify the District's enforcement authority within the Copper Hills area outlined on the attached map.

The District is working with the California Department of Conservation to map the areas in Sacramento County more likely to contain NOA. I will keep all parties informed of our progress in this effort.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Larry Greene". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large initial "L" and "G".

Larry Greene  
Air Pollution Control Officer