

### Sac Metro Air District Regulations and Cannabis Operations

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#### The District's Role in Sacramento

- 35 Local Air Districts in California
- The District is required by both Federal and State law to adopt and enforce air quality regulations
- These regulations are intended to protect the public health and ensure that the air we breathe meets federal and state health standards.
- The District's authority includes City of Sacramento, Citrus Heights, Elk Grove, Folsom, Galt, Isleton, Rancho Cordova, as well as all unincorporated areas of Sacramento County





#### Overview

- Applicable District Rules
- > Types of Emissions
- Who Needs a Permit
- District Permitting Process
- Inspection Process
- Resources



### Applicable District Rules

- ➤ Rule 201: General Permit Requirements
  - Facilities that emit ≥ 2 lbs. per day of emissions
  - Engines > 50 hp
- Rule 402: Nuisance
- Rule 411: NOx from Boilers, Process Heaters and Steam Generators
  - Boilers with an input rating of 1 million British Thermal Units or greater



#### District Rules Continued

- Rule 466: Solvent Cleaning
  - Emissions from solvents used is ≥ 2 lbs. per day
  - VOC content limits
     (use of solvents no greater than 25 g/L (0.21 lbs./gal)



#### Types of Emissions Regulated by the District

- ➤ Particulate Matter (PM)
- ➤ Nitrogen Oxides (NOx)
- ➤ Volatile Organic Compounds (VOCs)



## Cannabis related processes and equipment that may require a District permit

- > Stationary and Portable Generators: Natural Gas or Diesel Powered
  - Permit required if > 50 HP
  - Permit required if < 50 HP and part of the cannabis operation (e.g. combined cannabis manufacturer and cultivation facility)
  - Permit exempt if < 50 HP and not part of the cannabis operations (e.g. cannabis cultivation only facility)
  - Distributed Generation

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- Cannabis extraction and equipment/surface cleaning processes
  - Permit required for air pollution control devices if emission from solvents used is ≥ 2 lbs. per day, or if necessary to prevent nuisance
  - Permit is required if emissions from surface preparation or clean-up using solvents is ≥ 2 lbs. per day. (e.g. using IPA or ethanol)







#### > Cannabis grinding, milling, cutting

- Permit is required for air pollution control devices if particulate matter emissions are ≥ 2 lbs. per day, or to prevent nuisance
- Dust collection equipment (baghouse/cyclone)





▶ Boilers with input rating ≥ 1
million BTU or combined input
rating is ≥ 1 million





#### How to Apply for a District Permit

- Application forms are on the District's website
  <a href="http://www.airquality.org/Businesses/Permits-Registration-Programs">http://www.airquality.org/Businesses/Permits-Registration-Programs</a>
- All application forms must be submitted with a wet signature and application fee
- > Application fees (Rule 301) are based on equipment type/size
- ➤ Contact the District if you need assistance filling out your application, are unsure of which application fee applies to your operations, or are unsure if your facility requires a permit



### **District Inspection Process**

- Stationary Source Field Operations Staff
  - Public Complaints (Odor/Nuisance/Dust)
  - Stationary Source Inspections (e.g. manufacturers, coating operations, gas stations, asphalt plants)
  - Portable Engine/Equipment Inspections





### **District Inspection Process**

- Stationary Source Inspectors have started conducting Cannabis Facility inspections, starting with manufacturers.
- Initial inspections include outreach and education of District Rules, permit application process, and to ensure cannabis industry environmental compliance.



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#### Resources

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