Board Agenda Item

TO: Air Pollution Control District Board

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SUBJECT: Presentation on District Permitted Facilities Map

RECOMMENDATION:

Receive a presentation on the District’s new permitted facilities map.

DISCUSSION:

The District has developed an on-line map to make the public information about permitted facilities more easily accessible. The map identifies locations of the facilities permitted by the District and includes links to each facility’s permit and most recent annual report. The map also links to the County Assessor’s parcel information for each facility.

District permits and annual reports are public records. Historically, when we received information requests we would compile the records, make copies, and charge the requestor 20 cents per page for the material. Making the records available on-line eliminates the cost to the public for accessing the records and eliminates District staff time spent compiling and copying the records.

Internally, the map can be used to identify the location of new permit applications in relation to existing facilities and to assist inspectors when responding to complaints. We expect this will help improve our operational efficiency. The map was developed in-house by District staff and is hosted on our website (https://map.ourair.org/).