

## PROPOSED RULE 364: REFINERY FENCELINE AND COMMUNITY AIR MONITORING

# Board of Directors Santa Barbara County Air Pollution Control District

Our Mission: To protect the people and the environment of Santa Barbara County from the effects of air pollution.

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## ASSEMBLY BILL 1647 (2017-2018)

- Concerns about public health and air quality impacts from refineries.
- AB 1647 approved by the Governor of California on October 8, 2017.
  - Applicable to all refineries statewide.
  - Only 1 refinery within Santa Barbara County.
- AB 1647, as incorporated into HS&C 42705.6, requires the following by January 1, 2020:
  - 1) Petroleum refineries install, operate, and maintain a fenceline air monitoring system.
  - 2) Air districts install, operate, and maintain a refinery-related community air monitoring system.
  - 3) Real-time data is made accessible to the public.
  - 4) Refineries are responsible for the costs to implement the requirements.

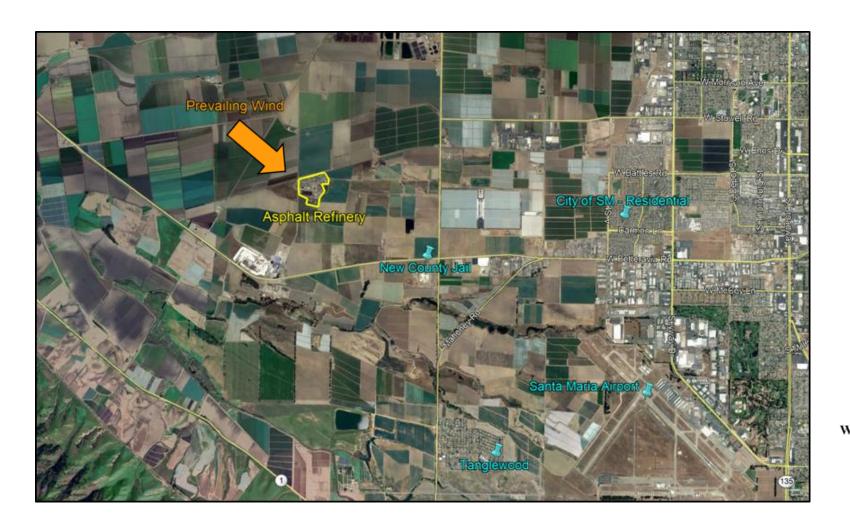


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### REFINERY FENCELINE MONITORING

Rule 364 will require six pollutants to be continuously monitored at the refinery's fenceline:

TABLE 1 - POLLUTANTS FOR FENCELINE AIR MONITORING

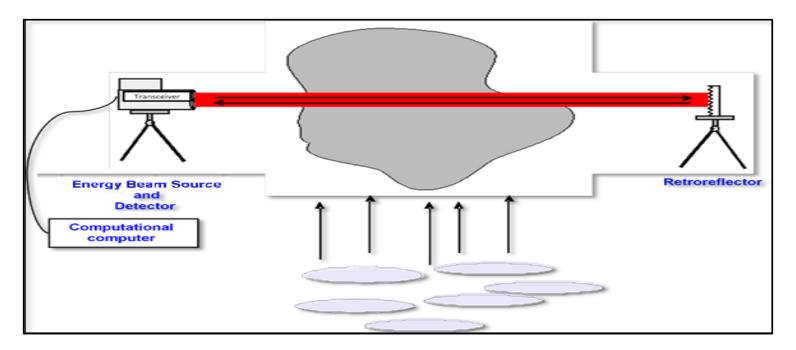
Air Pollutants
Benzene
Toluene
Ethylbenzene
Xylene
Sulfur Dioxide (SO <sub>2</sub> )
Hydrogen Sulfide (H <sub>2</sub> S)



#### REFINERY FENCELINE MONITORING

#### Open Path Monitoring System

- Collect measurements over a large area.
- Light beam paths typically designed to be 200 500 meters long.
- Recommend using UVDOAS (Ultraviolet Differential Optical Absorption Spectroscopy).



#### REFINERY FENCELINE MONITORING

- Monitoring Plan needs to conform with the Rule 364 Fenceline Air Monitoring Plan Guidelines:
  - Description of the equipment and how it will accurately measure the pollutants.
  - Quality Assurance and Quality Control procedures.
  - Methods for disseminating data to the public.
- After District review and approval of the Monitoring Plan, the refinery has 1 year to install and operate the fenceline system.
- Refinery's data website needs to have educational materials for the public.



### COMMUNITY AIR MONITORING

- District must operate a community monitor to measure the same refinery-related pollutants (BTEX, SO<sub>2</sub>, H<sub>2</sub>S).
- Nearest existing monitoring station is in central Santa Maria.
  - Monitors ozone, NO<sub>2</sub>, CO, PM<sub>10</sub> and PM<sub>2.5</sub>
  - The location is unlikely to detect the refinery pollutants due to regional wind patterns.
- The District is evaluating locations to move the existing station and to co-locate with the community monitoring station.



#### **PUBLIC REVIEW**

- Began discussions with refinery in September, 2019.
- Public Workshop on December 16, 2019 at APCD office in Santa Barbara.
  - Attended by the refinery and consultants.
- Community Advisory Council (CAC) meetings on January 22 and February 26, 2020 in Buellton.
  - January meeting: Item continued for additional discussion.
  - February meeting: CAC unanimously recommended that the Board approves Rule 364.
- Comments from the meetings and responses are attached to the Staff Report.



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