



air pollution control district  
SANTA BARBARA COUNTY

**NOTICE OF VIRTUAL PUBLIC HEARING  
COUNTY OF SANTA BARBARA  
AIR POLLUTION CONTROL DISTRICT HEARING BOARD**

Based on guidance from the California Department of Public Health and the California Governor's Stay at Home Executive Order N-33-20 issued on March 19, 2020, to protect the health and well-being of all Californians, and to establish consistency across the state to slow the spread of COVID-19, the Santa Barbara County Air Pollution Control District Hearing Board will temporarily provide a virtual-only option for participation in hearings.

Notice is hereby given that the Santa Barbara County Air Pollution Control District Hearing Board will hold a REMOTE VIRTUAL public hearing to consider the following matter on Wednesday, February 3, 2021, at 9:30 a.m., or as soon thereafter as the matter can be heard, via Zoom.

**REMOTE VIRTUAL PARTICIPATION INFORMATION TO JOIN THE ZOOM MEETING**

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Public participation details will be included in the agenda.

**Case No. 2020-20-R (Regular Variance) –**

County of Santa Barbara, Public Works,  
Resource Recovery and Waste Management  
14470 Calle Real  
Santa Barbara, CA 93117

**Hearing** – To consider a Petition for a Regular Variance from District Rule 206, Part 70 Permit to Operate 15136, Conditions 9.C.2.b.iv and 9.C.2.b., submitted on November 19, 2020, for the enclosed ground flare.

The current enclosed ground flare is required to operate at all times when landfill gas is routed to the flare system. In addition, the enclosed ground flare is not allowed downtime in excess of one hour. After experiencing a breakdown exceeding one hour, the Petitioner requested Variance coverage until the equipment ceases operation due to new control equipment being brought online.

The Petitioner operates the equipment described in the Petition at the Tajiguas Landfill located approximately 26 miles west of the City of Santa Barbara. The Regular Variance, if granted, will allow the Petitioner enforcement relief from February 3, 2021 through June 30, 2021, or the date the equipment ceases operation, whichever occurs first. The maximum estimated excess emissions from the granting of this Variance are 30.19 lbs/hr.

Interim Variance Order 2020-19-I was granted on December 10, 2020, by Hearing Board Member Terence Dressler. Said order remains in effect from November 19, 2020 through February 16, 2021, or the date a decision is made on the Regular Variance, or the date the equipment ceases operation, whichever occurs first.

Aeron Arlin Genet, Air Pollution Control Officer

**Case No. 2021-01-RE (Permit Revocation) –**

**California Asphalt Production, Inc.; a California Corporation  
1660 Sinton Road  
Santa Maria, CA 93458**

**Hearing – To consider a petition by the Air Pollution Control Officer of the Santa Barbara County Air Pollution Control District submitted on January 12, 2021, for issuance of an Order of Revocation for Permit to Operate 8259-R11, Permit to Operate 11651-R4, Permit to Operate 15241, Permit to Operate 15361, and Authority to Construct 15342 pursuant to Health and Safety Code sections 42307 and 42309(e)(4).**

**California Asphalt Production, Inc. is the holder of said permits to operate and authority to construct of the air pollution emitting equipment located at 1660 Sinton Road, Santa Maria, CA 93458. Respondent has failed to pay properly assessed fees and penalties pursuant to state law and District Rule 210.V(A)(1) and (2).**

**Case No. 2020-04-R (Regular Variance) –**

**Beacon West Energy Group, LLC  
1145 Eugenia Place #101  
Carpinteria, CA 93013**

**Hearing – To consider a Petition for a Regular Variance from District Rules 331 and 206, Part 70 Permit to Operate 9109-R4, Conditions 9.C.1.b.v, 9.C.1.b.vi, 9.C.1.b.vii, 9.C.1.c.i, 9.C.2, 9.C.14, and 9.C.15, submitted on January 8, 2021, for maintenance, monitoring and source testing requirements.**

**The Petitioner recently assumed oversight of Platform Houchin operations after being abandoned for approximately 1 year. As a result, the conditions on the Platform have significantly deteriorated creating an unsafe work environment. The Platform is not operational and is idle at this time, awaiting Platform decommissioning.**

**Due to the unsafe work condition and/or inoperable equipment, the Petitioner is unable to conduct required maintenance, monitoring and source testing as required. As a result, the Petitioner requested variance coverage.**

**The Petitioner operates the equipment described in the Petition at Platform Houchin, located on offshore lease tract OCS-P-166, approximately 7 miles southeast from the City of Santa Barbara. The Regular Variance, if granted, will allow the Petitioner enforcement relief from the date the decision is made on the Regular Variance, through January 7, 2022 or the date compliance is achieved, whichever occurs first. At this time, excess emissions with the granting of this variance are unknown.**

**As of the date of this publication, Interim Variance Order 2021-02-I has not yet been heard. However, if granted, said order would remain in effect from January 8, 2021 through April 7, 2021, or the date a decision is made on this Regular Variance, or the date compliance is achieved whichever occurs first.**

**Case No. 2020-05-R (Regular Variance) –**

**Beacon West Energy Group, LLC  
1145 Eugenia Place #101  
Carpinteria, CA 93013**

**Hearing – To consider a Petition for a Regular Variance from District Rules 331 and 206, Part 70 Permit to Operate 9108-R4, Conditions 9.C.1.b.v, 9.C.1.b.vi, 9.C.1.b.vii, 9.C.1.c.i, 9.C.2, 9.C.14, and 9.C.15, submitted on January 8, 2021, for maintenance, monitoring and source testing requirements.**

**The Petitioner recently assumed oversight of Platform Hogan operations after being abandoned for approximately 1 year. As a result, the conditions on the Platform have significantly deteriorated creating an unsafe work environment. The Platform is not operational and idle at this time, awaiting Platform decommissioning.**

Due to the unsafe work condition and/or inoperable equipment, the Petitioner is unable to conduct required maintenance, monitoring and source testing as required. As a result, the Petitioner requested variance coverage.

The Petitioner operates the equipment described in the Petition at Platform Hogan, located on offshore lease tract OCS-P-166, approximately 8 miles southeast from the City of Santa Barbara. The Regular Variance, if granted, will allow the Petitioner enforcement relief from the date the decision is made on the Regular Variance, through January 7, 2022, or the date compliance is achieved, whichever occurs first. At this time, excess emissions with the granting of this variance are unknown.


As of the date of this publication, Interim Variance Order 2021-03-I has not yet been heard. However, if granted, said order would remain in effect from January 8, 2021 through April 7, 2021, or the date a decision is made on the Regular Variance, or the date compliance is achieved, whichever occurs first.

Said Petitions are on file with the Clerk of the APCD Hearing Board and available for public inspection. Interested persons may submit written evidence, arguments concerning this matter, or make arrangements to view said Petitions before the hearing by contacting the Hearing Board Clerk at: [variance@sbcapcd.org](mailto:variance@sbcapcd.org), or 260 North San Antonio Rd., Suite A, Santa Barbara, California 93110.

Witness my hand and seal this 14<sup>th</sup> Day of January, 2021

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Clerk of the Hearing Board

  
By: Lorena Saldana  
Deputy