



air pollution control district  
SANTA BARBARA COUNTY

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

The California State Legislature recently passed, and the Governor signed, Assembly Bill (AB) 361 (Rivas, 2021), which amends the Government Code to allow Brown Act bodies to continue to meet remotely after September 30, 2021, if there is a proclaimed state of emergency and the State or local officials recommend measures to promote social distancing.

Based on the proclaimed state of emergency and the Santa Barbara County Public Health Officer's recommended measures to promote social distancing in order to slow the spread of COVID-19, notice is hereby given that the Santa Barbara County Air Pollution Control District Hearing Board will hold a REMOTE VIRTUAL Special Public Hearing to consider the following matter on Friday, July 1, 2022, 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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<https://tinyurl.com/APCDJuly2022HBspcl>

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**Case No. 2022-05-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 325.E.1 and 206, Part 70 Permit to Operate 9108-R4, Condition and 9.C.9, submitted on May 10, 2022, for venting gas through the flare header without an emission control device.**

The Petitioner is currently operating under Variance Order 2021-05-M1, which provides coverage from January 5, 2022 through January 4, 2023, or the date compliance is achieved, whichever occurs first. Variance Order 2021-05-M1 provides relief from the emission controls, monitoring, maintenance, and north crane source testing requirements at the Petitioner's facility.

Fugitive leaks were discovered in the well bay during a District inspection. As a safety precaution, the Petitioner is requesting to periodically vent gas from the wells to the flare header, however the flare (emission control device) is currently not operational, so this vented gas will not be combusted.

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 Platform is not operational and is idle at this time, awaiting Platform decommissioning.

The Petitioner applied for an Interim Variance concurrently with the Regular Variance Petition. As of June 10, 2022, Interim Variance Order 2022-04-I has not yet been heard. If granted, the Interim Variance would be in effect from May 10, 2022 through August 7, 2022, or the date a decision is made on this Regular Variance, or the date compliance is achieved, whichever occurs first. The Regular Variance, if granted will allow the Petitioner enforcement relief from the date the decision is made on the Regular Variance, through May 9, 2023 or the date compliance is achieved, whichever occurs first.

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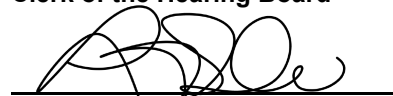
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Said Petitions are on file with the Clerk of the APCD Hearing Board and available for public inspection. Interested persons may submit written evidence, arguments concerning this matter, or make arrangements to view said Petition before the hearing 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 16th Day of June, 2022.

**AERON ARLIN GENET**

**Clerk of the Hearing Board**

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Lorena Saldana', written over a horizontal line.

By: Lorena Saldana  
Deputy