

Air Quality Program (AQP) Summary

Division Reports Prepared for the September 9, 2026 Meeting of the Air Quality Control Board (AQCB)



Enforcement & Compliance Division

The Enforcement and Compliance Division conducts inspections of regulated sources of air pollution, ensures compliance with air quality regulations and permit conditions, and enforces penalties for violations, if necessary.

The following activity summary is for July 23 through August 26, 2026.

Date Range: 7/23/2026 to 8/26/2026	Total #
Fugitive Dust Apps Received	16
Fugitive Dust Permits Issued	12
Fugitive Dust Inspections Completed	273
Fugitive Dust Apps Pending	4
Stationary Source Inspections Conducted	33
Asbestos Notifications Received	30
Asbestos Inspections Conducted	14
Notice of Violations Issued	0

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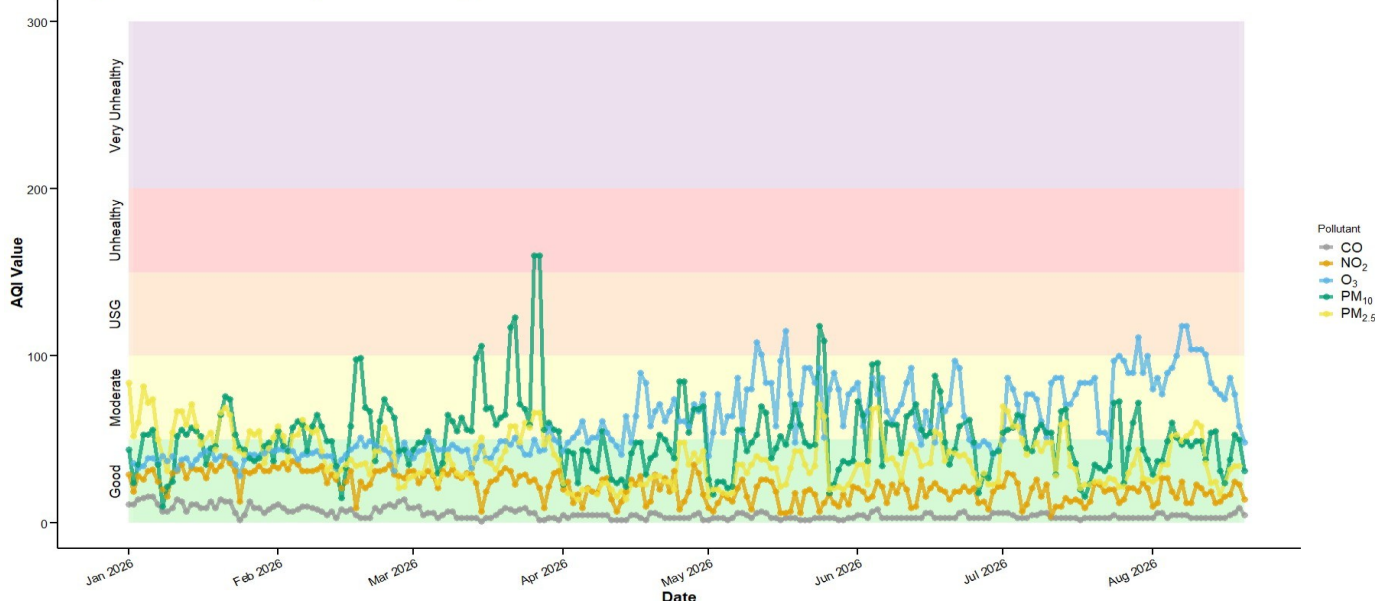
Monitoring Division

The Ambient Air Monitoring Division operates and maintains the monitoring network, which measures criteria air pollutants [ground level ozone (O₃), fine particulate matter (PM_{2.5}), coarse particulate matter (PM₁₀), Carbon Monoxide (CO), Sulfur Dioxide (SO₂), Nitrogen Dioxide (NO₂)], validates data, conducts quality assurance, and supports daily air quality updates and pollen counts.

Current and on-going activities include:

- Westside Laboratory hosted criteria pollutant and advanced diagnostics training residency, establishing benchmarks between city division staff and state program personnel.
- Initiated division-wide transition to comprehensive asset management and inventory tracking system. This platform will standardize network-wide hardware logs, streamline lifecycle auditing for all criteria pollutant instrumentation, and improve capacity to track, deploy, and maintain division assets across all regional stations.
- Ozone Season May-Sept: Reviewing daily ozone data for exceedances and ensuring timely reporting to AirNow and EPA's AQS. There have been 10 ozone exceedances of NAAQS.
- Westside Laboratory is actively soliciting vendor quotes for a complete HVAC system replacement to secure long-term environmental controls for critical laboratory testing baselines. Completed new Centralized Flow Calibration Station at the Westside Lab.
- Completed and submitted 2025 Ambient Air Monitoring Data Certification for May 1 EPA submission. Completed updates to Quality Assurance Project Plans (QAPPs), submitted June 1, 2026. Completed public comment and submitted 2025 Annual Network Plan (ANP) to EPA on July 1, 2026.

Daily Maximum Air Quality Index Values per Criteria Pollutant 2026



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Permitting Division

The Permitting Division writes and issues permits for major (Title V) and minor stationary sources of air pollution, and open burning.

Metrics for July 22, 2026 - August 26, 2026 are:

- Applications received: 5 total, 3 AQN, 1 initial, 1 Synthetic Minor and 1 Minor NSR
- Applications Denied: 1
- Permits Issued: 6 - SolAero Tech Corp (New EPI Reactors/Controls), UNM COP (emergency engine), KAFB (fuel distribution), Caliber Collision (auto body work), SHARC Building (emergency engine), Circle K (gasoline dispensing)
- Pending Permits: 14
- Permits Subject to BACT: 7

<u>Permit No.</u>	<u>Permit Type Per- mitting Action</u>	<u>Company Name</u>	<u>Facility Address</u>	<u>Equipment</u>
0047-M3	Syn Minor, Modification	Abq Terminal	3200 Broadway SE	Petroleum Bulk Fuel Terminal
1638-M4	Minor NSR, Modification	Duke City Redi-Mix	7711 Broadway Blvd SE	Portable Recycle Crushing Plant
3539	Minor NSR, Initial	Kairos	5201 Hawking Dr. SE	High Temp. Salt R&D
3090-M1-EP	Minor NSR Modification	KAFB	Randolph Dr. SE	Fuel Dispensing
3470-M1 Minor	Minor NSR Modification	KAFB	7500 Prairie Rd	Emergency Engine/Fuel
3562	Minor NSR Initial	Love Rd. Recycle Plant	31111 Love Rd. SE	Recycling Crusher
2080-M1	NSR Modification	East Mtn. Transfer Sta.	711 NM 333	Organic Waste

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Planning/Control Strategies Division

The Planning/Control Strategies Division explores strategies to control and reduce air pollution, engages in near and long-term planning efforts, coordinates with EPA regarding State Implementation Plan (SIP) matters, keeps up-to-date on current air quality issues and trends, considers potential updates to existing regulations, conducts research and produces regulatory deliverables (ex. For planning and rulemaking processes), and staffs the Air Quality Control Board (AQCB).

Current efforts include the following:

- Managing and Coordinating the Regulation Development Committee, which meets monthly
- Preparing for the Part 7-Variance Procedure (20.11.7 NMAC) hearing before the AQCB
- Preparing a petition regarding proposed amendments to Part 20- Fugitive Dust Control
- Managing and coordinating the following subcommittees:
 - ◊ Part 21-Open Burning regulation (20.11.21 NMAC)
 - ◊ Part 20-Fugitive Dust regulation (20.11.20 NMAC)
 - ◊ Part 65-Volatile Organic Compounds (20.11.65) regulation
- Managing and participating in the AQP's SOP Committee to help develop standard operating procedure documents (ex. for data entry of air quality permits)
- Staying informed on current air quality issues by attending relevant trainings and meetings at organizations such as:
 - ◊ National Association of Clean Air Agencies (NAACA) <https://www.4cleanair.org/>
 - ◊ Western States Air Resources Council (WESTAR) <https://westar.org/>

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Public Health Division

The Public Health Division conducts outreach and education, emergency response planning and coordination, chronic disease surveillance, and monitors potential impacts of HEEI on public health outcomes, and is part of the health alerts team.

Recent outreach and education events and number of attendees:

Total Outreach Events: 8, Total Outreach Number (approximate): 4,100, Total Health Alerts: 10

Date	Event	Topic	Outreach #	Audience
6.30.2026	2026 Refugee Summer Camp	Air Quality & Health	12	Youth ages 7-11
7.25.2026	Pueblo of Isleta Environmental Fair	Opt-in real time air quality health alerts and daily air quality update	400 +	All ages/families
7.28.2026	Health Equity Council monthly partner meeting	Opt-in real time air quality health alerts	19	Adults/public health practitioners from cross-sector organizations
8.1.2026	Cruzin' Back to School event	Opt-in real time air quality health alerts	2,300	All ages/families
8.3.2026	Resource Fair Cien Aguas Intl. School	Opt-in real time air quality health alerts and daily air quality update	80	School staff; students K-8 th grade and families
8.15.2026	CABQ State of the City	Opt-in real time air quality health alerts and daily air quality update	@1,200	All ages/families
8.21.2026	UNM Health Sciences Office for Community Health 2026 Senior Wellness Fair	Opt-in real time air quality health alerts and daily air quality update	80	Older Adult Population
8.25.2026	Health Equity Council monthly partner meeting	Opt-in real time air quality health alerts and daily air quality update	21	Adults/public health practitioners from cross-sector organizations

Health Alerts Issued			
7.2.2026	Health Alert for Smoke	City/County wide public health messaging	City & County
7.14.2026	Health Alert for Blowing Dust	City/County wide public health messaging	City & County
7.25.2026	Health Alert for Elevated Ozone	City/County wide public health messaging	City & County
7.26.2026	Health Alert for Elevated Ozone	City/County wide public health messaging	City & County
8.7.2026	Health Alert for Elevated Ozone	City/County wide public health messaging	City & County
8.8.2026	Health Alert for Elevated Ozone	City/County wide public health messaging	City & County
8.8.2026	Health Alert for Elevated Ozone	City/County wide public health messaging	City & County
8.10.2026	Health Alert for Elevated Ground-Level Ozone	City/County wide public health messaging	City & County
8.11.2026	Health Alert for Smoke and Elevated Ground- Level Ozone	City/County wide public health messaging	City & County
8.18.2026	Health Alert for Dust in Industrial Areas	City/County wide public health messaging	City & County

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Vehicle Pollution Management Division

The VPMD oversees vehicle emissions testing, maintains the Air Care Database, provides free training and certification for Air Care Inspectors, and provides resources and support to approximately 130 Air Care Inspection Stations.

The following metrics are from July 2026:

- Inspections conducted during the preceding month: 23,394 Total Tests (21,376 passing, 2,018 Failing)
- The number of Individuals trained/certified during the preceding month: 42
- The number of Station audited and issued certificates during the preceding month: 16
- Warning letters issued: 3
- Compliance Assistance Activities Performed: 8

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