

City of Albuquerque Environmental Health Department



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Deputy Director's Air Quality Report to Air Quality Control Board, February 2020 Meeting

City Launches Bilingual, Opt-In Emergency Health Alert Notifications- Residents can opt in via text message to receive free real time emergency health alerts. Community members can text "ABQHEALTH" to the number 226787 to opt into the English language list, or "ABQSALUD" to opt into the Spanish language list from any mobile phone.

City Supports Senate Bill 8 to Remove "Stringency Standard"- Senator Wirth's bill proposes to amend the New Mexico Air Quality Control Act to allow for the Environmental Improvement Board and the Air Board to adopt air quality standards that are more stringent than federal requirements.

EHD Submits 2019 Emission Inventory of Stationary Permitted Point Source Facilities- On 01/11/2021, EHD completed the quality assurance and submission process to U.S.EPA for the 2019 Emission Inventory of Stationary Permitted Point Source Facilities as required.

EHD Settles with Cooperative Educational Services (CES)— On 01/15/2021, EHD settled with CES for not having a fugitive dust permit, not having a silt fence installed, and for allowing dirt track out.

EHD Issues Health Alert- On 1/18/21 and 1/19/21, EHD issued a Health Alert due to blowing dust. Those with respiratory were advised to limit outdoor activity.

EHD Provides Documents for NM Terminal Services Permit Petition to Air Board– EHD's Permitting Division and Legal team responded to the petition, noticed interested persons, and submitted the administrative record to meet the 1/20/2021 deadline.

EPA to Audit Title V Fees – On 01/26/2021, EPA's Permitting Liaison informed the Permitting Division that Region 6 is planning to conduct an audit of the Title V fees for EHD's Air Quality Title V Operating Permits Program. The timeframe has not yet been established.

EHD Receives Formal Request to Notification Change Process- Dan Regan with District 4 Coalition of Neighborhood Associations requested EHD provide communication on permit applications when EHD deems them incomplete or applications are withdrawn. This seems like a reasonable request and staff is exploring options.

During the February 20th Air Board Meeting, Deputy Director Burstein may also address EHD's Air Quality Program's 2021 Goals, filling the vacant liaison seats on the Board, 1x1 meetings with Board members, the Open Meetings Act, and potentially other relevant subjects.

Pending permit applications are below.

Pending Air Quality Permit Applications in Albuquerque – Bernalillo County

App #	Name	Comment On	Comment Period Ends
1820-M2	DOE Sandia National Labs/ New Mexico	Application	Closed for comment
3291-M2	Albuquerque Asphalt, Inc.	Application	Closed for comment
0786-M6	ABCWUA Southside Water Reclamation Plant	Application	Closed for comment
1791-M3	Salls Brothers Construction, Inc Albuquerque Rock	Application	Closed for comment
0917-M6	Lovelace Biomedical Research Institute	Application	February 4, 2021