

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING AND WORKSHOPS

PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, pursuant to and in compliance with all public notice requirements in effect, that the Butte County Air Quality Management District (District) Governing Board of Directors will hold a Public Hearing on Thursday, May 27, 2010 at 10:15 a.m. to consider adoption of proposed amendments to District Rule 205, *Fugitive Dust Emissions*. The hearing will be held at the Chico City Council Chambers, 421 Main Street in Chico, CA.

PUBLIC WORKSHOPS: Notice is also given that District staff will hold public workshops to discuss the proposed rule amendments and receive public comment. The workshops will be held on the following dates and times at the listed locations: Monday, April 5, 2010 at 10:00 a.m. at Southside Oroville Community Center, 2959 Lower Wyandotte Road, Oroville, CA; Thursday April 8, 2010 at 6:00 p.m. at Chico City Council Chambers, 421 Main Street, Chico, CA; and Thursday, April 15, 2010 at 10:00 a.m. at Butte County Air Quality Management District, 2525 Dominic Drive, Suite J, Chico, CA.

SUMMARY OF PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO RULES:

The purpose of the proposed amendments to Rule 205, *Fugitive Dust Emission*, is to add provisions that make the regulation compliant with the requirements of Senate Bill 656 and to make progress toward meeting the State Ambient Air Quality Standards for respirable Particulate Matter (PM) by reducing ambient concentrations of PM by limiting fugitive emissions of PM from construction activities, bulk material handling and storage, carryout and trackout, and similar activities, weed abatement activities, unpaved parking lots, unpaved staging areas, private unpaved roads, inactive disturbed land, disturbed open areas, windblown dust, and similar contributors. The proposed amendments include performance standards and a toolbox of best practices to aid the affected industries.

COMMENTS: The public may comment verbally or in writing prior to the time of the hearing. Interested parties may review the proposed rule amendments and related Staff Report at www.bcaqmd.org or at the District Office at 2525 Dominic Drive, Suite J, Chico, CA on or after March 5, 2010. The office is open to the public Monday through Friday 7:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. and 1:00 p.m. to 4:30 p.m., except Tuesdays when the office opens at 8:30 a.m. The District office telephone number is (530) 891-2882. All written comments should be filed with the District BOARD CLERK, at the District Office, no later than May 10, 2010. Any statement over five (5) pages in length should be submitted with ten (10) copies.

HEARING: All persons planning to attend the Public Hearing are advised that this item may be taken up after 10:15 a.m. pursuant to the order of items set forth in the Agenda. Comments, statements, or arguments relating to the matters publicized in this Notice may be presented orally or in writing. Following the Public Hearing on May 27, 2010, and without further notice, the AQMD Board may adopt the proposed amendments to the Rules or take other action consistent with the terms of this Notice.

DATED: March 5, 2010

By: W. James Wagoner
AIR POLLUTION CONTROL OFFICER