



GREAT BASIN UNIFIED AIR POLLUTION CONTROL DISTRICT

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PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE PROPOSED DISTRICT RULE 701

The Governing Board of the Great Basin Unified Air Pollution Control District will conduct a public hearing to receive comment on proposed District Rule 701 – Air Pollution Episode Plan. The hearing will be conducted at a regular meeting of the District Governing Board to be held at 10:30 a.m. on Monday, March 3, 2014, in the Mammoth Lakes Fire Department Training Room (2nd Floor), 3150 Main Street (State Highway 203), Mammoth Lakes, California 93546. The public hearing on this rule is set for 11:30 am. The proposed rule will be considered for adoption at this time.

In 1995, the Great Basin Unified Air Pollution Control District (GBUAPCD) instituted a program to advise the public when unhealthy levels of particulate pollution occur in the Owens Valley area. Under this program, the District issues Air Pollution Health Advisories when dust storms from Owens Lake cause Particulate Matter less than 10 microns (PM10) concentrations that exceed selected trigger levels.

- Stage 1 Air Pollution Health Advisories are issued when hourly PM10 levels exceed 400 $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$. The Stage 1 Health Advisory recommends children, the elderly, and people with heart or lung problems refrain from strenuous outdoor activities in dust-impacted areas.
- Stage 2 Air Pollution Health Advisories are issued when hourly PM10 levels exceed 800 $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$ and recommends that everyone refrain from strenuous outdoor activities in dust impacted areas.

The intent of this rule is to incorporate these windblown dust event trigger levels for PM10 with additional trigger levels for windblown Fine Particulate Matter (PM2.5) and PM10 from Wildfire Smoke throughout Alpine, Mono, and Inyo counties into District Rule 701, Air Pollution Episode Plan.

- Stage 1 Air Pollution Health Advisories will be issued when hourly PM10 levels exceed 400 $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$, PM2.5 levels exceed 150 $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$ for dust and PM10 levels exceed 100 $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$ for wildfire smoke.
- Stage 2 Air Pollution Health Advisories will be issued when hourly PM10 levels exceed 800 $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$, PM2.5 levels exceed 300 $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$ for dust and PM10 levels exceed 200 $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$ for wildfire smoke.

The District has prepared a supporting technical document with a summary of the District's Health Advisory Program, PM2.5 and PM10 analyses, monitored wildfire impacts and proposed rule trigger levels. After adoption, California Air Resources Board (CARB) will forward this plan to United States Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA) for inclusion in California's State Implementation Plan (SIP).

Copies of the proposed rule and supporting document may be obtained for public review beginning January 31, 2014 on the District's website at <http://gbuapcd.org/publicnotice> and at the GBUAPCD office at 157 Short Street, Bishop, California. Written comments on this rule should be sent to Theodore D. Schade, Air Pollution Control Officer, GBUAPCD, 157 Short Street, Bishop, CA 93514. Written comments received by 5:00 pm on February 18, 2014, will be included in the staff report sent to the Governing Board members. Oral and written comments will also be taken at the meeting. For further information, contact the District's Board Clerk, Tori DeHaven at (760) 872-8211.

Publication Dates

Inyo Register	Jan. ##, 2014
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