



Eastern Kern

Air Pollution Control District

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Board of Directors
Eastern Kern APCD
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SUBJECT: Adoption of Amendments to Rule 402.2, (Agricultural Operations)

Honorable Board:

The Eastern Kern Air Pollution Control District (District) is proposing to adopt amendments to Rule 402.2, (Agricultural Operations). On October 20, 2021, the District held a public workshop at the District Field Office and Board Chambers located at: 414 W. Tehachapi Boulevard Suite D, Tehachapi, CA 93561, to present proposed amendments to Rule 402.2. District staff submitted copies of the proposed amendments to the California Air Resources Board and Region IX of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency for review. A 30-day public review and comment period followed the workshop. No comments were received.

Rule 402.2 is being amended to reduce particulate matter 10 microns and less (PM10) and fugitive dust emissions from agricultural operations located in Eastern Kern County by requiring implementation of Conservation Management Practices to prevent, reduce, or mitigate PM10 emissions. Rule 402.2 will become effective immediately upon Board adoption. A Notice of Public Hearing was duly published more than 30 days prior this hearing in the following newspapers: Mojave Desert News, Daily Independent, Tehachapi News, and Bakersfield Californian. The notice requested written comments on amended Rule 402.2 and associated staff reports be submitted by January 12, 2022. A copy of the staff report, which includes the proposed amendments to the rule is attached.

IT IS RECOMMENDED your Board Open Hearing; Receive Public Comment; Close Hearing; Adopt Amended Rule 402.2, (Agricultural Operations) and Resolution Number 2022-006-01.

Sincerely,

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Enclosures