

Proposed Rule Changes for SWCAA 400 General Regulations for Air Pollution Sources

SWCAA 400 “General Regulations for Air Pollution Sources” are the general regulations with which the Southwest Clean Air Agency (SWCAA) regulates the emission of air contaminants from sources within the jurisdiction of SWCAA. The purpose of the regulations is to prevent violations of federal, state and local air standards and to implement the Washington Clean Air Act (Chapter 70.94 RCW).

SWCAA is proposing to make changes to SWCAA 400 “General Regulations for Air Pollution Sources” to do the following: update incorporation by reference of federal regulations, add definitions, revise nonroad engine exceptions, update federal regulation citations, revise complaint reporting requirements, update state law citations, clarify registration applicability, add an exception to the vertical dispersion requirement, revise NSPS and MACT adoptions, and make minor administrative edits.

The proposed rule changes are available for review at www.swcleanair.gov/regs/proposedrules.asp or from Wess Safford at (360) 574-3058, ext 126. SWCAA will hold an online public hearing regarding these proposals on December 30, 2024 at 6 pm. Attendees must register with the Agency prior to the hearing.

Public comment will be accepted from November 15, 2024 through December 30, 2024. Comments can be submitted to SWCAA in writing at 5101 NE 82nd Avenue, Suite 102, Vancouver, WA 98662 or emailed to Wess Safford at wess@swcleanair.gov. Comments will be presented to SWCAA’s Board of Directors before a final decision is made. SWCAA intends to submit the proposed revisions for consideration and adoption at the Board of Director’s meeting on January 2, 2025.