### **Dust Control Enforcement Update**



Stockton CSC

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#### Why Have Dust Control Requirements?

To reduce ambient concentrations of particulate matter (PM10) by requiring actions to prevent, reduce, or mitigate man-made fugitive dust emissions, in an effort to protect public health of valley residents



### What Activities Are Subject To Dust Control?

**Construction Sites** 

Excavation and Earthmoving

Bulk Material
Handling, Storage
Operations and
Transport

Vacant Land

Paved and Unpaved Roads

Unpaved Vehicle Traffic Areas





#### What Are The Basic Requirements?

- Limit "Visible Dust Emissions" (VDE)
- Maintain a Stabilized Surface(s)
  - Unpaved roads
  - Disturbed surface areas
  - Outdoor bulk material storage piles
- Limit Carryout and Trackout





#### What is a Stabilized Surface?

- Any disturbed surface area or open bulk storage pile resistant to windblown fugitive dust emissions
- Surface is stable if it meets a variety of criteria, for example:
  - Visible crust
  - Certain threshold friction velocity (TFV)
  - Flat vegetation cover
  - Standing vegetation cover
  - Combination of standing vegetation & TFV
  - Non-erodible elements
- Unpaved roads/traffic areas with ≤ 6% silt content
- Unpaved parking lots with ≤ 8% silt content



# Limit Visible Dust Emission to 20% Opacity & Stabilize the Surface

- Proactive watering and phasing of work
- Application of water or stabilizers to haul and access roads.
- Restrict vehicle access
- Limit vehicle speed
- Cease dust generating activity during wind events







#### What are Requirements for Carryout and Trackout?

< 50 feet: remove by end of workday

≥ 50 feet - remove immediately, if:

- An urban site
- A rural site ≥ 10 acres





## **Examples**







### Measures to Control Dust from Carryout Trackout

Water

Dust Palliatives

Aggregate

Pavement

Vegetative Controls

Restricting Vehicle Access

Reducing Vehicle Speed

Wind Barriers

Carryout and Trackout Prevention





#### Water Use as a Control Method

- While water is one of the most commonly used dust control methods, any method is acceptable if it successfully limits fugitive dust or stabilizes the surface as required by Regulation VIII
  - Regardless of the method, records must be maintained
- Alternatives to water are commercially available and utilized





### Inspection Process if Dust Control Plan is Required

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#### Reg VIII Site Inspection Form

- Project Name: Project Size (acres): Project Location/Address: City: General Contractor: CCL#: Contact Person: Contact Phone #: Email: Inspection Date: Inspection Type: New Site 🔲 Periodic 🔲 Complaint 🗍 Complaint#: Active? Yes 🔲 No 🔲 Workers Present? Yes 🔲 No 🔲 Photos Attached? Yes 🔲 No 🔲 Site Conditions: Clear Wind Speed: Wind Direction: Clearing/Scraping Trenching Earthmoving Stockpiling Traffic on Haul Roads Occurring:
- Rule 8021 Construction, Demolition, Excavation, and Other Earthmoving Activities Yes No Approved? Yes No Plan# Required? Dust Control Plan (DCP): Available on Site? Yes No Site Compliant with Plan? Yes No 🔲 Construction Notification: Required? Submitted? Yes No VDE observed? Yes, VDE Form Attached Water applied to building's exterior surfaces? Dust suppressants applied to unpaved areas within 100 feet? Dust suppressants applied to unpaved areas where equipment is operating? NESHAP Requirements for Structures Construction/Excavation/Extraction/Other Earthmoving Activites: Yes, VDE Form Attached Opacity: % Dust Control Measures Implemented: 🔲 Sprinklers ■ Watertrucks #: Watering records maintained? Yes No Inactive Areas: In active seven days or more? 📉 Yes (use the "Open Areas" section). Speed Limit Posted? 🔲 Yes 🔲 No 🔲 N/A 🛮 Meets DOT standards? 🔲 Yes 🔲 No 🐧 Max. speed: 📉 mph (15 or less)
- Rule 8031 Bulk Materials Handling: VDE observed? Yes, VDE Form Attached ■ No Opacity: % Source: Applying Water? Chutes or conveyors > 12 feet? Yes No Fully enclosed Watersprays installed Storage: Active Piles? In active piles < than 100 cubic yards?(exempt) 🔠 Yes 🔲 No Piles stabilized? Yes No Applied water Covered trucks On-site observed? Speed limit Off-site observed? Yes No Truck clean or covered, no spillage ■ Water applied and freeboard of 6 in. Watering records maintained? Yes No Long-term treatment records? 

  Yes 
  No

Reg VIII Site Inspection (Rev. 11/15/16)

- Review selected control measures in the DCP
- Walk the site
  - Verify the selected control measures are in-use and maintained in good working order
  - Conduct VDE (active sites)
  - Verify stabilized surfaces (inactive sites)
  - Look for trackout on public roads, ensure proper cleanup if present
- Review records
- Summarize findings and take any necessary enforcement action



#### Inspection Process if Dust Control Plan is Not Required

- Walk the site
  - Conduct visible dust emissions (active sites)
  - Verify stabilized surfaces (inactive sites)
  - Look for trackout on public roads, ensure proper cleanup if present
- Review records
- Summarize findings and take any necessary enforcement action

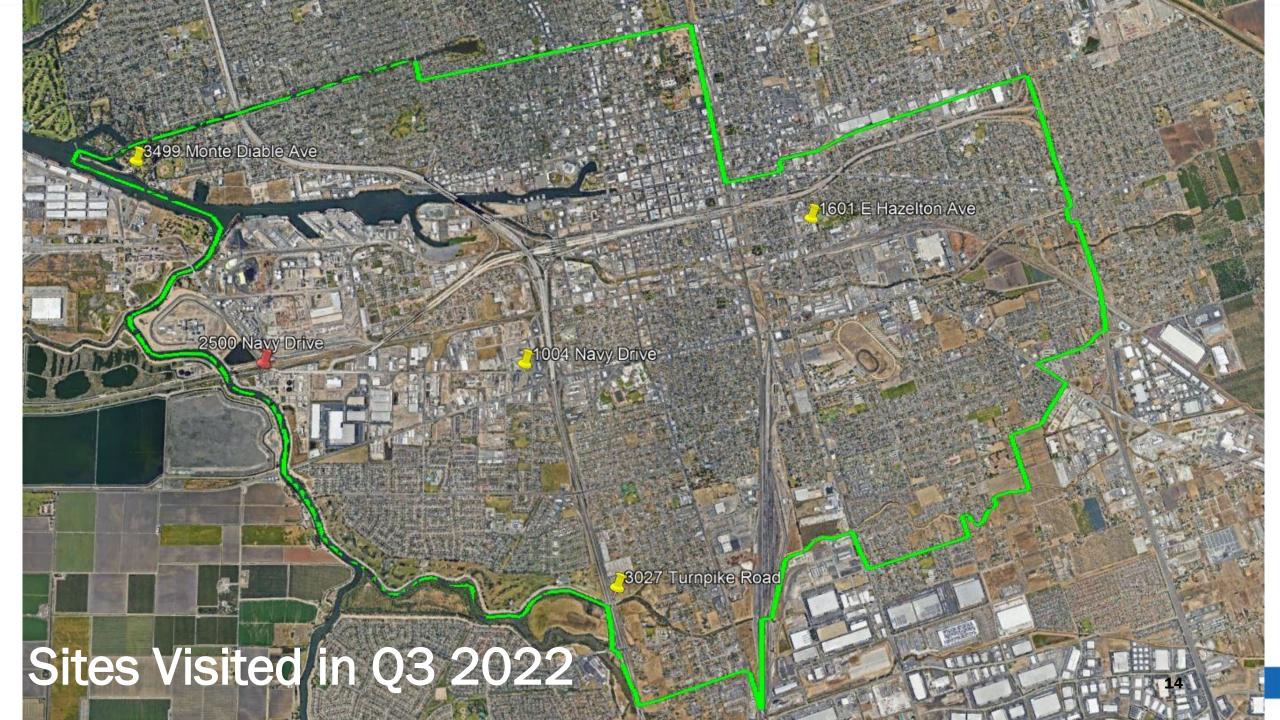




# Inspections at Sites Subject to Regulation VIII Fugitive Dust Requirements

- CERP Measure FD.1 calls for enhanced enforcement of District Regulation
   VIII fugitive dust requirements within the Stockton AB 617 Community
  - At least one targeted enforcement effort during both the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> quarters of each year
  - Targeted enforcement is proactive, not driven by complaints
  - 5 site investigations were conducted during Q3 2022
  - 1 violation was discovered during Q3 2022
    - The site did not have sufficient records of water application or trackout mitigation.
- Inspections are also conducted in response to public complaints





# How to File a Complaint about Dust (or ANY Air Quality Issue)

- Complaints may be filed online, by phone, or by using the Valley Air app on your smart phone
  - Complaints are responded to 365 days a year
  - Reporting Party information is confidential
  - Filing a complaint will put you in touch with an Air Quality
     Inspector assigned to the complaint

County of Residence	Toll Free Number
San Joaquin, Stanislaus, Merced	<u>(800)</u> 281-7003

RAAN Level **Outdoor activity** 

https://ww2.valleyair.org/file-a-complaint



## Questions?

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