

Health Risk Assessment (HRA) Guideline Revisions

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Outline



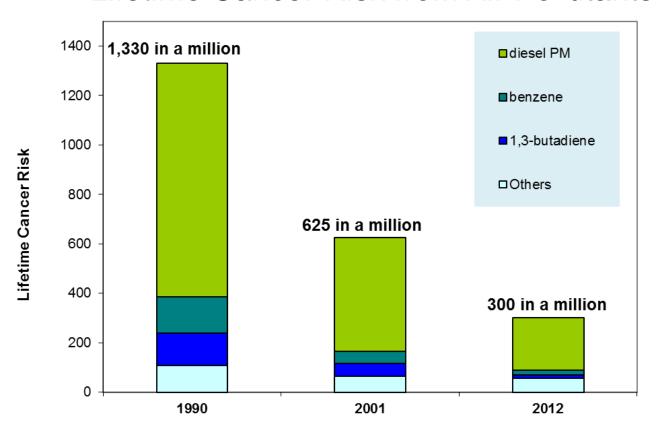
- History of Health Risk Assessment Guideline Revisions
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Background

- ➤ Air District's Toxics Control Program
 - Toxics New Source Review permit new or modified sources
 - Air Toxics Hot Spots (AB2588) toxic emissions from all existing facilities
 - California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA)
- Cal/EPA's Office of Environmental Health Hazard Assessment (OEHHA) develops Health Risk Assessment (HRA) guidelines
 - As mandated under the Children's Environmental Health Protection Act, current revisions include explicit consideration of children's health protection
- > 80% reduction in pollutants and health risk in the Bay Area

80% Reduction of Toxics & Health Risk in Bay Area

Lifetime Cancer Risk from Air Pollutants





Health Risk Assessment Document History

- 2008: Noncancer Reference Exposure Levels (RELs) Derivation - protection of children's health
- ➤ 2009: Cancer Potency Factors Derivation includes increased sensitivity of early life exposure to carcinogens
- 2012: Exposure Assessment Parameters
 - Breathing Rates
 - Resident and worker exposure durations
 - Multi-pathway exposures (e.g., ingestion, dermal, mother's milk)
- 2014: Draft HRA Guidance Manual (update in process)
 - Estimated adoption early next year



Impacts of Major Revisions

- ➤ Increase Risk Estimate:
 - Breathing rates
 - Multi-pathway exposure factors
 - Age Sensitivity Factors (ASFs) already in use by BAAQMD
- Decrease Risk Estimate:
 - Exposure durations
- Overall cancer risk may increase by 2 to 5 times for the same emissions



Potential Implications

- ➤ Increase Workload for Air District & Facilities
 - 150 new permit applications per year may require HRAs
 - Facilities may be required to adjust operations to comply
 - 750 existing facilities may require further prioritization analyses
 - 300 existing facilities may require AB2588 HRAs



Estimated Schedule

OEHHA HRA Guidance Manual

- Public comment period ended August 2014
- OEHHA is responding to public comments
- Scientific Review Panel (SRP) Nov. 12, 2014
- Adoption of Revised HRA Guidance Manual following SRP's approval ~ 1Q 2015
- HRA Tools Hot Spots Analysis and Reporting Program
 - CARB updating software package
 - CARB will provide training within 6 months of finalization of the manual





- Assess impacts to Air District's health risk-based rules, policies and programs
- Prepare rule/policy amendments
 - Initiate rule and policy review 2015
- Work with stakeholders on outreach and risk communication



2014-15 Winter Spare the Air Campaign

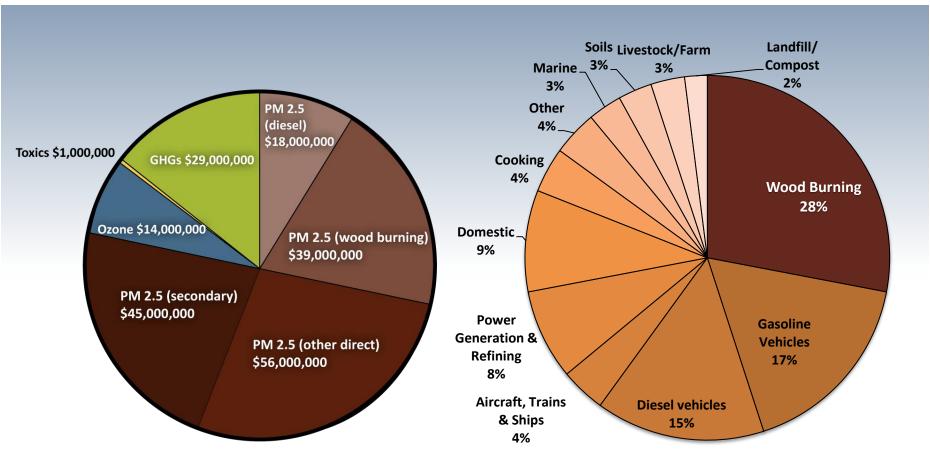
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PM_{2.5} Reduction Benefits



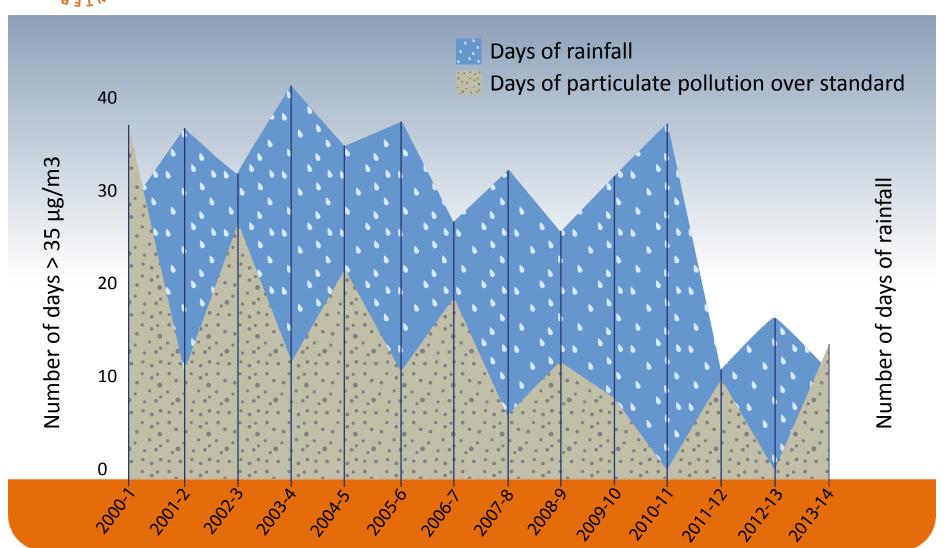


Winter PM_{2.5} Seasons

Year	Days > 35 µg/m³	Winter Spare the Air Alerts
2011/2012	11	15
2012/2013	1	10
2013/2014	15	30



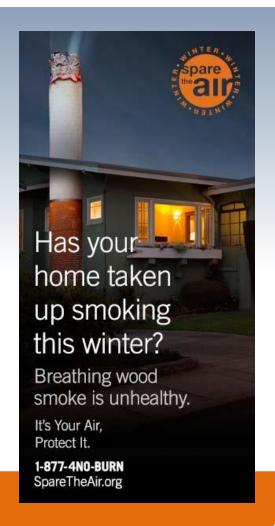
Meteorology & Progress





Outreach

- Stronger messaging
 - Media relations
 - Social media
 - Grassroots outreach
 - Door to Door outreach
 - Advertising



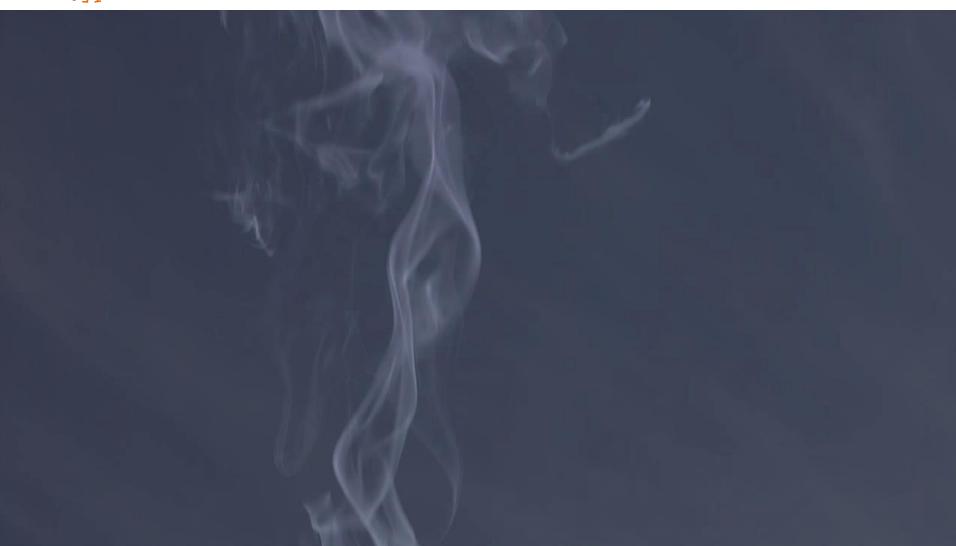


Advertising



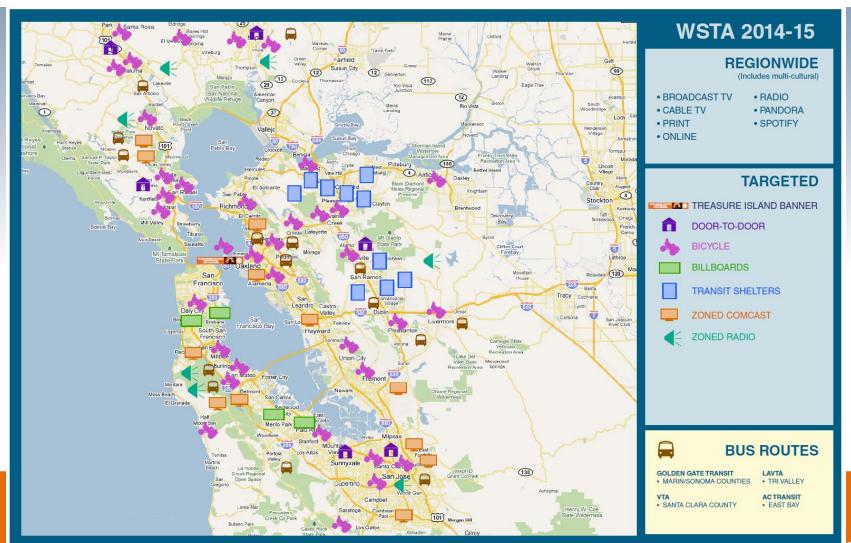


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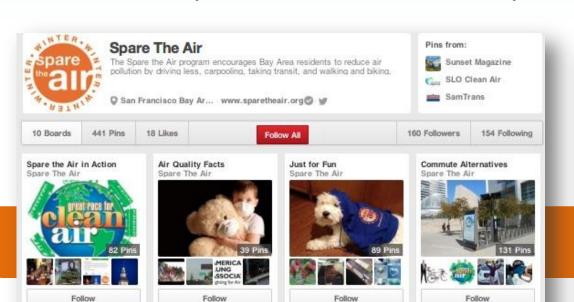
Outreach Placement





Social Media

- Use social media to educate residents on the health effects of wood burning
- Leverage anti-wood smoke influencers to spread campaign awareness
- Showcase partners and health experts







A winter @SparetheAir alert is in effect now & has been issued again for TUE. Air quality remains poor. pic.twitter.com/nNW5QUUbbm





Alert Notification

It's your air, protect it

- Call 1-877-4NO-BURN
- Check the burn status at baaqmd.gov or sparetheair.org
- Sign up for email or text AirAlerts at sparetheair.org
- iPhone/Android app
- Sign up for phone alerts at sparetheair.org or by calling 800-430-1515







Wood Smoke Enforcement

	2008-09	2009-10	2010-11	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14
WSTA Alerts	11	7	4	15	10	30
PM _{2.5} Excesses	13	9	1	11	1	15
Complaints	1,500	2,355	1,373	3,777	2,316	5,091
Info Packets	1,550	10,270	592	11,476	3,720	1,768
Violations	255	319	61	359	178	267
Exemptions	0	44	49	76	91	150 + 27 Seasonal



Enforcement Highlights

- Violations: 267
 - 253 1st NOV Wood Smoke Awareness Course or \$100 penalty
 - 14 2nd or 3rd NOV \$500 (increased with additional NOVs)
 - 177 Total Exemptions 150 permanent, 27 non-functional heater
- Complaints: 5091
 - 60% on Spare the Air Days
 - 209 addresses with 5 or more complaints
 - 15 addresses with 20 or more complaints
 - 1 address with 43 complaints
 - 83 complaints by 1 person





Enforcement Practices

 Complaint information is used to determine patrols and to concentrate enforcement on

houses with multiple complaints

- Patrols deployment varied throughout the season
- Violations are documented and issued when discovered





Rule Development: Regulation 6, Rule 3

- Explore amendments to Rule:
 - Exemptions
 - Opacity
- Rule Development Schedule:
 - Currently exploring possible rule amendments
 - Public Workshops will be scheduled in all 9 counties targeted for 1st and 2nd quarters 2015
 - Rule amendments to the Board of Directors for adoption targeted for 3rd quarter 2015

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Spare the Air Alert Called for: 11/9

• Days > 35 μ g/m³ 24-hr NAAQS: None