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Air District seeks to shut down diesel generators at Green Sage cannabis facilities in Oakland

Order would shut down diesel generators, protect the health of local community

SAN FRANCISCO – The Bay Area Air Quality Management District announced today that it will request the agency’s independent Hearing Board issue an abatement order to shut down nine diesel generators at the Green Sage cannabis facilities in East Oakland.

The Air District issued a Notice of Violation to Green Sage on February 16, 2022, for operating without a permit. The Air District is seeking to shut down Green Sage’s diesel generators for ongoing violations at their Oakland Tinnery and Oakland Cannery facilities.

“The Air District is taking decisive action to stop these unpermitted and harmful diesel emissions from Green Sage’s generators,” said Damian Breen, senior deputy executive officer of operations/enforcement at the Air District. “East Oakland suffers more air pollution than other parts of the Bay Area and approval of the abatement order will help protect local residents and the community.”

“The public deserves transparency, input and assurance that facilities will be held accountable for air quality violations,” said Veronica Eady, senior deputy executive officer of policy and equity at the Air District. “The Air District encourages the public, and especially East Oakland residents, to participate and provide comments to the Hearing Board as we work to hold Green Sage accountable and stop these harmful emissions in a community that is already disproportionately impacted by air pollution.”

If the Hearing Board approves the abatement order, Green Sage would be required to shut down the diesel generators immediately.

Abatement orders and cases brought before the Hearing Board allow for transparency as facts and evidence are presented in an open forum while providing an opportunity for public involvement. The public is encouraged to participate and comment when the proposed abatement order is presented to the Hearing Board. Once the hearing is scheduled, a link will be posted on the Air District’s website at www.baaqmd.gov. The public can also sign up for Hearing Board updates at <https://www.baaqmd.gov/contact-us/sign-up-for-information>.

The [Bay Area Air Quality Management District](http://www.baaqmd.gov) is the regional agency responsible for protecting air quality in the nine-county Bay Area. Connect with the Air District via [Twitter](#), [Facebook](#) and [YouTube](#).

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