

**CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT  
NOTICE OF COMPLETION OF DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT  
REPORT**

**PROPOSED AIR DISTRICT REGULATION 11: HAZARDOUS  
POLLUTANTS RULE 18: REDUCTION OF RISK FROM AIR TOXIC  
EMISSIONS AT EXISTING FACILITIES and REGULATION 12:  
MISCELLANEOUS STANDARDS OF PERFORMANCE, RULE 16:  
PETROLEUM REFINING FACILITY-WIDE EMISSIONS LIMITS**

Interested Agencies, Organizations and Individuals:

**Subject:** Notice is hereby given pursuant to California Public Resources Code § 21091, 21092, 21092.2, and 21092.3; and CEQA Guidelines Section 15085 and 15087 that the Bay Area Air Quality Management District (Bay Area AQMD or District), as lead agency, has prepared a Draft Environmental Impact Report (EIR) in connection with the project described in this notice.

**Project Title:** Bay Area AQMD proposed new District Regulation 11, Rule 18: Reduction of Risk from Toxic Air Emissions at Existing Facilities and Regulation 12, Rule 16: Petroleum Refining Facility-Wide Emission Limits

**Project Location:** The proposed rules will apply within the Bay Area AQMD, which includes all of Alameda, Contra Costa, Marin, Napa, San Francisco, San Mateo, and Santa Clara counties, and the southern portions of Solano and Sonoma counties.

**State Clearinghouse Number:** 2016102043

**Project Description:** The Draft EIR analyzes two rules that take different approaches to addressing concerns about health impact of pollution in communities near the refineries. However, the rules are not dependent upon one another and will be considered independently by the Board.

Proposed new Regulation 12, Rule 16 would set facility-wide numeric limits for several specified pollutants emitted by five Bay Area petroleum refineries and certain support facilities.

Proposed new Regulation 11, Rule 18 would ensure that emissions of Toxic Air Contaminants from existing facilities do not pose an unacceptable health risk to people living and working nearby. The rule would use the most up-to-date assumptions about the risk of compounds and would require the facility to take action to reduce risk below a specified risk threshold if the facility exceeds the risk thresholds. If the facility could not devise a means to reduce the risk below the specified risk level, the facility would be required to install best available retrofit control technology for toxic pollutants (TBARCT) on every significant source of TAC emissions at the facility.

**Probable Environmental Impacts:** For Rule 11-18, the Draft EIR concludes that the proposed new rules would result in 1) potentially significant impacts on air quality (criteria pollutants) during construction activities and in the operation of some pollution control equipment, 2) potentially significant unavoidable impacts on greenhouse gas emissions during operation of some pollution control equipment, and 3) potentially significant unavoidable impacts on hydrology and water quality (water demand) during operational activities for certain large-scale pollution control equipment. The Draft EIR also concludes that implementation of Rule 12-16 would result in potentially significant hazards and hazardous materials impacts during operation of certain types of air pollution control equipment that may be mitigated to be less than significant through specified mitigation measures.

For Rule 12-16, the Draft EIR concludes that the proposed new rules would result in potentially significant unavoidable impacts on air quality (criteria pollutants) during construction of large pollution control equipment, and potentially significant unavoidable impacts on hydrology and water quality (water demand) during operational activities for certain large-scale pollution control equipment. The Draft EIR also concludes that implementation of Rule 12-16 would

result in potentially significant hazards and hazardous materials impacts during operation of certain types of air pollution control equipment that may be mitigated to be less than significant through specified mitigation measures.

**Public Hearing:** A public hearing to certification of a final EIR will be held on May 17, 2017, in the 1<sup>st</sup> floor Board Room, 375 Beale Street, San Francisco, California, at 9:45 a.m., or as soon thereafter as the matter may be heard. A copy of the draft rule, staff report, and socioeconomic analysis will be available at the District headquarters or on the District's website at <http://www.baaqmd.gov/rules-and-compliance/rulehearings> no later than March 24, 2015.

**DRAFT EIR AND SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION ARE AVAILABLE AT:**

Bay Area Air Quality Management District  
375 Beale Street, Suite 600  
San Francisco, CA 94105

Or by Calling:  
415-749-4786

These documents are also available at the District's Website: <http://www.baaqmd.gov/rules-and-compliance/rulehearings>.

**PUBLIC REVIEW AND COMMENT PERIOD:** Comments relating to the environmental analysis should be addressed to Mr. Victor Douglas, Bay Area Air Quality Management District, 375 Beale Street, Suite 600, San Francisco CA, 94105. Comments may also be sent by e-mail to [vdouglas@baaqmd.gov](mailto:vdouglas@baaqmd.gov). Comments will be accepted during the period from Friday, March 24, 2017 until 5:00 pm on **Monday, May 8, 2017**.

**Date: March 24, 2017**