

Monthly Activity Report

December 1 to December 31, 2014

Regulated sources, by county

	Island	Skagit	Whatcom	Portable	Total
Air operating permit sources	1	13	12	0	26
Registered sources	32	131	197	17	377
Totals	33	144	209	17	403

Construction permit applications received

Permit				
No.	Source	County	Received	Project description
1205	Tesoro Refining & Marketing Company	Skagit	12/11/14	Minor projects to improve operation and yield at the crude unit and vacuum distillation unit.
1206	Northwest Marine Industries, LLC	Whatcom	12/29/14	Relocated fiberglass boat builder retroactively seeks permit to operate in new location

Alleged violations

Case	Issue			
No. 4116	Date 12/01/14	Source Fidalgo Bay Body Shop	County Skagit	Alleged violation description Failure to maintain required records.
4110	12/01/14	Cargill Nutrena – Ferndale	Whatcom	Failure to submit required reports and keep required records.
4117	12/15/14	Brooks Manufacturing Company	Whatcom	Brooks Manufacturing Company constructed a baghouse in August 2014 without submitting a required notice of construction. The new baghouse replaced an existing baghouse that was installed and permitted in 1989.
4118	12/15/14	Jacquie Salas	Whatcom	After allowing for a 20-minute startup, opacity from woodstove smokestack exceeded the maximum allowable limit of 20% for 6 minutes. Average opacity was 38% for 6 minutes.
4120	12/15/14	Shell Puget Sound Refinery	Skagit	The extendable legs of an internal floating tank roof were accidently left extended, preventing it from floating for eight hours on April 6, 2014. The tank was storing heavy platformate. The incident resulted in the release of an estimated 398 pounds of excess volatile organic compounds to the atmosphere.
4121	12/23/14	Mike Dunatov	Skagit	Illegal outdoor fire. Pile was contained within a burn box approximately 3' x 2' x 3' and consisted of prohibited materials in the form of demolition debris from a motor home including paneling, electrical components, and fiberglass residuals. No permit was requested nor would have been granted for this fire.

Alleged violations (cont.)

Case	Issue		_	
No.	Date	Source	County	Alleged violation description
4122a	12/23/14	Northwest	Whatcom	Failure to apply for and receive a
		Marine		establishing a boat building facili

Industries, LLC

Failure to apply for and receive a construction permit prior to establishing a boat building facility at 809 Harris Ave., Building 6, in Bellingham. 12/23/14: Case No. 4122 reissued as 4122a to change the name of the facility from Northwest Marine Industries to Northwest Marine Industries, LLC.

Penalties issued

Case				Conditionally	
No.	Source	County	Amount	suspended1 to	Alleged violation description
4080a	Mt. Baker Products, Inc. DBA Mt. Baker Plywood	Whatcom	\$22,000	N/A	Failure to meet boiler load requirements during source testing and excess particulate matter emissions measured during 8/7/13 source test.
4111	Janicki Industries, Inc.	Skagit	\$500	N/A	Janicki Industries began operation of annealing equipment prior to NWCAA issuing the permit.

Process upsets reported with excess emissions

Date 12/15/14	Source Sierra Pacific Industries -Skagit Lumber Facility	County Skagit	Description Boiler off line for a water leak at the steam drum
12/17/14	NAS, Whidbey Island	Island	Fuel truck driver failed to use required pollution control equipment when transferring gasoline to storage tank.

Complaint Summary

Total calls received 48

Number of complaints by type

Dust, road/lot or construction	0
Industrial emissions	0
Odor	4
Outdoor burning	5
Particulate	0
Smoke	2
Woodstove	37

¹ In some cases, NWCAA offers sources that are responsive the opportunity to suspend a portion of their penalty by signing an Assurance of Discontinuance (AOD) agreement that requires specific corrective actions by the source and holds the remainder of the penalty due if the violation is repeated within 5 years.





