

Monthly Activity Report

October 1 to October 31, 2016

Regulated sources, by county

	Island	Skagit	Whatcom	Portable	Total
Air operating permit sources	1	12	12	0	25
Registered sources	34	149	239	15	437
Totals	35	161	251	15	462

Permitting

Construction permit applications received

Permit						
No.	Source	County	Received	Project description		
GO002-04	Flex Auto Body	Whatcom	10/03/16	Install spray booth for applying paint to automobiles.		
1233a	Bellingham Professional Finishes	Whatcom	10/03/16	Modify existing permit to increase paint use in spray booth for painting signs.		
GO003-05	Kwick N Kleen Car Wash	Skagit	10/06/16	Install a gasoline-dispensing facility.		
1260	APC Advanced Powder Coating	Whatcom	10/14/16	Replace the existing air pollution control device (dust collector) with a new unit.		
1261	Tesoro Refining & Marketing Company LLC	Skagit	10/17/16	Modify an existing storage tank so that the tank can store naphtha.		

Construction permit decisions

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Permit No.	Source	County	time (60 days max)	Project description	Action taken
GO002-04	Flex Auto Body	Whatcom	0	Install spray booth for applying paint to automobiles.	General order issued
GO003-05	Kwick N Kleen Car Wash	Skagit	0	Install gasoline-dispensing facility.	General order issued
RO 45	Petrogas Ferndale Storage Terminal	Whatcom	20	Operate a temporary non-road engine for more than 90 days.	Regulatory order issued

Construction permit decisions (cont.)

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Permit No.	Source	County	time (60 days max)	Project description	Action taken
1253	Shell Puget Sound Refinery	Skagit	58	Upgrade the existing vacuum pipestill unit to increase operational reliability and flexibility. No increase to overall refinery throughput.	Permit issued
1237	Silvastar Forest Products LLC - Ferndale	Whatcom	41	Install spray booth for applying coatings to wood.	Permit issued

Enforcement

Alleged violations

Case No.	Issue Date	Source	County	Alleged violation description
4218	10/03/16	VT Volant	Skagit	Failure to comply with multiple permit conditions, including failure to maintain records and operation and maintenance (O&M) manuals for dust collection and spray-coating operations.
4219	10/03/16	Steve J Serenas	Whatcom	Illegal outdoor fire containing prohibited materials during a county-wide fire danger burn ban.
4220	10/03/16	Earl Jones	Skagit	Illegal outdoor fire containing prohibited material in the form of a large hot tub.
4222	10/03/16	77777 Enterprises LP	Whatcom	Illegal outdoor fire containing prohibited material in the form of plastics, cardboard, and household garbage on a commercial property consisting of agricultural land and associated worker housing.
4215a	10/04/16	Steven Webb	Whatcom	Failure to adequately store, label and dispose of asbestos waste.
4221a	10/04/16	J & H Storage, LLC	Whatcom	Two Illegal outdoor fires containing prohibited material during a fire danger burn ban on commercial property. Fire Warden issued a warning and informational material at the first fire.
4223	10/10/16	Cory McDaniel	Whatcom	Illegal outdoor fire of $40' \times 20' \times 10'$ pile of prohibited material in the form of construction debris, dimensional lumber, and treated lumber. Burning occurred as part of a commercial operation. No one was in attendance of the fire. Fire occurred during a fire danger burn ban.
4224	10/18/16	US Golden Eagle Farms LP	Skagit	Illegal renovation and demolition activity at a single-family residence with no asbestos survey, notification of the demolition, asbestos certified workers, or asbestos abatement. Asbestos content greater than 1% was found in friable textured surfacing material on the ceiling of the building entryway.
4225	10/18/16	US Golden Eagle Farms LP	Skagit	Illegal outdoor fire in the form of an attended burn barrel being used to dispose of construction debris. Prohibited material included dimensional painted and treated lumber.
4226	10/21/16	Baker Lake Travel Center	Skagit	Failure to pay 2016 registration fees.
4227	10/21/16	Harbor Motor Company LLC	Whatcom	Failure to submit a Notice of Construction application and receive an Order of Approval to Construct prior to the installation of a spray booth.

Alleged violations (Cont.)

Case No.	Issue Date	Source	County	Alleged violation description
4228	10/21/16	Paradise Market	Whatcom	Failure to pay 2016 registration fee.
4229	10/26/16	Curtis Alan Gudde	Whatcom	Illegal outdoor fire. Burn pile was approximately 20' \times 10' \times 3' and contained prohibited material in the form of garbage, building materials, plastics, and other miscellaneous debris.

Penalties issued

Penames issued			Amount Conditionally		
Case No.	Source	County		reduced or suspended ¹ to	Alleged violation description
4154	Kenneth Harms	Whatcom	\$1,000	. \$0	Installation of an uncertified hydraulic heater.
4155	Alternate Heating Systems Inc.		\$3,000	\$0	Sale of an uncertified, and therefore illegal, hydronic heater in the state of WA.
4165	Bellingham AutoWorks	Whatcom	\$1,100	\$1,100	Failure to operate and maintain spray booth equipment according to permit conditions, including uncertified painters, blocked inoperable filters, and lack of records.
4202	Carlos Auto Body	Skagit	\$3,000	\$3,000	Failure to submit a Notice of Construction application and receive an Order of Approval to Construct prior to the installation of a spray booth.
4199a	Bellingham AutoWorks	Whatcom	\$2,200	\$2,200	Primer, paint, solvent and additive limits were exceeded. Failure to maintain records. Painters did not have required training.
4203	Fountain Veterinary Hospital	Whatcom	\$1,500	\$500	Failure to meet minimum temperature requirements during cremation.
4204	Lloyd A. Winterberg	Whatcom	\$1,093	\$1,093	Illegal outdoor fire consisting entirely of prohibited material in the form of debris from a dismantled recreational vehicle, specifically tires, paneling, furniture, electrical wire, plastics, treated lumber, and other miscellaneous debris.
4209	Mykola N. Shkurat	Whatcom	\$878	\$378	Illegal outdoor fire containing prohibited material in the form of automotive parts, plastics, household garbage, and dimensional lumber. No one was in attendance of the fire.
4207	Shell Puget Sound Refinery	Skagit	\$39,400	\$39,400	Failure to follow good air pollution control practices for minimizing emissions resulting in approximately 13,400 pounds of excess SO2 from the east flare and sulfur recovery unit 4 on April 14, 2016.

¹ In some cases, NWCAA offers air pollution sources the opportunity to reduce their penalty by agreeing to specific actions that go beyond compliance requirements. Alternatively, a portion of a penalty may be suspended, holding the remainder of the penalty due if the violation is repeated within 5 years.

Penalties issued (Cont.)

Case No.	Source	County	Amount	Conditionally reduced or suspended ² to	Alleged violation description
4211	Northwest Pipeline LLC-M.V.	Skagit	\$1,000	\$1,000	Failure to submit the annual compliance certification report for calendar year 2015.
4212	Northwest Pipeline LLC- Sumas	Whatcom	\$1,000	\$1,000	Failure to submit the annual compliance certification report for calendar year 2015.
4210a	Northwest Pipeline LLC-M.V.	Skagit	\$10,000	\$10,000	Excess emissions of NOx from Unit 4 turbine between December 2, 2015 and February 10, 2016.
4221a	J & H Storage, LLC	Whatcom	\$1,250	\$500	Two Illegal outdoor fires containing prohibited material during a fire danger burn ban on commercial property. Fire Warden issued a warning and informational material at the first fire.

Industry reports of process upsets with potential excess emissions

Date	Source	County
10/14/16	Sierra Pacific Industries -Skagit Lumber Facility	Skagit
10/18/16	Phillips 66 Company	Whatcom
10/26/16	Shell Puget Sound Refinery	Skagit
10/28/16	Shell Puget Sound Refinery	Skagit

Complaint summary

Dust, Road/Lot or Construction	1
Industrial Emissions	2
Odor	9
Outdoor Burning	11
Woodstove	7
TOTAL: (unique for the period)	30

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