

# **Monthly Activity Report**

October 26 to November 25, 2023

# Regulated sources, by county

	Island	Skagit	Whatcom	Total
Air operating permit sources	1	10	11	22
Registered sources	58	211	273	542
Totals	59	221	284	564

## **Permitting**

# Construction permit applications received

Permit No.	Source	County	Received	Project description
1250a	All American Marine	Whatcom	10/31/23	Modify existing paint spray booth by adding an exhaust plenum and 50,000 cfm exhaust fans. Paint overspray controlled by filters before air exhausts outdoors.
1415	Wilcox Family Farms	Skagit	11/02/23	New gas-fired cremation unit (Model MDL 36 LP Burn Easy, 400-pound capacity) to dispose of dead chickens. Unit equipped with afterburner for smoke control.
1126a	DariTech	Whatcom	11/06/23	Modification to permit for an existing spray booth to allow higher paint usage. Overspray will be controlled by filters before air exhausts outdoors.
1416	Ideal Rent All	Skagit	11/14/23	New 270-barrel portable cement silo with jet pulse baghouse dust collector to control dust.

### Construction permits issued

Permit No.	Source	County	Processing time (60 days max)	Project description
1411	Ben's Market 1	Whatcom	2	Removal of Stage II vapor control equipment while Stage I (tank) vapor controls remain in place.
1415	Wilcox Family Farms	Skagit	25	New gas-fired cremation unit (Model MDL 36 LP Burn Easy, 400-pound capacity) to dispose of dead chickens. Unit equipped with afterburner for smoke control.

#### **Enforcement**

### Alleged violations

Case No.	Issue Date	Source	County	Alleged violation description
4690	11/07/23	Mario M. Ramos	Skagit	Unpermitted illegal burn of a 60 ft by 20 ft pile.

#### Penalties issued

Case No.	Source	County	Amount	Conditionally reduced or suspended <sup>1</sup> to	Alleged violation description
4654	Phillips 66 Ferndale Refinery	Whatcom	\$33,000	\$33,000	Failure to continuously maintain flare gas combustion zone net heating value at or above regulatory limits, NOx emissions from heater 4F-2 within allowable limits, and SRU SO2 emissions within allowable limits.
4655	Paul Blake	Skagit	\$500	\$250	Illegal outdoor burning during a burn ban.

## Industry reports of process upsets with potential excess emissions

Date	Source	County
11/09/23	Sierra Pacific Industries -Skagit Lumber Facility	Skagit
11/11/23	Post Point Wastewater Treatment Plant (SSI)	Whatcom
11/20/23	Post Point Wastewater Treatment Plant (SSI)	Whatcom

### Complaint summary

Asbestos	1
Industrial Emissions	1
Other	1
Marijuana	4
Odor	7
Outdoor Burning	14
Smoke	1
Woodstove	12
TOTAL: (unique for the period)	41

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> 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.





