



Monthly Activity Report

September 26 to October 25, 2019

Regulated sources, by county

	Island	Skagit	Whatcom	Total
Air operating permit sources	1	10	12	23
Registered sources	46	186	260	492
Totals	47	196	272	515

Permitting

Construction permit applications received

Permit No.	Source	County	Received	Project description
GO003-16	Valley Market & Deli	Whatcom	09/27/19	Gasoline dispensing station.
1339	Wilcox Family Farms	Skagit	09/30/19	New gas-fired cremation unit with afterburner for smoke control to dispose of dead chickens; 400 pounds per load capacity.
1340	7-Eleven 38866	Skagit	10/24/19	Gasoline dispensing station.

Construction permit decisions

Permit No.	Source	County	Processing time (60 days max)	Project description	Action taken
GO003-16	Valley Market & Deli	Whatcom	3	Gasoline dispensing station.	General order issued
1330	Smith and Vallee Woodworking	Skagit	53	Spray booth for wood products.	Permit issued

Enforcement

Alleged violations

Case No.	Issue Date	Source	County	Alleged violation description
4392	09/30/19	Baker Lake Travel Center	Skagit	Failure to install pressure vacuum vent caps on 3 gasoline storage tanks. Failure to pay 2019 annual registration fee.

Alleged violations (cont.)

Case No.	Issue Date	Source	County	Alleged violation description
4393	09/30/19	Tri-County Dead Stock Inc.	Whatcom	Emission of dead and decaying animal odors in such concentrations as to unreasonably interfere with the use and enjoyment of property.
4395	10/14/19	Naomi Mobil	Island	Failure to install vapor recovery equipment (coaxial drop tube) as required by permit. Failure to test for vapor tightness. Failure to repair timely and retest to verify vapor tightness.
4394	10/22/19	Shell Puget Sound Refinery	Skagit	Failure to maintain the tank 36 internal floating roof in good operating condition, resting on its stored liquid surface to minimize emissions of volatile organic compounds (VOC) and hazardous air pollutants (HAP), resulting in an estimated 15 tons of VOC released.
4397	10/22/19	Sierra Pacific Industries - Skagit Lumber Facility	Skagit	Failure to take corrective actions in accordance with permit conditions regarding low-pressure drop readings at the planer baghouse.

Penalties issued

Case No.	Source	County	Amount	Conditionally reduced or suspended ¹ to	Alleged violation description
4336	Silvastar Forest Products LLC - Ferndale	Whatcom	\$3,000	\$3,000	Failure to maintain and operate a dust collection system in accordance with good air pollution control practices, and missing and incomplete usage and emissions records.
4375	Pacific Woodtech Corporation	Skagit	\$1,000	\$1,000	Pacific Woodtech Corporation failed to source test Billet Beam Baghouse #5 within 90 days of startup.

Industry reports of process upsets with potential excess emissions

Date	Source	County
10/02/19	Shell Puget Sound Refinery	Skagit
10/08/19	BP West Coast Products LLC	Whatcom
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10/11/19	BP West Coast Products LLC	Whatcom
10/12/19	Phillips 66 Company	Whatcom
10/12/19	Post Point Wastewater Treatment Plant	Whatcom
10/15/19	BP West Coast Products LLC	Whatcom
10/16/19	Post Point Wastewater Treatment Plant	Whatcom
10/17/19	Post Point Wastewater Treatment Plant	Whatcom
10/18/19	BP West Coast Products LLC	Whatcom
10/19/19	BP West Coast Products LLC	Whatcom
10/21/19	Post Point Wastewater Treatment Plant	Whatcom

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.

Complaint summary

Dust, Road/Lot or Construction	1
Industrial Emissions	3
Marijuana	1
Odor	13
Other	2
Outdoor Burning	6
Smoke	1
TOTAL: (unique for the period)	27

Burning Related Complaints



Odor Complaints



Total Complaints

