

# Crushing Operations Rule

(proposed NWCAA Section 512)

Stakeholder Input Requested



THIS IS A PROPOSED RULE (Effective Early 2022)

## Does the Crushing Operations Rule Apply To Me?

It applies to new and existing mineral processing plants operating in the NWCAA jurisdiction including:

- *Rock Crushers*
- *Asphalt Crushers*
- *Concrete Crushers*
- *Aggregate Screens*
- *Sand & Gravel Operations*

Written input will be accepted through August 27, 2021.

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## What's the Purpose of this Rule?

It establishes general standards to control particulate emissions from crushing operations. It helps level the playing field for dust control by applying the same standards to:

- *Existing crushers operating without a permit (e.g., old equipment)*
- *Existing crushers operating with permits from outside NWCAA's jurisdiction*
- *Existing crushers with NWCAA permits issued over time with variability in conditions of operation\**
- *Crushing operations new to NWCAA's jurisdiction*

\* *Crushing operations that already have NWCAA permits will follow the conditions in their permits or the rule, whichever is more stringent.*

## Will I be Required to Get a Permit?

The rule does not trigger existing crushing operations to get a permit. In fact, the rule will allow most new crushing operations coming to do business in NWCAA's jurisdiction to do so without getting a permit. This will save them time and permit fees. Large operations crushing more than 4,500 tons per day will still be required to get a permit.

## What are the Key Requirements of the New Rule?

Prepare and maintain a written dust suppression plan	Conduct a weekly visual inspection for dust
Keep visible emissions from crushing operations to a minimum, not to exceed 5% opacity	Log weekly dust observations and measures being taken to follow the dust suppression plan
Ensure there are no visible emissions at or beyond the property line	Log total material crushed each day and month

## What are the next steps?

### Preliminary Timeline

- *August* ...*Informal stakeholder input*
- *September - October* ...*Staff review and revisions if appropriate*
- *November - December* ...*Formal comment period and public hearing*
- *February 2022* ...*Adoption by the Board*
- *March 2022* ...*Rule effective*

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# Portable Source Rule (proposed NWCAA Section 514)

Stakeholder Input Requested



THIS IS A PROPOSED RULE (Effective Early 2022)

## Does the Portable Source Rule Apply To Me?

It applies to new and existing portable sources subject to registration including:

- *Crushing Operations*
- *Vapor Combustors*
- *Concrete Plants*
- *Asphalt Plants*

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## What's the Purpose of this Rule?

It establishes recordkeeping and uniform notification procedures for portable sources including those operating without a permit, those with permits from other jurisdictions, and those with permits from NWCAA. It makes it easier for NWCAA to keep track of portable sources, which helps level the playing field with respect to:

- *Permitting*
- *Registration (emissions and billing)*
- *Inspections to verify compliance with applicable standards*

## What are the Key Requirements of the New Rule?

File a relocation notification at least 15 days in advance of relocating into, out of, or within NWCAA jurisdiction

Penalty up to 3x normal penalty for failing to submit a relocation notice, particularly if the failure is related to permitting or registration

Keep records of location and dates of operation within NWCAA jurisdiction

## What are the next steps?

### *Preliminary Timeline*

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| • <i>September - October</i> | • <i>...Staff review and revisions if appropriate</i> |
| • <i>November - December</i> | • <i>...Formal comment period and public hearing</i>  |
| • <i>February 2022</i>       | • <i>...Adoption by the Board</i>                     |
| • <i>March 2022</i>          | • <i>...Rule effective</i>                            |

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