

Monthly Activity Report

July 26 to August 25, 2024

Regulated sources, by county

	Island	Skagit	Whatcom	Total
Air operating permit sources	1	10	11	22
Registered sources	57	212	273	542
Totals	58	222	284	564

Permitting

Construction permit applications received

Permit No.	Source	County	Received	Project description
1410a	Safeway Fuel Station - Mt Vernon # 1472	Skagit	08/20/24	Replace Stage 2 vapor controls at an existing gas station.

Construction permits issued

			Processing time (60	
Permit No.	Source	County	days max)	Project description
1394a	K & S Woodworks LLC	Whatcom	10	Wood working equipment that vents to a dust collection system controlled by a baghouse (air pollution control) and a modification to the types of coatings approved for use at the existing paint spray booth.
1422	HighCraft Group, LLC	Whatcom	49	Two paint spray booths for painting cabinets. Particulate matter from painting controlled by filters.

Enforcement

Alleged violations

Case No.	Issue Date	Source	County	Alleged violation description
4720	07/31/24	Phillips 66 Ferndale Refinery	Whatcom	Flare monitoring bypass events on 2/6-7/2023, 6/6-7/2023, and 10/15/2023 when the hydrofluoric acid alkylation process unit vented to the flare system.

Alleged violations (cont.)

Case No.	Issue Date	Source	County	Alleged violation description
4728	08/09/24	Bellingham AutoWorks	Whatcom	Failure to pay 2024 registration fees.
4729	08/09/24	Custom Molding & Millworks Inc.	Whatcom	Failure to pay 2024 registration fees.
4732	08/09/24	Island Restorations	Island	Failure to pay 2024 registration fees.
4733	08/09/24	Lynden Chevron	Whatcom	Failure to pay 2024 registration fees.
4746	08/09/24	Washington Iron Works Inc.	Island	Failure to pay 2024 registration fees.

Penalties issued

Case No.	Source	County	Amount	Conditionally reduced or suspended ¹ to	Alleged violation description
4704	MAAX US	Whatcom	\$1,500	\$1,500	Failure to submit the calendar year 2023 annual
	Corporation				compliance certification timely.

Industry reports of process upsets with potential excess emissions

Date	Source	County
08/01/24	Anacortes Wastewater Treatment Plant (SSI)	Skagit
08/07/24	BP Cherry Point Refinery	Whatcom
08/08/24	Marathon Anacortes Refinery	Skagit
08/08/24	Marathon Anacortes Refinery	Skagit
08/18/24	Post Point Wastewater Treatment Plant (SSI)	Whatcom

Complaint summary

Dust, Road/Lot or Construction	2
Industrial Emissions	1
Odor	13
Other	1
Outdoor Burning	7
Prohibited Material	1
Smoke	2
TOTAL: (unique for the period)	26

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.





