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Public Comment Period Begins

Redwood Landfill, Inc., Gets Preliminary OK for Title V Permit

The Bay Area Air Quality Management District has made a preliminary decision to grant a Title V permit to Redwood Landfill, Inc., located at 8950 Redwood Highway just north of Novato. Redwood Landfill occupies a 600-acre site that includes a municipal solid waste landfill and related operations including sewage sludge storage and disposal, composting, green waste recycling and reuse, leachate management, and landfill gas collection and control.

The public comment period is from September 30, 2003 until November 3, 2003. During the public comment period, any member of the public may comment on any aspect of the proposed permit. A copy of the proposed permit can be found:

- 1) At the Novato Public Library, 1720 Novato Boulevard, Novato.
- 2) On the Air District web site at www.baaqmd.gov (follow the Title V links),
- 3) At the Air District, 939 Ellis Street, San Francisco. For an appointment call May Leung at (415) 749-4729.
- 4) For a hard copy of the permit, call the Public Information Office at (415) 749-4900 or write to: BAAQMD, Attn: Title V Permit Request, 939 Ellis Street, San Francisco, CA 94109.

What is Title V?

Title V is part of the 1990 amendments to the Clean Air Act, and requires all state and local governments to develop and implement operating permits for all major pollution emitting facilities. The EPA oversees these permit programs and the Air District is charged with implementing them in the Bay Area, in accordance with Federal guidelines.

Title V is intended to clarify the complex air quality permitting process by consolidating the multitude of federal, state, and local air pollution control regulations into one summary operating permit that covers all aspects of a facility's year-to-year air pollution activities. The Title V operating permit program is implemented under Air District Regulation 2, Rule 6. Public comment is important to the Title V process. A final decision will incorporate consideration of public comments on the proposal.

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