



South Coast Air Quality Management District's

Notice of Public Consultation

REVISED DRAFT REPORT-- MULTIPLE AIR TOXICS EXPOSURE STUDY IN THE SOUTH COAST AIR BASIN (MATES III)

**August 26, 2008
10 a.m. – 12 noon
South Coast AQMD
Conference Room GB
21865 Copley Drive
Diamond Bar, CA 91765**

The South Coast Air Quality Management District (AQMD) has scheduled a public consultation meeting to discuss the revised draft **Multiple Air Toxics Exposure Study III**. MATES III is a monitoring and evaluation study conducted in the South Coast Air Basin (Basin). The study is a follow on to previous air toxics studies in the Basin and is part of the AQMD Governing Board Environmental Justice Initiative. The study includes a monitoring program at several sites in Southern California, and a computer modeling effort to characterize risk from air toxics across the Basin. The study focuses on the carcinogenic risk from exposure to air toxics. It does not estimate mortality or other health effects from particulate exposures or other criteria pollutants. A network of ten fixed sites was used to monitor toxic air contaminants once every three days for two years.

Based on comments received on the initial draft report, staff conducted additional air toxics modeling, and also applied the MATES III modeling protocol to the MATES II time period for a more “apples to apples” comparison between MATES III and MATES II.

Staff will present an overview of the update and is seeking input and comments on the revised draft report. Send any comments or questions on the MATES III draft report to:

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The MATES III Revised Draft Report is available at the following web link:
<http://www.aqmd.gov/prdas/matesIII/matesIII.html>

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