



Briefing Notification to County Manager

Prepared by the Maricopa County Air Quality Department

Case #/Title: AQ-2016-004-Rule 320 (Odors and Gaseous Air Contaminants)

Supervisor Districts: All Districts

Overview: Based on Rule 32, which was approved into the Arizona State Implementation Plan (SIP) in 1972 by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Rule 320 limits the emissions of odors and other gaseous air contaminants into the atmosphere from rendering operations (the reduction of animal or vegetable matter by a heated process) and asphalt kettle or dip tank operations. Rule 320 also limits the emissions of hydrogen sulfide, sulfur, and high sulfur oil. Rule 320 has restrictions for the processing, storing, using, and transporting of pesticides, fertilizer, and manure.

Revisions proposed to Rule 320 will remove outdated standards and improve enforceability. In addition, as part of this rulemaking process, Rule 320 will replace Rule 32 in the Arizona SIP.

Next Steps: The rulemaking will follow the Enhanced Regulatory Outreach Program Policy and workflow process. Stakeholder workshops are tentatively scheduled to begin in June 2016.



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MEMORANDUM

Date: June 6, 2016
To: Joy Rich, AICP, County Manager
From: Philip A. McNeely, R.G., Director *PAM*
Subject: AQ-2016-004-Rule 320 – County Manager's Approval

In accordance with the "Moratorium on Increased Regulatory Burdens," the Air Quality Department is seeking your approval to proceed with revisions to Rule 320 (Odors and Gaseous Air Contaminants). Based on Rule 32, which was approved into the Arizona State Implementation Plan (SIP) in 1972 by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Rule 320 limits the emissions of odors and other gaseous air contaminants into the atmosphere from rendering operations (the reduction of animal or vegetable matter by a heated process) and asphalt kettle or dip tank operations. Rule 320 also limits the emissions of hydrogen sulfide, sulfur, and high sulfur oil. Rule 320 has restrictions for the processing, storing, using, and transporting of pesticides, fertilizer, and manure. Revisions proposed to Rule 320 will remove outdated standards and improve enforceability. In addition, as part of this rulemaking process, Rule 320 will replace Rule 32 in the Arizona SIP.

This rule revision qualifies for County Manager approval under the moratorium, as the rule revision will reduce regulatory burden. We are requesting your approval to move the rule revision, to be referenced as "AQ-2016-004-Rule 320," forward in accordance with the "Moratorium on Increased Regulatory Burdens".



Approved by Joy Rich, AICP, County Manager