



## Director's Report for February 2022

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Department: Director's Office  
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Agenda Item No. 6  
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### AIR QUALITY: 02/01/2022 to 02/28/2022

February

| Site      | Date      | Max AQI | Pollutant |
|-----------|-----------|---------|-----------|
| Eug/Spfld | 25-Feb-22 | 78      | PM        |
| Oak       | 6-Feb-22  | 66      | PM        |
| CottGrv   | 25-Feb-22 | 60      | PM        |

| AQI            | Eug/Spfld | Oak | CottGrv | Range   |
|----------------|-----------|-----|---------|---------|
| Good           | 18        | 18  | 26      | 0-50    |
| Moderate       | 10        | 10  | 2       | 51-100  |
| USG            | 0         | 0   | 0       | 101-150 |
| Unhealthy      | 0         | 0   | 0       | 151-200 |
| Very Unhealthy | 0         | 0   | 0       | 201-300 |
| Hazardous      | 0         | 0   | 0       | 201-300 |

**Attachment No. 1: Air quality index charts for Eugene/Springfield (February 2022)**

**Attachment No. 2: Air quality index charts for Oakridge (February 2022)**

**Attachment No. 3: Air quality index charts for Cottage Grove (February 2022)**

### COMPLAINTS: 02/01/2022 to 02/28/2022 [TOTAL: 63]

1. **Smoke** – 35 total smoke complaints: 23 for outdoor burning and 12 for home wood heating.
2. **Industry** – 18 total complaints: 16 for International Paper; 1 for JH Baxter; and 1 for Knife River.
3. **Miscellaneous/Unknown/Dust/asbestos** – 10 total miscellaneous complaints: 2 for unknown odor; 1 for Agricultural burn; 2 for asbestos; 2 for idling trains; 1 for potential burn pile; 1 for truck exhaust and 1 for remodel particulate.

**Complaints continued:**

| Year                | 2012       | 2013       | 2014       | 2015       | 2016       | 2017       | 2018       | 2019       | 2020       | 2021       | *2022      |
|---------------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|
| Dust                | 44         | 30         | 14         | 25         | 32         | 25         | 26         | 15         | 17         | 26         | 1          |
| Ag/Field Burning    | 1          | 17         | 4          | 12         | 9          | 1          | 0          | 6          | 2          | 7          | 1          |
| General Air Quality | 6          | 26         | 30         | 15         | 20         | 14         | 6          | 12         | 4          | 8          | 1          |
| Home Wood Heating   | 95         | 219        | 121        | 342        | 130        | 197        | 126        | 128        | 74         | 57         | 22         |
| Industry            | 128        | 122        | 127        | 52         | 58         | 74         | 50         | 170        | 100        | 336        | 49         |
| Outdoor Burning     | 268        | 321        | 279        | 251        | 266        | 281        | 351        | 402        | 423        | 243        | 53         |
| Slash Burning       | 7          | 5          | 7          | 11         | 26         | 13         | 24         | 16         | 12         | 10         | 0          |
| Miscellaneous       | 79         | 52         | 57         | 85         | 164        | 138        | 66         | 67         | 59         | 40         | 10         |
| Unknown             | 17         | 14         | 35         | 46         | 56         | 63         | 29         | 39         | 74         | 71         | 9          |
| <b>Total</b>        | <b>645</b> | <b>806</b> | <b>674</b> | <b>839</b> | <b>761</b> | <b>806</b> | <b>678</b> | <b>855</b> | <b>765</b> | <b>798</b> | <b>146</b> |

\* Year-To-Date

**ENFORCEMENT: 02/01/2022 to 02/28/2022**

| Category of Violation | New      | Follow-Up Action | Pending  | Closed   | Total    |
|-----------------------|----------|------------------|----------|----------|----------|
| Asbestos              | -        | -                | -        | -        | -        |
| Industrial            | 1        | -                | 2        | -        | 3        |
| Outdoor Burning       | 2        | -                | 1        | 1        | 4        |
| Fugitive Dust         | -        | -                | -        | -        | -        |
| Home Wood Heating     | -        | -                | -        | -        | -        |
| <b>Totals</b>         | <b>3</b> | <b>-</b>         | <b>3</b> | <b>1</b> | <b>7</b> |

**Attachment No. 4: Enforcement activities during these reporting periods for case details. For a perspective of the total number of enforcement actions for calendar year 2022 compared to previous years, this table is located on the last page of Attachment No. 4 on the last page.**

**OUTDOOR BURNING LETTER PERMITS: 02/01/2022 to 02/28/2022**

**There was one Outdoor Burning Letter Permit (OBLP) issued in February.**

1. Issued Special Letter Permit 20B22-02-01 on February 15 to Marisol Moreno, 27992 Royal Ave, Eugene, to burn 45 cubic yards of Land Clearing debris located at Tax Lot #17-06-28-00-00602, Veneta.

**ASBESTOS ABATEMENT: 02/01/2022 to 02/28/2022**

During February, LRAPA received 30 notices of asbestos removal projects, two of which were Schools (Creslane Elementary and Walterville Elementary School).

**For perspective, here is how the total number of asbestos abatement notices filed, how many were schools and the number of notices inspected for calendar year 2022 compares to previous years:**

**Asbestos Abatement continued:**

| Year  | 2012 | 2013 | 2014 | 2015 | 2016 | 2017 | 2018 | 2019 | 2020 | 2021 | *2022 |
|---|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|-------|
| <b>Total Asbestos Abatement Notices</b>           | 324  | 351  | 352  | 426  | 444  | 543  | 428  | 488  | 439  | 408  | 68    |
| <b>School Asbestos Abatement Notices (NESHAP)</b> | 53   | 24   | 21   | 24   | 27   | 28   | 24   | 16   | 25   | 20   | 2     |
| <b>Number of Asbestos Abatements Inspected</b>    | 90   | 96   | 67   | 89   | 82   | 120  | 77   | 94   | 93   | 104  | 22    |

\* Year-To-Date.

**PERMITTING (TITLE V AND ACDP): 02/01/2022 to 02/28/2022**

LRAPA currently permits 14 Title V sources and approximately 275 Air Contaminant Discharge Permit (ACDP) sources. Below are the total numbers of permit activities that are new, renewals, modifications, construction approvals, registration applications, terminated and/or total issued permits the Operations staff currently have in process.

| Category of Permit Activity              | Title V | ACDP | Registration | Total Active |
|--|---------|------|--------------|--------------|
| <b>New</b>                               | -       | 3    | -            | 3            |
| <b>Renewals</b>                          | 8       | 22   | -            | 30           |
| <b>Modifications</b>                     | 3       | 7    | -            | 10           |
| <b>Constructions</b>                     | -       | 1    | -            | 1            |
| <b>Registrations</b>                     | -       | -    | -            | -            |
| <b>Terminated Permits</b>                | -       | -    | -            | -            |
| <b>Total Issued Permits Year-to-date</b> | 1       | 14   | -            | 15           |

**PUBLIC AFFAIRS MONTHLY SUMMARY**  
**On-Going**

Smoke management from wood stoves and wildfires

Periods of air stagnation were common in the Willamette Valley throughout February. LRAPA called 4 yellow home wood heating advisories for Eugene/Springfield in February to promote alternative forms of heat to protect air quality. Outdoor burning was banned across all of Lane County aside the coastal locations during these periods as well.

Public outreach efforts

The collaborative effort between LRAPA, DEQ, Oregon Health Authority, City of Eugene, and Oregon State University to create an ArcGIS "StoryMap" detailing regulatory oversight and intervention at J.H. Baxter was concluded. The StoryMap was published on February 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2022: <https://ordeq.org/JHBaxter-StoryMap> Public interest and engagement on J.H. Baxter related information remains high. Public affairs devoted time to being transparent and responsive to questions from interested community members and local media. The Lane County Home & Garden Show will take place March 11-13, 2022. Public affairs coordinated with Lane County Pollution Prevention Coalition (P2C) to outfit a booth at the expo with informational papers and packets for Expo attendees.

Progress continues on LRAPA's website redesign with an expected website launch in April, or early May 2022.

**Public Meetings**

Public affairs were present or participated in three community meetings:

- Springfield City Council Work Session – Monday March 7<sup>th</sup>, 2022
  - To hear public statements made to Springfield City Council on environmental regulations in Springfield and Lane County.
- Whiteaker Community Council Neighborhood Association – Wednesday March 9<sup>th</sup>, 2022
  - LRAPA described Cleaner Air Oregon and inquired to the Neighborhood Group's interest in a CAO presentation on Arcimoto, a facility planning to begin operations at 311 Chambers St, Eugene, Oregon, 97402
- Active Bethel Community Neighborhood Association – Thursday March 17<sup>th</sup>, 2022
  - DEQ provided updates on soil sampling results taken from residential properties near the facility.
  - Answered questions and addressed concerns.

| <b>Media Contacts</b> | <b>DATE</b>      | <b>MEDIA</b> | <b>PERSON</b>      | <b>TOPIC</b>      |
|-----------------------|------------------|--------------|--------------------|-------------------|
|                       | <b>2/1/2022</b>  | RG           | Adam Duvernay      | JHB Closing       |
|                       | <b>2/2/2022</b>  | RG           | Adam Duvernay      | JHB Closing       |
|                       | <b>2/4/2022</b>  | RG           | Adam Duvernay      | JHB Closing       |
|                       | <b>2/11/2022</b> | KVAL         | Keely<br>McCormick | EV Infrastructure |
|                       | <b>2/11/2022</b> | Ellen Israel | UofO Journalism    | Smoke Management  |
|                       | <b>2/14/2022</b> | Sam Criscola | Eugene Weekley     | JHB Closing       |
|                       | <b>2/18/2022</b> | Ellen Israel | UofO Journalism    | Smoke Management  |

|                       |            |            |
|-----------------------|------------|------------|
| <b>Press Releases</b> | <b>N/A</b> | <b>N/A</b> |
|-----------------------|------------|------------|

## **UPCOMING LRAPA BOARD AGENDA ITEMS**

This schedule outline is a preview of upcoming agenda items, and we will update it as the time frames for additional issues become firmer.

### February 2022:

- ~~Review multi-year budget forecast for FY2022-2026. *Postponed from January meeting*~~
- ~~Director Goals Cross Walk to LRAPA Mission. *Postponed from January meeting*~~
- ~~Elect board chair and vice chair.~~
- ~~Appoint new budget committee members and budget officer.~~

### March 2022:

- First budget meeting on proposed budget for FY2023.
- Interview four Citizen Advisory Committee candidates.

### April 2022:

- Second budget meeting on proposed budget for FY2023.

### May 2022:

- Adopt budget for FY2023.
- Status report on Oakridge Air Project.
- Dashboard Report update.
- Discuss process for Director's Performance Review.

### June 2022:

- Director's Performance Review (Executive Session)

### July 2022:

- Audit Report (subject to change)

### **August 2022 – NO MEETING**

### September 2022:

- Status report on Oakridge Air Project.

### October 2022:

- Dashboard Report update.

### November 2022:

- Approve local dues request to IGA partners for FY2024.

### **December 2022 – NO MEETING**

## **NEW/OPEN ENFORCEMENT ACTIONS STATUS REPORT**

02/01/2022 -- 02/28/2022

Report of open and actions initiated since last report

### **NEW: 01/01/2022 -- 02/25/2022**

1. BONAR, LANCE (CRESWELL)
  - A. Violation: Outdoor burning of prohibited materials (glass, metal, fiberglass); outdoor burning of construction/demolition debris without first obtaining an Outdoor Burning Letter Permit (OBLP) from LRAPA
  - B. Initial Action Taken: NON #3847 issued 02/09/2022
  - C. Subsequent Action: NCP #2021-3847 (\$1,100) issued 02/09/2022
  - D. Resolution: PENDING
  
2. BONAR, LANCE (CRESWELL)
  - A. Violation: Failure to constantly attend an outdoor burn; outdoor burning of prohibited materials (painted dimensional wood, tar paper) outdoor burning of construction/demolition debris without first obtaining an Outdoor Burning Letter Permit (OBLP) from LRAPA
  - B. Initial Action Taken: NON #3849 issued 02/03/2022
  - C. Subsequent Action: NCP #2021-3849 (\$1,900) issued 02/09/2022:
  - D. Resolution: PENDING
  
3. ROSBORO COMPANY, LLC - SPRINGFIELD (SPRINGFIELD)
  - A. Violation: Exceeded 20% opacity limit from EU-01 (Boiler 3) for a period or periods aggregating more than 3 minutes in any one hour.
  - B. Initial Action Taken: NON #3850 issued 02/18/2022
  - C. Subsequent Action: PENDING
  - D. Resolution: PENDING

**ACTIONS PERFORMED (Enforcement actions issued prior to 01/01/2022 with action in the current reporting period):**

1. JASPER WOOD PRODUCTS, LLC (JASPER)
  - A. Violation: Failure to submit notice and obtain approval from LRAPA prior to the construction/installation of a portable natural gas fired boiler; failure to submit notice and obtain approval from LRAPA prior to the construction/installation of equipment associated with veneer manufacturing (green end). Failure to abide by stationary source permitting requirements in accordance with conditions G14. through G20. referenced in Jasper Wood Products Title V Permit #206117.
  - B. Initial Action Taken: NON #3844 issued 11/17/2021
  - C. Subsequent Action: NCP #2021-3844 (\$12,000) issued 02/25/2022
  - D. Resolution: PENDING
  
2. LACEY, NOAH T. (EUGENE)
  - A. Violation: Failure to conduct an outdoor burn in accordance with residential outdoor material burning requirements; and conducting an outdoor burn of construction and demolition waste without obtaining an Outdoor Burn Permit Letter from LRAPA.
  - B. Initial Action Taken: NON #3848 issued 12/15/2021
  - C. Subsequent Action: NCP #2021-3848 (\$175) issued 12/16/2021: request for reduction under review approved and reduced to \$125 - paid
  - D. Resolution: CASE CLOSED on 02/11/2022

**PENDING (Enforcement actions issued prior to 01/01/2022 with no subsequent action in the current reporting period):**

1. OREGON INDUSTRIAL LUMBER PRODUCTS, I (SPRINGFIELD)
  - A. Violation: Respondent continues to operate wood fired boiler in such a manner as to cause the deposition of ash fallout on the property of other persons and has failed to correct the issue in a timely manner.

B. Initial Action Taken: NON #3838 issued 06/21/2021

C. Subsequent Action: PENDING

D. Resolution: PENDING

2. BASARABA, DANIEL ACTING ON BEHALF (CRESWELL)

A. Violation: failure to attend outdoor burning until extinguished; failure to promptly extinguish illegal outdoor burning; outdoor burning when prohibited; outdoor burning such as to create a nuisance or hazard to public safety; outdoor burning of prohibited materials (wiring, aerosol cans, materials that emit noxious odors when outdoor burned); failure to conduct outdoor burning in an efficient manner; outdoor burning of construction/demolition wastes without first obtaining a letter permit issued by LRAPA. LRAPA Title 47 "Outdoor Burning" enclosed; Respondent may submit to LRAPA in writing, within 15 days of receipt of NON 3845, an account of the events pertaining to the allegations expressed in the "Violations(s) description:" section of NON 3845.

B. Initial Action Taken: NON #3845 issued 11/29/2021

C. Subsequent Action: PENDING

D. Resolution: PENDING

| Year                                      | 2012 | 2013 | 2014 | 2015 | 2016 | 2017 | 2018 | 2019 | 2020 | 2021 | *2022 |
|---|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|-------|
| Notices of Non-compliance and Warnings    | 41   | 51   | 36   | 38   | 41   | 39   | 41   | 55   | 15   | 21   | 3     |
| Notices of Violation with Civil Penalties | 29   | 23   | 28   | 37   | 37   | 28   | 43   | 37   | 26   | 17   | 3     |