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## Director's Report for March 2026

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**Agenda Item No. 11**  
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### I. EXECUTIVE HIGHLIGHTS

*Key accomplishments, challenges, and priorities from the past month.*

#### EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

March brought excellent air quality conditions across Lane County. Monitoring stations recorded predominantly "Good" days throughout the month, with no USG or worse days at any site. The outdoor burning season has been open since March 1, and conditions remained favorable for most of the month.

Community engagement was a highlight in March. Travis Knudsen and Matt Sorensen represented LRAPA alongside Lane Pollution Prevention Coalition partners at the Lane County Home Show from March 13 to 15, connecting with more than 1,000 visitors over three days on topics ranging from air quality to asbestos. On March 31, staff joined the Oregon Wildfire Smoke Advisories Pre-Season Core Team meeting with DEQ, the National Weather Service, Oregon Health Authority, Lane County Public Health, and tribal partners to review and update the coordinated advisory protocol ahead of the 2026 wildfire season.

Staff followed up with the Oregon Department of Forestry on March 23 regarding the Before You Burn tool ([beforeyouburn.net](http://beforeyouburn.net)), which was developed without direct LRAPA coordination. That meeting focused on GIS integration to ensure the tool accurately reflects LRAPA's burning zones and curtailment authority. This work is ongoing. Board members who receive questions about this tool should direct residents to LRAPA's daily burn advisory as the authoritative source for Lane County.

LRAPA received the results of its CIS Best Practices audit completed in February. The agency scored 92%, earning full marks in enterprise risk management, training, employee injury and claims management, financial controls, and workplace substance abuse policy. CIS identified four areas for continued improvement over the next three years. On the insurance side, liability premiums will decrease slightly and property rates are expected to drop 10 to 12 percent at renewal.

Additional SOPs were completed in February and March covering corrective action and progressive discipline, Oregon sick time leave, Paid Leave Oregon, and cash and check handling, bringing the total to eight new policies since January. All eight were presented to full staff at the April 3 all-staff meeting.

LRAPA has also secured a contract developer through our staffing partner to advance LINFO database modernization. Initial work will focus on resolving bugs and user-interface issues before moving into enforcement module development.

Financial performance through February remains strong, with all-funds spending at 45% of budgeted annual expenditures against a 67% year-elapsed target. Reserves continue to support four months of operating budget as targeted.

## II. PROTECTING PUBLIC HEALTH & SERVING OUR COMMUNITY

Aligns with Customer/Stakeholder Perspective of the Balanced Scorecard framework and LRAPA's current goals 1, 2, and 5 which focus on public health protection, community engagement, and stakeholder relationships.

### II.A. Air Quality Status & Trends for February 2026

These metrics support **Goal 1 (Public Health Protection and Air Quality Education)** and **Goal 4 (Regional Air Monitoring and Analysis)**, tracking our performance against targets for "Good" and "Moderate" AQI days, data completeness, and timely reporting).

#### March

| Site      | Date      | Max AQI | Pollutant |
|-----------|-----------|---------|-----------|
| Eug/Spfld | 1-Mar-26  | 66      | PM        |
| Oak       | 23-Mar-26 | 43      | PM        |
| CottGrv   | 1-Mar-26  | 63      | PM        |

| AQI            | Eug/Spfld | Oak | CottGrv | AQI Range | PM2.5 Range, ug/m3 | Ozone Range, ppb |
|----------------|-----------|-----|---------|-----------|--------------------|------------------|
| Good           | 30        | 31  | 30      | 0-50      | 0-9                | 0-54             |
| Moderate       | 1         | 0   | 1       | 51-100    | 9.1-35.4           | 55-70            |
| USG            | 0         | 0   | 0       | 101-150   | 35.5-55.4          | 71-85            |
| Unhealthy      | 0         | 0   | 0       | 151-200   | 55.5-125.4         | 86-105           |
| Very Unhealthy | 0         | 0   | 0       | 201-300   | 125.5-225.4        | 106-200          |
| Hazardous      | 0         | 0   | 0       | 301+      | 225.5+             | 201+             |

**Attachment No. 1:** Air Quality Index (AQI) charts for Lane County (March 2026)

**Attachment No. 2:** PM2.5 index charts for Lane County (March 2026)

## II.B. Community Response & Complaint Resolution

This section supports **Goal 1 (Public Health Protection and Air Quality Education)** metrics for complaint response to demonstrates our commitment to addressing community concerns promptly and effectively.

The number of unique complainants is noted in “(#)”

| March 31, 2026                              |  | Category  | 2021       | 2022       | 2023       | 2024       | 2025       | 2026       |
|---|--|---|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|
| <b>Smoke complaints: 41</b>                 |  | <b>Dust</b>   | 26         | 12         | 7          | 8          | 17         | 5          |
| 37 - Outdoor Burning (32)                   |  | <b>Ag Burning/spraying</b>  | 7          | 2          | 3          | 3          | 22         | 2          |
| 2 – Agricultural Burn (2)                   |  | <b>General Air Quality</b>  | 8          | 1          | 25         | 32         | 30         | 9          |
| 1 - Home Wood Heating                       |  | <b>Home Wood Heating</b>  | 57         | 67         | 52         | 39         | 70         | 15         |
| 1 – Recreational Fire                       |  | <b>Industry</b>   | 336        | 198        | 97         | 75         | 108        | 18         |
| <b>Industry: 4</b>                          |  | <b>Outdoor Burning</b>  | 243        | 292        | 254        | 253        | 266        | 85         |
| 2 – Lane County Short Mountain Landfill (1) |  | <b>Slash Burning</b>  | 10         | 6          | 12         | 9          | 3          | 0          |
| 1 - International Paper                     |  | <b>Asbestos</b>   | 9          | 22         | 10         | 12         | 21         | 10         |
| 1 – Pacific Recycling, LLC                  |  | <b>Miscellaneous</b>  | 31         | 80         | 62         | 91         | 95         | 12         |
| <b>Asbestos: 1</b>                          |  | <b>Unknown</b>  | 71         | 45         | 65         | 79         | 136        | 21         |
|   |  | <b>Total:</b>   | <b>798</b> | <b>725</b> | <b>587</b> | <b>601</b> | <b>768</b> | <b>177</b> |
| <b>Miscellaneous: 10</b>                    |  | *Notes: LRAPA received 56 complaints in March 2026. Smoke-related complaints increased from 39 in February to 41 in March, primarily driven by outdoor burning (37). Industry complaints increased from 3 to 4. |            |            |            |            |            |            |
| 6 - Unknown Odor (6)                        |  |   |            |            |            |            |            |            |
| 2 - Marijuana Odor (2)                      |  |   |            |            |            |            |            |            |
| 1 – Pepper Spray/Tear Gas                   |  |   |            |            |            |            |            |            |
| 1 – Fugitive Dust                           |  |   |            |            |            |            |            |            |
| <b>Total: 56</b>                            |  |   |            |            |            |            |            |            |

## II.C. Smoke Management & Wildfire Resilience

This section aligns with **Goal 2 (Enhanced Wildfire Smoke Preparedness)**, tracking our smoke monitoring, advisory issuance, and coordination with state agencies, as well as smoke management activities for outdoor burning and home wood heating.

### Outdoor Burning, 2025-2026 Season

LRAPA regulates outdoor burning in Lane County to protect air quality and public health. Under Title 47, LRAPA has authority to regulate open burning practices, including determining when burns can occur. LRAPA aims to allow burning whenever possible while preventing air quality deterioration. Outdoor burning is only curtailed when monitoring or forecasts show potential for unhealthy air quality impacts.

| Periods of Curtailment |              |                                  |                  |                          |
|------------------------|--------------|----------------------------------|------------------|--------------------------|
| Start                  | End          | Areas                            | Curtailment      | Reason                   |
| Nov. 1, 2025           | Mar. 1, 2026 | Eugene/Springfield UGB; Oakridge | Full Prohibition | By Rule, Title 47-015(2) |
| Dec. 30, 2025          | Jan. 1, 2026 | All Lane County                  | Full Prohibition | Air Stagnation           |

### Home Wood Heating, 2025-2026 Season

LRAPA regulates home wood heating under Title 16 to reduce PM2.5 emissions during periods of poor air quality. An advisory system (Yellow/Red Days) indicates when curtailment is needed. Yellow Day advisory request voluntary curtailment of wood burning except for those who depend on it as their primary heat source. Red Day advisories prohibit visible smoke from chimneys, with exemptions for economic hardship. Like outdoor burning, LRAPA only issues wood burning curtailment when air quality monitoring or forecasts indicate potential health impacts.

## Periods of Curtailment

| Areas              | Yellow Days | Red Days |
|--------------------|-------------|----------|
| Eugene/Springfield | 17          | 0        |
| Oakridge           | 11          | 0        |

The home wood heating season, which is closed during the summer months, officially reopened on October 1st. No curtailment days have been needed this season as air quality conditions remain favorable since October.

## Outdoor Burning Letter Permits, 2025-2026 Season

LRAPA has authority to issue outdoor burning letter permits under Title 47. These permits allow specified burning that would otherwise be prohibited. This program also supports ecological benefits of prescribed fire while protecting public health through strict oversight and timing. LRAPA coordinates closely with land managers to ensure burns are conducted with minimal air quality impacts.

| Permit No.  | Issue Date        | Permittee                           | Location  | Material                          | Volume          |
|-------------|-------------------|-------------------------------------|---|-----------------------------------|-----------------|
| 20B25-06-01 | June 30, 2025     | River to Ridges Partnership         | 85 units in Lane County   | Ecological Burning                | 1456 acres      |
| 20B25-11-01 | November 17, 2025 | Casey Jones                         | 82578 Sprague Ln  | Dexter                            | 50 cubic yards  |
| 20B25-11-02 | November 17, 2025 | U.S. Fish & Wildlife                | Hwy 36 & Alvadore Road  | Ecological Burning                | 28 cubic yards  |
| 20B25-12-01 | December 2, 2025  | Scott Gielish                       | 32960 Dillard Rd  | Land-clearing                     | 60 cubic yards  |
| 20B25-12-02 | December 2, 2025  | Scott Gielish                       | T18S R3W sec. 33<br>Next door to<br>32960 Dillard Rd                  | Forest type debris                | 500 cubic yards |
| 20B25-12-03 | January 5, 2026   | Willamalane Park & Rec District     | 205 Dorris Street,<br>Springfield                                     | Land-clearing                     | 30 cubic yards  |
| 20B25-12-04 | January 5, 2026   | Port of Siuslaw                     | Map & Taxlot #<br>18-11-19-00-<br>0011-00 (Rose<br>Hill Rd), Florence | Land-clearing & demolition debris | 69 cubic yards  |
| 20B26-01-02 | January 26, 2026  | Robbie Garcia                       | 85393 Glenada Road  | Land-clearing                     | 60 cubic yards  |
| 20B26-03-01 | March 24, 2026    | Friends of Buford Park & Mt. Pisgah | Howard Buford<br>Rec area - North<br>Bottomlands,<br>Meadowlark East  | Forest slash debris               | 49 cubic yards  |

## Wildfire Smoke Intrusions & Air Quality Advisories

LRAPA participates in Oregon's Wildfire Response Protocol for Severe Smoke Episodes, a coordinated system that connects federal, state, and local agencies during significant smoke events. LRAPA's role includes issuing local air quality advisories, coordinating public health messaging, and representing Lane County's interests in state-level response planning.

### Air Quality Advisories Issued

| Start Date | End Date   | Areas Affected             | Primary Pollutant |
|------------|------------|----------------------------|-------------------|
| 08-22-2025 | 08-25-2025 | Southern Willamette Valley | Ozone             |
| 09-02-2025 | 09-07-2025 | Eastern Lane County        | PM2.5/Wildfire    |

### Air Quality Advisories Issued

| Start Date | End Date   | Areas Affected                           | Primary Pollutant |
|------------|------------|--|-------------------|
| 09-29-2025 | 09-30-2025 | W. Lane County & Intermittent Eug/Spring | PM2.5/Wildfire    |

### Oregon Wildfire Response Protocol for Severe Smoke Episodes Meetings

| Date       | Topic                                 | Advisory Issued |
|------------|---------------------------------------|-----------------|
| 07-11-2025 | Prep for Coordination Calls           | n/a             |
| 07-16-2025 | Review Active Wildfires               | No              |
| 08-22-2025 | Ozone & Flat Fire                     | Yes             |
| 08-25-2025 | Flat Fire, Emigrant Fire, & OR Fires  | No              |
| 08-27-2025 | Emigrant Fire, Flat Fire, & OR Fires  | No              |
| 09-02-2025 | Emigrant Fire & OR Fires              | Yes             |
| 09-04-2025 | Emigrant Fire & OR Fires              | Yes             |
| 09-05-2025 | Emigrant Fire & OR Fires              | Yes             |
| 09-29-2025 | Moon Complex Fire & Emigrant Fire     | Yes             |
| 03-31-2026 | Wildfire Pre-Season Core Team Meeting | n/a             |

## II.D. Community Outreach, Education, & Building Partnerships

This section supports **Goal 5 (Partnerships and Interagency Coordination)** metrics for partner engagement and stakeholder communication, strengthening relationships with stakeholders and enhancing public understanding of air quality issues.

### Media Log

| Date      | Media          | Reporter        | Topic  |
|-----------|----------------|-----------------|--|
| 1-5-2026  | Register Guard | Alan Torres     | Amazon purchases \$2M lot for e-commerce <a href="#">LINK</a>                  |
| 1-6-2026  | Lookout        | Michael Zhang   | Deed shows land owned by Amazon <a href="#">LINK</a>                           |
| 1-7-2026  | DJC Oregon     | Alan Torres     | Amazon purchases \$2M lot <a href="#">LINK</a>                                 |
| 1-9-2026  | KEZI           | News Staff      | Air stagnation & Yellow HWH <a href="#">LINK</a>                               |
| 1-9-2026  | KLCC           | News Staff      | Air stagnation & Yellow HWH <a href="#">LINK</a>                               |
| 1-13-2026 | Prism News     | Elena Rodriguez | Air stagnation & Yellow HWH <a href="#">LINK</a>                               |
| 1-16-2026 | Register Guard | Alan Torres     | Freezing Temps and AQ <a href="#">LINK</a>                                     |
| 2-4-2026  | Lookout        | Ashli Blow      | Tear-gas effects on Air Quality <a href="#">LINK</a>                           |
| 2-20-2026 | Register Guard | Alan Torres     | Eugene weighs 2 versions of industrial health standards <a href="#">LINK</a>   |
| 3-19-2026 | KEZI           | News Staff      | Mohak Valley Fire Chief Urges Good Outdoor Burn Practices <a href="#">LINK</a> |
| 3-20-2026 | Daily Dispatch | News Staff      | Mohak Valley Fire Chief Urges Good Outdoor Burn Practices <a href="#">LINK</a> |



**Lane County Home Show- Lane Pollution Prevention Coalition P2C** (Mar. 13<sup>th</sup> to 15<sup>th</sup>, Lane County Fairgrounds)

Travis Knudsen and Matt Sorensen represented LRAPA at the Lane County Home Show alongside Lane Pollution Prevention Coalition partners (*Cities of Eugene and Springfield, DEQ, EWEB, Lane County, Metro Wastewater Mgt. Commission, SUB*). Community members had opportunities to ask questions, spin a prize wheel, and take informational brochures on things they can do at home to minimize pollution. LRAPA provided swag items for prizes. Over 1,000 people visited the booth over three days, and each guest had ample opportunity to learn about LRAPA’s work to help Lane County residents and improve air quality or protect them from asbestos.

**Before You Burn (BYB) ODF & DEQ Partnership Meeting** (Mar. 23<sup>rd</sup>, Online)

Lance Giles, Technical Services Manager, and Matt Sorensen, Public Affairs Manager, met with leadership from the Oregon Department of Forestry to learn about updating and using ODF’s new, Before You Burn website ([beforeyouburn.net](http://beforeyouburn.net)) and resources developed for the public. The conversation focused on ensuring LRAPA, local fire districts, and residents across the state can use the site to get clear, consistent information about outdoor burning rules and locate their local fire district. Web developers were going to work on creating GIS spaces for information pertaining to fire district locations, zones for outdoor burning in Lane County, and creating a path to have their site report the outdoor burning times each day based on zones for burning from LRAPA’s site. This is still a work in progress.

**Oregon Health Authority (OHA) Wildfire Smoke Prevention Grant Meeting** (Mar. 30<sup>th</sup>, Online)

Quality Care Connections (QCC) is Lane County’s local childcare resource group that was recently notified they were awarded an OHA Wildfire Smoke Prevention Grant to help raise awareness amongst childcare providers about the impacts and appropriate responses to wildfire when caring for young children. Jo Rodgers from Lane County Public Health who partnered with Matt Sorensen from LRAPA to develop the easy-to-read Air Quality Index for childcare providers joined the call to discuss how both LRAPA and LCPH can support QCC in education and engagement activities for the grant in the coming months to serve as content experts on smoke, AQI, as well as the immediate and long term health impacts.



**Air Quality Awareness Week and SMOKE Ready Week Planning** (Mar. 30<sup>th</sup>, Online)

Matt Sorensen, Public Affairs Manager, joined members from the EPA, Northwest Air Quality Communicators (NWAQC), and other local air agencies to discuss and finalize the dates and daily topics for Air Quality Awareness Week (Confirmed May 4<sup>th</sup> to 8<sup>th</sup>) as well as SMOKE Ready aka Wildfire Preparedness (Confirmed June 1<sup>st</sup> to 5<sup>th</sup>). Thanks to resources invested by the NWAQC, LRAPA will have access to social media assets for both campaigns that can be customized for LRAPA and will be shared in concert with hundreds of other air quality groups in the Pacific Northwest.

**Wildfire Smoke Advisories Pre-Season Core Team Meeting** (Mar. 31<sup>st</sup>, Online)

Travis Knudsen, Executive Director and Matt Sorensen, Public Affairs Manager, joined others from Oregon DEQ, National Weather Service (NWS), Oregon Health Authority (OHA), Lane County Public Health (LCPH), local tribes, and various other stakeholders who meet during wildfire season to forecast wildfire smoke dispersion, communicate air quality advisories, and respond to smoke impacts during wildfire season. The purpose of this meeting is to review changes to the existing protocol which has now been in existence for 13 years and provide

participants the opportunity to discuss any changes or adjustments to the plan for the 2026 wildfire season.

***Rivers to Ridges (R2R) Ecological Burn Group*** (Apr. 1<sup>st</sup>, LRAPA Office)

Matt Sorensen, Public Affairs Manager, served as host to the Rivers to Ridges ecological burn group led by Ian Appow, Upper Willamette Soil & Water Conservation District to prepare for the 2026 prescribed burn season. The meeting was held in LRAPA's boardroom as part of our community outreach efforts.

***Smoke Ready Communities (SRC) Meeting*** (Apr. 2<sup>nd</sup>, Online)

Matt Sorensen, Public Affairs Manager, attended this meeting hosted by the U of O Smoke Center for Wildfire Smoke. This group is a network of practitioners, educators, and researchers, who use this meeting for information sharing and learning about the intersection of public health, environmental quality, and wildfire/prescribed fire smoke impacts. The SRC is preparing to issue a community survey in May and discussed the questions that should be included. There was also discussion of upcoming events around the state and time to share best practices and developing projects with the group.

***Presentation to Southtowne Rotary on Lane County Emissions Inventory*** (Apr. 2<sup>nd</sup>, Eugene Mission)

Matt Sorensen, Public Affairs Manager, gave a presentation to 35 members of the Southtowne Rotary Club on what LRAPA does for Lane County residents as an air quality agency and then provided a deeper dive in the National Emissions Inventory and what pollutants are most prevalent in our air shed and provided practical tips and action steps they could take to minimize health impacts from air pollution.

***Lane County Community Wildfire Protection Plan (CWPP) Workshop #3*** (Apr. 7<sup>th</sup>, Bob Keefer Center)

Matt Sorensen, Public Affairs Manager, represented LRAPA at the third Lane County CWPP workshop, joining City of Eugene emergency preparedness staff, various city managers, fire authorities, land managers, ODF, U.S. National Forests, and other regional stakeholders. The workshop is part of an ongoing effort to update Lane County's Community Wildfire Protection Plan, with participants examining challenges communities face in reducing wildfire risk, exploring anticipated future trends of wildfire activity, how to minimize smoke exposure to residents, and developing updated action items and implementation plan spanning multiple organizations and activity types.

### III. MAINTAINING REGULATORY EXCELLENCE

Aligns with Internal Process Perspective of the Balanced Scorecard framework and LRAPA's current goals 3 and 4—ensuring compliance with air quality standards through effective monitoring, permitting, and enforcement.

#### III.A. Stationary Source Permitting Progress & Efficiency

This section supports **Goal 3 (Public Health Protection and Air Quality Education)** metrics for permit issuance timeliness, permit backlog rate, and area NAAQS compliance.

##### Permitted Sources

- Currently 15 sources hold a Title V operating permit in Lane County.
- Currently approximately 275 sources hold an ACDP.

| Permits in Queue            |         |      |                |
|-----------------------------|---------|------|----------------|
| Category of Permit Activity | Title V | ACDP | Total In Queue |
| New                         | 0       | 2    | 2              |
| Renewals                    | 1       | 5    | 6              |
| Modifications               | 3       | 3    | 6              |
| Constructions               | 2       | -    | 2              |
| Terminated Permits          | -       | -    | -              |

##### Stationary Sources Permits Issued, Year-to-Date

- Title V Operating Permits: 0
- Air Contaminant Discharge Permits: 12

##### Permits on public notice from March 1 to March 31, 2026

| Source Number and Name                 | Reason for Public Notice | Type of Permit  |
|--|--------------------------|---|
| 207092 Rexius Forest By-Products, Inc. | Permit renewal.          | Simple Air Contaminant Discharge Permit (Simple ACDP) on public notice February 26 – April 2, 2026. |

| Permit Backlog as of April 1, 2026 |                 |                                   |                         |
|------------------------------------|-----------------|-----------------------------------|-------------------------|
| Permit Type                        | Permits by Type | Permits Extended Administratively | Percentage of Total (%) |
| Title V                            | 15              | 1                                 | 7%                      |
| Standard                           | 24              | 3                                 | 13%                     |
| Simple                             | 25              | 2                                 | 8%                      |
| <b>Total</b>                       | <b>64</b>       | <b>6</b>                          | <b>9%</b>               |

#### III.B. Asbestos Program Oversight

This section supports **Goal 3 (Public Health Protection and Air Quality Education)** initiatives related to operating the asbestos program, including inspections and rule updates. LRAPA protects public health from asbestos hazards through effective oversight and education.

LRAPA administers the asbestos program in Lane County under title 43. This program regulates the handling, removal, and disposal of asbestos-containing materials to prevent public exposure to this hazardous substance. LRAPA reviews asbestos survey reports, processes abatement notifications, conducts inspections, and enforces compliance with asbestos regulations to protect workers and the public.

| Asbestos Notices<br>Feb. 1, 2026 to Feb. 28, 2026 |      |      |      |      |      |      | Year-to-Date ↓ |
|---|------|------|------|------|------|------|----------------|
| Year  | 2020 | 2021 | 2022 | 2023 | 2024 | 2025 | 2026           |
| Total Asbestos Abatement Notices                  | 439  | 408  | 465  | 466  | 436  | 431  | 87             |

### III.C. Enforcement

This section supports **Goal 3 (Public Health Protection and Air Quality Education)** metrics for enforcement action resolution and evaluations completed. The enforcement program ensures that regulations are followed, and violations are addressed.

LRAPA's compliance program ensures that air quality regulations are followed by stationary sources, asbestos contractors, and the general public. This section provides an overview of enforcement actions taken during the reporting period, including notices of non-compliance, civil penalties, and case resolutions.

| Enforcement<br>Feb. 1, 2026 to Feb. 28, 2026 |     |                  |         |        |       |
|--|-----|------------------|---------|--------|-------|
| Category of Violation                        | New | Follow-Up Action | Pending | Closed | Total |
| Asbestos                                     | -   | -                | 1       | 1      | 2     |
| Industrial                                   | -   | -                | 2       | 1      | 3     |
| Outdoor Burning                              | -   | -                | 3       | 1      | 4     |
| Fugitive Dust                                | -   | -                | -       | -      | -     |
| Home Wood Heating                            | -   | -                | -       | -      | -     |
| <b>Totals</b>                                | -   | -                | 6       | 3      | 9     |

Attachment No. 3: February 2026, Enforcement Actions Detail Report.

|   | 2020 | 2021 | 2022 | 2023 | 2024 | 2025 | 2026 |
|---|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|
| Notices of Non-compliance and Warnings    | 15   | 21   | 24   | 19   | 7    | 18   | 11   |
| Notices of Violation with Civil Penalties | 26   | 17   | 24   | 15   | 5    | 12   | 1    |

## IV. STRENGTHENING ORGANIZATIONAL CAPACITY

*Aligns with Learning & Growth Perspective of the Balanced Scorecard framework and LRAPA's current goal 6—developing staff capabilities and improving operational systems.*

### IV.A. Staff Development & Agency Growth

*This section supports Goal 6 (Organizational Excellence and Operational Efficiency) metrics focused on staff retention, professional development, and employee satisfaction, essential for achieving operational excellence.*

LRAPA maintains a skilled workforce to carry out our mission of protecting air quality in Lane County. This section provides an overview of our current staffing levels, vacancies, and professional development activities. Our commitment to staff development ensures we have the expertise needed to address complex air quality challenges effectively.

| Department                                | FTE         | Vacancies  |
|---|-------------|------------|
| Administration                            | 5.0         | 0.0        |
| Operations                                | 10.0        | 2.0        |
| Finance                                   | 2.0         | 0.0        |
| Technical services                        | 2.0         | 0.0        |
| <b>Total</b>                              | <b>19.0</b> | <b>2.0</b> |
| <i>Agency at 89% of staffing capacity</i> |             |            |

LRAPA currently maintains 19.0 FTE across four departments. We presently have 17.0 FTE filled, representing 89% of our authorized staffing capacity.

The agency continues to hold two vacant positions as we navigate federal budget uncertainty and assess operational priorities. The cautious approach maintains financial flexibility while ensuring LRAPA can continue delivering essential air quality protection services to Lane County.

LRAPA remains committed to thoughtful workforce planning and staff development strategies that balance operational needs with fiscal responsibility during this period of federal budget uncertainty.

| <b>Staff Professional Development, Year-to-Date</b>                   |               |                 |                           |
|---|---------------|-----------------|---------------------------|
| Training  | Participation | Completion Date | Provider                  |
| Introduction to Continuous Monitoring Systems                         | 3             | January         | Air Knowledge             |
| Observing Source Tests  | 1             | January         | Air Knowledge             |
| Regulation of Hazardous Air Pollutants (HAPs) from Stationary Sources | 3             | January         | Air Knowledge             |
| Compliance Assurance Monitoring                                       | 4             | February        | WESTAR                    |
| Aggregate, Asphalt, & Concrete Batching Plants                        | 2             | February        | WESTAR                    |
| Function of Common Air Pollution Control Devices                      | 1             | February        | WESTAR                    |
| Wage & Service Record Submission                                      | 1             | February        | PERS                      |
| What's New in ASAP  | 1             | February        | US Department of Treasury |
| CIS Annual Conference   | 1             | February        | CIS                       |

**Staff Professional Development, Year-to-Date**

| Training                           | Participation | Completion Date | Provider |
|------------------------------------|---------------|-----------------|----------|
| Effective Permit Writing           | 2             | March           | WESTAR   |
| Particulate Matter Control Devices | 5             | March           | WESTAR   |
| Unused Sick Leave Reporting        | 1             | March           | PERS     |

**Effective Permit Writing** (March 10<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup>, virtual)

Staff attended Effective Permit Writing course on air pollution stationary source permitting, which provided comprehensive training in methods and procedures for reviewing permit applications and drafting effective permit conditions across various permit programs. The course covered components required in a complete permit application evaluation, the functions and purposes of each application component, and characteristics that define an effective permit. Training included practical exercises demonstrating various types of permit conditions and approaches to ensure permits are complete, enforceable, and effective. This training strengthens staff capacity to conduct thorough permit reviews and develop clear, legally defensible permit conditions.

**Particulate Matter Control Devices** (March 11<sup>th</sup> –12<sup>th</sup>, virtual)

Staff completed this course providing foundational knowledge of particulate formation and control systems used in stationary sources. The training covered particle formation and behavior, followed by in-depth examination of control technologies including mechanical separators, fabric filters (baghouses), wet scrubbers, and electrostatic precipitators. The course also addressed compliance monitoring approaches including parametric monitoring, performance testing, and inspection procedures for particulate control equipment. This training enhances staff ability to evaluate control device effectiveness, conduct facility inspections, and review permit applications involving particulate emissions control.

**Unused Sick Leave Reporting** (March 18th, virtual)

Staff attended this Oregon PERS webinar focused on proper calculation and reporting of unused sick leave hours for Tier One and Tier Two members at termination or retirement. The training covered the step-by-step process for calculating net unused sick leave hours, including gathering sick leave information, applying maximum accrual rate caps (8 hours per month or the lowest rate in effect for the employer), accounting for reinstated or transferred sick leave hours, and subtracting actual sick leave usage. The webinar addressed proper EDX reporting procedures, common calculation errors and how to correct them, and how unused sick leave values are included in final average salary calculations to increase retirement benefits under Full Formula and Formula Plus Annuity calculations. This training ensures accurate compliance with ORS 238.350 reporting requirements.

**IV.B. Operational Improvements & Innovation**

*This section supports Goal 6 (Organizational Excellence and Operational Efficiency) metrics for technology adoption and systems modernization, enhancing our efficiency and effectiveness in serving Lane County.*

LRAPA is working to improve our systems and processes to enhance efficiency and effectiveness. These improvements support our ability to fulfill our mission and provide better service to the public. Current initiatives focus on technology upgrades, document management, and standardized procedures.

Current activities underway:

**LINFO Database Upgrade:** LRAPA successfully transitioned to our central database system (LINFO) version 3.0 in summer 2025, which enhances our permit tracking, complaint management, and reporting capabilities. The system has been fully operational, and staff are actively using it while documenting bugs and identifying needed

user-interface and functionality improvements.

LCOG has implemented select user interface updates and bug fixes to address immediate operational needs. To advance more substantial system enhancements, LRAPA has secured a contract developer through our staffing partner with experience in the technologies that support LINFO, including AI-assisted coding tools. The developer will work part-time on an ongoing basis, reporting to the Administrative Manager with technical guidance from the Technical Services Manager.

Initial work will focus on resolving known bugs and user-interface issues identified by staff during daily use. From there, the developer will support integration of permit coordination workflows into LINFO and begin development of a new enforcement module. The enforcement module will transition what is currently a primarily paper-based process into a digital workflow housed within LINFO, improving how the agency tracks enforcement cases, violations, compliance schedules, and penalties.

This approach positions LRAPA to make meaningful progress on system functionality in 2026 while maintaining LCOG's role in addressing routine fixes and ongoing support.

**Standard Operating Procedures (SOPs):** SOP development across all departments continues to build on the administrative framework established in prior months. In January and February, staff developed two agency-wide operational SOPs: a Workers' Compensation and Return-to-Work SOP (v1.0) establishing LRAPA's processes for reporting, investigating, and managing work-related injuries in compliance with Oregon law, including a transitional work program for injured employees; and an Emergency Action Plan and Continuity of Operations SOP (v1.0) documenting emergency response procedures for the LRAPA building and a continuity framework identifying essential functions, orders of succession, alternate work locations, and critical systems recovery procedures. The COOP plan was walked through with the Management Team on February 3.

Staff also developed three additional SOPs in February to support fleet safety and risk management: a Driving Eligibility SOP (v1.0) establishing qualifications and requirements for individuals authorized to drive on LRAPA business, a Driving Acceptability Matrix (v1.0) providing a point-based evaluation system for assessing driving records, and a Fleet Safety SOP (v1.0) establishing standards for vehicle authorization, pre-trip inspections, preventive maintenance, accident reporting and post-accident review, and driver safety training for LRAPA's five-vehicle fleet. Supporting forms for employee injury reporting and incident investigation were also completed.

In February and March, staff developed three additional SOPs addressing employee leave and financial controls: a Corrective Action and Progressive Discipline SOP (v1.0) establishing a consistent framework for addressing performance and conduct issues with due process protections, an Oregon Sick Time Leave SOP (v1.0) documenting LRAPA's administration of paid sick leave in compliance with ORS 653.601-653.661, a Paid Leave Oregon SOP (v1.0) outlining employee access to the state-administered paid family and medical leave program, and a Cash and Check Handling SOP (v1.2) establishing internal controls for receiving, logging, and depositing payments.

All eight SOPs were walked through with full staff at the April 3 all-staff meeting. These policies were developed in coordination with the CIS Best Practices audit and reflect LRAPA's continued investment in building a strong operational foundation.

**CIS Best Practices Audit:** On February 24, LRAPA participated in a Best Practices audit conducted by City County Insurance Services (CIS), our member-owned insurance pool. These audits assess whether agencies have appropriate policies, procedures, and practices in place to manage organizational risk across areas such as governance, personnel, contract management, fleet operations, and facilities. The purpose is collaborative, helping member agencies identify gaps and strengthen practices before problems occur.

This was LRAPA's first Best Practices audit since 2019-2020. Executive Director Travis Knudsen and Administrative Manager Rachelle Nicholas participated in the structured interview and document review on behalf of the agency. LRAPA received an overall score of 92%, with full marks in enterprise risk management,

training, employee injury and claims management, financial controls, and workplace substance abuse policy. Many survey categories were scored as not applicable given LRAPA's size and scope, which worked in Agency favor.

CIS issued a Risk Management Plan identifying four areas for continued improvement over the next three years: completing FEMA NIMS/ICS emergency management training for appropriate department heads, incorporating risk and safety considerations into annual employee performance reviews, transitioning contract tracking from a dollar-based approach to a risk-based approach, and evaluating enrollment in the Oregon DMV Automated Reporting System for fleet driver monitoring. Staff will address these items within the timelines established in the plan.

CIS also noted that LRAPA should use CIS's Employment Risk Services team for pre-action consultation on employment corrective actions, which is an included benefit of CIS membership. Staff have noted this for future use.

Separately, CIS has indicated that liability premiums will decrease slightly this year, with property rates expected to decrease 10 to 12 percent. LRAPA's insurance broker, AssuredPartners, will provide guidance on coverage options as part of the upcoming renewal process.

## V. ENSURING FISCAL RESPONSIBILITY

*Aligns with Financial Stewardship Perspective of goal 7—managing financial resources effectively and transparently.*

### V.A. Budget Performance & Stability

*This section supports **Goal 7 (Financial Sustainability and Transparency)** metrics for budget variance and maintaining adequate reserves (4 months of operating budget), ensuring LRAPA can fulfill its mission consistently.*

**Please refer to the February 2026 financial update (Agenda item number 7).**

**FY26 Line Items to Note:** These line items are above 91% of the budgeted spending to date. (Target spending to date is 67% as of February 28, 2026).

- **General Fund** – The GF Personnel Services line item is at 92.5% of our targeted amount of 67% for February. It is expected that this line item will remain under budget for the year.
- **Special Revenue Fund (Title V)** – nothing to note.
- **Grant Fund** – nothing to note.

**FY26 Summary of Expenditures:** 67% of the year has elapsed as of **2/28/26**, and spending is below that threshold in each of the LRAPA funds. These are the categories we must consider when asking the question “Were we below or over budget for the year?”:

- **General Fund** Total Actual Expenditures as a % of Budgeted Annual Expenditures: **48%**
- **Special Revenue Fund** Total Actual Expenditures as a % of Budgeted Annual Expenditures: **46%**
- **Grant Fund Total** Actual Expenditures as a % of Budgeted Annual Expenditures: **41%**
- **All Funds Consolidated** Actual Expenditures as a % of Budgeted Annual Expenditures: **45%**

#### **Grant Fund Details as of 2/28/2026**

- **Targeted Airshed Grant 1.0** (November 2019 – November 2025)
  - Total grant amount: \$4,938,190
  - Spent to date: \$4,938,190
  - Remaining grant balance: \$0
  
- **Targeted Airshed Grant TAG 2.0** (January 2022 – August 2027)
  - Total grant amount: \$2,739,425
  - Spent to date: \$693,342.81
  - Remaining grant balance: \$2,046,082.19
  - Awaiting federal reimbursement: \$431,927.61
  - Percentage of grant awaiting reimbursement: 15.8%

**Please Note:** LRAPA’s practice is to keep the percentage of grant awaiting reimbursement below 25%.

## V.B. Financial Transparency & Reporting

This section supports **Goal 7 (Financial Sustainability and Transparency)** metrics for financial reports provided to the Board (target: monthly) and timely audit completion (target: before December 31). Transparency in financial matters builds trust with our stakeholders and ensures accountability.

|                         | Status                         | Completion Date                  |
|-------------------------|--------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| Budget FY26             | Adopted                        | May 2025                         |
| Prior Year Audit - FY25 | Completed                      | February 2026                    |
| Current Year Audit FY26 | Scheduled to begin August 2026 | Projected December 2026          |
| Budget FY27             | Proposed – revised             | Projected to be adopted May 2026 |

**Auditor Selection Process:** Following Board direction at the November 2025 and January 2026 meetings, LRAPA initiated a competitive procurement process for audit services for FY26 and subsequent years. Staff conducted an Informal Written Quotes method consistent with the Board's objectives for competition, transparency, and administrative efficiency. Director Saxion and Director Loveall reviewed the RFQ before distribution and provided input on evaluation criteria ordering.

On January 26, 2026, LRAPA issued a Request for Written Quotes to ten qualified Oregon CPA firms, including LRAPA's current auditor and firms recommended by local government partners. The RFQ requested quotes for FY26 audit services with options for FY27 and FY28 renewals.

By the February 23 deadline, LRAPA received proposals from two firms: Isler CPA (Eugene) and Pauly, Rogers and Co., P.C. (Tigard). Both firms hold current Oregon Municipal Auditor licenses, confirmed independence from the Agency, and submitted proposals responsive to the RFQ requirements.

Staff have evaluated the proposals against the criteria outlined in the RFQ, which include Oregon government audit experience, deadline commitment and reliability, technology and document management, staff qualifications, and price. The “Staff Report: Selection of CPA Firm for Audit Services – FY26” summarizes the decision to select Pauly, Rogers and Co., P.C.

## VI. BOARD CALENDAR

A tentative review of upcoming initiatives, events, and board business.

| 2026   | 2027   |
|--|--|
| <p><b>January</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><del>Preview upcoming appointments on board and committees.</del></li> <li><del>City of Eugene Public Health Standards Code Amendments</del></li> <li><del>Director's Contract Approval</del></li> </ul> <p><b>February</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><del>Oakridge Air Update</del></li> <li><del>FY'25 Audit Report &amp; Presentation</del></li> <li><del>Appoint new Budget Committee members, and appoint Budget Officer</del></li> </ul> <p><b>March</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><del>Potential Supplemental Budget</del></li> <li><del>Budget Committee Meeting for FY'26-27</del></li> <li><del>Elect the Board Chair and Vice Chair</del></li> </ul> <p><b>April</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><del>Budget Committee Meeting for FY'26-27</del></li> <li><del>Budget Approval</del></li> <li><del>Legislative Short Session Review</del></li> <li><del>Auditor Engagement Update</del></li> <li><del>Special Revenue Fund Name Change</del></li> </ul> <p><b>May</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Public Hearing of FY'26-27 Approved Budget, Board Adoption</li> <li>- House Bill 4102</li> <li>- Oakridge Air Update</li> <li>- Caselle Update on Resolution #26-01</li> </ul> <p><b>June</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Outdoor Burning Season Review</li> <li>- Rivers 2 Ridges Rx Burning Presentation</li> </ul> <p><b>July</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Rulemaking Review</li> <li>- Review PERS UAL Liability &amp; Investment Strategy</li> </ul> <p><b>August</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- No Meeting</li> </ul> <p><b>September</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Review Local Partner Dues Calculation for FY'26-27</li> <li>- Wildfire Smoke Management Season Update</li> <li>- Annual Review of Board Designated LGIP Account</li> </ul> <p><b>October</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Approve Local Dues Calculation for FY'26-27.</li> <li>- Smoke Management Season Update/Review</li> </ul> <p><b>November</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Audit Update, FY'26-27</li> <li>- Home Wood Heating Season Update</li> </ul> <p><b>December</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- No Meeting</li> </ul> | <p><b>January</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Preview upcoming appointments on board and committees.</li> <li>- Oakridge Air update</li> </ul> <p><b>February</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Appoint new Budget Committee members, and appoint Budget Officer</li> <li>- Elect the Board Chair and Vice-Chair</li> </ul> <p><b>March</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Potential Supplemental Budget</li> <li>- Budget Committee Meeting for FY'27-28</li> </ul> <p><b>April</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Budget Committee Meeting for FY'27-28; Approve Budget</li> <li>- Executive Director's Performance Evaluation Process</li> </ul> <p><b>May</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Public Hearing of FY'27-28 Approved Budget, Board Adoption</li> <li>- Oakridge Air Update</li> </ul> <p><b>June</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Outdoor Burning Season Review</li> </ul> <p><b>July</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Rulemaking Review</li> <li>- Review PERS UAL Liability &amp; Investment Strategy</li> </ul> <p><b>August</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- No Meeting</li> </ul> <p><b>September</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Review Legislative Long Session.</li> <li>- Review Local Partner Dues Calculation for FY'27-28.</li> <li>- Wildfire Smoke Management Season Update</li> <li>- Annual Review of Board Designated LGIP Account</li> </ul> <p><b>October</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Approve Local Dues Calculation for FY'27-28.</li> <li>- Smoke Management Season Update/Review</li> </ul> <p><b>November</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Audit Update, FY'27-28</li> <li>- Home Wood Heating Season Update</li> </ul> <p><b>December</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- No Meeting</li> </ul> |

## VII. LRAPA STRATEGIC GOALS REFERENCE SHEET

*These ongoing and sustained goals are designed to ensure comprehensive performance management across four key perspectives. This reference sheet provides an overview of each strategic goal and its associated performance metrics.*

**MISSION:** To protect public health, quality of life and the environment as a leader and advocate for the continuous improvement of air quality in Lane County.

**VISION:** Community partners working together to ensure clean air for everyone.

### GOAL 1: Public Health Protection and Air Quality Education

Protect public health through air quality initiatives and foster community engagement via educational programs, prompt response to public concerns, and efforts to ensure equitable protection from air pollution for all communities.

#### Lag Indicators

- % of days in "Good" or "Moderate" AQI categories by monitoring location (target: 95% annually)
- Number of days with PM2.5 or PM10 exceeding NAAQS 24-hour standards (target: 0)
- % of complaints responded to (target: 95%)

#### Lead Indicators

- Number of educational events/programs conducted quarterly (target: 2 per quarter)
- Number of wood heating advisories issued (target: prior to 150 AQI in metro)
- Email listserv growth (target: >3% increase annually)

### GOAL 2: Enhanced Wildfire Smoke Preparedness

Address the increasing threat of wildfire smoke intrusions to public health in Lane County through public education, collaboration with local jurisdictions, and enhanced monitoring and communication during wildfire events. In addition to seeking funding avenues which directly support this new and growing smoke management service need.

#### Lag Indicators

- Response time to publish smoke advisories during events (target: before 1pm on days needed)

#### Lead Indicators

- Maintain LRAPA supported commercial air sensors in Lane County (target: approximately 75)
- State smoke advisory engagement (target: 100% participation)

### GOAL 3: Public Health Protection and Air Quality Education

Ensure compliance with National Ambient Air Quality Standards (NAAQS) and other health-based benchmarks, manage air quality permits for regulated sources, and implement best practices in emissions control, balancing economic development with environmental protection through rigorous permitting processes.

#### Lag Indicators

- % of area in compliance with NAAQS standards (target: 100%)
- % of permits issued within target timeframes (target: 90%)
- Permit backlog rate (target: <20%)

#### Lead Indicators

- Number of annual Full Compliance Evaluations completed vs. EPA committed (target: 100%)
- % of enforcement actions resolved within 6 months (target: 80%)

#### GOAL 4: Regional Air Monitoring and Analysis

Collect, analyze, and report comprehensive air quality data across Lane County to inform policy decisions, alert the public, and track long-term air quality trends.

##### Lag Indicators

- % data completeness for monitoring network (target: >95%)
- Timeliness of data reporting to the public and EPA (target: 100% on schedule)

##### Lead Indicators

- % of monitors calibrated on schedule (target: 100%)
- % uptime for real-time data systems (target: 98%)
- Number of monitoring site quality assurance audits completed vs. EPA committed (target: 100%)

#### GOAL 5: Partnerships and Interagency Coordination

Build and maintain strong relationships with various stakeholders, including industry, local jurisdictions, and community groups, to foster collaboration, improve communication, and ensure that LRAPA's work is responsive to community needs and concerns.

##### Lag Indicators

- Number of industry outreach initiatives completed annually (target: 1 per year)
- Number of community outreach initiatives completed annually (target: 1 per year)
- Number of partner outreach engagements completed annually (target: 5 per year)

##### Lead Indicators

- Diversity of inter-agency meetings attended (target: prioritize local, then state, then federal engagements)
- Number of monitoring site quality assurance audits completed vs. EPA committed (target: 100%)
- Communication frequency with key stakeholders (target: Quarterly communication)
- Number of council presentations delivered (target: 1 per jurisdiction annually)

#### GOAL 6: Organizational Excellence and Operational Efficiency

Strengthen LRAPA's internal systems, workflows, and operational capacity through technology integration, process improvement, and staff development to enhance organizational effectiveness and service delivery.

##### Lag Indicators

- Employee satisfaction/engagement scores (target: 85% satisfaction)
- Staff retention rate (target: >85% annually)
- % completion of internal systems modernization (target: 100% of planned upgrades, e.g. LINFO)

##### Lead Indicators

- Number of staff professional development training completed (Target: 2 per staff per year)
- Number of staff utilizing advancing technologies in workflows (target: > 50%)

#### GOAL 7: Financial Sustainability and Transparency

Ensure LRAPA's long-term financial stability and improve fiscal transparency through diversified funding sources, robust financial management practices, and clear communication of financial decisions to stakeholders.

##### Lag Indicators

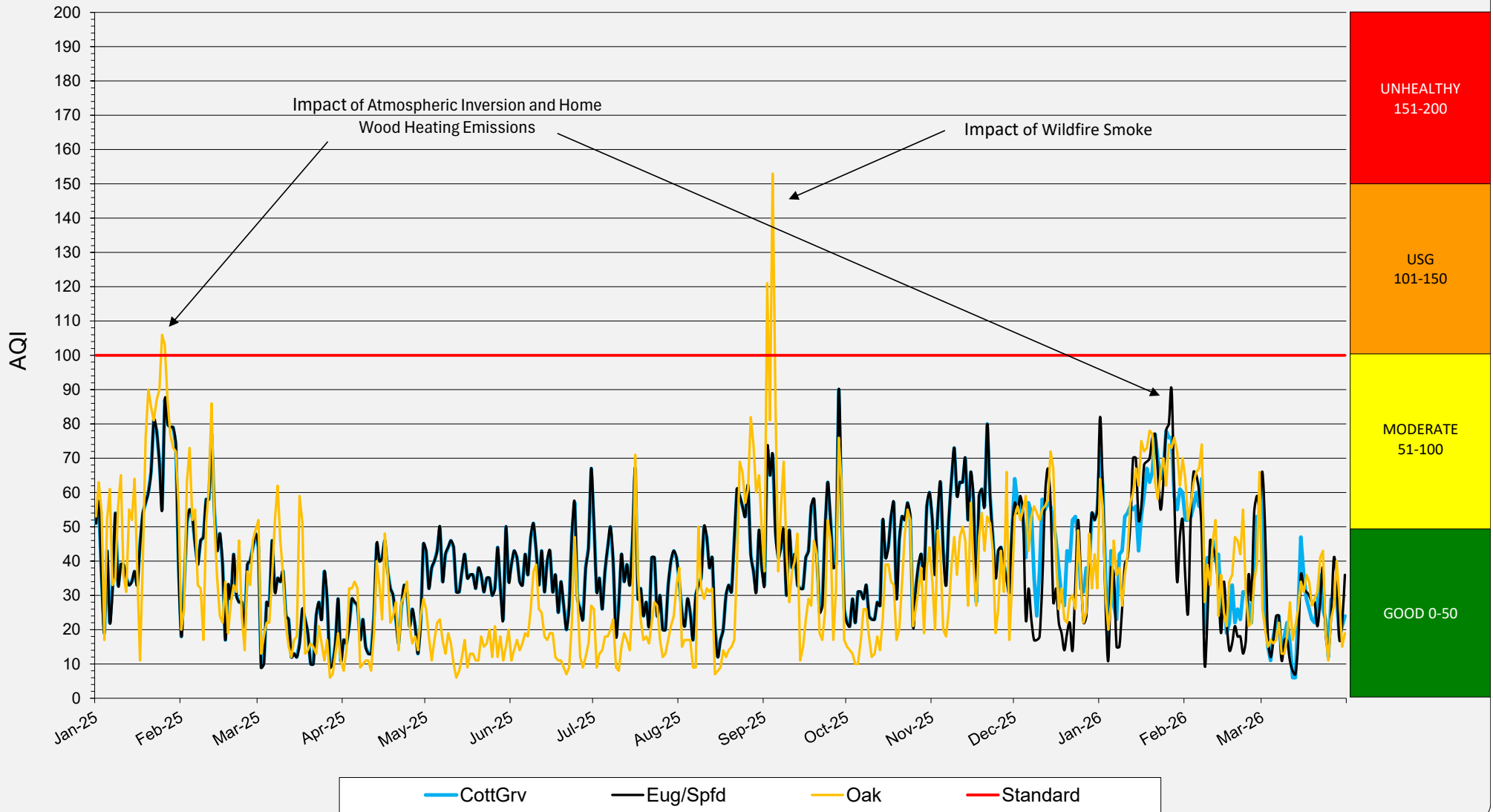
- Reserve fund supporting annual operating budget (target: 4 months)
- Budget variance (target: within 10% of planned)

##### Lead Indicators

- Number of financial reports provided to Board & public (target: monthly to Board)
- Audit completed before state deadline (target: Dec. 31)

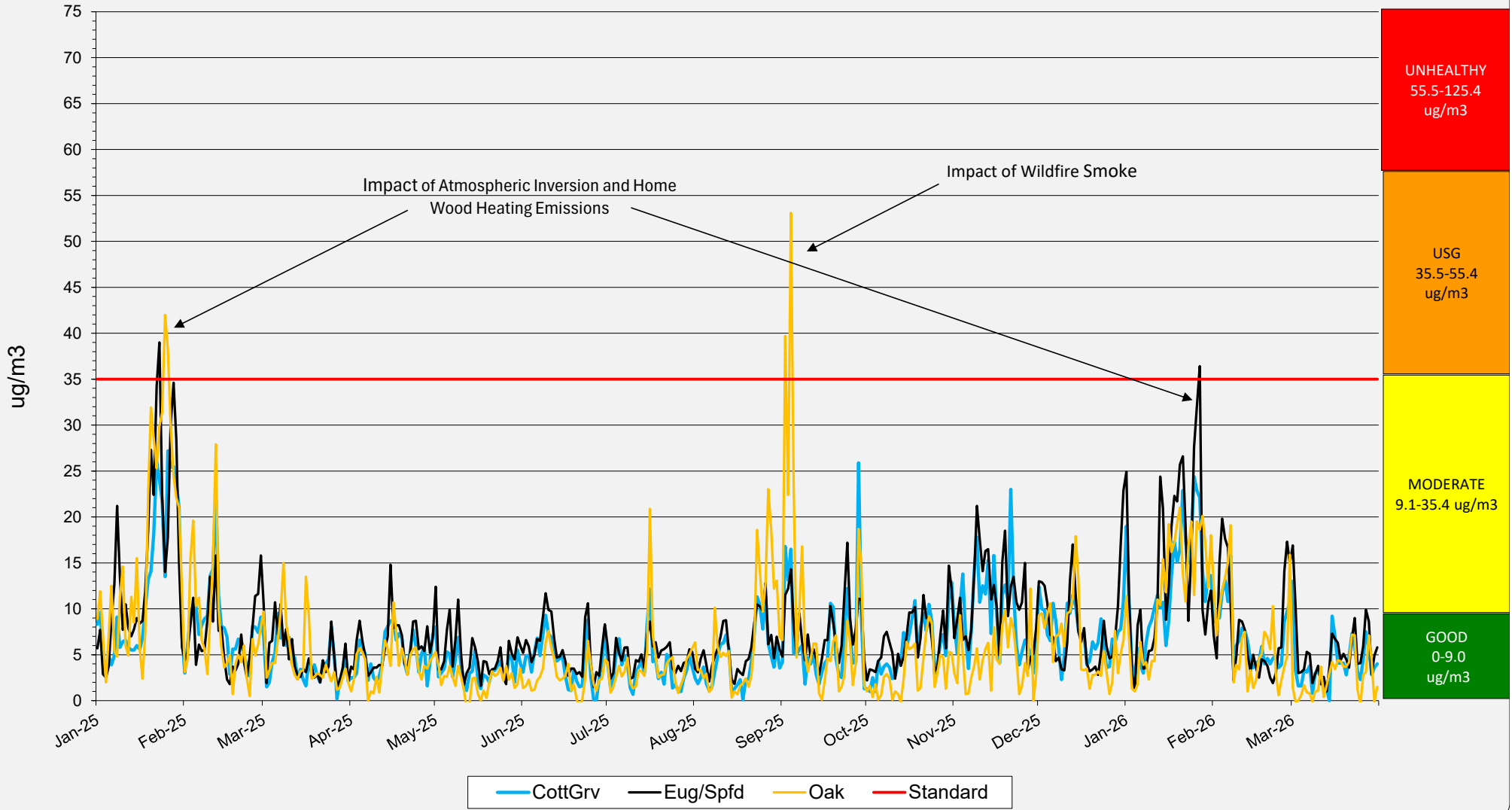
# Daily Air Quality Index (AQI) Chart

This 15-month chart demonstrates the seasonality of the pollutants.



# Daily PM2.5 Levels

Daily Sampling, NAAQS Exceedance is Triggered on the 8th High



**NEW/OPEN ENFORCEMENT ACTIONS DETAIL REPORT**  
**03/1/2026 – 03/31/2026**  
**Report of open actions initiated since last report**

**NEW (Enforcement actions issued in the current reporting period:**

None.

**PENDING (Enforcement actions issued prior to 03/01/2026 with no reporting action in the current reporting period):**

1. JEFFREY HEITZMAN & JANICE CASTLE (EUGENE)
  - A. Violation: Outdoor burning of prohibited materials including construction/ demolition debris.
  - B. Initial Action Taken: NON #3948 issued 1/15/2026
  - C. Subsequent Action: NCP #2025-3948 (\$3,388) issued 1/15/2026; no response, no payment received; default order and judgment for a lien on the property.
  - D. Resolution: PENDING
  - E. Source Type: OUTDOOR BURNING
  - F. Initiated By: COMPLAINT
2. RADIUS RECYCLING (EUGENE)
  - A. Violation: Outdoor burning where prohibited and outdoor burning of prohibited materials.
  - B. Initial Action Taken: NON #3951 issued 1/14/2026
  - C. Subsequent Action: PENDING – reviewing additional information submitted 3/13/2026
  - D. Resolution: PENDING
  - E. Source Type: OUTDOOR BURNING
  - F. Initiated By: COMPLAINT
3. GREENSIDE CONSTRUCTION INC. (HAPPY VALLEY)
  - A. Violation: During an inspection, no signage identifying an air curtain incinerator activities and information was present at Buford Park in Eugene which is in violation of their Permit No. 206131 condition 6.1.c. ii.

- B. Initial Action Taken: NON #3953 issued 1/27/2026
  - C. Subsequent Action: PENDING – waiting for additional information due 3/15/2026; no additional information received
  - D. Resolution: PENDING
  - E. Source Type: ACI
  - F. Initiated By: INSPECTION
4. AURORA INNOVATIONS, LLC / HYDROFARM (EUGENE)
- A. Violation: Aurora Innovations LLC (Aurora) has allegedly allowed perlite fines processed at the facility to become fugitive and cause visible deposition on neighboring properties and is a violation of ACDP permit #200053 Permit Condition G4. It is also alleged that Aurora failed to monitor baghouse pressure drop or conduct fugitive surveys in 2024. The failure to monitor baghouse pressure drop and to conduct fugitive emission surveys are in violation of ACDP permit #200053 Permit Conditions 27 & 13.
  - B. Initial Action Taken: NON #3949 issued 1/22/2026
  - C. Subsequent Action: PENDING
  - D. Resolution: PENDING
  - E. Source Type: ACDP
  - F. Initiated By: COMPLAINT
5. DUST 2 DIAMONDS, LLC (SPRINGFIELD)
- A. Violation: Performed an asbestos abatement project without possessing a license to perform asbestos abatement; openly accumulated friable asbestos-containing materials.
  - B. Initial Action Taken: NON #3908 issued 9/6/2024
  - C. Subsequent Action: NCP #2024-3908 (\$8,400) issued 9/6/2024; request for reduction approved and reduced to \$4,800 with a payment plan of \$100; payments are on schedule as of 2/28/2026.
  - D. Resolution: PENDING
  - E. Source Type: ASBESTOS

- F. Initiated By: INSPECTION
6. REMEDIOS ROMERO (COTTAGE GROVE)
- A. Violation: Respondent conducted the burning of prohibited materials, including painted wood, metal, tin cans, plastic bags, food waste, plastics fiberglass roofing and general household garbage in a burn barrel.
  - B. Initial Action Taken: NON #3930 issued 08/06/2025
  - C. Subsequent Action: NCP #2025-3930 (\$1,019) issued 08/06/2025; no response, default order and judgment (DOJ) in process
  - D. Resolution: PENDING
  - E. Source Type: OUTDOOR BURNING
  - F. Initiated By: COMPLAINT

**CLOSED ENFORCEMENT CASES Enforcement closed in the current reporting period 03/01/2026 – 03/31/2026):**

1. GIELISH, SCOTT (EUGENE)
- A. Violation: Outdoor burning unattended, failure to promote efficient combustion and failure to follow strict wind vectors when burning.
  - B. Initial Action Taken: NON #3958 issued 2/25/2026
  - C. Subsequent Action: OBLP 20B25-12-02 was revoked and no additional forest slash debris will be burned on this site.
  - D. Resolution: CASE CLOSED 03/09/2026
  - E. Source Type: OUTDOOR BURNING
  - F. Initiated By: COMPLAINT
2. WILLAMETTE VALLEY SANDBLASTING (EUGENE)
- A. Violation: Failure to comply with their ACDP 208923 conditions to perform visible emissions survey of plant
  - B. Initial Action Taken: NON #3956 issued 2/19/2026

- C. Subsequent Action: Initiated Method 22 observations and ensure that they are performed at the frequency outlined in the permit.
  - D. Resolution: CASE CLOSED 03/01/2026
  - E. Source Type: ACDP
  - F. Initiated By: INSPECTION
3. LODGE ENVIRONMENTAL (EUGENE)
- A. Violation: During an inspection of an asbestos abatement project the Respondent failed to install a viewing window which is a violation of 43-015-11-F-5.
  - B. Initial Action Taken: NON #3957 issued 2/4/2026
  - C. Subsequent Action: Installed viewing window and will continue with inspections.
  - D. Resolution: CASE CLOSED 3/1/2026
  - E. Source Type: ASBESTOS
  - F. Initiated By: INSPECTION