ASBESTOS



Overview

- Health Effects of Asbestos
- Reducing Public Exposure to Asbestos
- Asbestos National Emission Standard for Hazardous Air Pollutants
- CARB Asbestos Enforcement Program

What is "ASBESTOS"

"Asbestos" is a term used to describe six naturally occurring minerals:

- 1) Serpentine Group:
 - -Chrysotile
- 2) Amphiboles Group:
 - -Crocidolite
 - --Amosite
 - --Anthophyllite
 - --Actinolite
 - -Tremolite

Health Effects Related to Asbestos Exposure

- Lung Cancer a relatively common form of cancer which has been linked to smoking and a variety of occupational exposures.
- Asbestosis a non-cancerous lung disease related to diffuse fibrous scarring of the lungs.
- Mesothelioma a rare cancer of the thin membranes lining the lungs, chest, and abdominal cavity.

- ARB identified asbestos as a Toxic Air Contaminant
- U.S. EPA classifies asbestos as a <u>Hazardous Air Pollutant</u>

Reducing Public Exposure to Asbestos in California

- National Emission Standards for Hazardous Air Pollutants (NESHAP)
 Title 40 Code of Federal Regulations Part 61, Subpart M
- California law establishes the Asbestos NESHAP as an Airborne Toxic Control Measure

Health and Safety Code §39658(b)

- Airborne Toxic Control Measures for Naturally Occurring Asbestos
 - Construction, Grading, Quarrying, and Surface Mining Operations
 - Surfacing Applications

ASBESTOS NATIONAL EMISSION STANDARDS FOR HAZARDOUS AIR POLLUTANTS

California's Asbestos NESHAP Programs

17 air districts authorized to enforce Asbestos NESHAP

CARB staff enforces
 Asbestos NESHAP as an
 Asbestos ATCM in 16 air
 districts



Asbestos NESHAP History

Year	Requirement
1973	 Inclusion of demolition projects Ban spray-applied asbestos (e.g. fireproofing)
1975	 Inclusion of renovation projects Ban wet-applied asbestos (e.g. pipe/boiler insulation) Ban pre-molded asbestos insulation
1978	 Establishment of work practices Ban decorative uses of asbestos (e.g. textured ceilings)
1984	Revised work practices
1990	NotificationWaste disposal
1994	Addressed roof removal

Asbestos NESHAP Applicability

- Applies to owners or operators of demolition or renovation projects
 - > 260 linear feet on pipes
 - > 160 square feet of surface area
 - > 35 "off facility components"

- Applies to all types of facilities
 - Exemptions for small residential buildings with 4 or fewer units

Overview of NESHAP Requirements

- Thorough inspection of facilities for asbestos containing materials before work begins
- Notification requirements
 - 10 work-days before beginning regulated work
 - ASAP but no later than the following working day for emergency renovations and ordered demolitions
- Procedures for <u>asbestos emission control</u>
 - Controlled removal to avoid disturbance during demolition or renovation
- Waste handling and disposal requirements

CARB Asbestos Enforcement Program

- Receive, review and process renovation and demolition project notification forms and inspection reports
- Investigate complaints and inspect projects for compliance
- Issue and resolve Notices of Violation
- Multi-state, multi-district coordination
- Inspector and contractor training

Asbestos NESHAP Working Group

- Two annual meetings of asbestos enforcement personnel from:
 - CARB
 - Air Districts
 - Arizona
 - Hawaii
 - Nevada
 - U.S. EPA Region 9 asbestos
- Share emerging issues and facilitate communication

CARB Asbestos Training Program

Overview of Asbestos NESHAP/ATCM requirements to regulated communities

Enforcement training for Air District staff

Assist building departments and regulated community

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