



BAY AREA
AIR QUALITY
MANAGEMENT
DISTRICT

PUBLIC NOTICE

July 23, 2025

TO: Parents or guardians of children enrolled at the following school(s):

Madera Elementary School

All residential and business neighbors located within 1,000 feet of the proposed new or modified source(s) of air pollution listed below.

FROM: Bay Area Air Quality Management District

RE: Permit Application #696346 for the following source(s) of air pollution:

Emergency Back-Up Diesel Generator Engine

City of El Cerrito Fire Department

1520 Arlington Blvd

El Cerrito, CA 94530

The Bay Area Air Quality Management District (the “District”) is a local agency that regulates stationary sources of air pollution such as factories, industrial sites, and gasoline stations.

Whenever we receive a permit application for a new or modified source(s) of toxic air contaminants located within 1,000 feet of a school site or within a community that is overburdened by air pollution, we notify the public about the proposed project. To comply with Air District requirements, we distribute or mail a Public Notice to the parents or guardians of students enrolled at schools located within ¼ mile, and all residents and businesses located within 1,000 feet, of the proposed source(s).

You are receiving this Public Notice because a permit application has been filed with the District for the above referenced source(s) of air pollution. A description of the proposed project follows:

City of El Cerrito Fire Department has applied for an Authority to Construct and/or Permit to Operate an Emergency Back-Up Diesel Generator Engine that will be used for providing electrical or mechanical work during emergencies, and will be periodically run for maintenance, reliability testing, and/or emissions testing.

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PRELIMINARY EVALUATION

The District has evaluated the permit application for the proposed project and has made a preliminary determination that the project is expected to comply with all applicable District, state, and federal air quality-related regulations, including the health risks resulting from toxic air contaminant emissions. The preliminary recommendation is to issue a permit for this project. After considering all comments received, the District will make a final determination.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

The Air District's Community Health Protection Program is focused on reducing air pollution disparities in overburdened communities. For more information on Air District activities in your community, consult the Air District's website at:

<https://www.baaqmd.gov/community-health>

If you are interested in getting more information about this project, you may obtain a copy of the District's evaluation report from the Air District's website at:

<http://www.baaqmd.gov/permits/public-notice>

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

There is a 30-day period for public response to this proposal. If you wish to comment on the proposed project, you may do so in writing or by e-mail. Alternatively, you may call and leave a telephone message up to one minute in length. Please leave your name and telephone number so that a District staff member may respond to your message.

Please use the following contact information if you would like to comment on the proposed project:

Mailing address: City of El Cerrito Fire Department (A/N #696346)
Public Notice Response
BAAQMD - Engineering Division
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San Francisco, CA 94105
Attn: Rahseam Wroten

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Telephone Number: (415) 749-8821

The public comment period for this project ends on **August 22, 2025**.