

# **Monthly Activity Report**

October 26 to November 25, 2022

## Regulated sources, by county

	Island	Skagit	Whatcom	Total
Air operating permit sources	2	10	11	22
Registered sources	60	214	271	544
Totals	62	224	282	566

## **Permitting**

# Construction permit applications received

Permit No.	Source	County	Received	Project description
1401	Vicinity Motor Corp - USA	Whatcom	10/26/22	One paint spray booth for painting trucks and buses. Overspray controlled by filters before air exhausts outdoors.
GO003RI-32	Circle K - Mount Vernon	Skagit	10/27/22	Gasoline dispensing station with vapor controls on underground storage tanks.

## Construction permits issued

Permit No.	Source	County	Processing time (60 days max)	Project description
GO003RI-32	Circle K - Mount Vernon	Skagit	1	Gasoline dispensing station with vapor controls on underground storage tanks.
1363	Janicki Industries Inc.	Skagit	2	Permit modification to allow use of products with additional styrene content and use of temporary enclosures for spray coating application.
1386	Bornstein Seafoods Inc.	Whatcom	28	Operation of a continuous deep fat fryer with exhaust air routed through mesh filters, a mist eliminator, water scrubber, and activated carbon before exhausting to the atmosphere.

### **Enforcement**

## Alleged violations

Ca No	ase o.	Issue Date	Source	County	Alleged violation description
46	24	11/07/22	Themeland Studios	Skagit	Failure to install and operate a spray coating facility in accordance with the approved Notice of Construction application. Illegal spray coating operation in a plastic-sheeted area exhausting through a roof vent with no filtration or monitoring and open containers of waste materials.
46	25	11/07/22	Whatcom Developers Inc	Whatcom	Illegal demolition of a 1971 mobile home.
46	26	11/07/22	Puget Sound Refinery*	Skagit	Excess flare visible emission on 5/18/2022 and continuous emissions monitor low data availability 2 systems during 4 months of operation.
46	27	11/07/22	Puget Sound Refinery*	Skagit	Insufficient weatherization to prevent operational upsets and excess emissions that occurred 12/25/2021 through March 2022.
46	28	11/08/22	Rick Carlson	Skagit	Illegal outdoor burning of prohibited materials during a fire safety burn ban.
46	29	11/22/22	Ben's Market 1	Whatcom	Illegal removal of Stage II vapor controls, failure to maintain damaged equipment, and failure to conduct testing to demonstrate vapor tightness.
46	30	11/22/22	Rick Carlson	Whatcom	Large illegal outdoor fire containing prohibited materials.

#### Penalties issued

Cital	cics issued		Amount	Conditionally	
Case No.	Source	County		reduced or suspended to	Alleged violation description
4557	Anacortes Refinery*	Skagit	\$6,000	\$6,000	Bypass of the gasoline loading rack vapor recovery unit while loading 15 transport trucks releasing and estimated 390 pounds of VOC to atmosphere.
4560	Anacortes Refinery*	Skagit	\$6,000	\$6,000	Carbon monoxide (CO) emissions from the fluidized catalytic cracking unit (FCCU) exceeded 500 ppm CO on an hourly average on 5 separate occasions: 3/25/20 (143 lb), 4/14/20 (817 lb), 6/17/20 (525 lb), 7/13/21 (495 lb), 8/13/21 (153 lb).
4610	APC Advanced Powder Coating	Whatcom	\$5,000	\$500	Denial of entry.
4552 & 4611	Bornstein Seafoods Inc.	Whatcom	\$24,525	\$24,525	Failure to obtain a permit prior to installing an industrial fryer in February 2021 and verified nuisance odor impacts. Emissions of particulate matter in excess of 0.10 gr/dscf. Failure to obtain permits prior to construction and operation without required permits.

<sup>\*</sup>Marathon Anacortes Refinery

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> In some cases, NWCAA offers air pollution sources the opportunity to reduce their penalty by agreeing to specific actions that go beyond compliance requirements. Alternatively, a portion of a penalty may be suspended, holding the remainder of the penalty due if the violation is repeated within 5 years.

# Industry reports of process upsets with potential excess emissions

Date	Source	County
11/03/22	Post Point Wastewater Treatment Plant (SSI)	Whatcom
11/04/22	Post Point Wastewater Treatment Plant (SSI)	Whatcom
11/05/22	Ferndale Refinery**	Whatcom

<sup>\*\*</sup> Phillips 66 Ferndale Refinery

## Complaint summary

Asbestos	1
Industrial Emissions	1
Marijuana	1
Odor	11
Outdoor Burning	14
Smoke	1
Woodstove	18
TOTAL: (unique for the period)	47





