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The Greatest Threat to a Community is the Belief that Someone Else will Save it!

SCAQMD RULE 1157 WORKING GROUP MEETING #1

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On September 9, 2025, the South Coast Air Quality Management District held its first Working Group meeting to discuss updates to Rule 1157, which addresses dust from construction and aggregate operations. The Climate Corps Initiative (CCI) is engaging in this process to help reduce harmful particulate pollution that affects nearby communities.

Why it matters

Dust from construction and aggregate sites can worsen asthma, heart and lung disease, and overall air quality—especially for people living next to these operations. Stronger standards and better monitoring can lower exposure and protect public health.

Highlights from Meeting #1

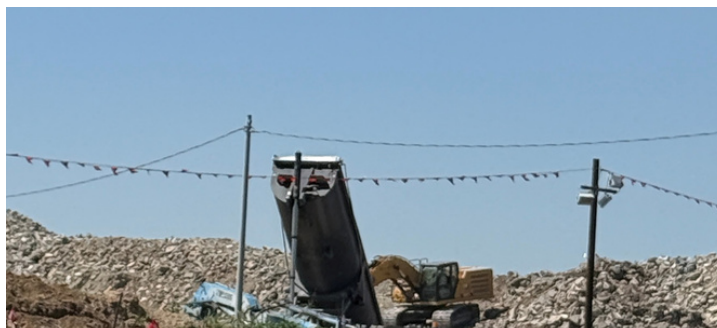
- Staff outlined the rule's goals, timelines, and opportunities for public input.
- Community members shared lived experience with dust impacts and asked for clear, enforceable measures.
- Participants requested more data on monitoring locations and compliance.

What's next

SCAQMD will release draft updates, invite further feedback, and schedule the next session. CCI will continue to track the rule, share updates, and support residents in speaking up.

Get involved

Have dust concerns or stories to share? Email us and sign up for meeting notices at our website.





Rally at Metrolink Sun Valley Station

The Climate Corps Initiative (TCCI) successfully organized a vibrant community rally at the Sun Valley Metrolink Station on July 31, 2025. Held at this key transportation hub located at 8360 San Fernando Road in Sun Valley, the event drew local residents, community leaders, stakeholders, and advocates united by a shared vision for environmental justice and neighborhood revitalization.

TCCI structured the rally to amplify the voices of Sun Valley's diverse population, highlighting critical local issues such as pollution, traffic congestion, deteriorating infrastructure, and affordable housing challenges disproportionately impacting low-income and disadvantaged communities. Speakers from TCCI and partner organizations emphasized the power of collective action in driving policy change and improving public health.

The rally featured calls for increased investment in green infrastructure, better enforcement of local environmental regulations, and community's opposition to proposed developments that threaten to exacerbate displacement and environmental degradation. Community members shared personal stories and hopes for a sustainable, equitable future in Sun Valley. TCCI's team also provided educational materials and ways to get involved in ongoing advocacy efforts.

This event marked a significant step in TCCI's grassroots organizing efforts, fostering solidarity and raising awareness about the urgent need for systemic change. By activating the community around shared concerns, TCCI is building momentum for sustained civic participation and environmental stewardship in Sun Valley and beyond. Partners and attendees left energized, recognizing that change is achievable when a unified community stands together - an ethos at the heart of TCCI's mission.

The success of the July 31 rally at the Sun Valley Metrolink Station underscores the critical role of community organizing in shaping a just and resilient future for all residents regardless the color of skin, socio-economic standing, income, or zip code.



Sun Valley Community Opposes Placing Tiny Homes at Metrolink Station Parking Lot

A Tiny Homes Village is planned for Sun Valley, located in the parking lot of the local Metrolink Station at 8360 San Fernando Road. Residents don't want them in their [...]

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