

Public Notice
Olympic Region Clean Air Agency (ORCAA)
Notice of Construction for Approval (NOC)
Sierra Pacific Industries Aberdeen Division - Lumber Mill
NOC # 20NOC1449

PERMIT APPLICANT:

Sierra Pacific Industries Aberdeen Division – Lumber Mill
301 Hagara Street
Aberdeen, WA 98520

PERMITTING AUTHORITY:

Olympic Region Clean Air Agency
2940 Limited Lane NW
Olympia, WA 98502
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PROJECT DESCRIPTION: SPI is an existing facility that manufactures kiln-dried lumber and wood residual byproducts from the milling process. SPI requests approval to replace their eight existing lumber dry kilns and to increase the current permitted lumber drying limit from 315 million board feet per year (MMbf/yr) to 415 MMbf/yr. Approving SPI's requested increase in the lumber drying limit will result in increasing emission rates of several air pollutants including particulate matter, Volatile Organic Compounds (VOC) and several Toxic Air Pollutants (TAP). Emissions increases trigger the requirement to secure ORCAA's approval through a NOC application and a "Second Tier" Health Impact Assessment (HIA) by the Washington Department of Ecology (Ecology).

PRELIMINARY RECOMMENDATION: Both ORCAA and Ecology have reviewed air implications of SPI's proposal and recommend conditional approval of the project on grounds that criteria for approval have been met and compliance with applicable air regulations and standards will be maintained. On this basis, ORCAA's Preliminary Recommendation is to approve SPI's NOC application.

PUBLIC NOTICE: Pursuant to ORCAA Rule 6.1.3(b) and WAC 173-401-800, notice is hereby given of ORCAA's Preliminary Recommendation to approve SPI's NOC application as described above.

DOCUMENT AVAILABILITY: Copies of ORCAA's Preliminary Recommendation, SPI's Health Impact Analysis, SPI's Permit Application, and Ecology's Second Tier Review are available on ORCAA's website at www.orcaa.org/news-info. If you do not have internet access or need assistance, please contact our office at 360-539-7610.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: Comments on this case may be submitted to ORCAA in writing by 4:30 p.m. on Friday, January 8. Comments may be mailed to ORCAA at the address above or emailed to aaron.manley@orcaa.org. Comments that may be considered by ORCAA in making a final determination are those pertaining to air quality implications of the proposed project. A public hearing may be requested by any person, interested governmental agency, group, or the applicant. Per ORCAA Rule 6.1.3(c), a public hearing may be held if ORCAA determines significant public interest exists.

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