How Santa Barbara County APCD Rules Apply

» APCD permits are required before installation of diesel engines 50 bhp or greater, including standby emergency generators for residential and business uses.

» You can use your permitted emergency standby diesel generator during a PSPS event and be compliant with APCD rules if:
  - You are within an outage area, and
  - You use the generator once the outage has occurred.

» For diesel generators used for PSPS events, you will not be compliant with APCD rules if you are not within the PSPS area and/or if you use the generator outside of a PSPS event.

» Diesel exhaust contains toxic air contaminants and has been linked to lung cancer and other adverse health effects. California’s air quality programs have significantly reduced public exposure and diesel-related cancer risk despite increases in population and diesel engine use. These programs include cleaner-burning and alternative fuels, cleaner Tier 4 diesel generators, particle-trapping filters, and advanced technologies to reduce particle emissions.

More Info: ourair.org/dice-atcm