

Maricopa County Air Quality Department Open Areas and Vacant Lots

Rule 310.01 Section 302.5

Who is affected?

The owner/operator of:

- Vacant portion of a residential or commercial lot
- Unsubdivided or undeveloped tract of land
- Subdivided lot that does not contain any approved or permitted buildings or structures

What do I have to do?

Control Visible Emissions

Do not cause or allow visible emissions (dust or smoke) to cross the property line.

Implement Control Measures

Choose one of the following:

- Establish and maintain vegetation on all disturbed areas. (Must comply with city/town regulations regarding vegetation.)
- Apply water or other dust suppressant to all disturbed areas.
- Restore area to native conditions or conditions similar to adjacent or nearby undisturbed conditions.
- Uniformly apply and maintain gravel.
- Apply for an alternative control measure. (Alternative control measures must be approved before implementation.)

*All control measures must be effective so that they meet the visible emission and stability standards found in Rule 310.01 Section 302.5a.

Additional Information

If disturbed area(s) equal to or greater than 500 square feet (cumulative) are discovered, you have 30 days to send the Maricopa County Air Quality Department a description and date of the control measure(s) to be implemented.

After initial discovery of the disturbed areas, you have 60 days to implement one of the control measures stated above.

For more information contact Maricopa County Air Quality Department (602)-506-6010 or visit us online at www.maricopa.gov/eq



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Definitions

Dust Suppressant - Water, hygroscopic material, solution of water and chemical surfactant, foam, non-toxic chemical stabilizer, or any other dust palliative, which is not prohibited for ground surface application by the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) or the Arizona Department of Environmental Quality (ADEQ), or any applicable law, rule, or regulation, as a treatment material for reducing fugitive dust emissions.

Disturbed Surface Area - A portion of the earth's surface or material placed on the earth's surface that has been physically moved, uncovered, destabilized, or otherwise modified from its undisturbed native condition if the potential for the emission of fugitive dust is increased by the movement, destabilization, or modification.

To read all of Rule 310.01 and other County rules, you may go to:
www.maricopa.gov/qa