



AB&I Foundry – Oakland Regulation 11-18 Frequently Asked Questions

AB&I has prepared the following questions and answers about the Bay Area Air Quality Management District's (Air District's) Regulation 11-18, which was enacted in 2017 to address stationary source pollution under AB617's Community Health Protection Program. Target levels under this regulation are significantly stricter than the standards from 2017 and are some of the most stringent in the nation.

What is Regulation 11-18?

Regulation 11-18 requires that the Air District conduct a study called a health risk assessment on facilities that emit pollutants and how they might negatively impact the health of people who live or work nearby. It also requires that facilities prepare a risk reduction plan which looks at methods to reduce emissions to improve air quality. Once a health risk assessment is finalized, a facility has six months to complete the risk reduction plan and up to five years to implement risk reduction measures.

What were the findings of the Health Risk Assessment for AB&I?

We are actively reviewing the findings in the Health Risk Assessment (HRA) to move forward on to the next step in the 11-18 process of developing a Risk Reduction Plan (RRP). We have been working cooperatively with the Air District since this process began in 2018 and will continue to work with them to review and adjust our operations, as necessary, to respond to Regulation 11-18.

What are the next steps?

The Air District is holding a **60-day public comment period from April 9 to June 8, 2021** to accept comments on the findings in the AB&I health risk assessment. The Air District and Communities for a Better Environment are cohosting a virtual public workshop to present, discuss, and receive comments on the draft health risk assessment. The workshop will be held using Zoom and will take place on **Friday, May 7 from 5:30 to 8:30 p.m.** More details will be available on the Air District's website below. After the close of the comment period, the Air District will incorporate the feedback received and then give AB&I six months to prepare a risk reduction plan. We will then have five years to implement that plan, once approved.

What is AB&I doing in response?

It is a privilege to work in Oakland and we are committed to openly sharing our findings and working with the community to determine the best possible solutions to reduce our emissions. We are working with members of our Community Advisory Panel to host a community forum via Zoom on **Tuesday, May 18, 2021 at 6:00 p.m.** to discuss the health risk assessment, share our findings, address your concerns, and discuss next steps. You can register for this meeting at <https://tinyurl.com/ABICommForum>.

Where can I find more information?

You can review a copy of the Health Risk Assessment on the Air District's website at: <https://www.baaqmd.gov/community-health/facility-risk-reduction-program/facility-risk-reduction-list> (search for A B & I Foundry).

We welcome your questions and feedback. Please contact us by calling our toll-free response line at 877-460-1645 or emailing us at info@abioakland.net.