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MOJAVE DESERT AQMD LAUNCHES REVAMPED WEBSITE

Victorville -- In an effort to enhance transparency and better serve regulated businesses and residents, the Mojave Desert Air Quality Management District has launched a new, easy-to-navigate website, officials at the local regulatory air district have announced.

The fresh, user-friendly design makes navigating the MDAQMD's website much easier than the prior site, launched in 2009. The primary buttons and tabs - created based on analytics that have identified the most frequently used searches - arrange frequently searched topics, such as permit applications, fee payment, complaints and current health and smoke advisory information - in a more efficient manner. The new site is also responsive to mobile devices.

A brand new feature available via the home page is an air quality forecast map which displays forecasts for both today and tomorrow for the seven locations where the MDAQMD maintains air monitoring sites. The website also displays current air quality information based on the Air Quality Index, which gauges how clean or polluted air is, and is used in determining health effects and protective measures.

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Other new features include integrated social media buttons for the MDAQMD's new Facebook page and for its EnviroFlash page, which provides daily air quality forecasts via Twitter. The redesigned website also contains information regarding upcoming Board meetings, public notices, rules and regulations, and electric vehicle charging stations nationwide, including the MDAQMD's public charging site.

“Our goal is to provide our businesses and residents with an easier way to interact with the District, while increasing accessibility to our many programs and services,” commented MDAQMD Executive Director Brad Poiriez.

Visit the MDAQMD's new website today at www.mdaqmd.ca.gov.

The MDAQMD is the local air pollution control agency for San Bernardino County's High Desert region and the Palo Verde Valley portion of Riverside County. The District is responsible for regulating stationary air pollution sources and implementing state and federal air quality rules and regulations within its 20,000-plus square mile jurisdiction, which is home to over 550,000 residents.

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