

AIR AND NOISE CONTROL PROGRAM - 2006

Overview

During 2006, the Monmouth County Health Department Air and Noise Control Program performed 367 site visits. The Program also spent 84 hours enforcing the idling laws in the county.

Air and Noise Site Visits

In total, 367 site visits were made during 2006.

<u>Site Visits</u>	<u>2006</u>	<u>2005</u>
Citizen Complaints	36	117
DEP Referrals	90	75
Minor Source	78	70
Complaint Reinvestigations	<u>163</u>	<u>130</u>
Total	367	392

Minor Source Inspections

This year, 78 minor source inspections were conducted compared to 70 in 2005. Spray booths were included in our inspections.

<u>Minor Source Inspections</u>	<u>2006</u>	<u>2005</u>
Boilers	10	8
Dry Cleaners	26	39
Gas Stations	25	5
Spray Booths	<u>17</u>	<u>18</u>
Total	78	70

Idling

This year the DEP has called upon us to enforce the idling regulations for diesel powered vehicles. We spent many hours doing public service to ensure that all parties involved were informed of the mandate.

Idling hours 84
Locations 77

Noise Control Program

Seventeen noise complaints were investigated in 2006. Only one of them had readings that constituted a violation which was then rectified.

GIS/GPS Completed Projects

Maps for GIS are updated on an as needed basis. The dry cleaners map as well as the gas station map were made current this year.

Looking Ahead

In 2007 the Program will take on the rigorous task of inspecting over 100 dry cleaning facilities at the request of the DEP. We will also inspect more gas stations this year. Idling will not be a major focus but we will continue to respond to idling complaints. We will continue to fulfill routine DEP requirements in addition to serving the residents of Monmouth County, particularly as they are affected by issues under the jurisdiction of the Air and Noise Program.