

SLO County Planning Agencies' Guide to **APCD ASBESTOS REGULATION**



What asbestos regulation does the APCD enforce?

The San Luis Obispo County Air Pollution Control District (APCD) implements the asbestos National Emission Standards for Hazardous Air Pollutants Regulation (NESHAP), established by the USEPA. The NESHAP regulates the removal of asbestos from regulated renovation and demolition projects, regardless of the age of the structure.

The NESHAP defines the following project as follows:

Demolition: the removal of any load supporting structural member

Renovation: the altering of a facility or facility components in any way, including the stripping or removing of Asbestos Containing Materials (ACM)

What projects are subject to the NESHAP and therefore require a survey?

To determine if a project is subject to the NESHAP, please use the flowchart on the following page (back of this paper).

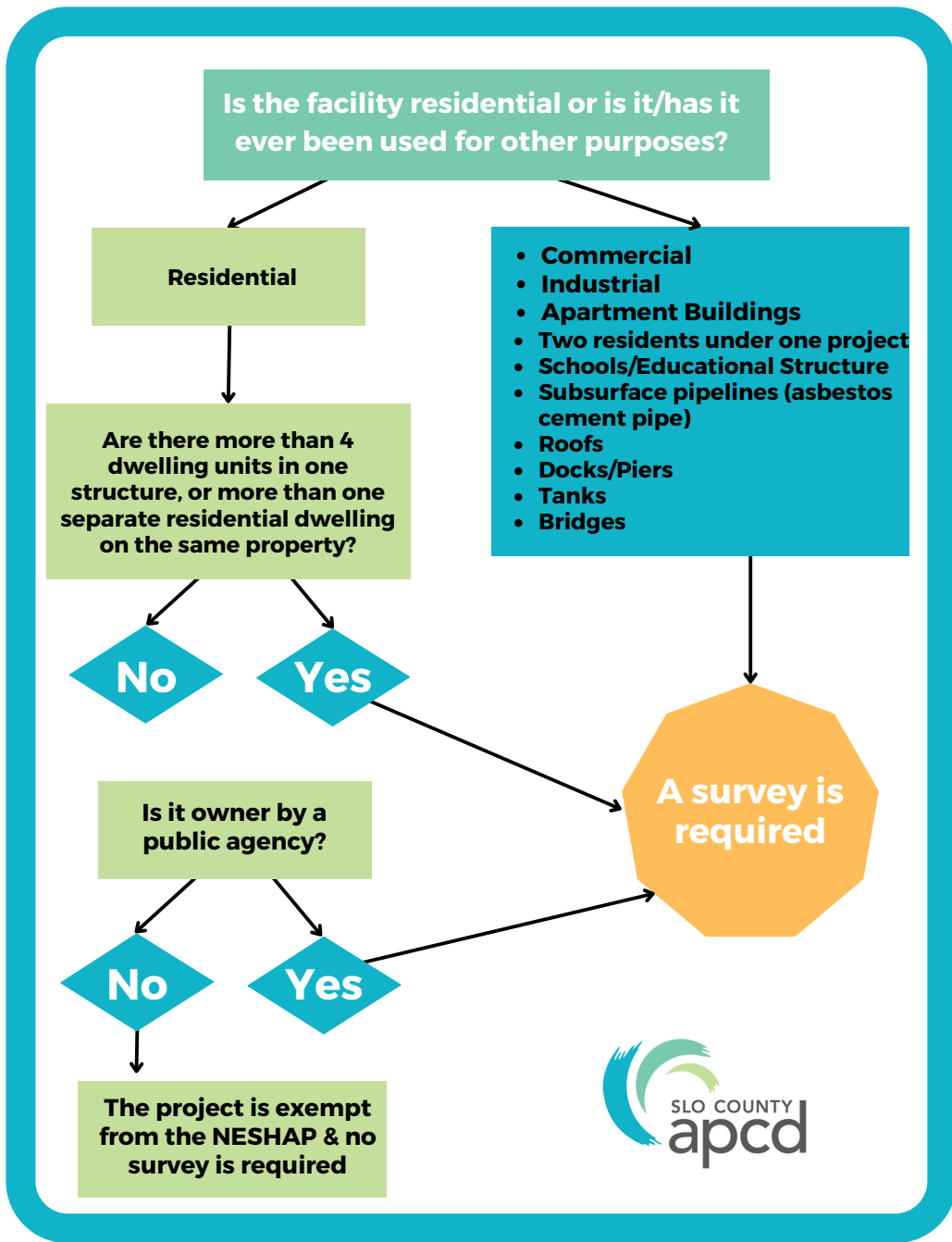
The NESHAP regulates all tenant improvements, renovations, and demolitions of commercial and industrial projects. Single Family Residents are exempted from this regulation unless the project falls in the following categories:

- Any residential structure that is part of “public housing” or government subsidized housing including Section 8 housing.
- Two or more residential structures as part of a single project
- Any structure that was previously subject to the regulation regardless of its current use or function. For example, a single-family residence that was previously used as an office.
- Any structure used for a firefighting training.

**For more information, please visit our Asbestos Webpage at
[SLOCleanAir.org/Rules-Regulations/Asbestos](https://www.slocleanair.org/Rules-Regulations/Asbestos).**

**For specific questions regarding the APCD Asbestos Program,
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A project is regulated by the NESHAP, what happens next?

The NESHAP requires that a survey be conducted to identify Regulated Asbestos Containing Materials (RACM) for all regulated structures. The survey must meet all of requirements stipulated in the APCD Asbestos Survey Checklist.

The NESHAP also has a notification requirement for specific projects. All demolitions require a notification to be submitted to the District along with the survey. Tenant improvements and renovation over 160 square feet or 260 linear feet of RACM required a notification; tenant improvements and renovation under these thresholds do not need to submit a notification to the District. For projects that require notification, once the District has reviewed and approved the documents, building permits can be issued to the project.