City of Sacramento Portable Blower Ordinance Frequently Asked Questions

- Why is the city prohibiting the use of portable blowers? To address health concerns related to the use of portable blowers, the City prohibits the use of portable blowers when the Air Quality Index (AQI) is at or above 101.
- What is prohibited by the portable blower ordinance? Use of all portable blowers is prohibited when the Air Quality Index (AQI) is at or above 101. This includes commercial and residential use of electric and gas-powered portable blowers.
- Where can I find the PM2.5 AQI for Sacramento? The PM2.5 AQI specific to the Sacramento region can be found at: <u>http://www.sparetheair.com/aqirealtime.cfm</u>, observing the "Downtown Sacramento – T Street" data.
- How will the leaf blower ordinance be enforced? The City of Sacramento will respond to complaints of persons and businesses using blowers when the AQI is at or above 101. Violations of the ordinance are subject to administrative penalties.
- Who will be impacted by this ordinance? Anyone using a portable blower when the AQI is at or above 101. This includes residential and commercial use.
- How do I report someone using a blower when the AQI is at or above 101? Complaints can be filed by calling 311 or (916)-808-5011 or emailing 311@cityofsacramento.org. Complaints should include the address/location where the activity is occurring as well as the name of contractor, landscaping, or gardening company if appropriate.