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Ms. Hurley,

Michael Goldstein forwarded your inquiry to me. Below is a statement that addresses your questions:

There was no formal announcement to the media when the Riverview air monitor became operational. No federal regulation requires such an announcement.

The air monitoring site was approved by the Environmental Protection Agency to become operational on July 1, 2026. The ozone data began automatic uploads to AirNow.gov on August 16, 2026, but July 1st was chosen as the start date to allow the instruments to be tested, verified, and calibrated to ensure that they were functioning to the strict EPA standards. The carbon monoxide monitor at the site is not yet operational due to technical difficulties with the equipment as it was delivered. We are working with the manufacturer to resolve this issue.

The Riverview air monitoring project was delayed primarily by a federal funding freeze in January 2025, that affected numerous EPA grant-funded projects. The funding interruption caused a cascade of delays, causing equipment purchases and construction activities to also be delayed, and that impacted the project's original timeline. EPA recognized these circumstances were beyond SCHD's control and approved a 12-month extension of the project.

Thank you,

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[My questions of September 5, 2026 are quoted below the statement in the original. I asked whether August 16 was the start date and whether it was announced, whether the carbon monoxide analyzer is running, whether EPA had approved the June 30 network plan change and what the site's established date is now, and when 2026 data goes to AQS. I rendered this from the email as I received it and left my own address off. Nothing in the statement is altered.]