

# Next Steps in Expanded Area Around Exide Testing and Cleanup

**Department of Toxic Substances Control**

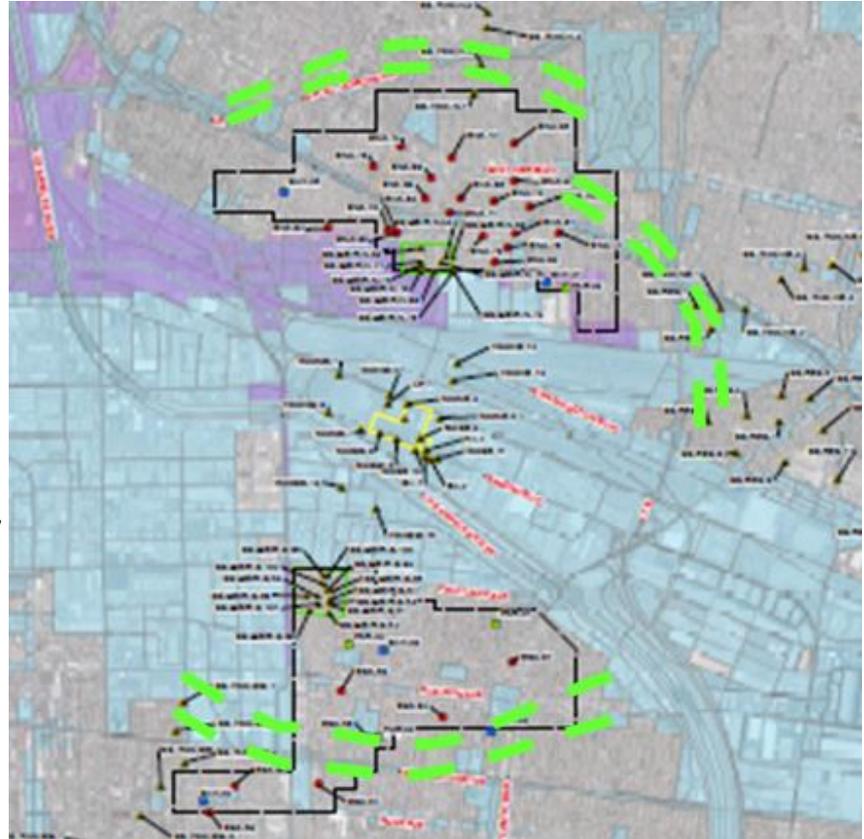
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# Potential Properties Affected

- Potentially affected area not really a circle
- Can draw circles to estimate possible affected properties
- For the range of distances in preliminary analysis, between 5,000 and 10,000 properties may be affected.



# Key Actions

- Protect public health and the environment
- Act as quickly as possible
- Ensure the law is upheld
- Be transparent and accountable
- Coordinate and collaborate
- Hold Exide accountable for its lead
- Identify others who bear responsibility for lead that people are exposed to and hold them accountable as well

# Overview of Strategy

- Develop and implement a Plan to:
  - Test other potentially affected properties
  - Identify properties for cleanup
  - Determine full extent of Exide's contamination
- Start cleanup on two tracks:
  - Put funding in place to begin earliest action cleanups and address greatest exposure as soon as possible
  - Develop and implement a longer term Cleanup Plan for the larger project to address all contaminated properties
- Document Exide's lead and recover costs
- Identify other potentially responsible parties and secure cost recovery from them
- Establish partnerships to support project success

# First Steps

- **DTSC has secured \$7 million to:**
  - Continue testing properties around Exide
  - Begin cleanup of properties already tested
- **DTSC is committed to put in place ongoing funding to continue testing and cleanup as long as needed**
- DTSC will recover costs wherever possible

# Next Stage Testing Plan

- DTSC has secured over \$3 million to develop and implement a Testing Plan for the next stage of testing at properties around Exide
- Testing will include properties to the East in Commerce
- Draft Testing Plan to Advisory Group in September
- Input from Advisory Group
- Finalize and begin testing shortly thereafter

# Earliest Action Cleanup

- **DTSC has secured over \$3 million to begin cleanup of affected properties as soon as possible:**
  - Start with properties with greatest potential exposures
  - Clean up already tested priority 1 properties (where test concentrations are over 1000 ppm)
  - Prioritize properties as they are tested and continue cleanup
- Prioritize all affected properties for cleanup under the Cleanup Plan for larger project

# Cleanup Plan for Larger Project

- Develop a Cleanup Plan for contaminated properties in areas identified in the preliminary analysis
  - Clean up most affected properties first
  - Work with Advisory Group, other agencies and the community
  - Employ lessons from large cleanup projects in other states
- Develop a programmatic Environmental Impact Report for the project
  - Clean up properties as we test and prioritize them
  - Not waiting until all properties are tested
  - Not waiting to recover costs from Exide
- Full public engagement to develop Plan and EIR
- Secure ongoing funding to fully implement Cleanup Plan

# Recovering Costs

- Identify all potential sources of lead:
  - Exide
  - Other industrial activities
  - Lead-based paint
  - Transportation sources
- Test soils & document responsibility
- Use all legal avenues to recover costs from Exide and other potentially responsible parties
- Work with other federal, state and local agencies to effectively leverage expertise and resources

# Partnerships

In addition to DTSC's primary investigation and cleanup:

- Bring state agency coordination and support for project (DTSC, CalEPA, Office of Environmental Health Hazard Assessment, California Department of Public Health, Department of Community Services and Development)
- Establish working group of federal, state and local governments to leverage programs and resources
  - Align with other planned projects to increase efficiency/effectiveness
  - Explore coordinating with local Polanco/ Gatto Act authorities to require clean up contaminated properties
  - Leverage HUD grant funds for lead-based paint clean up
    - DCSD has passed through grant funds in areas identified by DTSC
    - Local jurisdictions eligible individually or DTSC can coordinate
    - LA County also has HUD grant for remediation in its jurisdiction
- Work with Advisory Group and affected communities