

Public Notice

The mission of DTSC is to protect California's people and environment from harmful effects of toxic substances by restoring contaminated resources, enforcing hazardous waste laws, reducing hazardous waste generation, and encouraging the manufacture of chemically safer products.

Draft Corrective Measures Proposed For Portion of Former Aerojet Facility, Chino Hills, Available for Public Review & Comment & Public Meeting Announcement

Public Comment Period: March 29th – April 28th, 2016

WHAT IS BEING PROPOSED? The Department of Toxic Substances Control (DTSC) invites public review and comment on a proposed plan that evaluates the Corrective Measures cleanup alternatives at a portion of the former Aerojet-General Corporation (now Aerojet Rocketdyne) (AR) Facility located at the end of Woodview Road in Chino Hills. The proposed cleanup plan, called a draft Corrective Measures Study (CMS), was developed specifically for a portion of the Facility known as Management Area (MA) 1 and 2 for Munitions and Explosives of Concern (MEC) in these areas. Some subunits of MA1 and MA2 will require No Further Action (NFA). Other subunits may require additional cleanup. Details on cleanup status of the subunits can be found in the CMS Report.

During operation, the Facility occupied about 800 acres of which AR owned 400 acres (AR currently owns 562 acres) and leased the remainder. The leased land served primarily as a buffer zone from operations. Land adjoining the property is currently used for cattle grazing or agriculture. A residential development/golf course and Chino Hills State Park also border the Facility. AR Facility operations including loading, assembly and packing of munitions and limited research and development of explosives, propellants and proprietary organic chemicals were used at the Facility. The Facility operated from 1954 through 1995 when AR ceased operations. In 1994, DTSC and AR entered into a Consent Agreement to begin an environmental investigation and a cleanup remedy was approved in 2000 and implemented for soil and subsurface water contamination (and some removal of MEC) items. The goal of this draft CMS

CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT (CEQA) - CEQA is a state law that requires state and local agencies to identify environmental impacts, if any, of their actions, prior to approval of the CMS. Under CEQA, DTSC prepared an Initial Study and proposes a Negative Declaration as the proposed cleanup will not have an adverse environmental impact on human health and the environment.

HOW YOU CAN PARTICIPATE - We encourage your participation. A 30-day public comment period is being held to receive public comments on the draft CMS and CEQA Negative Declaration. **The 30-day public comment period begins March 29th, and ends April 28th, 2016. All public comments must be postmarked or e-mailed no later than April 28th, 2016,** and sent to: Robert Romero, DTSC Project Manager, 5796 Corporate Avenue, Cypress, CA, 90630-4732 or Robert.Romero@dtsc.ca.gov. All public comments will be considered before making a final decision on the draft CMS. **DTSC is also hosting a public meeting at 6:30 pm on Monday, April 11th, 2016, at Chino Hills Community Center, 14250 Peyton Drive, Chino Hills, to present the draft CMS and receive public comments. Please join us to learn more about this project in your community.**

WHERE TO GET MORE INFORMATION? - The draft CMS, CEQA Negative Declaration and other project documents are available for review at:

James S. Thalman Chino Hills Branch Library
14020 City Center Drive
Chino Hills, CA 91709
(909) 590-5380 Call for hours

Department of Toxic Substances Control
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