

COMMUNITY UPDATE

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.

Public Meeting on Draft Cleanup Plan for 822 W. Commercial Street (Former CalSol Property)

Thursday, July 28, 6:00PM to 8:00PM

The Department of Toxic Substances Control (DTSC) invites you to a meeting to learn about the cleanup of the former CalSol property. The CalSol property is located at 822 West Commercial Street. Two toxic chemicals, tetrachloroethylene (PCE) and trichloroethylene (TCE), were found at the CalSol property, and in other areas of the neighborhood in the soil and groundwater (Site). The groundwater below the neighborhood is **not** a source of drinking water. A plan called the Removal Action Workplan (RAW) describes how the Site will be cleaned up.



Site History

The CalSol property was used to manufacture and store chemicals. In 1976, an accident between a City of Pomona waste truck and train damaged an above-ground storage tank and spilled chemicals on the property and the nearby areas.

Long-term exposure to PCE and TCE can increase risk of cancer. Short-term exposure to TCE may also cause other health problems including heart defects in fetuses.

Testing

- Indoor Air Testing - The City of Pomona tested homes in the neighborhood for PCE and TCE. Test results showed that the levels in the air do not pose a short-term risk to residents. Soil gas

Public Comment Period

July 18, 2016 – August 17, 2016

You are invited to a public meeting to learn more about the cleanup plans and give us your ideas. The meeting will be held in English and Spanish.

Thursday, July 28, 2016
Pomona Public Works Yard
636 W. Monterey Avenue
Pomona, CA 91768

Open House: 6:00—6:30pm
Presentation: 6:30—8:00pm

A 30-day public comment period is held to receive comments on the draft RAW and draft Negative Declaration. **All public comments must be postmarked or e-mailed by August 17, 2016, and sent to:**

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sampling will be done in July 2016. If the levels show an unacceptable risk, indoor air sampling will be done.

- Soil and Soil Vapor Cleanup - A system to remove the chemicals from soil was successfully tested. This cleanup method is known as a Soil Vapor Extraction (SVE) system. It works like a vacuum to remove the chemicals from underground.

Draft Removal Action Workplan (RAW)

The RAW describes a few options to clean up the Site. One option is to install a full-scale SVE system. If the SVE is not successful, a method called In-Situ Chemical Oxidation (ISCO) will be used. ISCO uses chemicals to break down PCE and TCE. You are invited to review and comment on the RAW.

California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA)

CEQA is a law that makes agencies consider how the cleanup will affect the community. As part of the CEQA requirement, DTSC prepared an Initial Study Report and a draft Negative Declaration. The Initial Study states that the proposed cleanup will not have a significant negative impact on human health and the environment.

The 30-day public comment period on the draft RAW and draft Negative Declaration begins July 18, 2016 and ends August 17, 2016.

Documents

Project reports including the draft RAW and draft CEQA Negative Declaration are available for public review at the two locations below.

City of Pomona – Clerk’s Office
505 S. Garey Ave., 2nd Floor
Pomona, CA 91766
(909) 620-2341
Monday – Thursday, 7:30 AM to 6:00 PM

Department of Toxic Substances Control
9211 Oakdale Avenue
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Monday – Friday, 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM

Project documents can also be found on our online library called Envirostor:

http://www.envirostor.dtsc.ca.gov/public/profile_report.asp?global_id=60000137

Next Steps

If the draft RAW is approved, the Site cleanup is expected to begin in the Fall of 2016 and will operate for several years.

DTSC Contact Information

If you have any questions about the Site, the draft RAW, or the draft Negative Declaration, please contact:

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