



NOTICE OF A PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD AND
PUBLIC MEETING FOR THE
INTERIM REMEDIAL ACTION PLAN FOR SOIL
AT THE PROPELLANT BURN AREA,
INACTIVE RANCHO CORDOVA TEST SITE
RANCHO CORDOVA, CALIFORNIA

Department of Toxic Substances Control (DTSC) invites public comments on the Draft Interim Remedial Action Plan (PBA-IRAP) for the cleanup of soil at the Propellant Burn Area (PBA). DTSC also invites public comments on the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Negative Declaration. The PBA is in the north central portion of the Inactive Rancho Cordova Test Site, which is located in Sacramento County, south of the community of Rancho Cordova, California.

Investigations found dioxins and perchlorate present in shallow soil. Dioxins and perchlorate are located from one to fifteen feet below ground surface. These two chemicals have contaminated about 7100 cubic yards, which are spread over less than one acre.

The Draft PBA-IRAP evaluates four possible cleanup alternatives for soil using the nine federal and six state established criteria. DTSC uses these criteria to evaluate whether or not a proposed cleanup alternative will protect public health and the environment, as well as meet all federal and state regulatory standards. In addition, the Draft PBA-IRAP includes an investigation report on the Beta and Circular Feature areas and recommends no further action.

In accordance with the CEQA, an Initial Study was prepared to assess the potential environmental impacts that may result from the implementation of the proposed remedy. DTSC has determined that such implementation of the final PBA-IRAP is unlikely to have any significant impacts on human health and the environment. Therefore, DTSC has proposed a negative declaration.

The public comment period begins on Wednesday, July 24, 2002 and ends Monday, August 26, 2002. Written comments regarding the Draft PBA-IRAP and the CEQA Negative Declaration must be postmarked by Monday, August 26, 2002, and submitted to:

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Oral and written comments or questions may also be submitted at the public meeting to be held:

Thursday, August 1, 2002
Beginning at 7:00 p.m.
Mitchell Middle School
Library
2100 Zinfandel Drive
Rancho Cordova, CA 95670
Free parking available

The purpose of this meeting is to discuss the Draft PBA-IRAP and the proposed CEQA Negative Declaration and to answer any questions that members of the community may have regarding these documents. After the close of the public comment period, DTSC will make a final decision on the Draft PBA-IRAP after considering all oral and written comments. All commenters will receive a copy of DTSC's responses to comments.

To view copies of the Draft PBA-IRAP or Proposed Negative Declaration, and other related documents, please contact Alberta McMurray, DTSC File Room, 8800 Cal Center Drive, Sacramento, CA 95826.

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