



## **DTSC APPROVES PERMIT MODIFICATION FOR SANTA SUSANA FIELD LABORATORY**

November 19, 2004



The Department of Toxic Substances Control (DTSC) has approved most of the actions in the Class 2 Permit Modification Request from The Boeing Company (Boeing) dated May 28, 2003. Boeing requested modifications to two Post-Closure Hazardous Waste Facility Permits covering hazardous waste facilities in Areas I, II and III at the Santa Susana Field Laboratory in Ventura County, California. The Permits cover the post-closure care of nine surface impoundments plus the operation and maintenance of eight groundwater cleanup facilities. The changes to both Permits include the following:

- \* Update the groundwater monitoring program for the nine closed surface impoundments to meet current regulations. This includes the detection monitoring program and evaluation monitoring program for each impoundment;
- \* Redesignate wells with existing groundwater monitoring wells that will meet the requirements for groundwater monitoring program under California Code of Regulations, title 22, division 4.5, chapter 14, article 6 "Water Quality Monitoring and Response Programs for Permitted Facilities" (Article 6);
- \* Construct three new monitoring wells where wells did not exist that adequately satisfy groundwater monitoring regulations;
- \* Update the sampling constituents to match known site conditions;
- \* Update the sampling frequencies and constituent lists to meet the Article 6 requirements;
- \* Update the groundwater sampling and analysis plan to include updated laboratory analysis methods and updated sample retrieval methods;
- \* Submit rewritten sections of the Post-Closure Permit Attachment A to be consistent with regulatory language in state regulations;
- \* Provide clarification language for the description of the groundwater cleanup facilities;
- \* Provide administrative corrections and updates, as appropriate.

A public comment period occurred from June 3 to August 4, 2003. Boeing held a public meeting on July 2, 2003. DTSC reviewed the public comments, prepared a Response to Comments Document, and made a decision on Boeing's request. DTSC has approved the majority of Boeing's requested modifications. DTSC made changes by adding wells to the monitoring well program.

DTSC will file a Notice of Exemption in compliance with the requirements of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA).

Documents for the Class 2 Permit Modification Request, Response to Comments, and DTSC's decision can be reviewed at the following locations:

- \* California State University Northridge, Oviatt Library, 18111 Nordhoff Street, Northridge, CA 91330. Contact: Robert Marshall (818) 667-2832;
- \* Simi Valley Library, 2969 Tapo Canyon Road, Simi Valley, CA 93063. Contact: Martha Gifford (805) 526-1735;
- \* Los Angeles Public Library - Platt Branch, 23600 Victory Boulevard, Woodland Hills, CA 91367. Contact: Lynn Light (818) 340-9386.

The full administrative record for this facility is available for review at:

- California Department of Toxic Substances Control, 1011 North Grandview Avenue, Glendale, CA 91201. Contact: Jone Barrio (818) 551-2886.

The decision on this Class 2 Permit Modification Request may be appealed as outlined in the California Code of Regulations, title 22, section 66271.18. A petition must be submitted to DTSC requesting a review of the permit decision within a 30-day appeal period beginning on **November 22, 2004**, and ending **December 21, 2004**. The Permit Modification becomes effective on December 22, 2004, unless a petition for review is filed. The petition must be sent to:

Mr. Watson Gin, Deputy Director  
Hazardous Waste Management Program  
Department of Toxic Substances Control  
1001 I Street, P.O. Box 806  
Sacramento, California 95812-0806

A copy of the petition should also be sent to:

Mr. Jose Kou, P.E., Chief  
Southern California Permitting and Corrective Action Branch  
Department of Toxic Substances Control  
1011 North Grandview Avenue  
Glendale, California 91201

The petition must include a statement of the reasons supporting the request for review, including a demonstration that any issues being raised were raised during the public comment period and when appropriate, a showing that the condition in question is based on: 1) a finding of fact or conclusion of law which is clearly erroneous; or 2) an exercise of discretion or an important policy consideration which DTSC should review.

For further information, please contact Mr. Nathan Schumacher, Public Participation Specialist, toll free at (866) 495-5651, [nschumac@dtsc.ca.gov](mailto:nschumac@dtsc.ca.gov) or Mr. Stephen Baxter, Project Manager at (818) 551-2940, [sbaxter@dtsc.ca.gov](mailto:sbaxter@dtsc.ca.gov). You may direct media inquiries to Ms. Jeanne Garcia, Public Information Officer at (818) 551-2176, [jgarcia1@dtsc.ca.gov](mailto:jgarcia1@dtsc.ca.gov).