

**Department of Toxic Substances Control
Project Status Update
for
Wyle Laboratories Norco Facility Site
March 13, 2006**

SITE INVESTIGATION/CLEANUP

- We have received the results of the most recent rounds of sampling at Norco Elementary, Norco Intermediate, and Norco High School. The elementary and intermediate school results were similar to the last round of sampling in July 2005, and the schools remain safe. At the high school, results were similar to the last round of sampling, with the exception of the Science Building. In the Science Building, indoor air tests found low levels of vinyl chloride in additional classrooms, similar to the July sampling though more rooms were included in this round. The low levels do not pose a health risk to students, and only a very slight increased risk to a teacher who is assumed to be in the classroom for 40 years or more. For more information on these and other sampling results, please see the fact sheet posted on our website. They will also be discussed at the March 21 public meeting described at the end of this update report. The detailed laboratory reports will also be posted on our website.
- We are continuing to work with residents to obtain access agreements for additional offsite groundwater and soil gas sampling, to find the extent of offsite groundwater contamination.
- Continued operation and maintenance of the vapor extraction system, located on the Wyle property near Golden West Lane. The system pulls chemical vapors from the soil through a series of underground pipes and passes them through a carbon filter to remove the contaminants. The system will help prevent chemical vapors from seeping into the homes at the southern end of Golden West Lane. The vacuum readings in monitoring probes offsite were also recorded, to determine how much air vapor the vacuum unit is pulling back onto the site.

Ongoing Remedial Investigation activities:

Last week

Onsite:

- Conducted operation and maintenance activities on the vapor extraction system, located on the Wyle property near Golden West Lane.

Offsite:

- Drilled and installed temporary monitoring wells ESG-118 (at 2028 Temescal Avenue) and ESG-119 (at 1145 Second Street) for groundwater and/or soil gas sampling. These sampling locations are west of Norco High School.
- Measured water levels in offsite groundwater monitoring wells.
- Continued collecting vacuum measurements in monitoring and extraction wells associated with the extraction system on the Wyle property near Golden West

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Sampling planned for this week

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PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

- We have mailed out a fact sheet to advertise an upcoming public meeting and provide an update on the Wyle Labs investigation and cleanup.
- DTSC staff will hold a public meeting on March 21, 2006, at the Corona-Norco Unified School District at 2820 Clark Avenue in Norco, to update the community on the Wyle Labs investigation. The meeting will be held in the Learning Center South meeting room. There will be an open house from 6 p.m. to 7 p.m., and a presentation at 7 p.m. followed by a question-and-answer session. The meeting agenda will include information on the onsite and offsite investigation, results of the indoor air re-sampling of the schools, and other recent investigation results.