

**Department of Toxic Substances Control**  
**Project Status Update**  
**for**  
**Wyle Laboratories Norco Facility Site**  
**August 8, 2005**

**SITE INVESTIGATION/CLEANUP**

- A seep in the backyard of a residence on Raquel Road was sampled for trichloroethylene (TCE), perchlorate, and other chemicals found at the Wyle site. No TCE, perchlorate, NDMA, or other chemicals of potential concern were detected from the seep sample.
- Soil gas and indoor air sampling was completed at the three schools near the Wyle site. The sampling was designed to address community concerns and to determine whether contaminants from Wyle have a potential to impact the schools. We anticipate that the results of this sampling will be available in late August.
- We have received the sampling results from soil gas sampling conducted at six homes near the intersection of Third and Hillside (near Temescal). Results showed varying TCE concentrations at four of the homes. The highest detected TCE concentrations were 41 and 44 parts per billion at two of the four homes, both at a depth of 10 feet below ground surface. Indoor air sampling will be conducted at the four homes to make sure they are not affected by TCE vapors. Preparations for indoor air sampling will continue this week, depending on access agreements received from the residents at these homes. Preparations include taking a chemical inventory of each home, to document any possible household products that may contribute to the indoor air sampling results.
- Based on public concern about potential impacts to the surrounding community from demolition activities on the Wyle site, we sent a letter to St. Clair (current property owner) requesting copies of all lead-based paint and asbestos-containing material certifications of buildings demolished on the Wyle site. These certifications show that any lead or asbestos has been properly removed and disposed of according to EPA and state regulations (lead and asbestos removal is not within DTSC's jurisdiction). Additionally, in our letter we requested documentation on the handling, transportation, and disposal on-site demolition debris and health and safety plan for these activities.
- All demolition activities onsite have been completed. Prior to demolition, buildings were surveyed for asbestos-containing material (ACM) and lead-based paint (LBP). During demolition, dust control measures were used to ensure no significant amount of dust was generated. Demolition involved only above-ground structures without removal of foundations or significant disturbance of soil.
  - Buildings demolished: All site buildings except F1A, F1B and H1.
  - Wood and building debris has been moved offsite.
  - Removal of metal salvage, wood, and building concrete debris is complete.

➤ Ongoing Remedial Investigation activities:

Last week

Onsite:

- Continued quarterly groundwater sampling.

Offsite:

- Installed soil gas probes at four homes at the intersection of Third and Hillside, where indoor air samples will be collected.

Sampling planned for this week:

Onsite:

- Conduct soil and grab ground water sampling in Areas J, K, and possibly F.

Offsite:

- Conduct pre-screening survey at four homes at the intersection of Third and Hillside, where indoor air samples will be collected. The pre-screening survey includes doing a chemical inventory at each home.

## **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

- We are planning to hold a 30-day public review and comment period for the proposed cleanup (called a Removal Action Workplan) for the northwest area of Wyle, near Golden West Lane. The dates for public comment are from August 12, 2005 through September 12, 2005. The public comment period will include a fact sheet describing the proposed cleanup that will be sent to the mailing list this week and posted on our website; a paid advertisement in the newspaper on August 12; and a public meeting and open house on August 23, 2005 to describe the proposal and take comments. The draft cleanup proposal will be available at the Corona Public Library, Norco City Hall, our office in Cypress, and on our website.