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hazardous waste,
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Fact Sheet, November 2006

General Environmental Management of Rancho Cordova

DTSC asks for comments on Draft Permit

Why did I receive this fact sheet?

The Department of Toxic Substances Control (DTSC) is receiving public comments on the Draft Permit for General Environmental Management of Rancho Cordova (GEM). If approved, this permit would allow GEM to continue storing hazardous waste received from various generators. GEM is located at 11855 White Rock Road, about 2 miles east of Sunrise Boulevard, just north of the old Aerojet property across White Rock Road. This fact sheet contains information on the public comment period, the draft hazardous waste permit, public involvement, information repositories, information contacts, and mailing list information.

Public Notice

The public comment period for the Draft Permit, for General Environmental Management of Rancho Cordova begins Friday, November 17, 2006 and ends on Friday, January 8, 2007. Written comments must be postmarked, and e-mailed comments must be sent by midnight of the close of the public comment period. Comments can be sent to:

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Before making a final determination on the Draft Permit, DTSC will review and respond to all comments in writing in the Response to Comments. Those who make comments, and those who request a copy, will receive a copy of the Response to Comments. A copy also will be placed in the information repositories listed in this fact sheet. At this time, DTSC has not scheduled a public hearing, however you may request a public hearing by sending such a request during the public comment period. Your request should state your reasons for holding a public hearing.



What does GEM store at their facility?

GEM stores a wide variety of hazardous and universal wastes for varying lengths of time. In case of an accidental spill, GEM has specified storage areas that are covered and have secondary containment. Each storage building has a specified number of drums or containers (in gallon equivalents) that are allowed for storage. DTSC has overseen GEM's operations through the evolution of ownership to ensure compliance with current permit requirements.

What would the Permit do?

If the Draft Permit is approved, GEM would be authorized to continue using the hazardous waste storage facility for an additional ten years provided that they meet all of the general and specific permit conditions. They could continue the current practice of storing containers on wooden pallets placed on concrete floors surrounded by secondary containment walls and berms. GEM would be required to regularly check all sumps and secondary containment systems in the buildings and be allowed to continue consolidating wastes from containers for out-going shipments. Their storage capacity will be reduced from 115,842 gallons to 112,302 gallons at any one time.

DTSC's Environmental Review of the Draft Permit

As part of this project, DTSC must comply with the California Environmental Quality Act (known as CEQA). DTSC has reviewed the Draft Permit and decided that the Draft Permit does not significantly affect the environment. Therefore, DTSC prepared a CEQA Notice of Exemption (NOE) that is available for review at the information repositories listed below.

Where can I view the Draft Permit and other facility related documents?

A copy of the Draft Permit and the CEQA Notice of Exemption are available for public review at:

County of Sacramento
Sacramento Public Library, Rancho Cordova
9845 Folsom Blvd.
Sacramento, CA 95827

The entire administrative record, including a copy of the Draft Permit, Permit Renewal Application, proposed CEQA Notice of Exemption and other site related documents are available at:

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Anuncio

Si prefiere hablar con alguien en español acerca de ésta información, favor de llamar a Jesus Cruz, Departamento de Control de Substancias Tóxicas. El número de teléfono es (916) 255-3315.

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Please take me off the mailing list.

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