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EXIDE RESIDENTIAL CLEANUP UPCOMING ACTIVITIES JULY/AUGUST/SEPTEMBER 2017

The following activities are designed to distribute information about the release of the Final Removal Action Plan (Cleanup Plan) and Final Environmental Impact Report (EIR) and to prepare for the upcoming cleanup actions within 1.7 miles of the former Exide facility in Vernon that are expected to begin after DTSC selects a contractor. These activities are presented below by month for July, August, and September.

ACTIVITIES FOR JULY

Posting Final Cleanup Plan/Final EIR – Documents posted on July 6, 2017, approved and certified on July 17, 2017 and the Notice of Determination and Notice of Completion were filed with the state clearinghouse on July 18, 2017.

Community Update Mailing –Mailed out to residents of the Preliminary Investigation Area (PIA) and a 300-foot buffer announcing the release of the final documents (approximately 18,000 addresses).

Release of Final Cleanup Plan and Final EIR – Public Notice posted in local newspaper, Final Cleanup Plan and Final EIR placed in 12 repositories (repositories are locations across the PIA and outside the PIA where the public can access the Final Cleanup Plan and Final EIR documents).

Reading Your Results Workshops – DTSC staff help PIA residents understand their sampling results, provide handouts on the Final Cleanup Plan/Final EIR, provide more in-depth information to residents about cleanup prioritization and cleanup activities specific to a property.

JULY		
July 6, 2017	2:00 pm - 5:00 pm	Bell Community Center, 6250 Pine Ave., Bell Gardens, CA 90201
July 10, 2017	4:30 pm - 6:30 pm	El Camino Real Library, 4264 Whittier Blvd., Los Angeles, CA 90023
July 13, 2017	3:00 pm - 6:00 pm	Cesar Chavez Maywood Library, 4323 Slauson Ave., Maywood, CA 90270
July 18, 2017	2:00 pm - 5:00 pm	Bell Community Center, 6250 Pine Ave., Bell Gardens, CA 90201
July 18, 2017	6:00 pm - 8:00 pm	City of Commerce Public Safety Community Services Conference Room 2535 Commerce Way, Commerce, CA 90040
July 20, 2017	3:00 pm - 6:00 pm	Cesar Chavez Maywood Library, 4323 Slauson Ave., Maywood, CA 90270
July 22, 2017	1:00 pm - 4:00 pm	Robert Stevenson Branch Library, 803 Spence St., Los Angeles, CA 90023
July 25, 2017	3:00 pm - 5:00 pm	City of Commerce Public Safety Community Services Conference Room 2535 Commerce Way, Commerce, CA 90040
July 27, 2017	1:00 pm - 4:00 pm	Salt Lake Park Recreation Center, 3401 E Florence Ave., Huntington Park, CA 90255

July 27, 2017

3:00 pm - 6:00 pm

Robert Stevenson Branch Library, 803 Spence St., Los Angeles, CA 90023

Exide Advisory Group Meeting – Scheduled for July 20, 2017 at 5:00pm, Bishop Mora Salesian High School, 960 S. Soto St., Los Angeles, CA 90023.

Public meetings – July 15, 2017 at Bandini Park in Commerce—open session, smaller conversations with area residents. July 27, 2017 at Maywood Christian School—larger town hall meeting to present about the Final Cleanup Plan and Final EIR.

DTSC Office Opening – DTSC is opening an office in Commerce, close to the PIA. DTSC staff located at the Commerce office will direct field operations during cleanup. The office will also serve to host small community meetings and to hold one-on-one conversations with residents of the PIA.

Green Landscaping Demonstration at Two Properties – As part of the Workforce for Environmental Restoration in Communities (WERC), DTSC collaborated with two property owners, Los Angeles Trade Technical College (LATTC), TreePeople, and Los Angeles Conservation Corps to complete two demonstration yards with drought-tolerant landscaping. This demonstration is intended to help DTSC determine if green landscaping is a potential option for residents of cleaned up properties in the future.

Release of Invitation for Bid –In July, DTSC expects to release an Invitation for Bid, that will begin a period in which companies can respond with bids to become the contractor to implement the Cleanup Plan. DTSC is expecting to enter hire one or more contractors to implement the Cleanup Plan.

Release of Relocation & Compensation Guidance Document – Although DTSC has already provided some details in a master response in the Final EIR, press releases, and a community update about temporary relocation as a voluntary part of the cleanup, DTSC will release a standalone document that more deeply details the description of relocation and compensation for temporary relocation in relation to the implementation of the Cleanup Plan.

ONGOING TIME CRITICAL REMOVAL ACTIONS – It is important to note that through the months of July, August, and possibly September (until a cleanup contract is executed), DTSC is continuing to work with residents and property owners to assess, schedule, and carry out time critical removal actions to clean up targeted properties within the PIA on an ongoing basis.

ACTIVITIES PLANNED FOR AUGUST

Informational Sessions – DTSC staff will attend City Council meetings to provide updates on the release of the Final Cleanup Plan and Final EIR as noted in the following table.

CITY	DATE	TIME
Bell	August 9 th (Pending Confirmation)	7:00 pm
Commerce	August 15 th	6:30 pm
Huntington Park	August 15 th (Pending Confirmation)	6:00 pm
Maywood	August 9 th	6:00 pm
Vernon	August 15 th	7:30 am or 9:00 am

Notification to Properties Selected for Cleanup – DTSC will be mailing cleanup notifications and access agreements to properties identified for cleanup. Mailings will be followed by meetings with property owners and the creation of an inventory of available properties to clean up after DTSC selects a contractor.

In-Person Local Government Meeting – In the past, DTSC has held bi-weekly meetings with local government representatives via phone conference. When DTSC’s new office opens in Commerce, we will seek to host every other meeting in-person at the office. DTSC has scheduled the first in-person meeting on Wednesday, August 23, 2017. Although these are not public meetings, DTSC and local government coordination is important for answering residents’ questions and discussing decision making on issues like permits, road closures, traffic, etc.

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AUGUST		
August 7, 2017	4:30 pm - 6:30 pm	El Camino Real Library, 4264 Whittier Blvd., Los Angeles, CA 90023
August 8, 2017	2:00 pm – 5:00pm	Bell Community Center, 6250 Pine Ave., Bell Gardens, CA 90201
August 10, 2017	1:00 pm - 4:00 pm	Robert Stevenson Branch Library, 803 Spence St., Los Angeles, CA 90023
August 14, 2017	4:30 pm - 6:30 pm	El Camino Real Library, 4264 Whittier Blvd., Los Angeles, CA 90023
August 22, 2017	2:00 pm – 5:00pm	Bell Community Center, 6250 Pine Ave., Bell Gardens, CA 90201
August 26, 2017	3:00 pm - 6:00 pm	Robert Stevenson Branch Library, 803 Spence St., Los Angeles, CA 90023

Sampling Results Packages Released – As of July 20, DTSC has released approximately 5,200 sample results packages to residents, and expects to complete the mailing of approximately 2,900 additional packages by August 31, 2017.

Coordinate with Hotels in the Area to Facilitate Relocation – In an effort to work with residents who may not be able to pay up front for relocation costs and get reimbursed per DTSC’s guidance for relocation and compensation for temporary relocation, DTSC will be working with local hotels to accommodate residents who will be unable to incur costs up front.

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ACTIVITIES PLANNED FOR SEPTEMBER

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SEPTEMBER		
September 9, 2017	1:00 pm - 4:00 pm	Robert Stevenson Branch Library, 803 Spence St., Los Angeles, CA 90023
September 18, 2017	4:30 pm - 6:30 pm	El Camino Real Library, 4264 Whittier Blvd., Los Angeles, CA 90023
September 21, 2017	3:00 pm - 6:00 pm	Robert Stevenson Branch Library, 803 Spence St., Los Angeles, CA 90023
September 25, 2017	4:30 pm - 6:30 pm	El Camino Real Library, 4264 Whittier Blvd., Los Angeles, CA 90023

Execution of Contract & Start of Cleanup Work – DTSC expects to begin working with residents and property owners and placing properties in line for cleanup as soon as possible, so that when a contract is executed we can get shovels in the ground right away to allow DTSC to meet its ambitious cleanup goals.

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