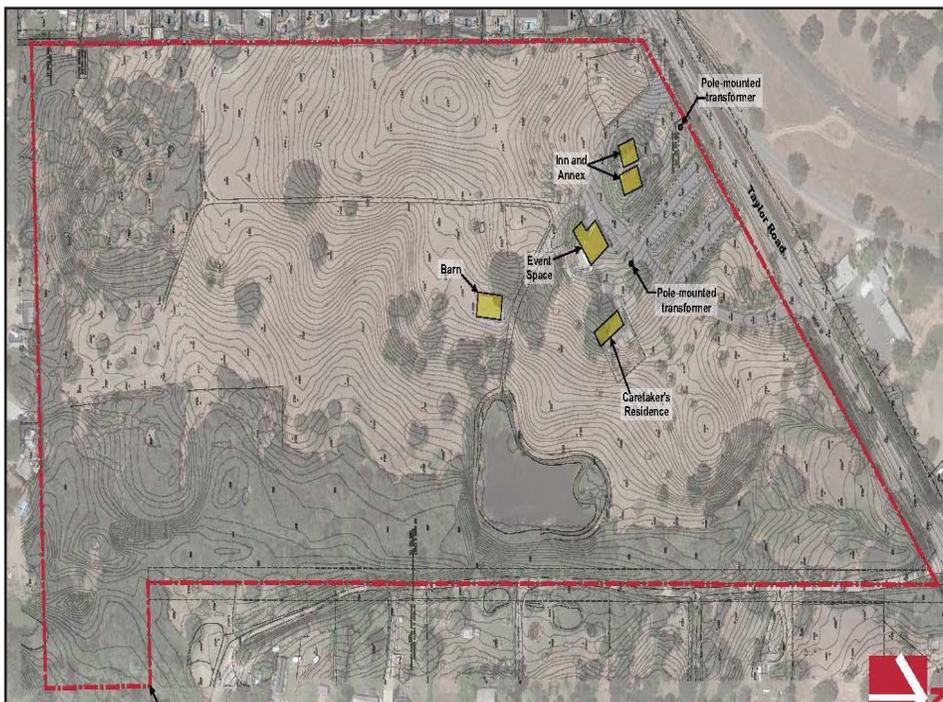


# COMMUNITY UPDATE

The mission of DTSC is to protect California's people and environment from harmful effects of toxic substances by restoring contaminated resources, enforcing hazardous waste laws, reducing hazardous waste generation, and encouraging the manufacture of chemically safer products.

## A DRAFT REMOVAL ACTION WORKPLAN FOR THE PLANNED TRIBAL SCHOOL (FORMERLY KNOWN AS THE GATHERING PLACE)



### PublicCommentPeriod



**December 14, 2018 –  
January 14, 2019**

DTSC will accept public comments on the draft RAW for the Site during the public comment period

**December 14, 2018 –  
January 14, 2019.** All comments must be received by **January 14, 2019**. Send all comments to:

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A draft Removal Action Workplan (RAW) has been prepared for the United Auburn Indian Community (UAIC) Planned Tribal School (known as The Gathering Place) located at 3141 Taylor Road in Placer County, California 95650. A private school is planned for the Site that will include a Pre-K through 8th grade school, a tribal education center and a cultural arts center. Recreation fields and parking areas are also planned.

In December 2016 and April 2018, environmental investigations were completed at the Site and found concentrations of lead above health levels and arsenic above typical background levels due to past agricultural uses at the Site.

The Department of Toxic Substances Control (DTSC) will oversee the cleanup activities proposed in the draft RAW. We invite you to review and comment on the draft RAW which describes Site conditions, evaluates cleanup alternatives, and proposes a recommended cleanup alternative to be carried out at the Site.

## SITE HISTORY

The Site is approximately 45-acres in total. The property currently includes five structures: two 2-story buildings formerly used as an Inn and annex, a single-story event space, a caretaker's residence with a detached garage, and a maintenance barn. The remaining 29-acres is undeveloped and was used as agricultural orchards. All existing buildings are proposed for removal as part of the school construction project.

## PROPOSED CLEANUP OPTIONS

Three cleanup alternatives were evaluated in the draft RAW for the Site as follows:

- Alternative 1 - No Action;
- Alternative 2 – Excavation and On-Site Consolidation of Contaminated Soil;
- Alternative 3 – Excavation and Off-Site Disposal of Contaminated Soil.

## PROPOSED CLEANUP ALTERNATIVE

The proposed cleanup alternative is the excavation of impacted soil and off-site disposal at an appropriately permitted disposal facility. This alternative would effectively reduce the contamination at the Site by removing the contaminated soil. If this alternative is approved, approximately 1,300 cubic yards of contaminated soil would be removed from four distinct areas of the Site (see attached map) and transported to a State-licensed disposal facility. The depth of the excavations is anticipated to be approximately 2 feet deep, but the total depth and extent of the excavations will be dependent on confirmation samples to ensure the cleanup goals are achieved.

It is likely that the excavated soil will be stockpiled in between trucks leaving and arriving to dispose of the soil. All soil stockpiles will be in a designated area on-site and will be placed on an impermeable material to prevent contamination of the ground beneath. Excavations will either be re-graded during construction of the school or will be backfilled with on-site soil. No imported fill is anticipated for this project.

## SAFETY & DUST CONTROL

Large equipment, such as excavators and backhoes, will be used to excavate and stockpile the contaminated soil. Large soil transfer trucks will be used to haul contaminated soil to the appropriately permitted off-site disposal facilities. The following actions will be implemented during the soil cleanup process to ensure public safety and minimize dust:

The staging area will be fenced to restrict access; Perimeter fencing will be equipped with dust screens to reduce potential for off-site dust migration;

- Stockpiled soil will be covered with tarps or other protective sheeting;
- Water spray will be used to control dust generation;
- Monitoring of the dust generated during the soil remediation activities will be conducted;
- Tarps or other suitable cover will be used on trucks hauling the excavated soil.

## SOIL REMOVAL AND TRUCK ROUTE

Proposed cleanup activities will occur between the hours of 8 A.M. to 6 P.M., Monday - Friday. Approximately 1,300 cubic yards would be removed from the Site and transported to a State-licensed disposal facility. The trucks (approximately 130 trucks loads) would be operated by a licensed hazardous waste trucking contractor.

The loaded trucks would exit the Site onto Taylor Road heading north, turn right onto Penryn Road heading south, and turn left onto Boyington Road to merge into westbound Interstate 80.

- The route to Kettleman Hills Landfill: the trucks will follow Interstate 80 west to Exit 86 for Interstate 5 South towards Los Angeles, continue Interstate 5 South to Exit 309 for C-41; turn right onto CA-41 south and follow to Old State Highway; turn right on Old State Highway along which the landfill is located.
- The route to Ostrom Road Landfill: the trucks



will follow Interstate 80 west to exit 106 to CA-65 towards Lincoln/Marysville; the trucks will follow CA-65 North and turn right onto Main Street heading east; the trucks will make a slight right onto Spenceville Road and then turn left onto Jasper Lane heading north; Jasper Lane dead-ends into Ostrom Road; the trucks will turn right onto Ostrom Road heading east along which the landfill is located.

## **CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT**

This remediation project has been included in the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), Environmental Impact Report (EIR) that was completed by Placer County for the school project. In compliance with CEQA, DTSC as a Responsible Agency, conducted an independent review of the EIR to ensure that any potential environmental effects associated with activities specific to the remediation effort were analyzed in the document and accounted for in the mitigation measures. The findings from that review are documented in the Statement of Findings, which also lists the mitigation measures from the EIR that are applicable to DTSC's project. The mitigations measures are included as an appendix to the draft RAW.

## **NEXT STEPS**

DTSC will review and consider comments received during the public comment period before making a final decision to approve, modify or deny the draft RAW. If comments are received, DTSC will prepare a Response to Comments letter at the completion of the public comment period. Anyone who submits comments will receive a copy of the Response to Comments letter, in addition, a copy will be placed in the information repositories listed on the next column.

## **INFORMATION REPOSITORIES**

The draft RAW may be viewed at the following locations:

### **Loomis Library & Community Learning Center**

6050 Library Drive  
Loomis, California 95650  
(916) 824-2905; Call for hours

### **Placer County Community Development Resource Center**

3091 County Center Drive  
Auburn, California 95603  
(530) 745-3000; Call for hours; Call for hours

### **DTSC – Sacramento Regional Office**

8800 Cal Center Drive  
Sacramento, California 95826  
(916) 255-3758; Call for an appointment

Information can also be reviewed on DTSC's website: [www.envirostor.dtsc.ca.gov/public](http://www.envirostor.dtsc.ca.gov/public). Click on "Site/Facility Search" under "Tools". Enter "Loomis" in the city field, click "Get Report," click on "Report" link next to "UAIC Tribal School Aka The Gathering Place."

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