

Public Notice

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 WASTE GENERATION AND ENCOURAGING THE MANUFACTURE OF CHEMICALLY SAFER PRODUCTS.

PROPOSED LAND USE COVENANT REMEDY FOR THE NALCO CHEMICAL COMPANY SITE, CARSON

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD: AUGUST 1ST, 2019 – AUGUST 30TH, 2019

WHAT IS BEING PROPOSED? The Department of Toxic Substances Control (DTSC) is the lead agency overseeing investigation of contamination at the Nalco Chemical Company (Nalco) site located at 2111 Dominguez in Carson, California 90810 (Site). Nalco is a chemical formulation/blending plant that produces oil- and water-based chemical product mixtures for use in water and wastewater treatment processes. It services aerospace, chemical, pharmaceutical, food and beverage, and other industries. The 9.08-acre Site consists of nine buildings constructed between 1969 and 1977 and maintains 55 Above-ground Storage Tanks for storage of raw materials, intermediate, finished products, and wastewater. Site operations have resulted in the release of Volatile Organic Compounds (VOCs) into soil and soil vapor at a specific area within the Site identified as the Restricted Area,

DTSC invites you to review and comment on a proposed remedy based on the findings of a Facility Investigation and Supplemental Facility Investigation reports (Reports). The Reports describe in detail the environmental investigations conducted, findings, and propose a land use covenant (LUC) as the remedy to address soil and soil vapor contamination at the Site. Currently, one (1) Restricted Area comprised of Solid Waste Management Unit-1 and Area of Concern-1 has soil and soil vapor impacted with VOCs, such as, tetrachloroethene, naphthalene, and ethylbenzene, at concentrations that are above the DTSC screening levels for residential land use. DTSC determined that a LUC is necessary to protect human health and the environment and that the LUC is the proposed remedy for the Site. The LUC, if approved, will restrict the land use in the Restricted Area and prohibit: 1) sensitive uses such as residences, day cares, schools, and hospitals; 2) any activities that will disturb the soil; if disturbing the soil, a DTSC-approved soil management plan is required; 3) altering the current configuration of existing structures or construction of any enclosed structures; 4) drilling for any water, oil, or gas without DTSC's prior approval; and 5) altering the integrity of the asphalt and concrete surface cover in the Restricted Area. The LUC will be recorded in the property's chain of title and will restrict current and future land use to commercial or industrial use only. In compliance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), DTSC prepared a Notice of Exemption (NOE), as the proposed LUC remedy will not cause a significant negative effect on human health and the environment.

HOW YOU CAN PARTICIPATE: A 30-day public comment period is being held to receive public comments on the Facility Investigation and Supplemental Facility Investigation Reports. **The 30-day public comment period begins August 1st, 2019 and ends August 30th, 2019. All public comments must be postmarked or e-mailed no later than August 30th, 2019 and sent to:** Rania Zabaneh, DTSC Project Manager, 5796 Corporate Avenue, Cypress, CA 90630-4732, or e-mail address at: Rania.Zabaneh@dtsc.ca.gov. A copy of the Facility Investigation and Supplemental Facility Investigation Reports, are available for public review electronically at the following link: https://www.EnviroStor.dtsc.ca.gov/public/profile_report.asp?global_id=71002612 and at the following Information Repositories:

Carson Public Library
151 East Carson Street
Carson, CA 90745-2703
(310) 830-0901 Call for hours

DTSC Regional Records Office
5796 Corporate Avenue
Cypress, CA 90630-4732
(714) 484-5336 Call for an appointment

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