

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.

Travis Air Force Base Draft Hazardous Waste Facility Permit Renewal



Facility Map: The red dot indicates the entrance of the two permitted units: Building 1365 (yellow outline) and Tank Farm (red outline).

The Department of Toxic Substances Control (DTSC) invites you to review and comment on a Draft Hazardous Waste Facility Permit (Draft Permit) for Travis Air Force Base, located at 411 Airmen Drive, Travis Air Force Base, California 94535 (Travis Air Force Base). DTSC will be making a decision whether to renew the permit for Travis Air Force Base's Hazardous Waste Facility Storage (Facility) operations and will review and consider public comments prior to our decision.

Facility Description and History

Travis Air Force Base is operated by the United States Air Force and is a large quantity generator of hazardous waste due to the wastes generated from aircraft maintenance activities. The Facility is in the northeast area of the base. The

45 day Public Comment



**September 9, 2019
through October 25, 2019**

DTSC will accept public comments for the draft Permit and during the Public Comment Period from September 9, 2019 through October 25, 2019. Send all written comments to:

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**DTSC has not scheduled
a public hearing at this
time; however, a hearing
may be held if requested.**

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waste is stored at the Facility for up to one year, and is later transported and disposed off-site at a proper facility. The Facility consists of two hazardous waste storage units:

- Unit #1: Building 1365 (56,760 gallons capacity)
- Unit #2 Tank Farm (six 2,500-gallon tanks)

Unit #1 stores flammable solvents, contaminated fuels and lubricants, stripping chemicals, waste petroleum products, waste paint, absorbent materials, spilled and outdated materials, and asbestos in containers. Unit #2 stores used oils and used fuels in tanks. DTSC first issued a permit to Travis for this Facility in 1985. The permit was last renewed for this Facility in 2007.

Why is a Hazardous Waste Facility Permit Necessary?

California law requires hazardous waste storage facilities operate in accordance with permits issued by DTSC. These permits must meet the requirements specified in California Code of Regulations, Title 22, division 4.5 and the California Health and Safety Code, division 20, chapter 6.5. The Draft Permit has been developed after DTSC's detailed technical review of the Facility's Hazardous Waste Facility Permit Renewal Application. A Permit is intended to ensure operations are conducted in a manner that protects human health and the environment.

Compliance History

DTSC has the authority to conduct inspections, sampling activities, inspect and copy documents, and take photographs where hazardous wastes are stored, handled, processed, treated, or disposed.

DTSC has conducted eighteen (18) inspections of the Facility since 1999. Inspections are usually conducted once per year. In those inspections, DTSC cited Travis AFB for seven minor violations, one Class 1 violation, six Class 2 violations, and two inspections resulted in no violations. Travis AFB has complied with the corrective actions required to resolve these violations. More detailed information on the compliance history and violations can be found at the DTSC EnviroStor website link provided below.

California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA)

Under CEQA, DTSC must evaluate whether its decision to renew the permit may cause any significant impacts on human health and the environment. This is a renewal of an existing permit. The permit renewal will not result in any physical changes to the facility. The permit renewal will not result in any expansion of the existing use of the facility. Therefore, DTSC has prepared a Notice of Exemption (NOE) and determined that issuance of the permit would not cause significant impacts to the environment. No additional CEQA documents are needed to supplement previous CEQA determinations.

What Happens Next?

DTSC encourages public participation in the decision-making process and invites the public to review and comment on the Draft Permit. DTSC will review and respond in writing to all public comments. A Response to Comments document will be provided to all those who submit public comments and provide a mailing address or electronic mail address. A copy of the Response To Comments will also be placed in the information repositories listed below.

Administrative Record

A complete administrative record may be viewed by appointment Monday – Friday between 9:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. only at the DTSC Sacramento Office (see address below). All data/information submitted by the applicant is part of the administrative record.

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Information Repositories

The draft Permit, Permit Application, Statement of Basis, and other supporting documents are available to review at the following locations:

Mitchell Memorial Library
510 Travis Avenue
Travis Air Force Base CA 94535
(707) 424-3279

Suisun Public Library
601 Pintail Drive
Suisun City, CA 94585
(866) 572-7587

DTSC Sacramento Regional Office Filing Room
8800 Cal Center Drive
Sacramento, CA 95826
(510) 540-3799 (call for appointment)

You can also find information online on the DTSC's EnviroStor website and can click "Sign up for Email Alerts" in the upper right corner for email alerts and updates regarding Travis AFB:

[Travis Air Force Base Envirostor link](#)

Contact Information

For more information about the cleanup process or related documents, contact:

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