

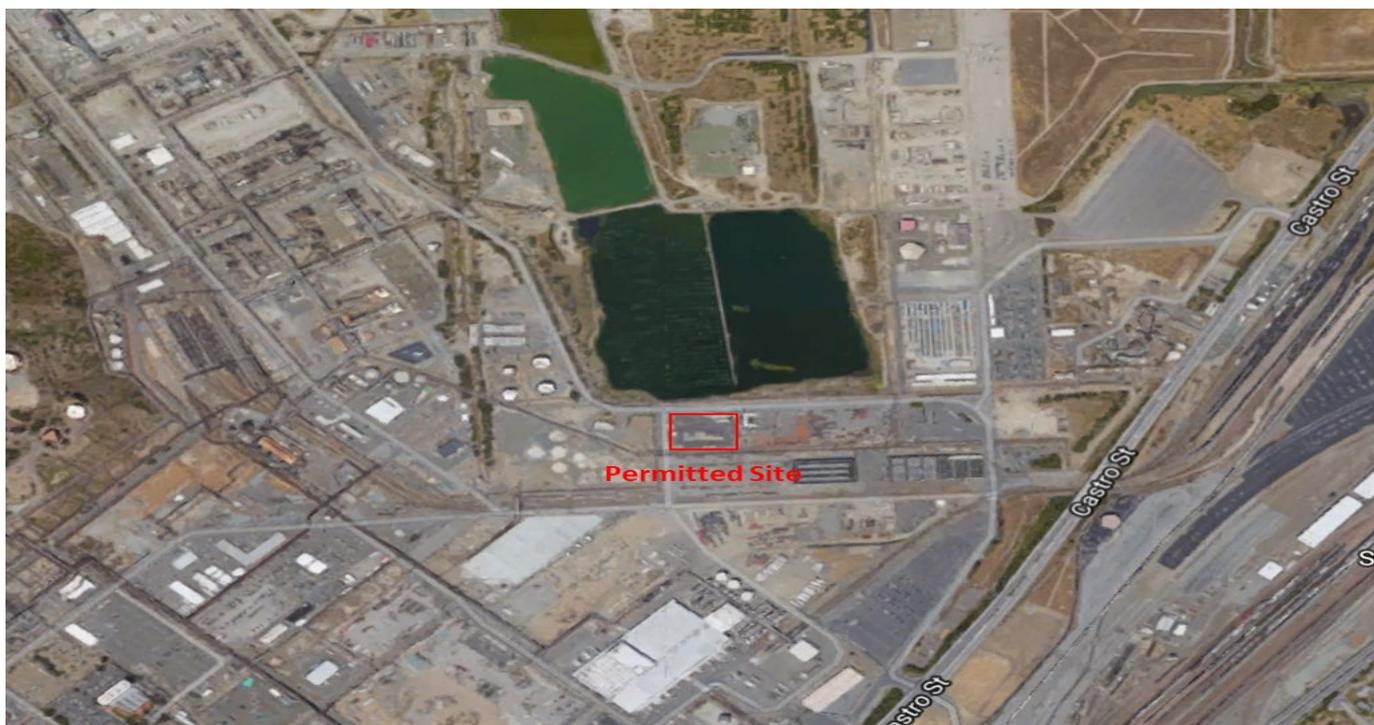
COMMUNITY UPDATE

Department of Toxic Substances Control – Our mission is to protect the people, communities, and environment of California from harmful chemicals by cleaning up contaminated sites, enforcing hazardous waste laws, and compelling the development of safer products.

PERMITTING PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD POSTPONED DUE TO COVID-19

DRAFT HAZARDOUS WASTE FACILITY PERMIT FOR Chevron USA Inc., Richmond Refinery

On March 19, 2020, Governor Gavin Newsom issued a state-wide stay-at-home order due to the COVID-19 pandemic. The stay-at-home order affects many aspects of the public participation process. Therefore, DTSC is postponing the official public comment period and permit decision for this facility. Because the draft permit and related documents are ready for public review, DTSC has posted them online and encourages you to read them. The draft documents follow this Community Update. There is a Draft Hazardous Waste Refinery Permit (Permit) proposed for Chevron Richmond Refinery, Richmond, California, at 841 Chevron Way, Richmond, California 94801 (Refinery).



Chevron Site Location

If granted, the draft Permit will allow the Facility to continue its operations under the DTSC-issued permit. A permit enables DTSC to effectively regulate the hazardous waste management activities at the Facilities. Permits are developed after DTSC's detailed technical review of the permit application and are intended to ensure that the Facilities operate in a manner that protects human health and the environment.

Site Location and Operations

The Facility is located within the Refinery at the southeast corner of the intersection of Mill and Channel Streets. The area of the Facility is 1.3-acres of the 2,900-acre refinery property. The regulated waste management activities include storage and treatment in containers. Hazardous wastes are generated at different locations throughout the Refinery where research and production are conducted. Hazardous wastes are taken to the Facility for on-site storage and treatment before they are shipped off-site for further management.

Treatment of hazardous wastes consists of neutralization, volume reduction. Hazardous wastes handled include abrasive blasting media, spent activated carbon, catalyst, industrial debris, laboratory wash water, leaded tank bottoms, discarded or used commercial products, heat exchanger semi-solid.

COMPLIANCE HISTORY

DTSC inspects facilities on a regular basis to make sure the facilities are compliant with California laws, regulations, and permit conditions. DTSC's Enforcement and Emergency Response Division (EERD) conducted two (2) compliance evaluation inspections and two (2) financial responsibility review. The Final Inspection Violation Score for the January 23, 2019 and February 19, 2019 compliance inspection and financial records review is "0". After review of the compliance history for the Facility, no additional permit conditions are warranted.

California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA)

Under CEQA, DTSC must evaluate whether the Permit may have any significant impacts on the environment. As part of this evaluation, DTSC reviewed the previously certified 2006 Initial Study/Negative Declaration. DTSC has determined that an Addendum to the previously certified Negative Declaration is appropriate pursuant to California Code of Regulations, Title 14, Section 15164. A Notice of Determination will be filed with the Governor's Office of Planning and Research State Clearinghouse when a final permit decision is made.

Next Steps

DTSC will hold the required 45-day public comment period at a later time to ensure meaningful public participation.

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