

DTSC WORK NOTICE

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.

Soil Stockpile Removal

Former PureGro Property, 1025 River Drive, Brawley, California

What is the purpose of the work?

- Stockpile removal is the first step in implementing the Remedial Action Plan approved by DTSC in June 2020. The remaining cleanup is expected to occur in 2021.

What is the work?

- Remove the soil stockpile and transport by truck for disposal at an out-of-state landfill.
- Build a temporary access road from River Drive to the stockpile. The gravel road will reduce dust and provide a safe and stable surface for heavy trucks and other equipment.
- Install noise-reducing blanket coverings to the fence along River Drive.
- Install temporary water tanks to store water for use in controlling dust. A water truck and other methods will be used to keep stockpile soil and the access road moist to limit dust.
- Conduct daily, full-time dust monitoring at several locations around the property. All monitoring will be done by highly trained technicians.

When will you see work?

- Week of August 31: Two technicians will measure current levels of noise and dust.
- Week of September 8: Access road construction and other initial tasks begin. Then, stockpile removal will get underway and is expected to be completed in December 2020.
- Activity is expected to typically begin at 6:00 a.m. and end by 5:00 p.m. Monday to Friday.
- Some work on Saturdays may be necessary.

What safety measures will be in place?

- DTSC will oversee all aspects of the work to ensure it is done safely and protects nearby neighborhoods. Safety measures include daily dust control and dust monitoring.
- Dust monitoring will occur daily during all active work hours. Monitoring technicians will be dedicated full-time to observing operations, measuring dust, and supporting dust control.
- Work will stop during periods of high, sustained winds of 25 mph or more.
- The gate will be locked, and security personnel will patrol the property during overnight hours.
- All work will follow DTSC requirements and the site's Health and Safety Plan; workers will also follow state, county, and city public health protocols regarding COVID-19.

For the latest updates and more information, please visit:

- DTSC's website: <https://dtsc.ca.gov/smrp-projects/puregro-company/>
- Chevron's website: <http://www.puregrobrawley.com/>
- EnviroStor: https://www.envirostor.dtsc.ca.gov/public/profile_report.asp?global_id=13070097
- DTSC contacts: Daniel Cordero, Project Manager, Daniel.Cordero@dtsc.ca.gov and Elsa Lopez, Public Participation Specialist, Elsa.Lopez@dtsc.ca.gov



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Community Information Line

760-602-3830

Please call with questions about dust, noise, truck traffic, or other concerns during stockpile removal. Email inquiries are welcome at info@puregrobrawley.com



Project Truck Route

With a focus on safety, trucks will enter and exit the former PureGro property at River Drive using a new temporary access road. For transport to the out-of-state landfill, loaded trucks will stay on a designated truck route along North Cesar Chavez Street, B Street, North 8th Street, and onto Highway 78/111.

Truck drivers will use this route to avoid nearby neighborhoods as much as possible. Each truck load will be covered before leaving the property. Other safety measures include reduced speed limits for project vehicles and daily dust monitoring and control.