CLEANUP PROGRAM March 2023

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.

JOIN US FOR A COMMUNITY OPEN HOUSE

about the Environmental Cleanup at the Former PureGro Property in Brawley

The California Department of Toxic Substances Control (DTSC) invites you to a Community Open House about the upcoming work at the former PureGro property on River Drive in Brawley, CA. Construction work will start in April 2023 to cleanup and landscape the site.

At the Community Open House, DTSC representatives will share information and answer your questions on the project and the upcoming work.

Join us at the Community Open House to learn about the remaining work that will start in April 2023.

DTSC WELCOMES YOU TO: COMMUNITY OPEN HOUSE

at J.W. Oakley Elementary School 1401 B Street, Brawley, CA

> on March 22, 2023 from 6:00pm to 8:00pm

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For more information:

- DTSC provides updates at: https://dtsc.ca.gov/smrp-projects/puregro-company
- Chevron provides updates at: http://www.puregrobrawley.com
- Please call 877-326-7750 if you have questions about the project, dust control, truck traffic, or other concerns. Bi-lingual operators are available 24/7 and will contact project leaders.

Cleanup Summary

<u>December 2020</u>: The contaminated stockpile was removed in 2020 (see the before and after photos). All safety rules were followed, and air monitoring demonstrated dust did not leave the site.





Work to be Completed

<u>April 2023</u>: Beginning in April, the site will be cleaned up and landscaped. The work will take about nine months to finish. Work activities will occur from about 6:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Monday to Friday and on some Saturdays. Work will include:

- ✓ Removing most polluted soils.
- ✓ Bringing in new certified clean soil to cover over the whole property.
- ✓ Clean a 50-foot-wide area on River Drive and the east side of the property to a residential level.
- ✓ Build a 6-foot block wall on the east side and put-up new fencing and a new gate.
- ✓ Add plants and improve the look in front of the property along River Drive.
- ✓ Put in new wells to monitor groundwater.

During the work, strict safety rules will be used to keep the community safe.

- ✓ Dust control and constant air monitoring. Water will be sprayed to keep dust down. If strong winds start, work will stop.
- ✓ DTSC will make sure work is done correctly and safely.
- Trucks will drive slowly in the project area, so no dust is created.
- ✓ All trucks coming and going will stay away from schools and the neighborhood as much as possible. Signs will be put up to control traffic so that River Drive will stay open.
- ✓ Trucks leaving the property will be inspected, covered, and the wheels cleaned.



Dust Control and Monitoring
A truck sprays water on work areas to
control dust. Air is monitored at all

times around the property.



Focus on Safety
Workers gather each morning to focus
on safety. DTSC will visit to make sure
work is done correctly and safely.



Attention to Details
A street sweeper drives along River
Drive to keep the street clean. Trucks
must stay on a safe route.