



NOTICE OF PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

REMOVAL ACTION WORKPLAN NEVIN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL PROPOSED ADDITION PROJECT LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD: April 5 to May 4, 2002

WHAT'S BEING PROPOSED?

The California Department of Toxic Substances Control (DTSC) invites public comment on the draft Removal Action Workplan for the Los Angeles Unified School District's Nevin Elementary School Proposed Addition Project site. This workplan addresses the removal and offsite disposal of approximately 4,400 cubic yards of soil from the proposed site. The Proposed Addition Project site is in Los Angeles and is generally bounded by South Compton Avenue to the west, Nevin Elementary School to the north and east, and East 32nd Street to the south. During the site investigation, Volatile Organic Compounds (VOCs), Semi-volatile Organic Compounds (SVOCs), and metals were detected in isolated areas in soils at concentrations that exceed DTSC health risk levels. Therefore, the contaminated soil will be removed and transported to a permitted offsite disposal facility. The contaminated soil generally exists no deeper than 10 feet below ground surface. DTSC has prepared a draft Notice of Exemption for this project pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA). This project is considered exempt since it will not have a significant impact on the environment because of the relatively short duration and the controlled manner in which the contaminated soils will be excavated, loaded onto trucks and taken off-site for disposal/treatment.

WHY THIS NOTICE?

The purpose of this notice is to provide the interested public the opportunity to learn more about the project and provide comments to DTSC, concerning the proposed soil removal action, within thirty (30) days of this notice.

HOW DO I PARTICIPATE?

Your participation is encouraged. Comments concerning the draft Removal Action Workplan may be submitted in writing to Ms. Robbie Morris, Project Manager, at the Department of Toxic Substances Control at the address listed below, and must be postmarked by May 4, 2002.

WHERE DO I GET MORE INFORMATION?

A copy of the draft Removal Action Workplan and other project documents are available at the Vernon Branch Library, 4504 S. Central, Los Angeles, CA 90011 and at Nevin Elementary, 1569 East 32nd Street, Los Angeles, CA 90011. Additionally, all site documents and the full Administrative Record pertaining to this project are available for review during office hours at the DTSC Regional Records Office, 1011 N. Grandview Avenue, Glendale, CA 91201. Contact: Jone Barrio at (818) 551-2886.

CONTACT:

If you have any questions regarding the RAW, please contact Ms. Treva Miller, DTSC Public Participation Specialist at (818) 551-2846. *Si desea información en español, comuníquese con el Sr. Eloy Florez al (818) 551-2875.* For general questions regarding the project, please contact Mr. Joseph Pina, LAUSD Community Outreach, at (213) 633-8982.

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