

Public Notice

The mission of DTSC is to protect California's people and environment from harmful effects of toxic substances through the restoration of contaminated resources, enforcement, regulation and pollution prevention.

DTSC Starts the Second Five Year Review for the Remedy --Ramblewood Elementary School, San Jose CA 95121

The Department of Toxic Substances Control (DTSC) will start the second Five-Year Review of the effectiveness of the Removal Action Workplan remedy in November, 2016, for the Ramblewood Elementary School site (Site) located at 1351 Lightland Road, San Jose, California. The purpose of a Five-Year Review is to evaluate the cleanup remedy to make sure that it remains protective of human health and the environment. This Review will see if the remedy functions as designed, and if the Franklin-McKinley Elementary School District (District) maintains it appropriately.

The remedy was to cover the Site with a cap creating a barrier to prevent exposure to Naturally Occurring Asbestos (asbestos) found in the on-site native soil and rock. The cap consists of approximately three feet of imported clean fill material placed across the entire Site on top of a warning barrier. The warning barrier acts as a marker between the asbestos and clean soil and rock. The warning barrier consists of orange plastic snow fencing. The construction of the school was completed in 2006.

DTSC and the District will inspect the cap. We will examine the cap to see if it remains stable and functions as needed to continue as a barrier. DTSC will also check the landscaping to see if it remains in good condition. Also, we will examine the District's Operations and Maintenance Plan to see if this Plan needs updating since the last review.

You may review project documents at the DTSC File Room at 8800 Cal Center Drive, Sacramento, California. You can also review information at our web site, www.envirostor.dtsc.ca.gov/public.

If you have any questions or wish to discuss the project, please contact Bud Duke, DTSC Project Manager, at (916) 255-3695 or at Bud.Duke@dtsc.ca.gov. You may also contact Nathan Schumacher, DTSC Public Participation Specialist, at (916) 255-3650, toll free at (866) 495-5651, or at Nathan.Schumacher@dtsc.ca.gov. Members of the media, please contact Russ Edmondson, DTSC Public Information Officer at (916) 323-3372 or at Russ.Edmondson@dtsc.ca.gov.

NOTICE TO THE HEARING IMPAIRED: TDD users can obtain additional information by calling 711 or calling the California State Relay Service (1-800-735-2929). Please ask to reach Nathan Schumacher at (916) 255-3650 about the Ramblewood Elementary School Site.