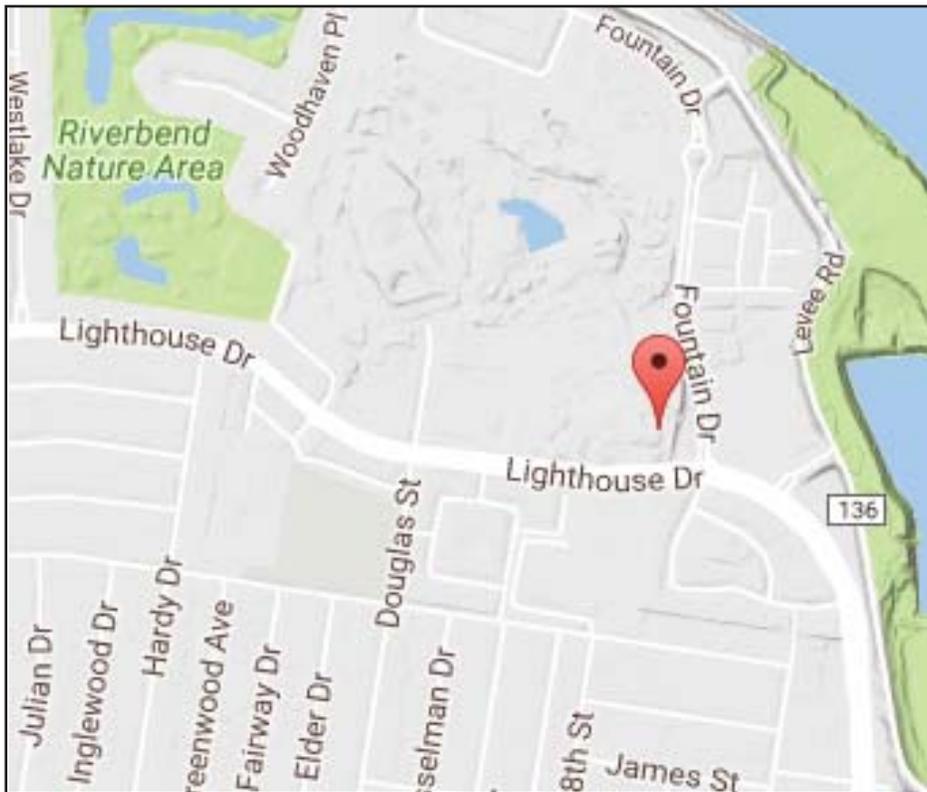


COMMUNITY UPDATE

The mission of DTSC is to protect California's people and environment from harmful effects of toxic substances by restoring contaminated resources, enforcing hazardous waste laws, reducing hazardous waste generation, and encouraging the manufacture of chemically safer products.

DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL CLEANUP PLAN FOR THE RIVERS PHASE II PROPOSED SCHOOL SITE



A draft Removal Action Workplan (RAW) has been prepared for The Rivers Phase II Proposed School (Site) located at Lighthouse Drive and Fountain Drive in West Sacramento, California 95605. The draft RAW is an environmental cleanup plan for chlordane in shallow soil at the Site. The Site owner plans to transfer ownership of the Site to the Washington Unified School District (WUSD). WUSD plans to develop the 7-acre parcel into a public charter elementary school. The construction is expected to begin in January 2017. The contamination in the soil was caused by past use of insecticide at the Site. The Department of Toxic Substances Control (DTSC) will oversee the Site cleanup.

Public Comment Period



**October 05, 2016 to
November 04, 2016**

DTSC is accepting public comments on a draft RAW beginning **October 5, 2016** and ending on **November 4, 2016**. All comments must be received by the **November 04, 2016** deadline. Please send comments to:

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SITE HISTORY AND INVESTIGATIONS

The Site was used as an orchard prior to the 1940s, and as pasture land (hay, and/or small grain production) from the 1940s to the 1960s. In 1963, the Yolo County Housing Authority constructed 13 housing units in the southern portion of the Site please see Site map on page 1. The housing units were demolished in 2001. The Site is currently vacant, with leftover asphalt paving remaining in the former housing and parking areas. Environmental investigations conducted between January 2003 and March 2016 detected chlordane within the upper 2 feet of soil at the Site. The contaminated soil is in an area where the former residential structures were located, with some deeper exceptions. The deeper contamination appears to be isolated and may be a result of leaching through the permeable sandy soil. The source of the contamination in the soil is from the use of insecticide near the former structures.

PROPOSED CLEANUP ALTERNATIVE

The draft RAW proposes excavation and off-site disposal of contaminated soil. This would effectively reduce the contamination by removing contaminated soil above the established human health-based cleanup goals. If approved, approximately 3,000 cubic yards of contaminated soil will be excavated and disposed off-site. Excavated soil will be stockpiled prior to loading onto trucks and hauled to off-site disposal facilities. All soil stockpiles will be located in a designated area on-site, and will be placed on and covered with plastic sheeting to prevent contamination of the ground beneath, as well as prevent airborne dust. Excavated areas will be backfilled with native and/or clean imported fill soils as needed.

SAFETY & DUST CONTROL

Large equipment, such as excavators and backhoes, will be used to excavate and stockpile the contaminated soil. Large soil transfer trucks will be used to haul contaminated soil to the off-site disposal facilities. The following actions, among others, will be implemented

during the soil cleanup to ensure public safety and to minimize dust:

- staging area will be fenced to restrict access;
- stockpiled soil will be covered with tarps or other protective sheeting;
- water spray will be used to control airborne dust;
- monitoring of the dust generated during the soil remediation activities;
- trucks will be inspected and loads covered prior off-site hauling.

SOIL REMOVAL AND TRUCK ROUTE

The total estimated volume of soil for removal is approximately 3,000 cubic yards, or approximately 200 truckloads. Excavation and disposal are expected to take three to four weeks to complete. The draft RAW proposes that removal activities occur between the hours of 7 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday thru Friday. The trucks will be operated by a licensed hazardous waste trucking contractor. Fully loaded trucks will exit the Site on Lighthouse Drive and head east towards Watercolor Lane, then continue onto 5th Street, turn right onto Tower Bridge Gateway, and keep left at the fork and merge onto Interstate 80, then proceed to the appropriate landfill.

CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT

The Site was evaluated under the 2006 Rivers Phase II Project Environmental Impact Report (EIR). The EIR discussed the potential for contamination at the Site and the need to clean it up. DTSC has prepared an Addendum to the 2006 EIR that was prepared for the draft RAW and it was determined that the cleanup would not cause any new significant potential environmental impacts.

NEXT STEPS

DTSC will review and consider all comments received during the public comment period before making a final decision to approve, modify or deny the draft RAW.



If comments are received on the draft RAW, DTSC will prepare a Response to Comments summary at the completion of the public comment period. Anyone who submits comments will receive a copy of the “Response to Comments” document. A copy of the “Response to Comments” will be placed in the information repositories listed below.

WHERE TO FIND SITE DOCUMENTS

The draft RAW and other project-related documents can be viewed at the following locations:

Arthur F. Turner Community Library

1212 Merkley Avenue
West Sacramento, California 95691
(916) 375-6465; call for hours
City of West Sacramento

Community Development Department

1110 West Capitol Avenue, 2nd Floor
West Sacramento, California 95691
(916) 617-4645; Mon-Fri 8-5

DTSC – Sacramento Regional Office

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Copies of key technical reports, fact sheets, and other site-related information are available online at DTSC’s Envirostor website: <http://www.envirostor.dtsc.ca.gov/public/>.

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