



NOTICE OF PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

THE DRAFT REMOVAL ACTION WORKPLAN FOR VenVirotek Soil Stockpiles Arvin, California



PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD: September 15, 2010 through October 15 2010

WHAT'S BEING PROPOSED? – The Department of Toxic Substances Control (DTSC) is proposing a cleanup plan for the VenVirotek soil stockpiles site located at the Arvin Sanitary Landfill facility: an inactive landfill, under the management of the Kern County Waste Management Department (KCWMD), located at 5500 North Wheeler Ridge Road in Arvin, California 93203. On behalf of the KCWMD, AMEC Geomatrix, Inc. has prepared a draft Removal Action Workplan (RAW) for the VenVirotek soil stockpiles removal activities to be performed under the oversight of the DTSC. The draft RAW describes in detail the previous investigations and the proposed cleanup activities for the site.

Environmental investigations found concentrations of soluble lead in a portion of one of the soil stockpiles at the former VenVirotek Inc. site, located at the Arvin Sanitary Landfill facility, that exceed hazardous waste criteria. DTSC is approving the KCWMD proposal to treat the soil so the soluble lead concentrations no longer exceed hazardous waste criteria and the soil meets acceptance criteria for use as a foundation material for the landfill during closure. Following the soil treatment soil will be covered by an engineered landfill cover approved by the California Regional Water Quality Control Board.

CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT - NOTICE OF EXEMPTION – DTSC evaluated any possible impacts of the removal action for this project, as required by the California Environmental Quality Act. DTSC has prepared a draft Notice of Exemption (NOE) which states that this removal action will not have significant impacts on the environment. The draft NOE is available for public review, along with other supporting documents.

HOW DO I PARTICIPATE? – This notice is to provide you with the opportunity to provide DTSC with your comments regarding the draft RAW. The 30-day public comment period runs from **September 15, 2010 through October 15, 2010**. DTSC encourages your participation. All comments must be postmarked or received by **October 15, 2010**.

Send your comment to:

Joseph Ernest
DTSC Project Manager
1515 Tollhouse Road
Clovis, California 93611
JErnest@dtsc.ca.gov

WHERE DO I GET MORE INFORMATION? – A copy of the draft RAW, NOE, and other site related documents are available for review at the following Information Repositories locations:

Beale Memorial Library
701 Truxtun Avenue
Bakersfield, California 93301
(661) 868-0701

Arvin Public Library
201 Campus Drive
Arvin, California 93203
(661) 854-5934

Lamont Public Library
8304 Segrue Road
Lamont, California 93241
(661) 845-3471

Kern County Waste Management Department
2700 "M" Street, Suite 500
Bakersfield, California 93301
(661) 862-8810

DTSC File Room
1515 Tollhouse Road
Clovis, California 93611
(559) 297-3901 (Call for an appointment.)

These documents are also on the DTSC website at www.envirostor.dtsc.ca.gov/public. The full administrative file is also available for review at the DTSC Office listed above by appointment only.

CONTACT: If you have any questions or wish to discuss the project, please contact Joseph Ernest, DTSC Project Manager, at (559) 297-3942 or JErnest@dtsc.ca.gov. For public participation activities, contact Veronica Lopez-Villaseñor, DTSC Public Participation Specialist, at (916) 255-3651 or VLopezvi@dtsc.ca.gov. Members of the media should contact Jeanne Garcia, DTSC Public Information Officer, at (818) 717-6573 or JGarcia1@dtsc.ca.gov.