



9.9 CLOSURE PLAN

The closure plan must describe the steps necessary to close the facility at any given time, in the event that the facility is unexpectedly required to begin closure. Therefore, the plan must describe, and be based on, the “maximum extent of operations” and the “maximum inventory of hazardous waste.” The “maximum extent of operations” will typically be equivalent to the maximum proposed or planned design capacity units at the facility.

The closure plan must contain enough detail to enable DTSC to evaluate whether:

- (1) the activities described in the plan adequately protect human health and the environment, and otherwise satisfy the applicable regulatory requirements;
- (2) the conditions assumed in the plan adequately reflect the actual conditions of the facility; and
- (3) the closure cost estimates are consistent with activities described in the plan.

For owners and operators submitting a closure plan as part of Part B application for a new facility, it is recognized that certain closure plan information (e.g., monitoring data, site safety protocol, etc.) may not be available. Therefore, the plan will need to be amended to include this information when it becomes available.

NOTE: For more indepth review of a closure plan the permit writer should follow the steps in the Permit Writer Instructions for Closure of Treatment and Storage Facilities.

Closure plans should be written to reflect, as closely as possible, actual facility conditions at the time of closure and the actual activities to be conducted at closure. However, the plan should also be written in such a manner as to allow some flexibility to accommodate future events that cannot be predicted with certainty. This can be accomplished by including alternative options in the closure plan. When this approach is followed, the closure cost estimate must reflect the highest cost alternative.

APPLICABLE REGULATIONS AND STATUTES

State Laws and Regulations:

Cal. H&S Code, Chapter 6.5
 section 25246 Closure Plan Submittal
 section 25205 Agency Coordination

Title 22, Cal. Code of Regs.

section 66264.110	Applicability
section 66264.111	Closure Performance Standards
section 66264.112	Closure Plan; Amended of Plan
section 66264.114	Disposal or Decontamination of Equipment, Structures and Soils
section 66264.115	Certification of Closure
section 66264.178	Closure Plan for Containers
section 66264.197	Closure Care for Tanks
section 66264.14	Security
section 66264.142	Cost Estimate
section 66264.143	Financial Responsibility
section 66264.147	Liability Insurance

TECHNICAL REFERENCES

Permit Writer Instructions for Closure of Storage and Treatment Facilities.

EXAMPLES OF COMPLETED WORK PRODUCTS

TIMELINE

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