

# Public Notice

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 Statement of Basis For Bio-Rad Laboratories Ready for Public Comment

### Public Comment Period: June 8, 2016 – July 25, 2016

**WHAT IS BEING PROPOSED?** The California Department of Toxic Substances Control (DTSC) invites the public to comment on the Draft Statement of Basis for the proposed cleanup of Bio-Rad Laboratories (Site), 3110 Regatta Boulevard, Richmond, California 94804, during a 45-day public comment period. A Draft Statement of Basis describes the investigations and proposed cleanup activities for the Site. Since 1957, Bio-Rad Laboratories (Bio-Rad) has operated at the Site. Laboratory reagents and products for the biotechnology market place are currently manufactured. A chloroform storage area was on the Site and chloroform and other volatile organic compounds (VOCs) are in soil, groundwater and soil vapor within and west of the former tank farm area. A groundwater extraction and treatment system currently extracts VOCs from groundwater. DTSC determined that cleanup of the groundwater and prevention of soil vapor from moving into the buildings on the property is necessary. Bio-Rad will continue to operate their manufacturing facilities. The proposed remedy includes, surface and groundwater monitoring; modification of an HVAC system; inspection and maintenance of an existing cap; continued operation and maintenance of a groundwater extraction and treatment system; construction of vapor barrier systems for any new buildings construction at the site; and a land use covenant.

**California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA):** DTSC has prepared a Notice of Exemption (NOE) for this project to comply with the California Environmental Quality Act.

**HOW DO I PARTICIPATE?** Review the Draft Statement of Basis and provide comments to DTSC.

**PUBLIC MEETING: June 22, 2016, 6:30 to 8:30 PM, Richmond Field Station, Room 454, Richmond, CA.**

Comments may also be submitted in writing, postmarked or emailed no later than **5:00 p.m. on July 21, 2016:**

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**WHERE DO I GET MORE INFORMATION?** A copy of the Draft Statement of Basis is available at the following locations: **Richmond Public Library, 325 Civic Center Plaza, Richmond, CA 94804, (510) 620-6554**

**DTSC File Room, 700 Heinz Avenue, Berkeley, CA 94710, Call for appointment (510) 540-3800**

**DTSC's Envirostor Website:** <http://www.envirostor.dtsc.ca.gov/public>. Click on "Site/Facility Search" and enter "Richmond" as the City then click "Get Report." Find the "bio-Rad" Site then click on the "Report" link.

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