



Department of Toxic Substances Control



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Dear Community Member;

The Department of Toxic Substances Control (DTSC) is a state regulatory agency that has the responsibility of protecting people from hazardous waste. Part of that work depends on involving communities in decisions that affect them. In our effort to enhance our community outreach, we want to hear your opinions and ideas on how we can communicate with you concerning the Clean Harbors Buttonwillow facility.

Clean Harbors is the current owner and operator of the hazardous waste landfill located at 2500 Lokern Road Buttonwillow, California 93206. Clean Harbors is applying to have its hazardous waste facility permit renewed by DTSC. If the permit is renewed by DTSC, Clean Harbors would be allowed to operate for ten more years as a permitted hazardous waste facility.

We believe it is important to gather information regarding your concerns and ensure you have the opportunity to be a part of our decision making process. To do this, we will be conducting a community survey as well as conducting face to face discussions with members of the community to seek feedback on enhancing our community outreach efforts. We will summarize your concerns into an Enhanced Community Outreach plan, which will be made available to the community in the Spring 2013.

Thank you in advance for filling out and returning the community survey by **January 31, 2013**. If you have any questions regarding this attached community survey, please contact me toll free at (866) 495-5651 or call me directly at (916) 255-3315 or Jesus.Cruz@dtsc.ca.gov. For information on Clean Harbors Buttonwillow, visit our web page at: http://dtsc.ca.gov/HazardousWaste/Projects/Clean_Harbors_Buttonwillow.cfm.

To sign up for automatic email alerts, please visit the web page listed above.

Sincerely,

Jesus Cruz
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