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Notice of Public Comment Period Draft Renewal Standardized Permit for Chico Drain Oil Service, Chico Facility 1618 West 5th Street in Chico, CA

The Department of Toxic Substances Control (DTSC) invites you to review and comment on the Draft Renewal Standardized Permit, Series C (Permit) for the Chico Drain Oil Service – Chico Facility (Chico Drain Oil) at 1618 West 5th Street in Chico. Approval of the Permit will allow Chico Drain Oil to continue operating a hazardous waste storage facility. The facility collects used oil from offsite generators (gas stations, oil changers, auto repair shops, etc.) and consolidates the used oil in two storage tanks at the facility before shipping the used oil to an authorized hazardous waste treatment or disposal facility. Used oil is required to be managed as hazardous waste.

Solid waste contaminated with oil is also generated as the used oil is pumped into the tank through a filter. The solids collected on the filter is placed into a 55-gallon drum and placed into the Drum Storage Area. The Facility also collects waste antifreeze and oily water from offsite generators. Waste antifreeze and oily water are transferred into larger tanker trucks in the loading/unloading area via bulk liquid truck to truck transfer.

In addition to the Draft Permit, DTSC also proposes to issue a Notice of Exemption under the California Environmental Quality Act which is available for public review.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD AND MEETING

The 45-day public comment period for the Draft Permit begins **September 25 and ends on November 10, 2009**. Copies of the Draft Permit, CEQA Notice of Exemption, and supporting documents can be viewed at the information repositories listed on page 3 in this fact sheet. Written and e-mailed comments must be received or postmarked by **November 10, 2009** and sent to:

Mr. Alfred Wong, DTSC Project Manager

Telephone (510) 540-3946
700 Heinz Avenue, Suite 300
Berkeley, California 94710

Please e-mail comments to: awong@dtsc.ca.gov

DTSC will conduct a Public Meeting on October 28, at 6:00 pm., at the Chico Public Library, located at 1108 Sherman Avenue (530) 891-2761, to explain the Draft Permit, address your questions, and accept your comments.



Facility Description

Chico Drain Oil is located within a warehouse building that is partitioned into five different addresses at 1612, 1614, 1616, 1618, and 1620 West 5th Street. The facility also includes the Tank Storage Area and the Loading/Unloading Area located adjacent to the warehouse building. All these structures are situated on a single parcel of land. For the purpose of the Permit, the Facility encompasses the 1618 West 5th Street address, the 1614 West 5th Street address, the Tank Storage area, and the Loading/ Unloading Area. Since the business license issued by the City of Chico to Chico Drain Oil Service, LLC is for the 1618 West 5th Street address, this address will serve as the mailing address of the Facility. The facility has three hazardous waste management units (described below).

Used oil is brought to the facility in tanker trucks. Upon arrival at the facility, the driver checks in with the front office. The facility's back gate is opened and tanker truck drives in and parks in the loading/unloading area. One of the Chico Drain Oil's employees trained to handle the transfer operations then connects a hose from the tanker truck to one of the two storage tanks. The used oil is then pumped from the tanker truck into the storage tanks. When all the used oil has been pumped from the tanker truck to the storage tank, the hose is disconnected and the tank locked. The quantity of used oil unloaded is recorded into the facility's operating record. The facility is locked and the tanker truck departs. A tanker trailer with a capacity of up to 7,000 gallons will come periodically to unload the storage tanks and delivers the used oil authorized treatment or disposal facility.

Hazardous Waste Management Units Authorized in the Permit

Unit 1 – Tank Storage Area

This Unit is comprised of two 10,000-gallon double-walled storage tanks and the concrete slab on which the tanks are situated. The concrete slab measures 24 feet by 64 feet on an elevated, reinforced concrete foundation. This

Unit is within a larger "L"-shaped area surrounded by a 14-inch high wall to provide tertiary containment of any spills or leaks. This Unit and the adjacent unloading/ unloading area (Unit 3) are surrounded by a six foot high chain link fence filled with vertical slats sits topped with 16 inches of razor wire. Only used oil is stored in the 2 storage tanks.

Unit 2 – Drum Storage Area

The Drum Storage Area consists of a 54 inch by 36 inch concrete pad with metal slats to elevate the drum. This area is surrounded by a 3 inch high metal lip to act as secondary containment. The maximum permitted storage capacity of this Unit is one 55-gallon drum. Only solid waste contaminated with oil is stored in this area.

Unit 3 – Loading/Unloading Area

The Unit is approximately 1924 square feet and is "L"-shaped. The longest side is 90 feet long. The entrance to this Unit is 15 wide with a ramp which slopes downward into the Unit. There is a 32 feet by 32 feet area to the north portion. There are also 2 sumps in this Unit. The walls and ramp provide secondary containment for this Unit and has the capacity to hold 19,025 gallons. The total maximum permitted capacity is two tanker trucks/trailers or 14,000 gallons, whichever is less.

DTSC Permitting History

DTSC issued a Permit to Chico Drain Oil to operate the Facility on December 22, 1997. On December 26, 2006, Chico Drain Oil submitted an application to renew its Permit. DTSC determined the application to be administratively complete on March 26, 2007. The Permit expired on December 22, 2007. Chico Drain Oil continues to operate under the expired permit until a permit renewal decision is made.

Why a Permit is Necessary

DTSC regulates the generation, storage, treatment, and disposal of hazardous waste in California. A permit enables DTSC to effectively regulate the hazardous waste management activities at facilities. DTSC is authorized to impose special conditions in this Permit pursuant to Health and Safety Code section 25200(a) and the regulations in California Code of Regulations, title 22, division 4.5, governing tanks, containers, and other facility and operation standards. Permits are developed after DTSC's technical review, and are intended to ensure that the facility operates in a manner that protects human health and the environment.

Enforcement History

DTSC inspects Chico Drain Oil on a regular basis to ensure they are in compliance with California laws, regulations, and the permit conditions. Chico Drain Oil was cited for storage of hazardous waste in an unauthorized location within the facility in August 2006. The case was settled on September 5, 2007. Chico Drain Oil paid a fine and returned to compliance. No other major violations were found during inspections over the past five years.

Inspection reports are available for review at DTSC's regional office located at 700 Heinz Avenue, Berkeley, California 94710.

You can Participate in our Permitting Decisions

DTSC encourages public participation in the decision-making process and invites the public to review and comment on the Draft Permit. Before making a final determination on the Draft Permit, DTSC will review and respond in writing to all public comments received. A Response to Comments document will be sent to all those who submitted public comments and to those who request a copy. A copy of the Response to Comments will also be placed in the information repositories listed below.

Chico Branch Library

1108 Sherman Ave

Chico, California 95926

Phone: (530) 891-2762

The full administrative record is located at:

DTSC Berkeley Office

Records Room

700 Heinz Avenue, Suite 200

Berkeley, California 94710

Phone: (510) 540-2122 (Please call for an appointment)

DTSC Contacts

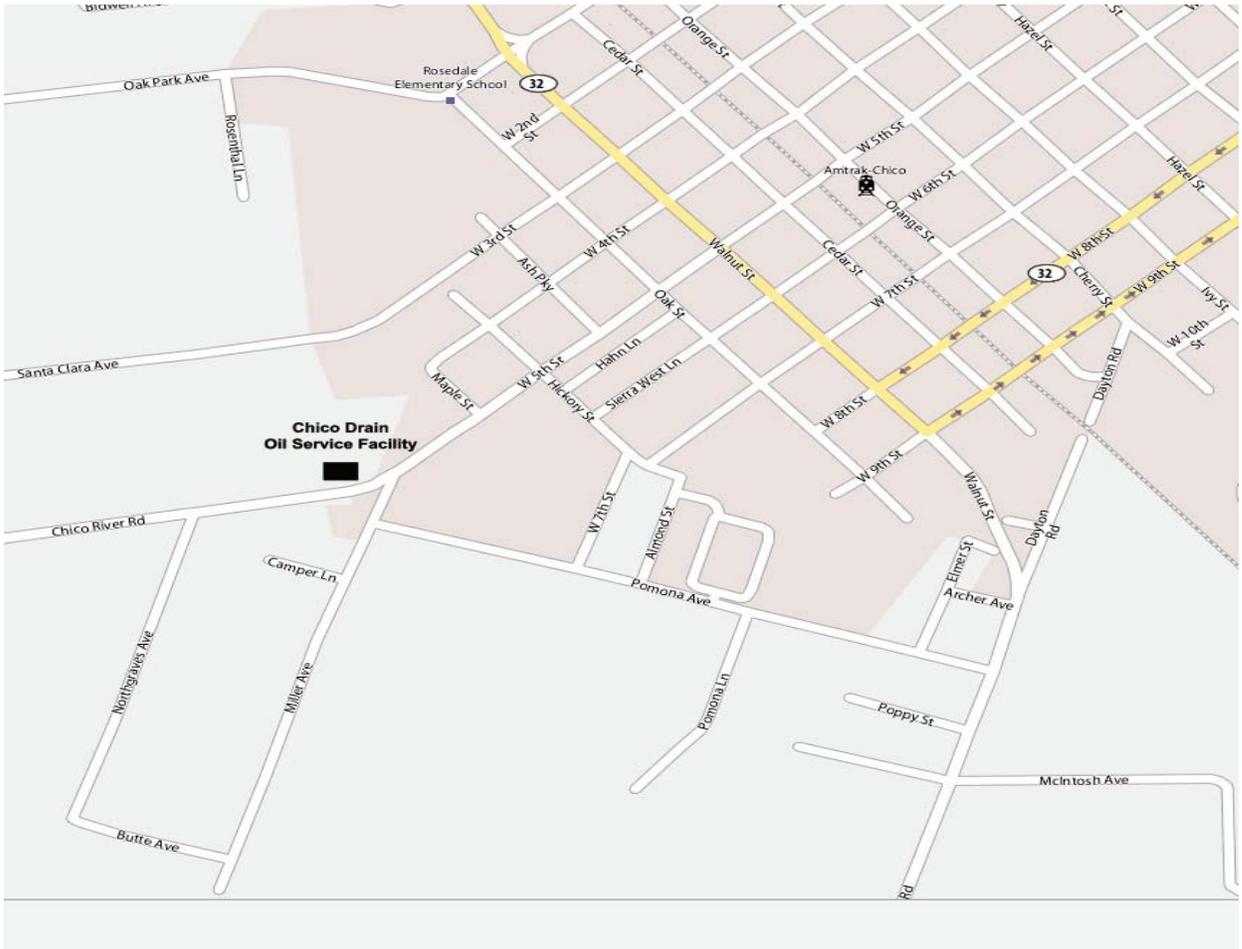
For questions regarding the draft Permit, please contact Mr. Alfred Wong, DTSC Project Manager, at (510) 540-3946 or by e-mail to awong@dtsc.ca.gov.

For questions regarding Public Participation, please contact Mr. Jesus Cruz, Public Participation Specialist, toll-free at (866) 495-5651 or (916) 255-3315 or by e-mail to JCruz@dtsc.ca.gov.

For questions from the media, please contact Ms. Claudia Loomis, DTSC Public Information Officer, at (916) 255-6578 or by e-mail to Cloomis@dtsc.ca.gov.

To view **electronic versions** of the Draft Permit Renewal, CEQA Notice of Exemption and other related documents, please visit DTSC's EnviroStor website: <http://www.envirostor.dtsc.ca.gov/public/>.

Notice to Hearing Impaired Individuals. You can obtain additional information by using the California State Relay Service at: 1-888-877-5378 (TDD). Ask them to contact Jesus Cruz at (916) 255-3651 regarding the Chico Drain Oil Service – Chico Facility project.



Chico Drain Oil Service - Chico Facility—1618 W. 5th Street, Chico, CA

(If you would like to be added or removed from the mailing list for the Chico Drain Oil Service – Chico project, please complete the information below and return to Mr. Jesus Cruz, 8800 Cal Center Drive, Sacramento, CA 95826. You can also e-mail your request to be added or removed from the mailing list by sending a message to JCruz@dtsc.ca.gov.

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Note: While the mailing list is solely for DTSC use, the list is considered a public record.