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DEPARTMENT OF  
TOXIC SUBSTANCES  
CONTROL

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Department of Toxic  
Substances Control is  
to provide the  
highest level of safety,  
and to protect public  
health and the  
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## **Public Comment Period Renewal of Permit Proposed for Chico Drain Oil Service – Fortuna Facility 200 Dinsmore Drive, Fortuna**

The Department of Toxic Substances Control (DTSC) invites you to review and comment on the Draft Renewal Standardized Permit, Series C (Draft Permit) for the Chico Drain Oil Service – Fortuna Facility (Chico Drain Oil) at 200 Dinsmore Drive in Fortuna. 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 one storage tank at the facility before shipping them to a 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.

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 only.

### **Public Comment Period**

The 45-day public comment period for the Draft Permit begins June 30 and ends on August 17, 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 August 17, 2009 and sent to:

Mr. Alfred Wong, DTSC Project Manager  
700 Heinz Avenue, Suite 300  
Berkeley, California 94710

Please e-mail comments to: [awong@dtsc.ca.gov](mailto:awong@dtsc.ca.gov)

For information on Public Participation, please contact Mr. Jesus Cruz toll-free at 1-866-495-5651 or 916-255-3315 or by e-mail to [JCruz@dtsc.ca.gov](mailto:JCruz@dtsc.ca.gov).



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.

### Facility Description

Chico Drain Oil is a permitted hazardous waste storage facility within an industrial park and occupies about 800 square feet of leased land. The facility has two hazardous waste management units (described below) and is setback from the street. The facility is unmanned but is locked at all times. Only Chico Drain Oil employees have access to facility. Upon arrival at the facility, the driver, one of the Chico Drain Oil's employees trained to handle the facility's transfer operations, opens the facility gate and connects a hose from the tanker truck to the tank. The used oil is then pumped from the tanker truck into the storage tank. 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 driver records the quantity of used oil unloaded into the facility's operating record, locks the facility, and leaves. A tanker trailer with a capacity of up to 7,000 gallons will come periodically to unload the storage tank and delivers the used oil to a treatment or disposal facility.

### Hazardous Waste Management Units Authorized in the Permit

#### Unit 1 - Tank Storage Area

The Tank Storage Area measures approximately 30 feet by 9 feet 4 inches and has one hazardous

waste storage tanks. The storage tank has a capacity of 10,000 gallons and is double-walled. The total maximum permitted capacity of this Unit is 10,000 gallons. Only used oil is stored in the tank.

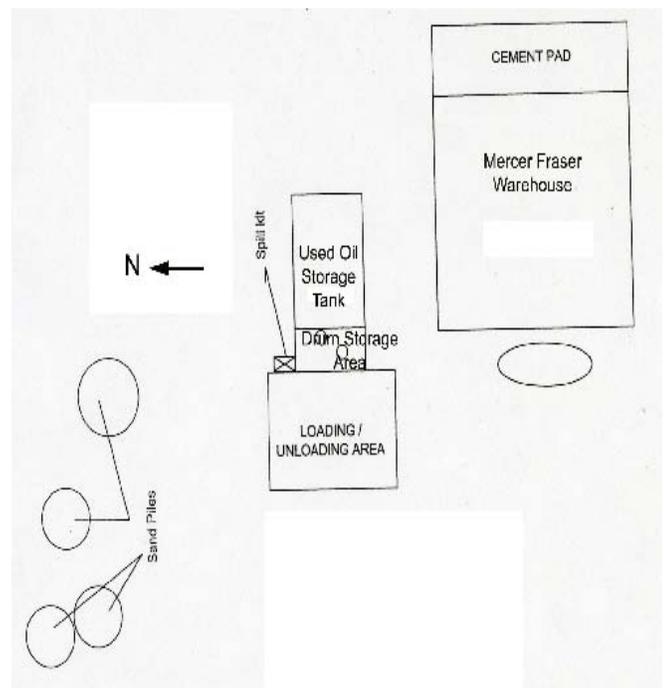
#### Unit 2 - Drum Storage Area

The Drum Storage Area measures 57 inches by 113 inches with a 7-inch high berm. The maximum permitted storage capacity of this Unit is one 55-gallon drum. Only solid waste contaminated with oil is stored in this area.

### DTSC Permitting History

DTSC issued a permit to Chico Drain Oil to operate the facility on December 31, 1997; this permit expired on December 31, 2007. 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. Chico Drain Oil continues to operate under the expired permit at this facility until a permit renewal decision is made.

### Layout of Chico Drain Oil--Fortuna



### **California Environmental Quality Act – Notice of Exemption**

DTSC evaluated any possible environmental impacts associated with the proposed activities of Chico Drain Oil as required by the CEQA. DTSC has prepared a Notice of Exemption which states that the continued operations of the Hazardous Waste Facility would not have any impacts to human health and the environment. The findings are available for review only, along with other supporting documents in the information repositories located on page 3.

### **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. No 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.

### **Fortuna Branch Library**

753 14<sup>th</sup> Street

Fortuna, California 95540

Please call: (707) 725-3460

### **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**

Please contact any of the following individuals with any questions or concerns you may have about this Draft Permit:

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](mailto: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](mailto:JCruz@dtsc.ca.gov).

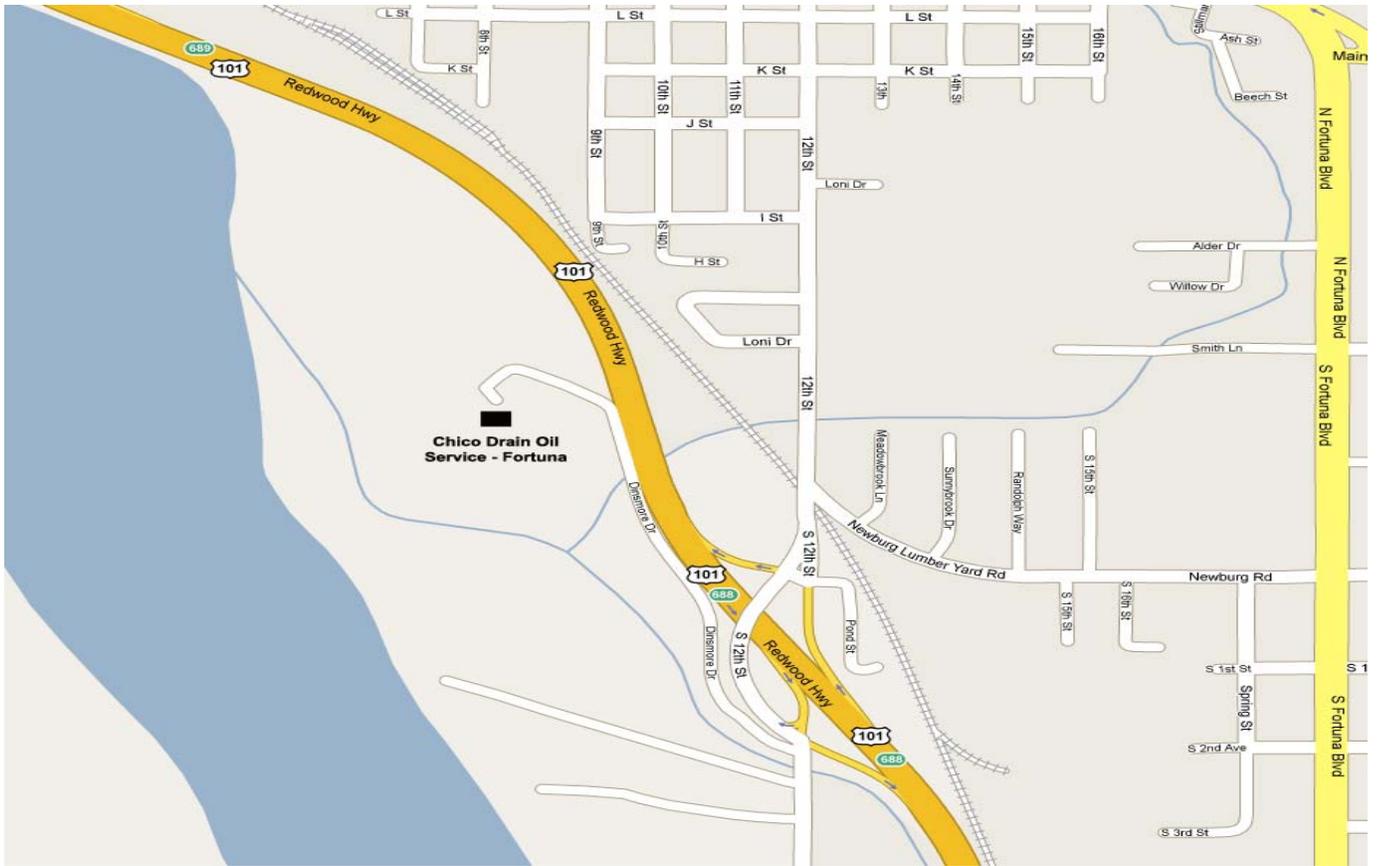
For questions from the media, please contact Ms. Claudia Loomis, DTSC Public Information Officer, at (916) 255-6578 or by e-mail to [Cloomis@dtsc.ca.gov](mailto:Cloomis@dtsc.ca.gov).

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/>. Enter "Fortuna" as the City Click on the link "Report" Chico Drain Oil Service for additional information.

### **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 – Fortuna Facility project.



(above in Black) Chico Drain Oil Fortuna- 200 Dinsmore Drive, Fortuna

If you would like to be added or removed from the mailing list for the Chico Drain Oil Service – Fortuna 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](mailto: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.